

BOARDMAN UTELLUM

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Even the school had a Valentine postoffice Wednesday. Most everyone made use of the mails too. A dandy way to tell people what you think about them.

February is the month of birthdays and is often called the Poets' month. Feb. 24, Ground Hog day; the 11th Edison's birthday; the 12th Lincoln's birthday; the 14th Valentine day and Oregon was admitted into the Union on this same day, 1859. The fiftieth the ship Maine was sunk, the 22d Washington and Lincoln's birthdays, and the twenty-seventh Longfellow's birthday.

On the twenty-second a general assembly will be held to celebrate all of the important dates of this month.

Seventh and Eighth Grades.
 Monday, being the anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln, the Language classes of the seventh and eighth grades spent their study and recitation periods writing the story of his life.

The picture studied by the seventh grade this week was the "Song of the Lark" by Jules Breton and the eighth grade chose "Evangeline" by Faed.

Hector Wicklander spent his manual training period for two days doing repair work on our blackboards. They are very much improved as a result of his labors.

The arithmetic classes this week are giving special stress to the making of statements—telling how the problems should be solved. The eighth grade are reviewing measurements while the seventh grade are studying interest.

The third grade has taken up a new book, "Keep Well Stories."

They say it's very hard to keep well in such cold weather, but will do their best.

Both third and fourth grades have finished process work in arithmetic, and are now solving clothed problems. For language they are learning the Twenty-third Psalm.

First and Second Grades.

The primary room now has several beauty spots on the border above the blackboards. They have falling snow, the flakes being cut from white paper and no two alike.

A typical winter scene, with a hillside, showing children coasting and making snow men.

On a sand table the little tots have a scene representing the arctic regions. This shows the eskimos, their igloos, sledges, dogs, polar bears, and icebergs.

Nor is this all. There are hearts, arrows, cupids to add to the decorations and Valentine day was fittingly observed with a postoffice. Postmistress Mildred Allen, Assistant, Selma Ayers; postmen, Ellis Cahoon, Paul Mead.

Jokes.

Mr. Mulkey in Civics class: "What is meant by 'cannonism'?" Chat: "It's where they mount cannons on the walls of a city."

A notice on the blackboard Monday stated that Student Body Fees were due the tenth. A charge of 3 Pleas a day, will be asked if you don't pay on that date.

The great banker lay on his death bed. Many friends had gathered around him. The attending physician whispered: "I fear he is nearing the great divide." "Tell them not to divide until I get there," whispered the dying man.

land Wednesday morning and reports Mrs. McCoy doing nicely and expected home in a few days.

Mrs. W. E. Alexander's brother from California, with others in the party, are stopping at the Alexander's this week for a few days. They intended going on after a day's visit but decided best to wait until the weather warmed up a little.

C. H. Steward and son, Wayne, have helped J. Bullard dig a well this week.

The government trappers report this is no weather for them. The traps freeze up and accomplish nothing.

A number of teams and trucks are expected to arrive in the next few days to start work on the highway. A pit has been located near C. W. Benefield's ranch.

A POSSIBLE SOLUTION OF THE WORLD'S PROBLEM OF TODAY

Expressed in a few words would be Each of us build a home and let the rest of the world go by.

Much easier said than done. Nearly all of the strife and unrest of today is caused by one person (or group of persons) having what some other person (or group of persons) want.

It makes no difference whether it is between individuals or between nations, the result is the same. Between individuals it causes fights and lawsuits; between different groups of people it causes strikes, lockouts and feuds.

Between nations it causes war.

Germany had a monopoly on certain manufactured goods that England wanted; France had a republican form of government that the military leader of Germany wished to crush. Germany wanted an outlet to the Mediterranean so that she could have a share in the trade of southern Europe, northern Africa, Asia and the Indies. Germany also wanted a freer (easier) access to the granary of Europe (Russia).

Result — The European war, which is far from being settled today, and may not be settled for years.

A nation of home builders and home lovers is not a warring nation. Switzerland, a home loving nation, is seldom mixed up in war, while England (The British Isles) a nation of factories and world rovers, is usually a member in all wars of any consequence.

A home builder is for the betterment of himself and those around him.

A manufacturer is for the dollar, which he gets by outguessing, or beating, the other fellow, much after the fashion of a person that tries to live by the use of his wits without producing anything.

The manufacturer produces, but he must beat the other fellow to market.

The farm is the natural and only home colonization. Remove men from the farm and civilization dies. Remove man from the farm and the fifth generation is unknown, and even the third generation is very rare (scarce).

But, the farmer of today, under the present method is but little better than a slave. Why? Because when he buys anything he must pay whatever the manufacturer asks, when he sells anything he must take whatever the middle man, or jobber, is willing to pay.

By each farmer growing one product mostly, be it corn, wheat, hay, or livestock, or any of the other agricultural products, he has but the one chance to make good, and even at that, when he does produce a crop that has a market, he must turn around and pay out all he made for what he must buy.

I claim that the general farmer has a very much better chance to make a decent living (without working the extremely long hours that

many farmers are in the habit of doing). Because: By raising a variety of products he is nearly always sure to have a ready market for some of them, and the other will make feed for his livestock.

Have a variety of products and sell the ones that fit the market best. (Keeping a few of the best, that you may produce still better, in place of selling the best and finally having scrub stock to produce from).

In proportioning a 40-acre tract I would suggest at least 15 acres of timber, two and a half acres of orchard, two and a half acres for buildings, runways, pens, lawn and berries. The balance of the place I would divide into eight equal fields, on which I would practice crop rotation, beginning with corn, followed by truck (consisting of potatoes, sweet corn, cabbage, tomatoes, and other vegetables), then wheat which would in turn be followed by oats or rye, and seeded to grass, this would furnish hay the following two seasons, then it would be turned to pasture for cows and horses, and the following season it would be pastured by sheep and hogs. Then back to corn. I would have the planting of the fields so arranged that no two of the fields would be in the same stage of rotation the same year.

The timber (wood lot) would go a long way toward solving the post, lumber and fuel problem of the nation. Our forest resources are fast becoming exhausted and without lumber civilization dies. With the large forests disappearing, we must look to the farm wood-lot for our future lumber supply, much after the fashion of France, Belgium or Germany. They plant a new tree each year for each one cut down.

What we need is not more laws to curb the existing trusts and corporations, but a system under which they will become unnecessary. Then, and then only, will the producers be free of the strangle-hold which the financiers have upon them.

GRATTON L. HOFFMAN,
 Boardman, Oregon

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, Jan. 31, 1923.

Notice is hereby given that Charles H. Weech of Boardman, Oregon, who, on Oct. 31, 1919, made Homestead Entry No. 021089, for NW 1/4 SW 1/4, being Unit "E" Umattilla Project, Section 14, Township 4 North, Range 25 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make three year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before C. G. Blayden, United States Commissioner, at Boardman, Oregon, on the 14th day of March, 1923.

Claimant names as witnesses: Ray L. Brown, Thomas Miller, Leo Kuizner, W. H. Gilbreth, all of Boardman, Oregon.

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Shakespeare says of "Salcswork" — "work or things made for SALE; hence, work carelessly done."

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