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HOW TO GAIN ALL:—Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.—Matt. 6:33.

**A NEED FOR HOMES**

As is the situation in almost every community today, there is a pressing need in Ashland for more homes. Not only is there a need for more homes, but when considered from the standpoint of duty there should be more homes. The logical thinker does not emit a cry for more implements of pleasure. But, he does cry for more homes and better homes.

The good home and the true home is really a shrine. It is one of the foundation stones upon which our nation is constructed. So long as the homes of America are all that the word home implies, just so long will America be safe and continue to advance materially and morally.

Many do not build homes because they think they can beat home owning with the rent game. Others postpone the construction of homes because they believe they can beat the building game. Still others go through life the tenants of some other man because they fail to realize the true happiness of owning a home. All are mistaken. It is cheaper to own your own home in the average American community than it is to rent. In addition there is a sense of security, a feeling of real happiness that comes from the shelter of a home which you own not enjoyed while living under the roof owned by another.

The man who believes he can beat the building game—postpone building for a year or two—is laboring under erroneous ideas. It is probable that the next few years will witness a slight decline in the cost of the materials that enter into the construction of a home, but it will be only a slight decrease and in no case will it be an amount sufficient to effect a saving over the amount paid out in rent. Assume that within two years the cost of building materials show a decline of 15 per cent, and that you save that amount on a home costing \$4000.00. You will have effected a saving of \$600.00, yet during the two years you will have paid out approximately that amount in rent. It is not reasonable to assume that there will be a decline of more than 10 per cent in the cost of building materials, in which event the saving would be only \$400.00.

The husband and wife who believe that there is as much happiness living in a rented home as there is in a home of their own deserve pity. Living in your own home makes a happy family, gives greater financial independence, and builds an incentive to improve that home. Owning your own home may also entail some sacrifice, but once you are started it will prove a sacrifice of love, and develop a characteristic that will aid in owning more than a home.

Statistics prove that of the appalling number of divorcees granted during a year a large majority are given to those who are not home owners. The paying for a home affords another common cause; it becomes a joint inspiration, and once it is achieved the husband and wife rejoice in a victory won through joint efforts and through joint sacrifice.

**DEVELOPING OREGON**

A. S. Dudley, who will probably be dubbed "Uncle Dud" in a friendly way before he has been in Oregon six months, came up from Portland yesterday and proceeded to delve into Union county's problems with a view of laying them before the state chamber of commerce for solution. He is a thorough man with a penchant for getting at the heart of things. What he can do, or what the state chamber can do, remains to be seen, but we are willing to have them try and to help them to try.

Oregon can no longer sit back on her haunches and believe that everything will work out all right. It is going to take some effort on the part of the people, and just to the extent that effort is exerted so will success crown the combined effort to get more people in Oregon to change from wheat and cattle almost exclusively to crops that will bring the money and cause lesser acreage and greater production with a profitable market. Mr. Dudley told the story of California's success, and then he very properly called attention to the fact that California was not equipped with anything like the good things which Oregon can offer. He told how the desert and shortage of water, together with malaria and mosquitoes, in the Sacramento country, had to be overcome before the settlers started, yet all these were overcome and Sacramento has an influx of new people. He told how Los Angeles is the magnet that attracts, but he also mentioned the hundreds of

people who are selling out in Los Angeles county at a profit and seeking new locations. The successful pioneer is the best prospect for Oregon's settlement campaign and it is this class that he proposes working on. All of these things are patent facts and can be verified. This state will not get results in a day or a month, but we are now fairly started, thanks to Portland, on a persistent campaign which will plow the field from one end to the other. "Uncle Dudley's" visit to La Grande was worth while. He is a man who knows his business.—La Grande Observer.

**THE WATER QUESTION**

Discussion of the Ashland water situation occupied considerable time of the council Tuesday night. Everybody expressed themselves as in favor of more water, but there was considerable difference of opinion as to the proper means of accomplishing it.

There seems to be two main plans under consideration. One to increase the capacity of the present reservoirs and possibly construct more intakes up the canyon and the other to make a deal with the Talent Irrigation District, for a supply of water from the Hyatt prairie reservoir and bring the supply into the city by open ditches.

It is understood that Engineer Waker announced himself as in favor of the Hyatt prairie supply while some Councilmen were just as insistent on increasing the reservoir capacity up the canyon.

The question of method is a big one. There is good argument against putting water from open ditches into our domestic mains. The cost to establish an extra pipe system for irrigation would be as much or more than the expense of raising the reservoirs and building more, if necessary, up the canyon.

The Tidings would like an expression of the people on the subject. Upon one proposition everybody seems to be satisfied—the need of an adequate water supply of pure, wholesome domestic water—only on the proper method to attain it is there any difference of opinion.

The question is, how should the administration go about the augmentation of the water supply?

The Forum column of the Tidings is open to all citizens for discussion of the problem. Which plan should the council carry out, or have you one better than either yet proposed? Express your ideas plainly and briefly and the Tidings will be pleased to print them.

**THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES**

Monday, September 17, marked the one hundred and thirty-sixth anniversary of the adoption of the Constitution of the United States. To commemorate the event, and with a view to bringing American citizens closer to that historic document this is known as "Constitution Week."

Only the close students of history realize the difficulties under which the Constitution was drafted and adopted. When the delegates assembled in Philadelphia in May, 1887, the confederation of states had been determined a failure, both at home and abroad. During the weeks that ensued the situation was charged with bitterness and suspicion, and many bitter verbal assaults ensued between the delegates. But from that scene described almost as despairing came one of the greatest documents of all time, so declared by many of the world's leading statesmen.

It is meet that every citizen of the United States give observance to the historical event and document, and there is no better way to give that observance than to reaffirm and pledge our allegiance to it.

To revere and respect the Constitution is to obey it.

**SOCIETY**

MRS. GRACE E. ANDREWS, Editor

Phone items to her at 345-R, between 10 A. M. and 2 P. M. and evenings.

**Civic Club Meets**

September the eighteenth marked the second meeting of the Civic Club. Promptly at 2:30 P. M. the President, Mrs. Wright called the Club to order.

Miss Blanche Hicks was elected the new recording secretary. Much routine business was disposed of at this session. One of the pleasing little things was the letter from Mrs. Harding's secretary, expressing her appreciation for the flowers given.

The opening number of the program, two songs "My Dear Jerusha" and "The Gingerbread Man" were sung most sympathetically by Mrs. V. Hillis of Medford, with Mrs. Geo. Andrews at the piano.

In compliance to repeated requests, "I Passed Your Window" was beautifully rendered.

Following the musical numbers, Mrs. W. M. Foley and Mrs. F. D. Wagner appeared in "Words", a one word, one act drama in two scenes.

This was a playlet, where valuations were expressed in single words.

It was an old-world drama of the eighteenth century, in which Lord and Lady Darlington have their first quarrel.

The cause and the cure are graphically portrayed.

The setting and costumes were wonderfully realistic.

Altogether it was a delightful little play and delightfully played. Through the scenes Mrs. Galey played appropriate melodies.

In closing, Mrs. Hillis sang so pleasingly, "Bells of St. Mary's" and that lovely little poem "Trees," the music of which was so particularly in keeping.

The large number in attendance was most appreciative of the program given and voiced their appreciation most heartily.

The hostesses were Mrs. V. V. Mills, Mrs. J. Finneran, and Mrs. W. E. Blake.

Mrs. P. S. Provost and Mrs. Blake presided at the tea table.

**Call-Smith**

Formal announcement is made of the marriage of Miss Bertha B. Smith and Mrs. Francis Call, at the Catholic Rectory, Tuesday, September the eighteenth, at ten o'clock; Father A. J. Carmody, officiating.

The happy couple left immediately on a wedding trip that will include a visit at Portland, and at Tacoma. From Tacoma they will go to Bellingham, Washington, their future home.

Miss Smith has lived in Ashland for most of her life, has graduated from Ashland High, and has a host of friends that wish for her every happiness in her new home.

Mr. Call is well known in Ashland, having held a position with the Norton Company as bookkeeper for some time. At present he has a fine position in Bellingham, where the young people will go immediately to house-keeping.

Mr. Call is to be congratulated in winning this young girl to share his future and good wishes are extended for their happiness.

**First Circle in H. S. Formed**

Monday evening, the first Circle of the P. T. A. was formed at H. S. It is planned to have Circles at each building, all coordinating in the winter's plans for the various P. T. A. activities.

The officers elected were Mrs. Louis Schwein, president; Miss Blum-entfield, vice president; and Mrs. Fred Neil, secretary-treasurer.

Mr. Briscoe and Mr. Forsythe gave short addresses on the curriculum; on the local, state and college requirements.

Informal discussion followed, by those interested, on H. S. work, in general.

There was keen interest manifest and a good attendance at this initial meeting of the year.

**C. E. Social at Presbyterian Church**

The C. E. Society of the Presbyterian Church will have their business meeting and Social on Friday evening of this week in the Church parlors.

One of the important things to come before the Society is the election of officers for the ensuing year. A good attendance is hoped for, as this is quite an important meeting.

All old members and the incoming members are urged to be present on Friday evening.

**The Fountains Leave This Week**

Mention has been made of Dr. Claude Fountain's investigation of the acoustic problems of Chautauqua Building, and much interest centers in his findings.

Mrs. Fountain and little daughter Margaret, accompanied him here for the visit with relatives.

It will be remembered that their eight year old daughter, Betty, came as a representative of the family to be present at the family reunion in June.

The Fountain's live in Macon Ga., where Dr. Fountain occupies the Chair of Physics at the University.

Dr. Fountain's research work is very well known.

**Luncheon in Grants Pass**

Mrs. C. B. Lamkin, Mrs. Ross, Mrs. Charles Robertson, and little Margaret and Mrs. C. F. Koehler motored to Grants Pass Monday to attend a Missionary Conference at the Church there.

They were entertained at luncheon at which there were forty guests present. Toasts were given on the various phases of the work in which all were interested.

The ladies of the Grants Pass Church were hostesses at this luncheon, after which, the business meeting was held.

At the business meeting which followed, Mrs. Gaston, of Grants Pass and Mrs. Angell of Phoenix, were appointed delegates to the Synodical meeting, held in Albany, October the 18th.

On their return to Ashland, the ladies visited at the Mc Claren home at Rogue River.

There they enjoyed a feast of watermelon, such as only this Rogue River ranch can produce.

**P. T. A. of Bell View Meet**

The P. T. A. of Bellview will meet Friday evening of this week. At this time the complete organization will be effected and new names added to the membership.

The meetings are planned for the evening, that the men may be present and have a part in the organization.

A short program is arranged, in which the little ones will appear in pretty folk-dances. There will be several musical numbers and short talks will be given by the president, Mrs. Mary Homes-Tucker, and Mrs. Kenneth McWilliams, the principal of Bellview School.

The Executive Committee are hostesses for this meeting. Cake and coffee will be served, and the evening will be largely devoted to getting acquainted and having just such a good social time as that for which Bellview is famed.

**Kindly Words for our Park**

Few outsiders have more appreciative words for our attractive city and its beautiful Lithia Park than Mrs. P. D. Black and son Harold C. Black of Seattle.

The Blacks are very much of globe trotters, having off and on traveled extensively, not only in Europe, but also the Orient and know unhappy Japan like a book.

After the visit of Mrs. Black and her son to Ashland this summer, her father, Professor H. G. Gilmore received a letter, containing many encomiums, and from which we quote the following excerpt: "Ashland, indeed is a highly favored town, with its many natural advantages of view and climate. Before Harold and I left your town we drove once more thru Lithia Park, which is lovelier than ever. Indeed all of Oregon that we saw is one beautiful park and garden."

It was a very fine trip and we are still brown as berries in consequence thereof.

From the foregoing, it will be seen that Mrs. Black shares her father's enthusiasm in Ashland and its surroundings.

**Miss James Inspects W. R. C.**

Miss Myra James, President of the Department of Oregon of the W. R. C. inspected the work of the Burnside Corps Tuesday afternoon.

Miss James expressed herself as being very much pleased with the work as demonstrated.

The Social hour was one of thorough enjoyment and at its close, light refreshments were served.

Miss James attended the National Convention at Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

**COUGH DISTURBS SCHOOL WORK**

School teachers should give the same advice to children who have coughs as did this Florida teacher. "I recommended FOLEY'S HONEY AND TAR to the children in my school who had the 'flu' and good results came whenever it was used," writes Mrs. L. Armstrong, Okechobee, Florida.

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and is on her way home to Newport. She was the guest of Mrs. Lulu Howard while in Ashland and her impression of Ashland was a most pleasant one.

Miss James is inspecting all the Corps of So. Oregon on her way home. Those with whom she has come in contact, are impressed with her efficiency, her gracious and pleasing personality, and anticipate with pleasure her next visit to the Corps.

**Rebekah Celebration**

The seventy-second anniversary of the Rebekah Degree will be celebrated this evening at the Odd-Fellows Hall at eight o'clock.

This celebration is for the Rebekahs, Odd-Fellows and their families and will be made an occasion long to be remembered by those present.

Committees have been appointed to have charge of the various activities for the evening.

Mrs. Louise Peruzzi is head of the Reception Committee, Mrs. Norma Reeder, of the Program, Mrs. Frank Jordan the Refreshments, and Mr. L. A. Roberts, of the Dancing Committees.

It is expected that the Grand Warden of the Rebekah Assembly of Oregon, Miss Myria James, will be in attendance.

A short program is arranged. There will be one act comedy and several musical numbers.

Dancing is provided for amusement and of course most satisfying refreshments are planned.

A most delightful meeting is anticipated.

**A Pleasant Surprise**

Mrs. W. B. Rohrer was tendered a very pleasant surprise Tuesday afternoon, September the eighteenth, by a number of friends, the occasion being her birthday anniversary.

At the close of a very happy afternoon, delicious refreshments were served.

The following were the guests who shared with the one surprised the delightful visit: Mrs. Shoudy, Mrs. Morgan of Albany, Mrs. B. C. Miller, Mrs. T. J. Anderson, Mrs. Lulu Wil-

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son, Miss Janette Wilson, Mrs. H. O. Anderson, Mrs. Laura Channell, Mrs. Ella Oxford, Mrs. Alice Gilmore, Luella Gale Worsham of Medford, and Joe Rohrer.

**Dinner Party**—A most delightful dinner was given Tuesday evening at six o'clock, with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hicks as gracious host and hostess, in their home on North Main.

Mr. A. J. Mitchell was the complimented guest, a special friend of the family who is here from San Francisco, his home.

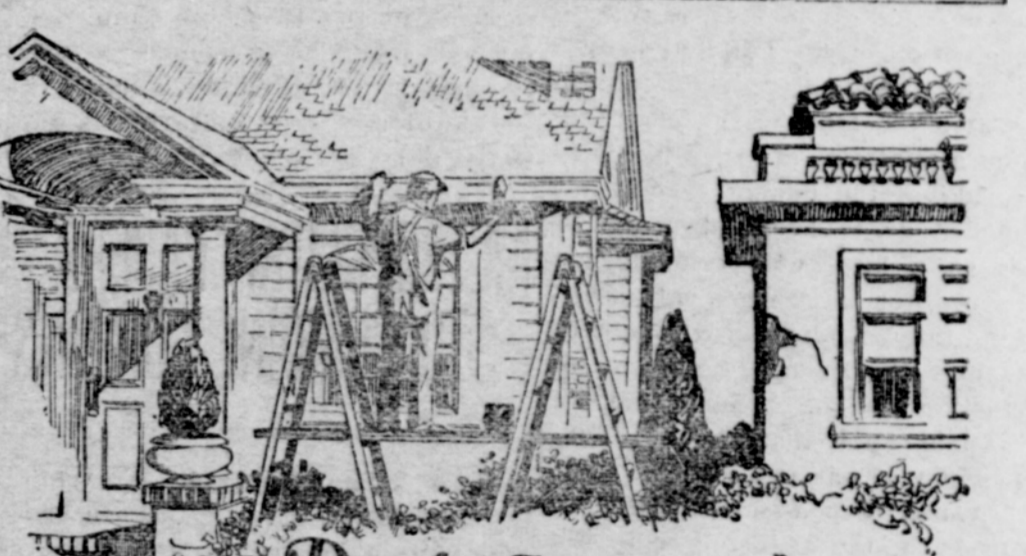
Those who were invited to meet him were Mr. Fred Pinkerton, Mr. Tom Moran, Mrs. Jennie Gray, and Mrs. Blanche Hicks.

A social evening followed, in which old friends shared happy reminiscences and mutual memories.

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