

## A SOCIAL ORGANISM

Such is Cottage Grove and Every Other Community.

### CITY AND RURAL RELATIONS

The Interests of All So Interwoven that Every Person Profits by Loyalty to the Community as a Whole—Some Thoughts Worthy of Consideration.

The simple barbarism of primitive man made each individual almost wholly independent of his fellows, except as they might have to unite for defense against attack from a common enemy. Modern society represents an entirely different condition. Independence has been succeeded by interdependence. The complex conditions of modern life make the individual more and more dependent on his fellow men. This increases the necessity for clearer recognition of the benefits that each derives from all. The things without which life in the country in these enlightened days would be a dreary existence—roads, schools, churches, libraries, electric cars, telephones, rural free delivery, and everything that combines to make up the social life—especially in the smaller cities, towns and villages within reach of farm homes, cannot be enjoyed unless the community co-operates to create and maintain them.

Hence the community as a whole, in so far as its relations to all these things are necessary for enjoyment, as a community is concerned, must be treated as one entire and individual social organism. Anything that increases its strength and wealth and the number of people composing it, increases in a like degree its power to serve the wants and needs of all as a community.

Consequently everything that can be done by every member of the community to promote its general prosperity and healthy growth and improvement should be done from a purely selfish standpoint, if from no other. Each member of necessity participates in the increased property values, increased prosperity and general wealth and increased social and educational advantages. This is true of the dwellers in the adjacent country, on the farms, just as much as those living in the midst of the town that is the center of social activity for the entire section. The spirit of co-operation and mutual helpfulness for the common benefit, in which all must participate should include the farmers as well as the town dwellers. The isolation and deadly monotony of the old farm life has filled the insane asylums and driven countless thousands of young men and women away from home to failure and a life of unhappiness and disappointment in the cities. These terrible drawbacks to farm life have been done away with in any modern rural community by uniting the farms and town into one loyal whole as a community co-operating for the welfare of all. The telephone, the rural free delivery, the consolidated school, good roads and neighbors and the entire social life of the town where the farmer should trade are the new influences to make farm life the happiest life in the world. But to enjoy these benefits the farmer must be one of the community, and in exact proportion that all who comprise it co-operate stronger and weld it together more closely and keep its accumulated capital and its trade at home just to that extent will each enjoy the increased benefits resulting from such a policy of loyalty to the home community.

All should work together for the improvement of the schools, the establishment of libraries, halls and churches, the improvement of roads, the establishment of new industries and increased prosperity of those already established, and everything that human activity can do to make a better environment for a fully rounded out complete and happy human life.

### REDUCING OBLIGATIONS.

Financial Affairs of Pacific Company in Better Condition.

The financial affairs of the Pacific Lumber Company, which, practically speaking, failed in business here about four years ago, are being quite rapidly adjusted. It will be remembered that Ladd & Tilden, Portland financiers, backed the enterprise to the tune of approximately \$150,000, and that they took over the holdings, or a part thereof, to satisfy their claims. Mr. M. Anderson, who is in charge of the affair here, has liquidated about \$70,000 of this indebtedness from sales of the Pacific's property and thinks the entire obligation will be wiped out within a reasonable length of time.

The lumbering concern still has several tracts of timber in this locality, and the increased valuation of this over four years ago will augur materially to its benefit.

Mrs. W. H. Abrams is in Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Abrams will not move to Eugene. They have rented their handsome new residence there to Prof. Stafford.



DR. F. A. COOK'S WIFE AND CHILDREN.

Mrs. Cook, wife of the pole explorer, declares she never had any doubt that her husband would reach the north pole, and when she heard that Commander Peary also had been to the top of the world she expressed herself as being very glad. She believes there is glory enough for both of the daring explorers in the achievement. When she received the report that Dr. Cook had reached the pole and was on his way home she was in Maine, but hurried at once with her two little girls to the home of relatives in Brooklyn.

### MAN IN ISOLATION.

He Is of Little Consequence and Is a Barrier to Progress.

It is not an easy thing for a man to separate himself from the thought and activity and purpose of the community in which he lives and to pursue an isolated, disconnected and selfish part. He can't do it, indeed, and if he tries it he will only reduce himself to a cipher or stumbling block. The community will get on somehow, for it must, but if it has many members of this kind it will be dull, heavy and unprogressive.

Man in isolation is of little consequence, next to nothing. His association with others, the inspiration he receives from others, draw out his own powers. "The state," to this day, as Plato conceived it, remains "a product of mind." Out of the action and interaction of currents of mind, affected and even directed by variant views or opinions, comes the whole progress of man, of society, of the human race. We want what Burke described as "that action and counteraction which in the natural and political world, from the reciprocal struggle of discordant powers, draw out the harmony of the universe."

The most isolated man cannot separate himself from the situation he lives in. If such isolation were general or could be general it would be the negation of civilization.—Portland Oregonian.

### SUBMARINE RIVERS.

Cold Water Currents Flowing Along the Deep Sea Bottom.

The bottom currents of seas and oceans, such as those which possibly bring amber to our shores, are strangely disposed. The seigneur of Sark some fifty years ago was shipwrecked in his yacht near the island of Guernsey. He lost, among other things, a well fastened, strongly made chest containing silver plate. It was found a year later in deep water off the coast of Norway and restored to him.

In the really deep sea over a thousand fathoms down there are well marked broad currents which may be described as rivers of very cold water (only 4 degrees or so above freezing point). They flow along the deep sea bottom and are sharply marked off from the warmer waters above and to the side. Their inhabitants are different from those of the warmer water. They are due to the melting of the polar ice, the cold water so formed sinking at once owing to its greater density below the warmer water of the surface currents.

These deep currents originate in both the arctic and antarctic regions.—Sir Ray Lankester in London Telegraph.

### Habit From the Dungeon.

Convicts who were forced to drag about a ball and chain at the galleys could often be detected when released by their habit of trailing one foot after the other. John Boyle O'Reilly, condemned to convict life in Australia for his Fenian sympathies, had also in after years a habit which told a like sad story. One who knows him said:

"When walking abstractedly and mechanically he always went a short distance and then retraced his steps, no matter how wide a stretch he had before him. It was always three paces forward, turn and three paces back, exactly like the restless turning of a lion in a cage. One day I asked him, 'Boyle, what was the length of your cell when you were in prison—how many paces?'"

"Three," he said. "Why do you ask?" "Because when you are absentminded you always walk three paces forward and then retrace your steps."

### A Lesson in Physiology.

The school superintendent was in the habit of dropping in to the different class rooms and demanding a recital of lessons from the pupils. One day her active mind hit upon physiology as the study for examination.

It happened that the teacher did herself not like the study of the human anatomy and therefore had not drilled her scholars as she should have

done. But the little girl to whom the first question was put so bewildered the superintendent and made her lose her patience that there were no more questions of a similar nature asked.

"Tell me," said the superintendent, "what a skeleton is."

"The little girl thought for a short time. 'A skeleton?'" she asked. "A skeleton? Why, a skeleton is a man with his insides out and his outsides off."—New York Times.

### Father's Revenge.

"Here is a telegram from papa," says the eloping bride. "He says for us to come right home and live with him and mamma."

"I didn't think he would be so vindictive as all that," sighs the eloping bridegroom.—New York Life.

### Registration of Land Title.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Lane County.

In the Matter of the Application of Thomas C. Wheeler to Register the Title to the Following Described Premises, to-wit:

Beginning at a point 1270.25 feet, North from the South East corner of the James H. McFarland D. L. C. No. 58, and running thence W 27 7-12 feet, thence South 380 3-4 feet, thence North 88 degrees and 30 minutes West 228.2 feet, thence North 50 minutes East 803.55 feet, thence West 89 feet, to the center of the Coast Fork River, thence by meander down the center of said river, North 42 degrees and 30 minutes East, 305 feet, thence North 16 degrees and 30 minutes East 420 feet, thence North 23 degrees East, 210 feet, thence North 13 degrees East 500 feet, thence North 7 degrees East 470 feet, to the intersection of the Donation line between the D. L. Claims No. 58 and No. 59, thence South on the Donation line between said D. L. Claims 2195.50 feet to the point of beginning, containing 14.5 acres, more or less, all in Section 28, Tp 20, S. R. 3 West of W. M. in Lane County, Oregon.

VS.  
All to Whom it may Concern.  
Take Notice, that on the 10th day of September, A. D. 1909, an application was filed by said Thomas C. Wheeler, in the Circuit Court of Lane County, for initial registration of the title of the land above described.

Now unless you appear on or before the 16th day of October, A. D. 1909, and show cause why such application shall not be granted, the same will be taken as confessed, and a decree will be entered according to the prayer of the application and you will be forever barred from disputing the same.

Witness my hand and seal of said Circuit Court this 10th day of September, A. D. 1909. E. U. LEE, [Seal] County Clerk.

A. H. KING,  
Applicant's Attorney.  
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
United States Land Office, Roseburg, Oregon, Sept. 20, 1909.—Notice is hereby given that Edward J. Frasier, legal assignee of Sophia Strunk, widow of Elias D. Strunk, of Eugene, county of Lane, State of Oregon, has on August 28th, 1909, filed in this office his application under Section 2306 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, to enter the south one-half of the southeast quarter of section 8, T. 19 S., R. 7 W., W. M. Any and all persons claiming adversely the lands described, or desiring to object because of the mineral character of the land, or for any other reason, to the disposal to the applicant, should file their affidavits of protest in this office, on or before the 6th day of November, 1909. BENJAMIN L. EDDY, Register.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
United States Land Office, Roseburg, Oregon, September 29, 1909.—Notice is hereby given that Edward J. Frasier, legal assignee of William H. H. Thompson of Eugene, Lane county, State of Oregon, has on August 28, 1909, filed in this office his application under Section 2306 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, to enter the south half of the southwest quarter of section 8, T. 19 S., R. 7 W., W. M. Any and all persons claiming adversely the lands described, or desiring to object because of the mineral character of the land, or for any other reason, to the disposal to the applicant, should file their affidavits of protest in this office on or before the 6th day of November, 1909. BENJAMIN L. EDDY, Register.

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