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Paragraphs on the Baby

There are all kinds of babies.

There are good babies and bad babies, squalling babies and smiling babies, pretty babies and homely babies, smart babies and dull babies, your own babies and your neighbors' babies.

The good babies, pretty babies, smiling babies and smart babies are usually your own. The bad babies, squalling babies, homely babies and dull babies are always your neighbors'.

There is nothing quite so cute as the things your own baby says, but the things your neighbor's baby says are really tiresome and quite commonplace.

Without babies, fathers and mothers would be out of a job and Roosevelt would be shorn of one of his pet hobbies.

There is no real home where is unknown the patter of little feet, the artless prattle of baby tongues and childhood's happy laugh that springs from innocent and care-free hearts.

As some author has said, "children are the link between heaven and man," and no home can be forever happy without these little cherubs—those whose lips lisp the cute little things that parents like to tell the neighbors.

Babies are delicate little tendrils and easily bruised. Deal with them gently and carefully.

Babies are the sunshine of life and no clouds should be allowed to come in and shut off the light.

Childhood has no forebodings. The simple faith of childhood would be worth much to many of maturer years.

Children are human mirrors, in which are reflected the conditions of the home.

Babies are told so much nonsense that the wonder is that they ever grow up to an intelligent citizenship.

A person that is a fit associate for his children need have no fear of hell.

One who enjoys the companionship of innocent children can not be wholly deprived nor irretrievably lost.

Babies are little human morning glories that spring from the soil of love, climb up the telliswork of affection, entwine themselves about the hearts of the parents and send out the little feelers, the little clingers, that reach from one heart to the other, drawing the two closer and closer together, twining and intertwining about them until they become one common mass and are indeed two hearts that beat as one.

EXAGGERATIONS ARE IN JURIOUS.

Nothing hurts any city, district, country or enterprise like exaggerating upon its advantages, opportunities, profits, etc.

Last week The Cottage Grove Leader copied an article which had appeared in the Eugene Register about a month previous giving an account of a meeting of the North Fairview stockholders at Eugene. This article spoke of the "fabulous" wealth of the North Fairview, and also stated that the West Coast property "has been milling \$800 a day since June, 1910."

Such statements as these are preposterous and would not be made by anyone at all familiar with conditions in the Bohemia district.

The Sentinel has not asked, but it fears no contradiction when it says that not a single stockholder in the North Fairview would make the statement that it has "fabulous" gold deposits. It probably has rich deposits—ore that will pay a big profit, but "fabulous" is not the descriptive word that should be used.

As regards the other statement about the West Coast. A mill running steady and stamping out \$800 a day from June, 1910, to January 1 1912, would produce approximately \$450,000. Within the past month The Leader and Register have published statements that the entire output for the whole state of Oregon for 1911 was only \$599,235—and the West Coast is just one property of hundreds being operated in the state, many producing far more than this one.

The West Coast properties are good ones, are paying good dividends and may see the day when they will average \$800 a day, or more, for that matter, but they did not come anywhere near it from June, 1910 to January 1, 1912.

Cut out the exaggerated, fabulous

statements. Plain facts are good enough, and are often hard to believe.

Some papers think Gov. West's good roads propaganda is being used to pave his way for re-election. The Sentinel is not for Governor Oswald, but if he should be re-elected, it would give us pleasure to see the race run on macadamized roads from one end of the state to the other.

Some of the papers are doing their best to get Roosevelt nominated. Such a probability is hardly possible, but if he should accept a nomination he would at once become the most prominent member of the Ananias club.

NEED OF PUBLIC ASSEMBLY HALL.

Cottage Grove has so many halls of different kinds that a statement that still another is needed seems unreasonable. Still The Sentinel believes that a hall different from any now here comes under the head of a necessity—a free public assembly hall is referred to.

The halls that are here now seem to fill the bill very satisfactorily in cases where charges are made for attendance, but there are many entertainments, public addresses, etc., given in the city that are free to the public generally. These are given for the edification of the public, most of them are instructive in one way or another, no profit accrues to those who give them, and it seems that in a case of this kind it is almost unfair to charge for an auditorium.

This is only one of several such cases which have occurred recently. It seems as if a free assembly room, supported by the taxpayers, would be the thing for such occasions.

In many cities the high school assembly rooms or city halls have

been used for this purpose. It is probable that these rooms here are not suitable for that purpose, but it will not be long before other buildings are needed, and it would be well to cogitate on something of this sort when a new one is built.

APPEALING TO THE INTELLECTUAL.

A city is qualified as a place of residence according to what it furnishes in the way of amusement, what it has to satisfy the esthetic taste, and what it furnishes intellectually.

In the way of amusement there is little lacking for a city of this size, and the esthetic temperament is obsessed if it attempts to take in everything offered. But there is something lacking in educational influences. Cottage Grove can not appeal to intellectuality until it has a public library, free or otherwise.

The Woman's Club, which is doing very much in casting intellectual and refining influences about its members, has started the ball rolling for a public library, and it deserves the hearty co-operation of every public-spirited citizen of the city.

Just what plans the Club will follow have not been decided upon, but the women have gotten started and have no intentions of laying down. They can not do it all alone, but with the assistance that they should be able to enlist in such a cause, there ought to be no doubt about the ultimate outcome.

Cottage Grove needs a public library badly; it is large enough to have one, and a good one.

Nothing shows the enterprise of a city like the preparations it makes for developing the intellectual.

Now's the time to get busy!

Are YOU on the job?

Clarence Darrow, the great lawyer, the great exponent of justice for labor, the great defendant of great criminals, stands indicted on a charge almost as criminal in its effects on society as that of dynamiting. He is charged with jury-bribing—a crime which tears at the very vitals of government. It will be interesting to see whether he will be able to as successfully defend himself as he has others. If he should follow in the footsteps of the McNamaras, his confession would cause almost as much of a surprise as did that of the McNamaras. There are many who believe him guilty, but none who would not be pleased to see him clear himself in a manner that could leave no suspicions behind.

The Sentinel learns that a deal has been closed for the sale of The Cottage Grove Leader to D. H. Talmadge, of Salem, Ore. The Sentinel trusts that under the new management the two papers will get along in the same way that they have in the past. We extend all the good wishes we consistently can.

The Springfield News has celebrated its eleventh anniversary—and deserves to celebrate as many more.

Oregon's Timber.

Some idea of Oregon's timber resources is given by Mr. E. T. Merrill, a prominent and successful timber dealer of California and Oregon, who resides in Ashland Oregon.

Mr. Merrill is considered an authority on timber, in which he has dealt for several years. He came to Oregon about four years ago from Michigan, where he was also engaged extensively in the timber business. He is probably one of the wealthiest timber owners in this section of the country.

Mr. Merrill says: "The merchantable saw timber of Oregon has been estimated at four hundred billion feet, composed of red, yellow and white fir, cedar, hemlock, larch, spruce and yellow and sugar pine. Oregon has more standing timber than any other state in the union and the tallest and finest timber in the world, and a few years will see this state the greatest of all lumber producing states. Timber lands at present can be bought at a low figure and with better transportation, improved methods of logging, a constantly increasing demand for lumber, and an ever decreasing supply, and with the whole world for a market, investments in Oregon timber lands at present are among the safest and most profitable investments to be found."

Blank notes and receipts for sale at Sentinel office.

Things We Think

Things others think, and what we think of the things others think.

A man never accuses a woman of flibbing when she is flattering him.

The greatest sin some people commit is looking for the sin in others.

You can always open a woman's eyes by telling her how pretty they are.

The innocent bystander is the one who gets the worst of it. Don't be a loafer.

A man doesn't reach the age of discretion until after it isn't much use to him.

The ship of state gets into deep water when the government goes after the stock of the big corporations.

A chaperone is a person who goes along for the purpose of being fooled.

The man who takes pains to give praise where deserved doesn't get half what he deserves himself.

A daily says the Champ Clark boom has collapsed. The item is an important one, not because of the fact it states, but because it tends to prove that Champ really had a boom.

We believe in woman's suffrage and politics for single women.

Once in awhile you'll find an old maid who doesn't want to get married, and never did.

Politics is something which is all right for us, but makes thieves, robbers and cutthroats of our neighbors—and to which none of us give the attention that we should.

Back! Back! Back to the soil!

The cost of living is not so hard to cut down. It's the doing without things that's so plague-take-it inconvenient.

When you meet a man who can go down the street, see a man nailing up a board and not ask what he is doing, just mark him down as a man who takes very little interest in what's going on in this old world.

There is no place on this earth for the man who don't know how to run a newspaper.

We'll all get back to the soil some day, if we live long enough—and we'll be the best off then that we've ever been.

When you are abused unjustly just think of the time you received more praise than you deserved.

We are always willing to let other people keep their half of the golden rule.

Most people are ready to do something for somebody, that "never did nothing" for them—and forget about those who did them favors in the past.

This being absolutely on the square all the time is a pretty hard game. How many are there who haven't done something hypocritical during the past year? Be honest, now!

Pouting does not make any girl look pretty, but it sometimes gets her things that good looks won't.

You never gain anything by convincing a woman that she's wrong—and, besides, you never yet convinced one.

There is no escape from adequate punishment for the person who kills time.

You just can't keep a woman from telling how much her husband is making.

It takes a patriot to fill a public job in these days of investigation, but there is no dearth of patriots.

Some people preserve their faith in things by not investigating when they know they'd find something wrong.

Country life wouldn't be so bad these days if it wasn't so much like city life.

The man who is clean inside likes to be clean outside.

Some folks respect the law, others obey it.

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Huge Mill for Wendling Co.

That the Wendling-Johnson Timber company will in all probability this spring begin the construction of a huge mill to handle its recent timber purchases in the Siuslaw country was the statement made recently by Harry S. Lawrence, secretary, and R. W. Landon, treasurer of the company, just before they took the Shasta Limited for San Francisco, after closing up yesterday the deal for the additional 300,000,000 feet of timber.

Plans for the mill to be erected are being discussed in a tentative way, and it is probable a mill with a daily capacity of from 250,000 to 300,000 feet will be erected, and by the time all of the departments are completed, the plant will cost close to a million dollars. The Wendling-Johnson people, when they do build, will see that only the most up-to-date machinery is used. As to the location of the mill, Mr. Landon said it would depend largely on what rates are established for hauling lumber and for logs.

J. McMahon, a well-known citizen of the upper Willamette, brought nine big bob cat pelts into the county auditor this week and got a nice little sum for bounty.

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