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A CENTER OF CULTURE.

Cottage Grove, the Center of Culture of the Upper Willamette, wouldn't sound so bad, and that the city has some claim to such a distinction has been ably demonstrated by the Euterplan Club Musicales this week, other vocal musical entertainments under the direction of Miss Silsby, and the instrumental recitals under the direction of Mr. J. N. Waterhouse. Besides these and their pupils there are many other finished vocal and instrumental musicians. It is doubtful if there is another city in the West the size of Cottage Grove which has so much to offer in musical refinement.

All this is an asset to Cottage Grove. It is a condition that should be made more of in advertising for prospective settlers. Everyone looking for a home wants culture and refinement. They appeal to the mother and father with children to raise.

Along the same line, the large number of elocutionists should not be overlooked. In this, too, Cottage Grove probably outdistances any city of its size in the West.

PRIVACY AT FUNERALS.

A sentiment is fast growing that the last parting with our loved ones is too sacred a thing to be made the occasion for a public gathering of the curious who have little respect for the lifeless clay or the grief of those to whom in life it was very dear. An undertaker, while speaking recently against the custom of opening caskets in public said: "People who never spoke to the deceased in their life parade around the church, gape at our loved ones, then go out of the presence of death not to talk of the good deeds done in life, but to criticize the

appearance of the poor clay that death has left for once at their mercy." It may be true that there is much hollow mockery in the apparent grief of many who attend the last sad rites performed for the dead, but while there is much good sound logic in the statement that the last parting with those who have been dear to us, is too sad and too full of grief to be gone through in public, the homage paid the dead is a certain satisfaction to the living and the reform, however meritorious, is likely to be a slow one.

WHERE THE DESPOT IS HELPLESS.

Nichols II, the czar of all the Russias, absolute monarch of millions, whose subjects bow, however unwillingly, to his mighty power, who might be said to hold the lives of a nation in his hand, is a king without a scepter in his own kitchen. This story is told by one of the princes of the realm, who says he receives poorer service in his culinary department than many of his poorer subjects. This prince says his majesty is bereft of his power before the autocrat of his kitchen—the cook. He must put up with poor house-keeping and indigestible viands and eat food that has stood in the dishes for some time—the latter being necessary to allow the tasters to prove that it is not poisonous.

Poor Nicholas! Unhappy wretch! But there are many free-born Americans who can sympathize with him.

WOMEN AND THE LIBRARY

When a couple months ago the Women's Club began talking about a public library for Cottage Grove, there were many who scoffed at the idea. But there were women who had taken hold of the propo-

sition who were not to be so easily discouraged, and, behold, by the end of this week there will undoubtedly be funds enough for the purchase of a large number of books. This is the result of work done almost entirely by women, and they should have all the credit that is coming to them—they get enough knocks as it is. Whoop'er up for the ladies.

PRAYER FOR DARK HORSE.

We pray thee, oh, Mr. McKinley, give us a dark horse, a sable steed of superb strength, a Hughes black animal, if you please, with power to pull this sinful Republican party out of the slough of despondency and dissension and to carry it to glorious victory and success. Give us the power to disrupt the United States Supreme Court, if necessary, to get such a man, for this is our hour of trial and tribulation and we are sore distressed. Give us this, oh, Mr. McKinley and we will follow in the path of righteous Republicanism for ever and ever.

Quit claim deeds at Sentinel.

GUARD GOING AGAIN.

If we may take their newspapers seriously, Cottage Grove is still in a state of revolt against Lane county. General Orozco might find a secure asylum there if driven out of Mexico. —Eugene Guard.

The Guard is still determined to carry on its scurrilous campaign of misrepresentation and innuendo. The intended slur doesn't touch us. If General Orozco had good sense and was looking for an asylum, he would certainly pick out Cottage Grove. If he was crazy, and looking for a suitable asylum, he would certainly pick out the domicile of the editor of The Guard as a place where he would be more than likely to find congenial company.

"The Shop" Where Good Printing is Done

The SENTINEL

What a pleasant thing it would be if, after the Cottage Library is secured, everyone in Cottage Grove, or near enough to the city to get the benefit of it, could say he had helped a little in securing the library. Library Day next Saturday gives everyone an opportunity to make this possible.

Things We Think

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

Dead languages are not used as much as a person might expect in the writing of epitaphs.

It's not so much how you express a sentiment as what you express.

And soon the sweet girl graduate will go from preparing essays to preparing meals for hubby.

The vain person merely expresses what every person thinks about himself.

A man never fools himself by trying to make others believe he thinks certain things when he knows himself that he doesn't.

People who make the most mistakes are usually those who do the most things worth while.

Some spring fever is just common ordinary laziness.

A noted surgeon says the time is coming when it will be possible to graft on arms and legs. We're in favor of progress, but it seems to us that we already have enough feet for folks to step on and trusts have enough hands in our pockets now.

Gossip is all right if you only gossip the good things.

What an unfortunate thing it would have been for the patriotic school children if Washington and Lincoln had been born on the same day of the month.

A man feels uncomfortable in a new hat that he feels everyone is looking at—but a woman is in her glory under the same conditions.

Youth holds forth unbounded attractions to everyone but the youth himself.

Kissing spreads microbes. Well, give the microbes a chance.

One reason so few respectable people get elected to office is because a man can't go through a campaign without losing considerable of his respectability.

It takes a Minnesota winter to kill the spring fever germ.

Some folks can get enjoyment out of sliding down hill when they know they've got to struggle right back up again.

Mothers' Day is becoming a recognized annual institution. Mothers deserve one at least every month.

A leader will get to the front through any kind of a crowd.

Membership in the Agnias Club no longer has even the respectability of exclusiveness.

A New York scientist says fish never have the toothache. We don't presume that they are troubled with rheumatism very much, either.

Lots of people are sworn into office—and others swear because they are not.

A lot of optimists now will be pessimists after election.

The man who makes no mistakes, by the same token, does very little for which he can be praised.

Curiosity is sometimes considered a bad trait, but it is better to be curious than to have no desire to learn anything.

An eastern newspaper says Henry Watterson would not support Roosevelt or Clark if nominated. The paper is taking quite a chance on its veracity to attempt to tell what Watterson will do.

Shallow-minded people will wade in to deep subjects without the least fear.

When a man gets unsteady on his legs the cop is likely to put him in limbo.

There's a lot of watered stock in the sea of speculation.

When a girl falls deeply in love with a mere man, it's no certain sign that she's a mermaid.

If some people had as much patience in enduring other things as they have in enduring classical music, their reputation for good disposition would be greatly improved.

The man who commits suicide because he thinks the world has gone wrong, is doing his share to improve things.

Hot weather makes a person sleepy daytimes and keeps him awake nights.

THE SUNDAY CIRCUS.

Editor Sentinel: Considerable has been said anent the circus coming to this fair town on Sunday. One hears statements made that the coming of the circus on Sunday is a blot on the fair name of this community, that it is immoral, etc. One of the definitions given by the Standard Dictionary for morality is "An obedience to the law and constitution of man's nature assigned him by the Deity in conformity to his own essential and unchangeable attributes, the effect of which is the general happiness of his creatures." Hence it is very evident that there is a religious question involved in this controversy.

Now, the only text book in moral and religious question is the Bible. This book says, "Where there is no law there's no transgression." Rom. 4:15. Now, since there is nothing in the Bible from cover to cover that prohibits doing on Sunday anything that might be done by a good, moral, religious and conscientious person on week days, how can he do anything wrong? If it is wrong, if it is immoral, there must be a law against it. If there isn't there cannot be any harm done. This is so plain that a child can understand it. What would be thought of a lawyer who, accusing someone of a misdemeanor or crime, would never point out to the supposed offender the particular law which he had violated. It is certainly due to this community that the ones who are so loudly protesting "It's immoral!" "It's wrong!" point out at least what law has been or will be violated in the action of the Common Council.

A CLIENT.

BITULITHIC MAKES GOOD

Popular Paving Strongly Endorsed by Ex-Mayor of Boise.

That Bitulithic paving is worthy of the strongest claims ever made for it by those advocating its use, is proven by the unqualified endorsement given this popular paving after years of wear, by men who are town builders, who realize that the best material is the cheapest in the long run. The following letter from Ex-Mayor Pinney of Boise is one among many such letters:

PINNEY THEATRE,
J. A. Pinney, Owner.
Boise, Ida., 4-14-12.

To Whom It May Concern:

I wish to say that we have used bitulithic pavement in Boise for the past six years and from all appearances it does not show any wear, and the repair work on the same has been practically nothing, and best of all, the horses can travel without fear of slipping in icy weather. This is more than we can say for our asphalt pavement, or any other pavement, and would recommend to any city or town where they are thinking of doing any paving, to put down the bitulithic by all means. The expense may be a little greater at the start, but at the end of five years will find, as we have found it here, one of the cheapest and best pavements any one could put down.

I would gladly refer any one to the pavement which we have in Boise at the present time. Yours truly,
Signed: JAMES A. PINNEY,
Ex-Mayor, Boise.

Residences for Exchange.

Eight bargains in residences in the City of Grand Junction, Colo., valued at from \$1,300 to \$1,600 each, now rented for \$13 to \$16 per month. Will exchange for property in and around Cottage Grove. Here is a chance for you to get a good deal. If you have a bargain to offer, let us cooperate with you. Our system reaches at least 50,000 prospective buyers every month.

Bargains in every state of the union for sale or exchange. COMMISSION HOUSE.

The Commission House has for sale a \$35.00 diamond ring guaranteed to be genuine. Would turn it in as part payment on a cow. Boys, look this up.

We handle first quality of poultry feeds. Try one of our hoppers full of egg feed at 75c. Bring a bottle and get a sample of our lice killer. Fine eating potatoes. Home canned fruits, chickens, dressed or alive, day old chicks and duck's eggs for setting. Cash for produce.

No Trespassing.

No trespassing or berry picking will be allowed on my premises. m16-1t WM. LANDESS.

If it's a rush job of printing, the Sentinel will get it out for you on time.

The Cottage Grove Sentinel GRAND VOTING CONTEST

Rules of Contest

- Any young lady between the age of 15 and 30 years residing in Lane County is eligible to compete.
- The Contest Manager reserves the right to reject any nomination for candidacy in this contest.
- Candidates may procure subscriptions anywhere. They are not confined to the district in which they reside.
- Candidates will not be permitted to transfer votes to another.
- Standing of candidates will be posted each day at The Sentinel Office.
- Should any question arise as to the interpretation of the foregoing rules, the decision of the Contest Manager will be final.

List of Candidates

DISTRICT No. 1	VOTES
Miss Cloe Hedrick	1130
Miss Muriel Robinson	965
Miss Bertha Stevens	675
Miss Jean DeLong	200
Miss Margaret Johnson	450
DISTRICT No. 2	
Miss Edna Elledge	750
Miss Hazel Brumfield	200
Miss Clara Groom	480
Miss Gertie Raines	815
DISTRICT No. 3	
Miss Vera Crowe	1000
Miss May Cooley	500
Miss Mildred Pringle	1000

List of Merchants Issuing Vote Coupons

- The Ladies Toggery--Millinery, Suits, Furnishings, etc.
- The Fair Store--Notions, Novelties, China, Enamel Ware, Souvenirs, etc.
- Powell & Cooper--Clothing, Shoes and Furnishings for men.
- Armstrong Studios--Photography, Post Cards and Finishing for Amateurs.
- Bon Ton Confectionery--Fresh Choice Candies, Ice Cream. Pure Fruit Juices only used.
- Eagle Cigar Store--Cigars, Pipes, Tobacco, etc.
- Arcade Theatre--Standing of Candidates Shown Nightly.
- Swengel Hardware Co.--Hardware, Farming Implements, Guns, etc.

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