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## The Ad. Upon the Fence

By ALOYSIUS COLL

Jim Keeper was a man who had  
More silver than good sense;  
He wandered to the field and put  
His ad. upon the fence.  
"The neighborhood can read it here,  
And pilgrims passing by,  
And I will save the space rates, too"  
He said, and winked his eye.

A cow came up, and saw the sign,  
And softly bawling "Moo,"  
She went off to her brother ox  
And told him of it, too.  
And all the cattle came and looked  
Upon the lonely sign,  
And moored: "Why, 'groceries and shoes'  
Are not within our line."

The sheep came up, and bleated "Baa,"  
When they the sign had seen;  
And, laughing at the lonely ad.,  
They gambled down the green.  
"Why, what are 'woolen goods' to us?"  
They bleated in the fold;  
"We have enough to last for life,  
To keep us from the cold."

The horses came and read the line  
About the leather goods,  
Then galloped off, and hid within  
A little patch of woods.  
"Harness and saddles—cheapest, best,"  
That's what the letters said;  
"We wish they were in Halifax,"  
The angry horses neighed.

Thus, while the animals discussed  
Jim Keeper's rural sign,  
The people in the papers read  
Joe Seller's line for line.  
And Seller sold, and richer grew,  
Nor strange—it came to pass  
Where Keeper kept his store, the cows  
Are nibbling at the grass!

It is a pleasure to have the opportunity once in a while of at least partially endorsing the views of The Oregonian, for it is so seldom possible. Not long ago The Oregonian endorsed the plan to let the jury decide whether a first degree murderer shall be hung or whether he shall be given life imprisonment. This isn't a complete solution of the problem, but it goes a long way toward it.

### WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

No more important piece of legislation for the state of Oregon was ever presented than the workmen's compensation act prepared by a commission appointed by the Governor.

The present liability law of the state has been a menace to industry. Not only has outside capital been kept out of the state but industrial plants within its boundaries have been left inactive because of fear of the results of accident.

Oregon's industries will not properly develop until a satisfactory state-administrated compensation act is in force. Liability insurance companies may suffer, but they will get scant sympathy.

Under the present law a single accident, unprotected by insurance, might put a small industry out of business. An accident in which a number were injured might bankrupt a fair-sized concern.

And not only that, but the heavy tax paid by industry for the protection of injured workman does not reach the persons for whom intended. A large proportion goes for the support of insurance companies and another large amount in court expenses.

Under the proposed law there will be no court expenses for the beneficiaries and the profits of the system will be returned in cancelled assessments. The expenses of administration of a like system in Washington have been found to be 10 per cent.

Another vital point, injured workmen will be invariably compensated in proportion to the injuries, an impossible thing when the vagaries of a jury must be depended upon.

With 5179 accidents in the state within 16 months, 164 of them fatal, there is urgent need for an act fair and equitable to both employe and employer. The proposed measure may not be absolutely fair in every detail, but it will remove from the industry of the state the burden and fear under which it now labors and will put new life blood into stagnated business.

### TOO LATE

An investigation before the state railroad commission of California discloses a plan by the express companies to put into effect rates competitive with those of the parcel post. If such rates had been put into effect four years ago there would today be no parcel post. If the express companies had been content with a profit of 30 or 40 per cent there would have been no great howl for relief. They were not content with any such modest dividend, and so today the parcel post is a reality.

If some other public utility combinations do not mend their ways, more socialistic propaganda will be put into effect.

### CLICKS AND CLANS

Rev. E. O. Ballis of the Presbyterian Church hit the nail on the head Sunday morning in his sermon on clicks and clans. He struck a key note when he said that the clannishness is found usually amongst the women, the men mixing in true democratic fashion.

Not having heard the sermon we do not know just how the pastor handled the subject, but this statement of his will be found to be true in nearly every community. And there are reasons for this that are not hard to find.

Man, turning his attention to things commercial finds it to his advantage to be a good mixer. He tears down all social bars between himself and the man with money to spend. He does these things naturally, without premeditation or forethought. It is second nature.

Woman, given more to social things, unconsciously gathers about her those whose sympathies and activities mate up with hers, and unconsciously others are left to form their little circles by the same process. And those who do not get into one or more of the circles are left out in the cold. It is not done with premeditation or malice aforethought. There is no studied intention of hurting the feelings of others. But others' feelings are hurt sometimes. A slight to which a man would not give a second thought rests heavily upon a woman and a wound is made that is slow to heal.

This condition is not what He would have and the reverend gentleman in his labor in the vineyard is right in urging a more extensive mingling and commingling upon the part of the fair sex. It would be better for all concerned.

### SENTIMENT CHANGES

Sentiment is a peculiarly fickle thing. Today it is against a thing because it thinks that thing impossible of performance. Tomorrow the thing that appeared impossible has proven a success and sentiment veers toward it. Sentiment is usually with anything that is successful.

About a year ago there were many who felt sorry for the women who were expending energies in endeavoring to secure a public library for Cottage Grove. Even many friends of the move did not look for immediate success. The Sentinel was sympathetically informed that it must be suffering with mental vacuum to use so much space in boosting for something which was too far ahead of the city. The City Council was criticised for wasting money on it.

But the women who were behind the move were of the kind who do not easily give up and the library was opened the first of October. It was popular from that moment and has steadily increased in popularity until today it has some 250 regular patrons and not a word of protest was raised against the fifth of a mill tax recently voted for its support.

Today there are none to belittle the library. It is a permanent public institution and sentiment is with it. It is one of the most popular things in the city.

Elbert Hubbard has been found guilty of sending immoral literature through the mail. He has had it coming for some time.

A city can be pretty safely judged by the activities of its commercial club. Are you a member—an active member?

Cottage Grove has a number of pay rolls in sight. When we realize on them all, prosperity will be rampant.

This is the season when a number of innocent and inoffensive citizens become solons for 40 days.

George Ade has been hurt by a fall. It's about time he was taking a tumble to himself.

When a thing gets moving, it takes but little to keep up the momentum.

A real booster is a man who makes a booster out of a knocker.

One of the our crews of an eastern university are said to be composed entirely of sons of well-known millionaires. They ought to take naturally to water.

The man who never gives up will some day have money out at interest. Cheerfulness is about the only contagious thing that we aren't afraid of.

A thorough investigation of the past activities of the Standard Oil company might illuminate many dark places in the political history of the country.

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### Things We Think

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Teddy Roosevelt is one of the highest paid editorial writers there is today—and yet we doubt if he could run a country newspaper.

A Washington man told the judge that he had scruples against spanking his wife. His wife certainly has the right system.

The automobile industry is doing much for labor. It gives direct employment to about a million people, besides doing considerable in the way of lessening the number of people wanting jobs.

A young man in Wyoming drove two miles alone before he discovered that his sweetheart had fallen out of the buggy. Love-making in that state must lack some of the ardor that characterizes it around here.

Ellen Terry says that next to London she likes Chicago better than any city in the world. Anyone who likes London the best would be expected to like Chicago next best.

No man is as smart as his small children think he is—nor as big a fool as his grown-up children think he is.

A conscience needs exercise to keep it in a healthy condition.

Eastern profs. are getting it figured out so that by following a well laid out plan a person can live on 25 cents a day. Some of them will figure it out pretty soon so a man can read over a bill of fare and satisfy his stomach by swallowing his words.

Nat Goodwin will be an awfully unhappy man if he ever gets to that place where there are no marriages.

When a girl plays a ragtime so that it sounds like a funeral march, it may be truthfully said that she is murdering the music.

The man who is so constituted that you would be willing to do most any kind of a favor for him is the one who seems to need help the least.

It is easy to be cheerful when those around you are cheerful—so, from a selfish standpoint it is worth while to try to make happy those you associate with.

The man who makes the most noise talking makes the least noise thinking. Every young man who wastes his youth is putting a mortgage on his prime.

Beauty is only skin deep—and most of the pretty girls haven't much depth.

James Hamilton Lewis says men should not shave. J. Ham. should remember that if it wasn't for this custom of the ordinary man his whiskers wouldn't have had a chance to have made him famous.

Don't believe all you hear—especially when it is about yourself.

War in Mexico must be a very insipid affair compared to the kind Sherman once referred to in language that has become famous.

A New York girl lost her mind while visiting in Philadelphia. Of course the police haven't a clue to the perpetrators of the theft as yet.

There is no man so poor as he who is rich in vain platitudes. Some people rise by getting in on the ground floor of everything that comes along.

Don't borrow trouble with the intention of returning it with interest.

### FINDS FAULT WITH SYSTEM

John Overholser Can Not See Where System Has Been of Any Benefit to Country Schools.

Cottage Grove, Ore., Jan. 7.—Ed. Sentinel: "Do the Rural Schools Need Supervision?" is the title of an article from the pen of Roy C. Andrews, which appeared in The Sentinel some time ago.

We prefer to ignore the arguments brought forth by Mr. Andrews, as it is easy to see why he doesn't think it wise to abolish the supervisor law.

However, it is foolish for Mr. Andrews to try and make light of the opposition, as there is no use in trying to force something upon the rural districts which they do not want.

While twenty-three thousand dollars additional tax doesn't mean much to any one individual, it is just that much more of a burden on labor, upon which we already have too much.

Besides, we fail to see wherein the supervisor system has been of any benefit whatever to us, as most all of Mr. Andrews' suggestions have either been absolutely worthless, or wholly unnecessary. However, the point he insisted upon most of all was that we get away with every cent of money possible.

We are willing to pay teachers every cent that we consider their services are worth, but no more.

No doubt the supervisor system could be made a success, providing the right kind of men were put on the job.

In our opinion a man is not fit for a

supervisor unless he has a common sense as well as education. It is, he must be a practical man whose sympathies are with the rural girls; a man who has a strong bent for agriculture, and whose mind has not put him above turning a hand at any useful labor.

No doubt there are many men in Cottage Grove, but until we are assured that the right man will be in the position we want in the system.

True enough, the city boys have some advantages which denied the sons and daughters of the farm, but we fail to see why we are going to help the matter matter a man \$100 to \$150 per month around with a ten cent margin and a \$15 Victrola. While we have seen such things before.

As neither Roy C. Andrews nor editor of The Sentinel seem to be able to correctly decipher the handwriting by the use of which the board of education No. 48 is in the habit of writing its ideas as at present on the preparation of a state primer form which will appear in the near future.

Yours for practical education  
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