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Who Knows Which Is the Best Weekly Paper in Oregon?

The Editor of The Eugene Register expresses himself as follows:

EUGENE, OREGON, December 23, 1912.

I am entirely sincere when I say that in my opinion THE SENTINEL is the brightest, cleanest and newsiest weekly in Oregon. Moreover, its editorial page is far above the average of weekly papers anywhere—far better than most daily papers, for that matter. On Friday mornings, I always pick out THE SENTINEL first from the pile of papers and read it clear through.

Very sincerely yours,
FRANK JENKINS,
Editor Morning Register

SPENDING THE TAX MONEY

Every day complaints are heard about the way the tax money is spent. We are informed that the supervisory system is a waste of money, that roads cost too much, that a county road specialist is only an ornament, that public buildings are unnecessary, that county officers hire too many assistants, that state and county fairs are not worth what they cost, etc.

How many are there who know that every vote cast in Oregon at the recent elections cost between 75 cents and a dollar each? Such is the case, but there has been very little kicking about it. Yet the primary election with its tremendous expense serves no purpose that could not be better served in the general election with a first, second and third choice.

Not only does the primary not accomplish anything that could not be better accomplished as suggested, not only is a lot of tax money uselessly spent, but it is positively harmful in some of its results. One harmful result is the expense to candidates of a campaign nearly a year in length. The extra expense it entails upon them would in a few years build macadamized highways the length and breadth of the state.

This vast amount of money, as well as the tax money, is spent without gaining anything that could not be secured without spending it.

The primary is a great thing for newspapers with advertising space to sell and job printing shops anxious to get out literature for any candidate regardless of politics, and for that reason is likely to be heartily endorsed by the majority of the press, but if it is desired to cut down the expenses of government, why not cut out a few things that are absolutely useless. This is one of them.

STREETS FOR 1913

In a country where the dry season is as short as it is here, it is highly important that all street and road work should begin as early as possible in the summer. In other cities of the Willamette Valley petitions for street improvements are already being filed with city councils. Cottage Grove, as a leader in progress, should be doing likewise. Plans should be laid during the next month or two for all street work for the year.

Cottage Grove's Commercial Club is taking on unusual life, which is as it should be. The next twelve-month will show the immense benefit an active body of that kind is to a city.

TIT FOR TAT

Strangely coincident, The Spectator of Portland printed an editorial on Jan. 4 almost identical with one in The Sentinel on Jan. 2. The Spectator's copy was in the hands of the printer, however, before The Sentinel arrived in Portland.—The Cottage Grove Sentinel.

Many thanks, esteemed Sentinel. That is very handsome and quite clears The Spectator of any suspicion of having plagiarized what undoubtedly was an excellent editorial, that an unkind fate denied us the pleasure of reading. We gratefully accept the compliment so charmingly conveyed in the statement that our editorial was almost identical with that of The Sentinel.—The Spectator, Portland.

A compliment so keen and yet half-veiled could only be found in the columns of The Spectator, where even criticism is couched in language so euphonious, in phrases so well rounded, and in satire so dulcet, that it charms those criticized.

Several of the legislators have suggested that the cry of some newspapers for retrenchment should start by dropping the custom of subscribing for the newspapers of the state during the session. The custom is a pretty compliment to the press of the state, but the pecuniary emoluments are not such but that The Sentinel for one could survive its abolishment.

All that remains to get a cannery for Cottage Grove this year is a guaranty of the required amount of produce. All those who will assist should make that fact known to the grange committee at once.

Cottage Grove is in a fair way to get a cannery this season. The farmers are boosting, and they can get anything they want if they go after it. The plow is mightier than the sword.

The Willamette is the most consistently hospitable place on the face of this mundane sphere. The snow last week was provided to make Easterners feel at home.

When Cottage Grove begins to realize on its resources some folks will begin to realize that it is the best little city in the famous, fertile, fruitful Willamette.

Oregon always lives up to every claim made for it. The superabundance of mist the past month is in accordance with the predictions of the knockers.

The best service can not be expected from city officials whose first thought must be their own business. A commission form of government is the proper theory.

Keep boosting for pay rolls. They pay.

The Drain Nonpareil has opened a publicity department and says it will act as its own commercial club.

Oregon is a progressive state. It only allows its legislators to remain in session 40 days.

Things We Think

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

A dirty-handed boy always wants to fondle his mother when she is dressed up.

It's a serious time in a man's life when his daughter begins to study music.

It is better to take a chance on giving praise that may not be deserved than to not give any.

A person who is naturally a loud talker has a big handicap to overcome. There is no place on earth for the meddler—and we doubt if he is wanted anywhere else.

A woman improves with age, if properly cared for.

Folks who act the most important are usually the ones who would be missed the least.

Isn't it funny how a fellow can see how foolish he has been by reviewing a few years past.

There is such a thing as too much optimism, but it doesn't often happen that way—any amount of pessimism is always too much.

A man is proud of his wife when she's dressed up, but he hates to admit it.

A man can't serve two masters, so woman is it.

There are three kinds of liars: those who lie for amusement, those who lie maliciously and newspapermen who refuse to make sworn statements to their circulation.

All days are short to the busy man. Some women work harder entertaining than they would doing a washing.

When a woman is continually giving hubby a piece of her mind, she can't wonder at his being smarter than she is.

The finger of scorn points the way to oblivion.

The man who kicks on buying pretty clothes for his wife probably forgets that it was her clothes that first attracted him to her.

Every parent who says in front of his boy that he will allow no school teacher to punish his child, is doing all he can to put the boy in the way of needing a licking.

A man doesn't realize what a wife is for until he's been married a couple of years.

After a girl reaches 25 she might just as well marry. There's no pleasure left for her anyway.

Some folks get pug noses from butting their heads into other people's business.

The ghost always walks for those who collect the wages of sin.

Some folks who delight in laying bare the sorrows of others claim to be christians.

The wheels of progress move slowly but surely.

Some folks get more satisfaction out of the wrong they find in others than in the good in themselves.

A person's faults are exaggerated while living and his virtues after death.

A gentleman will always stand up for a woman—in a street car. The acme of success is to do something better than it has ever been done before.

Woody is having more trouble with the pie counter than Grover did with the soup houses.

Lawyers could get pointers from the way a 6-year-old boy cross-examines his dad.

It is not how much you save so much as how you spend it.

Most men grow into a job—but that was unnecessary in the case of President Taft.

A live man should not have a widow. The proposition of examining man and woman before marriage to see that they are mentally sound is too prohibitory.

The Don't Worry Club is short of recruits.

It is easy to make an explanation, but it's not always so easy to explain your explanation.

There's no use in making excuses for mistakes. No one supposes they are made on purpose.

A sour face never brings you anything but more trouble. Cheer up!

Public sentiment is becoming a stronger influence every day.

If there were no advertising in it, not nearly so much money would be given to charity.

The government is prosecuting a patent breakfast food concern on the charge of having cornered the market. The government will have a hard time showing that any harm has been done thereby.

Why Don't You Get a High Class Coat This Time?

Get one now and it will cost you no more than you would usually pay for your ordinary coat. We want to show none but strictly new coats for next season at these prices

\$18.00 Coat, \$13.50; \$14.00 Coat, \$11.25
\$12.50 Coat, \$10.00; \$9.00 Coat, \$7.50

Now Is the Time to Buy a Raincoat

We have all the good styles with Regular or "Presto" collars. These prices moving them fast. Come quickly

HAMPTON & CO

President Wilson hasn't placed Mr. Bryan yet. The colonel always was hard to place.

It does beat all how many democrats there are these days.

That was a pretty piece of devotion on the part of the wife who gave a piece of her jaw bone to repair her husband's leg. Now if it will only be still long enough to knit with the other bone, all will be well.

An electric current of 100 volts is said to have a food value equal to a porterhouse steak. And a porterhouse steak would give many of us a shock equal to 100 volts of electricity.

Dr. Carrel has discovered a healing extract that is reported to be able to grow tissue in 24 hours and heal wounds in an incredibly short time. It would have had a great sale if perfected at the time of the recent campaign.

A Washington man has engraved the alphabet on a pin head. He could probably put his brains on the point of the same pin and have sufficient room left to build a fence around them.

SPHINX'S SECRETS BARED

Tomb of King Mena, Who Posed as God, Is Discovered and Many Small Pyramids.

That he has discovered the secrets of the Sphinx has been made known to the authorities of the Harvard Scientific Museum and the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, by Professor G. A. Reisney, the Harvard Egyptologist.

Inside the Sphinx he found a temple dedicated to the sun. It is older than any of the pyramids, and its date is somewhere around 6000 B. C., the most ancient in Egyptian history. The tomb of Mena, the king, who posed as a god and who fashioned the Sphinx, is also within it. There are tunnels leading off into caverns which have not yet been penetrated, for the work has been going on only six months.

The Sphinx is carved out of natural rock, but within are caves and buildings of a city of gold, which was perhaps once open to the air.

At present the excavations are confined to a chamber. The head of this chamber is 60 feet long by 14 wide. It is connected by tunnels with the Temple of the Sun, which rests within the paws of the Sphinx.

Such relics as the "Crux Anastae" (looped cross), symbol of the sun, are found by the hundreds. Inside the Sphinx are also tiny pyramids, although the Sphinx was built long before the real pyramids.

According to Professor Reisney, the Egypt of today covers one vast city, the edge of which has been scratched, and the interior of which probably never will be disclosed.

Advertising pays—in The Sentinel...

Page from Magazine of Half Century Ago Found in Tree Heart.

A page from a fashion magazine of half a century ago was found last week imbedded in the center of a large oak tree cut down by Harold Corliss on his ranch near Phoenix. The tree had grown around the paper, which remains in perfect condition. By counting one year to each ring of growth, it is estimated that the paper was put or blown into a hole in a young tree 50 years ago.

How to Ship Eggs by Post.

Frank E. Ross, assistant superintendent of delivery at the main postoffice, advises those who would use the parcel post service for the shipment of eggs to be sure and pack them securely. In nearly every instance of the many shipments that have come into the Portland office since January 1, one or two have been broken, and of a shipment of six dozen that were received

It Couldn't Be Done

SELECTED

Somebody said it couldn't be done, But he with a chuckle replied, That "maybe it couldn't" but he would be one Who wouldn't say so till he'd tried. So he buckled right in with the trace of a grin On his face. If he worried he hid it. He started to sing as he tackled the thing That couldn't be done—and he did it!

Somebody scoffed: "Oh, you'll never do that— At least no one has ever done it;" But he took off his coat, and he took off his hat, And the first thing we knew he'd begun it. With the lift of his chin and a bit of a grin, Without any doubting or quiddit, He started to sing as he tackled the thing That couldn't be done—and he did it!

There are thousands to tell you it cannot be done, There are thousands to prophesy failure; There are thousands to point out to you, one by one The dangers that await to assail you, But just buckle in with a bit of a grin, Then take off your coat and go to it; Just start in to sing as you tackle the thing That "cannot be done"—and you'll do it.

Wednesday, half a dozen were found with an individual box for each man, they are practically make a trip unharmed. The If eggs are put in the proper carriers, pasteboard boxes are unsuited

Our First Spring Shipments

of Dress Goods has arrived including the following materials

Ratines

In borders, plain colors and fancy stripes

Jacquard Silk Stripe Voiles

Ideal Wash Silks in all the Latest Patterns

Natural Linen Suitings

Silk Stripe Novelty Poppins in all colors

Tussah Wash Silks and Ya-Suda Silk Dress

29-in. Ramie Cloth in the New Pastel Shades

These are absolutely the Newest Things being shown and range

in price from

15c to \$1.00 Per Yard

Come in and see them. A pleasure to show you

Best Cane Sugar . . \$5.65 per Hundred

BURKHOLDER-WOODS CO.

Star Brand Shoes Are Better

ON LAWMAKERS WORK AS REVIEW

Week is Remarkable Work Accomplished.

ILLS ARE INTRODUCED

me in History Bills Introduced—Senate Ahead of House Measures—Appropriation Large—San Francisco Budget Only \$250,000.

—The first week's session of the legislative assembly was for the prompt manner in which the lawmakers got down to work and the great amount accomplished is in itself a time-marking proof of the time-marking progress of the session. In the previous sessions, the week has been frittered away in accomplishing little or nothing.

—Pending officers were present in advance, and the speaker of the house, Arthur Malarkey for president, was a mere formality. Both parties promptly announced their intentions and the business of the session began the first day of the session. The heretofore unbroken record of bills passed in the history of the legislature was broken the first day of the session. The first time a bill was passed in the first week of the session. The first time a bill was passed in the first week of the session. The first time a bill was passed in the first week of the session.

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