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A Complaint

SELECTED

This town is going to the dogs—
I always said it would;
The people don't turn in and help
A neighbor like they should.
I've always thought we should aid
A fellow in his fights,
And, when he gets the worst of it,
Should help him get his rights.

But do the people do like that
In this community?
When I have trouble like I have
Do they come helping me?
For instance, with the railroad I
Have got some trouble now;
Have people helped me as they should
To fix that little row?

You see I bought some shingles from
Chicago, where they're cheap;
I saved a dollar on the lot,
For here they're mighty steep.
I needed them, and right away.
The rainy days were near,
The railroad took a month at least
To get the shingles here.

And when I got them, half a bunch,
Was missing from the lot;
I guess it was the better half—
The poorest ones I got.
The freight bill was another fright—
They overcharged me, too;
And I won't pay it—not a cent;
I won't be robbed—would you?

But I can't get the shingles now,
Nor get my money back.
The railroad will not give them up—
It's raining in the shack.
The merchants, they won't do a thing—
I think it is a crime;
They ought to rise and make a kick
And bring that road to time.

THE LOCAL BUSINESS MAN.

UPON most any pretext under the sun the local business man can be parted from a portion of the filthy lucre that has found its way into his till.

Would you build a church? The local business man, as a matter of course, subscribes \$5 or \$10. He is approached by a good customer and the matter is put up to him in such a way that he couldn't refuse had he such a desire.

Would you fix a road? Who more interested in making it possible for farmers to get to town easily than the local business man? Of course he subscribes his share.

Would you help the needy? Who more approachable than the local business man?

Would you build a bridge? Who more apt to assist you over the low places than the local business man?

Would you do a thousand and one other things that require donations? Who else to approach but the local business man?

Did anyone in Cottage Grove ever try to get a donation out of a Chicago mail order house? It isn't likely.

Did anyone in Cottage Grove ever try trading produce to a Chicago mail order house? Nope!

Did anyone in Cottage Grove ever try getting anything from a Chicago mail order house without sending cash in advance? No, again!

Did a Chicago mail order house ever give a cent in support of Cottage Grove's schools? Preposterous!

Does the capital invested in business in Cottage Grove pay as big a dividend as that of the Chicago mail order houses? It does not.

Do the clerks in Chicago mail order houses eat as much of your produce as the clerks in Cottage Grove stores? Of course not.

These may be old arguments, but they are good ones to cogitate upon when trying to decide where to spend your money.

LET WASHINGTON EXPERIMENT.

OUR sister state has abolished capital punishment by legislative enactment. Possibly the legislators did it to save their necks, but in any event it is done—and The Sentinel is pleased that such action has been taken.

In the first place The Sentinel is opposed to capital punishment and is pleased at this exhibition of moral progressiveness on the part of our neighbor.

In the second place it is pleased to see the abolishment of capital punishment tried in a state where conditions are identical with those in Oregon. If the abolishment of the gallows in Washington tends to increase murder and crime, the chances are that the results would be the same in Oregon. If it does not increase murder and crime, it is equally certain the result would be the same here. In either event it is well for the voters of Oregon to have this information before another election day rolls around.

The Sentinel is of the opinion that the bloody nightmares held up to us by such papers as The Oregonian are but the hallucinations of a badly befuddled brain and disordered imagination.

Nearly 200 million feet of Douglas fir will be manufactured into boards and timbers within the next five or ten years by Cottage Grove saw mills. This is the psychological location for manufacturing industries to assimilate a portion of this vast supply of raw material.

A HIGH SCHOOL.

On Saturday afternoon the voters of the Cottage Grove school district will decide whether or not they wish to vote \$40,000 for the erection of a high school building.

No question which has been recently considered has been of more vital importance to the city. Nothing is of more vital importance to any city than its schools. No city is considered progressive that gives its school system a black eye, so that while it is possible for a city to make progress too rapidly, voters should consider well before voting against the proposed bond issue.

Cottage Grove is inviting Easterners to the city, and the one thing that all prospective citizens look for is good schools. Most of them demand good churches and good streets, but all demand good schools. The Sentinel asks all voters before casting their ballot to consider well if they were looking to Cottage Grove as a future home, what opinion would they form upon hearing that the voters of Cottage Grove had refused to replace the East Side school building with a modern structure.

Are the arguments against such action sufficient to justify you in voting "no"? Study the question carefully, attend the mass meeting Friday evening, read the non-biased article by Superintendent Duntun on the first page of this issue, inform yourself fully—and then vote your convictions.

Forty thousand dollars added indebtedness to the school district will not scare away half as many people as a prepossessing high school building will attract.

All our assets are left to future generations—why not some of the liabilities?

It is pleasant to see the Oregonian and the Spectator so completely at harmony on one subject—that of capital punishment. Both are for the refined method of punishing murder by committing another murder.

It doesn't rain while the mercury is hitting the low spots—so there was considerable satisfaction in listening to the patter of the rain drops while reading of the weather of the past week in the East.

Again The Sentinel must inform contributors that it does not publish poetry, no matter what the call for its publication may be. The only exceptions to this rule are the selections made by the editor himself for use on the editorial page. All contributors are treated alike in this respect.

The Sentinel has been complimented by fully a hundred of its 5500 readers upon the straightforward statements made last week in the editorial, "Justifying a Protest." When a newspaper knows it has the proof of every statement it makes, it is not necessary to lower itself to the use of billingsgate and personal abuse—the weapons resorted to by those who have no argument.

The second installment of advertising on a 30-months' contract for the Rexall remedies, appears in this issue of The Sentinel.

SHEPHERD PONY FREE

Popular Prize for Children Put Up for Competition in Juvenile Industrial Contest.

Every school boy and girl in the state has an opportunity again this year to win a Shepherd pony at the state fair. The Portland Union Stock Yards Company is giving the pony. Nothing in all the prize list at the state fair last year attracted anything like the attention that the Shepherd ponies did, and greater interest is expected this year.

This pony will be given to the boy or girl who makes the best exhibit of livestock at the state fair next fall. That exhibit must consist of at least one trio or pen of chickens or ducks, two pigs and a sheep. The boys and girls who compete for the pony will have an opportunity to compete for several other valuable prizes also. In the poultry contest there will be good prizes for the winning trio of each breed; J. M. Garrison offers \$5.00 cash to the boy or girl making the largest and best exhibit of poultry; the State Poultry Association gives a fine cup for the best pen of birds (one male and four females); "Poultry Life" also gives a fine cup; Hauser Bros. give an air gun to the child raising the most poultry by June 1; the Northwest Poultry Journal gives a year's subscription to every prize winner in the poultry department; the boy who fits and shows the best sheep will get a good cash prize and the one who does the best in the pig feeding contest, feeding and exhibiting two pigs and furnishing an account of same, showing cost, profit, etc., will receive a liberal prize. The total value of prizes offered the children at the state fair will be over \$3000.

Things We Think

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

Willie Hearst has gotten into the bad habit of believing the editorials in his own papers.

The fellow who nails a lie and makes it stick, is a knocker worth while.

An eastern university professor says the miracles never happened. When a college prof. gets an idea like this inculcated into his "think tank," it is not a very far cry to believe in the probability and possibility of the miracles.

Taft does not smoke—but is not adverse to a puff now and then.

A revolution is reported to be imminent in Ecuador, but it is not expected that the world's equilibrium will be perceptibly disturbed.

Why pay a dollar a word for editorials when you can get exactly the same language in Webster's at a dollar for about 500 words.

A New York man claims his wife cost him a hundred thousand dollars. That was only to get her. Just think of what the "keep" will be for that kind of a wife—but, then, they don't keep them in New York.

The almighty dollar is God enough for many.

A day on Jupiter is said to be as long as 50,000 on this sphere. Nice, pleasant place to spend an evening with your sweetheart.

The way flour is rising it must be manufactured with the baking powder in it.

If it should ever come to a war between the United States and Japan, what would be left of the mikado's empire would very closely resemble an imaginary circle with its circumference and radii removed.

There are politics and politics, and then there is the Chicago brand besides.

"The Marathon" is a play. It will probably have a long run.

A new anesthetic, it is said, has been discovered which enables physicians to render even a bill without causing pain.

The statement of a doctor that plants are animals ought to be meat for the vegetarians.

A number of senators and others were very resigned during Lent, but have since decided to stick to their jobs.

An eastern magazine is publishing a guide to "Plays One Can Take His Wife or Daughter To." So far a supplement has not been found necessary because of this new department.

The old Roman athletes were not in it for a moment as hammer throwers compared with some of the well-developed knockers of today.

Many conservation enthusiasts would find their ardor somewhat cooled if reforestation consisted in bringing family trees to light.

The French are going to try simplified spelling and cut out the gestures.

A New York society girl wants to get into print without attracting attention. We prescribe a series of spring poems.

In an eastern city Johnnie Lewin-essky recently gave a violin concert which we understand proved to be a pronounced success.

Tombstones have gone up in price—despite the fact that the demand is not very brisk.

The ultimate consumer is becoming consumed with anger.

Not to speak from a particularly partisan standpoint, Judge Alton Parker, William Randolph Hearst, Theodore Roosevelt, William Howard Taft, Robert LaFollette and William Jennings Bryan might furnish considerable valuable data concerning the lost races.

The rank and file often grates on the nerves of those seeking political preferment.

A western legislature introduced a law against Sunday amusements. The bill was amended to leave out the comic supplement as not coming under that head.

Ex-Senator Bailey says congress does not understand the tariff question. Some of us had surmised as much.

Has innocuous desuetude engulfed our strenuous ex-presidents?

A Philadelphia professor will go to Hawaii to spend four months studying snails. For senselessness that seems to be going some.

If there is retribution in the next world, in the case of the man and woman who have sinned together, the woman's punishment will be nearly completed before she crosses the river.

Knowledge is power, some folks say, and these same folks want Uncle Sam to build three or four floating armed palaces every year in order to maintain our prestige.

Some folks who would rather have been born lucky than good looking, haven't much trading stock.

We violate no confidence in stating that Taft and Roosevelt have not yet gotten together to talk over the troubles of ex-presidents.

The Watch that made the Dollar Famous

There are 300 Ingersoll Watches on view in our window.

There are 14,000 Ingersoll Watches sold every day.

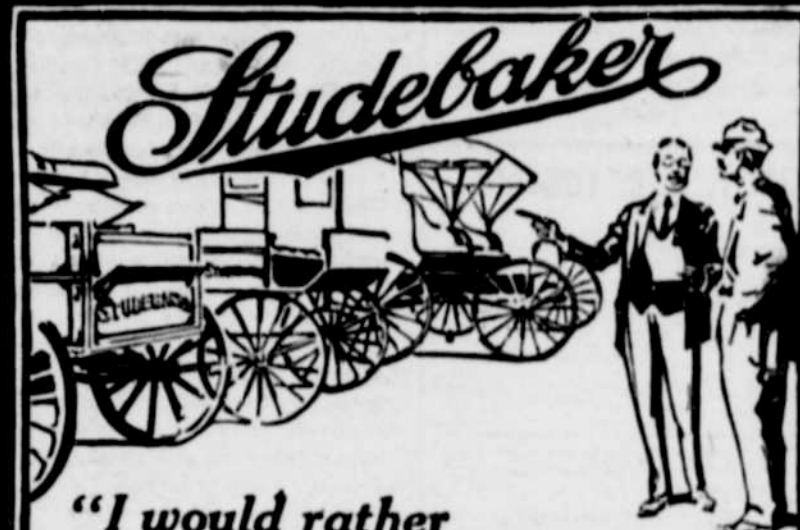
There are 30 million Ingersoll Watches already sold.

See the 300 we have gathered together in our display, then try and grasp what the other figures mean.

It is the time-keeping accuracy of the Ingersoll Watch rather than its low price that is responsible for this enormous sale.

Have you an Ingersoll?

THE FAIR STORE



"I would rather sell you a Studebaker"

When your dealer tells you that you know he's honest.

He may have cheaper wagons in stock, but he knows the Studebaker is the best.

And so do you.

He wants to give such good wagon value that you will come back and demand a buggy made by the same people.

Studebakers have been building wagons for sixty years and they have won the confidence of dealer and farmer by building—not the cheapest—but the best wagons.

Whether you live in city, town or country, there's a Studebaker to fit your needs. Farm wagons, trucks, business and delivery wagons, surreys, buggies and runabouts, with harness for each of the same high quality as Studebaker vehicles.

See our Dealer or write us.

STUDEBAKER South Bend, Ind.
NEW YORK CHICAGO DALLAS KANSAS CITY DENVER
MINNEAPOLIS SALT LAKE CITY SAN FRANCISCO PORTLAND, ORE.

What do you want, anyway? A Sentinel want ad. will get it for you.

Within a 15 mile circle around IMPERIAL there are now several hundred prosperous farmers raising enormous crops of wheat, rye, barley, oats, potatoes, vegetables, etc. Poultry raising is also highly successful. Three large stock ranches, owning several thousand horses and cattle are also in this circle.

IMPERIAL is now the trading point and will soon be the shipping point (the railroads are now building) for the products from thousands of acres surrounding it.

LOANS

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\$100,000 to Loan on Improved Farm Land. Rates Reasonable

Bank of Cottage Grove

If you don't read The Sentinel you don't get more than half the news.