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FIFTY DOLLARS REWARD.

A reward of \$50 will be paid by the Leader Publishing Co. to any person or persons who will submit evidence, which will bring about the arrest and conviction of any violator of the local option law in the city of Cottage Grove, either by conducting a blind pig, bootlegging or by violating the local option law in any other way.

OLD ENOUGH TO VOTE

Today the Leader celebrates its twenty-first anniversary—21 years of faithful services in promoting and working for the development, progress and advancement of Cottage Grove and south Lane county. The paper has never missed a single week in visiting the homes of the citizens of this city and community in all these years and it has kept pace with the wonderful growth and development of Cottage Grove all along, until today, when like our city it is bigger, brighter and better than ever before. It intends to keep up the pace with Cottage Grove, champion every worthy cause, inaugurate for the upbuilding of the town and community and labor for the moral as well as for the commercial and industrial advancement of the community. The paper has a fair patronage, but not as liberal as it merits, or as liberal as a town with Cottage Grove's reputation for enterprise and public spirit should give. However, the publishers of the paper have no grievance, but are thankful for all favors, however small.

The Leader enjoys the reputation of being one of Oregon's best country newspapers, of which distinction we feel justly proud and we hope to continue to merit this esteem both at home and elsewhere. The writer has been connected with the paper from the very first year, though not continuously, however, we are in a position to chronicle intelligently and accurately the events of the community both past and present. We are satisfied with Cottage Grove, with its people, generally speaking, and with the Leader. All of our interests are here. It is our permanent home. Boost for the Leader and in return it will boost for you, your town and your interests.

GETS RELIGION. WILL PAY DEBTS.

W. C. Gay, a former saloon-keeper in Eugene, who left the country with a number of creditors unsatisfied when local option carried the town, has been heard from in Illinois, and is coming back to pay his debts. Gay traveled over the United States until last winter, when he accepted a chefship in the little Illinois town of Whitehill. That winter he became converted in revival meetings. About the same time some old mining stock in his possession took a sudden leap and Gay found himself once more well off. So he writes he will return to Eugene and pays his debts.—Register.

Strong Healthy Women

If a woman is strong and healthy in a womanly way, motherhood means to her but little suffering. The trouble lies in the fact that the many women suffer from weakness and disease of the distinctly feminine organism and are unfitted for motherhood. This can be remedied.

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OVER-RIDING A FREE HORSE.

"Do you realize that this subscription business is getting something of a burden to the business men of Cottage Grove?" said a well known business man to a Leader reporter recently. "We seem to be asked for something continuously until many of us cut so deeply into our incomes that the matter of our own welfare becomes a serious problem. It is either a road, a telephone line, a sidewalk, or a charity of some sort that is meant for the benefit of some community or settlement. They are all right. We want the improvements made as fast as possible and it is mighty hard to turn one down, but it is a burden just the same. The merchant is almost forced to subscribe to hold the trade of the section concerned, and the season of the year is just at hand when these donations will increase in numbers. Many of us have debts and responsibilities to carry along that the subscription solicitor knows nothing about, and if we refuse in favor of our creditors we are declared close or unprogressive. Now what I for one would prefer, particularly in the matter of roads would be to pay an increased tax for road work. This is an equitable way of meeting such expense, and the investor who does nothing to maintain a town for the benefit of his property must pay his share while on the subscription plan he misses out entirely while drawing full benefits of the roadway in increased property values."

THE MAYOR'S PARK COMMITTEE.

By reference to the published proceedings of the city council at its last session it will be noted that Mayor Job appointed the following city park committee: Mrs. A. B. Wood, Messrs. Geo. Atkinson, R. M. Veatch, D. G. McFarland and B. K. Lawson. Now, as far as merit, competency and efficiency goes, no fault could be found with this committee. However, the Leader is told by members of the Civic Improvement Committee of the Woman's Club, that without solicitation, Mayor Job told them that as a recognition of their untiring efforts put forth to bring about the purchase and dedication of the city park tract, when he appointed the park committee, he would select three of the ladies and two gentlemen to serve on this committee, thereby giving the ladies a majority vote on this board. Therefore, the mayor's action in placing but one woman on this committee, is not only looked upon as a breach of faith, but as a direct thrust at the Woman's Club and is resented not only by the club members, but by scores of their friends, who look upon the mayor's actions as rank ingratitude, if not injustice to the ladies, who have worked so untiringly and almost incessantly for the past year for the purchase and dedication of this beautiful city park site, and who have in their possession a fund of nearly \$1,000 to expend in platting and beautifying this park and who are planning to provide an increased fund, by the presentation of the cantata, "Queen Esther," very soon, the receipts from which entertainment will go into the park improvement fund. Other similar plans for providing a large park fund have been perfected by the ladies, on which the Mayor's action has had a tendency to put a quietus, as the ladies do not propose to turn their hard earned park money and plans over to men, some of whom have been very indifferent, if not antagonistic to this most commendable undertaking, to expend and put into use, and the Leader commends them in their spunk and disposition to resent the Mayor's apparent ingratitude.

Now that Taft has sat down on Heney, the latter may consider himself "squashed."

One of Eugene's arguments against the creation of Nesmith county is that it would leave Eugene within 7 or 8 miles of the new county line, instead of the more central location which it now occupies. This is no argument nor new precedent. Take a look at Linn county, for instance, with Albany, its county seat, situated on its extreme western border line and Benton county with Corvallis located on its extreme eastern border and within 10 miles of Albany the county seat of Benton's sister county. Then take a look at Marion and Clackamas, Multnomah, Clatsop, and even Hood River, all of which counties have their seats of government anywhere but centrally located, so far of geographical position is concerned. Eugene, however, would still be just as easy of access for the citizens of the remaining Lane county as before the creation of Nesmith. Think up another one, boys.

They're coming, Mother Oregon, by thousands now a score, and yet this year, Old Oregon, there'll be as many more. And next year, mighty Oregon, their number will increase; and for years to come, rich Oregon, the tide will never cease. They'll like you well, great Oregon; you offer them success; with health and wealth, fair Oregon, their efforts you will bless. Come to the best state, Oregon, homeseekers, millions strong. There's room for you in Oregon; she's waited for you long. Come spread out over Oregon; it's great resources use and you'll never regret that Oregon for a new home you did choose, sings the Oregon Journal.

Who wouldn't be a farmer? There is just one trouble, only the farmers know how to farm. There are thousands who would like to quit the towns and cities and emigrate to the country, and possess themselves of broad fertile fields, and proceed to make two blades of this, that or the other grass grow where one or none grew before, but this proposition presents, that it takes from two to twenty years to learn how to farm (some folks never learn), and within such a period bankruptcy might occur several times over. But if all of us cannot be farmers, all can admire the horny-handed sons of toil and rejoice with him in his present great prosperity. He is the bulwark of the nation and the salt of the earth.

Scheduled meetings of the Oregon Development League last week proved even greater successes than the most enthusiastic "boosters" anticipated. At Roseburg the committee got busy and raised \$5,000 for their campaign, doubling the number of their subscribers; Central Point had big delegations from all the principal towns of the Rogue River section and \$1000 in less than a half hour showed the interest of the audience. Oakland, Cottage Grove, Eugene and Oregon City all did themselves proud.

If the reader wants to settle in a wide-awake community, all he has to do is to look at the local newspapers. A wide-awake, well supported home newspaper is always associated with good schools, churches, active business, and intelligent people. It never fails. No business man or pioneer in any community makes any better investment than in the support of a home newspaper.

Tom Richardson has called a meeting of the managers of all the commercial and promotion organizations of the state to meet in Eugene on April 28 to one day. The purpose of the meeting is to exchange ideas and methods with each other, and to form and coordinate the men as boosters for the whole state as well as for individual sections. The meeting will be under the auspices of the Oregon Development League.

If wheat continues to go up in price wheat farming will become as profitable as selling mining stocks.

It is pretty tough on the fatted calf that it should have to suffer for the sins of the prodigal son.

If you had a chance to be one of those greedy trust companies, what about it?

They are after the blind pigs in Pendleton and Klamath Falls. The proper thing.

A TOAST OR A ROAST?

America is a wonderful country and we are a wonderful people says a paragrapher. All nations of the earth look up to the United States and their citizens look forward to coming to this country as a sort of heaven on earth. It certainly is a wonderful country to live in. This land of the free—land of fine churches and 40,000 licensed saloons; Bibles, forts and guns, houses of prostitution; millionaires and paupers; theologians and thieves; libertists and liars; politicians and poverty; Christians and chain gangs; schools and scalawags; trusts and tramps; money and misery; homes and hunger; virtue and vice; a land where you can get a good Bible for fifteen cents and a bad drink of whiskey for five cents; where we have a man in congress with three wives and a lot in the penitentiary for having two wives; where some men make sausage out of their wives, and some want to eat them raw; where we make bologna out of dogs, canned beef out of horses and sick cows, and corpses out of the people who eat it; where we put a man in jail for not having the means of support and on the rock pile for asking for a job of work; where we license bawdy houses and fine men for preaching Christ on the street corners; where we have a congress of 400 men who make laws, and a supreme court of nine men who set them aside; where good whiskey makes bad men and bad men make good whiskey; where newspaper are paid for suppressing the truth and made rich for teaching a lie; where professors draw their convictions from the same place they do their salaries; where preachers are paid \$25,000 a year to dodge the devil and tickle the ears of the wealthy; where business consists of getting hold of property in any way that won't land you in the penitentiary; where trusts "hold up" and poverty "holds down;" where men vote for what they do not want for fear they won't get it; where "niggers" can vote and women can't; where a girl who goes wrong is made an outcast and her male partner flourishes as a gentleman; where the political wire-puller has displaced the patriotic statesman; where we have prayers on the floor of our national capitol and whiskey in the cellar; where to be virtuous is to be lonesome and to be honest is to be a crank; where we pay \$15,000 for a dog and fifteen cents a dozen to a poor woman for making shirts; where we teach the "untutored" Indian eternal life from the Bible and kill him off with bad whiskey; where we put a man in jail for stealing a loaf of bread and in congress for stealing a railroad; where the check-book talks, sin walks in broad daylight, justice is asleep, crime runs amuck, and corruption permeates our whole social and political fabric.

EXCHANGE COMMENT.

A Cottage Grove man has just paid \$10 for enough eggs to go under one hen. It is no wonder that town has fine poultry.—Portland Daily Oregonian.

The Cottage Grove spirit commends itself to every other ambitious town in the valley. Raising \$5000 for booster purposes ought to put the Grove on the map in good shape.—Eugene Register.

The Albany Daily Democrat says: "The Cottage Grove Leader offers \$50 reward for evidence leading to the conviction of a blind pigger or boot legger. Good! but what are the officials there paid for anyway?"

The Daily Roseburg Review says: "As a climax to the fight which he is making for the observance of the prohibition law in Cottage Grove, W. C. Conner, former editor of the Roseburg Plaindealer, publishes the following in the Cottage Grove Leader, of which he is a part owner: "A reward of \$50 will be paid by the Leader Publishing Co. to any person or persons who will submit evidence, which will bring about the arrest and conviction of any violator of the local option law in the city of Cottage Grove, either by conducting a blind pig, bootlegging or by violating the local option law in any other way."

"You who live here have become so accustomed to your surroundings that you do not realize how beautiful your city really is," said a recent visitor.

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Tea Pots.....1 1/2 qt. 35c. 3-qt. 50 "	
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THE HANDY HEADGEAR.

Whatever else may be said, there is a certain degree of economy about this season's style in millinery from two points of view, says the Eugene Register. In the first place the chance is offered to the thrifty to utilize surplus waste baskets and old peach baskets that have been kept over from last summer as receptacles for Bermuda onions and various other articles of use about the home. On the other hand, some of the creations from the millinery shops, dismantled after the short period of service to fashion, may be used to peel potatoes in and as repositories for any old thing adapted alike to kitchen or parlor—for ornamental as well as useful. Some of them may be set up as cute little summer houses out in the yard.

It is impossible to tell when fashion again will do so much for household utility and the decoration of the lawn.

Look at This Proposition!

A 40 acre farm only 1/2 mile north of depot on good road and on bank of river. Fine land and good new buildings, house and one barn painted. Four acres of fine young orchard in bearing and plenty of berries, nearly all of the land is tillable and in crop. If you want a dandy home almost in town look this up at once. For the next 10 days this goes for \$7500. It has been held at \$8000. Call on J. D. Cochran. Cottage Grove, Oregon.

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