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Manufactories.

You may take the dullest and most prosaic town and erect within its borders a busy, thriving manufacturing institution, where large numbers of workmen are employed, and a new life is at once imparted to the place. The dull monotony of the past gives way to the sound of the steam whistle and the clangor of the shop. The streets no longer look deserted. People move with an active restlessness in strange contrast to the times when no manufacturing was carried on in their midst. The liveliest towns that we have in this country are those wholly devoted to manufacturing. The dreariest towns, where dry-rot is visible on every hand, are those wherein no workshops are to be found. Manufacturing towns are not only more active, but as a rule they are prosperous, as well as being far more enterprising and affording better social and commercial advantages. The typical manufacturing towns are to be found in New England, in fact, the Connecticut river may be said to be lined with them. It is invigorating to the mind, as well as to the sight, to travel through these towns, which justly may be termed "beehives of industry." The air of thrift and enterprise is everywhere displayed. The proprietors of the industrial institutions, the tradesmen, the artisans and other citizens exhibit every outward indication of that contentment and happiness which arise from a prosperous condition.

There is a reason for this—a social as well as a business reason. First, the presence of workshops and factories in the midst of a community is in itself a source of activity. These institutions drawing to them daily their scores and their hundreds of workmen, bring life and activity, not for a week, or a month, but as long as they are in operation. But in towns purely commercial, there is a too perceptible lack of life and animation. This can be better observed than described. But to one standing in a manufacturing town at the morning hour, at noon, or at night, when the workmen are wending their ways to and from work, there need be little said to prove whence the vitality of the town arises. Work for manufacturing institutions for Cottage Grove.

The day has come, and some time ago, that the farmer must study his land as does the merchant his stock of goods, as does the manufacturer his machinery. Our land here is rich and fertile, but it must be carefully looked after, or shortly our farmers will abandon it as "killed out," when the fact will be that it is only tired of poor tilling. When our farmers look after their land—carefully studying its adaptation, weigh carefully their stock and feed and get the best possible results from the combination—then will land pay a rate of interest on a value of \$150 or even more per acre.

Here is a queer coincident: Pictures of the newspaper office of the Ishpeming, Michigan, Iron Ore, the paper which was found guilty of libeling Ex-President Roosevelt, displays a large sign over the door which reads, "Iron Ore, A Live Wire Newspaper." An Oregon newspaper, which followed the Iron Ore's example during the last campaign, also boasts of being a "live wire newspaper." Is that the one requirement to make a newspaper eligible to the live wire class?

One of our exchanges well says that it may be well enough to look out for our grandchildren's welfare; but they will doubtless be more thankful to have us hand them down a slight increase in taxes rather than the horse-killing, wagon-wrecking, profanity-provoking apologies for roads we have been burdened with. There are worse things than road bonds. And people all over the country are waking up to this fact.

There are few towns where the stores present a more pleasing appearance than those of our own town. Our merchants take a pride in the appearance of their respective places of business and such pride is certainly commendable. That is not all, they carry good, clean stocks of merchandise and their reputation for fair dealing draws a splendid patronage from the surrounding territory.

When a man in search of a home or business location goes to a town and finds everybody full of hope and enthusiasm over the prospects of the place, he, too, soon becomes imbued with the same spirit, drives down his stakes and goes to work with equal interest.

The Yoncalla Times announces that it will cease publication Aug. 1. It says the simple fact is the paper has not been financially appreciated by the citizens of the town. This is a sad mistake of the citizens of that prosperous little Douglas county town.

That Pankhurst item was simply a co-incidence, Bro. Bede, just like those "things we think" in the "live wire." We did not get that item from a Portland paper, but from a Minnesota paper, so the Portland paper must have been the plagiarist.

WOODARD, DIRECTOR BARRETT, CLERK

The annual school meeting was held Monday, Mrs. Addie Job, chairman of the board, presiding. The report of Clerk Barrett was read and accepted. A tax levy of 12 mills was voted for the ensuing year, 6 mills above last year's levy, made necessary to provide for the redemption of \$1,000 in warrants on the West Side school and to provide for interest on the new \$40,000 high school bonds recently voted.

The so-called advisory board was a subject for much discussion, and while it was clearly shown that this board can have no vote in the deliberations of the school board, it was voted to retain this board to advise and co-operate with the school board in the construction of a new \$40,000 high school building.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED.

Resolved, that it is the sense of this meeting that the advisory board be retained, that these members be Mayor J. H. Chambers, C. M. Shinn, representing the Commercial Club, and T. W. DeLong, representing Cottage Grove Grange; that any member of the school board who are in any way obligated to any architect or contractor be released from such obligations and that the school board be guided by a vote of a majority of the combined building committee, composed of the three directors and the three members of the advisory board.

The vote on director for three years and clerk for one year follows:

Director, A. L. Woodard 94; G. F. King 33; E. R. Spencer 47; G. O. Knowles 20.

For clerk, J. K. Barrett 111; Mrs. Caldwell 72. Woodard and Barrett were declared elected.

At a meeting of the board last night, the plans of Vincent & Russell of Eugene were recommended by the directors, and the sale of the bonds will be expedited if possible.

YOUTH ROBS BANK AT GLENDALE

Ray Diamond, a 22-year-old desperado, held up Acting Cashier B. P. Smith at Glendale Monday forenoon and secured \$3,000 and made his escape into the dense forests surrounding that place. City Marshal Green Pitcher left Cottage Grove with bloodhounds Monday afternoon at the request of Sheriff Quine of Douglas county. Several citizens fired upon Diamond as he was leaving town and he returned the fire, but no one was hit. He has been a mill hand at Glendale and his father resides there. No trace of the young desperado is reported.

CELEBRATION JULY 4 IS NOW ASSURED

Plans are well advanced for an appropriate observance of Independence Day at Cottage Grove. A creditable parade and program at the city park is provided for, good speakers, good music and many games and sports for cash prizes are being planned. A big ball game in the afternoon and a grand military ball in the evening will be the closing features of the day. Program later.

Bridge Condemned.

The Coast Fork bridge, connecting East and West Cottage Grove on Main street, was condemned and closed to travel Monday, the result of the main timber span on the north side of the bridge, breaking under the weight of the city's steam roller. It is a wonder that the bridge did not collapse as the timber seems to be in a decayed condition. The damage will be temporarily repaired, pending action on the part of the city council and a new steel bridge would, no doubt, be built at once, but from the fact that more room for a much wider bridge must be provided before a permanent bridge is built. This old bridge has been an eyesore to the town for the past several years and the cause of much profanity owing to its abrupt rise at both ends. Until it is repaired or rebuilt, the public will experience considerable inconvenience, as a ford five blocks south of Main street affords the only other means of travel between East and West Cottage Grove.

FRANK RICH AND HIS SUNSHINE GIRLS

The Frank Rich Company in musical comedy made a decided hit at the Arcade last night and will present an entire change of program tonight. The house was packed from footlights to gallery and there was not a dull moment from rise to fall of the curtain. There was a brilliant display of special scenery, costumes and electrical effects never before witnessed in Cottage Grove. The Irish and German comedians kept up a roar of laughter, while the "Sunshine Girls" in their stunning choruses, dances and specialties never failed to please. It is the best attraction ever brought to the Arcade, and needless to say, there will be a packed house again tonight.

Things Doing at Disston.

J. C. Lewis and wife were over Sunday visitors in the Grove.

C. L. Mason and wife moved to the Grove one day last week where they will reside.

J. P. Newberry of North Dakota, is a visitor here with his cousin C. H. Brant and family.

John Carr has been confined to his home for the past few days. Boils have been the chief trouble.

Chas. Hall and Dan Woods were up in this vicinity on a fishing trip, returning home Monday.

John Wilcoxon has resigned his position as night watch and has gone to his home near the Grove.

Henry Vaughn and family of Row River were over Sunday visitors with J. D. McConnell and family.

R. C. Woodhurst and wife left last Friday for Aurora Oregon where they will visit relatives. They may decide to locate there.

Bert Sloan and his mother moved out Thursday. Bert expects to go to Eastern Oregon in the near future to take up a homestead.

A. F. Kerr and his crew of U. S. timber-cruisers have finished their work on the upper Denner creek section and moved their outfit here Sunday.

Among those who visited the Grove between trains Saturday were Mrs. E. Tennis, Mrs. A. Whitman and daughter Mandy, Mrs. L. Wilford, Geo. Smith and Lem Pitts.

Henry Landess and wife and Mr. Chestnut returned from the Champion mine Saturday where they have been for the past week and took the evening train for Cottage Grove.

The newly organized club that term themselves the Noisy Nine took a joy ride to Row River and other points down the line on a hand car Saturday evening. It is understood here that the night officer at Row River had to call out Supt. Hankin before he could get joy riders out of camp.

A party of Groveites came up on the gasoline car Sunday and were picnicing near here during the day. A little excitement was caused during the afternoon when it was learned that Chas. Beidler one of the party was missing, but upon a search being made he was found walking up and down the streets reading the signs, and when asked what he was looking for, he said for the County Clerk's office.

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