

What is the Matter With Oregon?

W. W. Cotton, counsel for the O. W. R. & N. Company, said in a speech before the Rotary Club of Portland Tuesday of last week:

"We are biting off too many things; we don't chew them enough, and some time our digestion is going to break down."

Mr. Cotton was talking of the lack of "Resistant Energy" on the part of the people who are asked to support the silly and useless measures that all the cranks and agitators seek to make into laws.

Maybe Mr. Cotton was right, and maybe we attach too much importance to the legislative abortions, and maybe we waste more energy sometimes in growling about undesirable conditions than it would take to correct the evils of which we complain.

The recent report of the Census Bureau shows that experts have calculated that the population of Oregon on July 1, 1914 will be 783,290, of which Portland will have 260,601.

If these figures are correct, Oregon will have made an increase in the last four years of over 110 thousand, and Portland will have added more than 53 thousand to her population, a gain in her case of more than 25 per cent, while the increase for the entire state is about 17 per cent.

There are some states that have beaten Oregon and some cities that have outstripped Portland in the per centage of increase, but as the average growth for the nation is estimated at a little above 7 per cent, we ought to feel that we are doing very well.

In 1880 Oregon had 175,000 population, and a state debt of \$511,000. In 1912 (the last statement at hand) the state debt had been reduced to \$31,000, and the population now at 731,000.

At the present time about 0.8 per cent of the total population of the United States are in Oregon; and less than one-tenth of one per cent of the total debt is attributed to this state.

It is probably true that radical legislation has, in the past, to some extent retarded the development of Oregon, but even radicals grow tired of cutting off their own noses, and the indications are that the fever has about run its course in this state, as all fevers do everywhere, and the reaction is ready to set in.

Having passed through the experience, this state ought to be immune for some time to come, while other states are learning the lessons Oregon has bought and paid for.

Just when the wave of immigration and prosperity is ready to strike the Pacific Coast, Oregon, neglected, retarded, undeveloped, emerges from her period of experimentation a virgin field, where opportunities multiply just in the ratio that other fields have been more exploited and developed.

Just as the cow finds more luxurious pasture in the field that has not been grazed, so the home hunter and investor will find in Oregon's 95 thousand square miles of land, with untold riches in undeveloped timber and mineral, and agricultural possibilities, opportunities not to be found where the population is dense and resources few.

Many of our people are worrying because, right now, other states are gathering in some industries they feel we ought to get; but they'll not all stop in California, Washington, or Idaho, but many of them will be tumbling over each other to gain a foothold on Oregon soil before the close of the year nineteen hundred sixteen.

Rock Bound Harbor of Guaymas, Mexico

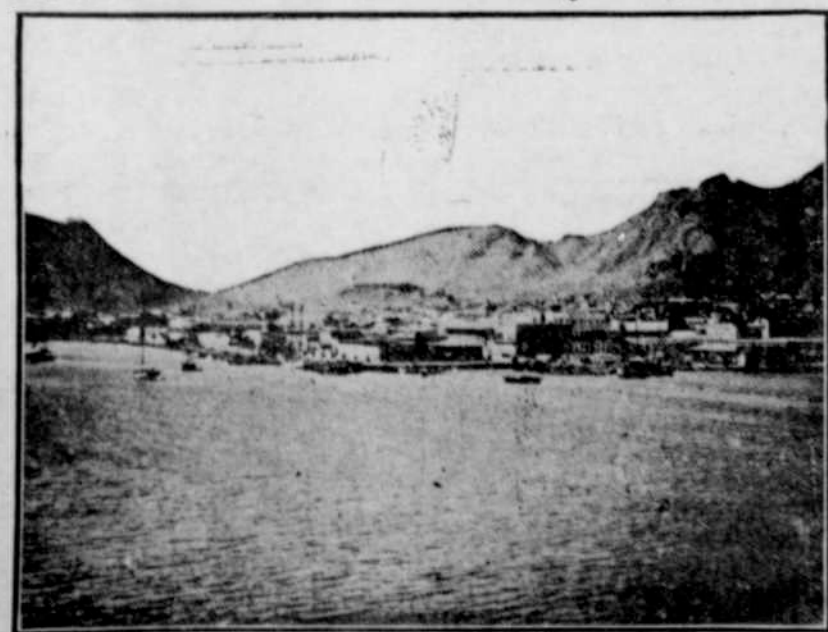


Photo by American Press Association.

STEAMERS anchor in the harbor of Guaymas, Mexico, quite near to the wharf. The city occupies a mountain peninsula which terminates five miles from the central plaza. The bay is landlocked, dotted with islands and filled with fish. The inner harbor affords an anchorage for ships drawing up to fourteen feet.

Albert Raymond Kelly

Alfred Raymond Kelly, the last of six children of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Kelly of this city, died at the home of his parents Thursday, April 30, 1914. Deceased was born in Hancock Co., Ill. Aug. 20, 1870, and came to Oregon with his parents in 1872, living in this locality until 1894, when he went to Moscow, Idaho, and engaged in business, remaining there until a few weeks ago, when, failing in health, he came home to receive medical treatment, but was unable to withstand the ravages of the disease that had fastened itself upon him. He was a member of the I. O. O. F. and Firemen of Moscow, both societies sending beautiful floral pieces as tokens of sympathy for his parents and appreciation of him as a brother. Mr. Kelly was a Christian man and the funeral services, which were held in the Methodist church Sunday May 3rd. Rev. H. N. Aldrich officiating, were very largely attended, the I. O. O. F. and order of Rebekah's attending in a body and conducting the impressive service at the grave. Interment was in the Taylor-Lane cemetery.

FOR GOVERNOR



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Stands for Economy and Efficiency and Dignified Law Enforcement. He voted and worked against the new tax law in the Senate, and favors paying taxes semi-annually without penalty.

To the Republican Voters

In calling your attention to my candidacy for the Republican nomination for state senator, I invite your consideration of my record:

I have always tried to be fair, and during my service in the legislature, I worked for what I considered the people's interests. I probably made some mistakes—any one who does things is liable to err.

I secured the passage of our present county depository law, which requires depositories to pay interest on county deposits. This law produces a revenue where none was ever produced prior to its passage; it brings in sufficient money to defray the expenses of the treasurer's office, bringing annually to the counties of the state nearly \$100,000.

The log boom company on the Siuslaw River is using its influence against me, because I propose to have such boom companies declared to be public utilities and have them regulated by the Railroad Commission, so that if they monopolize business, their enormous charges may be regulated so that they may only make a reasonable profit.

I am a tax payer and own and operate a farm on the Long Tom River, and favor tax reductions, by cutting out present extravagance. I have practiced law for six years.

I appreciate the confidence the people have heretofore placed in me, and if I am nominated and elected, I will hold the office as a public trust, and perform the duties of the office to the best of my ability, without fear or favor.

M. VERNON PARSONS.

Large tract good valley farming land to be thrown open in Central Oregon in May. Good climate, plenty of water and rich soil. For large map and full direction and information send \$1.50 to J. C. Dearway, The Dalles, Oregon. In this way we can make it easy for you to locate and file on a fine free home-stand.

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Couldn't Help It.

A little girl had just been dressed in clean clothes and went out to play. In a short time she came back covered with dirt. Her mother was much put out and asked her how she came to be so dirty.

"Well, mother," she said, "isn't I made of dirt?"

"Yes, dear. But what has that to do with it?"

"Well, you know, mother, it will keep working out."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Most Active Volcano In the World.

The most active volcano in the world is Bogoslof, which is situated forty miles beyond the Aleutian Islands, in Bering sea. It is a continuous performer, and it is said it will make and destroy a mountain chain while you wait.—Detroit Free Press.

Wanted Full Credit.

Magistrate—The evidence shows that you threw a kettle at your husband. Culpit—It shows more than that, yet honor. It shows that I 'it 'im!—London Opinion.

Three Kinds.

Professor at Agricultural School—What kinds of farming are there? New Student—Extensive, intensive and pre-tensive.—Indianapolis Star.

The great successes of the world have been affairs of a second, a third, nay, a fiftieth—trial.—John Morley.

American Women's Wages.

There are over 6,000,000 working women in the United States whose average salary is only \$6 a week.

Street Vacation Notice

Notice is hereby given that at a regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Cottage Grove, to be held on the 1st day of June, 1914, a petition will be presented by the Oregon Pacific & Eastern Railway Company for the vacation of that portion of Washington Avenue which lies between the west line of Tenth Street and the right of way of the Oregon & California Railroad company, in said city.

Dated this 30th day of April, 1914.
OREGON PACIFIC & EASTERN RAILWAY CO. 1029

Notice Of Administrator's Sale Of Real Estate.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Lane County.

In the matter of the estate

of

W. V. De Wald, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of an order of the County Court of Lane County, Oregon, made on the 24th day of March, 1914, in the matter of the estate of W. V. De Wald, deceased, the undersigned, duly appointed, qualified and acting administrator of said estate will sell at private sale on the premises for cash in hand according to law the following described real property belonging to said estate, to-wit:

Lots 3 and 4, of block 3 and Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 of block 9, Georgetown addition to Cottage Grove, Lane County, Oregon.

Said sale will commence on the 25th day of April, 1914, at 10 o'clock a. m. and continue till said property or sufficient thereof to satisfy the indebtedness against said estate is sold.

OLIVER VEATCH, Administrator.

Notice Of Administrator's Sale Of Real Estate.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Lane County.

In the matter of the estate

of

M. A. De Wald, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of an order of the County Court of Lane County, Oregon, made on the 24th day of March, 1914, in the matter of the estate of M. A. De Wald, deceased, the undersigned, duly appointed, qualified and acting administrator of said estate will sell at private sale on the premises for cash in hand according to law the following described real property belonging to said estate to-wit:

Lots 5 and 6 Block 3 of Long & Landess' addition to Cottage Grove, Lane County, Oregon.

Said sale will commence on the 25th day of April, 1914, at 10 o'clock a. m., and continue till said property or sufficient thereof to satisfy the indebtedness against said estate is sold.

OLIVER VEATCH, Administrator.

A Poorly Fed Horse



reflects discredit on its owner, but the owner gets the worst of the deal because economy in feeding the horse affects its working capacity as well as its appearance. If your horse kicks on his feed you can correct it by buying your feed here, as you get the best quality for the least outlay. Farmers, contractors and horse owners generally know that our Feed is always up to the standard.

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Latest Picture of Carranza, Who May Take Field Himself



Photo by American Press Association.

THIS is the latest and best picture of General Venustiano Carranza, leader of the Mexican Constitutionalists, who was recently reported to be facing the danger of a revolt within his own party, led by General Villa, his commander in chief in the field. Carranza has had the reputation of being the least militant of the present Mexican revolutionists, but when events occurred which seemed to indicate a break between himself and Villa it was said that Carranza was preparing to take the field himself.

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