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RETIRES FROM BUSINESS
For reasons best known to himself, H. F. McInturff has sold his interest in the Independence Enterprise and this week relinquishes his position as editor and publisher, to Henry E. Browne, who has been employed in the mechanical department since he sold the paper last July to McInturff & Son. While a deal has not been consummated, it is probable that the ownership will soon pass into the hands of the writer who will endeavor to conduct the paper in the future in a manner sufficient to meet some of the demands, at least, of this growing community. We did not sever our connection with the Enterprise last July because of any doubt as to the future of Independence, but because of financial reasons. When a good opportunity was presented to sell, we took advantage of it. We have long believed that Independence will some day be a city of great importance and we believe so still. At present there are many reasons upon which we base this opinion, and if it transpires that the ownership of this paper and the exclusive management of the same subsequently falls into our hands we purpose to remain in Independence and work with all public spirited citizens for the upbuilding of the city and community in every sense of the word. Our faith in the future of Independence has strengthened our desire to make our future home here, and with this end in view we hope to announce next week that the desired change has been made.
Commencing December 1st, all bills for subscription and advertising will be payable to the undersigned. H. F. McInturff will collect for advertising and job work completed up to and including November 30th, but work done after that date will be payable to the undersigned, or his agents.
Thanking the readers of the Enterprise for the many words of encouragement that have been tendered, and hoping to maintain the confidence that seems to have been manifested in the Enterprise under the new management, I remain,
Fraternally,
Henry E. Browne.
H. E. Browne Purchases Paper

With this issue of the Enterprise, the writer severs his connection with the same.
During the time that we have been editor of the paper we have tried, unceasingly, to give the reader a good, clean, newsy sheet and this, by most of the readers, has been appreciated.
It was our ambition to build up a subscription list in keeping with the amount of advertising and the size of the town. This we did to a certain extent.
Perhaps it was this ambition to secure a number of subscriptions that would measure up to the size of the town and the amount of advertising, that led us to promote the piano contest recently closed. In passing, we wish to thank the one or two business men in the city, who never gave the Enterprise a thought except to ask a favor, and who so kindly neglected their own business that they might attend to the business affairs of the paper in the matter of the piano contest. To these we wish to state that the piano has been turned over to the winning contestant, who has suffered and will suffer no pecuniary loss by the transaction.
We wish, most of all, to thank those who, by their kind words and helpful suggestions have aided us and encouraged us in our endeavors on behalf of the city and the public at large, and have kindly realized that errors and mistakes were not errors and mistakes of the heart but were done thinking that the way pursued was the best for all.
In turning the paper over to Mr. Browne we do so with implicit confidence in his ability as a news paper man and trust that no manner of support will be withheld from him.
Again thanking our friends and patrons for their hearty and liberal support, we wish to remain,
Very Truly,
H. F. McInturff.

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TRADE UNIONS
While the trade unionist may see advantages to be gained in organization and finds the necessity of combating the greed of organized capital by means of strikes, boycott and ultimate murder and destruction of property, public opinion, which is the final arbiter in all strife, runs very close to the dictum of Archbishop Ireland, who once uttered: "While the right to enter upon a strike is and must be conceded as a right belonging to the personal freedom of the working man, this much must be demanded, and in the name of the same principle of freedom which the men act who refuse to work; that they should cease to work must a no way interfere with the liberty of others who may wish to work. The personal freedom of the individual citizen is the most sacred and precious inheritance of America. The constitution and the laws authorize it. The spirit of the country proclaims it, and the prosperity of the people—the very life of the nation—requires it."
Had the Federation of Labor in California regarded these principles, the dynamite conspiracy that culminated in the destruction of the Times building at Los Angeles would not have entered the minds of those criminal characters, McNamara Brothers. This vicious act and the subsequent confession is a serious blow to honest labor which has long combated with the mighty arm of capital and monopoly with a view of reform and better surroundings. The situation is anything but encouraging at the present time because of these unprincipled leaders, and unless there is speedy reform in the federation of labor in America nothing will ever be accomplished along the lines for which trade unions are organized.
Doubtless not all crimes charged to labor are due directly to labor, but to many vicious characters who hang upon the skirts of well meaning unionists, and who are ever prone to throw the first stone which arouses mob spirit. This mob spirit does not exist simply in the matter of labor strife. Were it not for the depraved wretches active in labor unions the true unionist would recognize and regard the very letter of the law. He would recognize and regard the rights of others. But if the honest toilers will persist in allowing such men as McNamara Brothers to look after his interests he need not expect to meet with much achievement in efforts for better conditions.

THE COST OF LIVING
The Marquette (Wisconsin) Epitome has the following to say about Oregon:
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It really is an unfortunate state of affairs that the cost of living in this country is so much greater than it is in eastern states. The eastern people cannot understand why this is so, after reading in the literature sent from almost every town in the state about the valuable opportunities. The high cost of living retards the development of the west probably more than anything else. Not only this, but it inflicts a serious burden upon those who have been lured away from their eastern homes by the fiction of commercial clubs and boards of trade and are trying to make a living here in the west under the present conditions. No effort is being made in the way of reform, but on the contrary, food stuff is going higher and higher, simply because people realize that the consumers must have it at any price. What about monopoly? Isn't this getting to be such?
In Oregon, where apples are known to rot on the ground by the thousands of bushels, they are now selling for \$1.00 and more per box. The culture of spuds requires less than half the labor in Oregon than in other states and the soil is adapted to their production probably more than in most any other section of the globe, and yet the price per bushel is almost double that of other states.
Oregon is known the world over for its almost inexhaustible supply of timber, but every cord of wood costs from \$4.50 to \$5.50 and in some places even higher than that. Oregon certainly does afford a beautiful climate and is a most desirable home place, but if something could be

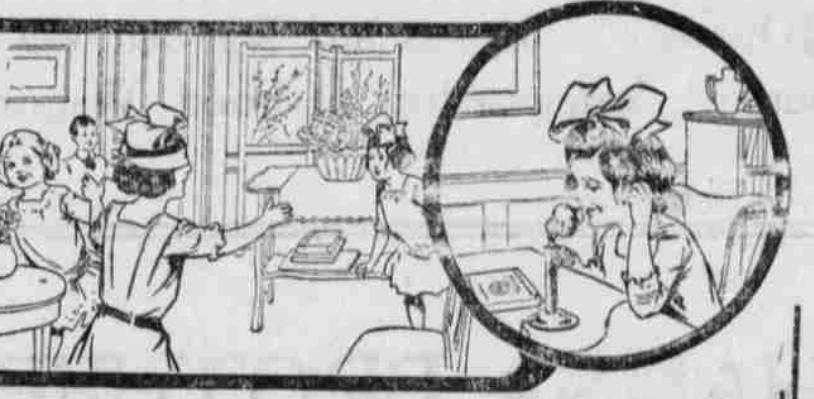
done to relieve this enormous expense of living think how much better place it would be for a home, and how much more people would strive to reach it.
COMMERCIAL CLUB
The Independence Commercial Club met in regular session Tuesday evening and the usual business was transacted. Aside from the regular routine of work, other matters were brought up for discussion.
The president appointed Messrs. McIntosh, Butler and Hubbard as a committee to correspond with the Oregon Agricultural College with a view of securing a free lecture course and Messrs. Butler and Edwards were appointed as a committee to wait upon the editor of the Enterprise and request that all proceedings of the city council be published in the local paper. The committee to whom was referred the matter of an interview with the Spaulding Logging Co., relative to having a spill established in the city, asked for an extension of time in which to submit a report and the request was granted.
The committee appointed to investigate the matter of expanding the city limits, also asked for more time in which to make a report and this request likewise was granted.
On motion the meeting adjourned to meet December 19th.

Dr. Lowe Friday.
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