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Foot-Ball Principles (With apologies to Longfellow.)

Lives of foot-ball men remind us
We should always do our best,
Just to plant our feet down firmly
On the other fellow's chest.
When they're really in dead earnest
They don't hate to use the "sole."
And the "Golden rule" don't count
much
When they're running for the goal
But "do others or they'll do you."
Is the rule that takes with them,
For they're strictly up against it,
Are a bunch of foot-ball men.
Eugenia Bell.

PROVIDE FOR HER

According to a statement just published by the census bureau there are 2,600,000 more males in the United States than females, and especially on the Pacific coast is the male said to be numerous. At this rate of decrease in the gentle sex there will soon be no wives and mothers.
We are not prepared to offer anything like a good reason for the present condition, and yet it is not a startling fact when one views the situation from a labor saving point of view.
On the farms, in the stores, the work shops, and the offices, all manner of labor saving devices are employed to make vocations easy and preserve man, but the house wife and mother drudges day in and day out from one year's end to another without vacation and without remuneration save a few dollars given her reluctantly upon urgent request. In the kitchen in the dairy room and work room labor saving devices are almost entirely unknown. The wife and mother's life is burdened with the cares of home and it is not surprising that there is a decrease in the women of the land.
These conditions seem to be more apparent on the farm than in the city. There should be no demand for overwork on the farm. If office, store and shop work in great cities can be accomplished within eight hours of the day, why not the same achievements on the farm? Farmers should have these labor saving devices for the home before they invest for the barn. The husbandman, manufacturer and the heads of all commercial industries will realize better and greater results from their vocations if they make it a little easier for wife and mother in the home. Without a doubt the housewife in too many instances, fails to get the appliances that ought to be given her, and that she ought to have in the home. How can she keep hold of her boys and girls and give them the training they should have when she has to toil from morning until night because you have failed to provide the requisite to make life easy and preserve her vitality.
We do not offer this as a reason for the present figures found by the census bureau, but after all, who can say that it has no bearing on the present conditions?
SIMPLY GUESSING
Wise political forecasters claim that President Taft will receive the nomination without doubt, but that he will fail to secure the election. This is to say that the coming presidential election is going democratic. While The Enterprise is not prepared to dispute the statement of those men who are well versed on current topics of the day, we are forced to believe that there is no ground upon which to base this statement. The political situation at present is a matter of speculation, and there seems to be grave doubt about Taft's nomination. No one can foretell what the Women's Suffrage states are going to do, but it is not supposed that the machine politician will receive support from this source in as much as he has worked against the Suffrage interests to a large extent in years past. It is true that the republican political nominees have not been in doubt during the past several years, but conditions are today decidedly more disturbed and a look in advance is practically impossible. The head of the democratic ticket is unknown. No one knows just what the party issue is or will be and no one can suggest anything like a correct guess what the party may attempt in the way of fusion.
Today it might seem as if Taft and

the republican party have the best of the situation, but the whole matter is imaginary, and when one asserts that Taft is sure of the nomination you may rest assured that he is simply making a guess.
Great changes may be made, however, in the political circles of the country before the convention. The day has gone when a few men can foresee the result of a presidential election.

NOT JUSTIFIED

If Governor West's stand relative to capital punishment is justifiable, then others are equally justified in trying to overthrow the law. When the republican convention in session at Portland some time ago undertook to overthrow the direct primary law, the Governor's party sent up a great howl about republican monopoly and machine abuses, but gubernatorial monopoly seems to be acceptable in the minds of some people. While we must admit that the right to refuse men from entering the gallows is vested in the chief executive of the state, we believe he has acted unwisely in the matter. The writer has never favored the capital punishment law, but in as much as it is a part of the constitution we believe that no man should have a right, or even exercise the right to disregard it, and governor West should be no exception.

Thompson's Concert Company to Remain

The series of entertainments given by Thompson's Concert Co. this week have been well attended. The performances consist of high class vaudeville and is clean and neat. The display of vulgarity which characterizes the usual nomadic vaudeville program being totally lacking.
The Company will continue to please the people of Independence this coming week.
Dr. Thompson was here before, advertising the Oriental medicines and those who purchased his preparations highly recommended them. The Oriental medicines are chosen to assist nature kindly, and by their use the functions are adjusted naturally to their normal state, thus placing one at his best. Any one desiring any of these preparations can obtain them by calling at the Independence Hotel—in the parlor—hours 1, p. m. to 5, p. m.
Special program for Saturday night, Dec. 16th, 1911. In conjunction there will be a ladies' mail-driving contest. Admission—Adults 15 cents. Children 10 cents.
Free show to continue all the next week, commencing Dec. 18th, 1911.
The Polk County Observer at Dallas has just issued a very creditable "Progress Edition" and one which is certainly a credit to that paper, but independence would have felt better about it if the city's fair name had been mentioned at least once in the whole edition.

A Shower Party.

A very pleasant shower party was held at the Oberon home in this city Tuesday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Oberon, who were married at the county seat last week. The young couple were recipients of many useful articles for their new home. It was a pleasant occasion for all present as well as for the newlyweds.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE INDEPENDENCE NATIONAL BANK Charter No. 3979 at Independence in the state of Oregon, at the close of business, December 5, 1911.

| RESOURCES | |
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| Loans and Discounts | \$126,068.48 |
| Overdrafts, secured and unsecured | 2330.65 |
| U. S. Bonds to secure circulation | 12,500.00 |
| Bonds, Securities, etc. | 56,632.15 |
| Banking house, Furniture, and Fixtures | 19,632.21 |
| Other Real Estate owned | 12,569.00 |
| Due from National Banks (not reserve agents) | 49,453.97 |
| Due from State and Private Banks and Bankers, Trust Companies, and Savings Banks | 8,967.29 |
| Due from approved Reserve Agents | 197,621.82 |
| Checks and other Cash Items | 3,444.65 |
| Notes of other National Banks | 70.00 |
| Fractional Paper Currency, Nickels and cents | 316.83 |
| LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ: | |
| Specie | \$25,223.95 |
| Legal-tender notes | 105.00 |
| Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation) | 25,328.95 |
| TOTAL | 507,048.00 |
| LIABILITIES | |
| Capital stock paid in | \$50,000.00 |
| Surplus fund | 10,000.00 |
| Undivided Profits, less Expenses and Taxes paid | 8,977.14 |
| National Bank Notes outstanding | 11,600.00 |
| Dividends unpaid | 390.00 |
| Individual deposits subject to check | 354,921.13 |
| Demand certificates of deposit | 4,032.01 |
| Time certificates of deposit | 58,821.97 |
| Cashier's checks outstanding | 8,295.75 |
| TOTAL | 507,048.00 |

STATE OF OREGON, COUNTY OF POLK, ss:
I, C. W. IRVINE, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
C. W. IRVINE, Cashier
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of December, 1911.
J. W. KIRKLAND, Notary Public.
O. D. Butler, W. H. Walker, Directors

Homer Lodge Elects Officers.
Homer lodge No. 45, K. of P., elected the following officers at the meeting last week: Frank Skinner, C. C.; Ira L. Morgan, V. C.; H. F. McInturff, P.; M. Goets, M. of W.; W. L. Bice, M. of E.; J. W. Richardson, Jr., K. R. and S.; W. S. Kurro, O. G.; O. A. Kramer, I. G. and L. B. Johnson, M. at A.

Woodmen Elect Officers
At the Woodmen meeting held on Saturday evening the following officers were elected: O. T. Sole, consul; J. H. Dixon, adviser; O. B. Travis, banker; H. E. Browne, clerk; Walter Boyce, escort; Ed. Oberon, watchman; J. Potvint, sentry and P. H. Draxler, manager.

Masons Elect Officers
Independence chapter No. 25, A. F. and A. M., held election and installation of officers Saturday evening. The officers elected are as follows: Dr. O. D. Butler, H. P.; J. Dickinson, K.; J. Dornstie, S.; C. W. Irvine, Sec.; H. Hirschberg, Tres.; C. W. Butler, C. of H.; H. M. Mattison, P. S.; P. M. Kirkland, R. A. C.; J. W. Kirkland, M. 3rd V.; K. C. Eldridge, M. 2nd v.; R. Nelson, Ist. V.

ANTIOCH NEWS
Our Sunday school has lately purchased an organ.
Mrs. Herman Wunder spent Sunday at the home of her son, Ed. Wunder, of the Lucklamute.
Mr. and Mrs. Chas Holman were trading in Independence Wednesday.
Pearl Fishback and sister were Independence visitors Wednesday.
George Sheldon of the Lucklamute, country, passed through here enroute to Monmouth Monday.
Dick Ogle has been erecting some new fences on his place.
Mrs. Bertha Layson and daughter, Thelma, were trading in Independence Saturday.
Several from here attended the School Officers' Convention in Dallas last Saturday.
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Mack were visitors at Dallas last Saturday.
S. H. Hinkle, N. W. Heffley and W. B. Ramsay are setting out fruit trees.
Miss Fannie Coleman, who has been visiting at Oak Point, is a guest of old friends here this week.

At the M. E. Church
Sunday School at 10. a. m.
Preaching at 11. a. m.
Theme, "We're not ashamed of the Gospel."
Epworth League at 6:30. p. m.
Topic, "A well Spent Life and Its Close."
Evening Service 7:30.
Theme, "The All Important Now."
A very cordial invitation is extended to everybody.
Evangelistic meetings will be held beginning with Sunday, Jan. 7, 1912.
Frank Sandifur, Pastor.

"Best on Earth"
This is the verdict of R. J. Howell, Tracy, O., who bought Foley's Honey and Tar Compound for his wife. "Her case was the worst I have ever seen, and looked like a sure case of consumption. Her lungs were sore and she coughed almost incessantly and her voice was hoarse and weak. Foley's Honey and Tar Compound brought relief at once and less than three bottles effected a complete cure." For sale by Williams Drug Co.

MAKE IT A SANE CHRISTMAS

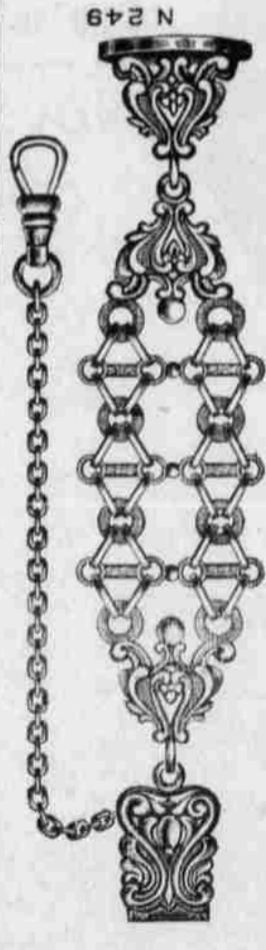
GIVE useful and lasting gifts selected from our immense stock and the "good cheer" will last forever.
WE HAVE provided sane Christmas presents for every member of your family and for every member of your friends family. Guns, Knives and Sporting Goods, Cooking Utensiles, Silver Knives and Forks and other articles too numerous to mention in this limited space, all of which are necessary and will serve the purpose for the Christmas Holiday occasion.

Our line of STOVES and RANGES was never greater or better. Immense line of good Wagons and Buggies.

HANNA BROTHERS INDEPENDENCE OREGON

Ring Out Ye Bells Ye Christmas Bells Holiday Gifts Are Here

Rowe Has Anticipated Your
WANTS and you will find his store ready to supply your needs. Besides, he is going to please his friends by giving away
3 Handsome Prizes
A beautiful La Vallure Necklace Set with twelve Taurmalines
A pair of Fine Cut Glass Salt and Pepper Shakers, Sterling Tops
A New Style Gents Coat Chain



Gold Fobs,
Silk Fobs,
Vest Chains
and Coat
Chains in All
the New
Effects



I Have a Nice Line of the Smaller Sizes in DIAMOND RINGS Also SIGNET RINGS, BAND RINGS, BABY RINGS, STONE RINGS, etc., etc.

To the three best guessers on a Bean Contest. With each dollar's worth purchased you will receive a coupon good for One Free Guess on the Jar of Beans, and the person guessing the nearest will receive first prize; the second the second prize, and the third the third prize. Contest closes on Christmas Day.
You will find in Rowe's store many beautiful and useful articles, just such as you may wish to present to your parents, sister, brother or sweetheart:
Diamond Rings Solid Gold Stone Rings
Hat Pins Solid Gold Cuff Links
Collar Pins Solid Gold Tie Pins
Watch Chains Solid Gold Brooches
Belt Buckles Cuff Links
Tie Holders Brooches
Emblem Pins Tie Pins, Etc. Etc.

Also a well selected line of Cut Glass, Silverware, Clocks, Toilet Sets, Cuff and Collar Boxes, Padded Books, Bibles, Necktie Racks, Smoking Sets, Post Card Albums, Traveling Cases, and many other novelties such as Post Cards, Booklets, Etc.

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