

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

WANTS IMPROVEMENTS

Editor Enterprise:—

As a reader of your valuable paper I have been especially interested in the many improvements mentioned from time to time that are taking place in the city, and also of the several changes that are recommended to be made, which I feel sure will add much to the general appearance. One in particular which is especially needed, and which should have been done years ago, is the repairing and painting of our public school building. It was given out to the public three years ago, that I remember, that the building would be fitted up and painted, but owing to the erection of the new High School building it was thought best for some unmentioned reason, to let that matter lay over for another year. This year the matter came up again and the citizens demanded that the property be taken care of. The authorities, in whom the people have vested the right and power to take proper care of all school buildings, grounds and appurtenances thereto, tendered the proposition to the public for bids.

I understand the bids were received and contract let for painting the public school building.

Now it is rumored that the work is to be laid over until next year. I wonder how long the public is going to stand for this neglect and abuse of public trust? The building is in no condition to begin school work this month. It has not been in good repair for several years. If the district is too poor to maintain her schools as they ought to be maintained it might be well to consolidate with some other district that would help us out. But we know that is not the case, for provision has been made for all needed repairs and all extra apparatus to conduct a first-class, up-to-date school system, and nothing short of that will suit the people.

If there is neglect on the part of our school officers why should we not feel interested enough to insist that the property be at least taken care of and the necessary improvements made? I am not offering this by way of criticism, but if there is any one institution more than another, in a city growing as rapidly as we are, that needs to be prominent in the sight of the incoming population it is our schools.

A Citizen.

Necessarily Aged

Marvin: "Is that the colt you got with your tobacco coupons? He looks old."

Martin: "He is. He was born the year I began saving coupons." Sept. Lippincott's.

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Excitement at the Ranch.

There was not a little excitement at the Wigrich Ranch Monday evening when fire was discovered in C. G. Long's tent. It was promptly extinguished, however, and very little damage was done, but for a brief period it looked as if a serious conflagration might occur in the city of tents.

The tent is located near the store owned and operated by Mr. Long, and but for the timely discovery of the fire a serious loss might have occurred.

Changed His Costume.

Dr. Dunsmore, who is acting as head clerk in the store at the Wigrich Ranch during his vacation, was in the city Tuesday in a change of costume from that worn when last seen by the writer. His mission was to attend a wedding.

The doctor went back to work in the afternoon and will probably be there another week.

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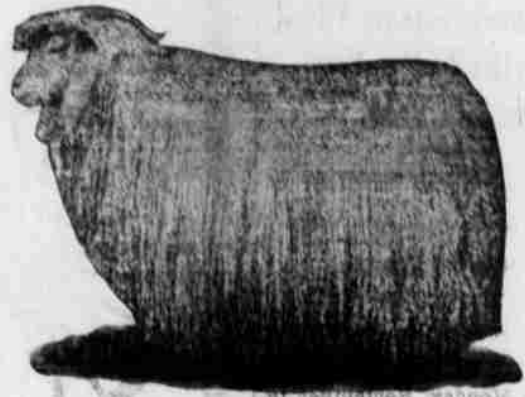
May Open Cannery.

Mr. Kirkpatrick of Salem, interested in the large fruit farm north of Independence, was in the city Tuesday. It is understood that the company has been entertaining a proposition to reopening the cannery in this city.

It is known that the company has in anticipation the erection of a similar plant on the farm, and since it is possible to purchase the building here at a greatly less price than one can be built for, it is believed that a proposition to open the Independence cannery would be entertained.

Mr. Kirkpatrick was much interested in Independence, and spoke very encouragingly of its future.

**POLK COUNTY SHEEP GROWERS  
CARRY AWAY MANY PRIZES**



One of Riddell & Son's Prize Winners.

Polk County farmers made a very won one first, two seconds, three creditable showing this year at the thirds, three fourths and two fifths; state fair, notwithstanding the fact no Koser won five seconds, one third, special effort was made to catch one fourth and champion ram. In the prizes on stock and other pro-Lincolns Riddell & Son and Hawley & Son were exhibitors from Polk county.

Polk county was particularly fortunate. Riddell won three firsts, three thirds, two fourths, four fourths, test and practically cleaned up every and champion ewe; Hawley and Son thing, there having been won a total won five firsts, four seconds, two of nine firsts, fourteen seconds, eight thirds, one fourth and champion ram. thirds, six fourths, and two fifths by Riddell & Son and Guthrie Bros. Wm. Riddell & Son, of Monmouth, F. of Monmouth were the only exhibitors A. Koser, Rickreall and Hawley & of Angora Goats, the former winning Son of McCoy, Cotswolds and Lin-the most of the higher prizes. Mr. Hamilton and son of Salem, were in the city yesterday enroute In the former class Riddell & Son to Monmouth.

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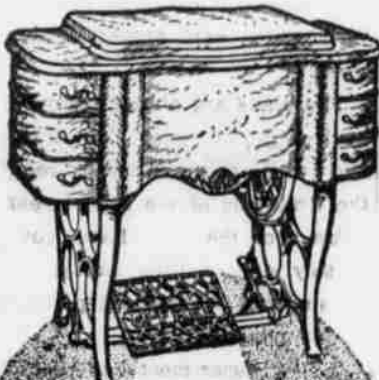
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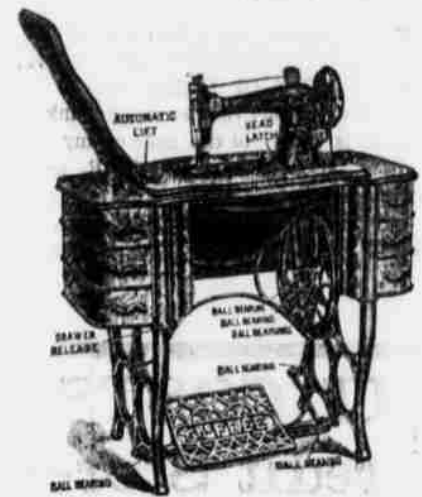
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