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HOW TO BUILD A CITY

Everybody in Eugene is anxious to build up a city here. That is a laudable ambition and breathes the proper spirit of patriotism, for cities are built and do not "just grow up" like Topsy of the "Uncle Tom" fable. Every resident of Eugene must help in the work and to the extent of his means and ability, be a city-builder, thereby helping himself and the community alike as property increases in value and the conveniences and benefits of modern municipal life expand and multiply.

Some practical suggestions in the methods that may be adopted in city-building are given in a recent issue of the Baker City Democrat. These ideas are embodied in an interview with Ex-Mayor Alexander, of Boise, Idaho, who was a visitor to that city, where he has business interests, and the views expressed well fit Eugene just as well as they do the Eastern Oregon town, which has about the same population and volume of business. The former mayor says:

"Get railroads, electric and steam, get a street car line, get busy, wake up your merchants, get them all together and you will have a great and prosperous city here."

That, in a nutshell, was what Ex-Mayor M. Alexander, of Boise, head of the Alexander Clothing Company in Idaho and Oregon, said to a reporter last evening, about his impressions of Baker City since his visit here eight months ago.

"It was four years ago that I was mayor of Boise, and I preached doctrines to them then which made the people call me crazy. We put them into effect and even since 1905 real estate in Boise has advanced 100 per cent and the city has taken on a solid, steady growth."

Pave the Streets.

"We have tried several kinds of pavement in Boise, asphaltum, bitumastic and vitreous brick. I believe, in a city like this or Boise, the brick gives the best results but is expensive unless you have the material at hand. We are trying further experiments in street paving and every time we pave a street property values rise."

The People's Rights.

"People at large, business men, merchants and householders are the ones who have the right to say whether or not the streets in a city shall be paved. All the property owner has to do is to pay his bill. If his property abutted on a distant country lane it would be worthless. It is the people in the city, who ride, walk and do business on the main street, who make the property lining it valuable. Pave your streets and a thousand people will walk where one hundred do now and your property will go up 25 per cent and your landlord will benefit like the others. Get some kind of pavement, get it quick, and grow."

Street Car and Interurban.

"While you are paving your main streets lay your street car tracks for permanency, establish your grades, put in your underground wires, sewer connections and then you will not have to tear up your streets in the future to make such improvements. In fact, I think the city itself should lay the street-car rails through the streets. In connection with your city street car line, don't forget that the interurban electric is the coming thing, that is making the farmer's life one of pleasure and doing more than anything else to keep the boys and girls at home contented with the most independent life on earth, because in winter or summer they can have quick, cheap transportation to the town where they can visit friends."

attend the opera, education institutions, libraries, do their shopping, and return in the evening and still carry on the farm work to advantage."

If the people of Eugene would catch the spirit of the former mayor's enterprise and act upon it they may quadruple real estate values and double the city's population in three years.

The inventor of a whitewashing machine knows better than to waste time trying to get the Texas legislature to buy, even with a strong testimonial for his machine from the Pennsylvania railroad. They've got him skinned a mile down there with an invention of their own for doing that kind of work.

What a shake-up and rattling of dry bones there would be if all the governors should adopt the Hughes slogan, "The incompetent official must go." But it would not be possible, because it would have to be started by a bunch of gubernatorial resignations.

The Merchants' Protective Association of Eugene has discontinued the custom of sending out bill collectors on the first of the month. Now if they would also economize in postage this old world would look brighter to many of us than it ever did before.

Philadelphia's "reform" administration, after two years' trial, failed by many thousand votes to "make good" at the ballot box, which indicates that a boss labeled "reformer" may be as objectionable as one labeled "machine."

"Have consumers no rights?" asks an excited tariff reform editor. Sure, brother. They have the right to talk and the right to pay the price demanded, and nobody is trying to deprive them of either.

There are two large classes—husbands and lovers—who are not rushing into the limelight to O. K. the views of the Chicago scientist who says that men are intellectually superior to women.

The delegates to Oklahoma's constitutional convention believe that the constitution-maker is worthy of his hire, and having used up one appropriation, have applied to congress for \$135,000 more.

Uncle Sam would doubtless be tickled almost to death to be in a position to deal with the Philippines as diplomatically as the paragraphs do, but he hasn't found them a joking matter.

Whatever the people may think of "incompetency" as a cause for separating a man from his public salary, the idea will never be popular in official circles.

How can the world be square, as a new brand of fanatics are teaching, when it contains so much all-around crookedness?

We'll have to be "shown" before endorsing the rash assertion of J. W. Gates that "it's easy to get a million dollars."

As we size up the game to date, the tariff reformers do the talking and the stand-patters run the machine.

A new theory of government with an office for everybody and taxes for nobody might please everybody.

From the Mist-Mean

(Albany Democrat.)

District Attorney Jerome is said to be a cigarette fiend. He has asked some mighty small questions, too.

One bird in the hand is better than two in the bush. And one girl in the kitchen is worth two in the parlor.

The U. S. senate has passed bills carrying \$455,000,000. That almost makes a day.

It cost Eugene's city council \$128.25 to go down to Portland and inspect pavements. Almost equal to a day's wages.

The people demanded anti-passes, the legislature gave them compulsory passes. Members who voted yes are having their hands more than full explaining things.

Notionally boys and girls do well to have some one help them to point out the way of their natural inclinations. Some of them never turn until it is too late.

A Poem for Today

THE SWAN SONG OF PARSON AVERY

By John Greenleaf Whittier

THIS poem is founded on a genuine incident recorded in "Young's Chronicle of Massachusetts Bay," where may be found Anthony Thatcher's "Narrative of His Shipwreck." Thatcher was Avery's companion and survived to tell the tale.



WHEN the reaper's task was ended and the summer wearing late,
Parson Avery sailed from Newbury, with his wife and children eight,
Dropping down the river harbor in the shallop "Watch and Wait."

Pleasantly lay the clearings in the mellow summer morn,
With the newly planted orchards dropping their fruits first born
And the home roots like brown islands amid a sea of corn.

Broad meadows reached out seaward the tided creeks between;
And hills rolled wave like inland, with oaks and walnuts green;
A father home, a godlier land his eyes had never seen.

Yet away sailed Parson Avery, away where duty led
And the voice of God seemed calling, to break the living bread
To the sons of fishers starving on the rocks of Marblehead.

All day they sailed; at nightfall the pleasant land breeze died,
The blackening sky at midnight its starry lights denied,
And far and low the thunder of tempest prophesied!

Blotted out were all the coast lines, gone were rock and wood and sand;
Grimly anxious stood the skipper with the rudder in his hand
And questioned of the darkness what was sea and what was land.

And the preacher heard his dear ones, nestled round him, weeping sore:
"Never heed, my little children! Christ is walking on before
To the pleasant land of heaven, where the sea shall be no more."

All at once the great cloud parted, like a curtain drawn aside,
To let down the torch of lightning on the terror far and wide;
And the thunder and the whirlwind together smote the tide.

There was wailing in the shallop—woman's wail and man's despair—
A crash of breaking timbers on the rocks so sharp and bare,
And, through it all, the murmur of Father Avery's prayer.

From his struggle in the darkness with the wild waves and the blast,
On a rock, where every billow broke above him as it passed,
Alone of all his household the man of God was cast.

There a comrade heard him praying in the pause of wave and wind:
"All my own have gone before me, and I linger just behind;
Not for life I ask, but only for the rest Thy ransom find!"

"In this night of death I challenge the promise of Thy word!
Let me see the great salvation of which mine ears have heard!
Let me pass from hence forgiven, through the grace of Christ, our Lord!"

"In the baptism of these waters wash white my every sin,
And let me follow up to Thee my household and my kin!
Open the sea gate of Thy heaven and let me enter in!"

When the Christian sings his death song all the listening heavens draw near,
And the angels, leaning over the walls of crystal, hear
How the notes, so faint and broken, swell to music in God's ear.

The ear of God was open to His servant's last request;
As the strong wave swept him downward the sweet hymn upward pressed,
And the soul of Father Avery went, singing, to its rest.

There was wailing on the mainland, from the rocks of Marblehead;
In the stricken church of Newbury the notes of prayer were read;
And long, by board and heartstone, the living mourned the dead.

And still the fishers outbound or scudding from the squall,
With grave and reverent faces, the ancient tale recall
When they see the white waves breaking on the Rock of Avery's Fall!

Increased Cost of Oratory.

Sound the trumpets, beat the drums,
Till the welkin broad succumb—
Till it cracks and money cries
For the tumult in the skies
Fling the banner to the breeze—
They have raised their salaries!

Telling how they'll both resign.

Surely they were mighty wise
Raising thus their salaries.
—John Kendrick Bangs in *Harper's Weekly*.

CURRENT NEWS EVENTS

Mrs. Russell Sage has donated \$100,000 to establish the Plesian high school at Sag Harbor, Maine.

A New York firm has sold 50,000 tons of steel rails to the Manchurian railroad.

The Oklahoma constitutional convention has voted down having separate cars on the railroads for negroes.

The 100th anniversary of the birth of the poet Longfellow was celebrated in many cities of New England Wednesday.

The government expects to locate a pure food laboratory at Portland.

The United States senate has voted not to abandon the Philippine islands.

The Texas legislature has exonerated Senator Bailey from the charge of receiving money improperly from the Standard Oil Company.

The Southern Pacific Company is planning to build a high bridge over the Willamette river at Oswego.

The Portland potato and onion markets are in a very bad way.

The United States senate has passed the Alaskan-Yukon-Pacific exposition bill for a fair at Seattle.

Paul Morton and other officers of the Equitable Life Insurance Company have been re-elected.

P. R. Conn. who has just completed the organization of the school district, reports only 22 empty houses in Albany, of which 18 are habitable and 19 more shanties.—Albany Democrat.

The Sejo News tells a good one. A cow of James Grabtree, lost for 29 days, was found at last in a haystack, where it had lived 29 days without water, but of course plenty to eat.

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