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BALMY PEACE

When all the nations have disarmed and thrown their swords away, and we no longer are alarmed by threats of fierce fray, we ought to be a happy lot, for we insist that Peace, and Peace alone, will hit the spot, and make our troubles cease. So let us sing of balmy Peace, and raise a joyous din, and keep on singing till the p'lice come and run us in. But sometimes, when the stars swing low, and I sit down to dream upon the blessings that will flow from Peace, as in a stream, a dire foreboding comes along, and anchors in my breast, and from my heart the glad sweet song of Peace goes galley west. For when we shed our swords and guns, we'll wrangle just the same; and of the powers the stronger ones will climb the weaker's frame; then there will be no cannon's shock, no hosts of armed galoots; but we must depend on talk to settle our disputes. Where now our armies guard the land, and march to beat of drum, a host of lawyer sharpers will stand and talk us blind and dumb. Ere this goes on for many suns we'll know that Peace is punk; we'll rustle up the swords and guns, and such discarded junk.

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EASY TO BUILD A RAILROAD

The Dallas, Falls City & Salem railroad, now practically completed to West Salem, is being built by four Oregon men. One of these men, in speaking of his road, said, not long ago:

"It is not difficult to build a railroad. Give me an undeveloped territory anywhere that promises business, and I can find the capital to build a railroad into it or through it. It is only necessary to build the first section, and after that the bonds are eagerly sought by investors." This is the plan upon which the Dallas, Falls City & Salem road has been built by local promoters; it is the plan the promoters of the Eugene & Siuslaw railway are following out. They ask the people of Eugene and Lane county to put in enough money to do a reasonable amount of work with, and are assured that when this is expended the additional funds for its completion will be forthcoming.

It is up to the people now to say whether they want the road badly enough to subscribe for the stock necessary to begin the work of construction. If they do it can be built just as easily as the road referred to above. Simply talking about a road and waiting for outside capital to build it means waiting another quarter of a century—or perhaps longer.

MUCH WORK AHEAD FOR EUGENE

Eugene is growing into a city, but has not yet arrived at a point where we can relax our efforts if, indeed, that point is ever reached in any community.

Even now, through neglect to keep the city clean and tidy, and our lawns green and smoothly mowed, we are losing population and capital. This is due to the fact that most of the strangers who come here at the present time are Seattle exposition visitors who have heard of Eugene and stop off to see the city with a view to future location if they are favorably impressed with what they see.

How does Eugene impress these visitors at the present time? Here is a sample:

John M. Stewart, corporation counsel of Lincoln, Nebraska, whose brother is a prominent banker, was here a few days ago, drawn by reports of Eugene's attractiveness as a place of residence, and representing his brother as well as himself. Both were thinking of coming here if the city came up to expectations. Mr. Stewart went away sadly disappointed, and the reason why is told in his own words:

"You have a very pretty natural location for a city," he said, "but why don't your people have pride enough to keep up their lawns? I notice that the parking along the streets is filled with dry grass and weeds, instead of green grass and flowers. The city has a ragged, unkempt appearance. In my home city of Lincoln years ago we issued bonds and paved the streets, people caught the spirit and improved their property. Now we are reaping the benefit of our investment in permanent improvements; the city is growing rapidly, there are 3000 students in the State University, and in all the country there is no more beautiful city. My brother and myself want to come West, but we will not locate in a city where the people are not possessed of sufficient civic pride to keep their city clean, neat and attractive."

Mr. Stewart is only one of many who have recently left Eugene disappointed, for similar reasons, and the conditions they complain of could easily be remedied by the property owners. It costs only a little time and work to make green lawns and to keep the weeds and grass along the streets mowed down. All it requires is the proper spirit of progress—a desire on one's part to render the full measure of his duty as a citizen.

If we neglect these things, we will largely lose the benefit of the large sums spent in street paving, because streets alone do not make a city. These streets must be lined with modern business houses and neat, attractive homes which give evidence of contentment and prosperity.

In city-building there is no good stopping place. Eugene has merely started on the road and will lose much of the advantage that should accrue from the paving of our streets if we relax our efforts now. Read the history of every live city, like that of Lincoln, and you will find that the croakers predicted financial bankruptcy because of public improvement and increasing taxes, but long since these croakers have been silenced. Seattle, Port-

land, Boise, Los Angeles and many other cities are also living examples of what persistent enterprise and untiring public spirit will do.

Those who wish to live in towns without a bonded indebtedness, where taxes are low and there are no assessments for public improvements must go to the sleepy villages, where property values are also low, rentals hardly worth collecting, and the hum of business activity seldom disturbs the peace and quietude of their day dreams.

The Guard feels that the people of Eugene are not yet fully alive to the necessity of keeping up the campaign that was begun with the paving of our streets, in order to reap the benefits which should accrue from this investment. They made a mistake in voting down the proposition to build a city hall and in refusing to make provision for the support of a creditable band. We need these things and must have them to attract the desirable class of people necessary to make Eugene a city. They cost money, but the newcomer will help us pay the price and do it willingly.

Every resident of Eugene must do his share in this campaign for a greater city. Each one must be imbued with the idea that it is his duty to keep his premises clean and attractive, and to bear willingly his share of the expense of public improvements.

What has already been done in the past three years has doubled the population of the city and more than doubled the market value of real property. Another three years of similar effort will produce still greater results.

The conclusion, therefore, must be that while it costs money and requires persistent industry to build up a city, it pays in the long run.

How many of our people are ready to enlist in this campaign

PRICE OF HOPS SOARING HIGH ONCE MORE

Dealers Looking for Repetition
of Stirring Times of
1904

The price of hops is soaring again and dealers and growers are looking for a repetition of the stirring times of 1904, when the market became a skyrocket affair, says the Oregonian. The brewers of the world are facing a serious shortage of hops, and the people who grow this commodity and the dealers who sell it for them are taking advantage of the fact. The market in Oregon has been lifted in a few weeks from 10 to 20 cents, and there is no telling how much higher it will go.

Ten days ago new crop contracts in this state were held to be worth 15 cents a pound. Saturday there was a sale up the valley of 350 bales at 18 cents. Yesterday the market took a sheer jump of two cents to the 20-cent level. The next natural stopping place should be 22 1/2 cents, and then a 25-cent market can be looked for.

In the excited condition of the trade yesterday it was impossible to get at the details of the latest transactions. Following the 18-cent business of Saturday, dealers tried to secure options on crops with bids of 19 cents in the Salem section, but without success, although some 19-cent options were secured in California. Later it was learned that 20 cents was bid by one of the largest dealers for 1000 bales of Sonoma and Oregon hops, and subsequently it developed that 2000 bales were actually bought at this price, though whether in Oregon or California could not be learned.

Duty on Hops 16 Cents
 Washington, July 26.—The conference committee has agreed to fix the duty on hops at 16 cents, a compromise between the house rate of 12 cents and the senate rate of 20 cents.

RESOLUTIONS ON DEATH OF C. H. MATHENY

Crow, Oregon, July 24, 1909.
 We, your committee appointed to draft resolutions of condolence on the death of Brother C. H. Matheny beg leave to submit the following:

Whereas, It has pleased the great Ruler of the Universe to remove from our midst our worthy brother, C. H. Matheny; and

Whereas, It is but just that fitting recognition of his many virtues should be had; therefore be it

Resolved, by Crow Lodge No. 167, I. O. O. F., That while we bow with humble submission to the will of the Most High, we do not the less mourn for our brother who has been taken from us; and be it further

Resolved, That the heartfelt sympathy of Crow Lodge No. 167, I. O. O. F., be extended to the family in their affliction; and be it further

Resolved, That our chapter be draped in mourning for thirty days; and be it further

Resolved, That these resolutions be placed on the records of this lodge and a copy be sent to the family of our deceased brother, and a copy be sent to the Eugene Guard and Register for publication.

CHAS. GOLD,
 W. J. HOLLAND,
 JOHN SMIGLEY,
 Committee.

EXCAVATING AND GRADING

I am in the field for excavating your basements and furnishing you with gravel for your foundation and sand for your plastering. Will also grade and prepare your lawns to suit your taste at reasonable figures. R. Yergle, 535 West Seventh street, city.

Special Sale each day of the week at Yoran's Shoe Store. Watch his Ad.

to build a city in Eugene, determined to keep fighting until the battle is won?

Al Welch says that the Portland, Eugene & Eastern has got the money and is ready to get busy. That is what the people here want and they will stand back of the first company that shows the inclination and ability to do things.

Didn't know there was a king now in this country? Well, King Alonzo Adams, autocrat and owner of Swan Island, in the Caribbean Sea, is in Washington, probably to pick up a few pointers in the ruling business.

Pity the poor Democratic voters of Virginia, who are wrestling with a seven-column statement of the positions on the liquor question of the rival candidates for the gubernatorial nomination, and the dog star reigning.

Walt Mason's famous little prose poems will appear daily at the head of The Guard's editorial columns hereafter. They are always worth reading.

Keep the lawns green; cut the grass and weeds along the streets.

COLEMAN TAKES DOWN

WOODEN FIRE ESCAPES

Last night John E. Coleman, the philanthropist and capitalist, took down the wooden fire escapes from the Coleman lodging house. As he will have to comply with the build-

ing rules of the city, iron fire escapes will probably be erected as soon as possible.

HORSES FOR SALE.

All kinds of horses for sale, little and big, young and old, broken and unbroken.
 SCHMITT BROS.
 Cresswell, Oregon.

Don't Be Flimflammed

BY BUYING HOUSEFURNISHING GOODS AT CLOSING-OUT SALES THROUGH SALVAGE CONCERNS. THIS SAME STOCK WAS CLOSED OUT ONLY 60 DAYS AGO, AND WILL PROBABLY BE CLOSED OUT AGAIN IN 60 DAYS. IT WILL PAY YOU TO BE CAREFUL AND MAKE A COMPARISON OF PRICES. IT DOES NOT PAY TO ATTEND FAKE CLOSING OUT SALES WHERE GOODS ARE MARKED UP AND THEN MARKED DOWN, WITH STILL HIGHER PRICES MARKED THEREON THAN ORIGINALLY. WHEN YOU COME TO OUR STORE YOU WILL FIND GOODS JUST AS REPRESENTED—NO FAKE ADVERTISING AND THEN THE "JUST OUT" OF GOODS ADVERTISED AS SNAPS WORKED ON YOU. WE DO EXACTLY AS WE ADVERTISE

Our Removal Sale Prices Compared With Salvage Closing Out Prices

YOU NEED A COMPARISON OF PRICES; HERE IT IS

SMITH'S AXMINSTER RUGS, the standard Axminster of the world, advertised at less than manufacturers' cost at a closing out sale at \$24.85; we are selling these at Removal Sale prices as low as **\$20.00**
 9x12 Brussels Rugs, adv. at closing out for \$27.75; our price **\$24.90**
 9x12 Wilton Velvets, adv. at closing out for \$39.85, our price **\$35.00**
 Axminster Carpets, adv. closing out for \$1.20 yd, our price **\$1.00**
 Velvet Carpets, adv. closing out at \$1.25 a yard, our price **\$1.00**
 Brussels Carpets, our Removal Sale price as low as **90c yd**
 \$15.00 Heavy Felt Mattresses, advertised at closing out for \$10.85, our Removal Sale price, each **\$9.00**
 \$1.50 Hammocks, advertised at closing out for 98c, our Removal Sale price, each **90c**
 On all Mattresses we are below advertised closing out sale prices.
 On Iron Beds all we ask is a comparison.
 One thing we do not do, and that is advertise a seven-spindle iron bed for \$1.95, then tell the prospective customer we are out of them, etc. We have what we advertise and will do just as we represent.
 A comparison of goods and prices is what you want. Don't go mad at a red bill board, but buy where you get your money's worth.
WE SEW, LAY AND LINE ALL CARPETS WITHOUT EXTRA CHARGE

Remember, we are selling every article in the largest housefurnishing stock in Southern Oregon. Every article reduced and we do just as we advertise—that's worth something to you. No fake sales here and no flimflam methods. Our motto is "A Square Deal to All."

WE DO AS WE ADVERTISE

We have 20 Iron Beds which we will sell to our customers at \$2.40 each; only one to a customer—none to other merchants—and when you come we will not say we sold them day before yesterday. We do as we advertise at all times, and we stay here so as to take care of you in the future. DON'T BE FLIM-FLAMMED

Campbell-Fellman

Eugene's Leading Housefurnishers

Phone Main 34

Cor. 8th & Olive Sts.

WERE YOU FLEE

A prospective customer of the fake housefurnishing conducted by a salvage concern in Eugene, Oregon, is shown a list of the goods advertised at \$1.95, and informed the beds were all sold previously to the advertisement. The customer then asked the advertiser what he was doing? Of course not. The advertiser then told him that at salvage sales what they