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THE TIMES' "FAITH" IN THE COUNTY COURT.

The patent medicine reprint on the side street, has eased up on one foot and is now standing on the other, as is its wont when it don't know what else to do. Last week it handed the county court a well scented bouquet in which it quotes The News wherein it said that this paper would commend the court when it built the Pacific Avenue road and not until then. The gimlet, in its ramifications for something else to say proceeds thusly:

"We have faith in the county court that it is honest and will do what it promises if possible. True it has been slow in getting the rock work done on Pacific Avenue, but there are reasons and anyone trying to hire labor or do any work dependent on hired help will learn the most potent reason very quickly. There has been some good road built in the eastern part of the county and the court states that this system of road building will be continued until the main roads throughout the county are substantially built, and when this is done Washington county will find that it has been money well spent."

The Times' "faith in the county court" must be of very recent birth for in its issue of July 11 it handed the county court another "bouquet" for not appropriating \$2000 to aid the government to build a sample piece of road near here, and promised them all sorts of torture at the polls next spring. Its "faith" and belief that the court is "honest," runs like this:

"They seem to forget that Forest Grove and its friends poll fully as many votes as Hillsboro and that the time is coming when those votes will have to be counted. A promise was given to Forest Grove that a certain amount of road would be done by the county on Pacific Avenue, but we haven't heard anything about it lately. All the work in the city has been done by the city notwithstanding the fact that a considerable portion of our streets are county roads. No doubt the County Court has burdens to bear, but they will be heavier if it intends allowing any old moldy coprolite to control its

actions in the disposition of the people's money. A County Court should be influenced by horse sense and not by slobbers."

While The News does not accuse the court of "slobbering"—and it believes these gentlemen have a little more than "horse sense"—it is a fact nevertheless that the court has ignored this city to a certain degree in doing most of its road building in the eastern part of the county and letting the most important thoroughfare of the county wait—that of Pacific Avenue—until now, when it is a question whether the work can be finished before bad weather hinders. Besides the city is out some fifty dollars for the grading done last spring when, if nothing had been done until the court got ready, this expenditure would have been unnecessary. The above parallel of the Times shows very conclusively that its editor has no principle nor uses judgment in his columns, and it shows too, that his use of The News' statement was for his own greed and not for the benefit of the public. And now that his attempt to feather his own nest at our expense is for naught, let us repeat: "When the county court gets the proposed macadamized road built in this city it is time to commend it for good work and not until then."

When an alleged newspaperman who has just broken out of the land of sage brush and bunch grass, comes into a community of schools and churches and begins his career by telling the people how they should act and do; by commanding the municipality to pass ordinances; by telling the populace that it lacks public spiritedness, and the merchants that they don't know how to conduct their own business, it is no wonder that his weekly budget contains principally wailings and woes, when he is ignored.

Ganderbone's October Forecast.
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Welcome, welcome, sweet October, when the quail shall whistle shrill, when the coal man gets in action with his pesky little bill; when the frost and pumpkin poet sings the old familiar strains, and the football gladiators scramble one another's brains. Doubly welcome, hallowed season. When the wild goose travels space.

When the hunter in the wildwood Shoots the rabbit in the face.
When the last year's hat made over Shows up in the new fall stock,
And the bug-fed turkey shudders Every time he sees the block.
Secretary Taft will be the leading presidential candidate for the month. He will reach Japan on his trip around the world, and when he steps ashore, the island will tip up. The Mikado will have him lifted to the Imperial Roof Garden with block and tackle, and the populace will hold the roof up while Bill and Mutsuhito eat rice cakes together and open a few bottles of saki to the continued amity of nations.

In our own country, President Roosevelt will proceed early in the month upon his annual fresh water cruise. He will go down the Mississippi from Keokuk to Memphis, while cheering multitudes congregate on the banks and count his teeth. Uncle Joe Cannon will buy another thousand feet of lightning rod, buckwheat cakes will renew their tug-of-war with Epsom salts in the innards of man, and the cost of living will take a bird's-eye view of the economic proposition.

The autumn nights inspiring shall grow a little longer, and the breath of fall on cider sweet shall grow a little stronger. The husbandman shall sell his hogs and think to prosper on it, but the good housewife will take the dough and buy a winter bonnet.

County fairs will be in full blast. The heavy fragrance of roasted peanuts will decoy the cautious nickel from the pants pocket of the loving swain. The toy balloon will drag the small boy around the grounds. The man with the long awning on his cap will sit on the tail of the winged-footed trotter and slap her around the track with a barrel stave. The man in red underwear will rise in a balloon hanging by his toenails, and the family that Roosevelt is enthusiastic about will weave through the crowd tied together on a long clothes-line.

The husky husker in the corn Will trill his little ballad,
The raccoon in the forest deep Will eat persimmon salad,
The robin redbreast, growing chilled, Will slowly southward flutter,
And the angels in the skies will catch The scent of apple butter.

The moon will be full on the 21st. Campers will go off to the woods to play poker all night and sleep all day. Hog-killing time will fill the hog with concern for his near future, and he will hustle around after acorns in philosophic enjoyment of his last few days. The football rooster, full of root, will go off on his Autumn toot; the player with the college hair, the while the horns and trumpet blare, will butt around till he is thrown and someone breaks his collar bone. The lusty sound of rah-rah-rah will urge the fell and bloody cause; the girls in mass and colors come, will sing and scream and swallow gum. The giant full back, fierce and stout, will pick a little fellow out, kick in his slats and change his face, and maul him up and down the place, and when the foe shall cease to breathe, will proudly claim the victor's wreath.

The farmer with the mortgage Who is prone to giving notes Will figure up the proceeds From his wheat and corn and oats, And wonder if his cash in hand Will pull him out the hole Or whether he will have to give A "mortgage on his soul."

The hunting season will keep the rabbit on the wing and the quail on the jump. The crack shot from town will range into the country with his burr-proof gun and his hammerless corduroys. He will flush a bird and almost hit a cow, and then buy his game from a native who sports a bored out army musket.

The Amalgamated Game Self-Preservation society will soon require all hunters to carry a large license tag so that all game may know when it is being legally shot at.

The baseball fan will lose his job, the crank fiend is broke, the mothball crib is now abroad spreading odors thick as smoke. The ice cream soda has fizzled out, the ice man slacks his pace, the small boys save their nickels now to buy a comic face. For Hallowe'en will soon be here with pumpkin spoons and pranks, and if the hoodlums pass us up we surely may give thanks.

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COUNTY COURT NEWS

PROBATE COURT.

Estate of Martin Anderson, deceased. Final account filed. Monday, Oct. 28 set for final settlement.

Estate of Wm. H. Lung, deceased. Final account filed. Monday, Oct. 28 time set for final settlement.

Estate of Hjordis Erpestadt et al, minors. Ordered that interest of said minors in real estate in sec 10 t 2 s 2 w be sold at public auction at Court House door.

Estate of Sigessenmann, deceased. Certain personal property set apart for widow and minor children, and that certain other personal property be sold at private sale to settle expense of administration.

Estate of Calvin Adams, deceased. Last will and testament filed. Catharine Adams appointed executrix, to serve without bonds. Benton Bormaa, Willis Ireland and M. B. Bump appointed appraisers.

Estate of John M. Luther et al, minors. Ordered that Guardian be required to file bond for \$2000.

Estate of Frank Hickether, a minor. W. O. Donelson appointed Guardian. Bonds fixed at \$500.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

H. A. Davies and Florence Harness; S. J. Bryant and Lizzie Patty; Harry Leopold and Elma M. Staley; Chas. C. Clapshaw and Clarinda C. Loynes. Ora Fields and Mabel Russell; Gehard H. Delsman and Elizabeth M. Overroeder; H. D. McNutt and Emma G. Staehr; James T. Newberry and Melisa Jane Dunsmoor.

—Dr. C. L. Large reports a daughter, weighing 8½ pounds born to the wife of William Long in South Park

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