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Progress and advancement both suffered a defeat and gained a victory at the meeting of school electors Monday afternoon. The victory was small, but nevertheless a step in the onward march of progress. We refer to the authorization for a grade school site in the eastern portion of the city. The defeat was pronounced, in one sense, in-as-much as the long sought new high school still remains a dream of the future. We did not, and do not, recognize the advisability of expending money upon the present Central building, for it is but prolonging its life for a short period of time. What Forest Grove needs is a new structure to be used for a high school. A structure that will be modern in every respect, and that will be a lasting monument to the enterprise and progressiveness of its citizens. A structure that will house the students in the years to come, and remain a permanent and lasting fixture of the city. The securing of a site for a grade building in the eastern part of the city is a necessary step and one that we advocated from the start. Such a building will give room for the younger children and enable many to prolong their studies who might otherwise be withheld from attending school because of the distance necessary to travel. We are not advocates of wild plunging with the funds of the tax-payers, and would not countenance unnecessary expenditure. We do believe, however, that no better investment can be made than that required for the construction of a modern building for high school purposes. It must be, in the very near future, and no time is better than now. Agitate the proposition every day in the week and every hour of the day. Look to the future, you who have children, and consider that they are entitled to consideration and forethought. Education is as necessary to-day as was the shield and halberd in olden days. Education is might, in these modern times, and too much preparation for the training of the young cannot be made. Work for a new high school, and work consistently, conscientiously and painstaking-

ly. A partial victory for progress has been won. A little more spirit, a little more push, a little more perseverance, and the victory will be complete.

The Portland News of last Monday, with a front page spread head, declares emphatically that it has quit its fight against vice in Portland; and with a total disregard for the English of Webster or Funk and Wagnell, proceeds to give a few reasons for the why and wherefore. Frankly, we have admired the stand the News has previously taken, notwithstanding that nearly every other paper in the state used their little hammer. The News hit straight out from the shoulder, and we dare say nine times out of ten rang a bulls-eye. No paper can get away with a bluff now days. When a crusade is taken up, or a fight waged, against the influences of evil, the newspaper that starts the rumpus, or mixes into it, has got to have "the goods." In other words its a case of "cut bait or fish." There was a time, in the old days back on the "Row," when many a pretty "sandy" was run, and made to "stick." But no more. The day of the "wild-cat newspaper and the "hit-or-miss" reporter, has passed. We do not know whether the "old man" or the "kid," turned out the grist of "hot stuff," but we are somewhat surprised that the News has just awoke to a realization of the fact that support is rarely forthcoming when needed, and the loudest howlers before the battle are the first to "hunt their hole and pull the hole in after them," when the fun commences. Also, that, as a general rule, if the reformer can't have the spotlight Mr. Reformer refuses to play.

Don't forget the mass meeting Friday evening, and don't forget to be present imbued with the proper spirit. Come out prepared to work for the best interest of the community, and not for individual aggrandizement. Don't be afraid to "talk out in meeting," but if you have something to say, get up and say it. No one will eat you for exercising the privilege of free speech, and you may do some good. If there is anything on your mind about the conduct of the city affairs, then will be a golden opportunity to unload. If you know of the right person to represent you in the conduct of municipal government, place the name in nomination. If there is any particular action you desire taken, get up and say so. Don't wait until its all over, and then start to howl because the "meeting" didn't go to suit you, get up on the floor and tell your friends and neighbors what you think, how you think and why you think it. Don't be bashful, or backward, or timid, just get up and "holler." The chairman won't

shoot you, and the dogs will all be chained.

The Telegram shows class and enterprise in its issuing of the "Handy Almanac, Encyclopedia and Atlas" for 1913. It is a volume "full to the brim" with just the information needed by the busy man, the housewife and the student. As a work of reference it is concise and to the point. As an atlas, the maps are superb, accurate and reliable. The "Handy Almanac" will tell you what you want to know, when you want to know it, and how you want to know it, and you will not be compelled to consult a bulky index and then thumb over a few thousand pages in order to locate a bit of information probably contained in three or four lines.

The residents of other cities in the Willamette valley may exult themselves to the utmost in "boosting," but the appearance of Forest Grove is a "boost" unto itself. No prettier sight can greet the traveller, especially after darkness has settled over the city, than the first glimpse of the beautifully illuminated main streets, which are lit up for blocks with rows of three globe electric, supported by handsomely turned ornamental posts. Make the city beautiful to the eye, and "boosting" is on the home stretch, lengths to the good.

Now that the birth of a new year has occurred, let us one and all place our shoulder to the wheel and work for the betterment and upbuilding of Forest Grove.

A mighty good resolution for some folks to make, would be to discontinue the habit of always totting a chip to place on the other fellow's shoulder.

And we will wager a dollar to a doughnut with a round hole in it that you busted that new resolution all to pieces, first crack.

There has been so much of the Oregon mist this week that the ducks have actually been heard to quack their disapproval.

Yes, quite a few have sworn off. All except the editor, and he hasn't had the time. Maybe so, next year; yes?

Clipped and Pasted

A great problem to be worked out, more and more, is that of bringing together people who can help or complement one another in the line of industry, of sensible charity, even of matrimony.—Portland Journal.

From a kindly spirit the average school boy dearly delights in seeing his teacher enjoy a vacation of a few days or a week at this or any other season. *McMinnville News-Reporter.*

Honorable Foraker's story about how Honorable Hearst got those Standard Oil letters is convincing and convicting—of both. *Portland News.*

The family of an aviator might as well keep a good supply of crepe in the house. It will come handy sooner or later.—*Eugene Register.*

Morgan says that money cannot be cornered. Lots of people who have been chasing the nimble and elusive dollar for a good many years found that out long ago.—*Hillsboro Independent.*

The "Adam" style of furniture is coming into vogue. Well, there ought to be something in the house to match the Eve style of women's clothes.—*Eugene Daily Guard.*

Wilson was received at his birthplace on his birthday with great joy. At least once before the same thing occurred there.—*Oregonian.*



The subscription price of the Press is now \$1.50.

Wilson Bump is reported seriously ill at his home in South Forest Grove.

Hartrampf's Feed Mill has just installed a grain cleaner for cleaning seed grain. 3-tf

Many lines of business are represented in our columns, and it will pay the readers to look them over carefully.

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Miss Katy Lilly has returned from California, where she attended the funeral of her brother, who was killed recently in an accident.

Mrs. Miller and daughter Gertrude, of Eugene, left for their home yesterday after a pleasant holiday visit with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Greer.

Wm. Engels and wife, of Tekoa., who have been visiting the W. H. Greer family in this city, departed Tuesday for their home in Washington.

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Leroy Cramblett, a brakeman in the employ of the Oregon Electric, is very ill with pneumonia at the home of P. A. Kirchheiner, in this city. The parents of the sick lad reside at Puyallup, Wash.

Christmas day a most enjoyable family reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Rayeraft, in Patton valley. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Masten, of Centralia, Wash., Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Callahan, son and daughter, of Cherry Grove, Adolphus and George McPherson, and the host and hostess.

Stated Communication of Holbrook Lodge, No. 30, A. F. & A. M. will be held this Saturday, evening Jan. 4 at 8 o'clock. All visiting brethren are cordially invited to attend. By order of the M. W. M. H. C. Parker, Sec'y.

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