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NOTES AND COMMENTS

Forest Grove is spending in the neighborhood of \$3,500 a year for wood to generate power in her light and power plant, with plenty of good water power going to waste within 100 feet of the power plant. Can this waste power be harnessed and made to work, or would the cost be greater than the saving?

The Express is informed that the owner of an Oregon paper mill recently stated that he didn't care if he didn't sell a pound of paper in Oregon, for he had a foreign market for all he could make. And only a few short years ago these paper-makers were howling for a tariff to protect them from the pauper papers of Europe. How big some of our manufacturers can talk when war ties up their competitors.

The action of the Carnation Milk Products company in presenting its employes with a cash bonus amounting to one-twelfth of their wages during the past year, stamps the officers of the company as just and humane employers. It is acts like this that promote loyalty and contentment among employes. An officer of the company informs the Express that the only thing that keeps the local plant from expanding is a scarcity of milk. A record price of \$2.05 per 100 pounds is now being paid for milk and not enough is offered to keep the plant running to capacity. The farmers around Hillsboro appear to be doing better than those in this territory, for the Hillsboro plant is being enlarged. Can we not find a way to help the Carnation company increase its payroll, which would, in turn, increase the prosperity of this city.

FARMERS AND IDEAS

The routine college work at Corvallis makes way at this season for the farmers' classes. They have flocked in this year more numerous than ever before. As one passes them on the campus hurrying from lecture to lecture, as one watches them in their seats listening, there is an expression in their faces not readily interpreted.

It means hunger for the new learning that touches their business everywhere. It means scientific and intellectual curiosity. It means the joy of getting away from routine into a new world.

Put it means more than all that. Unless we misread the farmers' minds they are pondering upon fundamental problems. They are not quite satisfied with the tenacious way in which the guiding factors of the nation have clung to old processes and outworn ideals. Sociologists tell us that the collection of wage earners into great bodies at manufacturing centers automatically generates socialism in them.

The farmers are not likely to become socialists. But we should not be surprised if these annual assemblies were to cut them loose from senseless political affiliations and make them voters for the common good, instead of voters for the profit of party bosses. It may be that the growing intelligence of the farmers portends the expulsion of silly politics from our

public life and the introduction of genuine economic progress. We do not apprehend that anybody would shed tears over this unless it were a few bosses who might lament the lost opportunity to fill their pockets at the farmers' expense.—Oregon Journal.

IN OREGON FOR OREGON

Five hundred and thirty-one thousand, five hundred dollars of the Workmen's Compensation fund is invested in municipal and school bonds in Oregon.

It is more than half a million dollars. It draws for the compensation fund an interest of five and six-tenths per cent.

Thus, the Oregon Workmen's Compensation law is building school houses in the state. It is paving streets, building waterworks, digging sewers and rendering other useful service to Oregon cities. It is working in Oregon for Oregon.

In 1912 the premiums out of Oregon for insurance of Oregon workers against industrial accidents totaled \$683,141. The casualty companies paid back in Oregon losses only \$414,226. It left the companies a balance for commissions to agents, big salaries for officials, and profits for the stockholders totaling \$268,814.

Of the losses paid injured workers, about one-half went for attorney fees and court costs. On that basis, the casualty companies and lawyers got over \$475,000 of the \$683,141 casualty premiums sent out of Oregon in 1912, while the maimed workers and their widows and orphans got less than \$200,000. It was a splendid remunerative system for everybody but the workers.

The casualty premiums for 1912 were \$683,141, and for 1911, \$514,992. In the two years the total of premiums sent out of the state was \$1,198,133 and the amount that came back in losses paid for the two years was \$697,240. The sum retained by the casualty companies was \$500,893.

Out of the \$1,198,133 sent out of the state in the two years, the amount received by workers and their widows and orphans is estimated at less than \$350,000. The princely profits the casualty companies were garnering were cut off by the Oregon Workmen's Compensation law.

The money they were gathering in premiums sent out of the state is now loaned in Oregon to school districts and cities for building school houses and other developing purposes. Except for a small expense for administering the law, every cent of revenue for the compensation fund goes to injured workers or their widows and orphans.

The termination of the flow of the stream of gold that went in hundreds of thousands of dollars out of Oregon for the enrichment of eastern casualty companies is one reason why there is a proposal to make changes in the compensation act at the coming session. To mutilate that law would be a crime against the workers of Oregon.—Oregon Journal.

Claude Bannister of Seattle, who travels in the interest of his uncle's mining properties, visited Mrs. Blanche Richards and family Monday.

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Hillsboro Citizens

Enter a Protest

A citizens' mass meeting at the Hillsboro Commercial Club rooms last Friday evening adopted a resolution, addressed to the Southern Pacific, declaring that the removal of the division terminal from Hillsboro to Brooklyn was regarded as an unfriendly act. A committee, headed by Mayor J. M. Wall and including Edward Schulmerich, J. H. Garrett, Sam Weil, J. W. Connell and W. G. Hare will present the resolutions to company officials.

The meeting was largely attended, and retaliation was suggested. It was declared that Hillsboro money and influence figured largely in securing right of way for the Tillamook branch and, later, when the West Side line was electrified, the company received free right of way through the center of the city.

The removal of the terminal means several families of employes will be transferred to Portland. A company representative present explained that the move was necessary because it was found that the division from Tillamook to Hillsboro could not be covered within the 16-hour limit, and the run will now be from Wheeler to Portland. He said that the change was only temporary.

Another resolution directed that the secretary take up with the Railway Commission the question of physical connection of the Southern Pacific and Oregon Electric at Hillsboro.

NOTES AND PERSONALS

Found—Halter. Call at this office and recover property.

For Rent—Five rooms in house just west of Laughlin Hotel. Inquire at this office. 40

Mrs. Harvey Baldwin, who has been quite ill for some time, is on the road to recovery.

Wanted—Some turnips for cow feed. South Park Dairy, Chas. D. Staley, Prop. 47-tf

H. J. Winbiger and family are moving to Portland, where Mr. Winbiger will engage in business.

New gold and silver laces and beadings at Mrs. Richards'. Reduced prices on account of delayed orders. 51-tf

You'll lose money if you buy men's, women's or children's clothing without first going to Bailey's big January Clearance Sale; 25 per cent off on clothing.

During the absence of Dr. H. R. Kauffman from the city, Dr. E. J. Crowthers will look after Dr. Kauffman's practice and will be at the office from 2 to 5 p. m. daily. 50-tf

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence P. Rockwood returned Saturday from their wedding tour through the east and report a very enjoyable visit. They will make their home with Dr. and Mrs. Bishop.

Another of those entertaining band dances, with entrancing music by Walkers' orchestra, at the I. O. O. F. building next Saturday night, Jan. 13. You are cordially invited.

The Hillsboro Independent says that O. J. Gillett & Son of near

that city have decided to take over the Everfresh cannery in Hillsboro and enlarge it to double the capacity. They expect to be able to handle 100 acres of loganberries, red raspberries and strawberries, as well as a considerable line of vegetables.

The senior class of P. U. will present "Lady Windermere's Fan" at Marsh Hall tomorrow (Friday) night, 8 o'clock. General admission, 25c; reserved seats, 35c.

Gordon G. Brown, federal horticultural expert for the Hood River district, who is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Brown, in this city, Monday sent to his chief, at Washington, D. C., his report of the year's work. The report embraced all phases of his work and filled 155 typewritten pages.

The Rejuvenated Dancing club met at K. of P. hall Friday evening for a "moonlight" dance. The lights were covered with yellow paper and near the ceiling was a large "moon," producing a charming effect. Those present immensely enjoyed the occasion and five new couples were taken into membership.

The Hillsboro Argus stated last week that the Carnation Food Products company, owners of the Hillsboro milk condenser, is spending \$75,000 in the improvement of its plant in that city. The improvements include a new power plant and the addition of another "pan." The improvements are expected to be completed by Jan. 20th.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hunt and three children, residing near Redmond, Crook county, visited with Mrs. Hunt's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Perry, last Sunday. Mr. Hunt was a delegate to the irrigation convention held in Portland last week. He reports that times are very good in his section of the state and that those who can irrigate are getting good returns from their farms.

County Teachers

Meet Next Week

The members of the Washington County Teachers' association will hold a meeting in the Forest Grove High School building on Saturday of this week, with the following program:

- 9.45 a. m.—Opening Exercises.
 - 10.00 a. m.—Business Session.
 - 10.30 a. m.—Spelling Contest; Superintendent B. W. Barnes.
 - 10.40 a. m.—Recess.
 - 10.50 a. m.—Games, playgrounds and School room; A. P. Patton.
 - 11.30 a. m.—Departments.
 - High School - - A. P. Patton.
 - Grammar - - Elsie K. Lathrop.
 - Primary - - - Jessie Greer.
 - 12.00 M.—Luncheon will be served in the building by the Domestic Science Class of the Forest Grove High School.
 - 1.00 p. m.—Special Musical Program given by the Conservatory of Music of P. U.
 - 1.30 p. m.—Address, J. Sherman Wallace, McMinnville College.
 - 2.30 p. m. Departments
 - Supervised Study, J. A. Scofield, Eugene.
 - Primary - - Devices, Mrs. C. E. Barker.
 - 3.30 p. m.—Adjournment.
- The public is cordially invited to attend these sessions.

Notice of Removal

We have removed our offices to the Anderson Building and we extend a cordial invitation to our old friends and patrons, as well as the new, to come and see us. With our new location we are much better fixed to serve you than before.

JOE A. WILES,
WALTER ROSWURM.

Joe A. Wiles would like to write your insurance. Will give you service that will be to your advantage. Upstairs in Anderson block, room 2. 52

Notice

In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Washington County.

In the matter of the Last Will and Testament of Joseph W. Marsh, deceased.

NOTICE OF HEARING ON FINAL REPORT.

Notice is hereby given that Mary M. Marsh, executrix of the estate of Joseph W. Marsh, deceased, having filed in the County Court of Washington County, Oregon, her final account as executrix of said estate, and the County Judge of Washington County, Oregon, having fixed the 15th day of January, A. D. 1917, at the hour of ten o'clock A. M. as the time and the county court room in the Court House at Hillsboro, Oregon, as the place for hearing objections to said final account, therefore all persons interested in said estate are notified then and there to appear and show cause, if any they have, why the said account should not be settled and allowed and distribution made of said estate, and the executrix discharged as prayed for in said report and petition.

Dated this 11th day of December, A. D., 1916.

MARY M. MARSH,
Executrix of the estate of Joseph W. Marsh, deceased.
HOLLIS & GRAHAM, Attorneys.
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FINAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administratrix of the estate of F. H. Maury, deceased, has filed with the County Court of Washington county her final report in said estate and that the Judge of said Court has set February 19th, 1917, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, for the hearing of any objections to said report. Therefore any person having objections thereto will appear on or before said date and file the same.

L. B. MAURY,
Administratrix of the estate of F. H. Maury, deceased.
MANCHE IRENE LANGLEY,
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