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"AN OUTRAGE"

The proposal of the postoffice department to cut off our daily mail and send all Coos county mail to and from Portland by steamer, unless some contractor will carry it overland at a figure which meets the approval of some puffed-up bureaucratic chief, is about the coolest bull-dozing proposition that ever came down the pike. If this be one of the "economies" of the present Democratic administration, the people would much prefer a little Republican "extravagance." There may be some reason in discontinuing one of the two separate routes now in use and sending all the Coos county mail by one route, though there is a good chance for argument on that point. But to say that both routes will be discontinued unless a contractor is found who will carry the mail for less than cost does not speak well for either the intelligence or good intentions of the Department officials. They should be able to understand, and easily can see by their own statistics that the growth of population and business in this county is responsible for the immense increase in the volume of mail matter, and a four-year-old child should be able to understand that this increase must result in an increase in the cost of carriage. Unless they are willing to acknowledge that their whole star route system has broken down, the officials must concede that the letting of the contract to the lowest bidder will bring the price down to a reasonable sum for the service. No one outside of the crazy-house will argue that the government can not "afford" to pay what the service is worth. The Herald is inclined to think that the Department is acting on the reports and advice of some "inspector," whose proper place in the scheme of things is not to be designated here. Further, it might not be far off the track to opine that if his headquarters are not in Portland there is a good string leading from that metropolis of the North-West to some point in his internal economy where the motive cells lie.

GETS HIS WIRES CROSSED

Referring to what we said last week about Colonel Roosevelt, the Herald among other things avers that "Teddy was far stronger than either LaFollette, Hadley or Borah, as was incontrovertibly proved by the voice of the people themselves. If he could not stand against the Taft steam roller, neither could one of the others have secured the nomination."

Got your wires crossed again. Any one who kept in close touch with the reports of the Chicago convention two years ago knows that the Taft men would gladly have accepted either Hadley or Borah as a candidate. "Anything to beat Roosevelt" was their slogan. But they preferred to risk a three-cornered fight and the moral certainty of the election of a democrat, rather than accept Roosevelt as a candidate, even though it was clearly evident that the republican voters wanted Teddy. It was a fight to a finish between "Theodore" and "Bill;" but while Taft would have consented to surrender the field to another candidate, Roosevelt would not.

Another thing, Taft deserved all he got. The man who as a candidate promised the people tariff revision downward and as president gave them tariff revision upward; who got in as the residuary legate of a progressive president and then proceeded to kick progressive policies out into the back yard, got just what was coming to him. As between the two men we should have voted for Roosevelt a thousand times before we would for Taft once.

For the standpatter we have no

H. O. Anderson Gives Good Talk at Meeting

The Fellowship meeting, the third of the series held by the local committee of the Oregon Social Hygiene Society, last Thursday evening brought out a fair attendance, dinner being served to 46 people. M. M. Young, of the New England House, was the caterer, which means that the meal was first-class.

The address given by H. O. Anderson was on the subject of "Nature's Safety Valve, or how shall the stored-up energies of youth rightly expend themselves." Mr. Anderson's talk showed that he had given research and earnest thought to his subject and to the problem of obtaining practical results along the line of the proper direction of the superabundant energy of the children and young people.

He showed that physical and mental activity are natural to the young, and called attention to the tendency of even the youngest children to try to "make something," or build something, a tendency that is shown in the activities of all normal and healthy boys and girls. He showed that in an earlier age, when life was simpler, when manufacturing industries were carried on in a small way, the children saw more of the work of their parents and thus had their thoughts and energies naturally directed along practical lines. Then he called attention to the fact that with the later developments in the industrial world and the growing complexity of our civilization all this is changed, until now few children in towns and cities know anything about the work of their parents and the parents themselves are to a great extent confined to one restricted part of the work in which they are engaged. This has changed the whole environment of the young and has made it necessary that society take a larger view of its obligation in the matter of their training for usefulness.

The speaker said that the three elements in the training of the young were the home, the church and the school. Certain training in the line of morals and deportment should come in the home.

The church has an important place to fill, and its work also has been broadened by the changes brought about in the progress of civilization. While 200 years ago the appeal of the church was to the older people, it should now be directed more to the young. He thought that a minister of the gospel should now have a special course of training in the leadership of the young. He mentioned the Boy Scout movement and said that a minister with special training in the handling of young people would make an ideal leader in the Boy Scout movement. He highly commended this movement for the proper direction of the energies of the boys and for their proper training for their future duties and quoted the requirements of a Scout, viz: that he must be trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent.

He also quoted the Boy Scout oath, which runs as follows: "On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and obey the scout law; to help other people at all times; to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake and morally straight."

Turning to the schools, he said that the same principles applying to the churches would also apply to the schools; that they must keep up with the march of civilization and must follow the changing requirements of the times; that at this time it was necessary for them to teach the various vocations necessary to society, and that their work should be laid along the practical line, rather than that of merely theoretical book instruction.

Coming to a practical suggestion to meet the situation here in Coquille in this year of 1914, Mr. Anderson advocated the inauguration of gardening work among the children, carried on by the public school. He pointed out that there is plenty of vacant land in and about the city the use of which would undoubtedly be given free by the owners. He said that he had had a talk with County Agriculturist Smith and that gentleman had assured him that he would be glad to give all the information and assistance in his power to any young people engaged in the work. He cited the experience of Portland in the last two years, and said that there are now 43 school gardens in that city, 8100 children being interested in them. In addition, 3500 children have home gardens, 1000 of the latter being also interested in the school gardens. He placed the matter of instituting such a plan here before the meeting for discussion.

The discussion that followed was quite lively and was participated in by Messrs. Thomas, Darling, Howard, McCurdy, Kistner, Quick, Knowlton, Jones, Clausen, Young, Stanley and others. A. J. Sherwood also made a suggestion that any one interested in the matter of gardens ought to see his daughter Emma's strawberry patch. No objections were found to Mr. Anderson's suggestion except that some thought it not broad enough and that any plan adopted should cover a wider field.

Finally a resolution was adopted

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The Social Whirl

And lo! There was a Great Star, Not the Star of Bethlehem, yet it was an Eastern Star. A star of Past Matrons. And the Star arose out of the city yea, a great constellation of her, and she ascended to the south, even unto the palatial residence of another Star, the home of ye host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. W. Laird. Where ye hostess, herself a Star, was preparing a great feast more than sufficient unto the day thereof. While the other Stars individually and collectively buzzed around with a great buzz, but did little else, that being part of the programme.

And lo! Later in the day there arose out of the self-same city another and a lesser star. And there seemed to be a worshipper at the shrine of the first Star for as said by Mrs. Mary A. Livermore, his heart was in his stomach. And he ascended to the south in the wake of the other Star, and he halted not, neither fainting he by the wayside, and he found her.

Soon thereafter he sat himself down to great feast prepared by the aforesaid genial and efficient hostess, around him the lovely and beautiful constellation of other Stars shimmering and scintillating in all their brilliancy.

The table was groaning under the superabundance of rich food and delicious delicacies of the season, prepared by Mrs. J. W. Laird, the Star hostess whose excellent, practical cooking and well balanced seasoning would put a Domestic

Science school to shame. Chicken, salads, vegetables, fruits, jellies, and cakes galore, and that splendid, delicious sherbet, frozen not flowing, for the wine flowed not red within the cup at this great feast, though one of the lesser stars tumbled off his bench and another fell off his chair.

Of the galaxy of Stars or Greater Lights present, there were our hostess—Mrs. J. W. Laird, Messdames A. J. Sherwood, J. S. Lawrence, L. P. Maury, C. C. Eviand, F. S. Slagle, J. A. Lamb, W. C. Rose, H. N. Lorenz, W. H. Lyons, C. I. Kime, F. W. Von Pegert, J. C. Laird, Mrs. S. S. Norton of Redding, California, Mrs. Levi Snyder of Portland, Oregon, and Mrs. C. R. Barrow.

The lesser lights present, overfed, therefore shining dimly, were our host—Mr. J. W. Laird, Messrs. A. J. Sherwood, J. S. Lawrence, L. P. Maury, F. S. Slagle, W. C. Rose, H. N. Lorenz, W. H. Lyons, C. I. Kime, F. W. Von Pegert and C. R. Barrow, and Masters Sheldon and Lawton Von Pegert.

After dinner a short time spent in social chat, then homeward bound and the scene was o'er, with the hope of all for many happy returns, while in memory's golden casket many pleasant thoughts were gemed and locked for future recall to enliven aged reminiscence.

May the Past Matrons and the Stars continue to shine with a strong effulgent light diffusing their rays of happiness far and near.

ONE OF THE LESSER STARS

clear land and rights of way and in leaving fires thus started to smoulder in logs and stumps to break out later when the inevitable hot and windy weather arrives. Forest officers announce that state laws regarding burning without permit and precaution will be enforced rigidly and also warn summer camping parties to be extremely careful with campfires.

Silo Bulletin Out

Construction of silos and silage feeding are the subjects of a new Extension bulletin issued by the Oregon Agricultural College. The kinds and capacities of silos, methods of construction in detail, methods of filling, kinds of feed for silage purpose and methods of feeding are some of the more important features fully treated in this bulletin. A particularly interesting feature is the chapter on chemical changes in silage. Forty-four pages of descriptive and illustrative matter make up the bulletin. It will be an invaluable guide to dairymen and farmers who wish to construct and use silos. Those wishing copies may secure them upon application to the Extension Division, O. A. C., Corvallis, Oregon.

The Genuine Artist.
"Is she really musical?"
"A genuine artist. You should hear her refrain from singing."—Life.

East Fork Items

J. D. Laird was taken very sick the night of the 4th inst. Dr. Horefall sent medicine to relieve the pain and came out to see him Monday or Tuesday. The severe pains are not racking him as they did at first, he will probably be on his feet again soon.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Eadicott of Lampa creek moved to Brewster Valley Saturday where they have a contract in partnership with Roy Alford to clear land for J. D. Laird.

Mrs. Ben Swanton and children of Marshfield who came up to M. C. Miller's last Sunday, went out on the stage Wednesday on their way to her parent's home at Forest Grove. She will spend the summer there and with her sister at Mt. Hood. Mr. Swanton came up with the stage Wednesday and went with them to Roseburg and returned Friday.

Mrs. Wm. Betts and Mr. Betts were up to see her brother J. D. Laird Friday.

Ira Howe who is with the Nasburg Grocery, Marshfield, came in on the stage Thursday form his trip to New York, Washington and other Eastern cities.

Theodore S. Ession and Mr. Snyder drank out of Crater Lake June 27th. They were the first men to the water this year and they had no easy task as the trail was blocked with snow drifts.

Mrs. Knowlton and her girls of the N. T. C. went past Mountain Glade, headed upstream.

Coquillers at Eugene

University of Oregon, Eugene, July 13—Coos Bay representatives, usually numerous and prominent around the campus of the University of Oregon, generally manage to make themselves scarce in Eugene in Summer. The theory is that they do not come up here and annex the University of Oregon Summer School because the weather must be pretty nice down on the coast in July and August, and nine months is long enough for any man to stay from the Coos Country, anyway. The Summer School delegation this year consists of C. T. Kronenberg, of Fairview and Gretchen Sherwood of Coquille. Both are taking teachers' courses, Mr. Kronenberg specializing in Higher Mathematics, and Miss Sherwood in English and Library Methods. The present session of the Summer School has the largest attendance in the history of the institution.

Forest Fire Bulletin

Portland, Ore.—Two convictions in Washington for burning slash without permit from a fire warden, damage amounting to perhaps \$5000 to logs and logging equipment in the same state through fires in slashings, but no loss of green timber, is the Pacific Northwest record for June, the first month of the 1914 forest fire season, according to the bulletins received from several states by the Western Forestry & Conservation Association.

All protective agencies were placed on the alert at the close of June by the prospects of a drying interior wind, but the new forecast service especially for forest fire conditions which is supplied by the U. S. Weather Bureau soon reassured them that the threatened high pressure in Western Canada had split into two areas and the danger was, for the time, averted. Nevertheless all patrol forces are being rapidly recruited for the season and about 2000 men will be on duty in a few days in Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana. About 500 patrolmen are employed in these states by the timber owners' protective associations, nearly 200 by the states and Government jointly outside the National Forests, and the others by the Forest Service within the National Forests. The British Columbia Government also has 225 men on duty.

July hazard to guard against other than from campfires, is reported to lie chiefly in slash burning to

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