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"DECLINED, WITH THANKS."

In a two column article under the above head, Addison Bennett, editor of The Dalles Optimist, tells to the world why he is not now, and why he don't propose to become a member of the Oregon State Press Association. A careful reading of this leading editorial in his paper, reveals the fact that he has two reasons for not belonging to the association, or rather one reason with strings to it.

It appears from his statement that back in 1904 when he joined the association he was made a member of the executive committee by appointment of President Hendricks, and further that he was solely responsible for the success of the meeting held in January 1906. It appears further from his statement that he was "in the hands of his friends" for re-appointment but that the new president, J. C. Hayter, failed to recognize his ability and named someone else. At this juncture one foot got over a trace and a reading of Mr. Bennett's article would make it appear that he right then and there lost all faith in the future of the association.

In this article the Optimist editor said some very nice things about the editor of the Graphic, who was elected president of the association at the Seaside meeting, but he says, "We believe Mr. Woodward's labors will be in vain." We sincerely hope Mr. Bennett is mistaken and we believe he is taking a wrong course.

As was stated in a circular recently sent out to the various newspaper men of the state, from which Mr. Bennett quotes, a plan for a re-organization of the association was outlined at the Seaside meeting, and the officers were elected to hold only until a meeting which is to be held in January 1908. The reason for making the term a short one was with the hope of getting a good attendance and many new members added at this meeting and to let the "new blood" have a say in the election of officers. An invitation will be extended, to every newspaper man in Oregon to join and attend this meeting and take a hand in the proceedings. There are two hundred newspapers published in Oregon and if they are represented there will be a splendid opportunity for brother Bennett to show his ability by getting in and knocking out the old mossbacks he speaks of and electing himself president. It will be easy.

At the last meeting of the Washington Press Association, when the attendance was close to 150, it was decided to ask the Oregon Association to join them in a meeting some time next year and Mr. Beard, editor of the Vancouver Columbian, was appointed to extend the invitation which he did at the Seaside meeting. The invitation was accepted and a joint meeting will be held, probably in September of next year.

Now it is up to the newspaper men of Oregon to determine whether or not we shall show up with a strong membership at that meeting. It will certainly be a very nice thing to meet with the boys on the other side of the Columbia and get acquainted with them, and the earnest desire is that we shall meet in January with a large membership and get well organized for work prior to the joint meeting. The editor of the Graphic has enough faith in the newspaper men of Oregon to believe that they will

exhibit enough state pride to get in and help make a good showing for the Press Association when we line up with the Washington boys, and as president of the association we expect to work to that end. We shall be absent from the state for a few weeks but on our return we hope to be able to take the matter up and enlist the interest of the newspaper men throughout the state in working for a big meeting in January.

In the meantime we hope our friend Bennett will think better of it and conclude to bury the tomahawk and get in and lay his shoulder to the wheel and help boost for a big meeting with the Washington Association. If mistakes have been made in the past, let's get together like men and correct them and make a strong association.

The Graphic acknowledges the receipt of "Pioneer Days of Oregon History" in two volumes, by S. A. Clarke. We value the set very highly for we have long been deeply interested in reading early Oregon history, and also from the fact that this particular history of early pioneer days in the Northwest was written by our old friend S. A. Clarke, himself a pioneer, and for years the publisher of the Willamette Farmer, the paper which gave the writer the first insight into fruit growing and farming in the Willamette valley; from the standpoint of an agricultural paper. Mr. Clarke has ranked as one of the most fluent writers of the Northwest, and while we have not had the time to give his history a careful reading we feel sure that he has done justice to his subject. The two volumes contain 729 pages, are well illustrated and handsomely bound and are sold at the low price of \$2.50. A few volumes have been left at this office for sale and those who are interested in pioneer history are invited to call and examine them.

Much interest is shown in the coming horse show to be given by the Portland Hunt Club November 7, 8 and 9. Entries are coming in from many points. Prizes are offered for 167 classes, thoroughbreds, standard breeds, coaches, saddlers and ponies. It is the aim of the club to make the show useful and practical and of benefit to the horse industry. Competent professional judges will face the exhibits. The show includes three matinees and three evening performances. Special attractions are being arranged for. The season ticket sale will soon be announced. Entries close October 20, and horsemen of the northwest will do well to encourage this worthy effort by their entries. The Portland Hunt Club 229 Lumber Exchange building, Portland, Oregon, will be glad to promptly answer any special inquiries which may be made and to send classification lists and entry blanks wherever desired.—Rural Spirit.

An Amity correspondent in Sunday's Oregonian gives an account of big yields of clover seed in that locality which is as follows: "E. E. Robbins, of this place, has threshed 1089 pounds of No. 1 clover seed from 2 1/5 acres of his farm, making 495 pounds or 8 1/4 bushels per acre. At 22 cents per pound this makes a return of \$107.80 per acre. In addition the land furnished the best of green pasture during the spring and early summer. Mr. Luppe, of Bridewell station, threshed five acres of Alsike clover which made 16 bushels to the acre. He sold the seed at \$5.70 per bushel, making an income of \$91.20 off each acre."

H. H. Houghey, who has been in Newberg for the past two months superintending the construction of the big cannery building for the Weber-Bussell Canning company of Seattle, made the remark a few days ago that the people of Newberg did

not realize what was before them in the near future in the way of expansion. He predicts that our two new industries, the cannery and the milk condensery will put more "vim and vigor" into Newberg than the people anticipate and that we will have a city here before we realize it. On account of the outlook for the future as he sees it, he says the town should lose no time in securing additional water supply to be drawn upon when needed. The suggestion is timely and is worthy of the earnest consideration of the city council.

It is evident that a "war to the knife" must be made on the San Jose scale if our fruit interests are to be preserved, and no time should be lost by orchardists in getting in the work of destroying this pest. It is evident too that it will not do to wait and depend on spring spraying alone. Every orchard in the valley ought to be thoroughly sprayed as soon as the crop is off in order to kill the insects before they hole up in winter quarters.

Announcement is made by the Yamhill county horticultural society for an apple show to be held in McMinnville, November 4, 5, 6. Such a show always awakens an interest among the people and fruit growers ought to make this the best showing of apples ever made in the Willamette valley.

The editor of the Graphic will be absent from the state on business for the next three or four weeks. During the interval the business will be left in the hands of L. B. Charles, our foreman, and any favors shown him in the way of furnishing news items will be appreciated.

Judge Artman in his address before Indiana Yearly Meeting put a mighty good argument against the legal standing of the saloon. And in less than ten years he will doubtless be sustained by the courts.—Henry County (Indiana) Tribune.

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