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THEY MEANT WELL.

But He Was Not at All Offended at What Was Told Him.

"Say, old man, I don't want to butt in or poke my nose into other people's affairs or anything like that, but there's something I feel it my duty to tell you, I hope you'll not be offended at what I say, for I assure you that I speak as a friend. You are a very busy man, and you find it necessary to be out of town a good deal, so, of course, you can't be blamed for not seeing some things that other people have noticed, and, as I said before, I hope you won't think I am unduly meddlesome or—"

"For heaven's sake, what is it? Speak out."

"Well, the truth is that—now, I want you to fully understand that I am urged only by the purest motives to say this—the truth is that something has been going on for several weeks past that has worried your friends a good deal and that they think you ought to know. I can understand why you haven't noticed it yourself, and if I were in your place and any one came to me and said what I am about to say to you I'd be likely to get excited and perhaps cause trouble, but I hope you'll be calm and remember that it is only the feeling of friendship I have for you that urges me to—"

"Say, if you don't speak out I'll—"

"Now, don't get excited. That's just what I've been trying to keep you from doing. To come out plainly, old man, your wife has been seen in company with young Woodson a good deal lately. He's been taking her to matinees, to lunches and to—"

"Oh, ha, ha, ha! Is that all? He's half crazy about our daughter and thinks it is necessary to get solid with her mother in order to become a member of the family."—Chicago Record-Herald

Candidate's Device.

A candidate for a provincial town council could neither compose a speech nor deliver one if composed for him, but he was a shrewd fellow and got rid of his difficulties, the local newspaper states, in an ingenious way. He bought a ready-made speech for 25 cts. and then hired a gang of men to interrupt his meeting. As soon as the reading of the speech began the hired "taxpayers" became unruly. The speaker did not persist in the attempt to deliver the speech. He handed the manuscript to a friendly reporter, and the speech of Mr. — at such and such a meeting was duly placed before the electorate.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Come and see the sheet music at reduced prices at the Music Store—sells at reduced prices Saturday afternoon, March 30, only.

Hammock, the photographer now has two young lady helpers and can attend to any amount of work promptly. Come and see what we have for you. Opposite post office.

MICA Axle Grease. Takes miles off the road, and weight from the load. Helps the team and saves the teamster. Practically dissolves friction. Saves half the wear that comes from using ordinary greases. Just one of the many benefits that MICA has for you. Ask for MICA at the MICA Store. STANDED BY COMPANY

LAUREL GROVE

Rain, rain, snow, snow—just watch it storm! Surely March is going out like a lion. The river has been on a rampage for the past week, out of its banks and doing lots of damage and at least one and a half feet higher than at any time in the winter.

Work was suspended on our roads on account of the heavy rains of late, but I guess we will start up again as soon as the elements will permit.

Mr. and Mrs. Jennings of your city were visiting relatives at Laurel Grove last week.

Guy Wetherbee of Wilderville was visiting his cousin, H. T. Day last Sunday.

Will Lamar was very lucky last week having taken out \$180 as the result of finding a pocket on what is called Sour Pickle creek.

Jas. J. McFadden came over on our side of the river last Sunday, hunting his cattle. Of course that is what Jim says, and he staid too long, the river got high and he had to stay a day or two, then hire a cab to take him home around by the bridge. Why don't you make a boat, Jim?

Our reporter had the pleasure of walking through one and a half feet of snow one day last week, looking for Mr. Bruin, but as it was snowing so hard the dogs could not track the bear at all, so we had to give him up, after tramping all day in a good, deep snow, eight miles from home.

While out rabbit hunting not long since a couple of young fellows encountered two large coyotes that kept running the dogs back and when the coyote came out in sight about 20 yards away one of the boys shot him through and through with a 25-20 smokeless gun and then he ran off.

It does not make any difference to our reporter whether we have any fruit inspector or spay dope or not and no one can make him spay either as he has no trees of any kind.

I wish to say to "Shorty" of New Hope, that he must not think that because he tells a lie that "Red Cloud" does too. No one is going to believe that their roads have only had four days work in two years; we all know better than that. Our roads show for themselves. We do work our roads that's what makes a good road. If you want to find fault Shorty, please tell the truth.

We did not notice many of our farmers going to your city the past week on account of the rainy weather.

A dance was given at Mr. Haberman's, given by James J. McFadden and Charles Haberman.

Ed Herriott is driving the stage again and went through with a four horse team last week on the big new stage.

Jeff Lindsay is working and improving his ranch all the time and has a large farm on the Applegate, covered by a ditch from the river and has a large orchard, and sheep and cattle also.

There was a farewell party given Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Bunch by their many friends at their home on last Friday night. Games of all kinds were indulged in and also a bountiful repast was served and all went home happy to spend such another happy event soon, Mr. and Mrs. Bunch leave soon for Oakland, Cal., and we regret to see them go.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Parra and family spent Sunday visiting at Provolet.

Did you ever think how everybody has a dig at the farmer? Why he is the bone and sinew of our country, yet the office seekers and grafters all try to pull him down even the merchants in our cities combine and seek to get his hard earned produce for little or nothing while he must pay a big price for their articles. When will these things change? I guess when Christ comes the second time on earth and not before.

We hear some people making a fuss about the forest reserve law but stop and consider a while. Did you ever think of the grating that has been stung on in the timber business? If you will say that you know the right. We can give our sons, women, and timber, and the prospect of a good life and when we are old and weary we would be in a better position. They enforce the law.

RED CEMENT

After following in the footsteps of the thousands of others, it is now our turn to witness the success of the Portland Cement. A Portland Cement is a cement made from a mixture of lime and clay and is the most durable and strongest of all cements. It is used for building bridges, dams, and other structures. It is also used for making concrete. It is the best cement for all purposes.

DRYDEN

It is raining here at the last report. Mr. Hutchins is cutting wood for Mr. Toylin.

Mr. and Mrs. Toylin made a trip to the Pass lately. W. G. Zimmerman is also planting a new orchard.

Mrs. L. C. Turner made a trip to Grants Pass last week.

Mrs. Coffee has taken up a homestead on Thompson creek.

The farmers of Dryden are using their spray pumps quite freely.

Charles Harmon has left for California where his sister is very ill.

Miss Beesie Hanseth has been quite ill for a few days but is recovering now.

The young men of our valley have quite a hard time to keep their girls so it seems—what is the matter boys? W. G. Zimmerman has become quite an enterprising farmer for he is clearing up his farm, and planting garden at present.

The Literary society is progressing finely. Everyone reports a pleasant time. All are invited and bring your friend.

will soon be one of the best orchards in this valley for miles around. Mr. Hampton reports that he intends putting out more fruit. We all say may be have success as fruit is one thing that makes a country prosperous.

Quite an enjoyable evening was spent at the home of E. F. Hathaway, the young folks of that Valley having given Marcus Hathaway a surprise party. Marcus reports being surprised.

A very pleasant time was had at the hard time dance held at Selma Saturday of last week. Quite a number of the young folks of Dryden attended, reporting an enjoyable evening.

Dell Zimmerman left Thursday morning for North Bend, Oregon, his father taking him as far as Dick Lindsey's at the foot of Mooney mountain. North Bend is reported on the boom.

New settlers will find a fine place to take a homestead on Thompson creek as everything is just what one wants. There is a beautiful landscape, quite a large creek running through the heart of the valley, good grazing land for cattle and a good place to raise swine, a pleasant climate, sociable neighbors who are willing to help any newcomer. It is a fine fruit valley although fruit is not grown in large quantities every farmer has a small orchard. At the head of Thompson creek Mr. Hampton has a large orchard and while it is yet young it

KUBLI

John Shertz of New Hope is now working for J. W. York.

Floyd Bailey has left for San Francisco where he will remain for some time.

J. W. York has finished the spraying of his orchard, which is now in fine condition.

Jess York and John Meek were visiting friends in Grants Pass last week.

Homer York made a business trip to Jacksonville Sunday.

Rollie Jarris has left for Eastern Oregon, where he will work in mines near Klamath river.

Mr. Eunice Kubli was a guest at the McFadden home last Sunday.

Victor Bailey has been working for Mrs. McFadden of this place.

"Windy" would like to hear from Provolet again.

John Meek and Jess York will work with a government surveying party this summer.

W. R. York is pruning his orchard and intends to put some in first-class condition. WINDY.

Parsons, make your wares known by lowering a few lines in the Classified Ad Column. 25 cents spent in this manner will sometimes do more than a whole day's talking.

UNCLE FULLER

Uncle Fuller is a very old man, and he has a very long life. He has seen many changes in the world, and he has lived through many hardships. He is a very wise man, and he has a lot of interesting stories to tell. He is a very kind man, and he is always ready to help others. He is a very good man, and he is a very important man in his community.

DEERING

And still the ranchers are busy. L. B. Webb is in your city on business.

D. L. and H. M. Webb went to Grants Pass yesterday.

E. H. Turner made a trip to Grants Pass Tuesday.

Edmund Egger made us a farewell visit last Saturday. He has gone to Kennet to work in the mines.

Dr. Klopper was in our town last Saturday with a box of nice apples and a handful of subpoenas.

E. M. Albright came home from the pass the first of the week and now he is back to your city once more.

Chas. Reynolds is busy catching coons, foxes and wild cats and also keeping a close watch on Mr. Wilson's home.

Mike Lange was in our burg Sunday; he has been shipping several batches of fur caught on Smith River this winter.

E. H. Hubbard of San Francisco, was looking over the Webb mine Monday. Mr. Hubbard says its the finest showing he ever saw for the amount of work done.

Now if Mr. Meserve would turn his spray on the fleas of Elk Valley and Mr. Carson would get after the pests in the legislature harmony might be restored between those two gentlemen.

Elk Valley has the mineral, now it is up to the railroaders to get busy.

Tell you what we'll do "Red Cloud" you come down to Deering and we will round up all the girls on the range and if we find one without a brand, she is yours.

Messrs. Shelton and Mayberry have left our valley as they have finished business here. They say there is not enough timber to ever justify a railroad through here but they stated that the mineral showing was fine and if ever the railroad came it would be the copper that brings it. It would be well for those railroad boosters to come down and view the great bodies of ore exposed by the Webb Mining Co. They have them all right, all right and you don't need glasses to see them. EBEN.

Sold again—Classified Ad in the Courier did it.

WILDERVILLE

Mr. Taylor and family have moved near the shingle mill on Slate creek.

Mr. Akers made a business trip to Grants Pass Tuesday of this week.

J. B. Robinson made a business trip to Grants Pass Wednesday of this week.

Mr. Stevenson and his mother, Mrs. Woodard made a business trip to Grants Pass Friday of last week.

Charles McCann was among the neighbors who made a business trip to Grants Pass this week.

J. Wagner has his new barn covered and about completed. Mr. Bousman's mother, Mrs. Perkins of Colorado came on the stage Friday of last week to make her home with Mr. Bousman for the present.

This is bad weather on farmers who are trying to get their spraying done before the first of April.

J. L. Jones who was drowned in Klamath Lake the 5th of February was found on the 10th of March.

A few of the young folks met at the home of C. F. Lovelace last Sabbath afternoon to hear their graphophone.

Mr. Akers preached an excellent sermon at the church last Sabbath at the usual hour.

We have been having our worst winter weather the past 10 days. March will soon be gone then perhaps we may look for better weather.

Shubad, Edwin Josephine and Zell Robinson have the measles but they are all getting better now.

J. Hooking has had a touch of the grip, but is better again.

We are not getting much mail since the late rains.

Mrs. Hubbard's father, Mr. Edwards of Grants Pass gave them a call several days ago.

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POOR ROADS PENALTY.

Withdrawal of Rural Free Delivery Service Where Highways Are Bad.

Five rural free delivery routes in Michigan have been discontinued, and it is announced that the government will look more carefully to the enforcement of its rule regarding the roads over which rural free delivery is established, says the Motor News. The present requirement is: "Roads traversed shall be kept in good condition and unobstructed by gates. There must be no unbridged creeks or streams not fordable at any season of the year."

In many cases the residents along proposed routes have made improvements that enable them to obtain rural delivery service, but sometimes the efforts to keep up the roads are neglected. But the government has decided that unless the roads traversed by the carriers are properly maintained the service will be withdrawn.

The postoffice department now calls on the carriers for reports on the roads and will stop the service where the highways in question are bad. The 35,973 rural delivery carriers now employed cover 863,363 miles daily, and it is unreasonable to expect them to contend with neglected roads or to work for communities lacking the enterprise to keep their common highways in decent shape.

If a route is discontinued the inhabitants themselves will be to blame, for if alive to their own interests and their duty to the public they would give their roads vigorous and constant attention. The idea that a route once authorized is necessarily permanent is a mistake. Advice on the best road methods is supplied by the agricultural departments, and a neighborhood that loses its rural delivery must itself bear the discredit for so unpleasant and humiliating an event.

Hand-colored post cards of local views at the Music Store, two for 5c, 25c per dozen.

Illinois Farmers For Better Roadways.

A movement is on foot among the farmers of southern Illinois to this year begin the building of hard rock roads, something after the style of highway adamantium used in parts of Kentucky and Tennessee, says a special dispatch from Carmi, Ill., to the St. Louis Globe-Democrat. Under a state provision made feasible by the hard roads commission the penal institutions of the state are required to furnish rock to all township commissioners who apply. By having the convicts crush the rock, which abounds in many parts of the state, the hard roads commission hopes to facilitate and hasten the improvement of the highways of the state, particularly in southern Illinois.

Town Beauty Scheme.

The first move in the plan to make York, Pa., the "city beautiful" was made recently when under the auspices of the York assembly of the Dauphin Institute, assisted by public spirited citizens, Professor Zueblin of Chicago university delivered his lecture on "The Twentieth Century City, or the City York Ought to Be," says the Municipal Journal and Engineer. Professor Zueblin would have the city by its regularly constituted bodies or through its public spirited citizens lay out a definite plan of action, a plan that would provide for parks, sewers, the elimination of poles, the beautifying of the lawns, the prevention of corporations from doing as they please in tearing up streets, street car congestion in the public square and a hundred and one everyday common sense remedies that most citizens have long been aware of, yet fail to get at the foundation of, for lack of a general plan of action. Professor Zueblin would have the city fathers, official or real, decide on what they want in the years to come and then "go after it," so that the future generations may take up the work that has been started and carry it to completion.

RESOLVED THAT IF YOU WANT TO LOOK LIKE A CLOWN GET A CLOWN'S OUTFIT AND BE DONE WITH IT. BUT IF YOU WANT TO REALLY LOOK WELL DRESSED COME TO A PLACE WHERE THEY'VE GOT THE GOODS BUSTER. Image of a clown and a dog.

IF YOU DO NOT BELIEVE THAT WE HAVE GOT THE GOODS, JUST COME AROUND AND SEE. THOSE WHO HAVE DEALT WITH US KNOW WE HAVE GOT THE GOODS AND THEY CONTINUE TO DEAL WITH US. WE REFER YOU TO OUR CUSTOMERS AS TO THE QUALITY, STYLE, AND PRICE ON OUR GOODS. WE WISH YOU WOULD COME IN AND SEE IN OUR STORE THE GOODS WE PRICE YOU BELOW ON PAPER.

MEN'S SUITS, ANY PRICE YOU WANT, \$7.50 UP TO \$30. BOYS' AND YOUNG MEN'S SUITS \$1.75 TO \$20.00. A PRIZE WITH EVERY BOYS SUIT, ALSO A FINE OAK ROCKER TO SOME BOY'S MOTHER. UNDERWEAR, SHIRTS, TIES, GLOVES, ETC.

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