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STAND BY YOUR TOWN

I like the man who likes his town
and tells the people so.
Who's never heard to run it down
and loves to see it grow,
The fellow who will advertise and
take a little chance,
I think the man is doubly wise who
makes his town advance.
He is the man who paves the way
and causes things to hum;
The fellow who will never say, "The
town is on the bum."
I like the man who loves to walk
along the sunny side,
And every time you hear him talk,
he speaks of home with pride.
He picks the city's virtues out to
herald far and near,
And says to people all about, "We'll
build a city here."
I like the man who wears a grin
when everything seems wrong,
Rolls up his sleeves and pitches in
and sings a merry song;
The fellow who will do his best what-
ever may betide,
And always tries to lead the rest in
making home his pride.
The man who lends a helping hand
to someone falling down,
And makes you plainly understand
he's here to help the town.
But from the "croak" and "crank"
and "crab" Great God deliver me
His tablet be a puncheon slab, his
bier some hollow tree,
Or in some cavern damp and lone,
go deeply put him down,
The fellow who will chew the bone
and stab his own home town.
I like to see the sunburned face and
manly calloused hand,
Which instruments of toil have gra-
ced the fellow with the sand,
Who marches forth in each good deal,
free-handed, without fear,
And makes his brother townsmen
feel, "We'll build a city here"

WE NEED A BATH HOUSE

Victor Murdock, the national po-
litical figure, while in Bandon last
Thursday afternoon took off his
shoes, rolled up his pant-legs and
with other prominent Chautauqua
folks went wading in the surf. "This
is simply great," he said, "if they
only had a place here where one
could get a bathing suit and change
clothing, how we would love to fight
those wonderful breakers." And in
the evening from the lecture platform
he told the people that with the ex-
ception of the Jersey coast in France
Bandon had the most beautiful beach
he had ever seen. The Jersey coast
is similar to this one in scenery, he
said, but it is not superior.

Those words, coming from a man
with a national reputation for not
being afraid to speak his mind and
one who has traveled over the greater
part of the world, are of more than
passing note.

We, who live here, little appre-
ciate what a wonderful resource the
local beach really is. The time is
rapidly approaching when people
from all parts of the interior will
come here to spend their summer
vacations. We should begin to pre-
pare for them, and the first pre-
requisite is a bath house—a place
where pleasure seekers can rent suits
and change their clothing. Such a
place would encourage local people
to take advantage of the surf and
Bandon would soon gain popularity
and become one of the favored sum-
mer playgrounds of the Pacific.

WHY NOT INVESTIGATE?

The discovery that we have money
enough to open the remaining por-
tion of the Bandon-Curry road and
gravel all of it, is encouraging to say
the least. It is safe to say that this
part of the county is unanimous with
the County Court for such a plan, for
we need an all-year-round road to
Curry and want it as soon as we can
possibly get it.

But, before we decide to go ahead,
wouldn't it be advisable to investi-
gate Mr. DeGesen's brick proposition?
This gentleman says we have an
abundance of the best shale in the
country right at our door and we can

build vitrified brick roads just as
cheaply as we can gravel our high-
ways.

There is no comparison between
brick and gravel for road, that point
has been proven long ago; in fact
vitrified brick roads are being con-
structed in the large centers of popu-
lation in the east in preference to all
others.

It would require very little expense
and not much effort for the County
Court and the Roadmaster to in-
vestigate this proposition and West-
ern World hopes that this will be
done before final plans are made.

THE PARALYSIS SCARE

The past few weeks an infantile
paralysis scare has swept the coun-
try from East to West and North to
South, with the result that baby just
now has but to show symptoms of
anything so common as the stomach-
ache and fond parents rush for the
doctor with the fear of "infantile
paralysis."

Sixteen deaths a day is heralded
for New York City alone, and the
panic grows acute. No one stops to
figure that New York City has an
enormous population and that sixteen
deaths from alleged infantile
paralysis (old fashioned summer
complaint?) or any other disease, in a
city of that size is nothing remark-
able.

People should bear in mind the
fact that news is scarce in the sum-
mer time and also that when the
regular newspaper men are taking
their vacations, the old old special
disease story is a fine one upon
which to expend the maiden efforts
of cub reporters.

CHAUTAUQUA A SUCCESS

It didn't take Bandon long to
grasp the Chautauqua spirit, and
judging from the eagerness with
which the prominent business men
signed up for next year, what was
an innovation and what seemed be-
forehand to be a costly experiment
has already become a permanent an-
nual event. It proved to be just
what the committee thought it would
be, something which everyone would
enjoy to the utmost. And, although
it will cost the first year's signers a
few dollars each to make up the de-
ficiency, there are no regrets. In
view of the fact that few really knew
just what Chautauqua meant and
what they might expect, the affair
was an unqualified success.

It is hoped the people of Bandon
will not forget what Ernest J. Sias
told them about community building,
the necessity of co-operation and the
effectiveness of a live commercial
club in bringing industry and pros-
perity to a town. He is not a sponta-
neous expounder of theoretical
ideas, but one who has made a life
study of community building, and
what he told his audience from the
platform Friday night can be put in
to practice if only the people take
hold of the local situation in the prop-
er spirit and all pull together.

It really is foolish to complain
about what the other man has origi-
nated. Nearly everyone will agree
with the sentiment expressed in a
terse saying by Emerson: "No man
can be cheated out of an honorable
career in life unless he cheats him-
self. Believe in yourself and your
capabilities and you will not be
cheated."

Villa is officially dead according to
a bulletin from Washington. At the
same time he is killing Americans and
preparing to take Chihuahua City. In
fact he is the liveliest dead man that
the world has ever known.

The Chinese are said to have a
proverb to the effect it does not pay
to respect a man who has no respect
for himself. Better take a personal
inventory.

The world is looking for the man
who can do something; it has but
scant attention for the man who can
"explain" why he didn't do it.

Bankers say small change is scarce
along the coast. How about large
change, haven't seen much of that
either lately.

Chautauqua week made us forget
our troubles for a little while, and
it was worth the price if for that
alone.

The fellow who treats every other
man as a thief and a liar usually does
so to hide those faculties in himself.

A good band puts real life into a
community. We can have a band
and we need the life, so why not?

Let's all say something nice about
the weather this summer while the
saying is good.

The slogan, "What's the use?" will
never land anything good.

Economy, thou art a virtue—in
the other fellow.

CALENDAR, COMING EVENTS

Coos County Moose Day, Coquille,
August 4 and 5.
Agate Carnival, Port Orford, Aug-
ust 10, 11 and 12.
Coos Bay Railroad Jubilee, August
24, 25 and 26.
Coos and Curry Fair Myrtle Point,
September 8, 9, 10 and 11.
Sweet Pea and Dahlia Day, Ban-
don, Saturday, July 29.
Rebekah County Convention, Ban-
don, Saturday, July 29.
Knights of Pythias Grand Lodge
excursion to Portland, July 31st to
August 12th, open to everybody, fare
from Bandon \$10.05.

No Man-Eating Sharks Along Bandon's Beach

But There Are Others Who Delight
in Watching Mermaids Change
Their Costumes.

Bathers on Bandon beach needn't
worry about sharks—at least not the
man-eating kind that are causing so
much trouble on the New Jersey
coast. Officials of the state game
department of Oregon say they know
of no record of the presence of a
man-eater on the North Pacific coast.
There are about 150 species of sharks
say scientists, but only a few are
dangerous. The nearest to Bandon
that sharks have ever been found is
off the southern California shores
and species found there have never
been known to attack a human
being, although they have harassed
fishermen by taking their bait.

However, there are some sharks
along Bandon beach that bathers,
especially young women, should look
out for, for they will deliberately
stand still in full view, without the
slightest propriety, and watch an in-
nocent victim get out of her bathing
suit and into her garments, thus
causing much embarrassment. This
happened several days ago to a party
of bathers who thought they were se-
curely hidden behind rocks along the
bluff near Queen Anne cottage.

Unfortunately there is no suitable
place along the local beach where
bathers can "change" without taking
chances on exposing themselves, and
there is always a "shark" or two
snooping around hoping to get an
"eye-full."

CHAUTAUQUA WEEK WAS BIG SUCCESS

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the machine gun, the telephone—in
fact practically every weapon except
gas. But the telephone—the biggest
single factor in modern warfare."

Be Loyal to Your Town

From a local point of view Ernest
J. Sias, the community builder,
brought a most interesting and help-
ful message. His was one of "home
town preparedness" and was aimed
to create a more loyal home spirit
among the residents of the commu-
nity.

The large commercial centers of
the country, he said, are gradually
sapping the life out of small towns
and in order to counteract this con-
dition it is necessary for the smaller
communities to put forth a more de-
termined co-operative effort to secure
industry and development. Every
town should have a live commercial
club which should work in conjunc-
tion with the city officials and every
business man and resident who has
an interest in the town should be an
active member. For, in unity there is
strength, and only through co-opera-
tion and effective boosting can the
small towns be kept alive and be
prosperous in the future.

He rapped the petty local factional
fights on street improvements and the
like, urged the churches to unite,
scored the mail order business and
fired a broadside at the people of
Bandon for not cutting down the
weeds, tearing down their old fences
and endeavoring to make the town
more attractive.

The other lectures of week were
equally entertaining and instructive.
They included "The Seen and Un-
seen" by Dr. Elliott A. Boyd; "The
Matchless Book", an inspirational
talk on the bible by Arthur A. Fran-
zke; "Success Where You Are," by
Mrs. Harriette Gunn Roberson; and
an illustrated talk on Hawaii by
Frederick J. Halton.

Music a Real Treat

The musical program included at-
tractions of note, giving local people
an opportunity for the first time to
hear real masters. The Gullotta Trio
and the Hungarian Orchestra were of
exceptional merit and the vocal selec-
tions of Madame Fay Morvillius, me-
zo-soprano, were of equal impor-
tance. The Hawaiians likewise made
a big hit, their program on the last
night receiving much applause.

The Junior work under the direc-
tion of Miss Hazel M. Packard was
by no means of lesser importance,
and her rendition of the pageant

Odd Incidents In American History

FIRST TRANSATLANTIC CABLE

Fifty-eight years ago America and
England were practically ten days
apart; today they are only ten min-
utes apart—in fact we should more
accurately say, less than ten seconds.
All this has been brought about by
the Atlantic telegraph. And of late
by the wireless. Previous to this
momentous event of our talking to-
gether undersea it was more than a
week before European news was
known on this side of the water.

The undersea cable can be claim-
ed as wholly American. The Eng-
lish furnished a considerable amount
of the capital for the project, but the
suggestion of carrying Morse's tele-
graph across the Atlantic was Ameri-
can, and Cyrus West Field is emi-
nently entitled to immortal credit for
the part he took in the work. For
four years he devoted both bodily and
mental work to the enterprise. He
had the fatigues and perils of much
travel to encounter; he had to per-
suade Legislatures as well as indi-
viduals; he had to interest capitalists
in his scheme; he had to engage the
services of eminent men of science,
and he had to sustain repeated fail-
ures.

When the two countries were link-
ed together in August, 1858, Queen
Victoria sent the President of the
United States the following message:
"Her majesty desires to congratulate
the President upon the successful
completion of that great interna-
tional work, in which the Queen has
taken the greatest interest. The Queen
is convinced that the President will
join with her in fervently hoping that
the electric cable which now connects
Great Britain with the United States
will prove an additional link between
the nations, whose friendship is
founded upon their warm interest and
reciprocal esteem."

To this President Buchanan re-
plied: "The President of the United
States cordially reciprocates the con-
gratulations of her majesty the Queen
on the success of the great interna-
tional enterprise, accomplished by
the science, skill and indomitable en-
ergy of the two countries. It is a
triumph more glorious because more
peaceful than was ever won by the
conqueror of a battle. May the At-
lantic Telegraph company, under the
blessings of heaven, prove to be a
bond of perpetual peace and friend-
ship between the kindred nations and
an instrument destined by Divine
Providence to diffuse religion, civiliza-
tion, liberty and law throughout
the world."

The day these messages were ex-
changed was one of general rejoic-
ing throughout the country. In New
York the bells of Old Trinity church
struck up a merry peal, the public
buildings were decorated with flags
and salutes were fired. In Wash-
ington a meeting of both branches
of Congress was called to arrange for
a suitable demonstration. In Louis-
ville the Queen's message was an-
nounced by a grand display of fire-
works; in Nashville the people par-
aded the streets with music, bon-
fires were lighted and the bells thru
the city were rung for half an hour.

In Baltimore the mayor issued a
proclamation that the following day
200 guns should be fired, all the
bells in the city should be rung and
the city should be appropriately de-
corated. In Boston 100 guns were
fired at noon on the Commons and
all the bells of the city rung. In the
evening of the following day all the
trees in the Common were hung with
French and Chinese lanterns. In
every other city of the country simi-
lar demonstrations were held.

Later celebrations of a much more
extensive scale were held in most of
the cities and interchanging messages
of good feeling were sent and re-
ceived. The mayor of Philadelphia
telegraphed to the mayor of New
York: "The home of Franklin sends
kindly greetings to the home of Field.
God willed, the hempen thread of
the man of science and the iron cable
of the man of might made known his
wonders."

At the big celebration in New
York on September 1 there was a
procession miles in length, through
which Cyrus Field rode, standing in
an open barouche, and was greeted
throughout with the waving of
handkerchiefs and cheers.

The completed cable reached both
ends of the ocean, the Irish and New-
foundland shores, on August 17, and
the first message sent across the
ocean was "Europe and America are
united by telegraph. Glory to God
in the highest; on earth peace and
good will toward men." The station
at Newfoundland was at once con-
nected with the general telegraphic
system of America and that at Val-
entia with the British and European
lines.

"King Arthur's Court," in which
more than a hundred little boys and
girls took part, was much enjoyed.

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