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GETTING TOGETHER

An article by L. E. Brigham in the Oregon Labor Press, details in an optimistic way the trend of conditions which are promoting a better and more satisfactory understanding between employer and employee. Mr. Brigham says:

Basic trends of any movement are sometimes more easily seen by one looking at the problem from a distance. As one on the outside of the labor movement, the writer has been in a favorable position for general observance.

Fundamentally, it seems that the labor movement may be tersely summed up in three C's—Craftsmanship—Co-operation—Coin. All three must be considered together; in fact, we might even set up a mathematical rule wherein Craftsmanship plus Co-operation equals Coin.

Coin, while perhaps the primary objective of the labor movement today, can never be permanently attained through the substitution of the Club of Power and Cupidity in place of Craftsmanship and Co-operation. The grouping of the words "labor" and "movement" indicates in itself, life and growth paralleling modern industrial demands.

Nowhere else in the United States is the spirit and importance of craftsmanship better exemplified than in the Apprentice School. The interest and co-operation, both moral and financial, of trade unions and employers' organizations in apprentice training is definite proof. National authorities are agreed that the Portland apprentice training plan is not excelled anywhere.

The Guild of Handicrafts, a national movement, which started in Portland is another indication that the dignity of labor is again coming into its own.

Nowhere else in the United States is the spirit of co-operation better exemplified than in the three-year agreement signed between the Building Trades Council and the Building Employers Association. The continued signing of sub-agreements is proof positive of an appreciation of the value of industrial co-operation.

Portland is indeed fortunate in having such a fine spirit of co-operation between employer and labor. The labor group are to be complimented on their selection of leaders who have the confidence of the public and who can and will sit down with the business man and meet him half way in solving his industrial problems. Such outstanding men as Gust Anderson, Ben Osborn, Bert Sleeman, Ben Mathis and others of the writer's acquaintance are worth their weight in gold to Portland—partly as some are and don't forget it.

PERMANENT PAYROLLS

The Oregon State Chamber of Commerce gives us the following, concerning payrolls:

"Why do business men rejoice when a new payroll comes to Oregon? Because it means steady business for the grocer, shoe man, department store, professional man. It means more customers for the public utilities, wholesalers, manufacturers—everybody. A new payroll every month for Oregon is found in the 75 new families coming to this state—300 people who will be large buyers of every commodity because they are people who have money and they start immediately investing it in property, equipment, household goods—\$260,900 during the month of May. And it is a steady payroll, too, no shutdowns or slack periods. And it puts property on the tax rolls that distributes the burden wider each month.

"This work is increasing in importance. The first five months of 1928 the state chamber reported 122 new families who located in Oregon; the first five months of this year 232 new families arrived. The big season is just opening. During the first two weeks of June, 39 new families made Oregon their home.

"The purchasing power of the average family on the farm, where most of the new settlers are locating in Oregon, is estimated all the way from \$1000 to \$1500 per year. In May the 75 families, therefore, increased the annual purchasing power of the people of Oregon at least \$100,000. In twelve months the new families will boost the yearly purchasing power of the people of Oregon at least \$1,000,000. Certainly a payroll of first magnitude."

Oregon newspaperdom—especially Portland and Umatilla county newspaper offices—mourn the departure of Felix Mitchell from its ranks. Printer and editor, he left the indelible impress of his kindly, trustworthy character as a friend, and his matchless superiority as a craftsman and

ability as an editor in early days at Weston (Athena, then Centerville) and Pendleton. His later life was devoted to helping the late Sam Jackson build a great newspaper at Portland—the Oregon Journal. At the ripe age of 74 he died as he had lived, in the harness.

The pertinent discrimination which is being observed by certain chambers of commerce in the state of Washington in their selection of candidates for membership on the new farm board, is certainly worthy of unbiased cognizance. These Washington bodies are surely desirous of seeing to it that every Washingtonian has a chance to secure the farm board plum. Nobody over there is overlooked and apparently popularity has centered on a Seattle poultry and egg man, with an Olympia fox farmer in hot second place.

An orthodox republican editor vehemently states that the American tariff principal is eminently fair. "Its purpose," he says, "is not to exclude foreign producers from our markets, but to equalize, by levying a duty, the costs of production here and in other countries." All of which sounds very good, but for the fact that the principal is juggled by industry at the expense and loss to agriculture, makes the present American protective policy palpably elastic and unfair.

Science has discovered that coal smoke is to a large degree the cause of London fog. Substitution of smokeless heat, which is now being introduced will no doubt make it possible for the movies to show us the Lime House district hereafter in lieu of a murky fog bank and right now we make the motion that Griffith remakes "Broken Blossoms," conforming with the new conditions.

The warm weather of this week has wonderfully brightened up the prospect for a bountiful yield from the 6000-acre bean crop in the Athena-Weston district. With plenty of moisture and ideal cultivating methods employed, the Eickhoff Farm Products company seems to be "sitting pretty."

With six drum corps and brass bands to enliven the occasion, a choice collection of feathers should be plucked from the tail of the eagle, at Walla Walla's Legion 4th of July celebration.

California is again to the fore with a successful (?) train robbery. The golden state, ever colorful, is not envied in this respect by other commonwealths.

Religious strife in Mexico has ended, and the world is the better for it.

21 Years Ago

Friday, June 26, 1908

Henry Barrett and Sanford Stone, who have the fourth annual horse show in charge, have made every preparation to accommodate the horse loving public in Athena, tomorrow. The light harness classes will not be filled to the extent they were last year, and it is to the draft classes the boys are looking for success this year. The parade, as usual will be a prominent feature and will be in charge of Fay LeGrow and W. R. Taylor.

Less than half those taking the recent eighth grade examinations given for the benefit of those pupils in the county who failed at the first examinations held in May, were successful. Out of 38 taking the tests only 15 were successful. Of the entire number 28 had failed the first time, while 10 were new applicants. The highest grade was made by Hazel Dowd of district No. 11, which is near Weston, her average 90. Sheldon Taylor of this city was one of the fortunate fifteen who passed.

Mrs. Ora Rhodes and Miss Maggie Price spent the day yesterday at the Coppock home near town.

While riding a horse at the Brotherhood home this morning, Ferol McBride fell and broke her arm at the wrist. Miss Mary McKinnon left yesterday for Nanton, Alberta, where she will spend a couple of months with her brother, John McKinnon.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Kidder left the first of the week for Seattle, where they will lay in a large stock of wall paper, paint etc., for their Athena store.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Koontz and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dell, spent Sunday on the Umatilla river. The party were successful in catching trout and enjoyed the outing.

Miss Fay Gerking returned last week from Milton where she visited several days, and will remain with friends here until after the Fourth of July, when she will return to her home in Crook county.

Miss Maggie Price came down from her home at Pullman, Wash., last Friday and is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Rhodes and other friends in this city. Miss Price is a stenographer and has a position in Colfax.

A. N. Mayville, who comes from Le Grande, is opening a cigar store on Main street. He will manufacture cigars for the wholesale and retail trade, and will carry a stock of candies, fruits, nuts, etc. Mr. and Mrs. Mayville have moved into the Swagart cottage on Jefferson street.

Charles Miller, alias C. H. Ireland, is in jail charged with horse stealing. The fellow hired a team at McBride's barn in this city, saying that he wanted to go to the Bryan place north of town. Instead he took the road to Walla Walla. McBride became suspicious and phoned to Milton. At that place Miller tried to sell the team. He was immediately placed under arrest.

Radio Idea Old

Radio communication is not an invention, nor in reality a discovery. The theory was known long before anybody was able to apply it in practice. Numerous inventors were trying to devise apparatus that would make the theory work. For this reason, several different practical systems of wireless telegraphy appeared about the same time. Marconi had the good fortune to be first, but he distanced his nearest competitors by only a short time. It was only by accident that electrical communication by wire was perfected before electrical communication without wires, as both are implied in the electrical knowledge that preceded them, and inventors were working in both fields for many years before anybody in either group succeeded.

Humors Are Hormones

Another belief of the old-time doctors has been upheld. What they called "humors" in the blood has proved to be the modern "hormones" which are secreted from certain ductless glands and not from the heart and liver as once believed. The old-time doctors claimed the disposition of their patients and some of their ills were due to these "humors." Scientists now admit that they were not far wrong and declare that the "hormones" play an enormously important part in determining the disposition of an individual.

Hollow Wall Deafens Sound

Soundproofing involves careful study and practice, and scientists are just beginning to discover the proper way to protect interiors against noise. Among other interesting facts they have learned is that, under ordinary conditions, various materials that are supposed to deaden sound actually transmit it, so great care has to be exercised in constructing walls or other areas make them soundproof. For example, hollow walls, in many instances, are better insulators against sound than those with an inner space filled with sawdust.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

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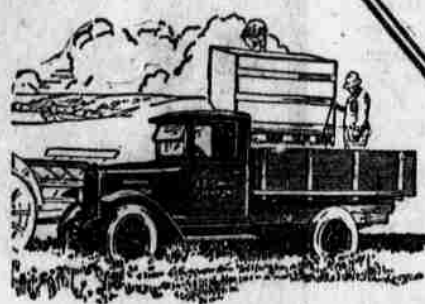
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Sixty Bushel Grain Tank. The new Six-Speed Special provides a body for practical farm-hauling. The 60-bushel grain tank has a two-piece endgate that facilitates unloading. Sound grain-tight construction throughout. This body can be quickly converted into a roomy stock rack.



Stock Rack Body. To convert the grain tank into a stock rack, the endgate is removed. Built-up sections are mounted on the sides and front and a new endgate is added. With the convertible body the Six-Speed Special is well adapted to every farm-hauling job.



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INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER has just announced a brand new kind of truck. It is a good-looking 1-ton truck, designed especially for rural hauling, in town or out, and for general farm work. It is built to meet conditions such as you often meet in this community.

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low fuel consumption. The new International Six-Speed Special has everything a modern truck should have—sturdiness, economy, driving comfort, and looks.

It has a powerful 4-cylinder engine, heavy frame, and springs that properly cushion the chassis and load. Easy steering and riding. Roomy, comfortable enclosed cab. Bodies supplied for every type of load—commercial or farm.

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Excess over 30 KWH used, per month.....3c per KWH
The above rates apply when bills are paid in full within 10 days from date of bill. Otherwise, the rate will be increased by 10 per cent on each item.

Commercial Rates

First 100 KWH used per month.....10c per KWH
Next 200.....7c per KWH
Next 300.....6c per KWH
Next 400.....5c per KWH
Next 1000.....4c per KWH
Excess over 2000.....3c per KWH
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