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THE PACKERS SURRENDER

Whether the "meat trust" has been a good or bad trust may be open to question. Undoubtedly it has made a great deal of money, and in extending its business has used pretty drastic methods. It is difficult to say whether it has made all the money it could have made, or has gone as far as it might have gone in unfair competition and monopolistic control. Possibly, considering the opportunity the packers have had, they have been rather moderate.

It must be admitted, too, that they have performed a service to the country in building up their meat-packing industry. That was a great, constructive enterprise. It is not likely that a more efficient industry exists in the world today. And it is all American from the ground up—a wonderful example of American ingenuity and efficiency in creative business effort.

In fact, the main trouble about the packers has been that they were too efficient for the nation's peace of mind. Their business expanded so enormously, and came to include so many branches of manufacture and trade formerly in independent hands, that there seemed to be actual danger of their monopolizing control of all the important food products in the country. A food monopoly was not to be tolerated. Thus fear of what the packers might eventually do, more than what they were actually known to have done, arrayed public sentiment against them to such an extent that they were obliged to yield to government pressure, and restrict their operations.

With the packers confining their attention to meats, poultry, eggs and dairy products, under government supervision, and with the retail end of these lines surrendered, along with many other tentacles of control, the public will feel safer. Whether any immediate, practical benefits will follow remains to be seen.

THE INDIANS' DEMANDS

California Indians are making certain demands of the Indian Department at Washington. They are not proposing to strike in order to obtain those demands. Such action would hardly be necessary, as just demands, when understood by the general public as well as that public's officials, are usually granted.

The Indians ask for a more adequate supply of irrigation water, better facilities for farming their lands and improving housing conditions.

Seventy-five chiefs and head men representing eight tribes recently discussed these needs at a conference which was attended by several state legislators and the chairman of the Indian affairs committee of the state federation of women's clubs. An Indians' Protective Association was formed.

It appears that the old Indians are not so urgent about the better housing conditions, and they care little about citizenship. They are accustomed to life on the reservations and are content to stay there. But many of the younger Indians have attended Indian schools. They are keen, wide-awake young men and women, fully aware of the advantages of American citizenship and its obligations. They do not like to live in the old style which is still acceptable to their parents.

Whatever may be the justice of these demands and whatever may be the settlement, one thing at least should come from them. That is a more intelligent interest in the affairs of these surviving Red Men. How many whites know anything about the Indians, how many there are, how they live,

their degree of civilization, how they may become citizens of the United States? It is commonly known that a number of Indians served loyally and effectively under the Stars and Stripes in the war, and that many Indians bought Liberty Bonds and subscribed to war relief funds. Wouldn't it be simple justice to them to learn still more about them in order to understand fully the demands of the California tribes?

Inasmuch as the states are all mobilizing their Favorite Sons, and inasmuch as the women are all going to vote for President next year, where's the state that will lead America in political chivalry and nominate its Favorite Daughter?

A scientist claims that if a man could move with a velocity of light he would remain unchanged for 1,000 years. Pity the same thing is not true about prices; they move plenty fast enough, but see how they change!

A woman stock fancier says that no one who cannot afford to lose can afford to raise pigs in these days. But, on the other hand, no one who cannot afford to lose can afford to live at all, so why not raise pigs?

One travels far when he hitches his wagon to a star, but the road is full of bumps, as any great man will testify.

Comment of the State Press

Snappy Gleanings from the Press of the Valley

A Package for Father—

Warren Daugherty got the finest Christmas gift of anybody in the city, says the Yaquina News. It was an eight and three-quarters pound girl which arrived at his home at 11:30 p. m. Christmas Eve. Dr. W. C. Belt was the attending physician.

Another Electrical Discovery—

Mrs. William Holgate went out into her yard on Xmas day and cut a half-blown rose from a vine in a slightly protected place. It was a little beauty and lighted up the whole district.—Gazette-Times.

Send Your Cars to Albany—

Building the long-delayed S. P. carshops here is one way to get quicker repairs of disabled "rotters" and thus relieve the car shortage.—Eugene Register.

Libeling an Industry—

Grossly exaggerated rumors of the injury to Oregon orchards and fruit by the recent cold spell work serious injury to the name and fame of the state and its most promising industry, retard development and slow down progress, the Capital Journal points out.

You Bet We Have—

Albany boasts of a payroll of 1500 people, and notes increasing business and prosperity as a result of it. But Albany has a Chamber of Commerce that fosters and encourages industrial enterprises, explains the Eugene Guard.

Sore at Things—

The world is in a mad stampede for gold, and the maddest of all is the one who is left behind.—Dallas Itemizer.



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BIGGER PAY IS ATTRACTIVE

U. of O. Professors Take up Commercial Work; Situation Serious

The departure yesterday of Professor Allan C. Hopkins, of the University school of commerce, for Portland, where he has accepted an attractive position with an investment company, emphasizes the great need for a general advance in salaries among instructors. Dr. D. Walter Morton, dean of the school of commerce, pointed out this morning.

They Couldn't Find Any More
"Hello, Brown! Wasn't it a fine day yesterday?"
"It seemed so. They fined me once for speeding, and once because my lights were out."

Persimmons?
Ella: She claims that her ancestors came over in the Mayflower, but I am sure she is of very humble origin.
Bella: Yes, she is probably barking up the wrong family tree?

A Rise Out of Him
A farmer and an Irishman were at work in a field when an aeroplane passed over their heads. "I'd hate to be up in that thing," said the farmer.
"Faith, I'd hate to be up there and not be in it!" retorted the Irishman.

Burglar Is Dog
ALAMEDA, Cal.,—"Burglars in my basement," telephoned Mrs. S. Bowles. Policemen found a huge, shaggy dog wrestling with a T-bone steak pilfered from a cupboard.

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