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WHERE IS SELF-RESPECT

A few weeks ago we were asked to call attention to the fact that some little boys were trespassing in people's yards and stealing shrubbery and breaking limbs of trees. We suggested that the parents of the town look into this matter and try to put a stop to it. Yesterday we received a number of complaints that this property destroying had not been stopped.

It is high time that something be done to protect the property of the man that cares what his yard looks like from being ruined by the children of other families. There are very few front yards in Springfield that show the result of hours of hard work and planning to make them enjoyable as well as beautiful. There are plenty of the run down yards where no one seems to care whether they are well kept or not.

If a man is going to spend three or four years to put his yard and garden in good shape it is up to the citizens of the town to see to it that he does not wake up some morning and find it looking as if a young tornado had passed through. The little urchins that are in the habit of taking things from other people's yards that do not belong to them should be severely punished. If the parents do not take this matter in hand, then it is time for the town marshal to act.

NEW SLAVES EMANCIPATED

Every nation has had its period of slavery in some form or other, and every nation has at some time rebelled against this Slavery. Today there are few states that have slaves in actual bondage but many nations have their slaves to habits or to different forms of commercialism. Some of the greatest acts in history are the events of freeing the negroes in the south by Lincoln, the freedom of the serfs in Russia by Alexander and the freedom of all slaves in English colonies.

Now Asia's great Republic, China is making a stand to free her peoples from slavery to the opium habit. On March 31, 1917, the last parcel of opium can be sold legally in the world's largest nation.

"Opium has been for nearly a century the largest vested interest in China," says the Independent, "an interest in which thousands had their entire wealth from which millions drew their living. There were provinces in which there was no other crop, for opium has always commanded a much higher price than any other product. In addition the customs revenue on the poppy imported from India and the internal tax on the native product have represented a large proportion of the entire revenue of the country, more than \$30,000,000. And on the personal side at least half of the 400,000,000 people of the country have been addicted to the

drug." In 1906 the Empress Dowager of China decreed that the opium traffic must be stopped in ten years. The world wondered at that time whether such a decree could hold its own against half her population and many foreign governments. Now at the end of the ten years this plan is realized.

"The amazing feature of the fight has been its overwhelming popular support," continues the Independent. "Seldom have there been such spectacles as the public burning of huge quantities of opium worth thousands of dollars, rich furnishings of dens, pipes and all the paraphernalia of smoking. These have been held from time to time in various parts of the country with official religious ceremonies."

Many times we Americans pride ourselves on being able to carry out reform movements at a much faster pace than most other nations. We have been fighting the liquor traffic and other evils for years, and at the same time China, considered one of the most backward states in the world, surpasses us and starts and completes a reform that involves more than four times the population of the United States in ten years time.

LAWMAKERS WILL BE ASKED TO LOOK INTO CAR SHORTAGE.

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ing 25,000 feet of lumber on a car, it would require 47,920 carloads a year, or a daily requirement of 160 cars. The total cut mentioned does not include the mills that have water transportation in connection with the rail. It does not include the small tie mills on the line of this road, but only includes the mills that are well known through affiliation with lumber associations.

"Confirming the above daily requirements, we have at hand the report of the Southern Pacific Co. of the cars distributed from October 1, 1916, to January 13, 1917, covering a period of 88 days, to the mills of the association in the Willamette valley. This shows that the supply is about 32.3 per cent of the requirements. The Willamette Valley association's daily requirements, as shown by this report from the Southern Pacific company, is for 100 cars each day. To this must be added 38 cars, the daily requirements of the Portland sawmills, or a total for the two of 138 cars. The daily requirements for the water mills, the small tie mills and others would not be less than 30 or 40 cars a day, or a total requirement of about 170 cars, not taking into consideration the new mills being built and the remodeling and increasing capacity of those mills now being operated. Taken from a report of the Southern Pacific company, the total numbers of cars received over the Southern Pacific lines for the first 21 days of this month was 1289 empty and 757 loaded cars. Fifty per cent of the cars coming north loaded can be used for reloading for shipment over the Southern Pacific lines, which would make a net total of 1760 cars, a daily average of about 85 cars, just one half enough cars to fill the requirements of the lumber mills alone, provided none of these cars was used for any other kind of merchandise."

As to the importance of the lumber industry in the Willamette valley, Mr. Cobb said:

Great Body of Timber.
"Lying west of the Cascade mountains is the greatest body of timber, perhaps, in the world containing more than 200,000,000,000 feet, 80 per cent of which is tributary to the Southern Pacific lines and it will furnish them tonnage for 100 years. There is now located on or tributary to the Southern Pacific sawmills with an aggregate invested capital of more than \$100,000,000 with a yearly output of 1,200,000,000 feet having a value of \$18,000,000 with a pay roll for labor each year amounting to over \$4,000,000 \$75,000 a Day Returned.

"In addition to the above payrolls and capital invested there remains the investment of a fall of the logging camps that furnish the necessary logs to the mills. The value of this business is appreciated by all. It is the greatest asset the state has and furnished 60 to 65 per cent of all the labor in the state. Of the lumber produced throughout the state of Oregon 75 per cent of it leaves the boundary lines of our state and from such shipments with our mills running full capacity there would be returned to the state of Oregon more than \$75,000 a day. The value of this to our state must be realized by you all."

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon.
January 15, 1917.
NOTICE is hereby given that Walter J. Brown, of Vida, Oregon, who, on July 29, 1914, made Homestead Entry, Serial, No. 09659, for the SE 1/4 of Section 12, Township 17S, Range 2E, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Com-

mutation Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before I. P. Hewitt, U. S. Commissioner, at his office, at Eugene, Oregon, on the 20th day of February, 1917.
Claimant names as witnesses: Milo Thompson, of Vida Oregon; Clyde A. Wendel, of Vida Oregon; Alden Laws, of Vida, Oregon; Carey Thomson, of Vida, Oregon.
W. H. CANON, Register.
Jan. 18, 22, 25, 29; Feb. 1, 5, 8, 12, 15.

The Making of a Town

By WALTER R. DIMM

FOUR FUNDAMENTALS IN TOWN LIFE.

After the town survey has been completed the town council or the commercial club, or other civic organizations has a definite foundation on which to build comprehensive ideas of its town. The discoveries of the survey committee can be used as a basis for maps and charts of the future idea of the town. Local topographical conditions must be taken into consideration and used to the best advantage: Mill sites, power sites, ground for public parks and residence sections must be carefully planned in accordance with the natural tendencies of the town.

Besides these things the four fundamentals that go to make up a well rounded town must be taken into consideration—health, education, morals and business. Some people would build a community on business and let the other fundamentals take care of themselves but the others will not take care of themselves. Others would include education with business and let morals and health go. If the first three are well taken care of the fourth will come of itself.

HEALTH—The health of the community must be looked after mainly through precautionary methods. The citizens of the town must have pure water, a good sewerage system for the disposal of waste materials, they must provide for the proper ventilation of public buildings, and see to the proper medical inspection of school children. Sanitary precautions must be taken. Garbage that is so liable to collect in alleys, door yards, and between houses must be properly disposed of.

EDUCATION—Most American communities are making a hobby of education. The fathers and mothers of the present generation of school children are anxious to have their children receive a better education than they themselves received. The educational facilities of a community cast a strong reflection on its educational capacity. No town can claim the title of "progressive" so long as it robs its schools of support to put the money into paved streets and similar improvements. No community should be without a public library, for the grownups must keep up their education as well as the children in school. It is not extravagance to invest money in good books that may be read and appreciated by every member of the community. The problem of education is extremely important and demands careful consideration.

MORAL—The moral atmosphere of a community depends largely on the educational conditions of the town. It is the moral atmosphere that the newcomer senses when he first looks the community over. If the educational facilities are up to standard, if the churches and places of amusement are what they ought to be, a large part of the moral situation of the community will be solved. The smaller the community the fewer are the chances of having good amusements. Nowadays almost every town and hamlet in the country has its movie, but the movie has great limitations. This type of amusement can be supplemented by musical organizations, lectures, dramatic clubs and other such organizations.

BUSINESS—Business is the backbone of the community. If there were no business there would be no community. There are always conflicting forces among the business interests of the town. The grocer is fighting his competitor and the hardware merchant is trying to cut into the furniture man's trade. Many times it seems that each man is fighting desperately against every other business man in the community just to make his own little profits. Competition is the life of trade, but it is the death of profits. Cooperation is the essence of business and the mother of legitimate profits. If the business men want to increase trade for themselves they should be willing to cooperate with the other proprietors in the community to increase the business of the whole town. Just in proportion as all gain, each member of the community gains in profits. Businessmen should organize and get busy to map out campaigns to increase the whole business of the town for the benefit of all.



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For Sale, Rent, Wanted, Etc.

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FOR RENT: Modern house for rent 7 rooms. T. J. McCracken, Eighth and D streets. Jan. 29-11. pd.

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FOR SALE—Practically new Oliver Typewriter number 5. Machine is equipped with tabulator and back spacer. It is in good running order. Call at the News office and have it demonstrated. Terms.

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