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Editorial Program

- I. Make Springfield the Industrial Center of Western Oregon.
- II. Develop a Strong Trading Point; Build a City of Contented Homes.
- III. Improve Living Conditions on the Farm. Promote the Raising of Purebred Livestock and the Growing of Fruit; Work for Better Markets.
- IV. Tell the World About Oregon's Scenic Wonderland.

CLEAN UP AND PAINT UP

The Mayor's idea for a cleanup and paint up campaign in the city is a good one. Now we have had a cleanup and gotten rid of the top layer of dirt at least some painting would greatly improve the looks of the town. There are many buildings, especially in the business district, and some residences as well which need paint badly. A little could be used on nearly every building with good results. The saying that paint doesn't cost anything is literally true. It will prevent depreciation of a building by an amount more than equal to its cost. Besides we have the improved appearance of the structure for nothing. A little civic pride on one end of a paint brush and paint on the other is what we need.

We've always heard that the Chinese were a backward nation but supposed they could wash their own hair. But such is not the case as the Portland Shipping news says:

Included in the cargo of the West Jessup which arrived May 4 with a miscellaneous cargo from China and Philippine Islands were 17,025 lbs. of human hair contained in 50 bales which two days later were placed aboard the steamer Katrina Luckenbach for delivery in Galveston where the hair will be split and cleansed and sent back to China for further manufacture.

Belgium is boasting because of her record of going for more than thirty-five days without a cabinet. Its ten to one we could go for thirty-five years without a Congress and not worry very much.

Here is a man in Illinois who on the advice of his doctor had his teeth pulled to cure rheumatism. Now he sues the doctor because he has developed indigestion.

Considering the lilies of the field which toil not neither do they spin is now regarded as red propaganda. Labor unrest must be checked at all hazards.

You can see how carefully the party platforms are being carried out by our faithful lawmakers. You remember what the platforms contained of course.

Now they have found a mirror, a vanity case, and a lip stick used by some flapper 3000 years B. C. This kind of frivolity has gone on long enough. Let's amend the constitution.

Patriots who are willing to die for their country are being urged to buy moonshine instead of bootleg liquor.

Motorcycles have been barred from the Yale campus. Higher education pays we think.

The average person ate 2.5 gallons of ice cream last year and no doubt wished for more.

A hundred to one shot is not an opportunity.

HOW WALL STREET DOES IT

Were it not serious, there would be something amusing in the latest reports published in the conservative press of New York relative to the prospects for the cotton crop. We are told that there is a growing conviction that the new crop has made a good start, and that with an increase in acreage, a plentiful use of fertilizer, and a determination on the part of the farmers to secure a liberal yield, there is prospect for another large crop. All of which is handed out to impress the cave dwellers of the East the idea that the farmer has prosperity in sight. As a fact of the farmer does produce a bumper crop, he will get little or nothing for it. He will work twice as hard, produce twice as much and get much less cash.

Then, in order to straddle the issue, after the manner of all well-ordered Wall street newspapers, we learn that "in the western half of the belt, as a result of the protracted drought, the crop is not so well advanced." This lays the groundwork for higher prices of cotton products for the people. The farmer will be paid a low price for a poorer quality of cotton, because the farmer must be gypped whichever way the cat jumps, and the impotent and apathetic public will pay the rest of the bill.

These financial jugglers, these speculating harpies who live on the sweat of men who work, passing out their propaganda without governmental or private protest, are sowing the seeds of discontent that unless there be some change before long will produce a bumper crop that may shake the teeth of the nation. The farmer is tired of continuous exploitation.

If it hurts you to spend money you can't get very far in business.

Like people, when money isn't working it gets shiftless and acquires bad habits.

Even a cemetery has been known to prosper by advertising.

Spring is the time of year when one even gets tired of resting.

Editorial Comment

ABOLISHING THE POORHOUSE

A plan to abolish the poorhouse and substitute for it the pension for the helpless is under consideration in Indiana. Give the Hoosiers credit for this—they are not afraid to experiment.

That may be worth the consideration of Lips. The Hoosier looks at it from this angle. Many of the inmates of the poorhouse are worthy men and women who worked through a long life, and found themselves helpless in old age. They deserve something better than the poorhouse. A stigma attaches to the poorhouse so that many a man and many a woman chooses death rather than go there.

Instead, the state proposes to grant small pensions to the poor and helpless, making it possible for them to live with friends or relatives in the knowledge that they are not a burden.

The expense need be no heavier. The money now spent in building and maintaining poorhouses, employing attendants, furnishing supplies and the like, would pay the proposed pensions. And it would remove forever the specter of disgrace and humiliation which now hovers over the declining years of many an honest citizen hoping and praying that death come before the poorhouse.

Of course there is room for fraud and favoritism, but with care this may be avoided, or at least kept at a minimum. Honest poverty is not a disgrace, and it may be well that Indiana is pioneering a better road than we have hitherto traveled.—Lions Club Magazine.

MANY INQUIRIES

Names of 2670 settlers interested in Oregon's agricultural opportunities were received by the Land Settlement Department of the Portland Chamber of Commerce from H. W. Byerley, general immigration agent of the Northern Pacific Railway Company, as a result of the joint advertising campaign conducted by the three transcontinentals lines co-operating in developing the Northwest.

This new list is in addition to 2556 inquiries received by the department in March from the co-operating lines, and an additional 1000 received earlier in the year. A total of more than 10,000 inquiries have been received since the first of the year, according to the Manager.

Sues for Damages

Charging that she received permanent injuries when a sign board knocked over by E. G. Sutton struck her, Opal Barklow, through her guardian, Cora Barklow, filed suit for \$5000 damages in circuit court Monday.

The plaintiff declares that the sign struck her on the shoulder, inflicting painful and permanent injuries. Williams and Bean are her attorneys.

Campfire Permits Required June 1

On and after June 1, campfire permits will be required in the Cascade, Deschutes and Santiam National Forest. Permits may be obtained at the office of Supervisor Macduff in the Postoffice Bldg., Eugene, at Blue River, McKenzie Bridge, Reserve and Oakridge, Oregon. Permits will not be issued by mail.

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