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The editor happened to be in an Iowa city where Madame Shumann Heink, the famous singer, appeared in a recital. People for hundreds of miles around were there for the event. It so happened that an old man who had planned to be there was taken sick a day or so before and the doctor said that it was impossible for him to leave his home. Madame Heink on hearing of this secretly slipped away and went to the house and sang for him. Some people said it was an advertising stunt, others said that her heart always went out to the needy, neglected and poor. She looked back to her own past, when she was a poor working woman with seven crying babies at her feet, how the desire to be a singer came to her, how she mastered Italian and French for the great operas are mostly sung in those languages, how she struggled and how she finally won.

Hon. R. A. Booth, An Appreciation.
 And so it is with all people who have to work for what they possess. Things received without effort are usually worth what they cost. Only those people who have had to deal with hard necessity ever accumulate money, ideas, or position. Such men are the kind to anchor to. One of these men is Hon. R. A. Booth, the Republican candidate for United States Senator.

Mr. Booth ate dinner at the home of the editors on Friday night of Fair Week, at least we dignify it with that term. We didn't have much to eat but we told him that we expected to fare better when the Republicans got in but he would have to share with us at least for that meal.

Mr. Booth is a man who has come up from the ranks. He is one of the demos, the common people. He has a firm grasp on the primal virtues—industry, economy, good health and right thinking. He is a business man and the main thing in business is to get the thing done. There are hundreds of reformers going about the country telling other people how Big Business should be done, not one of them has ever made a success of any business ventures worthy of attention. Mr. Booth is no reformer, for the only man who needs reforming is the reformer. He believes in reforming yourself, only in this way will the world ever be freed from worry, want and woe.

If Mr. Booth goes to Washington he will go well equipped. He holds a diploma from a recognized University, he also belongs to the University of Hard Knocks, he is always going to school. Big Business and Little Business will be treated fairly by him. He believes in Women's Rights, expressed in laws, not in the hazy horizon of the future. He is courteous and kind, business assets these days and no complaint is too small to receive his attention. He is no partisan, he has a universal mind and understands the difficulties of all.

He told us that one of the greatest pleasures of his life was the time he spent with his children and grandchildren. He also remarked that he gets great pleasure out of making the kitchen fire. Most of the time they have no servant and it devolves upon him to split the kindling and start the fire. Mrs. Booth does the cooking but he modestly asserts that he is no mean cook. Running a government is nothing more than house-keeping extended. Some people have the idea that it requires a different kind of an individual than the ordinary kind to go to Washington. That idea is passing out, thanks to such men as Hon. R. A. Booth. You will notice that men who are not dependent upon some one else generally make a good report at Washington. Mr. Booth is no dependent, he can and has cared well for himself and will bring this same ability to the service of the state. The state needs such men. We have had a surfeit of reformers, agitators and drifters, we want more practical, common sense, constructive thinking men, such men as the Hon. R. A. Booth.

It's The Little Things That Count.
 The Morrow County Fair was a great success in many ways. It rained a part of the time and some of the exhibits did not get in on time and these hindered the fair and the peace-of-mind of the management; but the thing that disturbed them most was the willful appropriation by some parties of exhibits which did not belong to them. Well has it been said that it is the little things that count. The rain did not seem to dampen the spirits of the visitors, neither did they seem to notice that a few exhibits were a half-day late, but one thing they will not tolerate is

the practice of stealing exhibits. A man who will steal a fair exhibit will rob a bank and should be treated in somewhat the same manner. You can say that people who do this do not think what they are doing but it is hard to convince the courts of this and rightly so. Such people who have these tendencies should be taken care of for society can not tolerate such practices, we are too busy looking after things of more importance. They are on the side of expense and the idea now is to cut down the expense, take up the economic slack and in the process such people are quietly dropped in the dustbin of time.

There was much dissatisfaction expressed upon the failure of Portland in not being represented in some official manner. We are almost ashamed to estimate the amount of business which the Rose City gets annually from Morrow County. The Fair in Heppner is not a Heppner institution, it represents all of Morrow County, so the non-appearance of any official Portland delegation must be taken in the only light that we are left with. Yes, it is just a small matter, just an oversight, like the man who forgot to turn the switch before the fast mail came.

The last time the editor happened to be in Chicago he saw several roofs of skyscrapers devoted to children's gardens. The Board of Education had rented some, others were offered free by their owners for the use of the children. Here were children with spades and shovels and rakes all engaged in preparing the ground for the seed. The instructors told me that some of the children had never seen a blade of grass, a few who had been at the parks had, but the great majority coming as they did from the slums, had never seen many blocks from their homes in the tenements.

The Matter of Children's Gardens.
 The desire to dig and plant is born in every child and he will take pleasure in the exercise long before he can bring intelligence to bear in the matter. The educational idea that are now coming to the fore emphasize that the child must pass through all the stages of development which the race has progressed and the reason that some people are always and forever behind in the great game of life is simply because they require longer periods of time to pass through these changes which evolution has wrought. Every child passes through the savage, nomadic, agrarian, and commercialistic ages and unless he fully experiences them he labors under a handicap which lasts through his days.

Every child should be provided with a plot of ground which he can exercise his agrarian impulses in. Such exercise is commendable for many reasons. He labors in the great out-of-doors where ozone abounds and sunlight and fresh air will add cubits to his stature. He will be on chummy terms with all the wonderful things which grow, creep, crawl, crow, run and swim. Thus will he evolve kindness and sympathy for dumb animals and form an appreciation for flowers, fruits, and freedom. It will be noted that he will accept responsibility and trust for these are implied in the care, cultivation and management of the ground. Not only in these ways will he form habits for good but he will lay aside a small saving account which should not be overlooked. If he is industrious, a brings a degree of business ability, such as Miss Josephine Woolery and Kenneth Binns do, he will measure his success in a matter of many dollars.

This was something which educators have pleaded for, preachers have prayed for and which is just now being realized. No man who saw the Children's Exhibit at the fair can help but seeing the advantages of teaching children to work and to work intelligently with their hands. When children in these roof gardens, surely we who live where land and opportunity are cheap and in abundance, can afford to provide them with a fair sized place to express themselves. Let the Industrial Work go on.

Many people were disappointed in not seeing the auto parade during the Fair. It was too muddy for old 348. Oscar Minor said that he never heard of it raining on a Fair day.

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