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HOW LONG, O LORD?

How long, O Lord, are thy children in Heppner to be afflicted with the plague of dust?

How long are they to sit idly by and see their rather expensive but very servicable streets torn up by every speeding auto and blown away by every fitful breeze while they swallow the dust and try to look pleasant while they keep on boosting the best little town on earth—if it had a ghost of a show?

Why is city money spent improving unfrequented streets while the main thoroughfares are let go to the bowwows while the paving material is being daily distributed by the busy winds into the throats and lungs of the long suffering citizens and upon the shelves and counters and food containers of the tax-paying, credit giving merchants and shop-keepers?

Why let the macadam paving on Main street wear out and blow away before it is even paid for for want of a few tanks of oil, or, if oil is too expensive or not obtainable, why not utilize a portion of the creek water now going to waste in sprinkling the streets, thereby contributing to the comfort of the people, protecting the merchants wares and deciding the percentage of common ordinary dirt that is daily distributed over the fruits and vegetables and other food products that everybody must eat?

During the war and after the fire the people were willing to make any sort of sacrifice—to put up with any sort of inconvenience in matters municipal but why, O Lord, should such a condition be continued indefinitely?

Is the town broke? Are we, as a municipal community, down and out for the count? Is there no way by which we can make living conditions water now going to waste in sprinkling by word and reproach among the people who live here and those who come here on business?

Every town is exactly what the people who live there make it. If they are satisfied year after year to live amid dirt and dust and discomfort that will be their fate until the end of the chapter. If they demand comfort and cleanliness and a degree of beauty they not only may have such conditions but they undoubtedly will have them.

Isn't it about time for the people of Heppner to have better conditions than they have now?

If the mayor and the city council will lead the way they may depend on the people standing behind them to the end of the road.

Isn't it time to cut out the dust nuisance?

WHY A PRIMARY?

Was the primary election law and the accidental preference feature enacted to be observed or simply to be kicked aside and ignored whenever it suits the convenience of some set or stand pat politicians to do so.

If the reports published in the Portland newspapers are true, that the delegates selected to represent the republican party of Oregon at the Chicago convention, will ignore the expressed wish of the people and refuse to vote for Miram Johnson, they will not only show themselves to be mighty poor sports but they will also be sowing the seeds of disunion within their own party and of anarchy within their own state.

No matter whether they are Johnson men or not, no matter whether they believe the Oregon system of holding primaries a good thing or not they went into this game with their eyes open knowing that the Oregon system would be followed and that Johnson would be a candidate. Now that they find they would have the vote to go through with the play whether they like it or not. There are a lot of pretty good republicans in Oregon who will be good and core if the delegates they elected refuse to follow instructions.

THE PRICE OF SHOES

When the vice-president of a big leather company tried to tell the Senate Committee investigating the price of shoes the other day that the cause of high prices of footwear is the fastidious tastes of the public, denied that his company was making exorbitant profits and then admitted that their profits in 1919 were three times what they were in 1914 and also admitted that if leather dealers had been content to accept smaller profits shoe prices would be lower now. It indicated that the leather trust not only believes the public to

be mighty good, easy picking but fools as well and that, so far as the leather trust is concerned the public may either go barefoot, pay the price or, to use the late Jay Gould's classic expression, "be damned."

INTERCHURCH WORLD MOVEMENT NOT POPULAR

Heppner churches, who some time ago decided not to get behind the so-called interchurch world movement for the purpose of raising an immense fund for advancing the work of all orthodox churches, seems to have pretty substantial backing in their position according to recent newspaper reports. The general assembly of the Presbyterian church now in session decided to withdraw support from the world movement.

The movement seems to have been occupied after the recent war drives with the exception that when the war was on those who put up money understood that it was to be used to win the war while in the world church movement nobody seemed clear as to just what the money was to be used for.

The day of indiscriminate financial drives without a well worked out budget as to just what the money is to be used for, are about played out in this land of the free.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Ayers returned from a trip to Portland Saturday evening.

Mrs. Kenneth Mahoney, who visited several days in Portland, returned to her home in this city last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Martin have returned from an extended visit at Portland and will remain in Morrow county for a month or so.

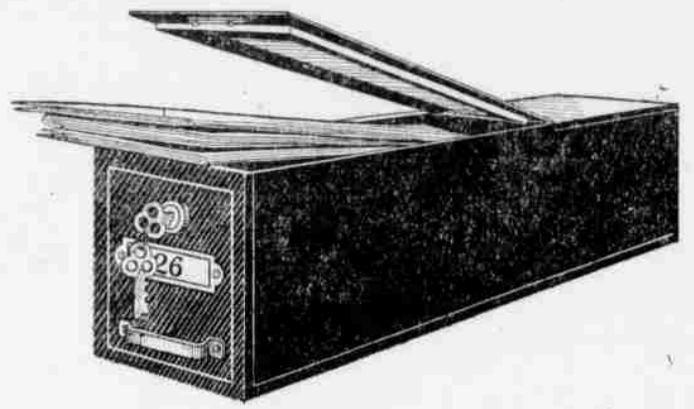
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Blackman, former well known residents of Heppner now living at San Francisco, are here visiting their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Cohn and other friends.

The Episcopal Guild will hold a social meeting at the home of Mrs. C. C. Patterson in the Gilman Apartments, Thursday June 3rd, at 3:15. All members are invited.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that C. M. Farnsworth, administratrix of the estate of O. E. Farnsworth, deceased, has filed her final account of her administration of said estate with the County Court of the State of Oregon for Morrow County, and that said court has fixed Monday, the 5th day of July, 1920, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon of said day as the time, and the County Court room, at the Court House, at Heppner, in Morrow County, Oregon as the place for hearing objection to said final account and the final settlement of said estate, and all persons having objections to said final account are hereby required to file the same with said court on or before the date fixed for the hearing thereof.

Dated this first day of June, 1920.
C. M. FARNSWORTH,
5-9 Administratrix.



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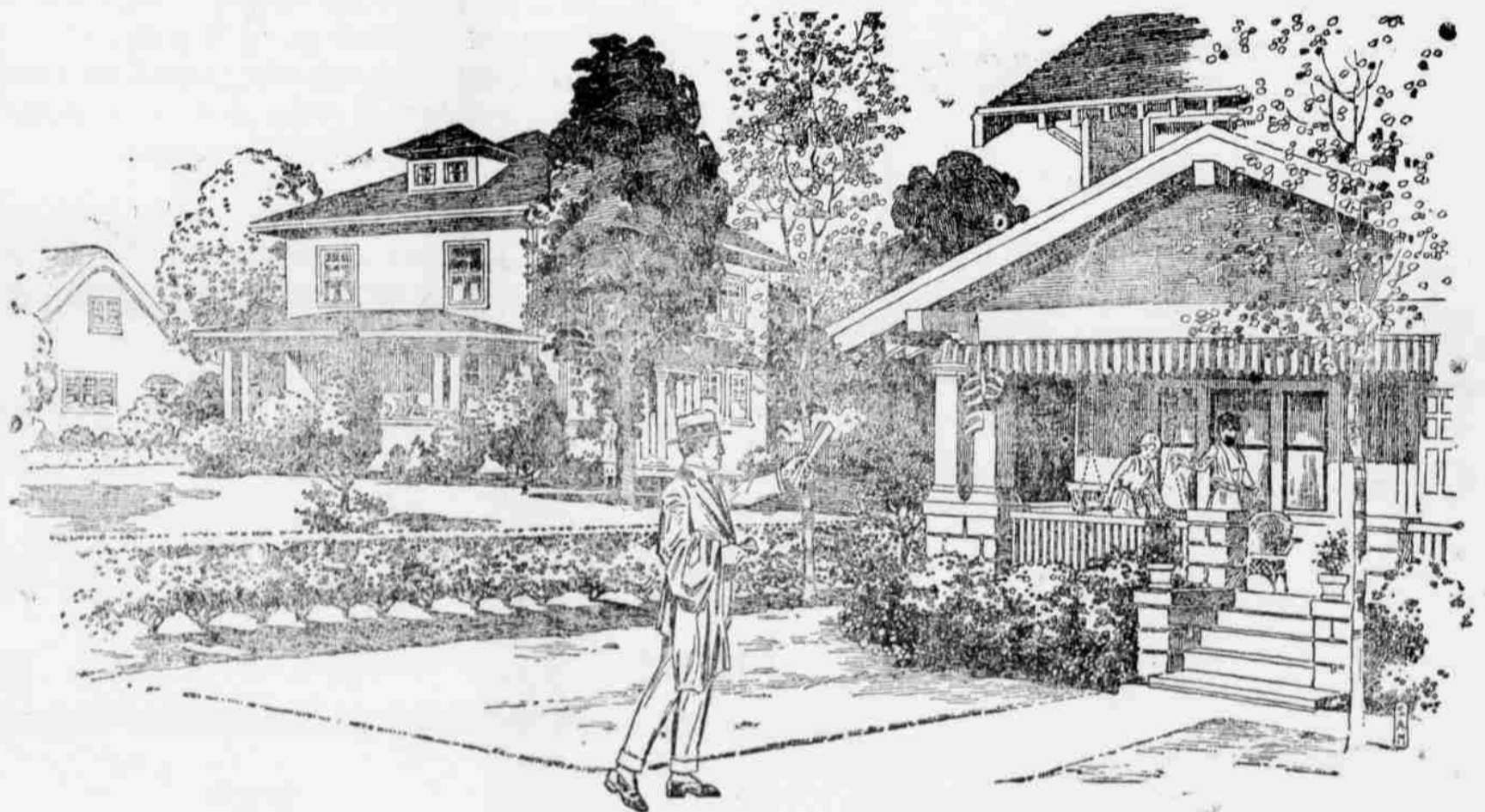
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decidedly a short sighted policy to delay. Building materials are a trifle high at present, it is true, but against this are the tremendously high rents that generally prevail. The small amount you would lose by building now would be more than offset by what you would gain in the matter of rents.

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