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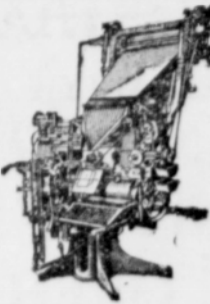
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STATE AID FOR CHILDREN.

The Gresham Outlook would like to start something new. We believe we have an idea that, properly carried out, would be a money saver to the commonwealth and of great help to a growing class of boys and girls in need of homes, care and education.

Unless all signs fail the days of the institutional home for friendless and indigent children are numbered. And the sooner the day comes when these "homes," many of which are not homes at all, are things of the past, the better for the children concerned and the posterity they represent.

Such, at least, is the idea of modern investigators and exponents of child welfare, based very largely on the alarmingly great proportion of children who, having been brought up in an institutional home during the years of their minority, turn out badly and fill the prisons and worse places in the later years.

The idea we would spread broadcast is for the state or county to pay for their keeping in the families of good home owners. There are sound arguments for doing this, and everyone would be the gainer.

The important phase of the question is of course, the humanitarian side of it. There are those who favor the abolishment of all institutional homes in favor of some better system, but so far no better system has been evolved. We think we have discovered it, and here are some of the reasons why:

Did anyone in the ordinary walks of life ever stop to consider what it costs to rear a child? Not the cost in care and responsibility, but the actual monthly outlay in dollars and cents. The figures given by those who have made a study of the matter say that it costs from \$5 to \$7 per month for every child in the average home. No doubt but there are modest homes right here in Gresham where these figures hardly represent the weekly outlay, but the investigators have based their figures on what is required by the average child in the bare line of necessity.

The convincing point about these figures, in favor of the abolishment of the institutional home, is that, according to the same source of reliable information, the expense to the state in bringing up a child in an orphanage, reform school or other like institution varies from \$24 to \$62 per month.

These figures are as astonishing as they are authentic and were the basis of the arguments made a few years ago which gave us the mothers' pension law; the first desire and endeavor was to have the children remain with their mother, provided, always, that she is a suitable person morally, to have charge of them and their bringing up.

Where a good mother is left with dependent children, but without means of supporting them, this state or any other can well afford to pay her a sum per month for the support of each of them, from a purely mercenary standpoint. The state will then be ahead of the game by at least one half, and the advantage to the children so provided for cannot be expressed in words.

But where the child may be an orphan there is many a good home owner who would be glad to adopt him, provided he could see his way to afford the expense. This expense the state should meet and give to the unfortunate little one the training and moral atmosphere that he is entitled to. With a provision on the part of the state to contribute a small monthly sum to assist such foster parents, great and lasting good would be accomplished. And it would be material state economy.

Has the Outlook started something? Will humanitarians let us know?

The Industrial Accident Commission inaugurates economy. It finds Commissioner Marshall can do work of a Secretary and save \$2700 a year.

The government dredge in Mitscho is undergoing \$25,000 repairs at Portland.

The last two weeks of February cost mills exported 20,655,000 feet of lumber.

CLEAN UP AND PAINT UP.

The Outlook has been pounding away for some time on the line suggested by this heading and has been surprised that none of our commercial or civic bodies has yet appointed a day or a week for a systematic rejuvenation of the town.

Why not the Commercial club or the Women's club or the Council, set a day, district the town, appoint committees to direct a systematic clean up and city beautifying campaign? Why not have a big bonfire in the evening, with some thrilling feature, as a fire drill, a balloon ascension or a tight rope performance? and, perhaps a pie-eating contest!

Our esteemed Portland contemporary, The Evening Telegram gives a strong endorsement to the "clean up, paint up" campaign in the following editorial:

Suppose, Mr. Citizen, you were asked to suggest something in the way of activity on your own part and the part of citizens generally which would bring about the most marked and immediate improvement in Youtown; what would you suggest? Just to save you time and some mental wear and tear, let's give you a suggestion. Just make it clean up and paint up. And consider "Is there any other course at this particular season of the year—and in this year of all others—which will afford such quick and generous returns on the money and energy it will cost?"

We are moved to the specific and particular agitation of this subject primarily because the course proposed carries a strong, wholesome, common-sense appeal. It is alive with all the accepted philosophy and principles of first aid in city betterment. And, again, it is a movement that will put us in step with a country-wide, organized campaign, that, in its civic benefits, is fully defined by just two words: "cleanliness" and "brightness."

It is not a hesitating, possibly-may-succeed campaign. It is not conducted in haphazard fashion. It is not confined to any particular community, or any special section. Nor is this the first year it has been waged. The idea, in its National scope, originated in St. Louis three years ago; and last year the very practical results of its regenerative influence were shown in 2200 towns and cities of the United States. The question, Mr. Citizen, is this: Do you want to put Youtown on the list?

The procedure is simply to begin by naming a week during which the entire community shall get busy with the broom, the rake, the garden hose, the scavenger wagon, and lastly the paint brush. And let the date be set far enough ahead so that all the active energies of the citizenry may be aroused to the achievement of the purposes indicated.

That's the beginning; and it calls for the active participation of yourself, Mr. Citizen, and of your neighbors and your friends, and the organizations to which you belong, whether they be trade, fraternal, civic, business, social or otherwise. It is good business, Mr. Citizen. And you will be convinced of it if you will only stop to think about it. It was pronounced good business in every one of the 2200 towns and cities that marched in the Clean Up and Paint Up procession last year. It will be pronounced good business in a far greater number of cities and towns that swell the procession this year. Again, Mr. Citizen, the question is: Will you resolve to have Youtown participate in the verdict?

Owners of high grade livestock in this state will have a number of opportunities next fall to show off their prize animals, four very important events being already on the list. Early in November will be held the Western National Dairy show at Seattle, to be closely followed by the Cascade International Stock show at North Yakima. The first week in December the Northwest Livestock show will be held at Lewiston, Idaho, while the Fifth Annual Pacific International Livestock Exposition will be held at Portland, December 6 to 11. Breeders' associations in the east and middle west are taking great interest in these events and are making unusually liberal appropriations to help out on the premium list.

Many counties are protesting against extravagance of State Highway Engineer. Some counties charge work cost thirty per cent more than necessary.

Plenty of garden tools at Sterling & Kidder's.—Adv.

Notice for Bids.

Sealed bids will be received by the Executive committee of Multnomah grange, No. 71, for painting the Orient Grange hall. Specifications to be had from the committee. All bids to be in by April 15, 1915. Executive committee reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

R. I. ANDERSON, Chairman. MRS. MYRTLE JOHNSON, Sec'y. Boring, Ore., R. 1, Box 36.

To the Housewife.

Madam, if your husband is like most men he expects you to look after the health of yourself and children. Coughs and colds are the most common of the minor ailments and are most likely to lead to serious diseases. A child is much more likely to contract diphtheria or scarlet fever when it has a cold. If you will inquire into the merits of the various remedies that are recommended for coughs and colds, you will find that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy stands high in the estimation of people who use it. It is prompt and effectual, pleasant and safe to take, which are qualities especially to be desired when a medicine is intended for children. For sale by all Dealers.—Adv.

WHERE IS THE PROFIT?

"What shall it profit a man if he shall gain the whole world and lose his own soul?"

This is the question asked by the Great Teacher nearly nineteen hundred years ago, and who can answer it satisfactorily today in the interest of the worldly man who cares not for his soul?

To many it seems a small thing to stake one's reputation as a man and law-abiding citizen against a few hours of cruel, exciting sport, and to so far forget one's obligations to one's fellowmen as to encourage them in practices which are debasing and damnable. It is a pitiful thing that so many can do this and when once they make the start unless providentially stopped and led to reform, they are likely to go the limit and not only lose their soul but also miss all of this world which they strove to win.

Is it possible that an hours' excitement at the game table or the cock pit or the exhilaration of a few swallows of strong drink can be more alluring to a man than a good name, a clear conscience, and the confidence and happiness of well doing?

It is easy to go the downward road; it takes manly courage and strength of character to resist evil and learn to do well, but it will well repay one for the effort.

WORK FOR THE CLUB.

All the arguments that have been advanced in favor of building a trail to the summit of Larch mountain and making the crest a scenic beauty spot, will apply to Gresham Butte, and Mayor Stapleton's plan to convert its summit into a public park.

It has been suggested that the name of Larch mountain be changed to something more appropriate. That would seem to be a difficult task, for its present name is hardly to be improved upon. The same suggestion for Gresham Butte would be more to the point, as something more euphonious might be suggested—something that would appeal to the senses as more appropriate, considering its value from an advertising standpoint. Its present name is rather plebeian and conveys no meaning to anyone not familiar with this locality.

Very few people realize the immense value of Gresham Butte from a scenic standpoint. From its summit one may see for many miles around. It is not difficult of ascent, and a graded road could be built for autos at small expense.

Mayor Stapleton's idea is a good one and should be fully considered. It would pay to reorganize the Commercial club for that purpose.

Surprise on Powell Family.

A very pleasant evening was spent at Maple Grove Farm Friday evening, March 19th, when a few friends and neighbors came to surprise Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Powell. Those present beside the Powell family were, Mr. and Mrs. J. Allen Young, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Kaser, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Cavanagh, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Cavanagh, Mr. Will Cavanagh, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Welling and children of the Base Line, Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Tarr, Mrs. Walter Dolan, Mr. Will McKenzie, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Lee and children of Section Line, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Powell, Mr. Oscar Ashe, Mr. E. P. Snodgrass, of Portland.

The evening was spent playing 500 after which lunch was served.

"Farm Lands in Oregon", is the title of a booklet just issued by the Farm Land Bureau of the Oregon Development League. It contains a list of several hundred farms and small pieces of land for sale, with prices and terms. It is designed to bring together owners of land and prospective buyers without the intervention of middlemen or agents. Copies will be mailed to those interested.

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