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FACTORIES AND PAYROLLS.

A few factories in operation in Gresham, although as yet on a small scale, will be the advance agents of greater prosperity. The automobile factory, as yet in its very first stages of development, gives promise of larger things another year. It is giving employment to only half a dozen men at present, but it has begun operations and will more than likely be Gresham's most important enterprise within a few years.

It is to the cannery, though, that more people look for a substantial influx of money to this community. Should it be the success that its organizers anticipate it will be a constant wealth dispenser, affecting not only Gresham but the whole country for ten miles around. It will supply something more than a payroll to a crew of mechanics, for it will disburse money to every person who is urged to bring something to it that can be sold or preserved, in the way of fruit and other products.

The two brickyards, at Hogan and Hoover, are really Gresham institutions and have small payrolls. They are helping some in the prosperity scheme of the city and should not be forgotten.

A payroll brings only a certain line of prosperity. It only reaches beyond the mechanic to the merchant in most cases, and is dissipated for new supplies to fill the needs of the workers, only the profits remaining. The payroll worker very rarely accumulates wealth, but is content to go on from day to day drawing his wages which is frequently spent as soon as earned.

With the cannery it is different. The produce grower, if he is thrifty, will have something more to sell than would suffice to keep him from one season to the next. He may have been making a living or perhaps saving money and improving his land, but the extra money coming in for the sale of products to the cannery, or through it to the world's markets, is more often used for betterments that add to the wealth of the community.

Then, too, the cannery's beneficence spreads over a vaster territory than a direct payroll factory. It will have a payroll for a part of the year that will add something to the home account, but its greatest dispensation of money will be in returns for something grown in this vicinity. The cannery has an added economic feature in its ability to conserve the waste that has been going on all those former years. After it is once in full operation there should be less waste of fruit in our orchards, as well as a larger acreage of approved varieties, and that factor alone will be worth all the enterprise has cost.

Gresham is situated most favorably for a factory town. It has every facility of transportation needed; it has comparatively cheap land and plenty of it, and it would welcome other lines of manufacture. But it needs something more than words to get men of means here to even investigate.

The people of Gresham are lacking in two things: They lack the wealth to organize and operate any kind of a factory that would be of any importance. They also lack men of sufficient ability—at least they have not yet been found—who could successfully operate an establishment on a large scale. We are not sure but it also lacks boosters who might be able to bring capital here for investment in something that would provide another payroll or two. The fate of the Commercial club would indicate as much, or at least it indicates an apathy that is unaccountable.

There are numerous factory lines that might be induced to come here, and it would seem to be good business for a committee to make efforts in that direction. Who is the man for the occasion?

Political combine between state and labor organizations is breaking, the farmers refusing to back radical programs.

Too much legislation has almost put the dairy industry of Oregon out of business.

LEARN TO SWIM.

The drowning season is on again and several such accidents have already been reported this year. They are so lamentably familiar at this season of the year, and so numerically and pitifully useless, that they serve as a reminder, among other things, of the advance in educational ideas of the time and age. In a number of the large universities and educational institutions the ability to swim and to take care of oneself under a variety of conditions in the water has been made one of the subjects in which the student must show his proficiency before a diploma will be granted him. In various other similar institutions, while swimming is not made one of the requirements to graduation, it is regularly taught, as well as the method of how to rescue and revive a drowning person. All instruction in this line is to be most highly commended and encouraged and is a means of safety and development that should be taken up by all our schools.

Alert physical control and resourcefulness and our primitive self-preservation are more or less neglected because of our growing facilities for protection in artificial ways; but in the scheme of civilization there is nothing that will take place of the art of swimming, and the step of the universities and young men's and young women's schools in making a proficiency in it compulsory is in the right direction.

But even this education in the advanced schools and high priced universities will not be instrumental in every year saving the lives of scores of poor little lads who, every swimming season go to their deaths not only through the lack of knowledge of swimming, but oftentimes through the ignorance of what to do on the part of those who pull them from the water. These little lads are the hope of the nation, quite as much as are older and more fortunate youth of the colleges. The father may be poor, but no father is so poor as not to be able to teach his boy to swim and thus keep his name from the fatal list that is recorded year after year.

BALANCE OF TRADE.

Financial reports from trade reviews show that our exports or imports still grows, due of course in large degree to the fact that Europe is at war and cannot produce all it needs and must buy of us while it cannot produce what we have been accustomed to buy in its markets. The result is an enormous balance of trade in our favor. For the ten months ending with April the excess was \$851,000,000. Already the trade of May and June has brought it up a hundred million more, and will be near the billion mark by the end of the fiscal year, tomorrow.

This means the extinction of much foreign indebtedness or accumulation of foreign credits, and a consequent command over the world's exchanges, and its gold supply. Of course this reduction of imports tells on the customs income of the government, and leaves us a growing deficit in the treasury.

If we do not import we cannot collect duties. The nation receives no income from that source and the money that has been coming in for our exports has gone into private hands. Yet there is no great gain without some loss. A deficit growing out of a big balance of trade is far less perilous than a deficit growing out of extravagant expenditures. Our present treasury deficit arises from both these sources, but there is a hope for the curtailment of excesses when congress shall meet again. There is fear, though, that the internal revenue collections will be increased unless the war shall end.

Now that the new Hill steamship line is in operation between the mouth of the Columbia and San Francisco, and after the Hill people have spent upwards of \$5,000,000 on this new industry, the United States Interstate Commerce Commission takes an expensive trip to Portland to see if it cannot in some way prove that the Hill system put these boats on contrary to law. This kind of an overhauling naturally makes private investors want to go right ahead and spend money? The Hill people should have been given a vote of thanks for establishing this line of steamers and the government should encourage instead of discouraging them.

If all the Missourians accept the invitation and attend the wedding of Champ Clark's daughter, we suppose the marriage certificate will begin with the familiar words, "Know all men by these presents." However, we think some of the Missourians will have "to be shown."

When 100 farmers co-operate to sell products it's a public market. When ten sawmills co-operate it's a trust.

We have a wholesome contempt for the idle rich, but it is the idle poor that is causing all the worry.

THE AMERICAN PREMIER.

Nearly every phase of the resignation of Mr. Bryan from the president's cabinet has secured due attention from the press of the country, and with a unanimity of opinion as to its wisdom that is as unusual as was the action and the expressed reason or excuse advanced by Mr. Bryan for having taken it. That the situation and the ex-secretary of state are equally well understood in this country is shown by the comment made, but from the nature of some of the comments in the foreign press, quoted in the dispatches, it is quite evident that there is some misconception as to the difference between a monarchical government and a federal government and a failure to grasp the fact that the United States is essentially the latter.

There is no analogy between the office of secretary of state, the head of the American cabinet, and that of premier of a ministerial government. Neither is there any official position in the administration of our governmental affairs that corresponds to the premiership of England or any other foreign government. The latter represents, or is supposed to represent, the people, more or less subject to the dictation of the king or emperor of that country, while in the United States the president is the representative of the people, who, theoretically, do not care whom he appoints as his secretary of state, or to any cabinet position.

The president, is in a sense accountable to the people for the official acts of his administrative family, and is expected to—and generally does—constitute it of men of his own political faith, who are expected to act in accord with his political principles and beliefs. Mr. Bryan might have been reasonably expected to do this, judging from his pre-election acts and expressions of friendliness and loyalty to Mr. Wilson and his endeavors to secure his nomination, but Mr. Bryan—well, Mr. Bryan is Mr. Bryan; and that is about all that need be said about him.

A SIMPSON MONUMENT.

A proposal by the pioneers to erect a monument to Sam Simpson is ill advised, as he was never worthy of a monument although he wrote some excellent poetry. Those who knew him best, while admitting his poetic qualities, were most eager to shun his society when he was alive, during his last twenty years. A genius whose intemperate habits estranged him from an adorable wife, and who sparring for nickles with which to drink and wearing shabby clothes that were the cast-off garments of others, should not be the object of idol worship that some would make him. Besides, as the Oregonian says, there are several young men in Portland who are writing better poetry than Sam Simpson did. Yet that paper says he deserves a monument. What for?

State Was to Blame.

The state threatens to sue all who did not pay full maximum insurance rates to the defunct mutual fire insurance companies at Salem. These unfortunate persons who thought they had insured their property are in turn threatening to sue the officers of the corporations that failed. They cannot sue the state, but that is where the blame lies as State Insurance Commissioner Ferguson reported the Horticultural Fire Relief company sound.

Portland is just closing its last year's schools today. Those unhappy kids will all be voters in a few years and will surely vote to close their schools at the same time Gresham does; but they will have to annex their old town to this one with its more progressive ideas.

Robert Lansing is now secretary of state in place of Bryan. Being more nearly in accord with the president there is reason to believe that his peace efforts will not be of the skim-milk kind, so distasteful to a nation that is used to the real stuff.

Calling a man a liar in Kentucky is considered a form of suicide; but Colonel Watterson seems to be exempt because he uses diplomatic language which contains an apology at the same time.

The Germans are said to have guns that will kill at twenty-five miles. A fellow would run all day to get away from one of them and get killed about supper time.

Roseburg merchants have decided to abolish all trading stamps and other premium devices for buying trade and will rely on legitimate newspaper advertising.

When a man and his wife have a ruction and she picks up a dation, she probably does it just to smooth things over.

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