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CHURCH DIRECTORY.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF HAOULTON. Rev. G. A. Taggart, pastor. Services 2d and 4th Sundays of each month. Sunday School, every Sunday at 10:30 a. m. C. Lyle Stewart, Superintendent. Ladies' Aid meets Wednesday afternoons. Prayer meetings Wednesday 8 p. m. Sunday services 11:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. A cordial invitation to attend these services is extended to all. Knights of King Arthur meet each Friday at 8 p. m. Ladies of Queen Avalon meet each Saturday at 8 p. m.

SERVICES M. E. CHURCH, FIRST AND THIRD SUNDAYS. Grand View at 11 o'clock; Rainier 7:30 p. m. Second and Fourth Sundays: Warren at 11 o'clock; Houlton at 3 p. m. and St. Helens at 7:30 p. m. A very cordial invitation is extended to all to attend. J. G. ALFORD, Pastor.

CIVIC DIRECTORY.

HOULTON LODGE NO. 189, I. O. O. F. MEETS in Oliver's hall on Thursdays, evenings. R. H. Mitchell, N. G.; M. M. Pratt, Sec.

MILTON GRANGE NO. 322, OF HOULTON meets every first and third Wednesday nights in Oliver's hall. R. H. Mitchell, W. M.; L. H. Copeland, Sec.; Iris Oliver, Sec.

CELESTIAL GRANGE NO. 320, W. A. Young, W. M.; W. K. Kyster, Sec.; M. P. Young, Secretary.

NATAL GRANGE NO. 32, S. D. PETERSON, W. M. Mrs. Ada BURRIS, Sec.; Mrs. Nettie Peterson, Sec. Meets in their new hall.

VAIL GRANGE NO. 294, A. FREEMAN, W. M.; Peter Lunn, Sec.; M. F. Hansen, Sec. Meets in their hall at Warren.

GOBLE GRANGE NO. 329, JANE McCREGGOR, W. M.; Mary A. Link, Sec.; T. C. Watts, Sec.

VERNONIA GRANGE NO. 303, C. MELLINGER, W. M.; John Chedall, Sec.; L. Siegert, Sec. Meets in Vernon.

COLUMBIA POMONA GRANGE meets in Beaver Valley May 25th, at 11 a. m. W. M. W. M.; L. H. Copeland, Sec.; R. H. Mitchell, Secretary.

VANTON GRANGE NO. 301, G. L. TARBELL, W. M.; C. C. Moyer, Sec.; Emma Tarbell, Sec.

DEER ISLAND GRANGE NO. 294, EDMOND Olson, W. M.; Henry Olson, Sec.; N. Pinkney, Sec. Meets in their hall.

HOULTON CIRCLE NO. 478, W. OF W. LILLIE J. Perry, G. N.; Winnie Bailey, Clerk. Meet every Tuesday evening in Oliver's hall.

RAINIER LODGE NO. 151, I. O. O. F. MEET in their hall every Saturday night. G. A. Taggart, N. G.; W. G. Fischer, Sec.

MIZPAH CHAPTER NO. 32, A. E. S. MRS. C. H. Johns, W. M.; Irene Day, Sec. Meets in St. Helens Masonic hall.

ST. HELENS LODGE NO. 32, A. P. AND A. M. W. H. Powell, W. M.; E. E. Quick, Sec. Meets in St. Helens.

RAINIER LODGE NO. 214, A. P. AND A. M. Bruce Paulworth, W. M.; Dean Blanchard, Clerk. Meets in Masonic hall on Saturdays, before the full moon in each month.

ST. HELENS LODGE NO. 117, I. O. O. F. MEET 2nd and 4th Saturday in their hall. Jas. D. McKay, N. G.; C. W. Mackenzie, Sec.

HOULTON CAMP NO. 655, W. OF W. E. ENMERSON, C. C.; H. O. Oliver, Clerk. Meets every Thursday evening in Oliver's hall.

CLATSkanie LODGE NO. 10, MACCABEES Meets 1st and 3rd Saturday at 7:30 p. m. J. J. Hedrick, Com.; R. H. Williams, Sec.

PERN REBEKAH LODGE NO. 12, I. O. O. F. MEET in Old Fellows hall, Rainier, on second and fourth Friday night of each month. Eva Grant, N. G.; Rose Hatfield, Sec.

AVON LODGE NO. 42, K. OF P. MEETS in St. Helens on Tuesday evenings. W. B. Dilard, C. C.; W. A. Harris, K. of R. and S.

AVA TEMPLE NO. 19, I. O. O. F. MEET in St. Helens. Ida M. Harris, W. M.; Lucy Gray, M. of R. and C. Meets in St. Helens.

COURT OREGON, F. OF A. O. NO. 26, R. I. Kent, C. C.; Ike Kay, Sec. Meets in Clatskanie.

CLATSkanie TRIBE NO. 14, I. O. O. F. MEET in Clatskanie. W. E. Conyers, S. E. C. Blackford, K. of R. Meets in Clatskanie.

RAINIER HIVE NO. 26, L. OF M. Atia Lee, C. C.; Callie Pomeroy, K. of R. Meets in K. of P. hall.

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R. H. MITCHELL, Editor and Publisher.
We originate—others imitate.

PEN, PASTE AND SCISSORS.

To understand capitalism study Socialism.

Prejudice is but another word for ignorance.

A man's thinking ability may be judged by his actions.

It is a mighty good thing for some men that justice is denied them.

Too many workers get their opinions from the same place they get their pay envelopes.

We live in an age of "isms" with the law of "the survival of the fittest" in full force.

Catch phrases are not arguments although the unthinking sometimes accept them as such.

The law commands us poor devils. It requests he rich. It is all a matter of property.

We seldom see reports of dividends on "common stock." Is it because it is mostly owned by common stock?

Now when the workers of Chicago get a good consignment of they voted for, may we know that they "Dunne" it.

In estimating special claims to property we fail to recognize the unity of society—its oneness, and that any such fortune is a loss to the mass.

Better economic conditions produce better men and women, and better men and women make a better world to live in. Most men will agree that this is true.

A great mistake still lingering with many good people is that when the question of chattel slavery was settled there were no other matters of human interest to be solved.

The sickle is much older than the reaper, but no one would think of using it on that account. Why not be as ready to move up in affairs of state as in the realm of mechanics?

The importance of a truth to humanity may be measured by the amount of opposition it arouses among the privileged classes and those in the enjoyment of wealth, place and power.

The Republican prosecuting attorney at Bloomington, Ill., has been indicted for settling a case for cash in hand. It would destroy the family if such rascals were turned out, wouldn't it. Such men are always opposed to Socialism, which would render graft impossible. In Oregon they are re-appointed for such acts.

The reformer is getting some pretty hard jolts these days. The California supreme court has decided that a municipality can elect—but cannot recall a candidate and elect another man in his place. In 1903 J. P. Davenport was elected alderman in Los Angeles. He sold himself to the corporations, or rather entered his office as the servant of his masters. The voters of Los Angeles, exercising the right of recall granted to them by their new city charter, demanded his resignation and elected a new man in his place. Davenport carried the case to the supreme court of the state and that august body has decided in its infinite wisdom that the people have no rights an elected official is bound to respect.

Here is a chance to improve the county roads. A new law approved February 22, provides: "When a majority of property holders within two miles on either side of a county road or proposed route for such desire to have a road laid out, or an existing one graded, paved or extensively improved at the expense of property owners, they may petition the county court to have the same done. Viewers will be appointed, who with the aid of a survey will make a report of the proportionate cost to all interested and the aggregate cost, which shall be filed with the county court. Notice of the time for hearing of remonstrators will be given, after which the court will proceed or abandon the project. If the work is done, it will be by contract, and the amount assessed to adjacent property owners within the two-mile limit, who may, if they desire, arrange for payment in 10 equal annual installments, the same as for street improvements in large cities.

ARE A MENACE.

The Sunday Oregonian has, of late, been devoting considerable space to the history of certain of New York's plutocratic and snobocratic families, among others those of the Vanderbilts and Astors. In our humble opinion no good purpose is served by the publication of the life and doings of any one whose endeavors have led him into no other field than that of mere dollar getting—whose every move has been actuated by the god of greed, and whose thoughts desires and aspirations arise no higher than Mammon's bestial shrine. Such lives do not present a healthy example for Americans to follow. There is nothing in them to emulate and everything to abhor.

The heads of both these families—minds on the porcine order—having been kicked out of their own country, as the duly accredited missing links, came to these shores in the steerage. Once here, they lost no time in embarking in the business of selling rot gut liquor, rolling lousy Indians, and cleaning cuspidors. They slept in the stable or some worse place, ate what the hogs refused, and went mighty near naked, except for what dirt accumulated on their persons during the dry season, the quicker to gather sufficient wealth with which to buy real estate around which the city of New York eventually built, thus making them rich willy nilly. And now their offspring have come upon the stage to strut their all-together too tedious hour—many of them too super-sensitive to remain in America and have therefore hied themselves to Europe to expand their kulchur, doncher know, and marry jukes, dudines and titled milliner signs.

So far as we have been able to learn but one member of the Vanderbilt family ever had any ambition above coining hoodle out of blood, and he was an object of pity and contempt in the eyes of the remainder of the family. And none of the Astors were ever guilty of a leaning toward literature, music, or art, which is perhaps fortunate in more ways than one.

If the same energy and ability were consumed in sketching the lives and doings of such men as Ethan Allen, Old Putnam, Warren, Hancock, Otis, Prentice, Sumner, and Channing, say nothing about our more familiar Americans like Washington, Jefferson, and Lincoln, as is wasted in writing up these so-called "Captains of Finance," whose religion is Anglomaniasm, whose god is dives and whose final abiding place will be hell, much good would result from such literature.

The functions of a newspaper, we think, should be to give the news, lead public opinion in the proper channel, and, above all, to stimulate healthy thought. The cry often goes up from the publishers of the lurid journals that the newspaper must publish what the public demands. If yellow journalism is craved by the public, it is because the desire grows by what it feeds on, and such publishers are alone to blame for cultivating such a taste in their readers. Just so of the toad-eating boot licking literature of which we complain. It is first endured—because the space occupied by it was not filled with something better, then pitied—then embraced.

That the lives and doings of New York's multi-millionaires are a menace politically, socially and every other way is no idle dream. In fact New York was ever Tory in all her appointments. She inhabits the groves of Daphne rather than the precincts of Olympus—she enjoys the "dance of the bubble joy in folly's cup" rather than worship at the shrine of Minerva; she is a follower of Madame DuBarry rather than of Dame Reason—she prefers the Sartorial purple of the Parvenu rather than the "kendell green" of the workingman. She will spend a princely fortune on a single bal masque representing the court of Louis XV, Frances' most dissolute king, rather than enjoy herself in a civilized manner. She will elip interest coupons to the tune of the "Song of the Shirt" and never wink an eye or turn a hair. She refuses to cultivate home talent, but sends to Europe for her musicians and pays them fifty times more than they can obtain in their own country. And the soul of chivalry never did exist within her borders from the time old Commodore Cornelius used to swear at his female passengers to the present day, when it is said, on good authority, that it is as much as a lady's life is worth to attempt to board a street car without an escort.

With one mighty stroke of his pen, Brother Flagg has crippled The Appeal to Reason—has put a quietus to Socialism in Columbia county. He winds up his quarter of a column diatribe with the statement that the people have the ballot and the remedy "is in the old formula of equality before the law." It is passing strange that even Flagg is turning to Socialism. Socialism never advocated anything but "Equality before the Law." Its traducers may misquote and misconstrue the principles and doctrines of Socialism.

The president of the United States is said to be riding on special trains at the expense of the railroad companies. He is following the example of some of the Columbia county officials who ride on passes so as to save an increase in salary for the official. Great heads they have. Officials should be above these petty obligations.

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