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WHY SACRIFICE OUR OPPORTUNITIES?

WITH such bright prospects for a heavy business among the merchants this summer, for which they have heroically been waiting for some five or six months, it is, to say the least, nothing short of a crime to disrupt our city and county by stirring up strife among its residents. When all this court house-poor farm controversy is sifted down, it is nothing more nor less than a petty attempt, inspired by jealousy and a grudge, to injure County Judge Worden.

It is admitted that the old poor farm was a disgrace to the county and practically worthless, and those who have been here a few years and acquainted with the deal, know that the county was stung badly when the property was unloaded onto it. There seems to be no particular fault found with the new farm, with the exception that the Court failed to consult with the editor of the Chronicle with regard to their actions. For this oversight the Court should apologize immediately, or what might be more effective, follow the plan of the city administration, and order all the printing to be done at the Chronicle office and let that office set its own price for the work. A generous patronage usually is sufficient to change the opinions of agitators and kickers.

Mr. Worden is big enough a man and capable enough to take care of himself and fight his own battles. His enemies had the chance, and used it, to fight him at the last election, and the fight was bitter enough, even though unsuccessful, but what is the use of ruining the business of this city by keeping it up. There are 5,000 people in Klamath Falls, and we venture to say that fully 4,000 of those do not care a rap what you do with the old court house or whether you have a poor farm or not. They did not come here to patronize a poor farm, but have entered business and made investments for the purpose of making money.

It is not overstating the case to assert that a good many of our business men have every cent they own or can get, invested in their business or in property. If another fight is started here like we had last year, many of these men are going broke, and, at best, the others will not make the profit that their investments and labor entitles them to.

It is time that this city had peace. Men are coming here daily with money to invest, and after witnessing the quarrelling and wrangling going on, they take their money and go somewhere else. We know of a man who came here recently with the express purpose of investing heavily. He had money with him, a draft for \$150,000. He was here three days, and then left. During that time five different agitators got their work in on him. The evening he arrived one party tackled him, and related at painful length his side of the court house question. In the morning he was told about the poor farm deal, and the proposed movement to recall the County Judge. He went out to look at some property, and was told by one man in the East End that a protest was going to be made in that section demanding that the paving contract be annulled. On Klamath avenue he got mixed in a hot argument as to the relative merits of asphalt and bitulithic pavement. The last straw was when he was informed of an elaborate plan for the erection of a municipal electric plant and water works system at a cost of \$450,000. He lost no time in catching the next train out, and he took his money with him.

This is not the only case where the

people of Klamath Falls have been robbed, of the prosperity and success due them, by the work of the chronic grudge agitator. It is estimated by the real estate men of the city—and they are in a position to know—that between one-half and a million dollars has been scared away from Klamath county this spring. All of our advertising has gone for naught when the intending investors are literally driven from the city, after they come here with the money in their pockets. We have had fighting enough, it is time that we tried a few months of peace. Even a newspaper wants a chance to make a little money once in a while. If we must make a noise, let us do it with a brass band. Somebody, for Heaven's sake, start the music; maybe it will drown the yelpings of some of our colicky infants.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

The following list of realty transfers are furnished by the City and County Abstract Company:

Carolyn Patchin to C. C. Yawkey, warranty deed, lots 2, 3, 4, sec. 13, lots 1 and 2, W 1/4 of NW 1/4 sec. 14, lots 1, 5 and 6, sec. 15-23-7 1/2.

C. N. Hawkins to Stella Orr, quit claim deed, part of lot 3, sec. 32-33-9; \$1.

Howard T. Lewis to Frank Bloomingcamp, lot 1, block 30, Klamath addition; \$10.

Stella Orr to Frank Bloomingcamp, warranty deed, part lot 3, sec. 32-33-9; \$4,000.

Frank Bloomingcamp to Joseph A. McDonald, warranty deed, part lot 3, sec. 32-33-9; \$10.

Central Oregon Improvement company to Mrs. Rosannah Comstock, warranty deed, lot 1, block 29, Crescent; \$250.

S. A. Stears et ux to W. E. Bowdoin, lot 7, block 9, North Klamath; \$1.

O. A. Stearns et ux to Eva May Bowdoin, lots 1, 2, 3 and 8, block 9, North Klamath; \$1.

Main Townsite company to Frank D. Klabusha, warranty deed, lot 5, block 45, Main; \$150.

H. H. Carroll to Miss Minnie Carroll, warranty deed, lots 1 to 6, block 3, Carroll's addition; \$10.

H. H. Carroll to Miss Minnie Carroll, warranty deed, 3/4 of lots 4 and 5, block 45, First addition; \$20.

H. H. Carroll to Roy H. Carroll, warranty deed, lots 1 to 3, block 2, Carroll's addition; \$450.

United States to N. P. R.'s, patent, E 1/4 of SE 1/4 sec. 18, SE 1/4 of NE 1/4 sec. 2-24-11, NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 sec. 17, NE 1/4 NE 1/4 sec. 20-25-12, SW 1/4 of NE 1/4, SW 1/4 of SE 1/4, sec. 20-30-12, SE 1/4 of NW 1/4, NE 1/4 of SW 1/4, W 1/4 of SE 1/4, sec. 20-30-14, SE 1/4 sec. 15-32-15, lot 3, NE 1/4 of SW 1/4 sec. 16-32-14.

J. Frank Adams, guardian of Wm. Walter Adams et al, to United States, right of way through SW 1/4 of SE 1/4 sec. 4-41-11.

J. E. Wheeler et al to George Bieh, quit claim deed, lots 1, 2, 7 and 8, block 40, original town; \$10.

Hot Springs company to Mrs. Mae C. Mason, part lots 1 and 2, block 12, Hot Springs; \$10.

Klamath Canal company to Fritz Kiehl, warranty deed, lots 1 and 2, block 58, Nichols addition; \$10.

Agnes E. Hakelson et vir to Luther W. Huntington, quit claim deed, lot 3, block 44, First addition; \$1.

Fritz Kiehl et ux to H. L. Smith, warranty deed, except right of way, lots 1 and 2, block 58, Nichols addition; \$10.

C. H. Withrow et ux to Howard T. Lewis, lot 1, block 30, Klamath addition; \$250.

George S. Rogers to John Jensen, quit claim deed, all of block 38, East Klamath Falls; \$10.

Burges W. Mason et ux to Edna Race Capron, NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 sec. 5-41-9; \$10.

West Pacific Land and Timber company to Southern Oregon Water company, lots 3 and 4, sec. 29-29-7; \$10.

Theresa Hall et vir to Mary E. H.

McCormick, warranty deed, all block 7, First Fairview addition; \$2,200.
Mary E. H. McCormick to Oswald M. Hector, warranty deed, lot 9, block 42, First addition; \$10.

READY TO PROBE STEEL AND WOOL

STANLEY'S RESOLUTION IT IS EXPECTED WILL BE PASSED BY THE HOUSE DURING THE WEEK TO COME.

United Press Service
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WASHINGTON, May 12.—Under the microscope of inquiry, the Democratic leaders of the house have determined to scrutinize two of the world's greatest industrial combinations—the United States Steel Corporation and the American Woolen Company. The Stanley resolution for the steel probe is expected to pass the house within a week. Representative Francis of Ohio has secured an agreement from the leaders for early consideration of his wool probe resolution.

Stanley of Kentucky, who has been agreed upon for chairman of the committee that will probe the steel corporation, and Francis, author of the woolen resolution, today prepared the following statements for the United Press:

(By Representative A. O. Stanley.)
The inquiry assured by the favorable report of the Rules Committee on the resolution to investigate the Steel Corporation and its allied interests in railroad, banks and coal companies will be the most important and far reaching ever instituted by congress. It will be prosecuted fairly, but with a careful view to settling before congress and the people every questionable operation of the big combine.

There is a widespread feeling throughout the country that the operations of these combinations are especially hurtful to general prosperity; that they act as a drag and an incubus on legitimate business. In the year 1903 the Steel Trust received \$162,345,000 net profit secured to it by tariff schedules and more than it would have received had it sold to the American consumer at the same price it received in foreign markets.

One hundred and sixty-two million dollars is an appalling sum to pay for immunity, but when we think of the presidents it has deluded, the senators it has seduced, congressmen and congresses it has conquered, courts it has corrupted, perhaps it was money well spent.

The greatest crime of the Steel Trust is its crucifixion of labor, its degradation, its cold and inhuman plucking of its own employees.

(By Representative W. K. Francis.)
The resolution introduced by me in the house will, if acted upon favorably, in my judgment, enable the government to suppress one of the atrocious trusts in the country and expose one of the most gigantic humbugs in the business world today. Not only is the wool grower oppressed by the elimination of all competition for the purchase of his wool, but the price paid by the consumer of all woolen products is controlled absolutely by this gigantic combination.

This aggregation, known as the American Woolen company, is capitalized at \$69,000,000, and is composed of 25 or 30 mills scattered throughout New England, New York and Pennsylvania. The corporation exists in palpable violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

For some years the wool-growers of the United States have labored under the belief that the lowering and raising of the tariff on wool controlled the price of the product. Since the advent of this wool trust the whole country has been divided into districts and in each district only one buyer appears and the price he offers is dictated wholly by the trust he represents.

No competition now exists in any branch of the industry no matter what is done regarding the tariff the prices paid for raw material as well as the price asked for the finished product, will not be affected either one way or the other, save at the whim of the Wool Trust. Inasmuch as the mills and markets for both raw and finished products are controlled by this organization, it is clear that men skilled in this branch of industry have but one market for their labor. They are compelled to accept whatever conditions may be imposed, and such wages as may be offered.

I believe that the matters embodied in my resolution are of the utmost importance to the American people and if this combination is dissolved it will result in broadening the market of the wool grower, relieve

the consumer of woolen products from the grasp of monopoly and emancipate the people in its employ.

SPOKANE BLUECOATS MUST KEEP NUM NOW

SPOKANE, May 12.—If a policeman is seen making signs that he is deaf and dumb the public need not become excited. It is merely an attempt to carry out Chief Doust's order against disseminating certain kinds of information.

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