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**Editorial**

The merchants of Vernonia are sending about \$6,000 per month out of town for eatables that should and could be raised around Vernonia. Potatoes, pie-plant, cabbage, etc., etc., etc. We want gardeners, farmers, fruit men, egg men, bee men, dairy men, We know of no better opportunity or better location for such in the entire West.

There are eleven candidates for U. S. Senator. Bert E. Hancy, democrat and Mrs. R. E. Barrett, republican are the last to file. Mrs. Barrett is the one time manager of the city of Warrenton. She took the management of Warrenton when it was a small size city—look at it today. Even at that, we will be strong for Mrs. Barrett—if she gets the nomination. Her entry at this time, however, means more certain the nomination of Senator Stanfield.

**THE FIRE 'TAX' RESTS WITH PROPERTY OWNERS**

Centralia, Washington, is to have a heavy cut in the cost of fire insurance, because of the high standard adopted for fire protection. Insurance everywhere is based on the risk for property insured. A careless, slipshod town, with fire hazards in every back lot, and with no adequate water supply or fire equipment must of necessity pay a ruinously high rate; a clean town and good fire fighting equipment will reduce cost, in many cases, to an almost negligible amount.

**A SPLENDID BUILDING MATERIAL**

A model home in Portland, Oregon, built by the Western Pine Manufacturers association, has been given national notoriety for its delightful features. Houses in the east used to be built entirely of white pine; houses that have lived on through generations. The association built this show-house to prove the splendid qualities embodied in this timber for home construction. In building up a market for this western product, the association makes a demand for thousands of workers, and millions of capital and business for the railroads that haul the product to market.

**FOUNDATION OF WESTERN DEVELOPMENT**

It might be truly said that the mining and oil industries built the West, because these two industries attracted capital in large amounts, which would otherwise never thought of investing in this section of the country. Both these industries represent development and progress. They are the forerunners of modern convenience and better living conditions. Gold, silver, copper, lead, zinc and oil furnished the foundation for Western development. These industries are more important today than ever and stand as a guarantee of prosperity in many states. Let us encourage their development.

**THE LITTLE BUNCH**

Although we may be deeply interested in the enhancement of community welfare, and stand ready to encourage legitimate movements tending toward greater development of natural resources, it is an indisputable fact that the masses seldom get in and drill. Experience teaches that it is invariably the efforts of a little bunch of progressive citizens who, appreciating the need of accomplishing things, that count. This is true of practically every community.

A few resolute men—the little bunch, if you please—who have the confidence of their neighbors can accomplish much for the upbuilding of not only their home town but the surrounding territory as well. One idea and mutual confidences operate most successfully together. Loyalty, enthusiasm and keeping everlastingly at it brings success. Staying by a purpose, following an ideal has resulted in a crowning glory for many a little bunch of community builders.—St. Helens Sentinel.

Senator I. L. Patterson, of Polk county, was a Vernonia visitor last Friday. Mr. Patterson is a republican candidate for governor of Oregon. He had only a short time to visit in our city and was sorry that he couldn't meet more of our citizens, although seeing quite a few, most of whom expressed their preference for Mr. Patterson for governor. Mr. Patterson, in the opinion of many, is the only candidate who can beat Pierce for election. He is a Polk county farmer who has the majority of Salem, Portland and southern Oregon backing him. He stands for efficiency and lower costs in state government, and is found right in most public questions. Many of the old timers personally know Mr. Patterson's father, who is still farming in Polk county at ninety years old and the

younger old timers are Patterson men with the younger I. L. Patterson for governor. In Vernonia Friday he met several acquaintances who insisted on dropping the "Senator" or the "I. L." or the "Mr." and preferred to call him "Ike Patterson." We look forward to another visit from Senator Patterson and later a visit from Governor Patterson.

**FOREST FIRE, UNIVERSAL ENEMY**

Good citizenship in the Northwest will everywhere note that winter precipitation was deficient; that spring is earlier than usual; that there was no water left over from last year; and that this is in all probability the greatest fire hazard for many years. Heavy spring and summer rains may retard the evil; but absence of packed winter snows that last for weeks or months and protect forests, cannot be made up from rains. Organization into fire districts, with everybody making it his personal business to help; cooperation with fire restrictive orders that will stop the fires from starting; and determined, aggressive sympathy with the fire laws as the Northwest's best friend will do much to make the country safe. The tourist crop is worth almost as much as the lumber cut; one year's fire disaster might cut that yield by many millions of dollars a year, for the next generation. A forest fire is no man's friend; it is the universal enemy. This is the year to outlaw it.

**ROUGH ON "FARMERS' FRIENDS"**

Long Prairie is just about the geographical center of the great wheat state of Minnesota. It is a typical town of 1,000 people, with a weekly newspaper, the Leader whose editor has this to say about export bonus schemes, equalization schemes and daily forays upon Congress by professional agricultural propagandists: "We would like to support some one for the legislature, who would run on a platform of putting all 'friends of the farmer' in jail for 90-day terms or so. These so-called farmer friends, with their calamity howling, are doing the farmer and the cause of farming a great harm. There is nothing the matter with farming, if these professional friends would leave it alone. As a matter of fact but little of the calamity howling comes from the farmer. It is produced for the purpose of fooling the farmers, and by a class of men who want to make use of the farmer for their own selfish benefit. Let a movement be started to sit down on the professional friends of the farmer. Such a movement would be something really worth while in behalf of constructive agricultural and farm prosperity. Farming is all right, and so is the farmer."

**FOR MR. PATTERSON**

Jay H. Upton, candidate for the republican nomination for governor, is fortunate in his friends. Here in Lane, and in a few other counties of Oregon, his political organizations include some leading citizens, as well as some leading party men. And Mr. Upton, besides being an estimable citizen and an experienced legislator, is said to have a long memory for those who render him political service.

But this year it seems to a good many people that Oregon ought to make certain of delivering itself from Governor Pierce and from the Spences, the Cleavers and other political mountebanks with whom he is surrounded and who, like their chief, put in more time exploiting economic and political fallacies and in stirring up class feeling and class antagonisms than in rendering services to the state. The governor was swept into office on a wave of religious animosity. That wave has receded now. But the governor meanwhile has built up for himself a powerful political machine. It can be done even by a minority party leader when that leader occupies an office so important as that of governor, and our Walter has done it. And he has continually made, with some considerable success, appeals for class favor in various directions. He tells the church audiences and the prohibitionists, whom he loses no opportunity of addressing, that in him alone is their hope of law enforcement, and some of them believe him. He tells the farmers that nobody but he can or will aid them, and his message takes with some of them. He has personal magnetism and the power of appeal to the emotions not much less telling than those which appertained to the late W. J. Bryan, and he is of the same visionary and insecure advocate of the impossible that Bryan always was.

It is going to take a strong man to beat Mr. Pierce next November. The strongest man available is the one who ought to be nominated against him. This newspaper thinks that man is not Mr. Upton, but that it is I. L. Patterson. Mr. Patterson is a farmer—a successful farmer. He knows the needs of farmers and is in sympathy with them. Practically all his life he has lived in contact with farmers. But he has been a business man, too, and there again he has been successful. He has had large official experience. While in the state senate he was chairman of the ways and means committee. No other position better fits a candidate for coping with problems of state finance than this. He has a very wide acquaintance up and down the Willamette valley, which is the most thickly populated part of Oregon, and as the nominee of his party unquestionably would carry the strength of that populous district, as well as much of the country east of the mountains. For all of these reasons he appears to be the strongest candidate in the present campaign and the one whose chances would be best for election in November.

Oregon ought to free itself from the unsoundness of Pierceism. The time to begin is at next month's primary, and the way to begin is by nominating Mr. Patterson because he is strong above other contenders.—Eugene Guard.

**MOVIE NEWS AND COMMENT OF LOCAL FEATURES**

The proof of extra good attractions in movie picture world is the popularity of the pictures. Press comment, big crowds and complimentary remarks are evidence of the greatness of the shows. For the coming week at the Majestic theatre we have a nightly program of attractions that rank at the top of the list of late releases. They are all pictures that have the highest attendance in history. Indeed it looks like a mighty big week. Starting this Saturday and Saturday night we have "Three Weeks in Paris." "Three Weeks in Paris" all but wrecks the optimistic spirit of Oswald Bates, a newly married man, who bids his wife farewell at the siren call of business. His stay in the "city of romantic adventures" is a riotous period of devilishly ticklish situation that finally thrust him into jail. Free at last, he discovers that he is officially dead, and in desperation he returns to his bride in the guise of a chef. Then his wife elopes with another, and Oswald's long-tired patience explodes the whole fabric of droll mystery in a delightfully unexpected manner.

And for the coming Sunday, day and night is "The Little Irish Girl." Here's a crook play that is different Built around three men and a girl who try to play the age-old game of out-witting the other fellow in the shady realm of crooked finance the story of "The Little Irish Girl" takes amazing twists and turns that fascinate and charm. You'll find suspense to the end to thrill you; a delightful romance to enthrall you; and plenty of fast comedy to amuse you

A change for next Monday night in "The Cowboy Musketeer." A bashful cowboy posing as a bad man a grateful bandit helping him out, an unsuspecting girl, the arrival of the real desperado, a torrent of twisted situations, a landslide of comedy and a typhoon of thrills.

Then on Tuesday and Wednesday we will have the big thrill, that much talked of "Sally of the Sawdust" with an all star cast. Sally in circus togs, Sally in silks, She'll make you laugh; she'll also make you weep. Sawdust or mansion, poverty or wealth, tatters or velvets, all the same to her. She's innocent, daring care-free, child-like, but loyal, devoted to that adorable rogue she call "Pop."

One of the best pictures ever put on the screen is that for next Thursday and Friday night. It is witty, pretty, loveable Colleen Moore in "Irene." Gowns that will amaze every dressmaker in Paris Hollywood beauties that will open your eyes! Comedy that sets a new pace for the laughmakers. No wonder they call this Colleen Moore's greatest comedy achievement.

**WHEN IT IS DUE PAY UP**

There are many citizens who expect to pay their butcher and their grocer every month, but they think that a newspaper subscription bill can

be paid any old time. Some of them will let it run for years, if the publisher does not cut it off. And if it is cut off, they get buffy and declare they will never take the paper again.

They feel indignant because doubt has been thrown upon their credit. They should reflect that the publisher gets no good out of their credit. What he needs, to pay his help and settle his paper bills, etc., is cash, and nothing will take the place of the same.

his irregularity of income is the course of many newspapers that would be in a thriving position, if they could depend on the same payments that the dry goods man and the shoe store can look to.

It takes a lot of time and effort to collect all these little bills. It usually costs more than the bill is worth to collect an overdue subscription account. If these accounts could be promptly paid the newspapers people could use the more regular income in creating new features for their paper, adding to it usefulness and interest and making it constantly a greater credit to the city of which it is the exponent.

The individual citizen often says that he would like to do something for his home town, but he has no particular gift for any form of public work, so does not know when and where to begin. Here is one way in which he can begin right now. Let him see if his subscription is overdue. If it is, let him walk up to the captain's office and settle and take pride in doing so, realizing that when he performs that simple little act of justice and good business, he is helping an agency that works every day for his home town, to avoid needless burdens and expenses.

**KIST-TIMBER NOTES**

Miss Louise Smidlin, Waneta Smith and Louis Smith called at the Ornduff home last Wednesday evening to listen to radio concerts.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Morris were recent visitors in Forest Grove and Portland on a shopping trip.

Mrs. Roy Townsen was called to Portland Tuesday night as her husband was to undergo an operation for an accident he sustained while working at the Sunset camp and which we all hope will not be serious.

Everyone up this way is getting their farming and gardening done.

A. F. Ornduff is getting more poles out at the Sunset camp these days.

Mrs. A. F. Ornduff called on Mrs. Roy Townsen Tuesday and spent the day.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Moris have moved to Forest Grove for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Purney were callers at the Ornduff home Sunday evening.

Mrs. Sybal Miller spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ornduff.

Mrs. Townsen is home from Portland and reports Mr. Townsen getting along nicely.

Everybody reads the Eagle.

**Working Mans Store  
PAY DAY SALE**

New arrival of Shoes just in and with each pair sold Saturday, I will give a pair of silk stocking for men ..... **\$5.75 to \$6.50**

New shoes for Ladies and Girls something classy ..... **\$4.00 to \$6.00**

Boys Oxfords just in and they are up to date ..... **\$4.00**

B. V. D. slip in, one button, fine for hot days ..... **\$1.25**

Short sleeves and ankle length union summer weight underwear ..... **\$1.00**

Mens single coat ..... **\$5.50**

Mens summer suits, whip cord for Saturday only ..... **\$10.00**

Kaki Coats and Brich, suit ..... **\$9.00**

Men suits, 2 pr pants ..... **\$25.00**

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