

A MODEL PACIFIC COAST COMMUNITY

The city of Salem, the capital of Oregon, is in many ways entitled to claim the distinction of being a model western community. Situated in a mild climate in the heart of a great and still undeveloped agricultural region, on the main line of one of the greatest railroad systems in the world, and on a river that is navigable the year around, this city has all that nature an environment can do for any community. As far as attractions, there is the beautiful scenery to the east and west, afforded by the coast and Cascade range of mountains, the rolling hills of the widening valley, at this point fully 60 miles between mountain ranges, all this affords a magnificent surrounding for the magnificent city that will some day stand on the ground where Salem now stands, with an estimated population of twelve to fifteen thousand.

The population of Salem will compare favorably with any city of its size in the world—with the best of American cities, and that is saying the best class of people in the world. There is a growing element of German population, proven by the fact that German is the one modern language that is studied in the schools and colleges—nearly a hundred children in the public schools voluntarily taking German during the past year, when it was first introduced. There are the usual orthodox church organizations, including Catholic, Unitarian and Christian Science churches. There are colleges, and a full twelve-year public school course, with a high school. There are business colleges and normal schools, academies, gymnasiums, medical colleges and law schools. Salem is an educational center of no mean aspirations. It is the center of professional practice, such as law and medicine, theology and surgery, and has a very large proportion of professional and educated citizenship.

The ideas of government maintained by the city of Salem are in many respects very unique. A struggle has been carried on successfully for the past six years to place and keep the community on a cash basis. This has not been confined to the city government, but has been applied with considerable success to the school district and the county government as well. As a result the city, school district and county have not created any new floating or bonded indebtedness. City and school district floating debt, or interest bearing warrants were funded at a 4 per cent popular loan, all being subscribed for several times over at par by the residents of Salem, the bonds being issued to the smaller subscribers first, few, if any, being issued in sums of over \$200. This plan shows that the people of Salem have confidence in their community and in its government, being willing to carry the local debt at a low rate of interest. As a result the community has lived within its means, and has lowered taxes in some departments, while revenues have increased so that improvements can be undertaken from the ordinary revenues. A new high school building will be erected this year.

The Capital City is not only fully up-to-date in matters like fire, police, churches and schools, but has taken on metropolitan airs in the establishment of clubs and Y. M. C. A. rooms and libraries. There is the Elbow club, and the Commercial club, social organizations for gentlemen, although both organizations throw open their doors to the ladies on certain days. There are excellent libraries of a semi-public nature maintained by the Odd Fellows' lodges and the Masonic lodges. These organizations are so prosperous that the former has erected a beautiful modern opera house, and the latter will erect a modern block, with lodge and commodious apartments with the most approved appointments. One of the newest sources of pride to the city is the well-organized free public library, which was established by the Salem Woman's club during the past year. This was accomplished without a tax levy and solely by the energy of the ladies who have undertaken this public spirited enterprise. They have a fine reading room, and support a salaried librarian.

The new charter of the city provides for a park board of public spirited citizens, and the public grounds are under their discriminating control. By the generosity of the Brynmair brothers, pioneer merchants, a beautiful drinking fountain has been donated to the city and erected on the largest public park—known as Wilson avenue.

It presents the noble figure of a pioneer settler, gazing to the west, weapon in hand, and reminding the rising generations of the heroism and courage of those pathfinders of civilization, many of whom have already gone to their last resting places. Salem is a home of the pioneers and a home of the newcomer from the east, all mingling in friendly enthusiasm for the expansion of the commonwealth. Pages would be required to give the past history of the city and to express its aspirations for the future. Its public buildings are constructed on a liberal scale. It has beautiful residences, churches and schools. It has wide streets and many fine private grounds in the city and suburbs.

The city has a progressive government. The mayor and members of the city council are mostly young men. The board of education and the county government are in the hands of men who are in the prime of life. The county judge is the president of the State Good Roads league, and the construction of broken rock roads is well under way. The mayor of the city is chairman of a committee on paying several of our principal streets. This proves that the spirit of enterprise and progress is recognized and well under way of fulfillment. What more can we say that should be said for any city? To tell the truth, this is not a boom city and probably will never become so. It is a city of slow and steady and substantial growth. It cannot be claimed that it is a rich city, although there is plenty of capital, and there are almost no poor people. But it is a good, clean, home city, with a fair average of prosperity for those who want to work and live within their means.

A Famous Remedy for Sickheadache.

The cause of this complaint is not in the head at all, it comes from the stomach. A stomach that has become clogged from over eating, drinking or abuse in any manner, will warn you by bringing on sick headache. Cure the pains and distress in the stomach, and the headache stops of itself. All bilious attacks, dyspepsia, belching, bad taste in the mouth, muddy complexion and yellow eyes, are cured by this remedy. It is called Dr. Gunn's Improved Liver Pills. One for a dose, and is sold by druggists all over the U. S. for 25c per box. For sale by Dr. S. C. Stone, druggist.

Spending Our Money on Fights.

The issue that is nearest the President's chest, asserts Collier's for December 24, is a large naval appropriation. Collier's reluctantly says, "Probably he is right," and then adds: "It is one of those questions on which the best minds disagree. But it is a dismal topic for most sensitive people these days. Whether necessary or not, the smashing of ironclads and men is distressing. Sharp, close and true arguments have taken away war's exhilaration. It is now much like the slaughter houses at Chicago. General Nagel's second son was killed the other day at 204 Metro Hill. His only other son had been killed in another desperate assault in May. We realize the deaths of Makarov and Vereshagin, and the possibility of Kuroki's death, but the other thousands are jammed into an anonymous mass like as many worms." "Life," observed one of our largest thinkers the other day in one of his darker moods—"Life is an infernal swindle." Thousands have said it before, and thousands will say it hereafter. Nothing creates this black, ironic view more than the wholesale method of extinguishing human breath of crushing human bones. Man looks so little now, in conflict with enormous bursting shells, with explosions of the earth beneath him, with great fires burning in his path, with mines and countermines, and bullets travelling accurately for miles in silence, that the whole game has lost its glory and become a gory reckoning of cost. Increased naval appropriations—yes, no doubt; but without excitement, and with a heavy heart."

Five women at Washington, D. C., are still drawing pensions as widows of soldiers who served in the war of the rebellion, which ended 120 years ago.

The California Nurses' association has drafted for presentation to the next legislature a bill providing for the registration of professional nurses.

FATHER THREW INFANT BEFORE HUNGRY WOLVES

Minneapolis, Jan. 2.—After hurling his 6-month-old baby into the midst of a pack of hungry wolves that devoured the infant while its mother was making a desperate attempt to save it, Henry Shoreby has disappeared from his home in Wilberton, a small settlement in northern Minnesota, and a posse of armed men is on his trail. The Minneapolis police have been asked to look out for Shoreby.

Having failed in every effort to save her baby, Mrs. Shoreby is on the verge of mental collapse, and her friends fear she cannot survive the shock. According to details telephoned to the police headquarters, Shoreby and his family were riding through thick woods near his home when several wolves attacked the horse.

Seizing the child from the arms of its mother the frightened father threw it to the animals, thinking that this act might save the lives of himself and family.

When Mrs. Shoreby saw the wolves surround her baby she made an attempt at rescue. As her child was tossed into the air by the wolves the horrified mother tried to spring from the buggy, but was held back by her husband. She begged Shoreby to allow her to risk her life to save her baby, but he was obdurate.

Directly before her eyes the infant was being crushed by the sharp teeth

of the animals. Shoreby repeatedly pulled his wife back into the vehicle. Terror-stricken and pulling her hair in despair, Mrs. Shoreby was finally held down on the bottom of the buggy by her husband. Pressing one foot against the back of his wife, Shoreby is said to have seized the lines and whipped the horses into a gallop.

The other Shoreby children, who occupied part of the vehicle, witnessed the awful scene, but they were too frightened to move. Farmers along the road leading to the Shoreby home saw the team dash by, but they thought nothing of it until they heard the story of the wolves.

Shoreby stopped the horses in front of his house and jumped over the form of his wife lying beneath the front seat. Throwing the lines to one side, he leaped to the ground and disappeared in some thick woods nearby.

One of the Shoreby children succeeded in arousing the mother. Five minutes later she was on his trail. According to the report, nearly every man living within a radius of 10 miles of the Shoreby home is now chasing the father.

Mrs. Shoreby's condition is pitiful. She continually grapples with men who are trying to quiet her, begging to be allowed to search for her child. A lynching, it is thought, may follow the capture of Shoreby.

A RELIABLE MEDICINE

A Reporter of The Capital Journal Interviews Our Local Druggist, Mr. G. W. Putnam.

The Interview of Interest to Every Person in Salem.

So many patent medicines and advertised cures are now offered to the public that our readers should be glad to know the opinion of a man who has spent years in handling them, and profit by his advice.

Said Mr. Putnam: "After having sold drugs and all kinds of makes of medicines for so many years, naturally we have learned something about them, their value and power to cure."

There is no one medicine that will cure everything, but this I do know, that if the people of Salem only realized the wonderful curative and strength-creating power of Vinol, I would not have clerks enough in my store to put up the orders for it."

Continued Mr. Putnam: "You see Vinol is not a patent medicine, and it actually does contain every one of the 50 odd medicinal curatives taken from fresh cod's livers, with other vitalizing ingredients. It contains no poisonous drugs or nauseating oil, and you know just what you are taking. Vinol has wonderful life-giving properties; it tones up and invigorates every organ of the body to do its work, and we know it will make rich, red blood, build up the depleted system and create strength."

"When I tell you that we have never sold in our store such a valuable remedy as Vinol for the following ailments, and that if it fails to accomplish what we say it will, we will refund your money, it will show our faith in its wonderful curative and vitalizing powers."

"It will build up run-down, tired, debilitated people. It will make the weak and sickly strong and well. It will make ash for thin people. It will increase the appetite. It will cure nervousness, irritability and sleeplessness. It will cure stomach troubles, dyspepsia and indigestion. It will make rich, red blood. It will make weak, puny, ailing children strong and robust. It is the greatest strength-giver for weak women. It is a boon to nursing mothers. It will positively cure chronic coughs and colds. It cures bronchitis. It makes weak lungs strong and is of untold value in consumption and all wasting diseases. For the convalescent it has no equal as a strength-maker."

"I cannot make a stronger statement, and can only ask such people in Salem to try Vinol on my guarantee."

O. W. Putnam, druggist.

The best examples of old Roman bread have been found in Pompeii, a town that was destroyed by an eruption of Vesuvius in the year 79 A. D. Forty-eight loaves were dug out of one bakery.

Statisticians find that something like 2500 vessels of all sorts disappear in the sea every year, never to be heard from again, taking with them 12,000 human beings and involving a money loss of \$100,000,000.

In the German town of Biebrich balconies are to be specially taxed, and the proceeds devoted to the improvement of the streets.

HERE AND THERE

A public subscription has been started in Holland toward repairing the ruined cottage at Zaandam in which the Czar Peter the Great lived while he was working as a navy in the docks.

As an advertisement of its thread a well known firm has, after several attempts, connected Europe and Asia across the Bosphorus, says the London Financial Times, with 1250 yards of cotton.

The deposition of King Otto of Bavaria on the ground of his insanity, and the proclamation of his uncle, Prince Luitpold, who has been regent since 1886, as king, are now being actively advocated.

One of the largest gold nuggets ever found in Colorado was recently picked up at Snowstorm place, in Park county, between Alma and Fairplay. It weighs 120 ounces and has a market value of \$2,000.

Both men and women wore earrings in ancient Rome. The latter were especially extravagant. Seneca wrote that some earrings worn by women were so costly that a single pair was worth the revenue of a large estate.

An English farmer has been fined for tying firecrackers to pigeons. He explained to the court that letting off pigeons with live firecrackers attached to their legs was a common way of training them for shooting purposes.

The Rev. Thomas Bates, who has just completed 25 years' work at St. Mary's, Ballham, a suburb of London, has kept a record of the number of times he has preached during that time, and finds that he has delivered 3750 sermons.

A slip from Shakespeare's mulberry tree at Stratford-on-Avon is to be set out opposite the town hall of the borough of Southwark, London, which is a stone's throw from the old Newington theatre, where Shakespeare acted in 1594-95.

Jesse Wood, of Haywards, Cal., is trying to raise funds for a monument to the memory of Juan Rodriguez Cabillo, the Portuguese explorer and navigator, who discovered California, landing in the bay of San Diego, September, 1542.

Timothy J. Lee, an American locomotive engineer, has been held responsible for the wrecking of a train he was driving near Zacatecas, Mexico, and sentenced to hard labor in the salt mines for four years. He was badly hurt in the wreck.

The largest peanut fields in the world are in Guinea, on the north coast of Africa. Peanuts are grown there by hundreds of tons, but the quality is inferior to those grown in this country. Most of the African peanuts are shipped to France.

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