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SERIOUS CHARGES MADE.

Charges of such a serious nature were made at the last session of the council that no newspaper should allow them to pass unnoticed.

The charges were made by one senior alderman, THE SPOKESMAN OF A FACTION, that has sought control, and still seeks control of the city government, and arrogates to itself the power to give offices and bestow patronage.

It was specifically charged and repeatedly stated that Robert Downing was owned by the Warren Construction Company. His name was not used, but Mr. Downing evidently inferred THAT HE WAS THE MAN REFERRED TO, and so did the rest of the council.

It was broadly intimated that Fred Stensloff was owned by the General Contracting Company, which is building the Commercial street concrete bridge, AND THAT HE FAVORED THEM WITH A majority report.

No one distrusts men like Downing and Stensloff in their labors to promote public improvements. The accusations brought against them in the last council meeting were in bad taste.

This political leader now even disagrees with George Griswold, who says it is a good job. The late director says the whole job is a rotten one. His knowledge is expert because he has been an engineer and surveyor all his life.

He stood up in his place and swept his hand around the council and said HE COULD NAME THE MEN who were owned by these contracting companies, etc., etc.

He charged that the Warren Construction Company gave some owners special rebates. He did not cite facts, but that was the only conclusion to be drawn from his assertions. It was broadly stated that THREE MEMBERS OF THE OLD COUNCIL that improved State street were in with the contractors, and divided profits with them. These men are well-known citizens.

He said the Portland city council was openly bought by the Warren Construction Company. Of course, an eminent civil engineer and expert on street improvements might have means of knowing such things.

Now, so far as the public knows, there is NO CHARGE OF A GRAFT OF ONE DOLLAR on the North



Winter of Discontent Made Glorious Summer

By the stylish, comfortable, durable and perfect-fitting garments to be found in our immense stock.

Suits and Overcoats

In wide variety and some of the best patterns on the Pacific coast to select from. Also a full line of wool and mixed underwear, socks and gents' furnishings, and in the latest fashions always on hand.

G. W. JOHNSON & CO. Salem, Oregon

Commercial street job. On the other hand, war was declared on that piece of work as soon as it was found no grafting would be allowed.

So far as the property owners know there is no deception practiced by the Warren Construction Company, in securing street improvements in this city.

There is not an alderman charged who has anything to sell to that company. The man who accuses them is the only one who could possibly have any services to sell to that corporation.

It is to be regretted that the motives of public-spirited citizens are to be recklessly dragged in the mire for political effect. BUT THERE SEEMS TO BE NO WAY TO STOP IT.

The purpose may be to stop all public improvements, to make it impossible to go ahead with anything in the way of progress, and force the city to return to the cow-pasture period.

WE QUOTE

The following jingles from the November number of "Profitable Advertising":

"Poor Lazarus was a beggar, Whom everyone despised; But he might have been the Rich Man Had he only advertised."

Not unreasonable to suppose, but more to the point of the power of printers' ink in this:

"The world has very many lambs whose owners' names are hid, And yet these lambs grew wool as white as Mary's ever did. Of course the fame of Mary's lamb is not at all surprising."

"Twas brought about by out-and-out persistent advertising."

Just so is the fame of every man's goods or his store. It is "out-and-out persistent" advertising that turns the trick. For the Salem merchant the quick, sure way is your name and wares in the columns of The Journal.

From Silver Creek.

Silver Creek and surrounding country is all right again after the heavy rains and the wind storm last Wednesday night, which did considerable damage by blowing down fences and timber; it also blew Herbert Brown's new barn off the foundation, and Mr. Sullivan's hop house went the same way.

Mr. Antony Frazier, who recently went to Alberta, is expected home tomorrow.

It is reported that Mr. Alfred Hult, on North Silver creek, lost a fine young horse, one of a team he had just sold for \$500, but had not yet delivered to the purchaser.

Mr. Farrington, the Salem butcher

Always Remember the Full Name

Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets

Cure a Cold in One Day Cure Grip in Two Days

E. W. Groves

er, sent his stock buyer to this locality last week. He bought some steers from Mr. O. Butler and F. Volz.

Mr. Patton, living near Macleay, Marion county, sold the last of his cattle he had in this locality to Mr. Porter last week.

Mr. Elmer King, of Shaw, was in this neighborhood last week, wanting to buy yearling steers, but with very poor success.

William English, in gathering up his cattle, found he was short two, which caused him to look around more closely. He found two dead, one of which he is sure belonged to him, the other he is not so sure, as he could not find his brand. He thinks they were accidentally shot by hunters, who were more than plentiful in this section this fall.

There seems to be quite a bright star in this locality that draws a certain young gentleman of Salem to the foothills of the Cascades quite often. Yours, FARMER DOOLITTLE.

Land Reclamation in Texas.

Nearly a million acres of land in two counties of Texas are being reclaimed by a syndicate in which St. Louis capitalists are the moving spirits. In this work of reclamation it will be necessary to expend \$1,000,000 in digging 200 miles of canals and in founding a city—Diaz—as a place of residence for the officials and employes who are engaged in the enterprise.

Except for the facts given in special correspondence of the republic, knowledge of the undertaking—despite its gigantic nature and its almost measureless importance to a wide territory—has been confined to a comparatively small number of Americans. But in Texas it has a large significance. The land which will be supplied with moisture has remained barren and seemingly impossible of cultivation. Naturally, under such conditions, it could supply nothing in the way of population or of profit to the state. When the waters of the Rio Grande river have been drawn from the channel and put to the task of irrigating the soil, inherently productive, there will result, as if by magic, more than 6000 farms, capable of sustaining a population of at least 30,000.

From this new field the St. Louis Brownsville and Mexico railroad, another creature of St. Louis capital, will derive no small proportion of the traffic on which its earnings must depend. The state of Texas will profit through increased valuation and resources and a host of home seekers will have new opportunities to establish themselves in a part of the country climatically and geographically superior to any western lands to which they can resort.

Hidalgo and Cameron counties, in which much of the irrigation is to be done, are adapted to the growing of early fruits and vegetables. As around Corpus Christi, at present, this industry in the area in process of reclamation will prove lucrative for a large class of farmers who may be sure of their crops and of the highest prices.

For other sections of the United States, particularly in the west, the triumph of this scheme of irrigation in Texas will hold a valuable lesson. It will demonstrate that prairies now regarded as deserts may be made tillable and fertile by just such enterprise as that in Texas.—St. Louis Republican.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS

Are Notified of a Number of Conventions

The following schedule of dates has been arranged for Marion county:

Our state worker, Rev. Charles A. Phipps, a noted Sunday school worker, will attend and will be the leading spirit at the following Sunday school conventions:

- Jefferson, December 8. Turner, December 9. Salem, December 10, 11. Silverton, December 12. Woodburn, December 14, 15, 16.

Let all pastors, superintendents and other Sunday school workers begin at once to arrange for the conventions. Have a good program. Secure a delegation from every school in reach of your convention. Advertise it thoroughly in all local papers. Have entertainment for all the delegates in advance of date. Come with important questions relative to your schools. Arrange for special music. Take some part in every convention. Avoid long speeches. Select a good presiding officer. Give your convention the right of way, if you desire success. This is important. These conventions will be the greatest in the history of our county, hence, if necessary, sacrifice to be present from the first session to the close.

W. C. PRICE, President Marion County Sunday School Association. Lula Conover, Secretary. dw

The Structure of Languages.

In geometry it holds true that a straight line is the shortest way between two points; in practically psychology it is mostly not true. The natural language knows that, and always avoids the simplest means because they are not sufficient for our mental makeup; the mind needs helps and hints and side light, and the more complex the suggestions, the easier and firmer the grasp.

The phoneticians habitually make here, in questions of writing, the same mistake which the inventors of artificial languages have always made in the question of grammar. The heralds of Esperanto assure us, for example, that it is a defect of such badly manufactured languages as Greek and Latin, or German and English, that the same grammatical relation has usually been expressed in various ways at the same time. For instance, when the substantive is in the plural form, it is a ridiculous waste of human energy, they say, to put the verb in the plural, too. If we say, "the children cry,"

and "the children cry," we indicate by two different methods that it is in one case one baby, in the other case several. If we change the verb, we may leave the substantive unchanged, or vice versa. The artificial language, of course, interdicts such foul play. Yet, while all this might be true for some improved variety of beings, simple psychological experiments can prove that it does not hold our particular brand of soul. One stimulus does not work easily enough with us; we need a certain superfluity of suggestion. Otherwise, it would not be so difficult to read proof; we overlook the misprints because the wrong letter does not strike us, since a letter by itself comes to our consciousness only by special effort. Every individual letter is strengthened by its neighbors. In the same way, every grammatical point must be brought out repeatedly one hint must help another, and if two children cry we must say at least twice in the substantive and in the verb, that it is not one child. Otherwise, we should need an excessive strain of attention, such as the proof reader needs for the scrutiny of his text, and reading and listening would become an exhausting labor.—Professor Hugo Munsterberg in McClure's.

Just Possible.

"And that's a fact," remarked the man who occasionally lets out an audible thought.

"What's a fact?" queried the party with the ingrown rubber habit.

"The chap who struggles for a front seat at the circus usually takes the back seat at prayer meeting," explained the noisy thinker.—Chicago Daily News.

Imitation and Real Gems.

So quietly that only a few score people in one branch of trade in Europe and this country have been aware of it, a revolution is in progress. Neither anarchy nor socialism, with all their sound and fury, has been able to upset all recognized standards of values and put the millionaires of the earth in a panic. Yet the next few months may see that result accomplished by a simple combination of chemistry and commerce.

About five years ago an old French chemist pottering about his laboratory in the suburbs of Paris rigged up a machine through which passed alumina, powdered and fused at an intense heat. The machine's output was a few red globules. The old chemist had a handful of rubies.

If the old man had kept his secret to himself a new "Monte Cristo" could have been written. But law and custom in France require chemists and jewelers to use truthful labels. So the artificial stone that would stand every test of the experts came to this country in the modest guise of the "reconstructed ruby."

Dealers in precious stones scorned them, but grew uneasy. The chief result of their advent was that rubies became non-negotiable assets in the

loan market. The gem more precious than the diamond was rejected in the pawnshop, and the people of the turf and kindred souls who deposited their wealth in pins, rings and studs instead of banks forsook their ancient favorites and would have no red lights about their persons.

Among people of wealth and refinement pearls were more in favor at the time and small attention was paid to the invention. But the New York custom officials now are struggling with a problem that will shake confidence in the best regulated jewel market. Shipments of sapphires that are made like the "reconstructed" rubies and emeralds that are colored aquamarines, but stand every test of gravity and hardness of the costlier stones, are here awaiting classification. The bargain counter diamond may be the next immigrant.

Maiden Lane is not the scene of unmixed happiness. What is to become of the glittering horseshoes of the Metropolitan and Hammerstein's if all the effect of new tiaras, five-row necklaces and stomachers can be nullified by a jealous rival's whisper of "Reconstructed?" How can the leader of society of Chicago and Pittsburg breakfast henceforth, with good appetite, knowing that the authenticity of their brooches and ear and finger rings may be doubted?

Chains of certified checks and peddants of baroque bonds may become the only fashionable wear. The poetry of all the centuries will have to be revised, and all belief in the fixity of any value abandoned, should precious stones be banished from Fifth avenue to the Bowery. That old French chemist may live in history as the arch leonoclast.—New York Mail.

Had a Close Call.

"A dangerous surgical operation, involving the removal of a malignant ulcer, as large as my hand, from my daughter's hip, was prevented by the application of Bucklen's Arnica Salve," says A. C. Stickel, of Millersburg, W. Va. "Persistent use of the salve completely cured it." Cures cuts, burns and injuries. 25c at J. C. Perry druggist.

True Bravery.

He—Miss de Playne is certainly a brave and fearless girl.

She—That's right. Last Christmas I saw her stand under the mistletoe and defy half a dozen men.—Chicago Daily News.

Best Liniment on Earth.

Henry D. Baldwin, Supt. City Water Works, Shullsburg, Wis., writes: "I have tried many kinds of liniment but I have never received much benefit until I used Ballard's Snow Liniment for rheumatism and pains. I think it the best liniment on earth." 25c, 50c and \$1.00. For sale by D. J. Fry's drug store.

In time of peace prepare for war. In other words, keep the taxpayer in training for what he will have to go through in the event of hostilities.

Get rid of the Lard Habit

Cottolene makes pies and pastry digestible—it makes crisp, flaky pie-crust—the kind that will melt in your mouth rather than stick in the pit of your stomach.

There is no getting away from the fact that lard is the fat of the pig. There was a time in the olden days when lard was made from a particular part of the pig, the selected part—it was called the "leaf"—that is, the peritoneum; but, with the growth of the industry lard is now thrown on the market made from pig-fat from all portions of the animal, and lard, today, is not as good as the lard of years ago—in fact it is more indigestible, and more unhealthy.

Cottolene is a cleanly vegetable product made from pure, refined cotton seed oil. It makes food palatable, digestible and healthful. Cottolene is the purest and best shortening. It is not a substitute for lard, but an improvement upon lard or any other shortening. When you accept a substitute for Cottolene you are not getting your money's worth. Cottolene is the original and only shortening on the market. It is preferable in more ways than one—in purity, results and healthfulness. Try Cottolene for a short time, and you will find that your digestion is noticeably improved. Follow directions given on the pail.

COTTOLENE was granted a GRAND PRIZE (highest possible award) over all other cooking fats at the recent Louisiana Purchase Exposition, and food cooked with COTTOLENE another GRAND PRIZE.

"Home Helps" a book of 300 choice recipes, edited by Mrs. Rose, is yours for a 2 cent stamp, if you address The N. K. Fairbank Company, Chicago.

A NEW FEATURE—The patent air-tight top on this pail is for the purpose of keeping COTTOLENE clean, fresh and wholesome; it also prevents it from absorbing all disagreeable odors of the grocery, such as fish, oil, etc.



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Catarrh is a constitutional disease originating in impure blood and requiring constitutional treatment acting through and purifying the blood for its radical and permanent cure. Be sure to take Hood's Sarsaparilla

Nasal and other local forms of catarrh are quickly relieved by Catarrh, which allay inflammation and deodorize discharge. Hood's Sarsaparilla, all druggists, \$1. Catarrh, mail order only, 50 cts. For testimonials of remarkable cures send for our Book on Catarrh, No. 4, C. I. Hood Co., Lowell, Mass.

Small savings are the foundation for future riches if you will only persistently put them away where they will earn interest.

What if you can save only a few dimes or nickels a day—there are going to be many more days in your life, and these small savings will grow into a large sum.

Open a savings account with us and let us help you save. It may mean a great deal to you.

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