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THE JOURNAL STANDS FOR PROGRESS, DEVELOPMENT, GOOD GOVERNMENT, AND NO DEGRADED LABOR.

"EVER A SONG SOMEWHERE."

There is ever a song somewhere, my dear,
There is ever a something that sings away;
There's the song of the lark when the skies are clear,
And the song of the thrush when the skies are gray;
The sunshine showers across the grain,
And the bluebird trills in the orchard tree;
And in and out, when the eaves drip rain,
The swallows are twittering ceaselessly.

There is ever a song somewhere, my dear,
Be the skies above dark or fair;
There is ever a song that our hearts may hear—
There is ever a song somewhere, my dear—
There is ever a song somewhere!

There is ever a song somewhere, my dear,
In the midnight black or the midday blue;
The robin pipes when the sun is here,
And the cricket chirrups the whole night through;
The buds may blow and the fruit may grow,
And the autumn leaves drop crisp and sore;
But whether the sun or the rain or the snow,
There is ever a song somewhere, my dear.

—James Whitecomb Riley.

A WORD TO THE CITY COUNCIL.

Get down to business, gentlemen.
Stop wasting your time and **NO MORE DILLY-DALLYING WITH PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.**

Bets are being offered that not a foot of paving will be put down this year.

THERE SHOULD BE NO SUCH BETS OFFERED.

Force some permanent improvements out of the street funds.
Mayor Rodgers is a man of business and executive ability. Let the council follow him a little.

Quit trying to regulate the railroads, the gas works, the water works, and all creation.

Sit down on all freak propositions, **UNLESS THEY SEEK TO PUT MONEY IN THE TREASURY AND THEN TREAT THEM WITH LENIENCY.**

The public should force men with private grievances to resign. There is no place in a progressive government for a man who has nothing in his mind but how he can punish his enemies or reward his friends at public expense.

"BIRDS OF A FEATHER."

Under the above caption the Baker City Herald, edited by C. Edward Hogue, hits us the following vitriolic slap:

"The Salem Journal reprints the lame and halting story concocted by Will R. King in alleged refutation of the Herald's political biography of himself. Scanning the story of the gymnastic feats performed by the editor of the Journal the feeling of comradeship can easily be explained. The only surprise is that these two polished gentlemen are not quarrelling over **WHICH ONE OF THEM FLOPPED THE GREATEST NUMBER OF TIMES IN A PERIOD OF A FEW YEARS.**"

Oh, Eddie, that was cruel coming from thee! We never saw your article on King.

The Capital Journal has always felt proud of every boy who got a start as reporter on this paper—and **BRIGHTEST OF ALL THE BRIGHT LADS WAS C. EDWARD HOGUE.**

Now if young Charles Edward will be a good boy and sit on our lap long enough for us to tell him a thing or two we will try to set him right.

We do not know of Will R. King ever flopping on a matter of principle. We are not conscious that we ever did. **WE HAVE KNOWN POLITICIANS TO FLOP FOR REVENUE.**

We know there are two classes of Republicans—**REPUBLICANS AND PROFESSIONAL REPUBLICANS.**

To the latter class we have never belonged. We never expect to belong to any professional class.

Whatever you do, do not class us with the robber class—the professional spell-binder and high-binder of any political party.

The professional reduces his business to a science. He ceases to be an amateur in order **TO ROB THE NON-PROFESSIONAL.**

So, Eddie, the younger, Hoguey or Roguey, take off your hat to the old man who taught you a little **AND WHICH YOU'VE IMPROVED ON SO VERY MUCH.**

But Edward, dear Edward, where did you get it? We never taught you to write it "C. Edward Hogue!" That caption should be: "Ed. Hogue, editor Herald." A fool and his money—or name—are soon parted—in the middle.

LEADERSHIP BADLY NEEDED.

Under heading "Leaders Badly Needed," Editor Davey, of the Statesman, has this in reply to a criticism of the legislature, founded on the statement of Hon. Jesse Settlemyre:

"A great deal of criticism is not founded on honest purpose, but is voiced for political effect, with the expectation of making it count next spring for personal ends. It is not the mistakes of legislation that are worrying some folks. It is how to lay the wires so that their own political schemes, already hatching, may be made successful."

Up to the present time Editor Davey wears the belt for being the champion wire-puller for his own political schemes and we modestly decline in his favor.

But we cannot overlook the fact that he takes exception to the criticism of **AT LEAST ONE MEMBER OF THE MARION COUNTY DELEGATION**, that the general assembly was devoid of real leadership.

Mr. Davey was capable of leadership and at times showed it on the floor of the house, when he left the chair as presiding officer **AND HELPED DEFEAT OR CARRY MEASURES.**

We shall pay no attention to his charge that all that has been said in this paper has been for political effect. What if it is? There is no monopoly in the hands of any one person to "do politics."

It is regretted that there is not more good politics done, **WITH THE PURPOSE OF REAL LEADERSHIP ON A GOOD PROGRAM BACK OF IT.** Let us have done with the child's play of accusing one another of doing politics.

Every American citizen has a right to "do politics" and to say or do things for political effect. All we do in public matters has "effect."

The Capital Journal wishes to assure Editor Davey, and late speaker of the house of representatives, that there is nothing personal at all in all that has been said about the legislature.

We are still living in a free country, and he has no right to expect entire freedom from criticism of the legislature, **SIMPLY BECAUSE WE ARE NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS.**

The fault of the legislature was that it fell under machine and log-rolling ring domination, instead of real leadership based on an intelligent program.

What Mr. Settlemyre said was sadly and terribly true. The legislature was devoid of leadership and of any program embodying reform ideas. **THE DELEGATIONS AND THE MEMBERS SEEMED TO GO IN FOR WHAT THEY COULD GET OUT OF IT.**

It may be that this is the best any Oregon legislature is capable of, and that is why so many people would be willing to see it abolished. Following is the Taxpayers Anti-graft program advocated by The Capital Journal in the last spring primary campaign. It is still good:

1. **HOLD ALL NECESSARY APPROPRIATIONS DOWN TO THE LOWEST LIMIT.**

2. **NO SQUANDERING OF MONEY ON USELESS CLERKSHIPS AND INVESTIGATIONS.**

3. **NO NEW COMMISSIONS OR INCREASED SALARIES.**

4. **SUPPORT CHOICE OF PEOPLE FOR U. S. SENATORS.**

5. **ABOLISH ALL BUT ONE NORMAL SCHOOL AND CONFINE TO PROFESSIONAL WORK.**

6. **ENACT INDIRECT TAXATION LAWS AND ABOLISH DIRECT STATE TAX.**

7. **CUT OUT EVERY DOLLAR OF GRAFT IN THE STATE GOVERNMENT.**

A legislature organized on some such program as the above might have made a different record.

But when you take about the only man of distinctive qualifications for leadership and put him in the speaker's chair on a **PROGRAM JUST ABOUT THE OPPOSITE OF THE ABOVE WHAT CAN THE TAXPAYERS EXPECT?**

The late general assembly kept the fourth clause of the above program, and the last part of the second.

ON ALL THE REST THEY DID EXACTLY THE OPPOSITE.

When they were on the campaign there was nothing said about raising salaries all around.

There was nothing said about free passes for officials, or raising pay of legislators to \$10 per day.

THERE WAS NOTHING SAID ABOUT CREATING NEW OFFICES, MANY OF THEM USELESS, OR NEW COMMISSIONS THAT ARE NOT NEEDED.

There was nothing said about increasing the appropriations of the state university and agricultural college over 100 per cent.

The machine in Marion county is all-powerful, but how many of the gentlemen would have been nominated **IF THEY HAD TOLD THE PEOPLE THEY WOULD DO JUST WHAT THEY HAVE DONE?**

A Marion county member occupies a difficult position, in having to secure large appropriations for local institutions. Yet the issue is plain, they are for the whole state, not for Salem alone.

Even they should be held down as to salaries and amounts demanded. **UNLESS THAT IS DONE THERE IS NO FOUNDATION FOR OPPOSING THE LOG-ROLLING OPERATIONS OF THE INSTITUTIONS LOCATED ELSEWHERE.**

A general program of going after things in Marion county means an extravagant result for the whole state. Economy must begin at home or we must expect the rest of the state to help itself.

It is the tendency of legislatures to become reckless and nothing but an independent press and a still more independent governor can hold them within bounds.

ANOTHER STRONG FINANCIAL INSTITUTION

First State Bank of Independence Now Open for Business.

(Independence West Side.)

The First State bank opened its doors Saturday and is now one of the business fixtures of our city. The organization was perfected last week with the following named people as its representatives:

Directors: J. A. Aupperle, C. C. Patrick, W. A. Messner, Wm. Riddell and A. F. Hofer.

Officers: President, J. A. Aupperle; vice president, E. Hofer; cashier, Chas. C. Patrick.

The stockholders in the new institution include many of the best known business men and farmers of Polk and Marion counties, who will reflect upon the new enterprise. The directors and officers are men who by their integrity and conservative business methods have built up substantial interests, and are among our largest property owners and taxpayers. They are men when they take hold of a business enterprise, make it succeed, and who have made a success of life in every sense.

The development of the surrounding country has turned a steadily-increasing volume of business toward Independence and has made room for another strong bank.

Mr. Aupperle, president of the new bank, is president of the Oregon State Bank in his home town, Jefferson, where he also operates a large flouring mill and sawmill business. He is a director in the very successful Salem State Bank, besides being interested in several other banking concerns.

Spring Ailments

Pimples, boils, eczema and other eruptions, loss of appetite, that tired feeling, fits of biliousness, indigestion and headache, are some of them.

They are all radically and permanently cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

This great medicine thoroughly cleanses the blood and restores healthy functional activity to the whole system. It makes people well.

"I have been using Hood's Sarsaparilla as a spring medicine for ten years, and have never found anything better."

Johns Flemings, Campbell Hall, N. Y.

Accept no substitute for

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Insist on having Hood's. Get it today. In liquid or tablet form. 100 Doses \$1.

Mr. Patrick has been in Oregon several years, having come here from Des Moines, Iowa. Although a comparatively young man he has had extensive business experience aside with his connection with the detail work and management of banking business. He is an affable progressive young man who has made many friends since coming to Independence.

There is certainly a growing field here for banking business, and the development of the country surrounding the city of Independence which is steadily taking place leads the West Side Enterprise to predict a successful future for the new concern.

(The Independence bank is organized on the same basis, and conducted on the same plan as the State Bank at Jefferson, Salem, and Glendale. Some of the same persons are officers in all four of these institutions.)—Ed. Journal.

PILES CURED IN 6 TO 14 DAYS.

PAZO OINTMENT is guaranteed to cure any case of Itching, Blistered, Bleeding or Protruding Piles in 6 to 14 days or money refunded. 50c.

Montana's Hash Bill Creates a Sensation.

Helena, Mont., March 18.—All the restaurant keepers, and lunch room proprietors in Montana, are up in arms, and mostly scared to death. The bill is going to be put in force as soon as possible, and the proprietors are fearful that their help cannot be taught to conform to the new order of things without a prolonged period of instruction. The bill is patterned after the old national oleomargarine law, in that it requires hotels, restaurants, cafes and boarding houses to post notices and other wise warn customers if any of the ingredients used in the preparation of hash have been adulterated, providing a healthy penalty for violation of the provisions. The keepers of the hotels and restaurants have felt that hash was not a matter to be looked into too closely, and that fastidious persons might easily have some qualms upon the subject.

Cleveland's Seventieth Birthday.

Princeton, N. J., March 18.—Grover Cleveland, ex-president of the United States, is seventy years old today. The former president always makes it a point to be at home with his family on his birthday, and

Spring Suits Are Ready

We are ready for the spring trade with the finest showing of suits that we have ever had so early in the season.

If we have forecasted the spring fashions correctly, men are going to be better dressed this spring than ever before.

Patterns run from the sober, plain mixtures, and the modest blues to the smart checks and stripe effects in grays, olives and in the new browns.

Coats are cut a trifle shorter—soft, wide lapels—plain back or center vent. Trousers are cut easy fitting and shapely.

Suits at \$ 7.50
\$10.00
\$12.50
up to \$25.00
or \$30.00



Taken all in all, we can say that our patrons are lucky when they can secure such excellent clothing to live in during the spring and summer months, at such moderate prices.

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spend it quietly. He went off to South Carolina on the 6th to fish and generally enjoy his annual spring recreation trip. He was the guest of his old friend, General E. P. Alexander. The ex-president is enjoying his usual health, and is in good spirits. Many telegrams and letters of congratulation have been received by him from all parts of this country and of the world.

The habit of saving leads to Independence.

Begin now by opening

a savings account with us.

Three per cent interest

compounded semi-annually.

Savings Department

Capital National Bank



THE BEST ROAST THE FAMILY EVER HAD.

Can be obtained from our prime tender and juicy beef, mutton or pork. All our meats are selected from the choicest, and prepared for the table to suit the demands of the fastidious. Our prices are lower for quality than you can find at any place in Salem.

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A BARK, CHERRY, RICE, AND SWEETWOOD PREPARATION. **KEEPS WOMEN IN FAIR, BALANCE!** (See 1) (See 2) (See 3) (See 4) (See 5) (See 6) (See 7) (See 8) (See 9) (See 10) (See 11) (See 12) (See 13) (See 14) (See 15) (See 16) (See 17) (See 18) (See 19) (See 20) (See 21) (See 22) (See 23) (See 24) (See 25) (See 26) (See 27) (See 28) (See 29) (See 30) (See 31) (See 32) (See 33) (See 34) (See 35) (See 36) (See 37) (See 38) (See 39) (See 40) (See 41) (See 42) (See 43) (See 44) (See 45) (See 46) (See 47) (See 48) (See 49) (See 50) (See 51) (See 52) (See 53) (See 54) (See 55) (See 56) (See 57) (See 58) (See 59) (See 60) (See 61) (See 62) (See 63) (See 64) (See 65) (See 66) (See 67) (See 68) (See 69) (See 70) (See 71) (See 72) (See 73) (See 74) (See 75) (See 76) (See 77) (See 78) (See 79) (See 80) (See 81) (See 82) (See 83) (See 84) (See 85) (See 86) (See 87) (See 88) (See 89) (See 90) (See 91) (See 92) (See 93) (See 94) (See 95) (See 96) (See 97) (See 98) (See 99) (See 100) (See 101) (See 102) (See 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