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EVIDENCE OF FLATTERING GROWTH.

AT A SHORT TIME AGO The Capital Journal had an editorial on the subject of Salem's phenomenal growth. In this it was shown that taking the relative number of school children in the city when the census of 1910 was taken as a basis of computation...

This showing is in direct keeping with the growth shown by the school census. That showed a gain of 36 per cent in three years, and the postal receipts show a gain of 12 per cent for one year.

BOOSTERS AND RIDERS.

THERE is in every community two distinct classes, the one that boosts for public betterment and the other that takes advantage of the boosting to ride into power or take some advantage of the booster's efforts for his own gain.

'The Portland publicity fund is now nearly \$100,000. Recently it was \$84,000 and at that time 140 individuals and institutions were the contributors.

'There are 5000 people in Portland who pay taxes on a valuation of more than \$10,000. Out of so many, how strange that only 140 were subscribers to the publicity fund at the time it was \$84,000.

'No big holder in city lots and blocks is a subscriber. None of those who have large interests in unimproved property, hoping to get higher and higher prices for it, is, as yet, on the list of contributors.

'Many individuals whom the publicity most aids are not helping to finance it. The values of their holdings are enhanced by the bringing of new capital and new people to Portland.

'Increased population does little or nothing for a great department store. It brings more department stores to compete for business.

'But it brings no more city lots to go into competition with the lots held on a popular street by a land hog.

'Why shouldn't he contribute to publicity funds? 'Why shouldn't he help finance Rose Festivals? 'Why should he be always a beneficiary and seldom a contributor? 'Why should he be always a leaver and never a lifter?'

resident of Forest Grove, died at his home there Tuesday.

Eugene reports the filing of an \$800,000 mortgage, covering 32,000 acres of timber land along the Natron extension.

John Burahuff was shot in the thigh by an angry Chinaman at Ontario, Wednesday. He will recover, and the Chinink will probably do time.

Mayor Clara Munson, of Warrenton, has announced a slogan contest open to Astorians, as well as home folks.

The Jackson county home for the indigent is to be enlarged to provide hospital quarters for the county sick.

A home talent dramatic performance, an item on the Fourth of July program at Halfway netted 105 for the cemetery improvement fund.

Albany Democrat: Every mention of Albany in the Portland papers is a boost for the Hub City.

The Huntington News now appears with its 'patent inside' inside, and its home print outside, so that in future its subscribers won't have to read the ready print if they don't want to.

This was Haines' Fourth of July not to celebrate, but the Record is not satisfied with the high old time Haines people had at Baker, and so it proposes a harvest celebration, suggesting Labor Day as the date.

An heroic rescue is thus reported in the Glendale News: 'A horse belonging to Mrs. C. Clarke backed into the sewer ditch Tuesday evening, falling where it was about 15 feet deep.

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Fault finding gives friendship many a hard jolt.

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SALEM OREGON CHICAGO STORE THE STORE THAT SAVES YOU MONEY

A RARE OLD BLOSSOM.

JOHN D'S Cleveland pastor says that the old Greaser is 'a rose in the garden of the Lord.' We fancy that that pastor's knowledge of botany is rather limited.

PROTECTION TO AMERICAN INDUSTRIES.

THE RECENT CENSUS in Hawaii tells some things between lines that make interesting reading and furnish food for thought. It is shown by this census that the total male population in the islands above the age of 20 years is 83,996.

Just how the American consumer is to be taxed to benefit the 'Americans' in Hawaii is not explained by the tariff advocates.

CHAMBERLAIN HOLDS THE TRUMPS.

OUR ESTEEMED CONTEMPORARY, the Oregonian, finds fault with Senator Chamberlain, and is right in doing so for his course in voting one way in caucus, where his vote did not count, and directly opposite in the senate, where his vote probably was actually the deciding vote.

However, as we remember the Oregonian's position it is in the same boat with Chamberlain, for between sessions of congress it is, if not a free trader, at least strongly inclined that way.

BOGUS PETITIONS AND FRAUDULENT SIGNATURES.

IT IS CLAIMED that there are many bogus signatures to the petition asking that the workmen's compensation bill be referred. The district attorney of Multnomah county will take the matter up and it is hoped, if there has been any fraud practiced, that he will send those responsible for it to the penitentiary, which they are so eminently qualified to ornament.

THE ROUND-UP.

Vina Ferguson, aged 6, was killed in Portland Wednesday. She had stolen a ride on a wagon loaded with wood, and the load rack broke and the load fell on her.

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