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The Good of the Whole.

In this issue is printed a lengthy article written by C. B. Kegley, master of the Washington State Grange. Space is given the argument of Mr. Kegley by The Gazette through a desire to present both sides of a grave question to its readers. The statements made are not endorsed by The Gazette.

In the opinion of The Gazette Mr. Kegley is taking a narrow and selfish view of the matter, notwithstanding some of his arguments have a decided socialistic origin. While, ostensibly, he is ignoring the good of the community for the good of the whole, he, in reality, is ignoring the good of the community for the good of the individual who desires to buy a necessity or a luxury a few cents cheaper than his neighbor can afford to sell it to him. From the standpoint of the selfish man who takes no interest in the progress of his community, town, city or county, Mr. Kegley's arguments are undoubtedly convincing. But to the man who takes the broader view that the welfare of his community is the welfare of himself—the success of his neighbor beneficial to the whole—the discussion by Mr. Kegley becomes either a cunning foundation for a socialistic propaganda, or the woody opinions of a man with a mental squint.

No verbose arguments or superficial cant may overcome the one incontrovertible truth that the success of a community is conducive to the success of the individual. The prosperity of a city is a reflex of the prosperity of its citizens. A city is not prosperous without commercial development. Successful commerce is vitally dependent upon united support in the community.

In no other city can the truth of the benefits of mutual commercial support be better demonstrated than in Colfax. In the commercial progress of this city is mirrored the prosperity of the individual citizen and the individual farmer. Their loyal support has assured the prosperity of the city. Without such the banks, the merchants and tributary commerce would not be possible.

It is the patronage given the home merchant which has built the city of Colfax and created for the producer a home market and a nearby depository. The money paid to the Colfax merchant is immediately circulated again, flowing back directly or indirectly to the producer from the customer. The expenditure of \$10 in Colfax means that \$10 is going to be circulated in Colfax. It doesn't mean that amount is going to be paid a Chicago or New York printer for highly colored, misleading catalogues. The money stays in Whitman county.

The Colfax merchant is able to sell his goods at a reasonable price—a price which is not extortionate, but which will give him a fair profit. That profit is used in enlarging his business. A new business block is planned, built entirely by home industry, with home products. Employment is given the carpenter, the mason, the laborer, the plumber, the planing-mill man—to all lines of trade. New clerks are necessary; the demand for labor increases.

Who benefits by these additions to the city's population? By the payment of wages to labor? Isn't it to the farmer they must go for foodstuffs? Does that Chicago or New York printer turn his wages back to you? Does the fellow who advocates the parcels post—the man who sends you shoddy goods at shoddy prices—buy your farm produce, build your schools and your courthouses? Which increases the value of your lands most—the building of good roads out of Colfax or the laying of asphalt pavements in Chicago, Ill.? Which most increases the demand for your produce—an addition of 100 people to Colfax's population, or the addition of 1000 people to the population of Chicago?

Is it necessary to point the moral?

We Are Growing.

The new directory for Whitman county, published by R. L. Polk & Co., is being distributed. It contains much new information regarding the county and shows an increase in population, particularly in Colfax, which is especially gratifying.

The Colfax directory contains a total of 1537 names. Adopting the method used in metropolitan cities of multiplying the names in the directory by four in order to secure the average for families—a method sanctioned by the government and postal authorities—Colfax shows a remarkable gain since the last directory publication.

Allowing a deduction of 148 names as those of firms, business houses and business addresses, the multiplication by four gives an even 5,000 as the estimated population.

In 1904 the Polk directory gave the

population of Colfax as 2650. In this latest directory the population is quoted as 4,000, or 1,000 less than is given with the sanctioned method of directory computation, and 1,350 more than the directory census of 1904.

Either computation demonstrates beyond successful contradiction that Colfax is growing faster than any other city in southeastern Washington—a gratifying fact to those who take pride in municipal progress as the labor of their hands and brains.

"Charlie" Clark, son of Senator Clark, the Montana multimillionaire, has a daughter, newly arrived, Grandfather Clark drew one long breath when he read the telegram and then touched himself for a million, settled on the grandchild. We know of those who could handle that million much better than a fuzzy, little, screaming kid.

Ruby Robert Fitzsimmons demonstrates the Osler theory by collapsing after the 13th round in his fight with Jack O'Brien. Then the "greatest fighting wonder of the age" made a further demonstration of old age by crying bitterly when he heard that his third wife had eloped with a younger man.

Peter Songderath, a wealthy blacksmith, built the police patrol wagon for Spokane so substantially that it is one of the boasts of the Spokane "citiz." Last Friday evening Mr. Songderath was arrested for creating a disturbance at the Hotel Spokane and was given a ride in the wagon he built.

Important notice to those contemplating swearing off next Monday—"Albert Sandy" dropped dead in Colville last Saturday just after drinking a glass of water in a barroom.

Did you notice the pale faces and slow strides of many of our prominent citizens the day after Christmas? That was turkey and suet pudding and fruit cake.

Negro porters on Pullman cars are organizing a national union. Even we editors, with passes, will be compelled to remain at home now.

PRESS COMMENTS

Digging!

Everett Tribune. The hardest part of Uncle Sam's great excavation job appears to be in getting congress to dig up the coin.

Knocking Widows.

Oregonian. Naturally, Mrs. Mark Hanna is indignant at her arrest for automobile scorching. The law is going far when it tries to put a speed limit on widows.

A Recommendation.

Portland Oregonian. The Southern Pacific wants to sell its Oregon lands. If the company is looking for a couple of wide-awake agents it should write or call on S. A. D. Puter and Horace McKinley.

That Ancient "Bar."

Snohomish Tribune. At the meeting of the State Bar association in Everett next July a gentleman is to read a paper on "The Early Bar in Washington." In some instances it has been a dry-goods box.

Supply and Demand.

Brooklyn Union. News comes from St. Louis that John L. Sullivan has sworn off again, and that economic crisis caused by the burning of 80,000 barrels of whiskey in Pennsylvania will probably be equalized soon.

The Fearless Editor.

Clarkston Republic. It is frequently said that editors are afraid to oppose certain interests. If every business and professional man was fearless and would run as many risks of "injuring his business" as the average editor, reforms would not be so slow in maturing.

They Know It.

Franklin County Register. The Spokesman-Review has been wonderfully silent about Editor Lorton's dismissal from the managing editorship of the Walla Walla Union. It is no surprise to us, however, for we never took seriously its dissertations upon justice and fair play.

Blooming Deserts.

Olympia Recorder. The Washington delegation to congress has won out all along the line on the Eastern Washington irrigation projects, Secretary Hitchcock having given his approval for all three of the projects presented. These include the appropriation of \$1,000,000 for the Tieton scheme and \$750,000 to partially complete the Sunnyside project, both in the Yakima valley; and \$500,000 for the Okanogan project, approved some time ago. The importance of these three big projects to the state can scarcely be over-estimated. The first two schemes alone will bring about 64,000 acres of fine land under irrigation and cultivation. This is the character of improvement that will bring thousands of new settlers to the state, and increase its productiveness and prosperity.

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NORTHWEST NEWS.

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Representatives of 150 straight shingle and combination mills voted to perpetuate the shingle mills bureau, organized to inaugurate the 60 day close down of shingle mills in Washington by organizing on a permanent basis. The combination mills agree to curtail the shingle output to the extent of 240,000-000 shingles up to February 1.

The farmers in the Fraser valley have gone into the Angora goat raising business and 50 pedigreed specimens have arrived for various farms near Chilliwack, says a New Westminster, B. C. report. The goats were purchased from Oregon raisers and already have a fine length of push or fur.

William N. Marshall, a teacher in the school for defective youth, will succeed James Watson as superintendent of that institution on January 1. Superintendent Watson's resignation has already been accepted.

State Superintendent Bryan has notified the Clarke county superintendent that E. S. Stevens, employed as teacher at Washougal, must not be paid, as Stevens' certificate was revoked for in-temperance years ago.

Governor Mead and Land Commissioner Ross today were in correspondence with the congressional delegation concerning the reclamation deadlock, and a lengthy telegram was sent to Washington denying several reports that have been made to the secretary of the interior and virtually declaring their intention to stand pat on the state's selection of Yakima lands under the Carey act.

In the case of the estate of J. A. Driscoll and R. K. Tiffany, in which these men are agents of the Washington Irrigation company were charged with maliciously blowing up the dam of the Union Gap Irrigation company, commonly called the Lombard & Horsley dam on Lake Cle Elum, the defendants have been discharged by Judge Rigg at Ellensburg on the grounds that no statute in this state covered such an offense as that alleged.

The railroads will oppose any coercive efforts to compel the granting of rates to Bellingham equal to those accorded to Seattle, Everett and Tacoma in the O. R. & N. territory. A fight in the courts will follow any attempt on the part of the railroad commission to interfere with the grain rates of eastern Washington.

The Washington insurance commission this year collected \$117,325.33 from insurance companies doing business in this state, as against but \$89,521.15 for the year 1904. These figures were given out by J. H. Schively, deputy insurance commissioner.

The insurance commissioner is arranging to admit four new companies to do business in this state after January 1. The companies are the Assurance Co. of America, and the Federal, both of New York City; the Buffalo German, of Buffalo, and the New Brunswick of New Jersey. They are all fire insurance companies.

The Annual Appearance

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Coughing Spell Caused Death.

"Harry Duckwell, aged 25 years, choked to death early yesterday morning at his home, in the presence of his wife and child. He contracted a slight cold a few days ago and paid but little attention to it. Yesterday morning he was seized with a fit of coughing which continued for some time. His wife sent for a physician but before he could arrive, another coughing spell came on and Duckwell died from suffocation—St Louis Globe Democrat, Dec. 1st, 1901."

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