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TIME FOR COMMUNITY ACTION.

THE current issue of the Worlds Work contains an in-
teresting account of two cities that turned farmers and
thereby made possible a larger growth by developing an
agricultural back country. The cities were Duluth, Minne-
sota and Delavan, Wisconsin.

Duluth had grown to be a city by taking toll of the
grain and iron ore that passed through it, and was trans-
ferred from rail to ship, and from the timber that covered
the hills and plains of its vicinity. It had no agriculture
and no industries. Its bleak hillsides were popularly re-
garded as worthless, except for timber purposes.

An experimental farm, cleared for summer resorts,
demonstrated that the land would produce crops if prop-
erly farmed. Upon the knowledge thus gained, a campaign
was planned and carried out by the Duluth Commercial
club to develop the untouched agricultural resources of
the surrounding country. An expert was engaged and the
work begun.

The biggest problem was that of clearing the land. The
old stumps and the new second growth cost nearly \$50 an
acre to remove. Only intensive cultivation, market gar-
dening, and dairy farming under the most modern sci-
entific conditions, could be made profitable on land as ex-
pensive as this.

The railroads terminating at Duluth were interested
and induced to undertake the intelligent development of
agricultural resources. Land grants were subdivided into
small farms, so arranged that the houses, as built, form
community groups; and, from each community of this
kind, constructing a good road to the nearest railroad sta-
tion. No lands are sold until the road is built and a low
price is asked, a little down and the balance in yearly pay-
ments extending over ten years.

Local companies clear land adjoining the city which
enable market gardeners to pay good prices and make a
profit. Clubs among the farmers were organized to co-
operate with the city clubs to work for good roads, school
system and immigration. School children are furnished
free garden seeds for planting and "harvest home" festi-
vals provide prizes for garden products.

After five years of effort, a co-operative produce ware-
house was erected in Duluth to supply retailers as com-
mission houses do. A "potato special" is operated through-
out the fall by the railroad, calling for produce at every
station. Gradually the agricultural resources are being
developed, and an agricultural population added.

Delavan, Wisconsin is described as a city of 2500 popu-
lation, with but one industry—a knitting factory. A few
years ago, the business men realized that the town was
losing ground. Grass grew in the streets, roads were poor
and trade growing less. So despite a protesting minority,
taxes were quadrupled, old debts paid off, new schools
erected, sewers, water works and electric light plants in-
stalled, streets paved and roads in the adjoining country
improved for miles about. New stores replaced the old
and a systematic effort was made to secure farm trade.

A "Delavan week," during which special bargains were
offered by all the stores, and free entertainment provided
at the opera house for visiting farmers and their families,
proved so successful that it has become an annual winter
affair. Farmers' institutes and poultry shows were orga-
nized, concerts, theatrical entertainments, and winter lec-
ture courses were arranged for, and special inducements
were held out to farm folk to attend them. Baseball games
and field carnivals were the attractions for the warmer
months. A bequest by a wealthy citizen for a free library
was trebled by popular subscription, and the farmers' fam-
ilies hold nearly one-third of the membership cards.

A "rural survey" was made to determine the extent of
community influence as a basis for further efforts. Eight
phases of the community interest were selected as indices
of the relations between the village and the farm. They
were the dry goods store, the grocery store, the news-
papers, the churches, the high school, the public library,
the banks, and the milk factory.

A map was prepared that showed every farm house
within five miles of Delavan. Every house was then check-
ed off on the map in accordance with its relations to Del-
avan in one or another of these eight connections. A line
drawn on the map so as to enclose the most distant farms
having a particular community interest with the village
thus disclosed not only the extent of that interest's influ-
ence, but the gaps and weak spots in it.

Steps were immediately taken to close the gaps indicat-
ed by the map and unite the isolated farmers in community
of interest relations with the city. A "hitch barn" was
created for the use of the visiting farmers. Motor truck
deliveries were arranged by the merchants association, and
special automobile visits by the city people united them
still more closely.

Efforts like this must be made by Medford. The people
of the city must co-operate and secure the fuller develop-
ment of lands and must unite the country closer to the city
in trade—and the co-operative efforts must be systematic
and scientific.

The first problem that awaits solving is the securing of
irrigation for the entire valley. This will greatly enhance
production and treble the crop output. Then will come
the utilization of idle lands and the transformation of the
valley into one of the most productive diversified farming
and fruit growing spots in the world.

The city itself is large enough. It has improvements
enough, and buildings enough. The energy and capital of
its people should hereafter be devoted to developing the
adjacent country—not to inflating values and platting
townsites.

Medford has naturally a far richer territory in an agri-
cultural way than Duluth will ever have, and a far more
favorable climate. She has a greater tributary territory,
far richer natural resources, and a much finer city,
than Delavan will ever have, and it is up to Medford to
utilize its own energies, and initiative in solving its prob-
lems as Duluth and Delavan are solving theirs.

Rogue River Valley the Garden of Eden

(From the Portland Oregonian.)

The definite discovery that Klamath Falls is the true site of the
City of Enoch, founded in the land
of Nod by Cain, will evoke a sigh of
relief throughout the scientific world.
It confirms what The Oregonian has
long suspected—that the Garden of
Eden was located in the country sur-
rounding Medford and Grants Pass,
in Southern Oregon. Do not the
Scriptures say: "And Cain went out
from the presence of the Lord and
dwelt in the land of Nod, on the
east of Eden?" Is not the Klamath
country on the east of the
Rogue river valley?

The crown of glory which now,
once for all, settles upon the brow
of fair Southern Oregon has been
claimed by many a spot. Some of
these claims may still be put for-
ward, though there is not the
slightest hope that the learned world
will longer give them an atom's
weight. Up to within a century or
two it was taken for granted that
the site of the Garden of Eden lay
somewhere in the peninsula called
Mesopotamia, between the Euphrates
and Tigris rivers. Here is where
Milton, whose ignorance of sacred
geography was appalling, located the
place.

The most eligible spot, previous to
the discovery at Klamath Falls, was
in the middle of the Indian Ocean.
To be sure, it lay deep down beneath
the waves, but that was rather an
advantage than otherwise. When
one is in search of the Garden of
Eden, facts are apt to be embarrass-
ing, and it is well to have some of
them under a mile or two of salt
water. The legend ran that this site
was sunk soon after the sinning pair
were expelled from their pristine
home. Of course this speculation,
fascinating as it is, now loses all
its force because we know that the
Garden of Eden was in Southern
Oregon and not in the middle of the
Indian Ocean.

The oldest legends of the classic
world have their scenes in the Eu-
xine country, and it is found that the
same is true apparently of the
primeval Aryan folk lore of India.
Moreover, human remains have been
found north of the Black Sea which
must date from the very beginning
of our race history. The only trou-
ble with them is that they do not
exhibit that degree of artistic and
mechanical perfection which one
would expect in Paradise. More
astonishing still, warlike weapons

are found among the relics and we
well know that there were no wars
in the Garden of Eden. These facts
seem to be decisive against the
claims of the Euxine region. Argu-
ments equally convincing might be
adduced against every other spot on
earth except Southern Oregon. Hence,
by the philosophical process known
as "exclusion" we have proved the
Rogue river valley to be the gen-
uine site of Paradise. Since Adam
and Eve could not have lived any-
where else, they must have lived
there. If some doubters insist that
all that is necessary is to enlarge
their preconceived ideas of man's
first habitat. An area not many
miles in extent will embrace the re-
quired streams.

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**FLED IN NIGHTIE
FROM DRUNKARD**

KLAMATH FALLS, Feb. 7.—Mrs.
Louisa Davidson has filed her suit
for divorce in the circuit court,
through her attorney, H. W. Shaw,
against Edward Davidson.

The couple were married at Jack-
sonville in 1903, during all of which
time since that date Mrs. Davidson
alleges her husband has been exces-
sively addicted to the use of intoxi-
cants, and that since 1904 or 1905
he has been an habitual drunkard.
She alleges that during these years
he has abused her by cursing and
kicking her, and even knocked her
down many times while intoxicated.

While living near Ashland, in 1905,
Mrs. Davidson alleges that her hus-
band came home in a drunken rage
late one night and threatened her
life, compelling her to flee through
a window in her night clothing and
hide in the woods, where she remain-
ed all night in her scanty clothing.

So unbearable did her condition
become, she alleges, that she finally
left her husband and came to Klamath
Falls alone, opening the South-
ern Pacific rooming house, to which
place he later followed her, since
when he has persisted in demanding
money for liquor.

On the night of December 23, 1911,
she alleges her husband threatened
again to kill her and left the house
for a gun, but returned later in a
drunken condition.

**DEPUTY ASSESSORS
ARE APPOINTED**

The county court today approved
the appointment of a list of deputy
assessors in the county for this year.
The list as approved together with
the districts is as follows:

- Main valley between Medford and
Jacksonville—J. C. Godlove.
- Eagle Point, Lake creek and Antel-
one—P. H. Daily.
- Trail, Prospect and Big Butte—
George F. Hall.
- Gold Hill, Willow Springs and
Sams Valley—W. W. Traux.
- Applegate and Steamboat—Clinton
Gallatin.
- Ashland—F. D. Wagner.
- Medford—Paul Janney.
- Talent and surrounding country—
Jay Terrill.
- Rogue River and Wimer—George
Lond.
- Jacksonville and Barron—S. S.
Aitken.
- Central Point—Fred Burres.
- Phoenix—A. H. Fisher.

**WOMAN HURLED
FROM VEHICLE**

A serious runaway occurred on
the Jacksonville road Thursday af-
ternoon in which Mrs. Flora Clark-
son of Thompson creek was badly in-
jured. Her left arm was fractured
and severe injuries sustained.

Mrs. Clarkson had been in town
on a shopping tour and had started
for home when the team she was
driving became unmanageable owing
to a passing automobile. They ran
away and threw Mrs. Clarkson out.

The identity of the passing auto-
mobile was not determined as its
occupants speeded up and disap-
peared.

Mrs. Clarkson was brought to this
city for treatment.

John A. Perl
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IS SO

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