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The policy of the Coos Bay Times will be Republican in politics, with the independence of which President Roosevelt is the leading exponent.

GERMANY'S OLD AGE PENSION.

Probably few of us have noted how rapidly the old age pension has been spreading about the world. In Germany the plan in its practical operation might be called a form of compulsory insurance under government direction and with government help.

Thus every person working for wages or a salary not exceeding \$500 a year must take out an old age or infirmity insurance policy on which he pays one half of the annual premium while his employer pays the other half.

From the fund thus obtained pensions are paid to persons whom sickness or infirmity have incapacitated for work as well as to those attaining the age of seventy years. To each recipient of an invalid or old age pension the government makes an additional grant of its own.

The amount of the pension is determined upon the double basis of the wages received by the pensioner while he was at work and the amount he has paid in premiums. In 1907 there were insured in Germany in the government old age and invalidity insurance more than fourteen million persons—from which astounding fact you can gather something of the proportions of the new idea.

In practice the invalidity pension has proved more popular than the strictly old age pension, for the reason that the infirmity pension can be entered upon when the invalidity occurs and after the age of seventy it takes the place of an old age pension. Thus while in 1907 there were 110,967 persons receiving the straight old age pension, there were more than 800,000 who were in receipt of the infirmity pension.

The total national expenditure in 1907 on the insurance account was \$52,750,000, of which about \$4,200,000 was for old age pensions.

The average pension paid was: For old age \$30.52 a year For permanent invalidity, \$40.04 a year. For provisional invalidity, \$40.14 a year.

Of course these sums seem very small to us, but we must remember, first, that the difference between our country and Germany in respect to the relative cost of living is a fact always to be reckoned with in making comparisons, and second, that Germany was the pioneer in these reforms and her cautious first steps have been far exceeded by the nations that have followed her.

There are five classes of contributors to the German fund:

- 1. On annual wages or salaries of \$37.50 the annual premium is 3 1/2 cents a week. 2. On annual wages or salaries of \$137.50 the annual premium is 5 cents a week. 3. On the annual wages or salaries of \$212.50 the annual premium is 6 cents a week. 4. On annual wages or salaries of \$287.50 the annual premium is 7 1/2 cents a week. 5. On annual wages or salaries of \$500 the annual premium is 9 cents.

Benefactions under the act are somewhat restricted. Thus old age pensions are paid to only those who have contributed for at least 1,200 weeks and the disablement pension to those who have contributed for at least 500 weeks. It was thought that a wholly unrestricted pension scheme was too fearsome an experiment, the whole thing being at best so bold a leap in the dark and in defiance of sacred traditions.

Stiletto Pocket Knives and Razors at MILNER'S.

Christmas presents—Try the GUNNERY.

Remember the usual Tuesday night dance at the Rink, December 15.

Choice oat hay at HAINES. Fancy potatoes at MARSHFIELD GROCERY, on Broadway.

WITH THE COAST AND TEA GOOD EVENING.

If our faults were written on our foreheads we should all have to go with our hats pulled over our eyes.—Spanish proverb.

MAN'S MASTER.

Man has somewhere within his curious pate A silly notion of outwitting fate. He fancies that sometime and how His destiny will make its bow, Pull off its cap and bend respectful knee In humble reverence to such as he.

So strongly doth his fallacy persist, It makes of him a pompous Egoist— A blatant booster of his mighty power To rule the happenings of day and hour. From early manhood doth he make this claim— That man is master of his life and fame.

But when hard luck has fallen on his way And gripped his vitals in its mirthful play; When woe has palsied—sorrow racked his brain, This monarch at last this knowledge safe instills— Man rules himself exactly as fate will!

—ANON. The joy of giving at Christmas time would be greater if we were not compelled to rack our brains to select something the recipients will value longer than three days.

That Massachusetts woman who can speak fifty-four languages ought to find it easy to tell her husband just what she thinks of him when he comes home in the early hours of the morning.

It has been ascertained that the most common ground for divorce is desertion. In other words, this country is overrun with matrimonial quitters who fight and run away.

According to a news dispatch, thirty nurses have been engaged for the little three-year-old emperor of China. Every job in the world, it seems, has its own peculiar drawbacks. I shot an arrow into the air, it fell in the distance. I knew not where, till a neighbor said that it killed his calf, and I had to pay him six and a half (\$6.50). I bought some poison to stay some rats, and a neighbor swore it killed his cats; and, rather than argue across the fence, I paid him four dollars and fifty cents (\$4.50). One night I set sailing a toy balloon, and hoped it would soar till it reached the moon; but the candle fell out on a farmer's straw, and he said I must settle or go to law. And that is the way with the random shot: it never hits in the proper spot; and the joke you spring, that you think so smart, may leave a wound in some fellow's heart.—Exchange.

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A PERSONAL APPEAL.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS.

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the common council of the city of Marshfield, Coos county, Oregon, up to half past seven o'clock in the afternoon of the 22d day of December, 1908, for the improvement with sidewalk of the following streets, to-wit:

- 1. That portion of the west side of Graham street from a point 10 feet south of the north line of California avenue to the south line of lot 25 of block 52, in Railroad addition to Marshfield, Oregon. 2. That portion of the north side of Washington avenue from a point 10 feet west of the east line of Burnett street to the east line of Graham street, in Railroad addition to Marshfield, Oregon.

Said improvements to be made according to the plans and specifications thereof on file in the office of the city recorder and there open to the inspection of all persons interested therein.

A certified check for five per cent of the amount of bid must accompany each bid, to be forfeited to the city in case bid is accepted and bidder fails to enter into contract within five days after such acceptance.

Dated this 9th day of December, 1908. J. M. UPTON, Recorder of said city of Marshfield.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS.

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the common council of the city of Marshfield, Coos county, Oregon, up to 7:30 o'clock in the afternoon of the 22d day of December, 1908, for the construction of sewers on that portion of Baines from Coal Bank Slough to the center of Washington avenue, and that portion of Washington avenue from the center of Baines street to the east line of Graham street, in Railroad addition to the town of Marshfield, Coos county, Oregon, according to the plans and specifications of said improvement on file in the office of the city recorder, and there open to the inspection of all persons interested therein.

A certified check for five per cent of the amount of bid must accompany each bid, to be forfeited to the city in case bid is accepted and bidder fails to enter into contract within five days after such acceptance.

Dated this 10th day of December, 1908. J. M. UPTON, Recorder of said City of Marshfield.

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