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BUSINESS DEPRESSION-CAUSES AND CURE.

One new feature and fact of the present business situation is that the railroads have been granted the longsought five per cent advance by the interstate commerce commission. If one-half the benefit to trade and business should materialize from this compliance with railroad demands, that the big business fraternity have glowingly predicted, we will promptly be able to note renewed activity in the steel mills and manufacturies of railroad equipment generally. But as yet this predicted activity is only an additional query and possibility in the realm of prospect. By the way, this prospect realm is where the nation has been passing most of its time for a considerable period. We are fast getting the doubt habit, and seem to be dragging out considerable of our existence in hesitation, getting a line on the outlook, the prospects and probabilities. The refreshing sight of renewed business activity is what all desire to see. This condition is longed for by the individual, the administration, the manufacturer, the builder, the laborer, the American people. But it appears that business activity, like wind, is evasive stuff, and where it goes and from whence, or when, it will return, no man really knows, not even the optimist.

The country, that is so far as business conditions are concerned, has never been quite right since the so-called financial "flurry" of 1907. There has been a kind of nervousness and uncertainty that has gradually grown more pronounced during the past three years. Even now the prices of produce and manufactured goods, which together constitute the cost of living, are on the boom level. Business depression heretofore has always meant low prices and scarcity of money; now the banks are filled with idle funds, and many classes of the people have more money in their possession than ever before-but they are not spending it with any marked freedom.

What is the real cause of the peculiar business condition that exists? Not the European war, because conditions were similar before its outbreak; it may have intensified them. Not crop failures, because they averaged fair the country over last year, and prices for everything produced are at the highest stage. Not the reduction in the tariff, because the war has served to practically prohibit importation of foreign goods, giving this country an almost exclusive market in all countries not under hostile blockade.

Possibly the business depression may have only one real cause-the slowing down that generally follows an era of real estate inflation and boom, coupled with almost unbounded speculation and expansion of credit. All over the United States and Canada the cities and towns have had a most remarkable growth in the past decade, far exceeding the development of the territory tributary, and the bursting of the real estate boom, leaving many investors badly tangled up financially, may have had as much or more than anything else to do with the depression in this country. The proper proportion between the city and rural districts-the consuming and producing classes-has not been preserved. There is little construction work going on in the cities, because they are already overbuilt, and many are out of employment, yet prices of the necessities of life are abnormally high. The most encouraging sign of the times, it seems to us, is that there are many vacant houses in all the towns along the coast, from Southern California to the northern limits of Brigone somewhere—let us hope back to the country, where that's falles by the tont his eyes with many of them came from. If so production fill ually increase and prices go to a lower level, which will allow the people in the cities to live and still provide a fair profit for the producer. Gradually, too, the working men remaining in the cities will find employment, and the equilibrium will be restored, bringing in due sequence the general prosperity for which everybody is praying. Other things that may be holding back the return to normal business conditions is the constant discussion of the situation and its causes, the problem of the unemployed and the advertising of the work of organized charity, as well as agitation for experimental legislation to meet the condition in which the nation finds itself. These things keep the qestion constantly in the minds of the people and influences expenditures and investments on the part of those who possess ample funds. As President Wilson contends, panics and booms are alike largely psy-

his real or imaginary affliction. Just now the future form a trip to Chicage and other eastern its mind from visions of gloom and despair. THEIR PITIFUL LOT, Senate, arrived in Eagene yesterday from a trip to Chicage and other eastern efficies. He left at once for Salem, where he will argue a case in the eircuit court and will go to Portland from that city and stay gill the legislature convenes Monsity. Wrs. Thompson is

Of all the animals that suffer by war, the horse, naturally, claims our first thought. But, fleeing in terror

from their homes in all of the cities and towns devastated by this war, men and women have had to abandon in the majority of cases their dogs and cats and caged birds. Thousands of the former are reported by eye-witnesses as wandering about in an exhausted and starving condition. None but the sad actors in this tragedy of despair can realize what war is.

In the forests of Galicia and Austria, it is said, may be heard many wounded and riderless horses neighing pitifully through the long nights for death or their masters. Many of these are those wonderful horses of the Cossacks, street lights have been installed. The trained to a docility and showing an intelligence so great as to make them almost a living part of the intrepid rider.

It has been said that this was to be largely a motor war and the motor has been used to an extent scarcely comprehended by those not on the field, but the motor has been useless at a multitude of points where the horse alone could meet the emergency, Mr. Stephen Black writes from ould meet the emergency. Mr. Stephen Black writes from Rotterdam, in the Animals' Guardian, "In the great deci-ion the horse will be a deciding factor nearly as import-nt as man." That women remarry more often than men who have Rotterdam, in the Animals' Guardian, "In the great decision the horse will be a deciding factor nearly as important as man.'

once tasted married life is the fact established in the statistics announced by the California state bureau of vital statistics in making a report on marital conditions in San Francisco where there were 6216 marriages last year. The value of this report, which of course cost the taxpayers a good sum of money, is to account for the ever plentiful patty commissioners and taxpayers a supply of old maids. It seems that when a woman gets cut \$116,001, leaving \$207,003.01 as the marrying habit she can't stop, and, as there are only the amount to be raised. the marrying habit she can't stop, and, as there are only a limited supply of males, a good many of the girls never get a show to land even one husband. Since this official sources indicate that laker county's sources indicate that laker county's sources that the subject, and it is was as great and possibly even greater that for the factors indicate the subject. the fashion nowadays to regulate everything by law, it that is last record breaking year, it might be a good idea to allow spinsters to secure court in-iunctions against the activities of widows who have al. junctions against the activities of widows who have already made five or six different attempts to make satisfactory marital partnerships.

The charge that equal suffrage depreciates the value by a case in the courts of Idaho, the pioneer suffrage an't they?" state. A woman up there is suing a railroad for \$150,000 Barber. "Our flat was as cold last damages for causing the death of her husband—who was night as one of Greenwich's icy moun state. A woman up there is the bar of her husband—who was think. "I sometimes think that so much aged to that extent in losing him. I sometimes think that so much as the Manieure Lady. "I don't mind it the Manieure Lady. "I don't mind it so much as the others, but I would so much as the others, but I would

The story about the French soldiers having private rather have it about the same the year baths fitted up in their trenches on the firing line is in a around, nice and warm with fine moonlight nights, like them in topical measure confirmed by late cable advices. General Joffre-dimates. has received the Order of the Bath, which, it may be infer-red from the prominence given it in the cable news, entails Head Barber. quite an elaborate ceremony.

visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hobbs, in Engene Mr. Thompson is snator from Lake county.

Coquille Sentinel: We have heard

Cottage Grave Sentinel: Citizens of ortage Grove have considerable dif-fealty telling the difference between illed tangsten incadescents of andle power. They give a brilliant ght and take the place of arc lights of 90 candle power. The lights on the 400 candle power. The lights on the side streets are 80 candle power tung-stens and take the place of 32 candle power lights.

Corvallis Gazette-Times: Dr. James lis to attend the reception.

That the total tax levy for Gilliam ounty for 1915 shall be 10 mills has en determined by the county cour

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THE MANICURE LADY

By William F. Kirk. "Well, George," said the Manicure Lady, as she removed her fars, "them

and "You might find it warm enough

"Cut out that old minstrel comedy, snapped the Manicure Lady. "Tha stuff about a hot place to go to whe

heart. It starts: "The Frost King, the Frost King, He nots too cold, the chilly thing." "If that is the way it starts, you don't need for read any more of it to me," said the Head Barber hastily. "I

tell about what the rest of it

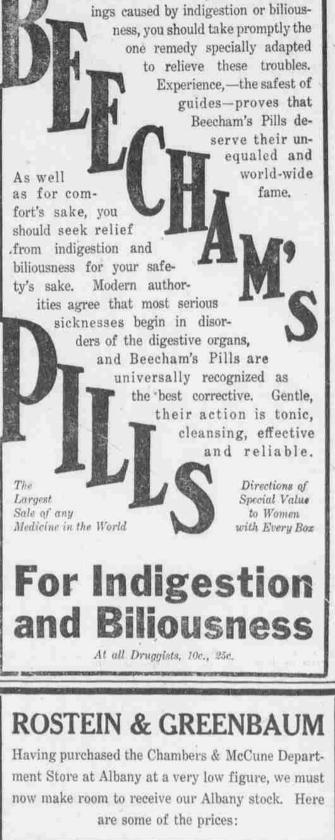
"But it gets better as it goes along," and the Manieure Lady. "Wait till

sum the Administre Lady. Other you hear this part: "Ho free es up the water pipes And nips at folks of various types. Ho makes the little children shiver

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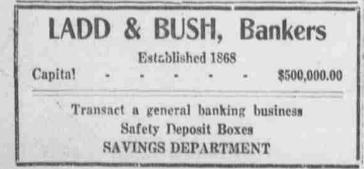
He makes the bones of travelers ache And causes ice to grow on the lake, Ob Frost King ob Frost King, You are a inconsiderate thing!' ''I think that is about as punk as anything you ever told mo,'' declared the Head Barber. ''I don't care if you tell your brother I said so.'' ''He wouldn't care for none of your literal criticism,'' said the Manicure Lady. ''He is too far advanced in his art, Goorge, to be stopped any by the

Lady, "He is for hir unvalues in the art, George, to be stopped any by the harsh words of a barber. He fold me once when I fold him something you mid, that he didn't care a participle what you thought about his works. He said that Lord Byron was the same way should not betting any critic cel



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The Belgian commission, sitting at Havre, France, has investigated the charges of German atrocities and found that the evidence fully substantiates them. This verdict was expected, since it was similar to a man trying his own was expected, since it was similar to a man trying his own case and acting as judge, jury and advocate.

Snow

coast as fast as lightning goes, while dodging pilgrams pause to romat all hoys and sleds and he wearies of his sled, showballing still remains; he'l sent some old mur on the head, and on the head, and dialocate his brains. The good old snow brings that delight which every small bay seeks; he hall with give that "mantle white" of

which the poet speaks. The old man looks out at the snow that covers stree ind plain, and henves a mighty sigh o yoe, and hus a mental pain. "Doilgas he snow," he cries: "alach, oddstish and oke ger whia! I'm due to have a 'resh attack of jumping cheumatis! Dire evils, in this time of sleet, my sys-rem will infest, and I'll have chilbing a my feet, pneumonia in my chest 31 have to drink a pail of dope, my breast with grease auoint, and still the breastly aches will greas along my every joint. Alue, the days of long age, which truly were sublime? When I was coung there was no snow, we had no vintertime?"

and the start Wash Mason

The surest sign that you are getting own sense is when you realize that out time is momething that can never toruvered.

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would be more total abstainers in this it. He has started on a puem called The Front King and anys he is going to sell it to some editor with a cold heart. It starts:

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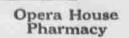
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editors send it back to him, but he keeps plagging right along." "That don't make it no better," and the Huad Barber. "'You shouldn't say 'don't make it no better,'." corrected the Manicure Lady. "Can't I ever learn you to talk grammatical?" "Consists 1014. Baseks Fastan Copyright, 1914, Brooks Feature Syndiente.)

