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SOME MORE SUGGESTIONS.

Owing to a certain shortage in the wheat crop this year, and the already depleted surplus of the 1916 crops, the shortage in bread material is a far more serious matter than many people realize. Men the country over, who are in touch with the situation, are using every means at their command to impress these truths upon the public mind, that not only a greater effort may be induced toward planting, but that food supplies may be conserved. Prices on best grades of flour at present are higher than most of us have ever known, and doubtless will continue the upward tendency. How to escape paying toll to a mercenary situation in the question that confronts the public generally. Of course those people who have independent incomes will not be distressed by the prices, though they may be chagrined. To the householder who is dependent on day labor, or who may be employed on a modest salary, the question of keeping the flour bin replenished will be a perplexing one, as it already has become. The news wishes to suggest a way that will give partial relief in many instances, at least in those families where a reasonable plot of ground is available, or where families may be living on small farms and have land for crop growing. It is simply in the raising of corn which may be manufactured into corn meal. Corn crops are largely grown in the middle west, and in Oregon the best of results are obtained, but comparatively little of the grain is used for food, although it is almost universally liked by old and young. From forty to seventy-five bushels may be grown to the acre right here in Douglas county. It can usually be purchased from farmers at about a cent a pound. Ground into meal it makes a most nourishing and palatable food, and if everybody who is favorably situated would plant liberally of this product the bread question would not be such a burden. Corn does not need to be taken to the mill for grinding. The small grower, who may only produce a few bushels, can get a very efficient hand mill for from \$2.50 to \$3.50 that will do excellent work, and the meal they make is just as well made as any that can be bought. These little mills will last a life time, and the expense of getting one is only nominal, the saving that can be made by its use will be large. Not only will the use of cornmeal effect a great saving, but it is far healthier than a superabundance of fine flour. Youngsters thrive on it, and why not get into the habit of using a product that brings health and at the same time materially assists in reducing the cost of living. Plant generously of corn, either early yellow or white varieties—but not sweet corn for this purpose—and get a mill.

THE REASON OF IT ALL.

When President Wilson asked the warring powers to tell, if they could, what all the carnage was about, there was considerable hedging from a peevish aggregation of monarchs, but very few satisfactory replies. Just what the German people are fighting for was made apparent a short time ago when Count von Reventlow asserted "That victory is necessary if the German monarchy is to endure." It is not, then, a question of trade or commerce, but merely a war to perpetuate a monarchy. It is not a war being fought to better the condition of the people who make up the government, but blood of the toilers and wealth producers of the nation is running in literal rivers that a monarchy may continue to afflict a patient public with his presence. It is not a struggle that his people might enjoy greater liberties, that they might have access to advanced educational institutions, or that they might be allowed enlarged freedom and participation in governmental affairs, or that they enjoy more of what they produce, but merely that a heartless monster, who has been likened unto a beast of prey, should be enabled to tighten his grasp on his claim of divine right to rule. This is the real reason Kaiser Wilhelm is hearing his millions of human chattels into the trenches where they are giving up their lives in almost countless numbers for a hopeless cause.

The farmers throughout Douglas county will stand almost solid for the local bond issue of \$555,000 for the improvement of county roads. No person is better qualified than the farmer who toils bootless roads daily to judge whether or not our present system of road building is a success or failure. And if one would judge from the almost unmitigated expressions coming from them they see in the proposed bond issue the only way possible for a system of permanent road building. If the state passes the six million dollar issue and Douglas county comes up with its progressive plans of issuing bonds there will be an era of road building never before witnessed in this section of the state. The bond way is the only way—to get good and permanent roads.

Under the caption, "We Don't Believe It," the Oregon Voter has the following to say: Scurrilous stories circulated about men in public life should be disputed by everyone who believes in the honesty of the men who are traduced. The latest about C. E. Spence, master of the State Grange, is being given currently around the state of road meetings where he speaks. It is to the effect that he was paid \$30,000 by the timber interests to put over the tax limitation amendment to the constitution; that he only expended one-fourth of the amount in the campaign, and that he pocketed the remainder. Anyone who knows Mr. Spence well knows that although he is a man of narrow prejudices and very shifty in his stand on many public questions, he is absolutely honest financially. There is nothing to be gained by circulating these slanders. Mr. Spence has said so many contemptible things about unselfish citizens of Oregon that he will get little sympathy now his own motives are questioned, but two wrongs do not make a right, and false accusations against him should not be countenanced by self-respecting citizens.

Starting news comes through Associated Press dispatches today from the seat of war in Germany. It tells of grave conditions existing among its own people—that the government is facing a great economical and political crisis—ten thousand munition employes on a strike and engaged in bloody riots. The striking men have made such demands of a revolutionary character that should the Kaiser comply therewith it would put a sharp ending to military rule in the German empire. With conditions of this kind existing within its own borders—fostered by its own people—it is only a matter of a brief period when the Kaiser will meet a fate likened unto that of the czar of Russia. When an empire's own people rebel in large numbers and dissatisfaction is rife on every hand, it is conclusive evidence that that government's power is gradually weakening, and with these reliable reports at hand it would be no surprise to the world to be apprised at any time of a tremendous upheaval among Germany's own people that will hasten the close of their bloody warfare.

It has been stated on numerous occasions, recently, that the timber barons are—in various ways—opposing the proposed state bond issue. Whether or not this is a fact it cannot be truthfully stated at this time, but you can usually "bank" on the timber interests being "for" instead of "against" any measure—no matter of vital importance to the public at large—if their holdings are to be effected by any additional tax. The big timber land owners are working to one end—that of keeping their taxes down to a minimum and awaiting the maximum price for their holdings. They don't care a whoop for the farmer or business man. They're looking after the "tall timber."

The 40th anniversary number issued by the Portland Telegram was a very complete and able edition, portraying the principal industries of the northwest. As a forty-year-old youngster the Telegram is a hummer and deserves to go on record as the leading evening paper published in the state. It is a good, clean, well-edited journal at all times—getting away from that "flashlight" stuff that savors of yellow journalism. May it continue to prosper and help build up the great state of Oregon.

Are you aware that in the past ten years approximately \$40,000,000 has been spent in the state of Oregon on roads, principally patch work, a load of gravel here and one there? In view of this expenditure what about a bond issue of \$6,000,000 for permanent roads? Some people will not believe these figures, but secure them for yourselves. The figures can be secured from different state and county officials.—Brownville Times.

Approximately three thousand Germans are under close surveillance in the United States at this moment and according to government authority every suspect could be put under arrest in twenty-four hours. If the Kaiser had any thought there would be uprising among his subjects in this country over the declaration of war it will be necessary for us to notify him to "forget it!"

Now that the expected balmy spring days—that were to be—have almost given way for summer to slip in, we will soon take a tumble for fall. The seasons seem to have got their dates mixed and its mighty hard to tell just where we will "land"—jumping from one season to another.

Can anyone answer this question? Would Douglas county have saved, or lost money if the matter of issuing road bonds had come up fifteen years ago and passed? The Burns Tribune says the worst feature about the bonding act is that it wasn't passed five years ago.

There's no use talking, the present climatic conditions do not mix well with the Douglas county strawberry. We must simply have some of the "good old summer time" to push those berries to the front. A little sunshine, Mr. Bell, if you would please our carnival boosters.

An exchange remarks that "the beautiful spring weather which has at last arrived is suggestive of clean-up campaigns." The suggestion is all right, but when did spring arrive?

The Evening News is growing every day. The boys are waiting for a call.

Live-wire Doings of the City

Returns Home. Mrs. Lane Morley, who has been visiting her parents in this city, left this morning for her home at Salem.

Dr. Kaiser Returns Home. Dr. Kaiser, of Riddle, returned home this morning after bringing a patient to Mercy hospital last evening.

Goes to Drain. Deputy Sheriff T. A. Rafferty left for Drain where he spent the day attending to official duties.

Another Candidate. Miss Genevieve Bemis was today nominated for strawberry carnival queen. Miss Bemis is a very popular young lady and will doubtless be one of the leading candidates.

Goes to Glendale. O. C. Brown and N. C. Naris left today for Glendale where they attended the teachers' institute that is being held there. Many interesting speakers are scheduled for the meeting.

Spend Wee' End at Home. Miss Maybelle Wilson, one of the teachers of the local high school, left this morning for Yoncalla where she will spend the week end with her parents.

Officers Here. A. King Wilson, director, and L. C. Newlands, manager of the Portland Cement Company, spent yesterday in this city attending to business matters and at Carnes inspecting the quarry. Mr. Wilson returned to Portland this morning, Mr. Newlands remaining over in this city for the day.

Boy Kidnapped. Medford Tribune: County Prosecutor Roberts will probably swear out a warrant for the arrest of a man known as C. B. Williams on the charge of kidnaping Howard, the 9-year-old son of J. A. Waite, from the Lewis & Harr ranch, at Watkins, Squaw creek, last Tuesday. The present whereabouts of Williams and the boy is unknown, but it is thought they are headed eastward to join Mrs. Waite, who has been separated from her husband for some time, and when last heard from was in Iowa. Williams is presumed to be an agent or special detective of Mrs. Waite employed to gain possession of the boy for her.

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Returns to Mine. J. A. Becker, of the Canyonville Mining Co., spent last evening in this city attending to business interests.

Poor Broccoli Crop. Riddle Tribune: The Riddle broccoli crop for this year is proving to be almost a failure, the greater part of the loss being attributed to the belief that the growers in this section were supplied with seed of an inferior variety. While adverse weather conditions no doubt have aided in the failure of the crop to mature properly, there seems to be little doubt that the seed question is the prime cause. Weather conditions at Riddle have not in any respect been worse than in other localities, where the growers are getting a fair crop from their plants. A meeting of local growers will be held Saturday, and it is rumored that action may be started at that time to attempt to hold the parties supplying the seed responsible for the loss.

NEW GAMES RECEIVED AT THE UMPQUA CLUB

The small balls for playing duck pins, nine pins, Jonah, cocked hat, four back, five back and many other games have arrived at the Umpqua club alleys and great interest is being taken by a large number of devotees of the small ball games. The small ball games are being participated in by many of the ladies who find it easier to roll the smaller balls than the regulation bowling balls. Friday night marked the opening of a big raffle bowling tournament at the club alleys. As a large number of good bowlers have developed since the opening of the opening of the alleys, a very close and exciting race is anticipated. "Speed" Humphreys, the popular clerk at the club, issues a challenge to any bowler or billiardist in Roseburg or vicinity to meet him in a match game on the alleys, billiard or pocket billiard table.

BOYS BAND MAKING RAPID IMPROVEMENT

The Boys Band is making excellent progress in their many practices preparatory for the strawberry carnival. They are working hard and every member is showing daily improvement under the efficient leadership of Director W. H. Bowden and the management of H. B. Church. At the regular practice last night, practically the entire membership was present and the boys were assisted by Harry Castle one of the guards located in this city as a member of company I. Mr. Castle is an excellent musician on either the haritone or trombone and greatly assisted the members of the organization. He promised that he will practice with them as long as he is situated in this city and if present during the strawberry carnival that he will play with the boys during that festival. His work will be a great benefit to the band and the members greatly appreciate his offer.

THREE CARLOADS OF SHINGLES

The J. G. Flook Co. has just received three carloads of the very best grade of red cedar shingles. Investigate before you buy. 1703-3f

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CITY NEWS.

Mrs. A. F. Nelson, of Sutherlin, was a visitor for the day in this city.

Miss Eva Wilson, of Wilbur, spent the day in this city on business matters.

Mrs. Helwig, Miss Ada Orem and Miss Genevieve Shaffer were visitors from Sutherlin today.

A. L. Dean, of Green, returned home this morning after spending several days in this city visiting.

Mrs. A. McCarthy returned to her home at Grants Pass, after visiting in this city for several days.

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Mrs. G. M. Baldwin and children and Mrs. G. Potter left this morning for Green where they will spend the day visiting with friends.

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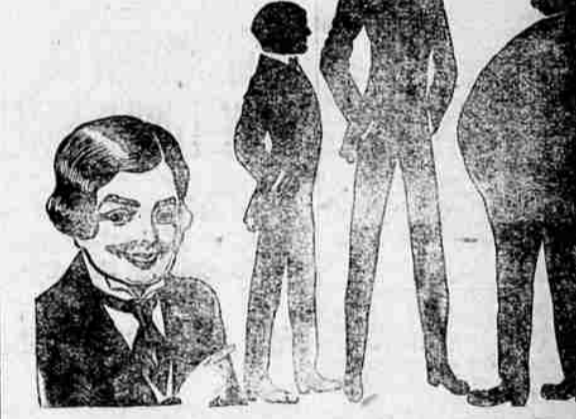
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Monday is bargain day at the Roseburg Cleaning and Pressing Works. Men's suits, French Dry cleaned and pressed for \$1.00. All work given prompt attention. Orders called for and delivered. G. W. Sloper, 308 N. Jackson.

Mrs. J. E. Insley, of Green, left this morning for Medford enroute to Santa Fe and after visiting in that city she will continue on to Illinois where she will remain for several months.

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