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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1917.

"YOU CAN GO TO HELL"

At Creason, capitalist—rated a one of the wealthiest and largest land owners in the county and cit of Roseburg, has this to say in reference to the improvement of the court house and jail.

"Of course, I want you to understand I am not against improving the court house and jail, but do not believe it should be done at this time."

Mr. Creason is wearing old suit leather pants and down the main streets of Roseburg, getting signatures to a petition asking the county court not to expend any money on the county's filthy jail and antiquated court house.

Mr. Creason has a perfect right to do this, just as any ordinary individual has, but when he approaches a taxpayer with the same quotation—taken from his own lip—The News is going to present a few facts to show that he is not all free in his mind—that he is simply trying to block any and all public improvements, of whatever nature, purely for the reason that it affects his own pocket book.

Again, Mr. Creason stated to a News representative yesterday that **HE (CREASON) WAS HAVING THESE PETITIONS CIRCULATED ALL OVER THE COUNTY.**

Further and more conclusive evidence that Creason is the power behind the throne to knock the jail and court house improvement into a cocked hat. He is the God of raw servation and economy always when the hand of progress slips into his own pocket to pay the bill.

Imagine a capitalist of Mr. Creason's standing wanting his valuable (?) time for the poor taxpayer?

Ye Gods and little fishes will wonder never cease.

Now, to utterly disprove Mr. Creason's statement that he does favor a new court house and jail, but not at this time—and that his reason for liberality is not above reproach on other matters far more important and further, that he is looking at the proposed improvement from purely a selfish standpoint that he does not favor any movement or measure where his own money is involved, is the fact that when approached by a member of the selecting committee for that new worthy and noble wall—found to carry on the Y. M. C. A. work around on boys on the battle field he promptly told the gentleman "TO GO TO HELL." This information comes by the News from a most reliable source, otherwise we would not use the quotation.

Mr. Creason was reluctant to let any liberty bonds of the last issue

When approached and asked as to the probable amount he would subscribe for the reply was that he did not have any money to invest in liberty bonds, and further, that he would prefer to have a **BRAN CHIST** to invest in his Government bonds. However, when second thought Mr. Creason did purchase some of the liberty bonds of the last issue—a good investment, paying a very good rate of interest, and probably increased in value.

Of course, it is simple folly to attempt to lead any sane person to believe that a man of the reputed wealth of Mr. Creason would be compelled to invest money in liberty bonds. However, there is many a true patriot who is looking for a way to help the nation in this time of need.

Now, this is a sample of the state of affairs that has existed in Roseburg for many years—a few capitalists (including every party toward public advancement).

How much longer are the people of Roseburg going to abide by the decision of a favored few? How much longer will you tolerate the very fire and snarl of your community to be crushed and your spirit of progress faded into a few scraps of discontent under one case of an "offer"?

Is it not time to throw this rule of slavery from the books and demand an accounting from those who are continually thwarting every legitimate movement for the welfare of the people of this community and the stretch of our city and county?

We call to the county court of Douglas county that **RIGHT NOW** is the time to take snap judgments on the methods employed by that the stretch of this city and county.

Will you stand for such obstacles, thus to check needed improvements? We think not, but if you have the right spirit of purpose, that we are local citizens in the community.

This was the question to be asked to the extreme, and as a disguise for block every legitimate advance toward the welfare of the community by a despotic ruler which the man who should do this must be given a big leverage to escape all responsibility.

In order to make it possible for all to do this, just as any ordinary individual has, but when he approaches a taxpayer with the same quotation—taken from his own lip—The News is going to present a few facts to show that he is not all free in his mind—that he is simply trying to block any and all public improvements, of whatever nature, purely for the reason that it affects his own pocket book.

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MILITARY EXHIBITION CAMP LEWIS
 The Grandest Spectacle Ever Produced in Northwest Soon Be Staged.

EIGHT MILITARY BANDS
 Benefit 25,000 Soldiers 91st Division Subjects and Audience To Sing America—Bronco Busters There.

CAMP LEWIS, American Legion
 WASH., Dec. 4. The most grandly spectacular of its kind ever held in America and one that is to be held in Roseburg, will take place Saturday and Sunday, December 15 and 16, at Camp Lewis. The arena will be transformed into a vast arena, located near Tacoma, Wash., where the national army men will hold their 91st Division subject and audience to sing America—Bronco Busters There.

The event has been arranged by the American Legion, which has secured the services of eight military bands, including the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th. The bands will be accompanied by a large orchestra and a chorus of 100 voices.

The event will be held at the Lewis and Clark Hotel, which has been transformed into a vast arena. The arena will be transformed into a vast arena, located near Tacoma, Wash., where the national army men will hold their 91st Division subject and audience to sing America—Bronco Busters There.

WAR RESOLUTION BE PASSED FRIDAY

The Associated Press
 WASHINGTON, Dec. 4. The resolution will be passed the result of the 70th Congress, which will be passed according to Majority Leader Martin.

TROTTERS DANCING CLUB
 Regular club dance Friday night December 7 at Elks hall. Music by E. G. promptly at eight.

LODGE DIRECTORY

L. O. O. F., Union Encampment No. 9
 Meets in Old Fellows' Temple every Thursday evening. Visiting brethren always welcome.
 R. H. PICKENS, C. P.
 O. H. PICKENS, H. P.
 OLIVER JOHNSON, R. S.
 JAMES KIMBLE, F. S.

A. F. & A. M., Laurel Lodge No. 13
 Regular communications 2nd and 4th Wednesdays each month at Masonic Temple, Roseburg, Ore. Visitors welcome.
 JOHN CARO, W. M.
 W. F. HARRIS, Secy.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS, Alpha Lodge No. 47
 Meets every Wednesday evening. For Jackson and Cass Sts. Visitors always welcome.
 C. A. CHAMBERLAIN, C. C.
 ROY P. DERRIN, M. P.
 R. E. WIMBERLY, R. S.

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 Regular meetings at 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. Visitors welcome.
 J. B. PERRINE, F. M.
 F. W. CLOAKE, Cor.

L. O. O. F., Rising Star Lodge No. 174
 Meets in the Old Fellows' Temple every Friday evening. Visiting brethren always welcome.
 J. D. BEESE, N. G.
 CARL W. OHMAN, Rec. Sec.
 M. F. FOLKLE, F. S.

O. E. S., Roseburg Chapter No. 8
 Holds their regular meeting on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays in each month. A large number of members in attendance are respectfully invited.
 MRS. MARGARET PAGE, W. M.
 FRED JOHNSON, Secy.

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD, Oak Lodge No. 47
 Meets in the Old Fellows' Temple every 1st and 3rd Mondays evenings. Visiting brethren always welcome.
 M. M. MILLER, Clerk.

L. O. T. M., Roseburg Hike No. 11
 Holds regular meetings on second and fourth Thursdays evenings in Masonic Temple. The number of other members in the city are cordially invited to attend our 25th anniversary ball on Cass street.
 HIRSH, H. OGDEN, L. C.
 JESSIE HAMP, R. K.

REBEKAHS, Roseburg Rebekah Lodge No. 41
 Meets in the Old Fellows' Temple every Tuesday evening. Visiting sisters and friends invited to attend.
 MRS. HEN TUNNELL, N. G.
 MRS. THURM JOHNSON, Sec.
 MRS. ESTER HUMPHREY, F. S.

WOMEN OF WOODBURY, Little Sisters of the Poor
 Meets on the 1st and 3rd Mondays evening of each month in the Old Fellows' hall. Visiting members and good standing are invited to attend.
 DORA CLARKE, R. N.
 CLARA LAWFIELD, CLERK.

F. O. F. H. S., Roseburg Lodge No. 420
 Meets in regular communications on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month. All members are invited to attend on Saturdays, and all visiting brethren are cordially invited to attend.
 W. R. WIMBERLY, F. H.
 H. H. HARRIS, Secy.

LOYAL ORDER OF MOOSE, Roseburg Lodge No. 1027
 Meets in regular communications on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month. All members are invited to attend on Saturdays, and all visiting brethren are cordially invited to attend.
 J. C. ROYCE, W. P.
 W. F. HARRIS, Secy.

L. O. O. F., Philatartan Lodge No. 8
 Meets in the Old Fellows' Temple every Wednesday and Cass Sts., in the city. Visiting brethren and good standing are invited to attend.
 J. D. BEESE, N. G.
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IN OLD KENTUCKY AT ANTILERS THEATRE

The history of the American stage does not record a more enduring success than that achieved by "In Old Kentucky" which will be seen at the Antilers tonight. Notwithstanding its marvelous career of many years it is as popular as ever, and in the first year of its existence from Maine to California, from British Columbia to Mexico, from the British Isles, from France and Germany, and even from far-off Australia come resounding praises of its enduring popularity. In every city its annual visit is looked for with pleasurable anticipation. It is beyond question the only purely American play of our time that will endure. It is the sweetest and greatest story of American life ever written for the stage. It is as pure, clean and wholesome as the clear, crystal spring water which trickles down the rugged sides of the Kentucky mountains, to give life and vigor to the beautiful blue grass region below where the stirring scenes of the play are laid. The play does not depend for consideration upon its great dramatic scenes, but upon its many beautiful scenic devices. The scenery and strong characters are laid out so gradually and logically and are a part of the story. Pure sentiment, valiant deeds, romance, humor, splendid clean-cut comedy are combined with best dramatic instinct. The characters are drawn with skill and in types which will be remembered everywhere. It is the faithful drawing of these characters of our own country and of our own time, and the faithful portrayal of a phase of American life, history neglected by the dramatist that have made "In Old Kentucky" the greatest popular success of its generation, and that is why it will be as forever delighting thousands.

MONDAY IS BARGAIN DAY.

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. Bargain day prices do not include calling for clothes or making deliveries. Bring your clothes in.



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 Makes a fine Christmas present. It has the Western Electric Sewing Machine with motor. Call on and see them.
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Such are the men who govern this bank—and your funds are absolutely secure in their care.

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 B. W. Strong, President; J. M. Throne, Cashier; D. R. Shambrook, Vice President; Roland Agee, Vice President.

SUSPICIOUS FOREIGNER GETS TRANSPORTATION

The Italian who was taken into custody at Peol a short time ago and brought to this city and lodged in the county jail, owing to the fact that the man had acted suspiciously and seemed demented, was this morning furnished with transportation by Judge Masters and placed aboard a south bound train for Los Angeles. The fellow was loaded south once before, after being released from army hospital, but evidently lost his way and was discovered in a very precarious condition near Peol, and no doubt had he not been located by forest rangers, would have perished from starvation and exposure.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. weather bureau, local office, Roseburg, Oregon, 24 hours ending 5 a. m. December 5, 1917.
 Precipitation in inches and hundredths:
 Highest temperature yesterday 49
 Lowest temperature last night 33
 Precipitation, last 24 hours.... Trace
 Total precipitation since 1st of month......81
 Normal precip. for this month 5.92
 Total precipitation from September 1, 1917, to date.....7.83
 Average precipitation from September 1, 1877.....9.00
 Total deficiency from September 1, 1917.....1.17
 Average precipitation for 40 wet seasons (Sept. to May, inclusive).....11.99
WILLIAM BELL, Observer

The Ideal Gift Store
THE BOOK STORE

This year will be unlike many preceding ones in that it will call for conservation of the nation's money and resources, consequently gifts will be of a more conservative character than ever before. With this view in mind the merchandise selected for the holiday trade and stocked at The Book Store will be found ideally suited for gift purposes and moderately priced.

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