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HEALTHY SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

The Portland Telegram, commenting on the downward trend of prices, very aptly remarks:

No one more sincerely than the newspaper regrets the financial losses taken by local merchants.

The merchants by the nature of things are going through a period of stress, and all well wishers will bear with them patiently when they seem to be irritable and critical of the public attitude.

The newspapers have come in for their share of criticism from the merchants by publishing the obvious fact about price reductions which of necessity must be printed, but which must mean loss to the merchants.

Like dogged fighters, some merchants have refused to believe the truth and have been annoyed at the public for believing it. All this was to be expected and is no reflection on the merchants.

But further maintenance of the old price level and deception in the face of present facts is utterly reprehensible. A newspaper's plain function in the case is to play fair with the public, to maintain its perspective, to shut its eyes to the disagreeable features of the temporary situation and call attention to the broad ultimate development of the future.

It is best for the average person, best for the farmer, best for the business man, best for the merchant himself, that prices go down. Industries are standing still because no wise industrial management wants to manufacture goods at the present inflated cost and dump them on a glutted market in competition with goods made under a cheaper system and imported under the added incentive of present exchange rates.

The God's truth is that the public simply will not buy longer at inflated prices. And in our heart of hearts we know that the public is right. The sooner we take our losses, then, and begin to lay new foundations, the better it will be for the country.

A decline in prices will mean that wages can be reduced without changing the purchasing power of wages, which is the vitally important thing. This, in turn, will mean that industries can start up on a stable basis with some prospect of meeting foreign competition and stimulating renewed activity in the market.

We boast of our gold supply, of our merchant marine and our industrial wealth as though these things were in themselves an earnest of success. A thrifty man knows that regardless of its enormous equipment, a business unless it can run at a profit is not an asset, but a liability! that a gold balance which results in extravagant habits, and incidentally a high exchange rate challenges competition that may mean failure, and that a nation's only real asset is its ability to produce some commodities a little more cheaply than competing nations can produce them.

We came out of the war actually poorer and more illy equipped for world competition than we had been previously, gold and ships and trade balance to the contrary notwithstanding.

The most encouraging sign of the times is the tendency to thrift which has broken prices and will squeeze inflated values out of commodities willy nilly, till we are in a fair way to produce in competition with the world.

The times are fundamentally sound. Those of us who speculated with our stocks or our farms or our labor and did not lay by for a rainy day, must suffer. But the banks will undoubtedly find means to extend credit to the man, be he farmer or merchant or laborer, whose wise foresight has provided a possible way out.

THE NEW MEXICAN REGIME.

For the first time in nearly half a century, Mexico has a president regularly elected and legally inaugurated. For the first time in nearly ten years there is no armed revolt in the country.

President Obregon personally seems fitted to give stability to the new regime. He lacks education and training for public life, but with Carranza in mind, those qualities dwindle in importance. He appears to have the more valuable characteristics of open-mindedness and practical common sense. He has a record of courage and honesty. His declarations since the successful revolution that eliminated Carranza show that he appreciates the necessity of fair dealing with other nations, and has a strong desire to cultivate the friendship of the United States particularly. This one-armed warrior and former peddler of cow-peas may turn out to be a real statesman.

He deserves a chance, at any rate, to show what he can do. Mexico, too, deserves a chance, now that she manifests a desire for peace, order and sanity after all those unhappy years. There will soon be formal recognition of the Mexican government if no untoward development occurs. There should then be no lack of moral co-operation between the two republics, after the old manner, with more honesty and fairness on both sides.

PLYMOUTH ROCK ITSELF.

Plymouth Rock is to be lowered to shore level and the ridiculous canopy over it removed. The contract for the work has been let by the Pilgrim Tercentenary Commission. The rock is to be handled with greatest care, and until the famous old stone is once more anchored securely to its ancient foundation it will be under guard night and day. It is said that in the canopy are the bones of some of the Pilgrims who died in the first year after the landing. These will be returned to the old burying ground on Cole's Hill. The rock was broken away from the granite ledge of which it is a part, in 1774, when a team of 20 yoke of oxen dragged it to the town square to serve as a foundation for a flag pole. In 1823 it was moved to Pilgrim Hall for exhibition among the relics there. About 40 years ago it was taken back and placed where it now stands, near the shore. There has always been something paltry and artificial in its present setting. If the old rock can be made to seem a more integral part of its surroundings, and still be preserved for coming generations, the change is most desirable.

The faster business moves, the better for the nation and for each of us. If business is to move, money must move, and the commodities which represent money. Farm products held for a more favorable market, goods in factory storage or on merchants' shelves, represent invested capital which brings in no return. Such dormant capital means economic waste. Today the nation's need for working capital is greater than ever before. There was never a time when it was more important for everyone to liquidate obligations, convert produce or goods into cash and keep money circulating. Money which circulates—which is kept at work—breeds more money. There is use, now, for every dollar which can be mobilized. And it should be borne in mind that dollars spent carelessly and extravagantly do not circulate to the greatest personal or national advantage. They do not always reach the channels of profitable trade. The dollars, indeed, which work to most advantage for their owners and for the business of the world at large, are those which are saved, banked and directed to the support of the essential industries by which every community lives.

A New York court has decided that calling a person a "crook" is not "slanderous per se", because the term has become so common that it doesn't mean much any more. If you really want to slander anybody, go and think up something new.

The last of the "conscientious objectors" have now been set free. It is held that their punishment is sufficient. The law has been vindicated. They haven't.

CONFIDENCE AND STRENGTH

An account with the Roseburg National Bank gives confidence and adds financial strength to the standing of a firm or individual. Your Checking Account is invited.

The Roseburg National Bank
Roseburg, Ore.

Don't forget to include that check for Europe's hungry children in your Christmas shopping.

Appeals to League for Their Support

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Representative Mason, of Illinois, made public a telegram sent by him to Paul Hymans, president of the league of nations assembly, appealing for the support of the league in an effort of the committee of one hundred investigating the Irish question, to send special investigators to Ireland.

GOES TO CONVENTION.

C. A. Lockwood, of the local Ford motor agency, left this afternoon for Eugene where he will attend a convention being heeld for all dealers and salesmen of the state.

Visit in Riddle—

Mrs. J. H. Root left this morning for Riddle, where she will spend several days visiting with friends and relatives.

MICKIE SAYS

Smash--
Go Shoe Prices!

Every man should avail himself to buy shoes at the prices we are selling them. For example we are offering some of America's best shoes at

$9.95

These shoes are made of Cresco Calf, two full double soles, either black or tan, an ideal wet weather shoe.

Our Felt Slipper Sale
is of especial interest now.

Children's felt slippers.....89c, 98c, $1.29, $1.39
Ladies' felt slippers.....$1.19, $1.65, $1.95
Ladies' Crochet slippers now.....98c

ROSEBURG BOOTERIE
IRVIN BRUNN
Bring in your repair work andsee the difference.
Perkins Building Cass Street
ROSEBURG, OREGON

DILLARD NEWS ITEMS.

Parent-teacher meeting tonight at the school house. Everyone come. We are preparing for a "watch party" New Year's eve, musical and social time and shadow party. Proceeds for Kerr baby home.

Chester Hercher is home again from Portland, where he has been employed for the past two months.

The Roseburg Epworth League entertained the Dillard league last Friday evening at the parlors of the M. E. church. Those going from here were Walter Laurance, Myrtle Hercher, Carol and Avery Roser, Ruth Miller, Vera Campbell, Vivian Buell, Lucile Hubbard, Collet and Jason Rust, Alta Wright and Stanford Buell.

Mrs. Rust left yesterday to visit with her daughter, Mrs. Howard, who resides at Merlin.

Mrs. M. L. Norris, of Jackson county, has been visiting friends and relatives here the past week.

Mrs. M. Mayborn, of Jireh, Wyoming, has been the guest of Mrs. Davis this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones, of Iowa, arrived in Dillard last week. We certainly are pleased and fortunate in having them. Both are ordained ministers and Dillard and the Looking Glass charges are very appreciative of them.

Quite a number of our people motored to Roseburg Sunday to hear Rev. Jeters. They appreciated the wonderful sermon. He is a cartoonist, painter and preacher—what more could we ask?

Our efficient teachers are preparing a Christmas program to be given at the school house Friday week.

Leon Benson, our genial depot agent, is the proud possessor of a "brand" new Essex car.

Mrs. L. L. Miller returned last week from an extended visit with her parents in Michigan.

W. H. Smith is opening a garage in Mr. Dodge's old barn, or rather converting it into a garage. He is a very good workman and we should all patronize him, as we need a man in that capacity here very much.

SUNSHINE.

SCOTCH PARTY WEDNESDAY.

Mrs. Geo. Chandler and Mrs. H. R. Ferguson entertained with a Scotch party Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Ferguson on South Main street. The rooms were tastefully decorated with clusters of chrysanthemums and Scotch thyme. The program consisted of Scotch selections on the Edison, a poem by Mrs. A. C. Kidd, and a song by Mrs. Geo. Chandler, followed by America's national anthem on the Edison. After a social hour the guests were invited to partake of a luncheon. Many things on the menu bringing back to mind "auld days" in Scotland. After lunch all joined hands and sang "Auld Lang Syne."

Those present to enjoy this pleasant affair were Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Tom Patterson, recent arrivals from Scotland; Mrs. H. C. Stanton, Mrs. A. C. Kidd, Mrs. Lintz, Mrs. M. Martins, Mrs. Geo. MacIver, Mrs. Dan Coffell, Mrs. Hugh Ritchie, Mrs. Walter Hines, Miss Marie Martens, Miss Minnie Easton, Miss Catherine Ferguson, Mrs. John Ferguson, Mrs. Geo. Chandler and Mrs. H. R. Ferguson.

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National Forest Open To Home Site

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 10.—Areas of the Oregon national forest which have been made accessible by the building o fthe Mount Hood loop and which are said to be suitable for summer home sites have been inspected and mapped by officers of the United States forest service, according to A. U. Jackson, a member of the mapping party, who returned to Portland the other day from the region above Government Camp in the Mount Hood district where the mapping activities have been carried on.

Two separate sections of land were mapped, one lying below the government camp, and one above. Both are rich in scenic beauty, according to Jackson, and are easily accessible by either the Barlow road or the loop road. Both sections are about sixty miles from Portland and will be easily reached when the loop road is completed.

Many Near Death on Portland Bridge

PORTLAND, Dec. 9.—Thousands of persons crossed the Hawthorne bridge last Monday morning in ignorance of the fact that in so doing they were near possible death, according to a report submitted to the Multnomah county commissioners yesterday morning by W. A. Eatchel, superintendent of bridges and ferries.

According to Eatchel's report, the steamer Gamecock, owned by the Willamette Navigation and Towing company, collided with the Hawthorne bridge, twisted several steel girders and bars and seriously injured one of the cantilevers. The collision was ont felt by operators or attendants on the bridge, according to the report, and nothing was known of the accident until several hours after when an operator happened to notice a bent angle iron on the bridge deck. In submitting his report, Eatchel said that had one of the girders snapped instead of bending, one of the spans might have gone into the river.

Ollie L. Avery, of Sutherlin, was today given a divorce in the circuit court from her husband, Leland B. Avery. The divorce was granted on the grounds of desertion. Mrs. Avery alleged that her husband left her some time ago and she was forced to take care of their four children, the youngest being 2½ years and the oldest 11 years. Sh was given custody of the children in the decree granted today.

"Something New" Is Good Picture

"Something New," is the title of a three reel movie production which was given a trial showing at the Antlers theater yesterday afternoon. The film will be shown to the public at that playhouse in the near future, Manager Hill having booked it last night. It was brought here at the instigation of Fred Powell, Maxwell agent, and although it is not an advertising proposition, the story of the production calls for the use of a Maxwell car over the bad lands of Mexico. Nell Shipman is the star of the picture, and co-starring with her is the Maxwell. The car is driven over some of the worst territory imaginable and conquers all. The picture contains a thrill for every flicker and is well worth seeing.

GOOD TESTIMONIAL.

Portland, Or., Dec. 2, 1920.
Universal Tire Filler Co.,
441-43 Hawthorne Ave.,
Portland, Ore.
Gentlemen:

Reading some of the testimonial letters you have been running in your advertisements in the Journal lately gave me the thought that perhaps a letter from another well satisfied customer would be of some help to you, therefore, I am writing the following:

During the month of September, 1915, I had the tires of my Dodge car equipped with your Universal Tire Filler, and have been running continually on those tires for a little over five years, removing the last two in August of this year.

During the five years of continual use of your filler I have never been delayed one moment with my car. The advice give nme at the time I had my car filled, to the effect that the filler would be the causes of the breaking of springs, crystallizing of axles, and the jarring loose of nuts and bolts, has proven absolutely false, for in all this time, and I have driven my car over 18,000 miles, I have never experienced any of this trouble.

This continual knocking you hear about what Universal Filler will do when installed in a car is absolutely false, and from my observation only comes from those who never used the filler.

I would not own a car that did not have Universal Filler installed in the tires, and certainly would recommend it to anyone wishing to get real pleasure out of the use of their automobile.

Yours very truly,
(Signed) A. B. STROWBRIDGE,
Kindorf Road.

Carl W. Ohman, local agent, corner Oak and Rose streets, Roseburg, Oregon.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Bratton, of 128 Flint Street on Wednesday, December 8, 1920, a boy

CHRISTMAS GIFT SUGGESTIONS

For Him:	For Her:
WATCHES	WRIST WATCHES
RINGS	EVERSHARP PENCILS
CHAINS	PEARLS
TIE PINS	RINGS
FOUNTAIN PENS	IVORY SETS
SAFETY RAZORS	SILK UMBRELLAS

Or a set of Community Silver for Mother or the Good Wife and Dad would like a new emblem

BUBAR BROS. :: HAVE THEM

GIFTS THAT LAST

Getting Ready For Annual Show

The automotive world of Portland is again busy preparing itself for its annual full dress affair, and for the twelfth consecutive year residents of Portland and the northwest will be treated to the finest assemblage of automobiles and automotive equipment that can be offered them.

Announcement was made recently by the board of directors of the Automobile Dealers' association of Portland that the twelfth annual automobile show will be held in the municipal auditorium January 10 to 15, inclusive.

The 1921 show will occupy the two entire floors of the auditorium, as well as the balcon- rooms. About 50,000 square feet of floor space will be utilized in displaying the cars.

In addition to the passenger car the automobile equipment manufacturers and distributors will also have special feature of accessories in balcony rooms, where nearly 2000 square feet of space will be used in displaying items of importance to the motor world of today.

DRIVE IS ENDORSED

The Elim Shrine Club at its regular meeting last night endorsed the W. C. T. U. baby home drive in which Attorney O. P. Coshow, county chairman. The club will to assist in canvassing the city appointed a committee for the purpose. Mr. Coshow states the drive is succeeding very well.

Back to Pre-War Prices

A DOWNWARD REVISION that is in keeping with the present Day Market and in many instances amounts 50% of the former price. ¶ All garments have been repriced to conform to this downward revision. We invite you to come in and get our revised prices before you make your purchases.

These Prices are our Every-day Prices--Not a Sale

Blankets at Reduced Prices Make a Timely Christmas Present

Make Your Selection at Once

Fancy Cloth Coats
$12.50, $18.50, $22.50, $24.75, $29.50
All Ladies Suits, Tricotines and Fancy Mixtures
$16.50, $19.75, $24.75, $29.75, up to $47.50
One Piece Dresses in Blue Serge, Jersey and Silk
A Beautiful Assortment.
All come under our new schedule of downward revision,
Get Yours Now

Union Made Overalls and Jumpers
$1.79
Work Shirts 98c

J.C.Penney Co.
A Nation-wide Institution
297 Stores