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ROSEBURG, OREGON, SATURDAY, JANUARY 13, 1923.

COUNTY WILL COOPERATE WITH GOVERNMENT

The county court went on record today favoring the appropriation of \$17,500 to match a like sum to be set aside by the government for work on the North Umpqua Road from Rock Creek to the boundary of the national forest. This stroke of progressiveness on the part of the court means more to the entire county than any move that has been made in the way of constructive road-building. It was an opportunity that could not be neglected and called for immediate action as the government is now ready to cooperate on this piece of work on a fifty-fifty basis for approximately nine miles, with the promise of far greater government support in completing the road to Diamond and Crater lakes, thereby connecting this section up with the Eastern Oregon highway and the Klamath Falls district opening up a new and profitable market for Douglas county products.

The original sum set aside for court house construction will not be diminished, as first proposed, the court coming to the conclusion today that only the accumulated interest on the \$50,000 is to be borrowed, the balance of \$7,500 to be taken from the general road fund, thereby assuring immediate cooperation with the government on this important road project.

The road up the North Umpqua to Diamond and Crater lakes has long been a paramount issue and widely discussed by enthusiastic boosters who fully realize the great importance of such thoroughfare to the entire county. It is the first time during the past fifty years that a constructive road program has been initiated for the North Umpqua section of the county and means a new era of development for this part of the state in many ways. By the action of the county today the foundation has been laid for one of the most important pieces of road construction, from the standpoint of commercial, as well as a scenic highway, that has so far been advanced in this county.

SAVING PROPERTY COSTS

Some people feel daunted about owning a home now, on account of the supposed high cost of building. These costs, which have greatly fallen during the past year or two, may be about as low as they will be. They may go higher. But in any case, the man who desires to own a home can almost always find a comfortable and well built dwelling which sells very reasonably, because it lacks something of modern style and improvements. It is well to remember that such houses are often offered far below their real value as homes. If one can adjust himself to this lack of the modern touch, and make improvements gradually instead of all at once, it often proves possible to save considerable money. Many people save money on a house owning proposition by their own handiness with tools. In former years people were more self dependent in such matters and many of them could make their own repairs and improvements, to a considerable extent. Young people who have had manual training in schools, or who have natural gumption ought to be able to use their hands with some skill and to do things for themselves that many folks had to hire done in the past. Every house owner should have his set of tools and take pride in using them skillfully. The man who lives in a home of his own has an incentive to keep it carefully. It is human nature for tenants who live in other folk's houses to be somewhat careless of them. Such dwellings often deteriorate fast and a higher rent may have to be charged as a consequence. The home owning family that will take care of its wall paper and woodwork and other equipment can save money.

Now we are in fair way to get that road up the North Umpqua to Diamond and Crater lakes, and which will reach into Eastern Oregon and Klamath counties. Slowly, but surely, we are beginning to reach an era of genuine thrift and prosperity.

And the appropriation of \$276,000 for the improvement of the Umpqua harbor has been recommended in the lower house of congress. Every cent of this sum can be used to good advantage in making one of the best harbors on the Pacific coast. The amount should not be "trimmed" by the budget committee, but on the contrary, allowed as recommended. The project is one of vital importance to the interior section of this county, for properly improved, the Umpqua harbor will afford water transportation facilities for the entire Umpqua Valley, an asset that has long been cherished by the people of Douglas county. With our highway complete to the lower Umpqua a new avenue of transportation will be opened.

There was a slight fall of the "beautiful" last night on the high hills surrounding the Umpqua Valley. But today in the low lands the natives are enjoying the usual spring weather. Nothing like it—only in this valley.

After a couple of days rest the members of the legislature ought to be able to get down to business Monday. The first week of the gathering was quite strenuous.

Good evening folks. Have you tried the Cone auto-suggestion remedy for your evils and other short comings?

A man who is "running" for something always looks like he's out of breath from doing it.

If your business isn't a pleasure you are not going to have much fun of any kind.

And still it rains—occasionally, and then some.

PRUNE PICKIN'S BY BERT G. BATES

GOOD EVENING FOLKS— Well— here we are Gathered together again On Bath Night— My, doesn't The time fly, eh?

A good way to break the Sabbath is to skid on a slippery bar of soap.

This job of being a jokesmith isn't what it cracked up to be. Here we come to work in the a. m. with a snuffle in our nose and the remainder of the force sneezing and wheezing and we're supposed to seat ourselves at the old gossip factory and grind out a column of humor which will convulse the readers of this grand ol' sheet. If any of you get a snicker out of this column today, you're doing better than we can because the gags are coming few and far between this a. m. and unless business picks up in the joke dept. we'll have to start printing Taniac testimonials and running pictures of local citizens with 'em.

We have from pretty authentic sources that Al Creason is considering laying his derby on the shelf in the spring and purchasing one of a later model.

Two local sheiks flivvered to the rural districts recently and mistook a hog wallow for a paved highway. The girls were forced to assist in hoisting the Pride of Detroit from rich, Douglas county soil.

To print one morsel of scandal in this moral squad dept. is absolutely versus our desires and we would gladly refrain from doing so if it were not for the fact that our more exacting readers demand the truth and nothing but the same.

Hank Harth smudged our sanctum up in great shape this a. m. with his ol' corn cob but we don't care 'cause Hank never asks us for a match and in our mind that is the champagne goat-getter gag of the century.

A NEW FRATERNITY Ye ed. today starts a new fraternity in the city which the male population will flock to like the proverbial ducks to the mill race. The fraternity is entitled "Turna the shirt cuffa." All who are turning back their shirt cuffs to hide the frayed portions thereof are eligible and those having the largest number of shirts equipped in that manner are entitled to honorary membership. Sign up today and avoid the winter rush.

The valiant members of the street cleaning dept. were on the main drag today making business rotten for the snipe shooters.

"Two Gun" Hopkins who last got his picture printed in the metrop papers when Brumfield was in his heyday, was in our midst yesterday and was among those who broadcast ed soup in a local hash house.

Ann Lucinda Billings, who has a no-count husband is trying to support the family by making pan-wipers.

Among life's little disgusts we would like to mention the time when we made a mistake and used shaving cream for tooth-paste.

A rainy Sunday come deplore, who on the links would faint about, "fore." Likewise car owners are put out; postponed the trips they'd talked about. And some poor souls, obsessed with gloom, sit all day moping in a room, acquiring grouchies real hard-boiled because the programs planned were spoiled. These folk don't seem to realize that all sunshine won't harmonize with Nature's rule. He who would change it is a fool. No life at all can be complete without some bitter with the sweet. The I don't own a big twin-six, nor with the merry golfers mix, I'm well content with pipe and book to loaf in some sequestered nook, on Sundays when there comes a rain, no reason why I should complain.

"ME" Let me be a little kinder, Let me be a little blonder, To the faults of those about me; Let me praise a little more, Let me be, when I am weary, Just a little bit more cheery; Let me serve a little better Those that I am striving for; Let me be a little braver, When temptation bids me waver; Let me strive a little harder To be all that I should be; Let me be a little meeker, With a brother who is weaker; Let me think more of my neighbor And a little less of me.

After the golf widow comes the dock widow. A number of women of a neighboring city whose husbands habitually disappear during the annual duck season are talking of starting a movement to let the women make the game laws.

In the opinion of ye ed. one of the most sinning of sights is a young man who believes he is the very image of Rodolph Valentino trying to vamp a young woman who believes she is Norma Talmadge's twin sister.

SERIOUS "There's no use crying over spilt milk."

"This was hooch."

Home nowadays is where the daughter has gone downtown from.

State Press Comment

WHERE DOES ECONOMY COME IN?

There are already proposed in advance of the legislators meeting the following measures as part of the program of "tax-reduction" in Oregon:

A severance tax to be levied on all timber cut and on all mineral wealth taken from government lands.

A graduated income tax along the same lines as now collected by the federal government to be collected by the state.

The creation of a state market commission to regulate markets and send out official market reports by the state.

An "honest fabric" law that requires woolen mills and clothing manufacturers to attach label showing quality of goods.

Repeal law exempting from taxation notes secured by mortgages on land.

Increase gasoline tax from two to four cents a gallon, and increase license on expensive automobiles.

Increased taxes are to be levied on public service corporations, in turn to be collected from the consumer.

Free public schools text books to be added to the tax payers' burdens. It would not be altogether ironical to ask where tax reduction, economy and retrenchment appear in the above program? There seems to be nothing but new forms of taxation and tax increases.

Why should a prospective home-seller or investor be interested in locating in a state with a state income tax and a prohibitive gasoline tax on top of all other taxes?—Coos Bay Times.

BACK TO BARTER

In one of Henry Ford's latest pronouncements, he says "all the money in the world could be dumped into the sea, and as long as men would put one stone on top of another and till their ground, they would have products to barter and exchange, and world commerce would go on without interruption."

Very well. Suppose all the money were dumped into the sea—and a big splash it would make far Uncle Sam's pile, sent ker-plunk. We confess to a mild wonder as to how Henry Ford would carry on his own business.

Would he barter flivvers direct for Michigan lumber and Lake Superior iron and West Virginia coal? And would he pay his workmen "in kind"? Or would he adopt wampum, as the first Americans were disposed to do when they had any commercial transaction more involved than exchanging dried fish for arrowheads or buffalo meat for corn? Or would he stamp out little pieces of Ford-car tin marked "good for 1 cent of a Ford Touring Car or the equivalent thereof?"

History seems to show that commerce never developed very far until money had been invented. To serve as a common medium of exchange, and that the more complex society becomes, the more it needs money of some kind, whether coin or tokens. But then, Mr. Ford says, "History is bunk."—Albany Democrat.

TO THE RED CROSS

Astoria owes a debt of gratitude to many individuals, communities and agencies for services and aid of inestimable value rendered since the hand of disaster dealt such a heavy blow to the city, but none greater than that owing to the American Red Cross for its beneficent work of relief and family rehabilitation.

The ashes of our ruins were still hot and smoking when that great organization began sending in its trained workers armed with money and supplies. Long experience in emergencies such as that here enabled these Red Cross workers to take charge of the relief of those made destitute or needy by the fire in an organized and systematic way. Quietly, but effectively they have gone about the task of seeking out, investigating, and cataloging cases and serving where service is needed. Many are the families that have cause to bless the name of the Red Cross.

The highest tribute that can be paid to this noble agency is to say that it has lived up fully to the record which for many years has made the name of the Red Cross synonymous with charity, mercy and unselfish service.

To the University of Oregon, which lusted trained workers, and to those other institutions which sent experienced volunteers, and to the local chapter members who gave without stint of their time, Astoria acknowledges profound appreciation. The friends of our dark hours shall not be forgotten in the better days to come.—Astoria Budget.

FUTURE LOOKS BRIGHT

This is going to make a wonderful year for Grant county. Our road work will reach a point when it will begin to make a decided showing. Our great timber resources are going into the world's markets. Our mineral wealth will attract attention. Our agricultural resources will yield bountifully and the future for the great livestock interests is overwhelmingly bright. Our communities and people are all working harmoniously and confident of the future, and even pretty well satisfied with things as they are. We can't afford any broken coes in the wheels, or any dry bearings, at hand, and a mind full of confidence in the prospect with which the year will be fruitful.—Blue Mountain American.

START THE NEW YEAR RIGHT

One of the easiest ways to turn people down from any new idea or project is ridicule. On every hand

THE WEATHER: Fine for SCOUTING

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THE MAN TASKS AHEAD

Our country will endure only so long as our citizens are truly responsive in their duties. Patriotism cannot come thru word training alone. There must be the preparatory action and service.

The Boy Scout Movement is essentially a movement of action—a constant emphasis of the other fellow's needs, the state's and country's welfare. It develops the self-reliance. It enables the boy to place himself in the "man's." It makes citizenship an actuality.

It also introduces the boy to the life of the great outdoors. We cannot afford to permit boyhood to pass without the closest acquaintance with the tenderest affection for mountain, stream, sunset, flower and song bird.

And thru it all the spirit of the physical ideal prevails—the strong body, the clean brain and the pure heart.

This movement deserves our unqualified support. It develops in our boys those qualities that we want them to have, and which will make them equal to the man-tasks ahead.

CONTEST REPORT

Troop 1 Patrol 1.....13,425; Troop 1 Patrol 2..... 9,589; Troop 2 Patrol 4..... 8,455; Troop 2 Patrol 3..... 7,250; Troop 1 Patrol 3..... 7,050; Troop 2 Patrol 1..... 6,525; Troop 1 Patrol 4..... 5,916; Troop 2 Patrol 2..... 5,426

Winner for first three months Patrol 1 of Troop 1 who also Troop 1 winner. Patrol 4 is winner of Troop 2 for this section.

PROGRAM CHRISTIAN CHURCH SUNDAY EVENING

Violin solos, Mr. Royle, Duet, Mrs. Stanton and Chas. Stanton, Reading, Mrs. Rusko, Anthem, choir, Sermon, Greater Work, Than Miracles.

people that can not formulate an argument against anything can laugh at it. Those who are trying to live up to their new year resolutions, those who are trying to bring our fair city up to the level of other cities, those who are trying to elevate humanity in any form, all these and countless others may expect to be laughed at.

There is only one thing for each one to do and that is to do our best. If each one used this for his guide, the world would soon be an "Easy Street," in every condition. But we may expect to find some one who lives on the lower level will always laugh at the idea that there is a higher.

NEEDED, A PAROLE OFFICER

At the State Industrial school at Salem are about 150 boys sent there by the courts for reformatory purposes. These boys are leaving the school at the end of their term and going back to home conditions in many cases unwholesome, conditions that nullify all the good the boys may have received at the school. It is estimated that there are something like 200 of these boy graduates in the state with no regularly appointed person to look after their welfare.

Such boys as are sent to this school from Portland have the aid of Judge Kautler's court on their return to the extent at least that the homes to which they return are examined and pronounced upon as to their fitness to receive the returned boys. But this court has not the necessary assistants to look up better homes for all these boys, to follow up their fortunes and keep them on their moral feet until they are morally self sustaining. Outside of Portland it is only by chance that boys of this class have any care what ever.

Most states have one or more parole officers whose duty it is to follow up such lads, find homes for them, or volunteer probation officers to serve as advisers, and so give them a chance to fight their way back to good citizenship and good behavior. This state has not one such officer. The appointment of at least one competent man to a work like this would save the state in bare dollars and cents much more than his salary and expenses, and would save to the state and the world many good citizens who otherwise would have joined the

BOY SCOUT NEWS

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FULL TO CAPACITY

Both troops one and two are full showing an enrollment of 22 scouts each plus several associates. Troop three is rapidly filling up.

\$10 IN PRIZES

For Boy Scouts in Oregon Washington, Idaho and Montana

The Twice-a-Week Spokesman-Review offers \$10 in prizes—divided into first prize of \$5, second prize of \$3 and third prize of \$2—for the best essays on "Why Should the Farm Boy Join the Boy Scouts of America."

This contest is open to any boy scout in the states of Oregon, Washington, Idaho or Montana.

The essays must be less than 500 words in length. Should one or more of the essays, awarded the prize, be received during January, 11 will be added to the prize.

The contest will close February 25 and all essays to win must be mailed so as to reach Spokane before March 1.

Send all essays to Boy Scout Editor, Twice-a-Week Spokesman-Review, Room 44, Review Building, Spokane, Wash.

THE PARLOR PIONEER

On mother's range I learned to cook; I hate to breathe the outside air; It makes my tonsils sore; I passed my Scout pace 'round a chair Three hundred times or more!

I am a busy fellow; I got my swimming from a book— My trucking in the cellar! I am a husky parlor scout. A regular guy, you bet. But when it rains I don't go out— You see—I might get wet.

Don't forget the Anniversary Round-Up is still on fellows. Let's fill up Troop 3 before February 12. Let's Go!

TRIP OF INSTRUCTION

Every Roseburg Scout will report at headquarters at 7:00 sharp Monday night. We will attend the Roseburg City Council meeting. Everybody out.

MEETING NIGHTS

Troop No. 1 will meet every Monday. Troop No. 2 will meet every Tuesday. Troop No. 3 will decide their meeting night later.

SUMMER CAMP

Better start saving pennies fellows. Camp far off.

THINK

Why are the Jews ting the Eskimo? Answer in next issue.

BASKETBALL

Dr. Finley the scout basketball coach has picked the Scout's first team which practiced last Thursday. They are now ready to schedule games for the season. Bring on your Champs.

ELKTON TROOP ORGANIZED

Scoutmaster James... Troop which has been early filled out and... to New York. There are eight boys on the roll. Work Elkton, we'll do our best to help you. Editor of this paper... Gaylord Cox as reporter. This paper as the Troop reporter.

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ROTARY CLUB

Three inquiries have been made of the Editor regarding scouting. The inquiries were caused by the Club letters. The inquiries were from Tom Mix, Glass and Melrose. Prizes made all three good communities with interested boys and organized very easily.

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MOVIES

MANY SURPRISES IN NEW TOM MIX PICTURE

Tom Mix in "Arabia," the title of the latest Fox production, starring the vigorous Tom Mix, which is due at the Antlers Theatre tonight, is characterized by many surprising incidents that will please the most blasé of picture-goers.

It is doubtful whether any photograph ever exhibited on the local screen possessed more thrilling situations which were actually enacted by the star of the picture who refused the assistance of a double.

Without revealing in detail the elements of new and surprising action and atmosphere that "Tom Mix in Arabia" contains, it may be said that Mix practically steps out of his old character entirely and reveals a new power and versatility as an actor—becomes a reckless and ro-mantic adventurer amid tense scenes and dynamic action in the Arabian desert.

With a colorful and romantic story of this type, Mix has a greater opportunity than ever to show his capabilities as an actor—and he does it in a manner that establishes him more strongly in fame and favor than ever before. With bold, broad strokes, as well as the very finest shading of character delineation, Mix plays upon every emotion mixing delightfully light moments of comedy with thrilling, heavy, tense and dramatic action.

Supporting him is the usual sterling cast of players, including Claire Adams, as female lead.

BLACKWELL LIKES TO PLAY FIGHTING ROLES BEST

"I like exercise, stated Carlyle Blackwell, star of "Bulldog Drummond," in an interview the other day. "And, believe me, I got it too in my latest production."

It is understood that this exciting tale of a young demobilized army officer who craves excitement is such as to demand plenty of exercise.

Several good crop head... at cut prices. Singer Store Jackson.

DEVELOPMENT

DEVELOPMENT MEANS IMPROVEMENT. WE ARE IMPROVING OUR FACILITIES EVERY DAY FOR THE BETTERMENT OF SERVICE.

We cannot grow faster than the surrounding country; though we have to keep far in advance of our present needs. Thus maintaining a larger investment than ordinarily required.

WE ARE PREPARED TO SERVE YOUR EVERY NEED AT MOMENT'S NOTICE WITH ECONOMY TO YOU.

Douglas County Light & Water Co.

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