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A REAL STEP FORWARD

In giving their unanimous approval of the highway project up the North Umpqua river at a meeting of the Taxpayers League in this city Saturday a real step forward was taken in the way of permanent advancement. A precedent has been set that means the opening of a great future, commercially and otherwise to the entire county. The county court having already gone on record favoring this roadway, and with the league squarely behind the project, insures almost immediate action and the much discussed project will soon be a reality. By cooperation with the government this highway can be completed at a saving of many thousands of dollars to the county and will open up an entirely new territory in the eastern part of the state.

With a road leading to that prosperous section of the lower Umpqua, the only harbor within the borders of the county and the completion of the Roseburg-Coos Bay highway, together with the Pacific highway extending throughout the entire length of the county, Roseburg will be the center and hub of future activities in the way of a marketing center which assures an area of great progress and that will extend to the remotest section of the county. The road up the North Umpqua is by no means a one town project, but on the contrary affects every community in the county, for no particular section has any advantage over another in regard to the benefits to be derived from such a highway. It is a county project to open up new and undeveloped sections and claim greater markets for local producers. As a scenic thoroughfare the road will, without doubt, have its advantage, and much wealth will result to the county from this standpoint.

But the real strength of the important road projects to be carried out, some of which are almost complete, is the opening of new markets for the producers of this county. New markets make prosperous communities and there is no good, sound reason why Douglas county cannot come to be known as the marketing center of Southern Oregon within a very brief period.

BALM FOR THE "INJURED"

Now comes one Hulburt, representative from Multnomah county, who would have a bill passed at the present session of the legislature providing that a newspaper that prints any false statement about any person or organization or candidate for office shall be forced to print the truth, as offered under oath by the affected party or organization, in the next issue of the paper, or within 48 hours after receiving the repudiating article, using the same size of type the same color of ink, the same portion of the paper, giving it the same prominence and circulation that the first article received. And the bill provides a nice, juicy fine for the newspaperman that steps over the "rules and regulations" of the measure. The only thing the Multnomah representative left out of the requirements of the bill is that the "retraction" doesn't necessarily have to be written with the same pencil that the previous effusion was struck off. Some people are so afraid the truth will be told about them that they want a means of "punishing" newspapermen, and Hulburt's bill would be a fine process whereby the "injured" party could come back with a "truthful" version of his own actions, and some men would swear to a pack of lies, burdensome to a jackass to carry, in order to put up a clean front. It is just such measures as the one proposed by the Multnomah representative that discredits an otherwise sensible set of legislators. Newspapers, as a rule, don't tell half the truth of many happenings. If they told the whole truth the undertakers would be working overtime.

Mr. Hulburt's bill is the outpouring of a perverted cranium, and should be relegated to the ash heap.

A measure has been passed by the legislature of an eastern state forbidding the presence of lobbyists on the floor of the legislative halls. The reason given is that the work of government is thereby impeded and that more than one legislator has been intimidated by the physical nearness of some lobbyists who represented the opposition. The measure is a wise one and generally should be adopted. Lobby law is only a step removed from mob law and through the instrumentality of neither is justice possible. The place for lobbying is in the campaigns before election and in the offices of the lawmakers. Once they have gone into legislative session they should not be disturbed by the persistent voices of a few who believe that by their presence on the floor they can railroad the representatives of the people into ill-considered action.

A bill to pension judges of the supreme court was killed in the house at Salem last week. It had been proposed to allow these distinguished gentlemen two-thirds of their present salary for the balance of their natural life after retirement from the bench. Well, all we can say is, the house did a mighty fine job. However, the average supreme judge seldom retires until the Grim Reaper exerts his authority, but it is well not to offer a monetary consideration to encourage him to "jump the job."

The income tax measure will not cut down taxes. But it will afford new means of a wider distribution of taxation. It will also bring in a lot of new money for a few more boards or commissions to disburse. Anyway, we have all been thinking about cutting out taxation, not creating a new source of revenue.

Up at Salem a couple of representatives from Multnomah county are fighting over who can, and has, drank the most booze the past few years and during the present session of the legis-

lature. Great topic to idle away important time at the expense of the taxpayers.

The youth who goes to bed about the time the farmer and the mechanic are getting up, cannot understand why the boss "has it in" for him.

This ought to be a pretty busy week at the state legislature. The "boys" will have to hurry to complete their work in the allotted time.

A successful man becomes that way not alone by knowing his own mind, but mostly by knowing others' minds.

Opportunity may knock at your door, but it is not going to break it down, go inside and drag you out of bed.



Dear Folks:—

I've a pretty little buggy, one that runs by gasoline and it's not a locomotive—just an everyday machine that will chug its way along the road and go where I direct if I keep my eyes where they belong and hold my head erect.

When I bought it I had visions of the joy 'twould surely bring as I sailed along the highway and I said there's not a thing that can mar or spoil the pleasure in the owning of a car. But that only goes to show what simple minded folks we are when we bank on unknown futures for before I'd gone a mile, I was nearly ditched a dozen times and heaped up in a pile.

Tho I gnashed my teeth in anger and I hollered for my rights, there was nothing I could say or do to stop the murderous flights of the speeders on the highway who are numbered by the score and who, when they get a taste of blood, go looking 'round for more.

If it's suicide they're after let them go and tie a stone 'round their necks and then jump in the sea, but let them go alone for there still remain a few of us who have some common sense and who shudder at the thought of being stuck up on a fence. By and by they'll find a punishment that matches up the crime. When they do we'll drive in safety and we'll have a corking time.

PRUNE PICKIN'S

BY BERT G. BATES

GOOD EVENING FOLKS—

Outside of a few hangers
The moonshine wave
Which swept the
Neck of the woods
During the week-end
Was hardly noticeable today.

A young flapper told us today she was going to have a crime wave put in her hair. Shame on you, Marcel.

The fellow who sells moonshine to fellows who can't handle it oughta be prosecuted more than their victims.

Movie comedies are not going to be so comical in the future according to the press dispatches which state that both Charlie Chaplin and Harold Lloyd are going to be married.

The Turks are still hankerin' for war in the Near East and we're in favor of recruiting a detachment of boy scouts and trimmin' up on 'em.

Who said that modern liquor hasn't a kick?

DUMSBELL DORA THINKS
Bowling is a woman's band.

If they could endow wives instead of colleges there wouldn't be so many men arrested for non-support. Wonder nobody ever thought of that.

SMILE: It is the spark that fires the welcome warmth to those hard to approach.

Jumping from second story windows is hard on the instep.

It's all right to build air castles. We're always building 'em but sometimes we fail to put cement foundations under 'em.

An annoying form of modesty is the conscious unconsciousness of the man who is good and knows it.

THE POWER OF MONEY IS NOW UNQUESTIONED

(From Ft. Branch Times)
Sixty-five bucks will induce me to part with Liz, My Henry girl. This ain't no junk, I'll let you look at it before I take the money. R. Jackson, 411 Main St. Before six.

We know of a certain Roseburg dame who is always trying new stunts to reduce, but the stunts call for too many self-denial diets and the Jane has now taken to Dr. Coue's method of reciting that "every day in every way I'm getting thinner and thinner." Then she goes out for lunch and consumes a thick beef sandwich in gravy, a huge piece of buttered corn pie, and drinks hot chocolate with whipped cream swimming around on top.

NOT OVERFLOWING

"How's collections at your church brother Jackson?"
"Well, we ain't nadder had to step in the middle of a collection to go an' empty de box."

With all of the suggestions we receive every day it hadn't enter the mind of a job to grind out this column; but the trouble is, we can't find enough of the junk that's worth printing.

Harold Hudson spent a greater portion of today putting in a window display and then while getting out of the window, tripped and knocked it all down. Harold's nervous.

Some janes don't improve themselves any by bobbing their hair.

This column rec'd four anonymous letters in the mail today and none of 'em contained a check.

Accumulated fat cannot be called illegotten gain.

PLEASANT WEEK TO EVERYBODY — IT'S A NICE, BRIGHT WORLD.

"That gets our Angora" said the Turks as the British airmen dropped a few bombs.

The city jail underwent a thorough cleaning last night and most of the furniture was removed to make room for the occupants.

Man wonders what is going to happen after death. But about the only thing he knows for sure is that somebody will get his job, and perhaps do the work better.

TO GET IN STRONG WITH THE BOSS

Always "guess or think" when he asks you a question. He enjoys puzzles.

When tired, lay down in a Royal Easy, as near the door as possible, and take a nap.

Always come late, take time for lunch and leave early.

When you meet a competitor, always tell him how little the boss knows about the business and how you would run the store.

Never admit that you are well treated or paid all you are worth.

Never forget to say, "I'm not paid to do that" when the boss asks you to do something.

Don't forget to smoke, spit, gaze into the mirror and manicure your nails whenever you feel like it.

Always bowl out those who are under you and show your authority.

And last, but not least, always tell everyone you know that the buyer got his job through a pull with the old man.

Laf Perkins Sez:

"The only way a hen-pecked man can chew tobacco is by pretending he is smoking a cigar."

MATRIMONIAL BILL GOES DOWN TO DEFEAT IN SENATE

SALEM, Or., Feb. 5.—By a vote of 18 to 11, with Hall absent, the senate today defeated the Klepper bill providing that persons desiring to marry should file a written application with the county clerk at least ten days before issuance of the license. The bill originally provided that the application should be filed 30 days prior to the issuance of the license, but this section of the measure was amended to read ten days.

The author, in explaining the bill, declared that the present laws on the marriage licenses are inadequate and as a result thousands of persons annually find themselves in the divorce courts. He said the bill had received much favorable comment and that it had been approved by practically all of the women's organizations in Portland and other parts of the state.



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Eggs, 25c per dozen.
Hens, heavy, 15c lb.; light, 10c lb.
Old roosters, 10c lb.
Wheat, \$1.20 at mill, sacks returned.
Barley, \$36.00 ton.
Feal, dressed 8c to 12c lb.
Hogs, dressed, 12c, 120 to 160 lbs. weight.
Cows, prime, 4½c.
Steers, prime, 5c.
Honey, local production, 20c lb.
Cacana bark, 1922, 6½c lb; cacana bar, 1921, 7½c.

Retail Prices on Mill Products.
Millrun, \$1.40 sack of 80 lbs.
Cracked corn, \$2.30 per 100 lbs.
Rolled barley, \$1.55 a sack of 70 lbs.
Gray seed oats, \$1.00 bushel.
Feed oats, \$1.90 per 100 lbs.
Flour, soft wheat, \$1.75 sack.
Flour, hard wheat, \$1.95 and \$2.10 a sack.

UNION PACIFIC TO BUILD NEW SHOPS

(By United Press)
LOS ANGELES, Feb. 5.—Work will begin shortly on the construction of the new Union Pacific shops and yards here. The appropriation of \$1,700,000 is on hand ready to finance the work.

The site of the shops is along the main line of the road, three miles southeast of the central station here, near Hobart. The railroad has already spent approximately \$250,000 for land. Eventually \$300,000 will be spent here by the road in improvements and development of industrial sites.

The improvements include the erection of a two-story office building for the mechanical department; machine, boiler, paint, light, and heavy repair shops, a roundhouse, an ice plant, and an office building for the yard and office department.

When the new yards are completed the switching and makeup of trains, which now frequently blocks Seventh street, will largely be done away with, officials declare.

The first unit of the shops is expected to be completed in less than a year.

Stearns and Chenoweth monster clothing out sale at Yoncalla continues daily until entire stock is sold. Come early—Buy and save!

Grants Pass Girl Wanders

Miss Lodie Paquette, who wandered from her home on Thursday night and spent the greater part of the night in the open, with the temperature at a point several degrees below freezing, has suffered no ill effects from her exposure, according to Dr. Stearns. She has absolutely no cold and her temperature is normal. This is thought to be quite remarkable. L. E. Millidge, at whose door the girl knocked at about 5 o'clock in the morning, states that he went back to dress and when he returned to the door the girl had disappeared. She was found five minutes after this.—Grants Pass Courier.

HELPED HER LITTLE GIRL

Children need all their strength for growing. A lingering cold weakens them so that the system is open to attack by more serious sickness. Mrs. Amanda Flint, Route 4, New Philadelphia, O., writes: "Foley's Honey and Tar cured my little girl of the worst tickling cough. I had tried many things and found nothing to help until I got Foley's Honey and Tar." Gives immediate relief from distressing, racking, tearing coughs; soothes and heals. Good for colds, croup and whooping-cough.

W. F. CHAPMAN

PIONEER RESIDENT OF OAKLAND DEAD

A. H. Woodruff, a well known Oakland resident, passed away late Saturday evening following an illness of about a year which followed a paralytic stroke. Mr. Woodruff has resided in Oakland for 26 years, being a pioneer resident of that section. He was prominent in all affairs there for many years, and was held in high esteem by all who knew him. He was 73 years of age at the time of his death, and is survived by his wife, four children—Annie Dierbo, Mrs. May Warner, Victor Woodruff, all of Salem, and Mrs. Ed Rose, of Roseburg. Also one sister Mrs. George Dimmick of Wilbur. The funeral service will be held at Oakland Tuesday at 2 o'clock with interment in the Masonic cemetery.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH FILLED BY LARGE CROWD SUNDAY

The Christian church was packed last night, and a great service was held. The main floor and gallery were filled, and extra chairs had to be placed in the auditorium, and

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