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BUSINESS CONDITIONS

Opinions differ as to the real state of trade. Some people point to the many industries which are operating at relatively low rates of capacity, says a statement issued by the Bank of Commerce of New York City. Some call attention to the continued lack of forward orders. Business is undoubtedly spotty both in lines of industry and in sections of the country affected by special agricultural condition. From these facts and the increasing demands of labor the conclusion is drawn that business cannot be good.

Admitting the facts, do they mean that we are to have worse rather than better business? The answer would seem largely to be found in the state of retail trade. Retail trade is undoubtedly good in useful articles and not so good in articles which can be done without. That retail business as a whole is satisfactory is confirmed in the experience of distributors who without exception report no abatement in the steady flow of small orders rather than seasonal purchases as in former years.

Stocks of goods are reported as not large either in the hands of the producer, distributor or consumer. It is true that facts as to stocks are difficult to get but there are always more or less unerring indications which enable experienced business men to discover whether they are excessive. Thus in 1920, although direct evidence as to accumulations of goods was lacking there were sure signs of the existence of heavy stocks. Delays in transportation concealed a large volume of goods, credit expansion was extreme and money was high.

Today these signs are absent. Expeditious transportation gives assurance that heavy stocks are not out of sight on the railroads. Commercial loans are not excessive and are fluctuating through a narrow range and easy conditions prevail in the money market. With active retail trade, reasonable stocks of goods and factory operations at low levels in many important lines, the opinion is justified that continued consumption based on full employment of labor must bring about increased rather than reduced industrial activity.

In spite of all the great fortunes of America, big benefactions are not as common as they ought to be. It was a very unusual occurrence the other day, when Mr. S. Hershey placed a great fortune of \$60,000 in trust for an orphanage which he founded some years ago near Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. It is expected that in a few years the school will be expanded to receive 1000 orphans. A noble gift like this should excite other wealthy people to go and do likewise. There are hundreds of thousands of boys and girls who have lost their parents, or whose parents are unworthy, who could be placed on the road to useful and happy citizenship by attending such a school. Mr. Hershey's institution will be able to receive badly handicapped children, many of whom would otherwise make a failure of life, and turn them into a force for building up their country. America needs more Mr. Hersheys.

Looks like the usual crop of candidates will be "harvested" during 1924. Regardless of the fact that there is nothing to be gained financially—in the long run—entering the political arena, there always is a large number of individuals ready and willing to do something "for the good of the order."

Rum runners and whiskey vendors are meeting with strong opposition to put over their "Thanksgiving cheer" in the big cities. Recent raids have revealed considerable activity among the illicit distributors. Busy times ahead for the undertaker.

The crepe-hangers ought to feel cheerful with Thanksgiving turkeys selling at 27 cents, but will probably forego the pleasure of tackling a bird at the price quoted.

PRUNE PICKIN'S

BY BERT G. BATES

GOOD EVENING FOLKS—

The college fellows
Are home on their
Thanksgiving vacation
And we're glad
It's too cold
For them to appear
On the main drag
Sans their chapeau.

DUMBBELL DORA THINKS

A castanet is a patent medicine.

Our own solution of dry enforcement problems: Make every man who buys a yeast cake eat it on the spot.

We understand that the clamdigging football team of Marshfield will bring along a flock of seagulls as mascots for the Thanksgiving game.

The D'Autremont brothers are the champagne globe trotters. Today they're reported in Florida. Tomorrow they'll probably check in at Amsterdam.

Word reached this sanctum today that the Douglas County Rum Runners, Inc., have hired several extra mules to cart the jackass brandy in from the sticks for the Yuletide season.

Our experience is absolutely of the popular actress, who says she can't live on \$50,000, but this must not be construed to indicate that we wouldn't if we could.

Now that Education Week is over we can begin to again write this great coliseum of moral warfare with a loose hand, resorting to the ridiculous in our efforts to report the sublime.

The faller who clouted his neighbor over the dome with a shovel down in the Riddle section was found not guilty, it being decided that a man has a right to call a spade a spade in the great wide west.

"If Winter Comes" is the name of a movie and has nothing to do with the plea of the coal dealers.

The new cluster lamp posts were set in place yesterday and they're going to look swell if they don't tip over before they're anchored.

Nap Rice says he can't find the place where they pour the oil in the post for the light and wants to know who's going to keep the wicks trimmed.

As yet no turkey has been left on your desk and if things keep up at this lick the wife'll hafta use a can-opener in preparing the annual feast.

'About time to begin thinkin' up your excuses for not havin' applied for the auto license plate sooner.

J. D. Farrington, commanding officer of the "hells" force in the local "number one" establishment, was on the main stem carrying a saw today and we suspect that John is preparing to carve turkey at his house.

After a feller buys a fivver along comes a dozen birds with new accessories to look onto it and by the time all of the appliances have been tied onto the buggy a feller needs a tractor to pull it around.

The chrys. are still blooming in the valley and the skunk cabbage odor is prevalent in the domicile of the lover of this flower.

MORE AIR NOG
Well, we went down to have a tooth pulled the other day, and told the dentist to give us that new air we'd heard so much about. He said, "All right," and as he kept pulling and scraping and yanking he sang, Tra-la We Have No Bananas.

SURE, YOU KNOW HIM
You've met this bird, too.
We suspect,
With the single horse power intellect;
You tell him a story and
Hear him say
I've heard it before—
In a different way!

A diplomat is a saleswoman who exhibits a size 34 frock and calls it a pretty little thing.

King Tut dresses her not the only reversion to ancient styles; the Sphinx wears her hair bobbed.

It probably wouldn't be difficult to enforce the Volstead law if stomachs had a vote.

"You darn glad that Xmas is nearly here as my old four-in-hands are about ready for the ash can."

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UMPQUA PORT HEARING TO BE HELD DEC. 5

Army engineers at Washington have fixed December 5 as the date on which the hearing for the Port of Umpqua harbor improvement will be held, says the Port Umpqua Courier. Word to this effect was received from Congressman Hawley early this week. The result was a special meeting of the Port of Umpqua commission Monday. At that meeting it was decided to send Russell J. Hubbard, vice president and manager for the Winchester Bay Lumber company and J. H. Napier, attorney for the port, to Washington, D. C., to present the port's arguments for government recognition.

Senator Charles McNary and Representative Hawley will present the delegates from this and other ports in Oregon. At the meeting Monday the secretary, Stanley D. Chapin, was instructed to wire to ex-Congressman J. R. Knowland of Oakland, California, with a view to having him accompany the local delegates and work for the Umpqua harbor project. The ex-congressman from California, who is the owner of the Oakland Tribune, makes several trips to Washington, D. C., annually. It was the expectation that he may have been planning such a trip in the near future, and if so to have him supplement the local delegation.

RIDDLE TO HAVE FINE CITY PARK

At the adjourned council meeting held Tuesday night the city fathers passed an ordinance authorizing the purchase of the Cedar Grove property on the Arden river for park purposes, says the Riddle Enterprise. This is one of the prettiest groves in southern Oregon and is known all over this part of the state as a picnic ground unsurpassed.

For a number of years, or until the affair was discontinued, the city used the grounds for their annual venison barbecue. The place of land which the city will buy contains the pavilion, a good well of water and other attractions. It is the plan of the council to fix up a modern dressing room for the use of bathers, to repair and remodel the pavilion, extend the city light to the park, build a good road, tables and benches and in other ways fix it up and make it the proper pleasure resort of the community.

The Enterprise believes that next to the bringing of electricity, this is the biggest and best thing the council could have done for the city. More details will be given in an early issue.

BULLET HITS STATE HOUSE WINDOW

SALEM, Nov. 26.—Mrs. L. A. Koser, chief stenographer in the secretary of state's office, had left her chair for a moment to go to one of the vaults, when she would have been struck by a bullet that crashed through a plate glass window of the state department a few minutes after 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Harry Hutton, another stenographer, had started to walk across the office and had not reached the line of the bullet, but was showered with bits of glass. Fred Lutz, chief messenger of the state grounds, wasn't quite tall enough, or he would have been hit. He heard the bullet over his head as he was at work just outside the state house.

The bullet came from a 45 calibre automatic in the J. P. Fritzel house, 230 North Summer street, nearly 100 yards away, when George C. Hester, 37, 17 years old, accidentally dropped the weapon on a table, as he explained later. He is a high school student and lives with his family in the Fritzel house.

The bullet bore a neat hole in the north wall of the state department room which is adjacent to the corridor. The bullet also shattered a heavy glass windowguard at the base of the window, passed across the room and landed another hole, hole through the partition between this room and the office of C. N. Lambbridge, deputy secretary of state. Mr. Lambbridge was away from the office and his chair a moment before and been occupied by Mrs. Koser.

Grabbing the chair, the bullet passed directly over the chair she had occupied. She remained in a straight line along the passage way in front of the door, as she was standing and awaiting the arrival of a messenger.

A moment, the door of which was open, passed under the wall and dropped to the floor. It had been a Sunday afternoon with a full in state business and he showed no appearance at the motor department windows, double.

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W. F. CHAPMAN

few persons would have been injured. Confusion reigned in the department but in a very brief time young Hester, frightened and breathless, hastened into the office and admitted that the bullet was from his gun. He feared that someone had been injured, and deeply regretted the accident. He inquired if the police had been informed, and expressed a willingness to go to police headquarters and explain. Officers Victor and White were called and made an investigation. Hester was not arrested, but it is probable that his gun will be confiscated.

Secretary of State Koser was in Eugene, but examined the damage after his return last night.

Hester has a good reputation, and one of his schoolmates who is employed at the state department, spoke highly of him.

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UMPQUA FIRM BUYS BOAT FOR TOWING

MARSHFIELD, Nov. 24.—The launch Allen H. was sold today by Ed Smith to the Umpqua Fisheries Co., Inc., who will take her to Reedsport at once.

The price is said to have been about \$2000. Captain John Swain has been employed by the new firm to take her to the Umpqua tomorrow.

The Allen H. was built by Levi Smith for towing and charter work and has been in use on the bay here for several years. She will accommodate a number of passengers in her cabin. Ed Smith and Frank Smith were interested with their father in the craft and for the past few months Ed Smith has been operating her.

1883

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Banking First Entered The Umpqua Country

IN 1883 when Wm. S. Humphrey in April of that year founded the Douglas County Bank. It was the first and only bank in all that vast territory from Albany on the North to Yreka on the South. At the old mining town in Northern California the Shasta County Bank had begun business the year before.

Coming from Lane County, Mr. Humphrey first studied law in the office of Binger Hermann and C. Ball in a small one story frame building that until recently stood on Main Street opposite the Van Houten hotel site. Mr. Humphrey was admitted to practice in the law, but had inherited considerable money and decided to enter the banking business. He built a one story brick building on Jackson street and there the bank opened and was housed until 1902. This is now occupied by the Chamber of Commerce. During the first sixteen years of its existence the bank was not incorporated but was operated as a private bank by the various owners.

A few months after the business began Mr. W. T. Peet purchased an interest. Before his coming Mr. Humphrey was assisted in the bank by his wife, now Mrs. L. N. Roney, of Eugene, who has written as very interestingly of those early days. In 1884 Mr. C. S. Flint purchased the interest of Mr. Peet and the firm name was then changed to Humphrey & Flint, and so continued for some years.

After the death of Mr. Humphrey, Mr. G. A. Taylor became a partner, the style of the firm then being Flint & Taylor. Later Mr. Hyman Wollenberg bought out Mr. Taylor and the ownership was then vested in Flint & Wollenberg, and so remained until 1893 when these men transferred their interests to Mr. O. F. Godfrey and Mr. Peter Hume. Thus the bank carried through the panicky days of the early nineties and saw some strenuous times.

It is related that a well known business man of those days who had deposited \$6000 in the bank, and then began to worry and constantly watched the bank day after day, passing up one side of the street and down the other, until the owners sacked up his money in gold and calling him in asked him to take it and get out.

It is said of Messrs. Hume and Godfrey that they were very thrifty men. Mr. Hume was a house painter in earlier days and when business was quiet would frequently go out and take a job of painting and papering houses. Some years later he retired and Mr. F. S. Godfrey, a son of the elder Godfrey, came into the firm.

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THINKS DRY LAW WILL FINALLY BE A SUCCESS
DES MOINES, Ia., Nov. 25.—National-wide support of the prohibition law will finally make it a complete success, according to Mrs. Ida H. Wise Smith, state president of the W. C. T. U., following her return from the national citizenship conference at Washington.

The change in public opinion from

a lax view on prohibition to the present result of the national conference.

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THE VILLAGE RHYMESTER

By Carlisle Emery

Dear Folks:

Enthusiasm is a word that's free from doubt or riddle. By looking close you'll find that U is placed right in the middle. And there you'll have to stay and show it in your actions if you've to hit the mark you've got in all of your transactions.

Enthusiasm sets the pace, it has no use for crawling. It strides ahead with steady gait, it's never found a stalling. It lifts you up and gives your feet the pep that keeps them moving. When weariness and trouble come, it takes the place of soothing. Enthusiasm brought us steam, and modern ways of lighting. It's brought results, through stormy clouds, to those who kept believing, who listened not to doubt and fear and other things deceiving.

Enthusiasm breeds success which can not live without it. There's not a point to argue on, no chance for you to doubt it. It's food and drink for those who tell with eyes upon a vision. When other things confuse your mind it makes the right decision.

Enthusiasm is a word that's free from doubt and riddle, so place yourself beside the U, that's sitting in the middle. Then make that U a part of you and buckle down the harder. Results will come that please you well, and fill your empty layder.

Mrs. Fannie Wren who resides in visiting Mrs. Clements from Eagle Creek was in town for several days. Since this morning shopping and visiting with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Brown and family of Middle were in town this morning for several hours looking after business.

Mr. C. H. Chapman was in Roseburg attending to business and