



A GRAZING SCENE IN DOUGLAS COUNTY.

UMPQUA DREDGE DOES FINE WORK

That Port of Umpqua business men are enterprising in the cause of conservation to residents of other port communities on the Pacific coast, says the Port Umpqua Courier. "You can't hold a good town down at least one with natural resources such as Roseburg has, so long as there is proper cooperation. Real cooperation in Port matters exists here."

An evidence of that enterprise of the Port of Umpqua commission is seen in the organization's purchase of a suction dredge. The "Umpqua" built under contract for the Port is considered one of the best buys made along the coast. This dredge, which has been in operation for less than three months is proving remarkably cheap to operate. During the month of November the cost per cubic yard for pumping dirt and sand from the river channel, was slightly more than four cents. In October, the first few weeks of operation, the cost was about six cents.

At nearby towns the cost for such work is more than 10 cents.

By January 1 the channel will be open to a width of 125 feet and to a 16-foot depth, at zero tide. This means that at high tide ships with a draft of approximately 25 feet will be able to enter the harbor without danger of running aground.

The dredge at first was operating on the Lower Cannery Island Shoal. That was considered the worst spot in the Umpqua channel. Data submitted to the Courier by Fred Getty, manager of the dredge shows that during 337 hours the dredge advanced 2,850 feet and moved 85,764 cubic yards. The operating cost per 8-hour day was \$85.58.

The north jetty near the bar will keep dirt and sand from washing in to the channel which has been opened. The government now is doing work on that jetty. According to an agreement with the Port the government is building a section of the jetty, having agreed to match the expenditure made by the Port. The Port spent \$275,500 on that portion of the jetty now completed.

The estimated total cost of the north jetty is \$553,000.

The dredge cost approximately \$90,000. The government thus far has not contributed towards this item of Port expense.

The dredge is equipped with a 15-inch pipe which is carried on pontoons. Crude oil is used for fuel.

Douglas county has an area of 4,922 square miles, with thousands of acres of virgin soil, and has a population of 25,000 with ample room for 50,000 more.

Marcia's New Year's Slogan by Martha B. Thomas

NO MATTER how doggedly she tried, Marcia could not put him out of her mind. Her eyes would be looking straight at the ugly pine-wood dresser in her tiny room, and there, magically pictured would appear his face. It was the strangest and most aggravating thing!

She shook herself free of these fancies and picked up a book. New Year's eve promised to pass very quietly for her. Some of the girls in the store were sitting up . . . but for some inexplicable reason she had declined their friendly invitations to join them. It would be so noisy, so tiresome—and then the trip home afterwards, not to mention work next day. No, she was happier in her tiny, stuffed-up room. Books were good company. He had said so, and she was nightly discovering the truth for herself.

That very day he had sauntered up to the counter where she was clerk.



and bought a pair of gloves—ladies' gloves. He had told her, smiling a little, that they were to be a New Year's gift. "Maybe she won't like them," he added—"I hardly know just what to select."

Marcia timidly offered to help, if he could give her any general idea of the lady's taste.

"Why, she's a dainty person," he smiled again, "not so very big, not so very small. She'd want something good, I fancy, but not too well—" he seemed to be searching for the exact qualification, "not too conspicuous or . . . strange!" That was the best he could do, and they laughed together.

After careful consultation, gloves of a fine, heavy leather were bought and paid for. They were gloves that anyone would be happy to wear on the street; there was a well-made and quiet distinction about them which produced a soft sigh of wistfulness from Marcia. But she was entirely unconscious of it.

At this point in her reflections there came a knock at her door.

"Telephone, Miss Dunn," announced the landlady. There was something particularly knowing and kindly in her voice.

Marcia flew downstairs. She hardly knew what she expected, but her heart was behaving so outrageously that she could hardly gasp a feeble "Hello!" into the transmitter.

"Is that you, Miss Dunn?" asked a delightfully masculine voice.

"Yes," quavered Marcia.

"I just called up," continued the voice, "I just called up, er—" there was a break of what seemed slight embarrassment, then came strongly, "What's the use of beating about the bush? I called up to ask if I could run over to see you this evening? I'd like to persuade you to go on a mild little party with me. I tried to ask you today while I was buying those gloves, but I lost my nerve."

Marcia was able to produce faint sounds which appeared to encourage the voice at the other end.

"Your landlady knows me, because I used to come to see a man who lived there, so she can vouch for my character. For two weeks I've tried to ask you about tonight. I couldn't think of a nicer way to start the New Year, than having a little party with you."



I've got tickets for a show, and after that we'll have a little snack of something to eat, if you want to. And I'll bring along the gloves . . . you picked 'em out, so they ought to suit!"

Marcia skimmed upstairs again like a bird. What were two flights when the nicest-man-in-the-world asked you to go to the theater with him! And he was bringing the gloves for her! This was a New Year's day to remember. As she stood pinning on her hat before the mirror, she made a sudden resolution, the first that had occurred to her, though this was the properest time for doing such things. "I'll always believe the best is going to happen. See how wonderfully things have turned out, and ten minutes ago I was as blue as indigo. It just shows that it is silly wasting thoughts on unpleasant subjects. This will be my New Year slogan, 'Believe the Best! It won't hurt you, and it may help.'"

Some time later when Marcia and the very-nicest-man-in-the-world were enjoying the theater, she whispered to him her resolution.

He declared it was the finest one he ever heard, and then made so bold as to inquire if it had anything at all to do with his coming! Marcia pretended not to hear him.

It might be added that the gloves were a perfect fit.

MILL TURNS OUT BEAUTIFUL WORK

Cabinet Makers at Dysinger Mill Attract Attention by Their Skill.

FIXTURES ARE BUILT

Hotel Furniture and Bank Grilles Among the Many Articles Turned Out By Local Plant.

An industry which is attracting much attention to Roseburg, but which has received little prominence in our own community, is the cabinet work being done at the Dysinger mill which operates under the name of the J. G. Flook Company. This mill has been turning out some beautiful work in various kinds of woods, and many favorable comments have been received and much merited praise offered.

One of the finest samples of the work done by the cabinet makers at the mill is the beautiful counter, desk and show case which has just been completed and installed at the Grand Hotel lobby. This fixture was made entirely in the mill and is a wonderful exhibition of expert handicraft. Persons who are in a position to know, declare that no finer piece of work, considering the size and cost can be produced anywhere. It is of oak veneer construction, with much oval and odd shaped glass work on the

show case and desk, and is perfectly joined. Mr. Clinger, the proprietor of the hotel, was so well pleased with the fixture that he has ordered an additional section which will be added at some future date.

At the present time the workmen at the mill are turning out fixtures for the Douglas Hotel dining room, and the company has just delivered a desk and counter for a Coca Ray hotel, which is nearing completion. This latter fixture is made of highly polished fir and is a beautiful example of what can be done by skillful cabinet workers.

The Dysinger mill has been noted for many years for the excellency of the furniture and cabinet work which it has produced. Early in 1919 the late Mr. Dysinger, who operated the mill until his death a short time ago, built the beautiful oak furniture now in use in the Maschic hall. This furniture, in spite of the time that it has been in use, is as good today as ever.

The mahogany and oak grilles at both the Umpqua Valley and Roseburg National Banks are the products of the mill, which is completely equipped to do all classes of work of this nature.

The cabinet work is done largely by three experienced men, who have served for many years at the mill. Chris Hestness, Wm. Caretons, and E. H. Davis are counted among the company's best workmen in this class.

This mill has fifteen employees at the present time, and during the rush season has from 18 to 20 men employed. The shops have been closed during the holiday season to permit the equipment to be put in readiness for the spring operations which are expected to be much heavier than in any preceding year.

Considerable money has been spent during the recent months to add to the fire protection, new standpipes being built, hose provided, and chemical tanks installed. From the wide notice being taken of the products of this mill, it is to be expected that the industry which it is developing will enjoy a rapid growth and expansion.

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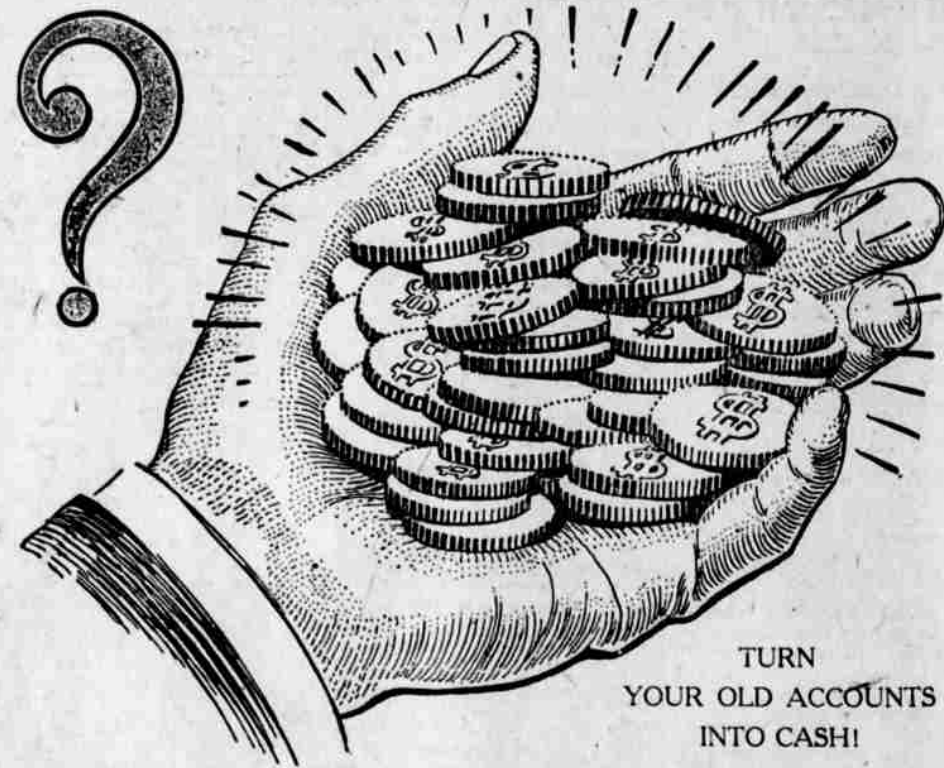
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