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LET'S GET RIGHT DOWN TO BUSINESS.

While discussing things of importance to the future of Roseburg let's get right down to business.

First of all, it is utterly impossible to advance and carry on an effective program that will redound to the good of the community unless the people of Roseburg give their moral and financial support, take off their coats and swing into line with all energy possible, to advance the interests of this vicinity in a concrete and formidable program to interest new people to locate in this county and to establish new industries here.

In order to get on a business-like basis the first thing Roseburg should do—and it should do it at once—is to encourage at least one hundred of our enthusiastic business men to create a development fund of such proportions that it could be used to advantage to promote legitimate enterprises for this city and county. It should not be hard to accomplish this end. Say we contribute $100 each to this fund. This would give us a fine asset, and properly supervised and expended, would in due time add a lot of wealth to the county and bring financial returns far beyond our expectations.

Listen to this:

Grants Pass has a development fund of some six thousand dollars and during the year 1926 this wideawake community added 481 new families to Josephine county. A conservative estimate of the wealth brought to the county by the increase in population is placed at over a million dollars.

Was Grants Pass' example of thrift and progress worth the price? We would remark that it certainly was and the city's efforts are still bearing fruit during the early period of 1927.

The city of Eugene has assembled a development fund of nineteen thousand dollars to be used during the years 1927 and 1928, thereby exemplifying a spirit that is sure to bring about pleasing results to that progressive community. All these sums are outside and apart from the regular membership of the various chamber of commerce bodies operating. The chambers in both cities are liberally supported and carrying on an effective program.

Roseburg can get well under way with a like program by taking immediate action. There should be no delay. Other communities have nothing better to offer than Douglas county, but we must make these offers in a concrete and intelligent way in order to gain results.

Right now is the time for action and we should all give earnest and considerate thought to building a greater and bigger Roseburg and Douglas county.

It can be done, but will cost a little money to put over—far below the actual results that will be attained.

Don't you think it worth while to make the effort? We do.

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Seven years ago a Washington lady divorced her husband. They renewed the acquaintance a few years later, however, and, according to the lady, became engaged. Now she's suing her ex-husband for $500,000 because, she says, he broke his promise to re-marry her. Since their divorce, the ex-husband has amassed considerable wealth. This little item is submitted for today's class in editorial writing. Make your own comment.

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Spring housecleaning is here and its pretty tough on friend husband to sneak in late at night and trip over a mislaid fish bowl.

SOFT WORDS.

I said to Gilbert Gable, "I find I am not able to hire you any more; I've had some dire reverses and in my divers purses there's but a scanty store. I'd hoped, to our enjoyment, you'd be in my employment for many years to come; but when the fates are plotting a carnival of swatting, our hopes go out of plumb." For years this Gilbert Gable had worked about the stable, the garden and the lawn, and he had grown so grouchy, so lazy and so slouchy, I often wished him gone. My grandsire, old and wheezy, oft said, "You are too easy, you ought to kick his spine; he spends long hours sleeping while bugs and worms are creeping along the bough and vine. His snores I hear him throwing while noxious weeds are growing and killing off the peas; and still with smiles you greet him, and tenderly you treat him, and pay him the baw-bees. If I were his employer he'd think me a destroyer, the way I'd run him down; the riot act reciting, I'd hand him language blighting, and chase him out of town." Now this is where we differ; my granddad is a biffer, who'd rather scrap than eat; but peace to me looks charming, contention is alarming, I'd have surroundings sweet. This Gilbert says, "I'm sorry, if this be true, by gorry, if I must go my way; we've got along together in fair and stormy weather, and I would like to stay." No caustic words are uttered, no bitter threats are muttered, and he's departed now; and this is vastly better, methinks, oh, donnerwetter, than kicking up a row. My granddad hears me calling: "To sidestep fuss and brawling is better far than strife; for you the heated scrapping, the swatting and the slapping, for me the peaceful life."

PRUNE PICKIN'S

By BERT G. BATES

GOOD EVENING FOLKS—
The crimp in the air this a. m. made a lotta
Fellers start to work with a crimp in their
Disposition as gittin' up with a chill in the
Air ain't conducive to a heluva optimistic grin.

PHILOSOPHIC MAUNDERINGS

Meditation makes moody men mellow.
A full cellar draws too much company.
Judging one's own work is insincere flattery.
True Thrift keeps its pockets mended.

THAT GREATEST LOVE

Love? . . . Have I loved? . . . O Cupid!
Why, I've been known to buy
A nickel's worth of cough drops for
The apple of my eye!
I've bought her hokey-pokey,
And at the Circus ground
I've given her my last five cents
To ride the Merry-Go-Round!

Once, when I called to see her,
Her Mother said I should
Be nice, and go downstairs and fetch
A kitchen full of wood!
And when I went to bring it,
She reveled in a game
Wherein she kissed another boy,
But I loved her—just the same!

And all the pale pretensions
Of grown-up passions fade
And sicken, in the glamour of
The love Youth's romance made!
And I, who fight life's battle
With other struggling men,
Would give the rest of all my life
To love like that again!

DEAD LANGUAGES

"Now, Mother, you sit right down and listen to the radio while I wash the dishes and clean up!"

PROFICIENT

"Isn't that fellow the worst liar you ever heard?"
'Worst? Oh, I wouldn't say that. His lies may lack quality, but you've got to admit his production is splendid."

TONSORIALLA

A Barber-shop scene. Baldheaded man with heavy beard. Takes chair: "Gimme a whisker-cut and a hair shave and make it snappy!"

To other boarders, the fellow who has just paid his bill in full appears a conceited ass.

SAYINGS OF SOLOMON

"Confidentially," said Solomon to the Queen of Sheba, "just between ourselves, Queen, I'll let you onto a state secret. They say I am the wisest man in the world."
"Yes, yes; go on!" the Queen said excitedly.
"I am that, Queen," said the King, "but when I look at you I am my own kind of a Fool!"

THE IMPOSSIBLE

A "Use-No-Slang" Week is suggested to preserve pure English.
That's all right for deaf mutes, but how are the rest of us going to understand each other?

TODAY'S LIMERICK

A baldheaded chap from St. Claire
When asked why he didn't grow Haire,
Said: "Shucks! What's the use?
It would only come loose,
Unless I copid rivet it Thaire!"

LAFE PERKINS SEZ—

"Music is only a modification and adaptation of noise; jazz, therefore, is music in its original form."

Your Boy and Your Girl

BY ARTHUR DEAN, SC. D.
The Parent Counsellor

Dr. Dean will answer all signed letters pertaining to parents' problems with their boys and girls. Writers' names are never printed. Only questions of general interest answered in this column, but all letters will be answered by mail if written in ink and a stamp, self-addressed envelope is enclosed. Address Arthur Dean, in care of The News-Review.

The Good Old Days

"Oh for the little Red School House. Those good old days in the open country where we earnest youngsters sat at the feet of our beloved teacher listening to the words of wisdom that poured from her sweet lips; where we listened to the song of birds and breathed the clear country aid and the chirping of the crickets; where Man in his native element conquered the forces of nature and where men were men!"

Yes, customers, I actually heard such a speech at a reunion of the graduates of District Number Three, School Township of ..... But let's be charitable. Venerable men get childish and forgetful. This particular old gentleman forgot how earnest youngsters of the good old days stuffed rags in the stove-pipe and gave the scholars an enforced recess. He didn't remember the time Bill Way so balanced a pail of water that when the door was opened the teacher thought a cloud burst had engulfed her. If the picture of how a nice night-walking little black and white creature was thrown into the wood shed still hung on Memories Wall the Orator chose not to see it . . . But why remind him? The sands are flowing swiftly to let him enjoy his indoor sport now from the hour glass of his life of talking about the "Good Old Days."

In a wholly detached and abstract way I love the small country school. And God must love them as He has so many of them. Theoretically they are wonderful. They offer a chance to study nature at first hand; plenty of open play space; fresh air and sunshine; an opportunity for the teacher to come close to the life of the community with the intimacy and friendliness which means so much to parents and children.

Practically I fear that many a rural school is full of politics, neighborhood rows, inexperienced task masters, cold lunches, cheerless walls and inexcusable rowdyism and vulgarity among the pupils. I know many excellent rural schools and their teachers. I have seen big hearted teaching there that would put many a city school to shame. But I have seen and the little Red School house to more mighty poor ones.

Let's leave the good old days the poets and the passing generation and strive for more and more schools of the modern type.

"Dear Dr. Dean:

My seven-year-old boy started off to school finely. I had taught him writing and arithmetic. I felt sure he would get into the second grade. Well, I took him to school and from the start the teacher was very discourteous. Later I saw her again and she still felt herself to be a distinctly superior person.

"I had intended to visit the school a few times each year, but it is not a custom here for parents or school boards to visit school. Naturally the teacher put my boy with the beginners and he had to sit all day with little to do. Consequently he is rapidly forgetting all that I had taught him.

"I have taught my son never to strike or fight expect in self-defense. A boy hit him in the face and he hit back. The result was that the teacher kept my boy after school and let the other one go.

"At recess the children deliberately bite and kick each other. One boy has a desire to jamb his fingers into other children's eyes. They chase each other with big stones and sticks. I have seen one child hold another down and swing a big stone right over his head. They snatch each others lunches and kick the dinner pails until they are all batered.

"To cap the climax, one of the largest boys ran into the school and in sight of the teacher said to one of the small boys, 'I'll fix you, I'll throw you into the mud puddle.' He picked the small lad up by one leg and one arm and carried him out. The teacher viewed the episode with bland indifference.

"Do you think it will harm my boy to take him out of school? I am worried sick thinking that he may be injured for life through the deviltry which goes on in this school.

"The teacher is hired by the chairman of the school board who has been boss of this district for years and years (not because he is so popular but because people do not seem to care one way or the other).

"Nearly all the boys smoke. A big boy once hit the teacher across the mouth with a board eraser and she never said a word.

"Don't you think the influence of a public school such as this is bound to hurt a child? It seems to met that we cannot undo, in the three months he is at home, what the school does to him in nine months. Or is this school unusual?"

Mother.

Some country schools are as bad or worse. But there are many better. I advise you to start systematically to work to build up a demand among your neighbors for a school administration of the right sort. You can do it and it will be an achievement worth while. I would not remove the boy from the school unless you have access to a better one. Fight these conditions and correct them. Isn't a country boy or girl entitled to as good a school as a city child? That's the question.

OUR CONVERSATION CORNER

Too Bad

Is it always true that a mother loves her children? Can she when she calls her youngest a "blackhead?" I have been told that the youngest in the family is "babied," but in our family the older ones get all the family sweets. When I received three A's and one B in my semi-annual examinations all mother said was, "Did you?" Never a word of praise.

Fifteen.

Answer—Dear "Fifteen" I extend to you here and now the congratulations you so well deserve for your splendid grades. May your success inspire you to still further efforts. Deep in her heart a mother always loves her children. Sometimes under stress of work or worry a tired mother might call a child a name but she would regret it later you may be sure. It seems to be true that the youngest in a family is expected to serve the older ones. Possibly this custom had its origin in the old and worn out law that "Might makes right."

STETSON HATS

Style Built on Quality

You want style in your hat, but unless style has a foundation of quality, it cannot endure.

The lasting good looks of a Stetson is the real reason for the popularity of these famous hats—their smart style is expected as a matter of course.

We are showing an assortment of Stetson styles that will make any man restless until he has one.

Harth's TOGGERY

BODY TOM CRITESER TO ARRIVE TONIGHT FOR FUNERAL FRIDAY

The body of Tom Criteser, who was found dead in a barn at his home in Grants Pass Wednesday following a double shooting in which he seriously wounded his wife, is being shipped to Roseburg where he formerly made his home, for burial and will arrive tonight on passenger train Number 54. Mr. Criteser's mother, Mrs. Lydia Criteser, and other members of his family make their home in Roseburg and the body is being sent here to be placed in the family lot at the Masonic cemetery. Mr. Criteser was well known and liked in Roseburg and had a wide circle of friends. The funeral services will take place Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Roseburg Undertaking Chapel with Rev. R. W. Acher officiating.

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Pure whole milk, and it's pasturized. Roseburg Dairy. Phone 168.

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JULIUS RIDDLE IN CHARGE TOLL LINE REPAIR WORK

Julius Riddle, son of County Clerk and Mrs. I. B. Riddle spent a short time in Roseburg today. Mr. Riddle is toll engineer for the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company and has charge of all toll lines in the state of Oregon. Since the flood he has been working night and day in an effort to get the long distance lines back into operation. He is directing the work in the Myrtle Creek vicinity today and expects to be able to spend tonight with his parents in this city.

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Persons taking driftwood from my property in Edenbower will be prosecuted.

LILLIE L. MOORE.

CONTRACT IS LET FOR CONSTRUCTION N. ROSEBURG DRAIN

Line to Be Placed to Carry Off Surplus Water From East Side of Jackson St.

A special meeting of the city council was held last night for the purpose of letting the contract for the construction of the North Roseburg drain. This drain is to lead from the east side of Jackson street across Jackson and Winchester streets to Deer Creek, and will take care of the water that now collects at the intersection of Jackson street and Second avenue south. The contract was let to E. R. Metzger who bid $2,793.66. Other bidders were Catching and McClane, $3,226.66, and Stanley Taylor, $3,015.62.

The proceedings for this drain have been conducted for several months. All of North Roseburg was included in a large drainage district which will be assessed for the cost of the improvement. The council adopted an ordinance for the construction but a flaw was found making it necessary to go back and adopt a new ordinance and re-advertise the project. The contract was to have been let last Monday, but as the council failed to meet at the regular date the matter was considered last night at a special meeting called for that purpose.

The council also decided that some remuneration should go with the office of fire chief. Heretofore the fire chief has received no pay for this work. Last night it was decided to pay $25 per month for this office. The present chief also serves as day truck driver.

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Revival at the First Methodist Church tonight.

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OREGON WEEKLY REVIEW

Westport— Four-L members and Westport Lumber company will build club hall here.

Enterprise—Trainload of 4,000 fed lambs shipped to market.

Klamath Falls—Best water supply for years gives promise of good grazing and crops.

Sellwood—West Coast Tanning company building $15,000 tannery here.

Portland — Steel-concrete work being rushed on $250,000 Studio building.

Portland—Bids will be received up to March 14 for $475,000 Grant school building.

Eugene — Construction begins on $85,000 Catholic church here.

Salem—$90,000 contract let for superstructure of Leslie junior high school.

Gresham—New factory opened for making berry hallocks and crates.

Corvallis — American Legion plans to build temple here.

Newberg — Construction on first unit of Spaulding Pulp & Paper mill here.

Lane county lamb flocks showing an increase of 100 per cent or better.

Stayton — Cooperative cannery will build two large factory additions.

Klamath Falls—Log shipments by rail begin for 1927 season.

Garibaldi — Roosevelt highway construction well under way.

Vale—Work to begin at once on federal reclamation project, with $270,000 available for Warm Springs drainage unit.

Roseburg — Douglas county has about 80,000 hens, and poultry business is booming.

Riddle — Beaver Springs mine shows ore worth $2100 a ton.

Salem—Hunt Bros. building fruit warehouse, to cost $15,000.

Salem—Producers cannery building new plant unit and will add more machines.

Cochran—Wheeler's Eagle mill at Westimber reopens with two shifts, to employ 650 men.

Engineering and Metals Refining company has 20 men working on Rogue River black sands deposits.

Klamath Falls—Drilling to be resumed on reputed oil deposits near Bonanza.

Tillamook—$100,000 veneer plant to be built, to employ 150 men.

Salem—Miles Linen Mill has shoe thread order for two-thirds of its yearly output.

Portland — Ten important logging camps in Portland area resume cutting.

Baker—Diamond drill prospecting on Mother Lode mines warrants 500-ton plant.

Klamath Falls—Lomm's mill at Modoc Point, cut 31,500,000 feet of lumber during 1926.

Albany — Auxiliary volunteer fire department organized.

Prediction made that 1927 tourist travel in Oregon will break all records.

Portland — Steamer "Doriestar" will load apples, dried fruit and frozen fish for Europe.

Klamath Falls—New Christian Science church will cost $10,000.

Clackamas county fruit growers will build new cannery at Carver.

Milton-Freewater cherry growers pool last year paid $304,000.

Hood River—About 250 cars of apples remain in storage, after shipping 4550 cars.

Grants Pass-Oregon Caves highway widening begins.

Astoria—City commission accepts plans for 50-ton Northwestern Pulp & Paper mill. Plant can be doubled when Young's River water system is completed.

Astoria—Net earnings of Port of Astoria were $66,541 last year.

Vale—Local apiarists ship two cars comb honey to Oklahoma and Los Angeles. 1926 honey crop was four times that of 1925.

Roseburg— Several familes have come here from Texas, to buy farms.

In first 10 days of February, Portland shipped 108,000 boxes of apples to Europe.

Tualatin—Two local mint growers will add 55 acres to their mint fields this year.

Klamath Falls — Government will lease 60,000 acres Tule Lake grain and grazing lands.

Cottage Grove—Roy Beebe will reopen old Leona sawmill, idle for four years.

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Revival at the First Methodist Church tonight.

Covered Wagon Pioneer Quickly Restored to Health

Was So Weak Could Scarcely Use Arms or Legs. Sacramento Resident a Victim of "Flu," Loses Weight and Vitality. Finds Long-Sought Relief. Strength Restored. Praises Tanlac.

Pioneer blood flows in the veins of Frank Rikert, Box 1035, R. R. 10, Sacramento, Calif., a prominent stockman who trekked over the rough, hazardous trails from Illinois in the early sixties. But even his brawn, muscle and splendid health broke under the strain of modern living. "Flu" left its mark and threatened his life.

"I didn't care whether I lived or died, I felt so badly," said Mr. Rikert, "when I began taking Tanlac. My strength had vanished, sapped by the 'Flu.' My arms and legs were so weak that they were almost useless. I couldn't even turn over in bed without help, so completely undermined was my strength and vitality.

"One night my wife saw the Tanlac advertisement in the paper and urged me to try it. I bought a bottle and started taking it, and I felt better right off. In a few weeks I was able to do all my work. Not only did my weakness disappear, but I actually gained twenty pounds, and I have felt fine ever since.

"Yes, sir, I firmly believe that Tanlac saved my life. Naturally, I'm so enthusiastic about Tanlac I am telling all my friends it's a great medicine and I'll praise it as long as I live."

Tanlac helps conquer ailments and builds up strength in famished bodies. It banishes pain and frees the system of poison caused by constipation and sluggish liver. It is Nature's own remedy made from roots, barks and herbs according to the famous Tanlac formula.

Begin taking Tanlac and enjoy the benefits of strength and golden health. The first bottle usually brings results that will surprise you. Ask your druggist for Tanlac—today! Over 40 million bottles sold.

PIONEER ORCHARDIST DIES

(Associated Press Leased Wire.)

MEDFORD, Ore., Feb. 24—Elijah Denton, who planned the first orchard in the upper Natches section of the Yakima valley, and one of its first white settlers, died at his home in this city this morning. For 49 years he was a resident of Washington state. Three sons, residing in Klamath county, one at Natches, Wash., his wife, 14 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren survive him.

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COUNTY OFFICIALS MAKING SURVEY OF FLOOD DAMAGE

County officials are out today making a survey of the damage done by the flood. County Judge Quine went to Umpqua this morning to plan repairs for the approach of the big bridge there, while County Engineer Frear is trying to get through to Elkton to determine how badly the big steel bridge at that place was damaged, and whether or not any of it can be recovered.

My idee o' over doin' it is havin' two United States senators fer Idaho. Chicago's all excited over a chicken hawk, but what gits me is why vultures haven' got out' that place.

OUT OUR WAY

By Williams