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BUSINESS CONDITIONS

Industrial trends during the last few weeks have been distinctly encouraging states the current issue of the Guaranty Survey, published by the Guaranty Trust company of New York.

The most pronounced change has occurred in the iron and steel industry, where the situation has improved in several respects. Building activity continues at a very high rate. The possibility of serious difficulty as a result of the bituminous coal strike appears to have disappeared entirely. Crude oil production continues to decline. Wholesale and retail distribution has been stimulated by the advent of colder weather. The agricultural situation remains favorable.

On the other hand, the floods in New England represent an important addition to the unusually long list of obstacles which climatic conditions have placed in the way of business this year. The effects of this disaster have already been noted by automobile dealers, whose markets are still severely restricted by the general condition of unsettlement within the industry. The situation in New England is also affected by the adverse position of the cotton textile industry due to the advance in raw cotton prices and the unduly large output of goods in recent months.

The important factor in the present situation, to which proper consideration is not often given, is the broader distribution of wealth which is occurring in the present range of high wages. In the process, labor is receiving a larger share in the earning power of many of our business activities and as a result the compensation to capital is somewhat less. Complaints are frequently made of the narrowing margin of profits in business, which are in many instances due to this. While from the viewpoint of capital this narrower margin of net earnings is deplored, from the broader viewpoint of national prosperity, it may be of real advantage. The added buying power of higher wages is certainly reflected in the general business situation, and until the added share of labor return reaches the point where it restricts capitalistic enterprise, it may have added to, rather than restricted, business prosperity.

On the whole, the developments of the past month have been reassuring to those observers of business trends who feared that the failure of industry and trade to expand in any marked degree with the advent of the autumn season might be the forerunner of severe reaction. While the movement of railway freight is smaller than a year ago, it must be remembered that the distribution of goods during the autumn of 1926 was at abnormally high levels, and was followed by drastic curtailment at the end of the year. Moreover, the greater part of the decrease is accounted for by the single item of coal shipments. Bank debits to individual accounts outside of New York City, measuring the amount of commercial check payments, are larger than a year ago.

NO MAN'S LAND

These stories about warfare on the southern shores of Lake Michigan aren't so much chaff, after all, according to a recent summary of Chicago's gang activities.

Dr. Frederick M. Thrasher has written a book on the subject, which is used as a text by the University of Chicago sociology classes. The book shows that there are in Chicago 1,313 gangs, all of them criminal or so inclined. The membership numbers 50,000 young men and young women plus 10,000 professional criminals. They roam in the North Side Jungles, the West Side Wilderness and the South Side Bad Lands. Now and then they even sally into the lake for victims.

Gunmen run many of the labor and business associations. In politics their aim, together with the good right arm of bombers, is a powerful influence. Just now the gangs are at play with one another to see who shall take the marbles in Chicago's gambling world. We don't know whether Mayor Bill Thompson can shoot or not, but if he can't he must be one dandy little duck.

Chief of Detectives William O'Connor has a plan to take two squads of machine-gunners and roam the city, seeking battle with the gunmen. He prefers "men who saw machine-gun service in France."

"It has come to pass, men," he says, "when we've got to show that society and the police department are running this town, and not a bunch of dirty rats."

You're right, chief, it has.

A Tennessee woman who is 83 years old used the telephone the other day for the first time. Of course, she was on a party line.

Again we hear the wail that the old-fashioned family doctor is disappearing. Yeah, so's your old-fashioned family.

It isn't always the biggest car that hanks the loudest. The same holds true for people.

What this county needs is not more companionate marriages but a few less companionate ones.

Some people go in for free love because that's the only kind they're able to finance.

Consider the aesthetic dancer. She gets there by leaps and bounds.

Pedestrians should be seen and not hurt.

PRUNE PICKIN'S

By BERT G. BATES

GOOD EVENING FOLKS—

Liftin' the Standard of Education is the aim of this dept. And we gained so much ground yesterday that today we offer more questions—Fill out the Follies and Then throw it into the furnace.

1. Why does the head of the house always run and hide his glass behind the mantel clock when the door bell rings?
2. Why don't the Rotarians and Kiwanians act as jovial and light-hearted when they eat at home?
3. If the quarantine lasts two weeks how many cords of wood will little Willie be forced to chop?
4. Why does a fellow always lift his accelerator foot when he sees Chief Vaughn standing in the corner?
5. If Lather Barnes parts his hair in the middle why doesn't he cut his conversation in half also?

Now with the winter season fast approachin' why not have the city lease the Espee yards and convert it into an ice-skating rink. The turntable could be used for a merry-go-round for the kiddies and there wouldn't be much danger of a child being hit by a train as it could be found out ahead of time what day one would come through.

LAFE SEZ—

"Don't pour home-brew on yer radiator to keep it from freezein'—it's liable to paralyze it."

MEN ARRESTED HERE WANTED ON ROBBERY CHARGE

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 6.—Three men yesterday were identified at central police station as the robbers who last week held up the operators of three one-man street cars. Identification was established by the holdup victims, who picked the gunmen from a lineup of eight prisoners in the inspectors' division headquarters at the station.

The accused trio were arrested under the names of Floyd Smith, Johnnie Schlosser and Gus Smith, at Roseburg, Ore., Saturday night by Deputy Sheriff Leas of Douglas county. At the time they were held under larceny charges, involving theft of an automobile from Clarence F. Huser, Netherland hotel, last Friday night.

Patrolman Shaylor and Abbott of the Portland automobile theft division were notified, went to Roseburg, and brought the trio to this city Sunday.

A chance remark made by one of the men led police here to believe they might have been implicated in the three street car holdups Wednesday and Thursday night. Following their identification yesterday as the robbers, Inspector Collins announced that charges of assault and robbery armed with a dangerous weapon would be placed against them today.

Victims of the gunmen were G. E. Taylor, 602 Ramona street, conductor of a Hawthorne avenue car held up at the east side terminus of the line Thursday night; R. C. Sly, 133 Denver avenue, operator of an Irvington car held up at its east side terminus the same night; and Gordon Philip, 924 Forty-eighth avenue Southeast, operator of a Willamette Heights car held up at its west side terminus Wednesday night.

In the holdups Sly was robbed of \$20 and the other two conductors were robbed of \$12 each. Mr. Taylor identified Schlosser and partially identified Gus Smith as having been the robbers. Philip identified Gus Smith and Sly identified Gus Smith and Schlosser. All three suspects have police records here, the Smith boys for larceny and Schlosser for burglary.

A fourth man was arrested with the trio at Roseburg, but was not connected with the street car holdups. His name was W. L. Arnold.

The men arrested in the above dispatch from Portland were arrested in Roseburg last Saturday by Sheriff Webb and Deputy Sheriff Leas. The latter saw the men at his garage in Oakland and became suspicious of them, believing their car to be stolen. After they had departed he telephoned Sheriff Webb and ten followed the car into Roseburg. The four men, travelling in a big Hudson car, were stopped by the sheriff in front of the courthouse as they came in over the detour road, and when the men were arrested it was noticed that they were trying to hide something, which proved to be a coin bag, which was later identified as having been stolen from one of the street-car conductors. In searching the car a black leather coat and a black gun, described as being carried by one of the bandits, was located. The men so well answered the description given on the Portland police bulletin, that the officers in the metropolis were notified and they came to Roseburg and took the four men back to answer the charges against them.

Today

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crime was the crime of demanding liberty.

The automobile situation is encouraging for publishers. A great automobile advertising campaign is ahead for 1928. A half dozen makers produce what the people want. The problem is to let the people know in such a way as to force purchases. The power of suggestion, greatest force in salesmanship, resides, 99 per cent, in intelligent advertising.

Mr. Morrow, our ambassador to Mexico, inspecting Mexico's wonders, accompanied by President Calles of Mexico and Will Rogers, is much interested in a gigantic dam for irrigation now being constructed by the Mexican government in the state of Aguas Calientes.

After a few years Will Rogers, Ambassador Morrow and President Calles may see a big dam built by this slow moving government to utilize for power and irrigation the waters of the Colorado River. Anything can happen.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

An Early Picture of Roseburg

Editor News-Review—I will try to give you a memory sketch of a few of the people and conditions as they existed in and around Roseburg fifty years ago, when I first landed here. Casa street was practically the southern limits of the town at that time, although Lane and Mosher streets were laid out. There were about 12 or 15 houses between the railroad track and the river. The Owens ran the ferry at the foot of Oak street to the foot of Military street where the present bridge now stands. Military street was known as the Coos bay wagon road, it being the only way out of town to the west. There was no road down the river to Medford. There were only three houses on the west side, the old Mosher's house, where Louis Kohlhaagen now lives; A. J. Bellows lived across the road, as at present. L. F. Mosher lived just back of the Mercy Hospital in what is now known as Laurelwood. Grist Mill and 5 residences were across the creek, scattered along Winchester street. At the top of Winchester street, commonly known as the gap, was the old Nelson King place and Robert Drew, who lived near the present site of the Riverside Store, were the only houses on the west side. Winchester except the old Aiken place, now called the Edgewater Orchard Tract. The old house stood about 1/4 of a mile to the west of the road. David Bushey owned the property now known as North Roseburg, using it for farming and grazing purposes. Fowler, a nephew of Chadwick street, was practically the east boundary of Roseburg, although there were a few houses on Douglas street and three houses over the hill by the cemetery, then the old Stephens house across the creek from the present County Poor Farm and 4 houses along the road to Dixville. Then back to the south part of town, we find a few scattered houses. A man by the name of Crane owned the place now owned by Judge J. W. Hamilton, who at that time was starting out to become a lawyer. Then on Kine street we find Watson and Faint on the East side and F. Benet and Sweeney on the West, and a Jewtha Green house. Then we find the Aaron Rose place and on the hill just south of town. He was a fine old man and the founder of Roseburg, after whom the town was named. At this time there were 3 small brick buildings outside of the Court House. The Sheridan brick, which was torn down a year or two ago; the one-story brick now occupied by the 10 and 15 cent store and then occupied by M. Josephson and the present store of Cuiver's Hardware, which was owned by Hardy Stanton who ran a General Merchandise store and kept the post office, it being the farthest store south on Jackson street at that time. Dr. Hamilton had a drug store and as near as I can recollect, it was near the present one and was the only drug store at that time. Marks & Co. ran a general merchandise store in the present building now occupied by Smalger and fronted on Jackson street. Judge Fitzhugh had a store adjoining. Flood & Hayes ran a store on the corner of Washington and Main streets. There was one school house situated on the north side of the present Junior high. It was a two-story frame building and had a school bell. The principal at that time was Dr. Brown. Rev. W. A. Snick was pastor of the Presbyterian church which stood on the corner where the Grand Hotel is now. J. R. N. Bell was then pastor of the M. E. Church South, then located on the corner of Washington and Stephens streets, and being a part of the present school grounds. Mrs. Claffen ran the Claffen Hotel, situated on the present site of the Douglas Hotel, and faced on the corner of Main and Douglas streets. Papa Gilderlerv ran a cabinet shop on the corner of Jackson street. The present paper now contemplated, at that time was The Plaindealer, and The Star. The Plaindealer was published by Benjamin and located on the corner of Main and Oak streets and The Star was run by Carley Mosher, some place



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near the Water and Light office, where there were no cement sidewalks in town and the wooden walks were very poorly constructed. Jackson street was partly gravelled and you can imagine the condition of the streets in winter. The S. P. Railroad was built from Portland to Roseburg and Roseburg remained the terminus till 1883 when it was built on through to California. The mail and freight from the south was brought by Old Louisiana, who were very popular at that time. Joseph Carlson and his brother were running the old Empire barn at that time. The old barn was recently torn down by Von Casey and the present Lockwood Sales rooms built. On you there was China Sam who ran a laundry on the opposite side of the street and who washed my first dirty clothes. Frank Matthews ran a blacksmith shop on the corner.

Now to the memory of our departed friends and best wishes to those who still stroll the streets of Roseburg after 50 years. I will bid you adieu from Dec. 4, 1877 to Dec. 4, 1927.

J. W. DOWELL.

MORE THAN FIFTY XMAS GIFT BOXES SOLD FIRST DAY

The sale of Christmas gift boxes sponsored by the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce opened yesterday and more than 50 boxes were sent out the first day. The first large order was received from M. M. Akely, 148 Chadwick street, who is sending 12 boxes to as many friends in Maine. T. P. Byram, 733 E. Douglas St., also secured a number of boxes to be sent to friends in Nebraska and South Dakota.

An effort is being made to have the contents of the boxes different each year, so that they may be sent year after year to the same parties and still offer variety. This year they contain a 5 pound box of processed 20-40 extra fancy date prunes, 11 pounds Franquet walnuts, one can of Italian prunes in syrup, one red Spitzenberg apple and one yellow Newtown apple. An attractive label, featuring illustrations typical of Douglas county, is placed on each package. Over 500 of these boxes went out last year with every state in the union and several foreign countries being on the list.

The boxes sell for \$2.00 each, which includes the prepaid express to any express point in the United States.

NO FORUM LUNCHEON

The Chamber of Commerce announced today that there will be no forum luncheon this week due to the quarantine regulations. It is hoped to be able to resume the meetings next week.

WOULD CLOSE LAKE

(Associated Press Special Wire)

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 6.—The Rod and Gun Club of Florence, Oregon, has written to State Game Warden Clifford suggesting that one of several small lakes in Lane county be closed and made a feeding spot for ducks in order to attract more of the fowl into the district. Clifford said today that the matter seemed practicable and that the game commission would investigate.

THE TINYMITES

STORY BY HAL COCHRAN—PICTURES BY KNICK

The Tinymites were quite surprised and tickled when they realized they had a chance to take a trip to Santa's wondrous land. The toy tot said, "I am sincere in asking you. That's why I'm here." And Scouty promptly answered, "Oh, I think that would be grand."

Then Clowzy said, "How can we aid with toys and things that must be made? Does Santa really want us in his shop to help him out? We'd gladly lend a hand. That's true. But what work is there we could do? I think we really ought to know just what it's all about."

"Now, don't you worry," said the tot, "There's naught in Santa Land but joy. The work we do is fun because it's all for little tots. We make them tops and Christmas things, from roller skates to wee doll things. If you will help us build them, you can help us lots and lots."

And then the friendly giant said, "Why don't you Tinymites go ahead? I'm sure you will enjoy it just at this time of the year. You'll see queer things on Santa's shelf. I wish that I could go myself. But I am much too big, I guess. So I will stay down here."

The Tinymites thought a little while, and then they made the toy tot smile. "We'll go," they loudly shouted, "and we'll work for all we're worth. We'll gladly help old Santa Claus in making all his toys because we know 'twill bring real happiness to boys and girls on earth."

"That's fine," the soldier toy tot cried, "Come on, and we will start our ride. I think that we can make the trip in just a single day." Their giant friend then said,



READ THE STORY, THEN COLOR THE PICTURE

"Good-bye. You'll soon be riding on their way. (The Tinymites meet some of Santa's helpers in the next story.)"

RADIO PROGRAMS

Portland Stations
KGW, 4915—6:15 p. m. dinner concert; 7:30-9:00, Christmas program; 7:30-7:45, Thrift talk; 7:45-8:00, Book chat; 8:30-9:00, Sealy Sam program; 8:30-9:00, Auction bridge game No. 6, presented through the Pacific coast network; 9:10, "Everyday Hour," through Pacific coast network; 10:11, Pacific coast network presentation of "Betold Tales," a dramatic program.
KOIN, 319—5:15-6, topsy-turvy time; 6:15, dinner concert; 7:15-8:00, amusement guide; 7:15-8:00, orchestra music; 8:00, diversified studio features, vocal and instrumental; 9:30-10:00, popular program; 9:30, fight reports.
KEA, 2339—6:30-6:45, utility; 7:30-8:00, Neapolitan trio; 8:10, studio features; 10:12, dance music.
Other Coast Stations
KOAC, Corvallis, 2701—7:15 p. m., The Campus reporter; 7:25, Do You Know Oregon? 7:30, "A Problem Supplement in the Hog Ration," H. A. Lindgren; 7:40, Timely farm topics; 7:45, Chats with the Homeowner; 8:00, Poems of the Oregon Country; E. T. Reed; 8:05, Offerings in American Literature, No. 10, Prof. J. Borchardt.
KMO, Tacoma, Wash., 3541—8:30 p. m. studio concert; 8:30-9:00, orchestra concert; 9:11-9:30, dance orchestra; 11:30-12:30, dance orchestra; 11:30-12:30, theatrical frolic.
KMQ, Spokane, Wash., 3702—5:45 p. m. service period; 6:15, concert orchestra; 7:15-7:30, Mrs. Cohen's Little Boy Ben; 7:30-8:00, Santa Claus; 8:30-9:00, auction bridge; 9:10, Pacific coast network music; 10:11, network drama; 11:12, Davenport hotel dance orchestra, intermission solo.
KFOA, Seattle, Wash., 4775—6:30-7:30 p. m. concert trio;
7:30-8:00, Movie club; 8:15-8:30, theatrical act; 8:30-9:00, auction bridge; 9:10, Eveready hour, presented through the Pacific coast network; 10:11, Pacific coast network drama.
KOMO, Seattle, Wash., 336—6 p. m., Totem concert orchestra and male quartet; 7:00, silent; 7:30, concert orchestra and male quartet; 8:30-9:00, auction bridge; 9:00, Eveready hour, presented through the Pacific coast network; 10:11, Pacific coast network drama; 11:12-13:30, Herb Wiedel's dance orchestra.
KGO, Oakland, Calif., 3844—6:05-6:15 p. m. dinner concert; 6:55-7:30, news, weather, stocks and market reports; 8:30, "Cathedral Echoes"; 8:30-9:00, auction bridge; 9:10, Eveready hour, presented through the Pacific coast network; 10:11, Pacific coast network drama.
KFI, Los Angeles, Calif., 467—6:15 p. m., lecture; 6:30, vocal and instrumental solos; 7:00, orchestra; 8:00, vocal recital; 8:30-9:00, auction bridge; 9:00, Eveready hour, presented through the Pacific coast network; 10:11, Pacific coast network drama.
KFWD, Hollywood, Calif., 3612—6:15 p. m. dinner concert; 7:00, studio concert; 7:20, courtesy program; 7:50, news; 8:00, popular songs and music; 9:00, soloist and quartet; 10:00, dance frolic.
KPO, San Francisco, Calif., 4223—6:30-7:30 p. m. towncrier service; 6:30-7:30, orchestra concert; 8:00, Gypsy & Maria; 8:30-9:00, auction bridge; 9:00, Eveready hour, presented through the Pacific coast network; 10:11, Pacific coast network drama.
KNX, Hollywood, Calif., 337—6 p. m., Hotel Biltmore orchestra; 6:30, courtesy concert; 7:00, Playgoers' club; 7:30, feature program; 8:00, feature program; 9:10, courtesy entertainment; 10:11,

ROSEBURG HAS 13 STUDENTS AT STATE UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Ore., Dec. 5.—(Special)—Roseburg sends a total of 13 students to the University of Oregon. It is announced by Earl M. Pallett, registrar, Portland, with a total of 678, leads all cities in Oregon in enrollment. Of this number 272 are freshmen and 606 are sophomores, juniors and seniors.

Second on the list is Eugene with a total of 675. Of these 198 are freshmen and 455 upperclassmen. Salem, with 65, of which 27 are first year students, ranks third.

Other cities in Oregon sending several students are Baker, 17; Corvallis, 12; Milwaukie, 16; Oregon City, 23; Astoria, 43; Marshfield, 25; North Bend, 11; Hood River, 16; Ashland, 18; Medford, 23; Grants Pass, 15; Klamath Falls, 23; Lakeview, 30; Cottage Grove, 11; Junction City, 11; Springfield, 14; Albany, 19; Ontario, 12; Pendleton, 31; La Grande, 30; The Dalles, 19; McMinnville, 14; Newburg, 13.

A total of 219 cities and towns in Oregon send students to the University, the figures show. These figures include only the 2310 students registered on the Eugene campus, and do not take into account 223 students in the medical school in Portland, or the extension and correspondence school students.

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