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COOS COUNTY KEEPS STEADILY AT IT

The Observer is in receipt of a memorial to Congress issued by the commercial organizations of Coos Bay. It is a statistical work and coupled with the very attractive figures are scenes from the great country that produces the big timber.

Coos county is one of Oregon's great reservoirs of wealth and its future is assured. But, like many futures of the western localities, it is tired of waiting for it. People living there know full well they are entitled to government recognition and that the harbor should be improved; they know they have the great timber wealth and they want to cash in on it before the present generation dies off; they are anxious to have a little of this world's goods while they live and not dwell entirely on hopes and imagination.

For these and other reasons Coos county people have memorialized Congress to do a few things for the west coast of this state that should be done and The Observer sincerely hopes the efforts of the people on the coast may be productive of good results.

AS IS.

How seriously we all take ourselves. Guess it should be that way, but somehow it seems to be overworked—this seriousness. Men in Oregon who have made money get to thinking the world must revolve around their acts; men who have become prominent politically seem to think their every act is the measuring stick of events. The man who owns a hundred thousand dollars or more was on easy street a short time ago.

Most of them don't know now whether they own anything. Most of the political leaders are casting around like blind rats in a garret wondering how to legislate to bring back business, and so it goes.

Man's ability is woefully small, regardless of who the man is. His daily duties are his greatest asset. If he neglects or fails to do them he has squandered the very balance wheel of his life. And too often a spirit of financial luck or political success cause men to desert their daily toil, and then they go to pieces.

ONE COUNTRY, ONE LANGUAGE

The foreign language schools in this country were the subject of a new attack before the National Educational Association in session recently at Des Moines.

Professor A. B. Hart declared that all foreign language schools should be closed, and that foreigners should be admitted to the United States only under condition that they agree to learn the English language in three years. He favored deportation of those who failed to learn it in the time required.

There is reason for his contention. If the foreign language school interposes any barrier between the alien and his mastery of the English tongue, or his adoption of the institutions and ideals of this country, it should be abolished. Also if the alien remains so persistently a foreigner as to neglect to learn the language to a reasonable degree in a reasonable time, he might better go back to that land whose tongue he cherishes.

Gen. Pershing has pointed out the difficulty of inspiring men with the ideals of a country whose language they can neither speak, read nor write with any fluency, and he pleads for education as the great Americanizing force. It may be a wholesome American education to accomplish the right results, with the ideal of "one country, one language" for its foundation.

Depression and Effort

Thomas A. Edison, who is a big business man as well as a big inventor, and who has not done any complaining about dull times, is quoted as saying:

"I have been through five depressions in my business life. They are all alike. This latest one is exactly like all the rest. The men who, if business fell off 66 per cent, increased their selling effort 75 per cent, managed to pull through as if there was no depression, and the efforts of such men tended to shorten the periods of depression."

Mr. Edison assumes that the increased effort is intelligent. If he were to expand his idea, he would doubtless add that the effort necessary to overcome the depression handicap includes such a steady reduction of prices as will give the increased selling effort a chance to succeed; and along with the reduction, a revival of the fine points in the art of

Haywood On Jails

Our jails, says Mr. Bill Haywood, are better than Russian palaces. Here is expert testimony with a vengeance, testimony which we cannot believe biased on a point which many people have affected to be in doubt.

Mr. Haywood's American experiences were comprehensive and must have proved enlightening. His record of achievement this side of the water assured him a royal welcome in Moscow, whether or not the Bolsheviks called it just that. We are glad indeed to get his point of view in the matter, and we only wish that more of his disciples might have shared in his adventures and profited by them along with him.

Those of us who have seen the inside of American jails—in professional or editorial capacities, of course—have seldom been favorably impressed by the arrangements, the furnishings, the guests or the atmosphere, general or otherwise. We must believe that the Russian palaces are in a bad way.

Under the circumstances we cannot but wish for May Haywood a safe return to America, if only he may tell those who have had faith in him what he has learned.

After that, he could retire to a perfectly good American jail, for a long period of penal comfort.

'Round The County

Little Bit of Everything Cleaned By the Observer About People and Things.

This is the period Union county calls its hot season.

But that's a mistake. There is ice in the ground, and the ground is still frozen in certain spots—not up in the mountains, but right in the city limits of North Powder. North Powder is known as the ice-manufacturing center of Oregon in the winter time, when the supply of water and the drop of temperature make that possible but even North Powder herself did not know she had acquired new honors in the ice business.

It all came about this way. Last winter and spring before the frost was out of the ground, the fill for the big overhead crossing at North Powder was commenced and hurried along. Big chunks of frozen earth were dropped into the fill, and then some 20 or 30 feet of thawed-out dirt heaped on the chunks.

Saturday workmen began squaring up the fill preparatory to construction of the cement and iron portions, and imagine their surprise when they found frozen earth as they removed some of the original fill. The atmosphere about North Powder Saturday was such that the frozen ground was soon changed to a more summer-like state when exposed to sunlight, but frozen ground in North Powder in the middle of July was, nevertheless, a fact.

Congress might have been enjoying a vacation this summer, like other people, if it had been doing its work like other people.

"Picture brides" from Greece, like those from Japan, are to be sent back home. Admit them? Not on their tainties!

THE OFFICE CAT



Oked Wallie
"Be it ever so humble,"
Said Wallie McDome,
"I'm free to confess,
There is no place like home,
For your dear home and fireside
How fondly you sigh
When you're miles out of town,
And your gas tank runs dry."

No wonder Washington crossed the Delaware—there was a girl on the other side knitting him a necktie.

A local man says there is one thing harder to find than a lost collar button and that is a broad-minded woman.

Scientific boxing is a great thing, but the fellow with the inch and a half forehead and the "kick" in his right hand often takes the winner's end of the prize.

THE SAME EVERYWHERE

The editor of Pataa Akhbar, a native newspaper of Lahore, India, says: "I have used Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy many times among my children and servants, for colic and diarrhoea and always found it effective."—Adv.

A Friend Indeed

There is no friend at home that you will miss as much on your vacation trip as you will miss the Soda Fountain. Before you go, be sure that you come in and renew your attachment.

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The lowest form of animal life—a college year leader.

Our informant doesn't give his first name, but he solemnly avers that a Mr. Leak is the leading plumber in Ansoy, Ill.

And another kind of post is the fellow who prefaces a story thusly: "This wouldn't be a funny story if it wasn't true." Usually he's right.

Silly Asses
A silly rick is Almer Carroll. He's less brain than a chigger; He stuck his thumb in a shotgun barrel. And then he pulled the trigger.

Gus Levy says the only advantage a horse has is that he doesn't have to take off his shoes when he goes to bed.

The steady drop of water wears away the hardest stone, and the steady drop in prices makes it hard to float a loan.

In 1776 we fought for our freedom; now we have to go to Cuba to enjoy it.

Some people are so fond of an argument they won't eat anything that agrees with them.

A darn funny thing to us is how the man who chews tobacco expects to be kissed just as often as if he were fit to be kissed.

It was a dimly lighted parlor here in La Grande last Sunday evening. Time about nine-thirty p. m. Fred was on the easy chair while Grace was perched on his lap. He happened to weigh about a hundred less than she does and in this position he was completely concealed from view when Father entered the room. Father asked Grace why she was sitting there alone, whom she curiously replied: "Dad, I am enjoying it to the utmost."
Moral—There ain't none.

Two—Count 'Em—Two
When the average man goes to a banquet he experiences two separate and distinct emotions. First, he has a great dread that he will be called upon to speak, and when he isn't he feels that he has been mistreated.

Some women will never be happy, even in heaven, if the woman next

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Pepper: "No, dear, love," does happens to have a nicer pair of wings.

One of the main drawbacks to having a new fangled disease, is that it is hard to pronounce the name when boasting of it.

Correct
Mr. Pepper: "What is the greatest tonic?"
Miss Kewpie: "Taniae."

ished and scattered to four winds. How I escaped being torn to pieces I do not know—"

"Goddess gracious!" ejaculated little Mr. Book. "That reminds me, I almost forgot to do an errand for my wife."

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