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The Other Fellow's Business

Isn't it odd how much we all know about the other fellow's business? We know he is getting rich; that he is making big money; that his expenses are light; that he does not have to work as hard as we do.

That's a human failing. Right here in La Grande many have strange ideas of what it costs other people to do business. We do not say this in spirit of criticism, for it is a common ailment with all of us.

When a grocery store adds one of those ham slicers to better serve its customers, very few have the idea that the store has expended quite a sum of money in order to become more modern.

The automobile garage needs a new lathe, yet few people have any conception of what a new lathe costs.

The local newspaper may install a press that costs six or eight thousand dollars, but it does not receive a passing thought except by the ones who put their shoulders under the load and begin paying off the contract.

No one knows but Mr. Cherry what a large sum he has spent this summer in improving his green houses and property so that he can serve the people of these two counties with flowers.

The telephone company has just begun a large program of improvement and one of their first bills was for a switchboard that cost over \$20,000. Who would think, but a telephone man, that a switchboard would cost any such amount?

And so it goes clear down the line. This is a day of rendering service in every line of business and to do that is required large expenditure for improvements which the other fellow seldom sees and little considers.

Business is business these days, as big bets. There is no longer place for small capital in installing and starting business. Stores of today have fortunes invested in merchandise because people demand a selection of merchandise where they used to be satisfied with a few lines of staple articles.

Business is business these days, as it always has been, but business today means the investment of a lot of money and the spending of a lot of money to keep it going.

One old crusty chap who has been collecting around all his life wants to add a course in matrimony to the already heavily loaded colleges. He would teach girls and boys how to make love. Such an old fool should be treated by Dr. Osler at once or be turned over to Oregon's woman physician who has not much use for brainless men, either young or old. Doesn't he know that when he comes to reducing matrimony to a science—well, there must be some science, that's all.

Oregon's state fair board has issued a very attractive blotter as a fair advertisement. The design is a beautiful young girl, of course, two fine horse heads and a bunch of roses. Why is it old fellows who comprise fair boards always select a girl for advertising purposes? Maybe it's because they are men with red blood left in their veins.

Probably the starving Russians don't care who has a hand in the food distribution so long as they have their mouths in it.

FORUM

PLENTY OF GROUSE

The recent article in the Observer in regard to the scarcity of grouse has, it seems, started a discussion in this line among the hunters that denotes a big difference of opinion in regard to this. Inquiry denotes that many have seen plenty of birds and had excellent hunting. C. N. Palmer, who has been out twice, reports the limit for each trip, and eight of at least 50 birds the first day, and close to that number the second time, when himself and two others secured 14 birds. Claud Seranton, while not being very lucky in bringing them in, saw plenty of birds, at least 30 in one bunch. Roll Baker and J. A. Bugg also saw a lot of birds. As to their having gone back into the timber, and not being found in places where they have been found plentiful before, this fact is accounted for because they have moved to where the red and white berries are to be found. The impression to be gathered from the article heretofore published might be that the scarcity of birds could be traced to the negligence of Game Warden Walden in attending to his duties. This evidently is not the case, in the light of what the successful hunters are reporting. It is the opinion among those who know the habits of grouse and deer, as well as other game birds and animals, that they are rapidly increasing in Union and Walla Walla counties, and that Warden Walden is doing all that one man could do to promote their welfare. All the pre-hunting season shooting that one hears of is not being done at game, many lovers of a shot gun being attracted by "foot it" and taking to the hills to shoot crows and magpies, which all recog-

IN THE OLD HOME TOWN



THERE WAS A LOT OF EXCITEMENT ON MAIN STREET TODAY WHEN PAUL CASH STAGGERED IN LOOKING FOR TROUBLE.

size as being destroyers of game birds. The hunters, themselves are also to be commended for the increase in game, as they are rapidly coming to the conclusion, through the American idea of fairness, that the best way is to cooperate in the protection of game birds and animals, realizing that if no out of season hunting is done that there will be plenty for all when the time arrives to go and get them. Another opinion gathered from the hunters is that what birds have been secured have been in almost every case full grown which denotes an early hatch; also a point in favor of the later season.

—A HUNTER.

AROUND THE EDGES

By BRUCE DENNIS

The search for health far surpasses the search for gold. To believe that somewhere there is someone who can relieve the tired muscles, nurse back the shattered nerves, take away the dull headaches and restore the elastic step is a beacon light to urge humanity on to find that person or institution.

This was demonstrated beyond question a few days ago when Ben Bodine of Kelso, Washington drove to Hot Lake in a shaky wheeled off buggy drawn by a flimsy cayuse pony. Ben is in fearful condition. Shattered in body, his limbs quivering and hands shaking. He sought Dr. Phy and told him his story. An examination followed showing that this poor chap has multiple sclerosis fastened firmly upon him.

Touched by every feature and condition of the man, Dr. Phy, with his usual deep affection for those in trouble, spoke in a low tone to Ben asking him why he had come to Hot Lake.

"Because," said the tottering man, "I have heard of Hot Lake and of you for a long time and my aim in life for months has been to reach here before it was too late. I have driven in that buggy clear from Kelso traveling only a short distance and resting myself and the horse. And with that question Ben's eyes snapped in eagerness for the answer. The doctor dropped his head, saying, 'Ben, have others told you they could cure you?'

"Yes," came the reply, "but they have never done it. I have tried everything and many who said they could cure me. What will it cost me doctor, to be cured?"

Then Ben told of his finances, how he had spent all the money he could get in trying to be cured; how he had

a brother who wanted to stay with him and nurse him but he told him to go to Alaska where he might make a gold strike; how he had lived along gradually using up his means until all he had left was eighty acres of land, but he proudly staked the land as payment for treatment.

"Ben," said the doctor whose voice showed considerable emotion, "We could tell you there was hope for you and take your eighty acres of land, but Ben, we would be telling you a lie for my dear man, much as I regret to tell you, there is no hope for your case."

A silence followed, neither doctor nor prospective patient could look at each other for several seconds. Finally Ben pulled his shaky form together and said, "Thank you, doctor, I'll be on my way," and he got in his little buggy.

Knowing that Ben's supply of cash to meet his travel needs must be low, Doctor Phy slipped a ten dollar bill in the man's pocket and turned again to his busy life among his sanatorium patients. There was a lump in his throat as he walked down the hall saying, "The world is full of tragedy—oh, so full."

One of the amusing things at the K. O. M. picnic Sunday afternoon was the explanations offered by former residents of Kansas, Oklahoma and Missouri as to why they came west. Not one would permit the assertion to go unchallenged that he had to leave his native state. Even George Ball denied that he left "No Man's Land" in Oklahoma for any other reason than his own choice.

Necessity is the mother of invention, remarked N. M. McCullough who fixed up a cooking device so the Ford can do the cooking. Mr. McCullough is from Oklahoma.

Mail Carrier Van Housen of Alfeld, has carried the mail on his route for nineteen years and has not missed a day. He says next month he is going to quit the game, but he won't. Habit is too much to deal with so lightly. Van used to run a livery stable in Girard, Kansas, when the livery business was fat and fine. But he sold out, gave away eighty acres of Kansas land and a lot of personal property in order to be free to move to the Grande Ronde valley. He heard from the land the other day and it has all well, all over it, "I wouldn't live back there for all the oil wells in Kansas," remarked Van.

Henry Davis, the old bridge builder and house mover, says he can remember John Brown, of Osawatomie fame, very well. If anyone is mean enough to do a little figuring that makes Henry a powerful old man. But, let's not figure.

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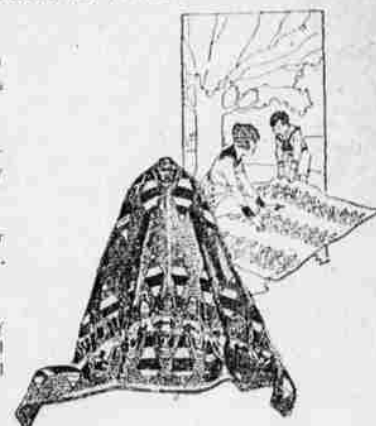
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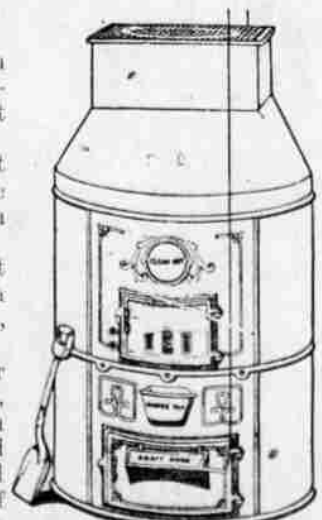
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