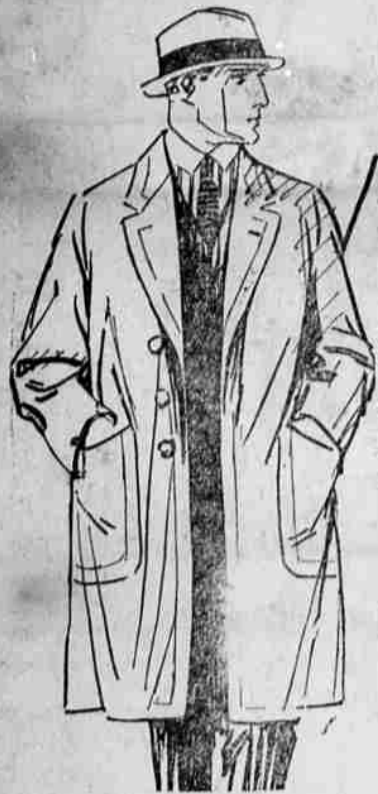


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REGARDING MR. CLEAVER.
Editor, La Grande Evening Observer: I notice in your issue of last evening a statement of the bankruptcy of Geo. L. Cleaver, which also appeared in the Oregonian of same date, and I wish to correct an inaccuracy which appears therein.

The La Grande National Bank held notes of Cleaver in 1917 aggregating \$14,050, secured. We collected on these notes out of sales of collateral security \$3650. The balance \$10,400, we charged off as a possible loss in November, 1917. Later on, we thought it advisable to sue Cleaver and obtain a judgment for this latter amount, which we did. The amount is there \$10,450, not \$20,115, as stated in the bankruptcy report, and it was removed from our books seven years ago.

We deem this correction necessary so that no wrong deduction may be made.
Yours truly,
F. L. MEYERS,
Clerk.

1-20-21p.

BUSINESS IS SOUND IN NEW ENGLAND NOW

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both employers and wage workers. Living conditions are pleasant and not excessive in cost.

"In looking into the future, however, the one feature which makes me bullish on New England is the vast amount of available water power. Not only is cost constantly becoming more expensive, due to increased freight rates and increased labor costs at the mines, but the constantly occurring labor disturbances are a continual menace to steam operated plants. This means that those who are dependent wholly upon steam, not only are handicapped by a constantly increasing power expense, but they are always subject to shut down due to labor disturbances. Sections of the country which are blessed with water power, however, are largely free from these two handicaps. There is no reason why hydraulic power should cost any more fifty years from today than it costs today. Moreover, water power does not 'strike' for higher wages or changed working conditions. New England not only has some very large water powers, but has a very great number of small unharmed streams. These small powers are now being developed in a most interesting way. As New England was the first to put in operation the 'one-man car' on its street railways, so it is now developing 'no-man water powers.' Devices have been invented whereby water power stations and substations are being automatically operated without any man in the station. These stations need only a visit for inspection purposes once in a while. Certainly this is inexpensive power, and there is nearly a million of such horse power available in New England today for development by this automatic method.

"The following figures should be of interest to those who are investors in New England enterprises. The total value of products manufactured in the United States increased 15 per cent between 1914 and 1919. During this period the products of southern New England alone increased approximately 150 per cent. The value to raw material added by manufacturers for the entire United States increased 14 per cent during this same period, while the increase in southern New England was 157 per cent. During this period the capital invested for the entire United States increased 93 per cent. Taking the number of wage workers in the country as a whole, the increase for this period was 21 per cent with an increase in southern New England of about 24 per cent.

"The most remarkable figures are in connection with the cotton industry, in which New England has over one half billion dollars invested, and 250,000 people employed, who draw annual wages of nearly a quarter of a billion dollars. There has been much talk of the cotton industry going South, and investors therefore assume that New England cotton mills are no longer a safe investment. If a new mill could be built in the South today at a cost comparable with these New England mills, the future of the New England mills might be question-

ed. The fact is, however, that the New England mills are capitalizing per spindle for only one half, or perhaps one third, of what a new southern mill must be capitalized at if built and equipped today. Moreover, as New England can get her cotton by water, there is not much to fear from exorbitant freight rates. As a matter of fact, New England should more than hold her own—especially in the manufacture of the finer grade of cotton.

"Frankly, when surveying New England business conditions in a careful and unbiased manner, the labor situation is the one uncertain factor, American labor in New England is all right. It is earning good money, giving efficient service, and enjoying good living conditions. A large group of the foreign element in New England, however, fears neither God nor man. It seems to feel that it has no responsibility to render fair service in exchange for the wages it receives. There seems to be no method of satisfying these radical workers by either high wages or short working hours. They frankly say that however high the wage or however short the hours, they still will fight for higher wages and shorter hours. Of course, such a condition cannot continue indefinitely without the wrecking of industry. Employers and wage workers are not the only ones interested in this industrial struggle; the consumers of the country are vitally interested as well.

"When costs get too high, consumers can strike as wage workers. During the past two or three years this has happened in the case of the shoe industry and certain phases of the clothing industry. In the case of the shoe industry it has had beneficial results already, as the labor unions of Lynn, Mass., have 'requested' a reduction in wages of from 10 per cent to 15 per cent in order to compete with western shoe manufacturers. This, of course, is a hopeful sign, but it must be followed in many other similar instances in other industries. Furthermore, what I say regarding labor in New England applies to a large number of other cities and towns as well throughout the United States and Canada. Labor unions have their place in industry and have been a great factor in improving American conditions, but like every other good thing, labor unions can be abused. In many instances they are being misused today by certain unprincipled leaders, who are attempting to defy fundamental economic laws. Unfortunate are the communities which are suffering from such experiments. The solution, however," concluded Mr. Babson "depends not on destroying the unions but on having these ignorant or selfish leaders replaced by intelligent, honest men, who have the good of the country as a whole at heart."

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