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## THE BANKERS' PART IN LIFE.

Tonight the bankers of Jackson county meet to form a permanent organization, and this calls attention to the all-important part that the banker plays in the life of the community, and the influence this association may have upon the development of the Rogue River valley.

About the banker, more than about any individual, revolves the commercial life of the locality. The guardian of the people's funds, the encourager of enterprise, the financial adviser of the multitude and the unit between capital and credit, the banker plays an all-important role. Upon his foresight and wisdom, upon his progressiveness depends largely the progress of the community.

The successful modern banker is usually a broad-minded man. The narrow type, familiar in days of yore, the banker intent only upon taking advantage of the misfortunes of humanity, like a pawn broker, to grow rich himself, is becoming scarcer and scarcer, and it is a good thing, for frequently the banker's rise in wealth was reflected in the decay of the town, whose finances he controlled.

The banker must be a good business man, because he is entrusted with the savings of many. He must also have red blood in his veins, for he is the confident of the widow and the orphan, and must shield them from misfortune, and the guide and adviser of the farmer, the business and professional men, and must ever place their interests above his own.

Upon the banker largely depends the credit of the community, and of the individuals comprising it, and "credit," said Daniel Webster, "has done more, a thousand times, to enrich nations than all the mines of the world," and as has also been said, "the banks are creators, distributors and conservators of credit. This power, mightier than armies, is within certain limits, under their control. They can use this force to encourage or to discourage."

Jackson county is fortunate in having broad-minded and progressive men among those ruling its financial destiny. So here's good luck to the Clearing House association, hoping that it unites the commercial and financial interests of the county for its greater prosperity.

## NATIONAL WEALTH AND THE FARM.

"National Wealth and the Farm" is the title of a recent address by James J. Hill, an appeal to those in charge of the wealth and industry of the country to exert their influence in the direction of better farming. Mr. Hill said in part:

"The farm is our main reliance. Every other activity depends upon that. The farms of this country are now adding annually over eight billion dollars to the total of our assets; a total which, unlike that of manufacturing and other industries, represents not value conferred by human labor upon some material already existing, but value actually created out of elemental things. This is the annual miracle of the earth; quite as wonderful as if a new planet should appear in space each twelvemonth. It is the mother of every other form of human industry. Our tillable area may be made to support millions of people greatly multiplied after the last bit of mineral has been extracted from the earth, and man's ingenuity in fashioning tools and fabrics has passed its limit. There is no comparison in volume, in value and in relation to human enterprise and the very continuance of human life between the cultivation of the soil and any other occupation.

"The situation, then, sums itself up thus: We have almost reached a point where, owing to increased population without increased production per acre, our home food supply will be insufficient for our own needs; within ten years, possibly less, we are likely to become a wheat-importing nation; the percentage of the population engaged in the agriculture and the wheat product per acre are both falling; at the same time the cost of living is

raised everywhere by this relative scarcity of bread, by artificial increase in the price of all manufactured articles, and by a habit of extravagance which has enlarged the view of both rich and poor of what are to be considered the necessities of life. These plain facts should disturb and arouse not only the economic student, but the men who are most intimately related to the wealth of the nation and most concerned that it shall not suffer loss or decrease.

"What we must come to—and the signs of the times indicate that we cannot make head in that direction too rapidly—is the smaller farm, with a more intensive agriculture. We support, in round numbers, ninety millions of people on three million square miles of land. We should be able to support 150 per square mile as easily as 30; and then we should have but a fraction of the density of population of Denmark with 167 inhabitants per square mile, Holland with 448, or our own state of Rhode Island with 407 in 1900. But the education of a whole people in right methods of tillage is a stupendous task. If it should take us fifty years, we would by that time probably have doubled our population also, and barely kept pace with our necessities. But we have not yet accomplished the mere preliminaries of such a process.

"What has to be taught is not abstruse. While high-grade farming can furnish employment for the best intelligence, instruction in a few simple subjects will enable the ordinary farmer to double his product. He needs to be taught how to prepare a field properly for the seed; how to select and where to get the seed that will yield the best return; how to cultivate each crop; how to combine stock raising with tillage; and how to rotate his crops and preserve unimpaired the richness of his soil. On his own farm, with the material and the object lesson before him, under instruction that comes with public authority and sanction, he will be a pupil apt to learn. It is on a par with the importance of the public school. We have not yet made a beginning; but every other interest and every other item of proposed legislation might well wait until we do.

"An eminent historian, scanning the history of more than twenty-five hundred years with the eye of the philosopher, determined to extract from this vast store of facts, according to the modern scientific method, some fixed principle in the affairs of men, announces this as his conclusions: 'The only durable conquests, even in ages of barbarism, are conquests made by the plow.' If this was true of the rude ages when men lived for the sword, and the tiller of the earth was either a slave or a still more wretched peasant, it is far truer today, when civilization has built her imposing fabric upon the expected bounty of the earth. We must maintain, protect, and extend these conquests by which the race has won its way. It is not, as in the old mythology, Atlas whom we see groaning beneath the weight of the world upon his shoulders, but the homelier and humbler figure of the cultivator of the soil. It is for each of us, in every capacity, public and private, to do what in us lies to enlighten, reinvigorate and sustain this common benefactor of our kind."

## FIRST STORE FOR THE EAST SIDE PLANNED

Residence Section Is Growing So Rapidly That Suburban Store Is Badly Needed on That Side.

The East Side is at last to have a grocery store and a meat market. Frank Bybee and the Heil brothers are back of the venture and their plans have so far progressed that if matters do not miscarry their place of business will open in October.

They have secured a lot, and on it will erect a store building which will house a grocery store and meat market. They plan to run a store modern in all respects, which, in view of the rapidly increasing population on the East Side, will prove a profitable venture, as well as building up the East Side in rapid order.

It is expected that once a suburban store is started on that side of the city, that others will follow in short order. The residents are already after a school and will probably soon obtain one.

F. Y. Allen, merchant and capitalist of Trail, Or., yesterday took advantage of the low prices on Medford real estate and closed a deal with the Benson Investment company for the remaining unsold lots in the Woodlawn Heights addition.

### Vulture and Rattler.

An odd battle between a California vulture and a rattlesnake was witnessed in the Cocopah mountains of Lower California. It was in the early morning. The big bird had seized the snake behind the head and was struggling upward with its writhing, deadly burden. The snake's captor appeared aware that its victim was dangerous. The burden was heavy, as the reptile was nearly five feet long.

The grip of the bird on the snake's body was not of the best. The snake seemed to be squirming from its captor's talons; at least sufficiently to enable it to strike. Its triangular head was seen to recoil and dart at the mass of feathers.

It did this once or twice, and then with a shriek the vulture dropped its prey. The bird was probably 500 feet or so above the observers. The astonished men were then treated to a spectacle seldom seen. Few birds but a vulture could accomplish such a feat.

The instant the snake escaped from the bird's clutches it dropped earthward like a shot, and like a shot the bird dropped after it, catching it in midair with a grip that caused death. At any rate, the snake ceased to wriggle, and the vulture soared away to a mountain peak to devour its hard earned meal.

### The Distinguished Guest.

Captain Raabe was a man whose name had weight in the French cavalry. He was a tall man, belonging to the middle aged trooper type. With military qualities of the highest kind, he had a singular bearing, a savage sort of misanthropy and a cynical tongue, which stood in the way of promotion. When he was in the Sixth lancers, on garrison duty at Commerc, one of his comrades brought his father to dine with him at the

officers' mess, a man of humble position and unpretentiously dressed. Captain Raabe, considering that this guest had not been duly received, gave expression to his opinion, saying that if the executioner of Commerc had come in evening dress he would have had a better reception. The officers denouncing, he made no rejoinder, but shortly afterward came to mess with a guest whose dress was irreproachable. Every one lavished attentions on the unknown. When dinner was over Captain Raabe, raising his glass, proposed the health of "the executioner of Commerc."

### A Clever Acrobat.

A diverting anecdote is told in "Annals of the Liverpool Stage" of an unrehearsed episode that occurred at the Hop, a cheap but popular place of entertainment. A troupe of acrobats were engaged, and one of their number gave a "single turn" in which he displayed his skill as a champion weight lifter. Somebody, however, on mischief bent, changed one of the fifty-six pound weights for one made of cardboard. The strong man's vision was impaired by the loss of one eye, but in this instance not unfortunately so. He took the first and second weights, and after having manipulated them he took the third, the one made of cardboard. Realizing in an instant what had been done, he as quickly decided to turn it to his own advantage by throwing three "flips" while holding the dummy weight. He was greeted with a perfect round of applause, and the audience declared it to be the greatest feat they had ever witnessed.

### Not Built That Way.

For the first time the old lady was about to make a railway journey, and when she arrived at the station she did not know what to do.

"Young man," she said to a porter, who looked about as old as Methusalem, "can you tell me where I can get my ticket?"

"Why, mum," he replied, "you get it at the booking office through the pigeonhole."

Being very stout, she looked at the hole in amazement, and then she burst out in a rage:

"Go away with you, you old idiot! How can I get through there? I ain't no blessed pigeon!"—London Answers.

Spices and extracts at 36 So. G street.

Regal shoes at Daniels for Duds.

### CITY NOTICES.

#### NOTICE TO CEMENT AND PAVING CONTRACTORS.

Notice is hereby given that the city council of the city of Medford, Oregon, will receive sealed proposals for the paving of Orange street from Main street to Fourth street, and West Tenth street from Oakdale avenue to Hamilton street, with bitulithic pavement, and for the placing of concrete or cement curbing on both sides of said streets.

All bids must be submitted on forms to be furnished by the city engineer, and filed with the city recorder on or before 4:30 p. m. on the 27th day of September, 1909.

All bids must be accompanied by a certified check payable to the city treasurer equal to 10 per cent of the estimated amount bid for, to assure good faith to enter into contract, and to be forfeited to the city of Medford if the successful bidder defaults in contracting.

Plans and specifications may be had by calling on the city engineer. Dated at Medford, Oregon, this 15th day of September, 1909.  
ROBT. W. TELFER, 162 City Recorder.

### RESOLUTION

Be it resolved, by the city council of the city of Medford, that it is the intention of the council to cause Orange street, in said city, to be improved by placing a cement curb on both sides thereof and by paving the same with bitulithic pavement to a width of 30 feet from the north line of Seventh street to the south line of Fourth street, and to assess the cost thereof against the property adjacent to said improvement.

The council will meet at the council chamber in the city hall in said city of Medford on the 27th day of September, 1909, at 8 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of hearing and considering all protests against said improvement and the assessing of the cost thereof as aforesaid.

The city recorder is hereby required to give notice of the foregoing by posting five copies of this resolution in five public and conspicuous places in said city and by publishing the same in the official paper of said city.

The foregoing resolution was passed by the city council of the city of

Medford on September 14th, 1909, by the following vote: Merrick aye, Welch aye, Eifert aye, Wortman aye, Demmer aye, Emerick absent.

Approved September 14, 1909.  
W. H. CANON, Mayor.

Attest:  
ROBT. W. TELFER, 153 Recorder.

### RESOLUTION.

Be it resolved, by the city council of the city of Medford, that it is the intention of the council to cause West Tenth street in said city to be improved by placing a cement curb on both sides thereof and by paving the same with bitulithic pavement to a width of 30 feet from the west line of Oakdale avenue to the east line of Hamilton street, and to assess the cost thereof against the property adjacent to said improvement.

The council will meet at the council chamber in the city hall in said city of Medford on the 27th day of September, 1909, at 8 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of hearing and considering all protests against said improvement and the assessing of the cost thereof as aforesaid.

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### NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Notice is hereby given that the city council will receive bids for the construction of a five-foot cement sidewalk on the east side of Oakdale avenue from Seventh to Eighth streets, same being three hundred (300) feet in length; and also for a five-foot cement sidewalk on the south side of Sixth street from the corner of d'Anjou street to a point 140 feet east.

Bids may be filed with or mailed to the city recorder up to 4 o'clock p. m. September 21st, 1909.  
Dated September 15, 1909.  
ROBT. W. TELFER, City Recorder.

### NOTICE

Is hereby given that the undersigned will apply at the next meeting of the city council of Medford, Oregon, October 5th, for license to sell malt, vinous and spiritous liquors in less quantities than one gallon at lot 10, block 20, in Medford, Oregon, for a period of six months.

BASS & HALE.

Dated September 15, 1909.

Regal shoes at Daniels for Duds.

### TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY.

WANTED—A small furnished or unfurnished cottage, 5 rooms, close in. Address M, care Tribune.

LOST—From Moore Hotel, yellow cocker spaniel pup, 6 months old. Reward for return. J. Anderson, Jacksonville, 158

WANTED—3 or 4 furnished house-keeping rooms. Address E, care Tribune, 156

FOR SALE—5-Room modern bungalow, 7 blocks from postoffice, on South Central avenue; \$220, terms. Benson Investment Co., 154

FOR SALE—8-room modern house on Mistletoe street, furnished, \$4300. Benson Investment Co., 154

FOR SALE—5-room modern house, partly completed, on Olson street; \$2000; terms. Benson Investment Co., 154

FOR SALE—Small house, with 7 lots, on W. Jackson; \$1400; terms. Benson Investment Co., 154

FOR SALE—5-room house, new, on W. Jackson street; \$1450; terms. Benson Investment Co., 154

FOR SALE—Two 5-room houses on W. Jackson street; \$2800; terms. Benson Investment Co., 154

FOR SALE—Low 6-room bungalow, modern, on Hamilton street about one block from Oakdale avenue; \$2600; terms. Benson Investment Co., 154

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