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Sense And Some NONSENSE



By Dewey

People of the area realize the importance of an ambulance, as was reflected, last Saturday evening, at the "hard times" dance, staged by the dance committee of the Odd Fellows Lodge.

While the hall was filled to capacity, hundreds of people purchased tickets when they never planned to attend, all because the cause was worthy, and their donations went toward a worthy cause.

Viewed by an outsider, this is the spirit which attracts more people to want to become a resident of such a community.

Along the same line, perhaps, is the showing made by the Cubs and Boy Scouts who staged a benefit show, Tuesday evening. The little boys, knowing what the money would be used for, went out and sold over three hundred tickets in advance.

What puzzles me more than anything else in this community is the desire of someone to dump garbage on the property of others

when they would be almost willing to murder if the procedure were reversed. I'll admit that the road to the garbage dump leaves much to be desired, but at the same time, postponement of the dumping could have been postponed until the road was passable.

An outlet, other than dumping on others, is patronage of the local garbage collector, who has this job as a means of livelihood. At least, that would be much more honorable.

Informative, as well as interesting is the "Letter From Washington," furnished weekly by Harris Ellsworth, representative of this district at the national capital. A newspaper man himself, Mr. Ellsworth writes this column as a newspaper reporter would, even if in first person.

It is my belief that Mr. Ellsworth wants to keep his constituents posted on affairs as they happen in Washington, which is certainly in the world spotlight. Mr. Ellsworth, by virtue of his committee appointment, will be of unique value to the coast areas which depends largely upon the things coming up before his committee.

May I suggest that any legislator who wishes to tell his people back home what is happening or will happen, can go little off the path which his electors put him there to perform.

Facing this area in the next two years, it seems to me, will be the greatest expansion of any one particular spot in the state, if people will only put shoulders behind the load and work with a common aim, and not discourage any person from choosing to expand or to establish some new business or industry.

Why do I say this? Well, it may take several columns to tell everything I'd like, but in a few words, here's the picture as

I see it:

The timber industry is coming into its own, right here in this county where one of the few virgin stands of timber remains in the United States. That, properly developed will loosen the markets for many thousands of other items of manufacture, and at the same time, encourage the growing of new crops, thus expanding agriculture.

Coming of timber expansion will make possible the building of much-needed homes, which, in turn, means plenty of employment. Employment means money to spend, which means bigger and more businesses to meet demands along the coast. Such is the picture, if only encouraged.

Selfishness cannot enter into the picture, if all are to gain. It may mean that people holding undeveloped property will have to sell to capital which will go ahead to develop this or that new project. All, in all, everyone of this area must study and work together for the general common good. Think that over.

Garbage Dump Is Ready For Public

After considerable expense, the Brookings-Harbor Chamber of Commerce, through co-operation of the county, has re-built the community garbage dump, with a better road to it. Located a short distance from the original site, this dump is free to the public for disposing all refuse.

Donated by Elmer Bankus to the chamber of commerce, the land is a 5-acre plot, lying up the river from Harbor. The original road was too steep to hold the gravel during the wet season. The new plot, according to the committee eliminates this obstacle.

Promiscuous dumping of garbage about the community must cease, not only because it is unlawful, but for sake of the beauty of the community. Elsewhere in this issue appears an advertisement offering a reward for information leading to arrest and conviction of anyone dumping at any spot except at this dump.

Forest Service Promotes Nance

Ranger Marion N. Nance, has been in charge of the Curry County ranger district with headquarters at Gold Beach, since April, 1945. He has accepted a position with the Bureau of Land Department of Interior. Headquarters for Mr. Nance in the position will be in Portland to report there for duty February 1, 1946. This assignment while carrying an increase in salary, steps Mr. Nance up a grade.

John C. Porsch has been selected to succeed Nance on the Curry County ranger district. He is a graduate of the forestry school of University of Minnesota, and has had a long experience with the forest service, having been employed since 1926. He comes to the Curry County from the Olympic national forest in Washington. He is married and has two small children, who will move to Gold Beach Feb. 1.

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