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THE COUNTY JAIL

The county court has been a target for every grand jury for some time, and criticism has been free concerning the condition of the county jail, which we are informed is not the most sanitary place imaginable.

The grand juries insist that these conditions must be corrected, and the court takes the position that if a man does not like the place he can stay out of it, which is not a bad idea either.

We believe the better and more profitable solution of the problem would be to correct the condition of the jail, and work the prisoners on the roads as they have been for the past month. This would cause the next grand jury to look for something else to make the text of their report next term at least.

ANOTHER GOOD YEAR

Prices that are being offered for the 1917 wheat crop, which is yet to grow are above \$1. Wool is being freely contracted at prices that seem to justify the claim that a sheep is worth more than the cow brute of 1890, and all kinds of produce at the high water mark can but mean another big year for the people of this part of the state.

Most of the mortgages and old accounts were paid the past year and another year of the same kind will mean many new buildings, new automobiles and much improvement.

UP TO THE WEATHER MAN

With a committee of business men from the commercial club accepting the city council's offer in furnishing the guarantee, the last delay is removed and only the weather will set the date for construction work along practically the entire line of railway, from Prineville to the Oregon Trunk connection.

The greater part of the distance is shallow surface grading, and freezing and thawing would make this much more expensive.

This is ideal weather for other work, which is to be started at once however.

LOOKS LIKE BUSINESS

From the start already made, it seems that the Oregon legislature is planning to redeem itself in the eyes of the people this year.

Organization was effected without delay, committee appointments disposed of in a commendable manner, and bills already introduced provide some badly needed legislation in the way of reforms, economies, both in the administration of the affairs of the state and in lesser ways, and some badly needed social reforms as well.

From the rush that is being made for 640 acre homesteads it seems a safe prediction that the day of "free range" and the range war is over and that a few months at most will eliminate the Government domain.

The manner in which the railway right-of-way guarantee was signed up on Friday would indicate that Prineville people are yet in favor of their railroad.

BEND ITEMS

Damage sustained by the O'Kane building as the result of Sunday night fire, will total \$865, according to the report of the adjuster, A. B. Everts, who has been at work here since yesterday morning. The loss sustained by the Martin & Cashman store, mostly the result of smoke and water, is being computed today.—Bulletin.

Frank Henderson, son of J. W. Henderson, found a dynamite cap while playing on the east side of the track recently and on the dare of his fellow playmates held it in his left hand while he touched a lighted match to it to see what would happen. The explosion which followed blew three fingers and the thumb off the hand. Unless complications arise, Frank will be around in a few days. Dynamite caps make poor playthings. Men careless enough to leave them around should be prosecuted.—Press.

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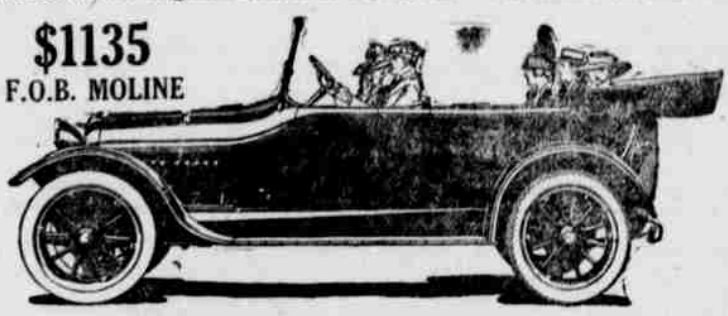
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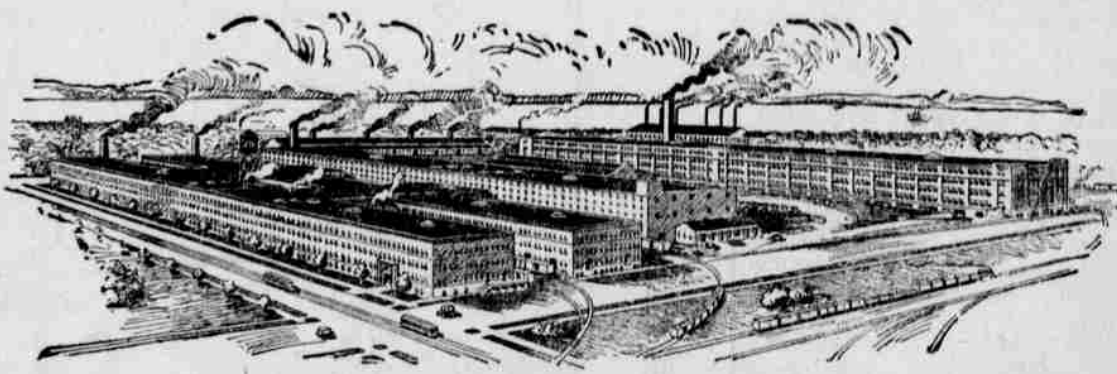
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