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THE ITINERANT MERCHANT pays no taxes; pays no license; pays no rent; has no local payroll; does not enrich, but rather drains the community.

The above quotation is from a bullet of the Chamber of Commerce of Portland, Oregon. It is a true statement of facts and the business men of our town are, or ought to be, interested in it.

The business men of every community and their city authorities should co-operate in protecting the taxpaying business man from the non-resident who only interest is to drain money out of the community and deprive home workers of their livelihood.

In the larger affairs of the nation, it is just as important that chambers of commerce co-operate with national authorities in protecting American business men from the nonresident who seeks to sell here the goods produced by foreign workers, thus draining our country and depriving our working people of a corresponding amount of profitable employment.

We see no distinction. If a city peddler's license is defensible, so is a national protective tariff. If national free trade is a sound economic policy, then we should repeal every law that imposes a license on peddlers.

Let us be consistent. Let us be for America first, as we are for this town first!

THE FOUR GREAT RAILWAY UNIONS, engineers firemen, engine-men and conductors are now voting among themselves as to whether they shall demand an eight-hour day instead of a ten-hour, at present pay and time and one-half for overtime.

Press reports say the vote will be in favor of this demand. Now the question arises, says the Pacific Coast Manufacturer, what right have they to make this arbitrary demand and if their leaders say so tie up all the railroads of the country as well as thousands of other industries in connection therewith.

Supposing the railroad heads would get together and say we will increase all freight and passenger rates 25 per cent and if the public doesn't wish to pay it we will stop the trains. This would be called a railroad trust.

The railroads would not be allowed to do this under our laws—in fact they can no longer change their rates as they wish, to meet varying business conditions but must get permission from different state and government commission to either lower or raise their rates.

If under the law, railroads are no longer allowed to vary their rates to suit the best interests of their business why should not the law determine what wages their employes are entitled to and protect the roads from any unusual increase in expense from this source without an automatic increase in freight and passenger rates to cover the deficit.

To a fair-minded man it does not look right to use the law to hold down the revenue of a railroad on one hand and turn right around and under the same law allow its expenses to be run up with no way for the road to protect itself.

If the government has taken from the roads the power to vary their rates as occasion demands it should at the same time take from railroad employes the power to change the wage scale.

If some fair and equitable arrangement of this kind is not made industrial development in this country will be brought to a standstill at the hands of unscrupulous politicians and labor union leaders.

Our law making bodies should take steps at once to prevent any body of men, either railroad officials or railroad employes, from wilfully tying up the transportation system of the United States to the detriment of the whole nation.

EVEN IN THE GRIP OF A STORM that has demoralized traffic, blocked roads and streets with fallen trees and done much other damage, the northwest corner of the state of Oregon has no particular cause to complain.

Southern California had one flood and then before the water had a chance to go down, a dam far back in the mountains broke, the rains returned and the entire southern end of the state, which advertises its climate so extensively, was caught again.

And our great politicians are now making an issue of preparedness. And what kind of preparedness do we need—gun in one hand and Bible in the other. Those tools never work well together. We must drop one in order to succeed with the other, and we are going to drop "In God we trust" on our money, and put it "in guns we trust" in place, and turn our churches to ammunition factories to prepare for the work of the devil, and prepare our ministers that have been preaching to us that Jesus Christ is our savior and motto to live by who never advise such preparedness.

And more than that, when this world war is over who can prepare to meet the winning side? They can tell all other nations of the world to dance to their music. As it is, we are doing plenty of preparing now for both sides of the nations that is at war by loaning them money to keep the devilish work going—making ammunition for the Allies, donating to Germany to keep their subject alive! After Germany took Belgium they were made German subjects and we helped feed them, the same as we are doing now with their subjects in Poland.

If we get prepared once it will be natural for us to try our tools and look for some one to fight or else no use to prepare. We are prepared good enough now for all we are doing. All we asked for lives lost in different places is money, and if the little bluffs do not work we go on just the same and the same as I did coming home from Oregon City.

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people at 4 per cent. Splendid idea—but why charge any interest at all? The government presses could turn it out at very small cost, and might sell direct to those who need it at the cost of printing. Better still would be a law authorizing any one in need of money to order it printed in quantities to suit at the local job printing offices.

Mile, Maclezwowa, premiere danseuse of the Diaghileff company, a Russian amusement concern, says that to be successful in the United States the ballet must be a government affair. The Democrats have already put it in that class. President Wilson is going through daily practice in side-stepping on the foreign policy.

FORUM OF THE PEOPLE

A Farmer's Reception. OREGON CITY, Feb. 8.—(Editor of the Enterprise)—It was last Friday when this farmer hitched up to his barnyard bobbed and drove into Oregon City, after nearly a month of snow.

The only change I discovered in town was that the merchants had time to speak a pleasant word to a farmer at this time, and that is something unusual for them—very little they know that a kind word even to a farmer at times is worth more than a good deed, and at this time they had a good reason why they lost something that they do not always appreciate when the farmer's trade comes in full and plenty.

On my way home, though I did not find it quite as pleasant, as I was driving my bobbed up Seventh street by the schoolhouse there was a crowd of youngsters standing—some of the old maids were not so young neither—and soon after I drove by there was snow-balls coming at the old bobbed and I.

My bluff did not work and I went on complimenting myself on the way that I am a real type of American citizen under the present administration, trying my bluffs and if they don't work it all right. And that is what we are doing with Mexico and have been doing for five years. Now when they kill a few American citizens, we are trying to bluff them not to kill any more, but the bullets are coming just the same.

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THE MERCHANT PRINCE

There was an old geezer and he had a lot of sense; He started up a business on a dollar eighty cents.

Well, he bought more goods and a little more space And he played that system with a smile on his face.

Well, he's kept things humming in the town ever since. And everybody calls him the Merchant Prince.

WILLARD SIGNS UP FOR MORAN FIGHT

CHAMPION WILL GET \$47,500 FOR 10-ROUND GO IN NEW YORK MARCH 17.

CHICAGO, Feb. 3.—Jess Willard, heavyweight champion, will be paid at the rate of \$1583.33 a minute for his 10-round fight with Frank Moran in New York March 17.

Moran's activities in the New York ring will be recompensed at the rate of \$686.67 a minute, as he will receive \$20,000 from the promoters. These sums constitute the largest purse ever offered for a 10-round contest.

MILWAUKIE STABLE BURNS; LOSS \$1500

BLAZE BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN STARTED BY DEFECTIVE ELECTRIC WIRE.

The recent storm is blamed for a fire at Milwaukee Wednesday morning which destroyed the stable of Gills & Son on Harrison street near the Grange hall and done damage estimated at \$1500.

The blaze was started by defective wiring, which, it is thought, was pulled loose from the building and brought in contact with the wood by the silver thaw.

Ten horses were taken from the building, but a number of bugies and a large amount of harness was burned. The building was owned by Casper Kerr, and will be repaired at once. The Grange hall was not damaged, owing to the good work of the Milwaukee fire department. Bull Run water, which has a strong pressure, was used for the first time in fire fighting in Milwaukee.

St. Johns Woolen mills has enough orders to run until November.

BROWNELL TALKS TO VOTERS AT MULINO

CANDIDATE FOR LEGISLATURE DECLARES HIS SUPPORT OF ECONOMY PROGRAM.

George C. Brownell, Republican candidate for representative, talked to a large crowd of people at Mulino Tuesday night. He discussed the questions that interest the taxpayers of Clackamas county and pledged his support to a program of economy in the legislature.

"As general, when a man is a candidate for public office, where two or three other men are running for some other office, and one of them, or two of them, or three of them happen to attend a meeting at which I am going to speak, those opposed to me are always apt to say that Brownell is standing in with this candidate or that candidate."

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DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY BURKE HOLDS NOTICE WAS NOT POSTED 30 DAYS.

Holding that the county court has acquired no jurisdiction in the matter, Deputy District Attorney Thomas A. Burke Friday informed the county court that the petition of Road Supervisor Schuebel was invalid, and that it would be necessary to begin the proceedings over again.

The county court this week passed on a number of road matters. The proposed Bonita road was referred to the viewers, as was also the J. W. Stoner road. The M. Hulras, Levi Robbins, W. F. Sharkey, W. F. Young and W. H. Kellendunk roads have come before the court for either first or second readings.

OWNERS OF DISEASED FRUIT TREES WARNED

COUNTY COURT REQUESTS THAT STATE LAW BE COMPLIED WITH BY GROWERS.

The county court has issued a request to all owners of diseased infested fruit trees in Clackamas county that they comply with the state law, relating to the proper pruning and spraying of fruit trees.

Fruit Inspector Standish has prepared the following bulletin, covering suggestions on pruning and spraying trees: First, determine by a close inspection the trees in orchard that are to be cut, bearing in mind that it is more economical to cut down diseased and unproductive varieties than to clean them up by spraying and pruning.

BABY'S SKIN TROUBLES. Pimples—eruptions—eczema quickly yield to the soothing and healing qualities of Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment.

Leukemia, a fatal blood disease, is said to be contagious, following researches extending over three years at John Hopkins Hospital and pointing to that conclusion.

HEALTH HINTS IN VERSE

The city health officer at Spokane dishes out health advice in the wistful columns of the newspaper, but it has been left for a Chicago doctor to show the way to health in verse.

A microbe sat on a fair maiden's lip, And he winked a knowing eye; For he was the murderous germ of grippe.

Tom, Tom, was a careless son; He caught a cold and his nose did run; With a cough and a sneeze, He spread disease, And waved his handkerchief in the breeze.

WOMEN WILL SEE FIGHT

PRIVATE ENTRANCE FOR FAIR SEX IS PROVIDED.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Women fight fans will have ample opportunity to be at the ringside when Jess Willard and Frank Moran meet here March 17 for the heavyweight championship of the world.

Tex Rickard, promoter of the battle, made this announcement today. His arrangements, he declared, include a special women's private entrance to the arena with plenty of attendants to see that women boxing enthusiasts will be courteously treated.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 8.—A big surprise was sprung on the University of Washington students yesterday afternoon when it was announced that Gilmore Dobie, who arrived here recently from California, had agreed to finish his contract and will coach the football team next year.

DOBIE IS TO REMAIN

AFTER CONFERENCE AT SEATTLE, DECISION ANNOUNCED.

It was considered all settled here that Joseph A. Pipal, coach of the Occidental college team at Pomona, Cal., had been secured to succeed Dobie, as Graduate Manager Arthur Younger had but recently returned from Los Angeles, where he conferred with Pipal.

CHICAGO, Feb. 4.—Four world's swimming records were surpassed at the Illinois Athletic club open swimming meet last night, it was learned today.

GRANGE INSTALLS OFFICERS. Officers of Abernathy grange were installed at the regular meeting last Saturday at the hall at Parkplace, as follows: Master, L. D. Jones; overseer, Mrs. L. D. Jones; lecturer, Mrs. Pearl Berrier; steward, Miss Evenda Blood; assistant steward, Mrs. Ida Kent; secretary, Mrs. Jennie Butts; chaplain, Mrs. J. T. Apperson; gatekeeper, Henry Nachand; Pomona, Mrs. W. Brayton; Ceres, Mrs. R. Rivers; Flora, Mrs. Theo. Brown; treasurer, J. T. Apperson.

MARKS IN 80, 100, 50-YARD BREAST RACES LOWERED.

California Had Kidney Trouble. Jack Malton, Copperopolis, Calif., says: "I had such a severe case of kidney trouble I thought I would have to sell out my business. I took three bottles of Foley Kidney Pills which entirely relieved me and I have had no recurrence of kidney trouble since then."

A Woman's Trouble.

Tronkale, Oregon. "I was troubled with weakness from which women suffer and after taking two bottles of Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription I was entirely relieved."—Mrs. M. E. Johnson, Troutdale, Oregon.

The mighty restorative power of Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription speedsily cures all womanly troubles to disappear—compels the organs to properly perform their natural functions, corrects displacements, overcomes irregularities, removes pain and misery at certain times and brings back health and strength to nervous, irritable and exhausted women.

What Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription has done for thousands it will do for you. Get it this very day from any medicine dealer, in either liquid or tablet form; or send 50 cents to Dr. Pierce, Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y., for trial box of tablets.

Questions of Sex?—Are fully and properly answered in The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser, by R. V. Pierce, M. D. It contains the knowledge a young man or woman, wife or daughter, should have. 1000 pages with color plates, bound in cloth. By mail, prepaid—our receipt of 3 dimes or stamps.

ESTACADA FIVE FORMED

GAME WITH OREGON CITY PLANNED BY QUINTET.

The eastern Clackamas basketball fans are arranging to form a crack basketball team to play under the name of the Eastern Clackamas team, with games in the Estacada pavilion.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS. The following real estate transfers were filed by County Recorder Dedman Thursday: The Shaw-Fear company to James B. Welch, lots 10, 11, Shaw's subdivision of lots A, B, C, Jennings Lodge; \$10.

The following real estate transfers were filed in the office of County Recorder Dedman Saturday: Mrs. M. L. Roberts and C. B. and Mary J. Hanson to C. J. Roswell, lots 25, 26, 27, block 41, Minthorn addition to Portland; \$1.

The following real estate transfers were filed by County Recorder Dedman Monday: T. S. and Mary Mullin to the trustees of the Wichita church of Oregon Conference of United Evangelical church, part of Hector Campbell D. L. C., section 3, township 1 south, range 2 east; \$10.

The following real estate transfers were filed in the office of County Recorder Dedman Wednesday: S. J. McCormick to Anton F. Gansneder, 45 acres of section 19, township 4 south, range 1 east; \$1.

John G. Moehneke to Robert Moehneke 80 acres of section 6, township 4 south, range 3 east; \$1.

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The World Owes Every Man a Living but there is no delivery system to bring it to his door. He's got to go after it early and often, and elbow his way through the crowd that gets there first.

The Bank of Oregon City THE OLDEST BANK IN CLACKAMAS COUNTY

Monmouth tile factory plans to make 1,000,000 tiles.