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MONEY FOR RAILROADS.
 The Portland Journal contains a clipping from the Prineville Review which would be interesting to Marshfield, if some mysterious influence did not touch and kill all local enterprises in the nature of railroads in this locality. Whether some Southern Pacific emissaries start these electric lines between North Bend and Marshfield and between Marshfield and Roseburg, and then walk off into oblivion with the whole project is hard to say, but some blighting influence gets busy when the enthusiasm is most pronounced. Nobody knows who is holding the Marshfield-North Bend proposition down or where it is hidden. The Journal comments on the Review clipping as follows:
 The Prineville Review says:
 "The city will subscribe \$150,000 to stock in a syndicate formed to build an electric line from some outside point—either Detroit or Shaniko—that will serve Prineville, the Agency Plains country, the Deschutes Irrigation & Power company's segregation, Redmond and Bend. So much has been learned in an interview with some of our leading citizens; and we want to find out how much money the outlying districts, and even other counties, would be willing to invest in such an enterprise. In view of Mr. Harriman's indifference to our future, the Review thinks it would be only a measure of prudence to form such a corporation and build our own railroad for the purpose of promoting settlement of central Oregon. In order to be free from the dictates of Wall street, instead of floating bonds we must raise the funds within the borders of our own state, and incur not more than trifling indebtedness."
 We expect to hear or read of a good deal of this kind of talk during the next year. Prineville is a comparatively small town, and if it can raise \$150,000 for a railroad outlet, how much, under a systematic, organized plan, could be raised in Oregon, in stock, for railroads that would break the shackles of the Harriman tyranny?
 At least various towns and well settled adjacent or contiguous districts can build or secure the building of electric lines, and these will help a good deal. Development talk is very well, but in Oregon's predicament under the Harriman regime Oregon people must make their money talk. A few million dollars of Oregon money building railroads would make Harriman "stop, look and listen."

A WORD TO THE HARBOR.
 Is it the North Bend Harbor or the Coos Bay Harbor? At any rate it has a talented editor and if he will do his best for Coos Bay without trying to diminish the brilliancy of any other port, he can and will be a great force for the future. The Times is anxious to see North Bend become so populous that it will have to overflow into Empire, and to see Empire grow into Marshfield and Marshfield into the other two. North Bend, Marshfield and Empire each has some shortcomings, but they have so many merits that this paper has not time to point out defects or make comparisons. So when the Harbor calls attention to the fact that idle men are numerous on Marshfield streets, it shows an inclination to narrow its own sphere. It should remember that the beaten track runs to Marshfield at present. The market men, farmers, sailors ashore, loggers in town, shoppers, men and boys going and coming, capitalists, tourists and the many participants in metropolitan life are daily thronging Marshfield streets, and when men are at work on a building or basement, they stop and watch the work. The same scenes can be observed in any large city. There are no idle men on Coos

Bay, and this is true of both Marshfield and North Bend. It will also be noticed that the Times never belittles its sister city and the Harbor will please take notice that if there were any men in Marshfield who were out of work, North Bend would be after them; for North Bend is a busy, stirring place and is after all the men who are willing or need the work.

PUBLICITY AND PROGRESS.
 It is said that some people have found fault with The Times for offering its services to help the city council to take the people of Marshfield into its confidence. The Times repeats the offer in this issue, suggesting again that when a special meeting of the council is called if the council will telephone The Times' office a representative will be present to report the meeting. Of course this is on the theory that the council is not holding an executive session, but is willing to have its work known. The city government is showing itself progressive and sagacious as is shown by its fire ordinance and its work in connection with some of the necessary public improvements. There is a great future opening up to the council and in order that it may have full justification for its undertakings it should adopt a policy of making its sessions known to the people through the avenues of publicity by the newspaper press.

Notice.
 Holders of Kinney & Waite contracts for lots in Plats B, C and Boulevard Park are hereby notified to call at First National Bank of Marshfield and settle all payments now due or suit will be commenced at once. F. B. Waite.

Forests and Mines of the South.
 Away down south in Dixie are many unused gifts of nature. Mineral wealth and timber are the two main items. About one-seventh of the mineral production of the entire country comes from the southern states. Of bituminous coal, the most valuable mineral, the south produces one-fourth, and of iron one-ninth. Its total coal resources amount to nearly 600,000,000 tons, or more than one-fourth of our estimated coal reserve. The showing in iron ore reserves records a safe minimum of over 3,000,000,000 tons, or nearly one-third of the nation's total. Of workable iron ore the south contains one and one-half times as much as the famous Lake Superior district. And this does not include the deep lying southern ores, unworkable at present. The forests are chiefly of two kinds, southern pine and hardwoods. The finest hardwood timber left in the country, and the chief source of present supply, is found in the south, mainly in two bodies, the Appalachian forests and the virgin hardwoods of Arkansas and the bordering states to the southwest and north. There are about 50,000,000 acres of swamp land in the south. Reclamation of the Everglades of Florida is an important project being investigated by the state and federal departments of agriculture. If, as it seems probable, it can be carried through, the result

will be to add to the state 18,000,000 acres of most fertile land, equal to one-half the entire state. Portions of the Everglades which have been drained have produced phenomenal crops—in one case 40 tons of sugar cane to the acre.

Immigration in Canada Increases.
 Canadaward the tide of immigration wends its way. The returns for the first four months of 1907 show a total immigration into Canada from all sources of a little over 80,000 as compared with 56,369 for the first four months of 1906, an increase of about 43 per cent. If the same rate of increase is maintained for the rest of the year as now seems probable, the 12 months will be close to the estimate of 300,000 made some time ago by the immigration department. Although final statistics for the month of April are not yet available, it is predicted that the total for the month from continental and American sources will be in the neighborhood of 38,000, an increase of about 70 per cent as compared with April of last year. Of this increase by far the largest part comes from Great Britain and the continent, Scotland especially. But immigration from the United States is falling off considerably, owing to the lack of transportation facilities offered by the railways of the west. During the last few weeks the railways have been getting in better shape to handle settlers' effects so that it is probable that henceforward immigration from the United States will record large monthly increases. During the fiscal year ending March 31st last the total number of immigrants into Canada from the United States was 20,043, of whom 2,592 were returning Canadians. Most of these settled in the western provinces.

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