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NORTH BEND'S SUGGESTION.

The spirit of consolidation was the feature of all the speeches and toasts at the North Bend banquet held under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce of that city the other evening. It seemed to be well recognized that the time for the consummation of the plan was near at hand. As one speaker, Col. Walter Lyons, secretary of the Marshfield Chamber of Commerce said, in order to get the benefit of that inestimable advertising which the census of 1910 will give, the educational work of preparing for consolidation and the union of all cities on Coos Bay in one corporation, must begin now. As another speaker said, the waters of Coos Bay roll into and roll out of it, as one and they are the only united force in the district. The oneness of the bay certainly does argue with overwhelming power in favor of oneness for the community which has gathered on its shores. If Coos Bay were broken up into a number of small bays not one of them would command attention. The same thing occurs with respect to the community which is broken up into small towns, no one of which is large enough to count for much in the list of Oregon cities.

But the important thing for Coos Bay cities is to get together as one—probably under the borough plan adopted by Greater New York and mooted for Greater San Francisco. This they should do within the succeeding two years in order, as Col. Lyons suggested, to have the advantage of standing high up on the list of Oregon cities in that census. If one examines the census of 1900 he finds Marshfield with a population of about 1200. The world, looking for Oregon's important cities in that census list, has, for ten years seen no suggestion of Marshfield's importance. Empire, in that census, has appeared insignificant. As for North Bend, it had no place there. But in 1910 the Federal government will number all the people of the United States and the numbering will stand for ten years as the only information the great majority of the people of the world will have as to what the importance or population of our cities may be. If Marshfield then has seven thousand, North Bend five thousand, Eastside one thousand, five hundred, and Empire five hundred, they will suggest nothing of the greatness of Coos Bay. But if they are united as one—with a population of fourteen thousand, United States senators, presidents, representatives, capitalists and people everywhere will as easily acquire a just estimate of what this city is, as what Oregon is, for it will then be and appear to be, one of the most considerable cities in Oregon.

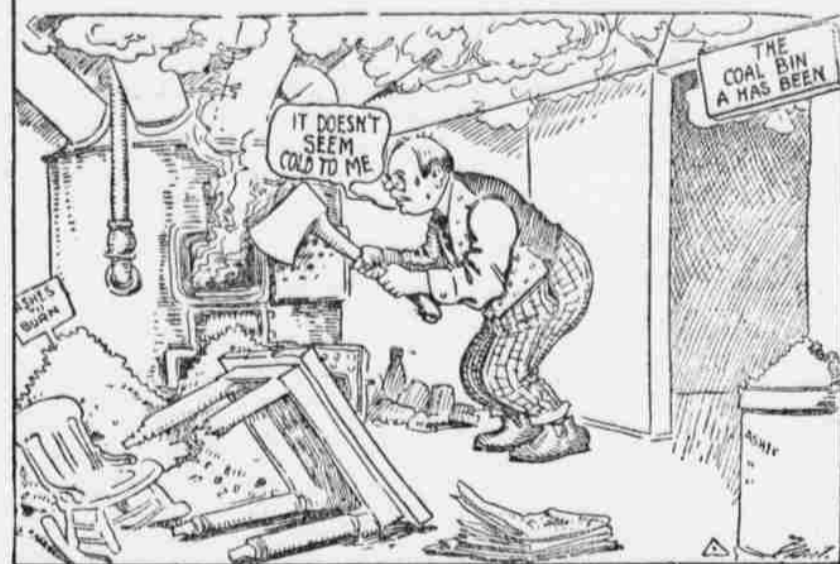
Such a consolidated city will have prestige, power, influence and fame. Such a city will be able to care for its harbor, increase its commerce, attract railroads, attract ocean traffic, and more than all devise and carry out plans to develop its immediate tributary country. It can adopt a common system of street naming and numbering. It can have all the features of an up to date municipality in common and its city government will be a force for the progress of the port. The Chambers of Commerce should request their conference committee to act on the matters submitted to them and to report a plan which may be published to the people and the people should have a year's opportunity to discuss it and become familiar with it. Such action would not necessarily be final but would be in the line of educational work and all its features could be fairly well understood when, a year or so hence, the proposition could be acted on definitely.

GRAFT.

There is something startling in the frequency and fervency with which reputable men in all communities practically sponsor the grafting propensities of the day, by making light of the evil and laughing it aside and

HOW IT IS BACK EAST.

THE FIRE WORSHIPERS.



Have you your furnace fire started yet? —Bartholomew in Minneapolis Journal.

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down. It is a dangerous sign and accentuates the crime. It has become so common a practice that conservative men dislike to discuss it because of the necessity of having to argue its foulness with men unsuspected of harboring the idea of palliation.

The day will come when normal honesty will be worth nothing as a principal, and the shrewdness to fish and steal and despoil will be the measure of fitness for public and private employ, if this indifference is not abated, says an exchange. Every man who deliberately makes light of grafting confesses his own moral weakness and impugns the strength of character of the man he is talking to; there is something vicious in the mind that tolerates, and declares, the apathetic view of this wide-spread national sin. It is the patriotic duty of all men to emphatically and invariably discountenance it wherever it is found.

MUSIC BY TELEPHONE

The use of the telephone is rapidly expanding until now no one will venture to say just where it will end. One large city of the world gets its news by telephone and it hasn't been long since in Idaho a couple marched to the matrimonial altar to the strains of a wedding march played on a piano twenty miles away and heard over the telephone.

The following description, therefore, given by the Baltimore News, of a plan to provide music to telephone subscribers, does not seem so improbable:

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Unless all signs are false it would seem that the long road which Coos Bay, Coos County and Oregon have been jogging along on for the past score of years is about to turn. From Washington comes word that Senator Tillman, the democratic democrat from "old Carlin" state, has taken up the cause of Oregon. From Portland comes word that suit has been filed against the Southern Oregon Company and the Coos Bay Wagon Road Company to recover 13,000 acres of rich land which has been filched from the people. Following is the dispatch from Washington:

"The Senate adopted the Tillman resolution requesting the President to inform the Senate what action has been taken by the Department relative to violation of the land-grant laws in Oregon and Washington by the Southern Pacific Railroad."

Here is an excerpt regarding the filing of the suit against the land monopolists:

"Through a suit in equity filed by 91 plaintiffs in the United States Circuit Court an attempt is being made to force the Southern Oregon Company and the Coos Bay Wagon Road Company to sell 13,000 acres of land in the Coos Bay Wagon Road grant for \$2.50 per acre.

The suit makes Attorney-General Bonaparte and the United States defendants and is based upon a resolution introduced in the Senate recently by Senator Tillman seeking to force the holding companies to abandon their claims on the property or to fulfill the terms of the Government grants by selling the land at the stipulated price of \$2.50 per acre. The various people who filed on the lands did so recently at Empire City.

"John R. Herron and others against the Southern Oregon Company is the title of the suit. The papers filed in the case contain over 100 pages of typewritten matter."

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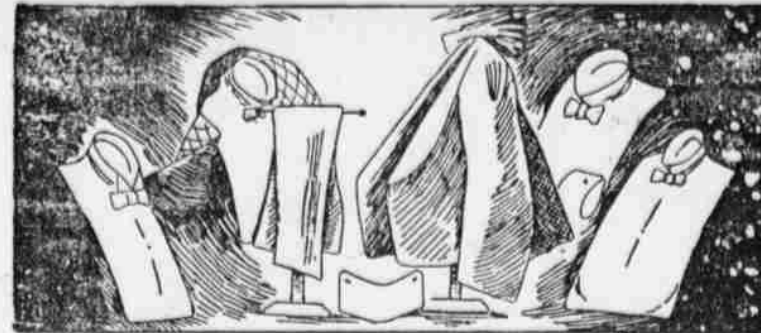
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