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### FREE HAND WITH SCHOOLS.

The Coos Bay school districts are confronted with several important and costly propositions, among them the building of two large new buildings for the accommodation of children that cannot be taken care of in comfort at present. This means an additional cost in the matter of teachers for all these new rooms and their pupil all of which appeals directly to the taxpayer.

The school tax payer of Coos Bay is, however, very amenable to the burdens that he faces; he is patient and willing and even anxious for the development of the system, so long as it is conservatively handled, and as he has had little of disappointment in the past, he is willing to trust the solution of the pending difficulties to the boards now in charge and to give practically a free hand, knowing that what is needed is inevitable and will come back to him in the shape of an enlightened and capable generation of young citizens who will, in good time, relieve him of the burdens he is bearing and directing. This is the one great compensation in the questions of the public schools, and there are none in the world to beat the American in the knowledge and appreciation of the blessing.

### METHODS OF FORESTRY.

To bring the forests to their full productiveness, however, they must be cut over. The ax is the forester's hoe as well as his scythe. Reaping and sowing are usually for him one and the same operation, and cultivation is accomplished by getting rid of what he does not want. There were cut from the national forests during the last fiscal year the equivalent of a little over 280,000,000 board feet of timber. This involved cutting operations on slightly less than 360,000 acres of land, or about one four-hundredths of the total area of the government's forests. In other words, hardly a beginning has been made in bringing the forests to their highest productiveness through use, and their reserve of mature timber has scarcely been touched by the operations under way.

Timber cutting on the national forests has hitherto been done almost entirely by what foresters call the "selection method." This takes out only a part of the trees and leaves the rest to grow more rapidly as a result of the opening up of the forest, while permitting also the seeding up of the ground with new growth. Each tree to be cut is selected by a forest officer, and stamped at the base of the stump, and again at the breast height. If the cutters fell any trees which were not marked for them, the absence of the "U. S." stamp on the stump betrays the fact to the government inspector, and the persons responsible are brought to book. By this method of cutting the actual practise of forestry is being gradually introduced. This means not merely that the timber is protected not merely that it is made use of as it matures, but also that it is cultivated like a crop in order to get as much as possible out of the land.

The total cut from the national forests during the last fiscal year (280,000,000 board feet) was insignificant in comparison alike with the total timber cut of the country, the total stand of government timber, and the yearly productive capacity of all the forests when they have been brought under management. Balancing one thing against another, the government has undoubtedly not lessened its stock of timber in consequence of the cuttings made during the year, but on the contrary has much more now than it had a year ago. A great part of the increase, however, has been on timber which has not yet reached merchantable size. This suggests one of two important reasons why it may not be safe to cut right along as much wood as grows, taking the forests as a

## With the Toast and Tea

### GOOD EVENING.

#### Blue Days.

It's not worth while—the grieving  
About the chances lost;  
What gain are you receiving  
The while you count the  
cost?  
Forget them, O forget them!  
Look on ahead and smile;  
The blue days, though you've  
met them,  
Are none of them worth  
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#### Tomorrow.

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And in that faith he slept, and so  
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And new-baptize the indomitable  
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With courage for its never-ending  
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And yield he need not while, like  
mist from glass,  
God wipes the stain of life's old bat-  
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From every morning that He  
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Let this be,  
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"Cut it," broke in Bert Lamber-  
ton. "I don't think much of poetry  
anyway and certainly the doggerel  
you guys grind out in the Corner is  
enough to warrant a sentence of  
death anyway. What I am interest-  
ed in his what excuses you make to  
your wives when you are out late  
at night attending these Poet Corner  
meetings.  
"My wife never says a word," Geo.  
Goodrum spoke up promptly.  
"Well, my wife, is usually ami-  
able," Lawrence Liljeqvist volunteer-  
ed, "but if she is the least bit sus-  
picious she has a few complicated  
sentences that she makes me say  
over very rapidly and if I can get  
thru that it is all right."  
"What are they," asked Lamber-  
ton with an air of interest as if he  
would like to practice on them.  
"Well, the last time I happened  
in late," Lawrence replied, "here are  
a few of the sticklers she gave me,"  
and he proceeded to recite the fol-  
lowing separate sentences:  
"Six little thistle sticks.  
"Flesh of freshly-fried fish.  
"Two toads, totally tired, tried to  
"trot to Tebury.  
"The sea ceaseth, but sufficeth us.  
"Give Grimes Jim's great gilt gig  
"whip.  
"Strict, strong Stephen Stringer  
"snared silekly six sickly silky  
"snakes.  
"She stood at the door of Mrs.  
"Smith's fishsauce shop welcoming  
"him in.  
"Swan swam over the sea; swim  
"swan, swim; swan swam back  
"again; well swam swan.  
"Those are easy," said W. J. Con-  
rad, "compared to some my wife has  
for me. When I came home from the  
deer hunt, here are two that she  
gave me:  
"A haddock, a haddock, a black  
"spotted haddock, a black spot on  
"the black back of the black haddock."  
"Susan shlneth shoes and socks,  
"socks and shoes shlneth Susan; she  
"ceaseth shlneth shoes and socks, for  
"socks and shoes shock Susan."  
"You know the tongue-twister Peter  
"Piper, but there are others which  
"are harder, said W. F. McKee. "One  
"of the worst that my wife asks for is,  
"Mixed biscuits." Try saying that  
"rapidly, and if you succeed, say this,  
"Stop at the shop at the top of Sloane  
"street."  
"Then try saying over and over  
"again, just as fast as you can, "Six  
"slender saplings," and see if your  
"tongue doesn't get nicely twisted."  
The official reporter was instructed  
to make a copy of these sentences  
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tongue twisters just try one or two  
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## COAL FIELDS OF COOS BAY

### OREGON GEOLOGICAL SURVEY ISSUES BULLETIN RELATIVE TO DEPOSITS IN THE STATE.

A geological survey press bulletin on the coal situation in Oregon says: The total production of coal in Oregon in 1907 was 70,981 short tons, having a spot value of \$166,304.

The Coos Bay field is the only productive coal field in Oregon. It is situated in the Southwestern part of the State, in Coos County, and occupies a total area of about 250 square miles, its length north and south being about 30 miles and its maximum breadth at the middle about 11 miles. Among the other coal fields that have been prospected in the state are the Upper Nehalem field, in Columbia county; the Lower Nehalem field, in Clatsop and Tillamook counties; the Yaquina field, in Lincoln county; the Ekeley and Shasta Costa fields, in Curry county; the Eden field, in Coos county; and the Rogue River valley field, in Jackson county—all west of the Cascade Range. None of these fields has been developed to the point of production. Another field lies in the basin of the John Day River, east of the Cascade Range, but little is known concerning it. All the fields west of the range, except the Coos Bay, are of rather small area, the largest being the Upper Nehalem, which has an area of less than 20 square miles. The coal of all these fields is lignitic. Its transportation is confined exclusively to Coos Bay and the Pacific Ocean, and San Francisco is the principal market. The Coos Bay field is divided by its structure into six portions—four basins and two arches. The basins are known as the Newport, the Beaver Slough, the Coquille, and the South Slough, and are separated by the Westport and Pulaski arches.

As practically all of the product from Coos Bay has been shipped by water to San Francisco, the substitution of oil for coal in most of the manufacturing industries of that city has cut off a considerable portion of the market for this coal. The effect on Oregon's production is shown in a decrease from 109,641 tons in 1905 to 79,731 in 1906, and to 70,901 in 1907. The average price per ton declined from \$2.66 in 1906 to \$2.34 in 1907.

### LIKE DR. MARY WALKER.

French Widow Is Specially Privileged to Wear Trousers.

PARIS, July 30.—Great was the amazement of a magistrate when a widow, who had been called as a witness, appeared at his office in a top hat and a frock coat with her hair cut short and trimly brushed and carrying a neat stick. "This must be a mistake or a joke," he reflected, and his bewilderment hardly diminished when the good woman calmly related that she had actually been wearing masculine attire for fully 37 years without the exception of a single day.

"But this is not allowed," he gasped. "It is in my case as a privilege," the widow replied proudly, and then she explained that she had acted as an emissary to Metz in 1870; that she had deposited in the Bazaine trial, and that she had been authorized to retain masculine dress in honor of her prowess in that terrible year. She is in possession of a number of documents testifying to the important services which she then rendered. This heroine, or hero, as she would prefer to be styled, is now in her 64th year.

### BULLOCK TO HUNT WITH ROOSEVELT.

COLORADO SPRINGS, July 30.—Seth Bullock, Marshal of South Dakota, who is here, announced that he had been invited to accompany President Roosevelt on his African hunting trip.

The City of Panama, taking Breakwater's place, will sail for Portland, SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, at 1 P. M.

\$35.00 Will buy you a lot 50x100, near Ocean Beach at Bandon. See or call at Bennett's land office, or Stutsman & Company.

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## New Factory on Coos Bay

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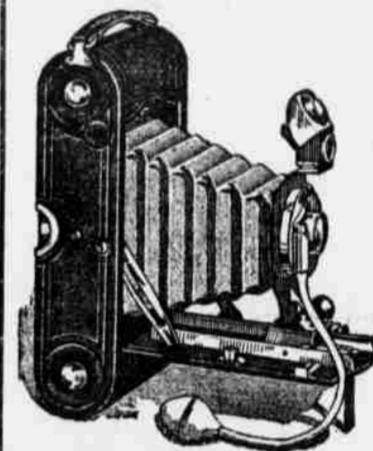
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