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LUCK AND PLUCK.

Even if your brain is good and your judgment clear and you're choiceful of ability and all the latent power of achievement is surging through your blood—you're one screw loose. You need a good wrench of pluck to tighten you into shape. All your strengths are outweighed by your one weakness—you're afraid you'll fall down, and after a while you will. Somebody with a little more grit will drag you down.

The lack of initiative which cancels your possibilities, in time will stain your capability, and render you as useless to others as you have auto-rendered yourself.

Nobody ever gets anything worth much without being willing to pay the fiddler. The price of an extraordinary reward is an extraordinary risk—every world-conqueror gambled his throne against his enemies' chains of bondage. The game of civilization has always been played with nations as pawns. Those people who aren't willing to risk their fortunes in battle lose them through domination. Fighting for things teaches men how to get strong.

If you haven't confidence enough in yourself to risk at least one or two years of your life, you'll find that the years you saved weren't worth the saving.

Every now and then you hear folks sneering at the "luck" of some horn-beel who strikes it rich out in the "bad lands," or who finds "pay dirt" a thousand miles away from a railroad. Luck! Yes—with a great big "P" in front of it. What of the days when the sun tore at them, until their skins cracked and wrinkled and the blood burned the heart as it boiled through their veins? What of the thick, seared throats, gaping and gasping for the gulp of water which would melt the glue that stuck the walls of the wind-pipe together? What of the blistered feet that fumbled and stumbled their way over the heated rocks?

What of the snows up there beyond Chilkoot Pass and the six months of night through which they went mumbling and tumbling, sleeping under a hummock of ice with the timber-wolves lying just beyond the glare of their protecting fires? Luck? Why they paid for every grain of gold they ever brought home with two grains of manhood. They earned all that they found, earned it with courage, with starvation and dogged stick-to-it-ness. Nature buries her precious stones and ores and strews her pebbles and fool's-gold over the highways and by-ways. Her metal lies deep in the mine and her mettle deep in the human. She meant that man should become great only through striving.
HERBERT KAUFMAN.

OKLAHOMA'S INCOME TAX.

There will be general interest in the Oklahoma income tax. This tax will not be collected until next year, so the test has not come yet. As soon as Oklahomans who have a good share of the world's goods are called on for the income tax there may be things doing.

This law provides that all incomes in excess of \$2,500 a year, derived from salaries, fees, trades, professions or property upon which a gross revenue or excise tax has not been paid, shall pay a tax ranging from 5 mills on the dollar of income from \$2,500 to \$5,000 to 33 1/3 mills on the dollar on all gross incomes of more than \$100,000.

Thus a man with an income of \$3,500 will pay an income tax of \$17.50. Plutocrats who are so careless as to permit their incomes to go over \$100,000 a year or are so careless as to let the fact get to the tax gatherer will pay more than \$333.33 as income tax.

SOCIETY EVENTS

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water of C. E. Getty of Empire, whose purpose is to now take the Alliance on her next trip north for Hammond, Oregon, where he will visit his three sons, George, Arthur and Fred Getty.

Dr. and Mrs. J. T. McCormac on Friday night celebrated the thirtieth anniversary of their marriage. A few friends were invited to dinner.

Mrs. Jack Smith gave a dinner party Wednesday evening at her home in North Bend. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Winsor and Mr. and Mrs. Keating.

The members of the Five Hundred Club will meet at the home of Mrs. L. J. Simpson in North Bend on New Year's eve when they will entertain their husbands.

The members of the Chaminade Club will hold a meeting next Wednesday in the Knights of Finland hall. A musical program will be given.

Instead of holding a regular meeting next week the members of the Pricilla Club will on the night of December 23 attend a party to be given by Mr. and Mrs. Gettins who will celebrate their wedding anniversary.

A ladies' night will be held Wednesday at the North Bend Commercial club. The guests will play Five Hundred.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS.

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the common council of the city of Marshfield, Coos county, Oregon, up to 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon of the 22d day of December, 1908, for the construction of sewers on that portion of Baines from Coal Bank Slough to the center of Washington avenue, and that portion of Washington avenue from the center of Baines street to the east line of Graham street, in Railroad addition to the town of Marshfield, Coos county, Oregon, according to the plans and specifications of said improvement on file in the office of the city recorder, and there open to the inspection of all persons interested therein.

A certified check for five per cent of the amount of bid must accompany each bid, to be forfeited to the city in case bid is accepted and bidder fails to enter into contract within five days after such acceptance.

Dated this 10th day of December, 1908.
J. M. UPTON,
Recorder of said City of Marshfield.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS.

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the common council of the city of Marshfield, Coos county, Oregon, up to half past seven o'clock in the afternoon of the 22d day of December, 1908, for the improvement with sidewalk of the following streets, to-wit:

1. That portion of the west side of Graham street from a point 10 feet south of the north line of California avenue to the south line of lot 25 of block 52, in Railroad addition to Marshfield, Oregon.

2. That portion of the north side of Washington avenue from a point 10 feet west of the east line of Burnett street to the east line of Graham street, in Railroad addition to Marshfield, Oregon.

Said improvements to be made according to the plans and specifications thereof on file in the office of the city recorder and there open to the inspection of all persons interested therein.

A certified check for five per cent of the amount of bid must accompany each bid, to be forfeited to the city in case bid is accepted and bidder fails to enter into contract within five days after such acceptance.

Dated this 9th day of December, 1908.

J. M. UPTON,
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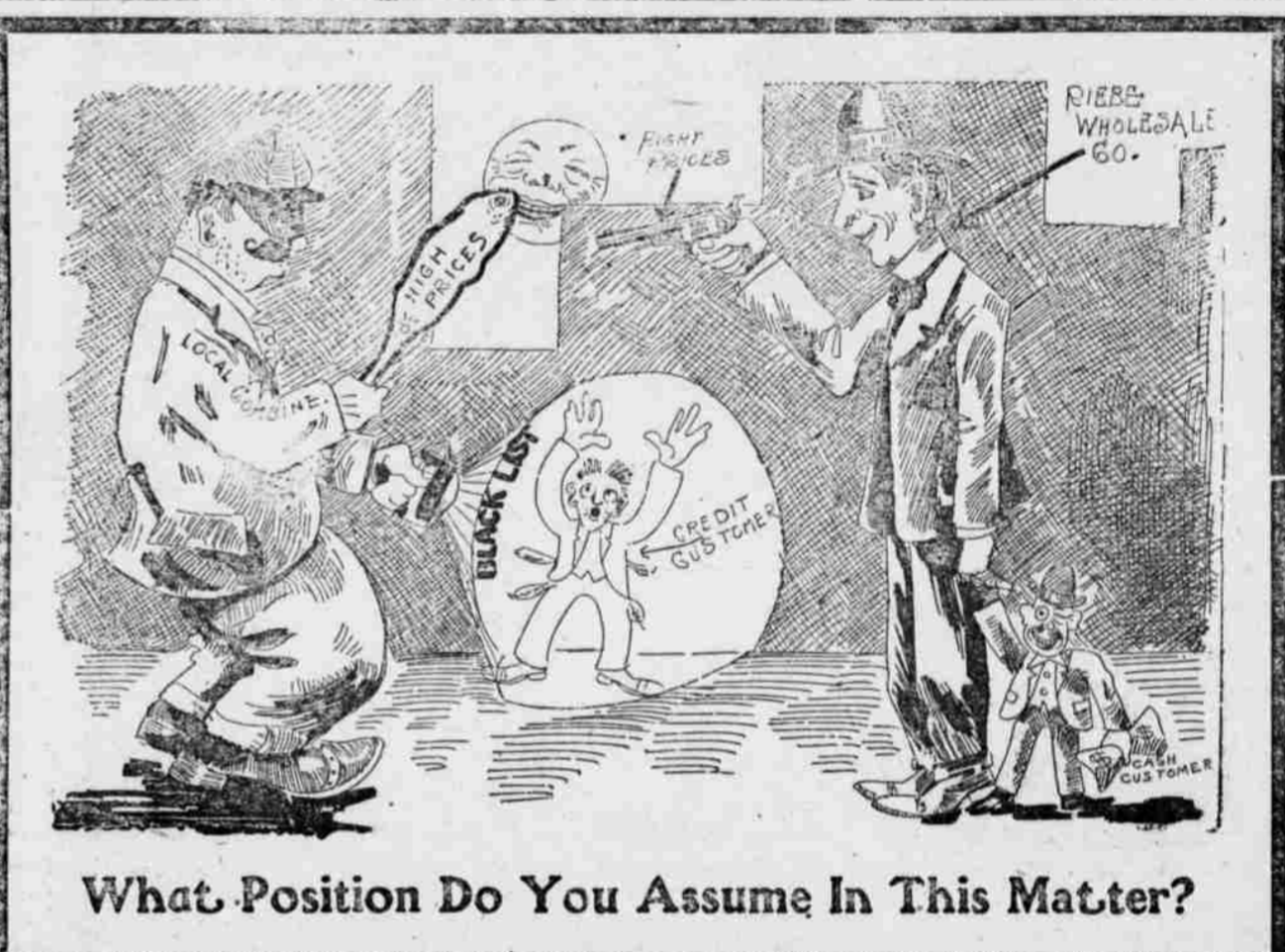
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