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IMPROVE THE HARBOR.

THE WAY TO build up a city is to have a central thought and concentrate every effort on that thought. This does not mean that anything should be neglected, but that each thing should be given special prominence in its own proper time, to follow any other policy is to divide and scatter force and accomplish little. For instance, the central thought of all the people of Coos Bay is to create a great commercial harbor and make a great seaport. Railroads, wagon roads, and general development should and must be always subservient to that great harbor, it is now evident that a railroad which will carry freight from Coos Bay into the interior and to Coos Bay is absolutely necessary. If there is no freight carrier from the bay, there is hardly any occasion for great ships to enter the Bay or for the Bay to be made accessible to great ships.

It follows that while every effort on Coos Bay is directed to secure a harbor, the supreme constant and united effort should be to build roads which will meet the needs of commerce. Where "rail and sail meet" is the place where the business will be done, where the people will live and where the wealth will accumulate. We talk much about congress making a large appropriation for the creation of a great harbor at Coos Bay, but Congress will hardly make a great harbor here unless it sees that a reason for doing so exists. The showing made in the matter of business transacted in 1908 was very good—for \$8,000,000 worth is said to have gone over the bar in and out. But it was a local business and as long as Coos Bay does merely a local business she will be very little greater than she is. She must command the business of the interior and to do that she must have a heavy freight carrying railroad to Roseburg and beyond. Unless she has that Congress, which is indifferent to Coos Bay, but not averse to helping her, will never do anything more than she has done. When Coos Bay can make a showing of business which requires better harbor facilities Congress will give it.

The other evening, a well-meaning and eloquent gentleman from the

metropolis of Oregon, in an address at the Commercial Club's railroad meeting, expressed considerable satisfaction at the present railroad prospects which seemed to him to make it certain that Portland would be able to tap Central Oregon by way of the Deschutes Valley. He also urged the people at that railroad meeting to concentrate their energies to get an appropriation from Congress for the Bay. Why he should want the people of Coos Bay to keep their eye on Congress when they were anxious to build a railroad is not plain, but it is plain that Central Oregon is Coos Bay's natural tributary and not the natural tributary of any other city. With the dredge in operation and the Port Commission in a position to attend to some minor improvements, all the present business of the Bay can be handled. The necessity for Marshfield and North Bend is to get more business for the harbor and to get a railroad to the interior in order to get that business. That is the way to obtain an appropriation for harbor improvements.

This conclusion is one which most of the people of Coos Bay have reached. They know there is \$35,000,000 worth of business and a prospect that a hundred million more will be developed annually when Central Oregon is opened by a railroad from the Bay. They know the \$35,000,000 is now handled by the long haul to San Francisco or Portland and that it could be handled at less expense through Coos Bay. They know that Coos Bay won't get that business until she has that railroad and Congress knows and Portland knows she doesn't need a harbor for that business until she gets a railroad to bring it to the harbor. They know that while Coos Bay is without such a railroad the harbor appropriations for Oregon will go to the harbor which has the railroads and does the business. After many years of striving—our people are awake to the fact that Congress knows Coos Bay only by the business she does. Still, the senators and representatives from this state must be required to do what they can for the harbor. The great truth is that we must have the railroad for the sake of the harbor.

HARRIMAN'S AIM.

P UNY AMBITIONS were those of Rockefeller, Rogers, Morgan and Ryan beside the aspirations of E. H. Harriman. Rockefeller achieved distinction as the richest of men and then retired to nurse a bad digestion and to play golf. Rogers turned from world-wide operations in petroleum to building a little rail road which should be all his own just before he passed away. Morgan has long given his interest to art and book collection. Another panic alone might draw him back to the whirlwind of finance. Ryan is dropping out of directerates and looking forward to an early day when all his time can be spent upon his Virginia farm.

But Harriman rests only when his doctors tell him he must. He does not want to rest. Play he is taking,

but he makes hard work of it. His favorite recreation is work. Eighteen thousand miles of railway is absolutely under his control. He has a voice in the conduct of other lines, though he assumes, for prudential reasons, that the voice is a wee sma' one. Water transportation which he directs covers 54,000 miles of sea. And then, as a sort of summer pastime, there is a system in Mexico now under construction which will be hundreds of miles in length.

To be the richest man in the world, this is not Harriman's ambition. Nor to be known as a monarch of finance. He is master of more railroad trackage than anyone else. But he has not ceased to labor and to acquire. For what star does the man aim?

THE POOREST POLICY.

THE SINS OF THE sugar trust have come home to roost. For every dollar stolen of the government by means of customs duties dodged, for every stock pool its officers have been concerned with and for all the throttling of competition and closing of rival plants, the company must now pay in litigation, in

espionage, suspicion and injured reputation.

The truest and yet the truest axiom of business is that honesty is the best policy. The purchase of legislators only made the purchasing corporation the slave and the source of revenue of the political gray wolves. Franchise thievery have

reacted not only upon the thieves, but have harassed and cursed the lives of every public utility concern, good or bad. Avoidance of building inspection laws has been paid for a thousand times with ruin and death and unending sorrow. High finance, corruption of law-makers, tricksters of all kinds, bring only temporary success. Business and the moral law cannot be separated. Dishonesty is the poorest policy in the world.

TRIBUTE TO OREGON.

THIS IS THE GLOWING tribute paid this state by Frank B. Tichenor, a former Coos Bay boy who is always boosting for Oregon in general and Coos Bay in particular. Mr. Tichenor said: "When you speak of out west you must speak of Oregon. Oregon is the last west and the best west. Here we find the most westerly city in the United States; here people live in a region of exceptional natural conditions. There is a great and abiding physical cause which creates a southern temperature in a northern latitude. Climatic conditions along the Oregon coast have no counterpart save in the Mediterranean region of southern Europe and the causes are exactly similar. Here is Italy, here the south of France, the Portugal, the northern Spain of Europe, and here is the temperate Oregon of the Pacific coast in an equally mild and delightful climate. The climate is not unlike that of Southern England, but it is better in everything in which England's climate is good. If it has less sunshine than the south of France, it has a more constant and equable temperature, and the significance of this every farmer ought to appreciate. Given fertility of soil, warmth and moisture and you have the elements of production."

LOFTY HUNTING.

AN EASTERN millionaire who is tired of sitting about the club is going to Africa this fall in quest of some real excitement. He is planning a safe and sane hunting expedition, it being his intention to stalk the beasts of the jungle with a balloon.

The animals of Africa are inured to the annoyance of being slain in almost every conceivable way. They have been shot from elephants and from ambush, from cages planted near the drinking holes; they have been poisoned and trapped and caught in pitfalls, but none of them has yet had the distinction of being plugged by an aeronaut.

The aforementioned nirod does not intend to take any chances of being mauled by crippled beasts. He intends to place himself far beyond their reach before he indulges in any rifle practice. In his anxiety to do his shooting from a point distant from angry claws and teeth, however, he has overlooked the possibility of being scraped from his basket by tall trees and assailed by the winged insects which infest the jungles. His chances of comfort and a safe return home would be infinitely superior if he did his hunting, like Mr. Roosevelt, on foot.

TOPICS OF THE TIMES.

Anyway, if a man is in debt it proves that he once had credit.

Women distrust men too much in general and not enough in particular.

If you do not read the advertisements in The Times, you overlook some valuable opportunities.

That increased tariff on hooks and eyes may eventually drive the women to a more general use of buttons on their clothes.

The political dictator, in the petty sense, is becoming a thing of the past. The people are studying out the problem of governing themselves and may become adepts as it.

A reproduction in natural colored sugar of the state house at Honolulu, Hawaii, standing 25 feet high, is to be seen in the Hawaiian building at the Seattle World's fair.

Buy a home lot on Coos Bay: She has a future that justifies it. She is healthy, beautiful, and prosperous, and has a grip on the future all her own. You can do far worse for yourself and travel several hundred miles to do it.

STEAMER FLYER will run an excursion to CHARLESTON BAY Sunday, July 18. Leave O'Kelly Landing at 8:30 a. m. Round trip 50c. Tickets on sale at Lockhart-Parsons Drug Store.

"CASTLEWOOD" at the P. K.

NORTH BEND NEWS

E. C. Mather is confined to his home.

Mrs. Ida Patterson visited North Bend friends this week.

Mrs. M. E. Alexander of Cooston, visited friends here this week.

A. W. Myers and wife have gone to Spokane on business and pleasure.

C. M. Byler of the Coos Bay Grocery, is spending his vacation at Ten Mile.

Mrs. Henry Hoeck of Sherman avenue, who has been very ill, is improving.

Mrs. Jack McDonald and daughter of Daniels Creek, are guests at the Vaughn home.

Mrs. E. E. Pines and Mrs. Goldie Riggs are spending the week at the Peterson home at May, Ore.

Harry and Harvey Russell left today on the Breakwater to take claims in the Coeur D'Alene reservation.

David Morse of Empire, who underwent an operation at the Brown home here Sunday is getting along nicely.

L. A. Loomis and wife who left today on their honeymoon trip, through the northwest plan to stop off at the Coeur D'Alene and endeavor to get a homestead in the reservation which is being thrown open for entry.

MYRTLE POINT POINTERS.

News of Upper Valley as Told by The Enterprise.

The families of Albert Davenport and Hugh Smith were increased Friday the 9th by the arrival of a daughter at each home.

Walter Caldwell, brother of Mrs. E. E. Bender, is at present local editor of the Long Creek Ranger. He was formerly one of the publishers of the Coquille Sentinel.

Mrs. Charles Guerin who has been at Needles, Calif., during the winter, returned to Myrtle point this week, very much improved in health. Mr. Guerin is at present in Washington, a member of a surveying party.

A cow belonging to Wm. Carver fell and broke her leg while attempting to get in the Guerin hotel yard Monday. An effort was made to set the broken leg and save the animal, but it was not successful and she was subsequently killed.

Manager C. J. Millis, Surveyor Whereat and the master mechanic of the local railroad were in Myrtle Point the first of the week. It is understood that the object of their visit was to consider the advisability of building a side track to a gravel bed in the northern edge of town, the gravel being desired for ballast on the roadbed. Mr. Millis thinks that the time will come when the people of Myrtle Point will think better of the local railway and its management. He was not interviewed on the subject, but his friends here believe that he intends to begin improving the depot facilities here at an early date. A contract for the grading of the depot site has been let to Albert Barklow, but he has not yet been instructed to begin the work.

\$50,000 STOCK OF MERCHANDISE TO BE SACRIFICED

THE PEOPLE OF COOS COUNTY TO BE BENEFITED BY THIS UNUSUAL CARNIVAL OF BARGAINS.

Monday morning the doors of the largest mercantile establishment in the community will be thrown open to the public with a most unusual opportunity to the buyer ever offered. A clean and up-to-date stock of seasonable merchandise will be so much reduced that it will behoove you all to bring your longest sack and take advantage.

Merchant & Kammerer will place their entire stock consisting of Dry Goods, Clothing, Gents Furnishings and Shoes at a special reduction and they promise to far out do any similar event ever inaugurated.

It is predicted from the success of their previous sales that the store will be packed to the doors as they are making extensive preparations for this special occasion.

STEAMER RITA will visit SOUTH COOS River points as far as CUTLIPS Grove SUNDAY. Leaves Marshfield at 9:15 Round Trip. FARE 50 cents.

NEWS FROM ALL OVER COOS COUNTY

CULLINGS OF COQUILLE.

Coos County Seat News as Told by The Sentinel.

Born—in Coquille, July 8, 1909, to Mr. and Mrs. S. H. McDama, a daughter.

Born—At Parkersburg, Oregon, July 9, 1909, to Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Buckle, a son.

Miss May Stauff visited with Mrs. Walter Sinclair in this city last week.

Miss May Lovejoy arrived here Monday from Palo Alto, California, for a visit with Mrs. G. A. Robinson and other friends.

Miss Nellie McIntosh, milliner in charge of Mrs. A. G. Aiken's millinery store in Coquille, will accompany Mrs. Aiken to San Francisco in a few days.

R. Pomeroy passed through here yesterday on his way to Texas, where Mrs. Pomeroy went some weeks ago for her health, and who is reported not so well.

Mrs. Anna Barklow, Myrtle Point, went to the Bay on her way to California. She goes to Covino to visit a daughter, and may possibly remain there for the winter.

W. H. Hawley, who is in this valley for recuperation for Nevada, was in town the last of the week. He has been suffering from cyanide poisoning, contracted in the mines, but is now getting along nicely and is enjoying an outing.

H. W. Fisher and family came over from North Bend last week and joined their friends, Mr. Duffield and family, recently from that place, and are having a very enjoyable visit while looking about for a location that will suit them.

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Lint, who have spent the past year with their son John Lint, the Bandon photographer, passed through town Tuesday, en route to the valley, and will locate somewhere in the interior of the state. Their son accompanied them as far as the Bay.

Mrs. Angus Settlers, of Manitoba, Canada, accompanied by her son, visited her sister, Mrs. Allan McLeod, whose husband is at present superintendent of the county farm, a few days last week. They had attended the fair at Seattle, and while this near came down for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Peterson, of Santa Ana, Cal., passed through town enroute to Bandon, where they Peterson, brother of the former. They had been to the fair at Seattle and had visited other points of interest on the Sound. They were accompanied by the latter, Mr. Peterson, who had met them at the Bay.

Mr. and Mrs. James Wyant, who had sold out their place four miles below Bandon, were in town on Friday, looking about for a location which would suit them. They preferred a small piece near town, and had seen a place near Bandon which they liked very much, but were looking further. They were accompanied by their old friend, John Lamont.

C. I. Klime was down from the Point Saturday, and he informs us that the work on the steamer "Myrtle," formerly the "Welcome," is progressing nicely. The new boiler has been installed, the house is almost done and the work of fitting up the piping, etc., is going on nicely. She is expected to be able to go onto the run in two weeks or a little over.

W. H. Thomas and son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John McVay, of this city, returned last Wednesday from an extended trip through Texas and into Mexico. They went, expecting to invest in case they liked the country, but they failed to see anything that looked as good as Coos, so they returned, and Mr. Thomas has made a couple of purchases in Coquille, having bought the Flanders barn and five lots on Spurgeon Hill from Walter Drane.

Mrs. J. W. Tollman, of this city, has been adjudged insane, and on Monday evening a brother, Dr. Lewis Cheadle, and a sister, Mrs. A. F. Hall, of Lebanon, Oregon, and another sister, Mrs. C. Barchers, of Portland, arrived here and this morning they and her husband started with her for Salem. Mr. Tollman will have her examined by a Los Angeles specialist, and if it is deemed advisable will have the trephining operation performed to relieve a pressure on the brain.

STEAMER ALERT beginning Sunday, July 18, will make TWO TRIPS DAILY between Marshfield and ALLEGANY. Transfer boats leave Allegany at 7 A. M. and 3 P. M. Alert leaves Marshfield at 7 A. M. and 2 P. M.

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BRIEFS OF BANDON.

News of the City-by-the-Sea As Told By the Recorder.

Henry G. Wilcox was born in Wisconsin in 1876 and died in Curry County, Ore., July 12, 1908, being a little over 33 years old at the time of his death. Mr. Wilcox came to Oregon only a little over a year ago, coming direct from his home in Wisconsin. He purchased the S. S. Shields ranch in Curry county and with his wife was living on the place. He had been married eight years.

At the regular meeting of Delphi Lodge K. of P. the following officers will be installed: Dr. L. P. Sorenson, chancellor; Wm. McKay, vice-chancellor; C. R. Dade, prelate; C. E. Holloper, master of works; E. Lewin, master at arms; B. N. Herington, keeper of records and seals; Nels Rasmussen, master of exchequer; Albert Garfield, master of finance; Jno. Langlois, inside guard; A. D. E. Perdue, outside guard.

C. B. Zeek met with another accident Monday July 12th, as a result either of faulty material or faulty construction in side walk and street crossings. Mr. Zeek had a similar accident about two months ago near the McKinnis place. This time he was near the laundry. Mr. Zeek is now confined to his home and is under medical treatment as the result of stepping on a plank which broke and let him fall through dislocating his knee joint and badly spraining the ligaments. His injury is very severe if not permanent.

NEWS OF COQUILLE.

Items of Interest in Valley Taken From Sentinel.

John McCloud last week sold his ranch to outside parties and will go to Alberta, Canada, where he will invest the \$11,000 which he received for his Coquille ranch.

J. F. Floyd, the Riverton contractor and builder, was in town the first of the week for the purpose of submitting plans for Riverton's new \$3,000 school house to County Superintendent Bunch.

Lycurgus Lodge No. 72, K. of P. installed the following officers: C. C. Jas. Jenkins; V. C. H. A. Schroeder; Prelate, J. C. Savage; M. W. M. O. Hawkins; K. of R. & S., Robert Watson; M. A., Dr. C. W. Endicott; I. G., D. J. Lowe; O. G., James Laird.

A. T. Bestel, representing eastern capital, has purchased property on the Coquille to the value of over \$110,000 within the past two weeks. It is conjectured that this property was purchased for an oil syndicate which will commence operation here in the near future.

Mrs. J. R. McGee has quite a serious accident at the boat landing Monday and as a result is confined to her bed with a badly sprained ankle and other more or less severe bruises. As she was landing from the Favorite the gang plank slipped and she fell to the dock, sustaining the above injuries. Nothing serious is anticipated but the lady will be confined to her room for several days.

REAL ESTATE — For sale — Houses for rent — Trans-Atlantic Steamship Agent. —Aug. FRIZEN.

Do you need Telephone Material?

We have made arrangements whereby we can give wholesale prices on all line of material.

The Coos Bay Wiring Co.