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OFFICIAL PAPER OF COOS COUNTY.

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THE BOOSTER.

- ◆ I'd rather be a booster than a knocker any day.
- ◆ I'd rather tinge with hope than doubt the words I have to say.
- ◆ I'd rather miss my guess on another man's success
- ◆ Than to view his bitter struggle and prophesy his fall.
- ◆ I would rather say "he's coming" than "he's going," when I'm summing
- ◆ Up the labors of my brothers. I would rather boost them all.
- ◆ I would rather speak the kind things than the mean things any day
- ◆ I'd rather swing a baton than a hammer, let me say,
- ◆ I would rather sing my rhyme in sort of two-step time
- ◆ Than to let it drag in dirges in a gloomy, heavy style.
- ◆ I would rather say "God bless you!"
- ◆ And with words of cheer impress you.
- ◆ Than to preach about your follies all the while.

—Selected.

DON'T KNOCK, BUT BOOST.

SEATTLE set a fine example recently to its sister cities throughout the country.

It burned the hammer and set about composing the differences that, assisted by other causes, have held the city back.

The hammer, it may be stated, if any there be who do not grasp the metaphorical meaning, symbolized the spirit of faultfinding and quarreling that knocks an individual or a community on the head. The destruction of the tool of knocking indicates the determination to do away with the temper that knocks.

"Hard knocks" from experience may do a man or a people good, if they have the right kind of stuff in them to be hardened into robust fiber. But knocking is the spirit that denies. It is purely negative. It sees

only mistakes and weakness. It says that conditions are bad, that plans are illjudged or that methods and means are inadequate.

Boosting is positive and constructive. It ignores handicaps. It perceives opportunities. It fashions tools to use them. It builds up Coos Bay where knockers perceive only a waste of wilderness. It puts civilization where nature had a useless wilderness and replaces the idle barbarian by the industrious developer of resources.

When Benjamin Franklin signed the Declaration of Independence he remarked: "We must all hang together, or we shall hang separately." This spirit of getting together and working together is the inspiration of "boosting" and the mother of progress and prosperity.

BIBLE AND BASEBALL.

THAT the devil can cite scripture for his purpose we have long been assured, but it has remained for Dr. Edward Young to show that the baseball enthusiast can make equally good uses of his early biblical training. He told a New York congregation on Sunday that St. Paul, if preaching in America this summer, would undoubtedly be an enthusiastic fan and would attend all of the games.

We are told that the apostle uses athletic terms frequently, speaking of himself as a runner and a boxer, and figuratively applying the term "Great Umpire of the Skies" to his Master.

It is strange that Dr. Young should have elected Paul, whom we do not remember to have been more specific than by using the expression, "Great Umpire," when so many other scriptural writers leave little doubt as to their knowledge of the national game.

Samuel tells us "there went out a champion"—obviously referring to the Ping Bodie of the period; also that "Israel and Absalom pitched in the land of Gilead," and that "Israel"—evidently another player of the same name—"pitched before them." Mark speaks of "when a

put them all out," while in the Psalms we are told of one so skilled he is addressed: "Thou hast with thy arm redeemed thy people."

"Walks" and "sacrifices" are, of course, frequently referred to, and Samuel asks the pertinent question: "Is the young man Absalom safe?" In Proverbs there is a reference to "the righteous who run into it and are safe," and Job laments apparently of one late on the diamond: "Neither is there any umpire between us."

But—and we have seen scriptural texts done greater violence in seeking to point the fulfillment of a prophesy—we may even take it that the prophets foresaw the games of the Pacific coast. "Teach his Senators wisdom," say they; "He cried in a loud voice to the four Angeles." The same book mentions the "seven Seals," probably referring only to the in and out fields. And lastly, in Zachariah, there is a jibe of an ancient rooster, who exclaims: "How! O ye Oaks of Basham," the Oaks having evidently "crabbed" at a decision.

The list could be extended, but it is enough to show that the New York divine has ample material for the annual baseball sermon which he has undertaken to deliver.

VACATIONS.

MOST of the men who work all the year and seize ten days or two weeks as a breathing spell are either on or getting ready for their vacations.

Now a vacation ought to be a building up period. That is judged by the time allowed, the man who has worked hard fifty weeks ought to go out and build up all the wear and tear in two.

He can't do it. But he should do the best he can at it. About six men out of ten come home from vacation tireder than when they went away because they seek to crowd into their two weeks of liberty three months of recreation, sightseeing, and pleasure.

A vacation is not to have a devil of a time in. It is not for a trip of the office man to a large city and ten days of sleepless nights and crowded days. That's the most idiotic form of vacation. It is harder than two months overwork. It doesn't build up. It rips.

Then again the office man who proposes to get six weeks outing out of ten days makes the same mistake. He is one of those who come home tired. He jumps into hard work

rowing under the hot sun, tramping with a gun, or some similar labor until his unaccustomed muscles cry out night and mornings. Any man takes off ten pounds where he should have put them on simply because he imagines he must do ten times as much in two weeks as common sense indicates.

The fact that it is vacation should be made a restful time. Fish if you like, but fish as you would work outdoors, in season. Hunt if you choose and the laws permit you, but don't try to scour the whole country and kill all the game. Do all in reason. Get just tired enough to enjoy rest. And rest.

Mind too, that a tent six miles up the river is about as happy a spot as one 600 miles away and that it is \$60 cheaper. The fact is that most people spend more money than they need to on vacations. One dreams of delights at a distance. The dreams rarely comes true.

A little common sense is the finest thing to take on a vacation. And common sense says rest. Get out doors. Almost anywhere. There isn't so much difference in climate

as people think. Get out where eye will rest across long green distances, where the springs are cool and the shade falls early. A grove is a grove and a stream is a stream. Both are leaves and running water. Along

NAME THE FARMS AND ORCHARDS.

AMONG the new laws that went into effect last month was one providing for the registry at the county seat of names which owners may give to their farms, orchards and ranches, so that every farmer can have a distinctive name for his property and a trademark for his products.

The Times has referred to this before and suggested the value of it to Coos county farmers. There are many advantages that would be gained if every land owner gave his

OBJECTIONS TO A SEA LEVEL CANAL.

FREDERICK J. HASKINS, the noted correspondent, in an argumentative article tending to show the futility among other things says:

The reason for this unanimity of opinion against the sea level plan lies on Culebra, the cut. Anyone who sees the vast sides that slip like glaciers into the cut—one of them having an area of more than 47 acres—and who observes the hills on either side of the cut slowly sinking down and forcing up the bed of the canal—exactly as water in a curved pipe will find its level—can understand even though he be no engineer that it would be next to impossible to go 85 feet deeper than at present is planned. Two good sized mountain peaks would have to be moved and nobody knows how much more.

The engineers frankly admits that

their banks are green grass and amid their boughs the flutter of wings and the pipe of the bird o' mornings. You don't have to travel a thousand miles and spend a month's wages or so to find them and rest.

holdings a name. Owners change frequently. The name would remain. Packages bearing this name would be judged by their quality and the two would become associated together in the public mind, so that it would mean a better market.

Advertising pays, and if you produce a meritorious article, your brand will be in demand. Put up your signboard so that the passing world may know and recognize it, so that your farm or orchard may have as much individuality in the public mind as your dog and cat.

Culebra cut has been full of surprises. Slide after slide has come down into the cut; some moving so slowly that their progress is imperceptible and others so rapidly that their motion has caught steam shovels and disarranged every track leading out of the cut. They are simply allowed to slide in and are then taken out with steam shovels and dirt trains.

No one thinks the sea level canal would have presented any engineering problem that might not have been met in time, but the amount of material which would have to be moved is so great that the canal never could have been finished by the same generation that began it. The amount of money it would have required—the engineers all admit today—would have been past estimation, and the length of time beyond prediction.

PORT ORFORD'S BOOSTERS BUSY

James J. Sayer Is Given Banquet—Development Projects Discussed.

PORT ORFORD, Ore., July 22.—Mr. James J. Sayer of Portland, field secretary of the Oregon Development League, spent five days in Curry county investigating the resources of this locality. The Port Orford Commercial club gave a banquet in his honor Wednesday evening at the Masterson hotel. Forty boosters were present and listened to an able and instructive address from Mr. Sayer, who pronounced the Port Orford club the liveliest crowd he had found in this section. He heartily endorsed the proposed Port District to be voted upon here, and the feasibility of Port Orford as the best outlet for the Rogue river valley was discussed, a real problem being discovered by Mr. Sayer for the Portland Commercial Club in the situation down here.

The Commercial clubs of Medford, Grants Pass and Klamath Falls have endorsed by resolutions, Crescent City, Cal., as their best outlet to the sea, which would give San Francisco a great advantage for the Southern Oregon trade, while if Port Orford were the outlet, Portland would get the most of it. As Port Orford has a much better harbor than Crescent City, and a water grade down Rogue River, besides being in Oregon and closer to the points mentioned, there is no logical reason why Southern Oregon should wish to make a California port its outlet, when a better one is closer home.

TOPICS OF THE TIMES.

Cities are built; they do not grow.

Old Mother Hubbard went to the cupboard to get some gasoline; she lifted the latch, then struck a match, and since then she hasn't benzine.

"Crazy with the heat" means something more in the east and south where vitriolic rays burn vegetation and scorch the moisture from the human system than it does on Coos Bay where excessive heat is unknown. This fact is forcibly brought to attention the other day by a woman in Texas who, driven insane by the fearful heat, butchered her three children, threw their corpses from the window of the house and then hanged herself. While this horrible tragedy was being enacted light overcoats were being worn on the streets of Marshfield every evening.

GOV. WEST IS GOING TO CURRY

Oregon's Governor Will Address Teachers' Institute In August.

PORT ORFORD, July 22.—Gov. West has accepted an invitation to address the Curry County Teachers' Institute to be held here August 23, 24 and 25. The Port Orford Commercial Club has invited the Governor to be its guest while in Curry County and some of the members who are Missouri democrats, have agreed to "show" the Governor some of the big game in the nearby mountains.

SONGS FOR COOS BAY.

Tom Nowlin, the Well Known Coos County Pioneer, Writes The Times From Paso Robles.

The following letter from T. C. Nowlin, better known to his many friends as Tom, and who is now located in Paso Robles, California, will be read with interest here. It will be the first intimation his friends have had that he has turned poet:

Editor Times: Have been thinking all winter what a good time I would have on Coos Bay this summer, but the hot weather has caught me here with a prospect of my having to stay until fall, then I hope to see you again. I spend my time laying in the shade in the heat of the day, and rustling mornings and evenings, sometimes writing a letter for the edification of the public in general—here is a sample, the latest, which is not copyrighted:

Little petty troubles should Never have a thought, The larger ones will find you, Although they are not bought, Our troubles are now piling up, Prohibitionists galore— The talk is all on temperance; It rarely makes me sore, Because I always take a drink, And hanker after more, And when the saloon is closed, And the sign pulled from the door, We'll have a little blind pig, And maybe three or four, And then we'll have to take A drink and get it on the sly I am afraid it will be rot gut Instead of good old rye, T. C. NOWLIN.

An Oklahoma paper advertises "For Lease—House in good neighborhood by a widow lady three stories high and heated with furnace." That sort of a widow would be all right in the winter time, but not now, not now.

Read the Times' Want Ads.

FREE FANS FOR NEEDY SICK

Oregon Power Company Makes Generous Offer City Physicians.

The following self explanatory letter has been sent to every physician in Marshfield and North Bend.

Dr. _____ City.

Dear Sir: I beg to inform you that during the remainder of the summer we fan service at the disposal of every sick person who (or whose family) is unable to pay for the fan and service, and whose sickroom can be reached from our present distributing lines.

We ask only that you certify in writing to the desirability of fan service from a medical standpoint and to the financial inability of the patient to secure the same; also that you notify us when the necessity of the service has ceased.

If the house is not wired we will run service wires and install sufficient interior wiring to operate the fans, loaning the latter as long as may be required in your judgment.

Assuring you of our desire to cooperate with you, we are,

Yours very truly,
OREGON POWER COMPANY,
By R. M. Jennings,
Manager.

BOBBY EVANS WOULD FIGHT

Portland Scrapper Wants Bout With Good Man Here.

Promoter Jack Herron is in receipt of a letter from "Bobby" Evans, of Portland, who wants a match here with any good candidate. It will be remembered that Evans challenged the winner of the Burns-Lee fight which was held here recently. Neither of the men accepted the challenge at the time but it is quite probable that Burns will have arrangements made for a match with him.

Evans stated in his letter that he would likely fight "Battling" Nelson at Astoria during the Centennial Exposition. As a forerunner to the big fight in Astoria "Bobby" would like to sign up with some "pug" for a bout in this city.

COAST LEAGUE BALL SCORES.

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

PORTLAND, Ore., July 22.—Portland, Sacramento and Vernon were the winners in yesterday's games, Oakland being shut out by Sacramento.

At Portland	R	H
Portland	7	8
San Francisco	3	5
At San Francisco—	R	H
Sacramento	3	8
Oakland	0	8
At Los Angeles—	R	H
Los Angeles	3	10
Vernon	5	7

Have your job printing done at the Times office.

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COOS BAY AND ITS COMMERCE

SOME SUGGESTIONS IN REFERENCE TO THE TRANSFORMATION SITUATION AND CONDITIONS THAT MUST BE MET HERE.

Editor Times:

The aim and desire of the people of Coos Bay is to build up a large transportation center at this point and unless it can be done we will always remain a mediocrity. We are striving to improve our harbor and water channel facilities for that purpose, but no matter how good our harbor may be, that alone will not bring about a large transportation center nor build up a large city. Our competitors in the development of a transportation business will be other ports along the coast and before we can expect to secure a sufficient amount of business to place this port on a par with other ports, we must make conditions here equal to the facilities furnished by them. To do this we must make friends with transportation companies and give them at least the same advantages that they enjoy elsewhere. The railroads and steamship companies are the ones directing the route of the commerce handled by them and they are going to follow the line of least resistance, that is, the most economical route. If ships can come here and discharge their cargoes and get quick dispatch this will be the point of selection. If railroad companies can find superior track facilities along our waterfront for receiving goods which are destined for the interior, they will come here. Our waterfront must be given up to them; it is no good for any other purpose. Sufficient reservations should be made along the waterfront for public docks to insure fair and equitable treatment for all steamship companies and a common user railroad track along the waterfront should be provided but let the railroads building up our transportation business operate that road. It has been argued that a private corporation owning and operating a common user track along the waterfront would do as much justice to the situation as if it was owned by the transcontinental railroad lines; this conclusion is erroneous. The profit over an above operating expense which a private corporation would ask for handling cars over its track would constitute a differential with other ports in their favor. At Seattle, Portland, San Francisco and Los Angeles transcontinental railroad lines run their cars direct to the ship's tackle and do not have to pay an intermediate party a truckage rate to perform that service within the corporate limits of those cities. When Coos Bay perfects its contemplated bar and harbor improvements steamship companies ought look upon this port with favor on account of the short distance from the Pacific Ocean to its docks and the absence of pilotage charges. This port will spend many hundred thousand dollars in the improvement of its water way for the benefit of water transportation. Now before it can complete the link in building up a transportation business it must have accommodations for land transportation. What are you going to do toward helping out that end of the project? You must have both if you desire to make anything more out of your port than a place to take care of your own products. If you are going to compete for foreign business there are two things you must have, ships and steam cars, and they must be put alongside of each other in the most economical manner possible for the exchange of their cargoes. This is the vital point to be borne in mind; all private interest must be subservient to it.

E. MINGUS.

APRICOTS

A SMALL Shipment on the Redondo

Your grocer will have them while they last