

# COOS BAY TIMES

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## LET US TALK IT OVER

COOS BAY business interests should not overlook the presence on the Pacific Coast of General Bixby, head of the United States Engineering Department. It will afford an opportunity to meet and present the facts concerning the commerce and conditions on Coos Bay that should not be neglected.

General Bixby will be in Portland next Monday and a strong delegation of citizens representative of the business interests of Coos Bay should wait on him to personally present the claims of this section for harbor improvement.

A representative body backed by facts and figures showing the growth in shipping and commerce would be him to speak here tomorrow night at conference with General Bixby that could be obtained in no other way.

The Chamber of Commerce and Port Commission should take prompt action on this important matter.

### LET HER HUM.

YOUR little girl is hunched up on the floor playing with her dolls. She is unconscious of the world of grown ups. She is happy, and, being happy, she hums. Perhaps you are trying to read some exposition of the tariff or single tax or some other intricate subject as analyzed in a speech reported in your paper. Perhaps the little girl distracts your attention.

But—let her hum!  
Don't for all the world disturb her. She is enjoying that which soon she will never enjoy again—freedom from care.

After a bit she will be a merry schoolgirl, but there will always be in the distance worry about tomorrow's lessons. She will in time be a blushing high school graduate, but marring her perfect joy will be the wonder about what life is to hold for her.

She will be a happy bride, but there will be the chilling thought of what sorrows may come.  
She will be a contented mother, rocking her babe to rest, but visions will arise of diseases that may strike down her dearest.

Always, as one grows, new responsibilities, new tasks, new worries. So let your little girl hum now.

### A GOOD TEST.

ACCORDING to the News-Post of Philadelphia the preachers of that city are warning country folk not to let their daughters come to the city unless assured of a minimum wage of \$10 a week in some reputable employment.

This sort of text looks good to us and we especially commend it to country preachers. The Philadelphia preachers are shocked at the number of girls who come to our city, make a hopeless struggle on inadequate wages and fall. The average country preacher seems to satisfy himself by preaching against sin and folly in the abstract, but surely here's a chance to attack a particularly folly particularly. The girl who gives up opportunities and environment in the country for a city life at starvation wages makes a mighty poor investment, financially as well as morally, and the country minister cannot devote himself more directly to the cause of God and humanity than by stemming the pilgrimage of our youth from the country to the city.

### THE CANDIDATES.

Oh, Woodrow and William and Ted! How tired they must be of the noise of painting geography red, and handing out Facts to the boys! How tired they must be of suspense, of rumors and roorbacks and rot, debating the whiteness of whence, and also the thinness of what! How weary and sick are they all, expounding to thickheaded goats why they're for or foralnst the recall, and why they are rustling for votes. Oh, Willie and Teddy and Wood, whose colors are railed to the mast! No matter which one's to the good when votes have been counted at last, there's nothing but trouble in store, there's nothing but grief and despair, there's nothing but walking the floor and thinking up words fit to swear! I wonder why people will strain and break their suspenders to get a job that will drive them insane with worry and woe and regret. The honors don't pay for the grief! I'd rather go fishing, I swear, than live in the White House as chief, with trouble enthroned on my brow. Oh, Woody and Teddy and Bill! When the sounds of the conflict subside, and the roar of the captains is still, and the tail is thrown in with the hide, then cut out political strife, the uproar, confusion and noise, retire from the strenuous life, and live like the rest of the boys.

### THE DISAPPEARING BALANCE.

I never can figure my bank account out, I'm always in trouble and always in doubt, And just when I think I have lots to go on The bank sends a notice—"account overdrawn." I don't understand it, I fuss and I fret, But I can't make the bank people "get me" you bet. They point to their figures, and I must remit Although I can't see any reason for it, I'm sure I am right in the balance I claim, But they make me come through when they ask, just the same, And they smile in a way condescending and bland When I say that their system I can't understand; For this is the puzzle my brain cells to vex— Why doesn't the money keep pace with the checks!

Jays imported 25,982 sewing machines in 1911.

### WITH THE TOAST AND TEA

#### GOOD EVENING.

To Reduce Cost of Living.  
I shall be better able to extend my small revenues by contracting my desires than if I could join the kingdom of Avlattes to the Phrygian plains. Much is wanting to those who covet much. 'Tis well with him to whom God has given what is necessary with a sparing hand.—Horace.

#### ON THE ROAD—FROM "OLD BROADWAY."

(An adapted poem—with apologies to H. R. K.)

Ship me somewhere west of Boise, where the winds of Heaven blow, And the mountains rise to meet them in the glory of their snow— Where there's gold in every hill-side and there's gold in every heart, And you gaze on God's own painting—and forget the thing called "art."

#### On the road to old Coos Bay.

Where the year is always May, Can't you hear the west a-calling from Ten Mile to Charleston Bay? On the road to old Coos Bay, Where the hills are green all way, And the roses bloom in winter, Just like on a summer day.

I am sick of brick and mortar, and I'm looking for the plains And the muggy New York climate dries the blood within my veins; And the New York Johnnies bore me—self-complacent, sleek and bland— For they talk of love forever—but what do they understand.

Languid air and listless hand— Lord! What do they understand? There's a rarer, squarer fellow of a cleaner, greener brand On the road to old Coos Bay, etc.

#### Ship me somewhere west of Boise,

where God carried out his plan— Where the soul has room to blossom, and a man can be a man, Let me stand upon the sands and watch the ships that slowly go Toward the sun that sinks in splendor into far off Tokio.

Oh, it's there I want to go Where the soul has room to grow, Where the roses bloom the whole year round and never see the snow.

On the road to old Coos Bay, Where the year is always May, Etc.

Some Coos Bay men sow wild oats and then hope for a bumper crop of potatoes.

And again some of them sow wild oats and reap a large crop of old rye.

Fight and your wife fights with you—keep still and she fights alone.

Marriage sometimes forms a man's character and sometimes reforms it.

A man ceases to be a good husband when he begins to feel sorry for himself.

The life of a good woman is a living sermon.

### STORY OF THE DAY.

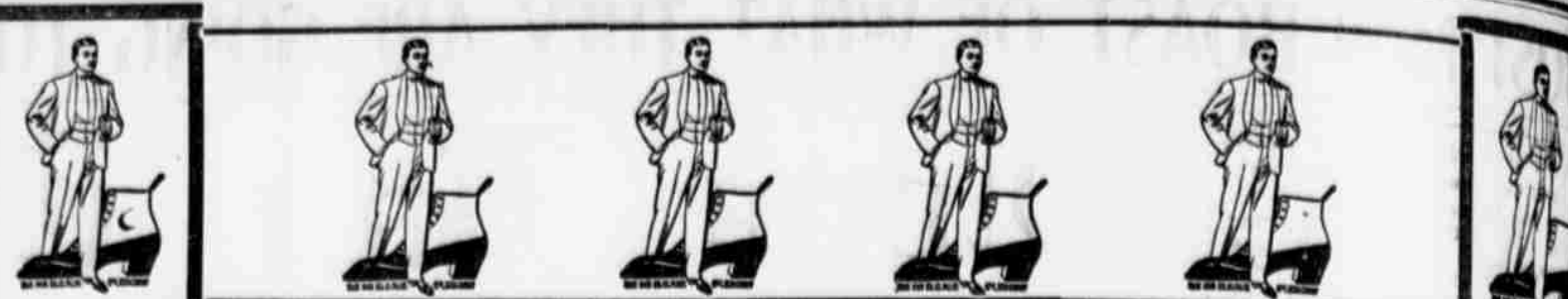
Analyzing the "empty church" evil, Bishop Sanford Olmstead said the other day in Denver: "Of course, where the moving picture houses are open Sundays empty churches are almost inevitable.

"I heard the other day of a youngster who was taken to a moving picture show for the first time. On his return home his mother said to him: "Well, how did you like the movies?" "Muvver," he answered with enthusiasm, "if you once go to the movies you won't never want to waste no time on church again."

A one-sided view is all right if it is the right side.

Enthusiasm is one thing and hustle is another.

If you want to know how old a married woman is, ask her husband's sister.



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### HEARD ON THE STREETS

More young men might manage to earn their own living if their fathers declined to do it for them.  
The poor pay compound interest for the privilege of poverty.

### NEW RULE FOOTBALL PRACTICE

"Excuse me," smiled the center rush, while he doffed his cap.  
"How is your health? How are your folks? You're looking well, old chap.  
I trust that it's convenient for you to step aside  
And give us that position which you retain with pride?"  
"Beg pardon," said the halfback when he the right guard met.  
"I'm in a little hurry; the touch-down I must get.  
'Twill be a wondrous favor if you'll allow me—Thanks.  
I shall return the kindness when you come through our ranks."

"Good evening," said the tackle into the left guard's ear.  
"It looks a bit like snowing, although the sky is clear.  
Please step here to this pillow, I beg that you will fall.  
Ah, thank you very kindly. Now I will take the ball."

"Allow me," said the captain. "I wish to give some signs.  
But they will be quite futile if you still hold these lines.  
Might I request you kindly to rearrange your team  
So that our forward movement less difficult may seem?"

And so they go to practice the one time rowdy game;  
'Tis hard, indeed, to fancy that in it men would main  
And batter their opponents and sometimes break a bone—  
Why, now the pigskin's polished and sprinkled with cologne!

London has about 2000 milk shops and about the same number of public houses.  
The coal consumption of the world has just about doubled every 10 years for the last century.  
Twenty-four separate operations enter into the construction of a watch.

### HEARD ON THE STREETS

"It is folly to talk about building good roads, unless they are built for permanency," Judge Coko said, discussing his attitude toward good roads. "There is no use trying to build them unless recognized materials are used. Repairing helps the roads, but it does not make them permanent. The money that is expended for repairing and makeshifts devoted to permanent road building would give us a much better system."

"It is energy that counts," said a Marshfield physician today. "Energy is greater than ability. We need ability but we can get along without ability better than we can without energy. Ability is worthless unless you have the energy to use the ability. Energy has ability beaten to a standstill. Ability can create ideas but it takes energy to carry them out. Ability without energy is a sleeping beauty. The cemeteries are filled with ability. The corridors of time are resplendent with monuments to ability which lacked the energy to make a success of itself. The failures of life are not due to lack of ability but to lack of energy. The greatest ability the world can produce is worthless if it has not the energy to express itself. Franklin had the ability. He would never have been heard of if he hadn't the energy to display his ability. Edison is a man of rare ability. The inventions which Edison has given the world might never have blessed humanity if the inventor had lacked energy to express his ability. It was energy that made Grant. It was energy that produced the printing press and the telescope and the other achievements in which civilization revels. From Westinghouse to Mozart and from Lizst to Cicero the world would have been deprived of its inventions, science, art and literature if ability had lacked the energy to express itself."

### VOTE FOR GOOD ROADS

County Home Rule Constitutional Amendment submitted by the people of Southern Oregon granting home rule to counties in building good roads. Election Nov. 5, 1912.  
The following is the form and number in which the amendment will be printed on the official ballot:

PROPOSED BY INITIATIVE PETITION  
For amendment of Section 10 of Article XI of the Constitution of the State of Oregon empowering the court of any county to issue and sell bonds or other securities to build and maintain roads within the county when authorized by a majority of the voters of the county, and empowering the county court to present the question at any general election or to call a special election for such purposes and repealing all constitutional amendments and acts in conflict with the proposed amendment, including those submitted to the people at this election.  
361. No.  
360. X. Yes.

### RULES FOR WIFE MAKE MAN BOSS

### UNUSUAL NUPITAL AGREEMENT INTRODUCED AS DEFENSE IN ALIENATION SUIT.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 25.—Ten unusual rules of obedience that Louis Eccleston drafted and made his wife promise she would observe, before he would become reconciled to her, were introduced at the hearing in Oakland of the \$25,444 damage suit of the woman against Charles Eccleston, her brother-in-law, for alienating the husband's affection.  
Mrs. Eccleston, whose maiden name was Maude Johnston, induced the minister who married her to Eccleston, a well-to-do Fresno grocer, to drop the word "obey" from the marriage ceremony.  
When Eccleston learned of the omission, she maintains, he sought the company of a divorced woman. He was about to marry this woman

when they were reconciled, only to be divorced later.  
The decree was granted to Eccleston on the ground of desertion, and she then began the damage suit against the brother-in-law, declaring he was responsible for breaking up her home.  
The answer of Charles Eccleston to this is the rules of the husband that he introduced in evidence. Here are the rules:  
1.—Do as I say in all matters that may come up.  
2.—Tell me the truth about everything I ask.  
3.—Take me into your confidence and never let the smallest thing go unsaid.  
4.—Let the cook go.  
5.—Let me see all the letters you write to your sister Alice.  
6.—Treat me as if I were the stronger of the two, as you see I am, and consider that I am the master of the house.  
7.—Show me by your action and affection that you love me.  
8.—Let's begin to save money.  
9.—You are not to get a regular allowance, but just what you need each month.  
10.—Treat my relatives as nothing had happened, especially my brother Charles.  
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