

COOS BAY GETS GOOD BOOST

Attack Redounds to Advantage—M. W. A. Paper Makes Defense

Coos Bay and Coos County gets a big boost in a recent issue of the News Letter, a paper published in the interests of the Modern Men of America, and circulated all over the United States. It is all over the United States. It is the organization that is prominent in the present administration of the society and in their campaign have questioned some of the statements made by some of the men, which included some of the men of the Port of Coos Bay, who they purchased. Here is what the "News Letter" says in reference to the matter:

"Another bond purchase, which is being made out of the Coos Bay bonds, is that of the Coos Bay Improvement bonds. With the improvement of the statement is made that this 'is said to be an abandonment of a lumber promotion project' and a lumber promotion project is said there is not a railroad within fifty miles of the lumber camp."

What are the facts? The Port of Coos Bay is a municipal corporation embracing 355,200 acres in Coos County, Oregon, situated about 100 miles from San Francisco. The territory included in the port surrounds Coos Bay, which is the only deep sea harbor between Portland and San Francisco, and is the outlet for one of the richest points of natural resources. The financial statement of the port of Coos Bay is as follows:

Estimated value of property, \$25,000,000
 Estimated valuation for taxation, 1912, \$3,577,055
 Estimated bonded debt, \$300,000

Further information has been furnished from John W. Morley, secretary of the starfishers' Chamber of Commerce, that the 1913 assessment was \$3,999,045, and that the assessed valuation of the city of Marshfield alone, which is located in this district, was \$2,562,564. North Bend, also in the district, has a population of 3,360. The total population of the port district is about 15,000. The bonds were bought to net the port five per cent, and are one of the very best purchases ever made by the society.

A letter addressed to the state auditor of Oregon, T. B. Kay, on Feb. 10, brought this information: "The assessed valuation of Coos County is \$23,000,000, and as the Board of Equalization has estimated that Coos County property is assessed at 69 cents on the dollar, the true value of the property in Coos County is \$32,400,000. This is the surrounding counties' wonderful resources in their timber, and this section is prosperous."

This is the 'lumber camp,' Neighbors of the 'unsettled community,' according to Johnson, where your money made one of the best bond investments of the entire amount in the history of the district. It goes without saying that the damage done to the district by such unscrupulous efforts to sow seeds of discord and distrust in the business management of the district, is incalculable. The anti-lumber big game man in different parts have enlarged upon and magnified these charges until the present himself would scarcely believe his child. For example, these imitators in a speech given in November, stated that Coos Bay bonds were only 69 cents on the dollar and would prove it. Investigation showed that these bonds were quoted a few days before, and when the auditor said: 'Well, there is no doubt about the ability of our investment our funds safely.'"

BASEBALL NOTES.
 ASTORIA, Fla., Feb. 24.—The St. Louis Cardinals and the St. Louis Browns are due here today and the park is ready for them. The Browns remain in training until March. The squad of Giants started their training in Austin, Texas, yesterday. The squad consists of all the young players and the entire catching staff and

STRAWBERRIES WILL BE EARLY

PORTLAND, Feb. 24.—The Telegram says: Things are at a standstill in the retail markets right now owing to the lack of new varieties in the fruit and vegetable line. Meats are just the same and fish is also unchanged. This about tells the story.

Good news came in from California to the effect that the fruit and vegetable season will be about thirty days earlier this year than last. This means that several varieties of good things to eat, freshly gathered, will arrive here a full month ahead of the time they would ordinarily be looked for.

It is expected strawberries will reach the local markets not later than March 15. Last year it was the middle of April before the berries arrived in any quantity, but reports are to the effect that by the middle of March plenty of them will be on hand and at a reasonable price. Fresno, where the berries will come from, is not in the flood district, so the fruit was not hurt by the terrific downpour of rain during the last day or two.

One man will practically control the strawberry market in California this year. He has over 700 acres set out in plants and from these will gather thousands of crates of berries. He will make his own price and it will have to be met. It is said the competition he will have to contend with will be so small that it will not be felt. It is believed he will reap a harvest in dollars as well as berries.

Some good apples are to be found in the retail markets of the city, but they are few at that. The wholesale markets have been flooded with the poorest quality stuff imaginable. Hundreds of boxes have been thrown away during the last few weeks and now cold storage stocks are being pretty well cleaned up. Apples do not move easily for the reason that the people do not care to be stung too often. Best apples—those that are really good—are rather expensive. Spitzenbergs bring 60 cents a dozen and Arkansas Black 50 cents a dozen. Extra fancy Winesaps are \$3 a box and Newtowns \$3.50 to \$4, while Pinks are \$3.25. Some handsome baskets of assorted fruits may be had at \$3 for basket and contents.

In the vegetable line cauliflower is selling at 10, 15 and 20 cents a head, sweet potatoes, seven pounds for 25 cents; Irish potatoes, \$1.50 a sack; mustard greens, endive, water cress and parsley, 5 cents a bunch each; green peppers, 15 and 20 cents a pound; radishes, 5 cents a bunch or three for a dime; turnips and beets, three bunches, 10 cents; cabbage and carrots, 2 1/2 cents a pound each; parsnips, three pounds 10 cents; horseradish, two pounds for a quarter; field lettuce, three pounds for 25 cents, and head lettuce, four for a quarter; celery, 10 cents a bunch; spinach, 10 cents a pound; squash, 10 cents, three

PROHIS PLAN HARD BATTLE

J. T. Kennedy, representing the statewide prohibition movement, is spending a few days here conferring with the W. C. T. U. organizations in Coos County relative to the coming campaign. Mr. Kennedy has been working in California and is just entering the work in Oregon. Rev. R. G. Summerlin, former U. B. pastor at North Bend, and who was reared near Myrtle Point, arrived here a few days ago from Vancouver, Wash., where he is now located and is visiting friends here. Rev. Summerlin was one of the chief workers of the prohibitionists in the campaign in Salem and other Oregon cities last spring when they went dry.

It is understood that the Coos County W. C. T. U. will unite in a movement for dry elections in November and that a very energetic dry campaign will be inaugurated.

BILLY SUNDAY COMING

Noted Revivalist Will Hold Meetings in Portland
 PORTLAND, Or., Feb. 24.—"Billy" Sunday, the evangelist, is due to open a six-weeks' series of revival services in this city early in September, remaining until after the November elections. This is the announcement made by officials of the Anti-Saloon League, who have been endeavoring for some time to have the former ball player come here in the interests, not alone of religion, but in making Oregon "dry."

USE MOVING PICTURES

Presbyterians Arrange to Send Prohibition Workers into Oregon
 NEW YORK, N. Y., Feb. 24.—The Presbyterian Church will send 250 temperance workers into Washington, Oregon, California and Colorado, in an effort to swing these states into the "dry" column at the next fall election. They will take with them moving picture films teaching lessons against the sale of alcohol. Plans for the crusade were perfected at a meeting for the Presbyterian board of temperance.

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