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PROSPERITY RETURNING

WITH the unusual, but happy conjunction of large crops and good prices, natural conditions all point to a period of marked prosperity. Commercial conditions are already beginning to show a responsive feeling and will soon return to normal activity. Now comes the report that the financial condition is much better. The way the bankers feel is indicated in the following paragraph from a recent letter of the American National Bank of San Francisco: "The financial situation in California and on the Pacific Coast generally, is much better than it was a year ago. While money is neither excessively abundant nor unduly cheap, commercial funds are readily accessible for all proper business purposes. Banks are investing confidently in prime commercial paper at rates which they would have scorned last year. Municipal bonds and first-class utility issues find a ready market among investors. The only disturbing feature is the distress into which some of our larger utility corporations have drifted, through improper or inadequate financing."

THE DAYTON PLAN.

DAYTON, the flood-swept city of Ohio, is making such marvelous progress in rehabilitation as to attract the attention of the world. The catastrophe there, like the one at Galveston, brought out all that was best in the people, and they at once created a new form of government to meet with the situation that devastation created. Writing of what Dayton did not do, Elbert Hubbard says: "Twenty-five years ago Ambassador Bryce in his book 'The American Commonwealth' said: 'American municipalities are governed by the worst, in the worst possible way.' What he had in mind, of course, was the typical system of party politics, whereby aldermen are elected to represent certain wards." What Dayton did, what the people as a whole did, was to elect five directors, men above reproach, and known to have at heart only the best interest of the city. These five men selected by all the people to govern all the people, named a commissioner general or general manager, and under such direction the city's advance has been marvelous. The directors serve without pay, but they employ a secretary at \$10,000 a year and a secretary with brains and ability. An ideal government, with its bureaus to care for this department and that, has resulted, and the writer already quoted says that it is a government that has sprung from the hearts of the people, and therefore is a good government. Peace in Mexico is desirable, but we don't want a piece of Mexico.

RUMOR SAYS RAILROADS WIN.

In mysterious ways rumors forecasting important court decisions seep into the farthest corners of the country. Sometimes these rumors are wrong and sometimes they accurately foretell the nature of the decision. At the present time there is a persistent rumor to the effect that the coming decision of the Interstate Commerce Commission on the request of the Eastern railroads for permission to increase their freight rates will be favorable to the railroads. The decision is now being written by one of the members of the commission and it has been stated that it will be made public about the 20th of this month.

WE MORALISTS.

We like to regulate our neighbors, and mark for them the way; we would prescribe their fun and labors, their penalties and pay. We always have a text to back us, whatever stand we take; and morbid doubts can never rack us, or make our conscience ache. For we are all so strictly pious, and free from spots and fire, that even the angels can't deny us the halos we desire. And since we have no streak of yellow—that much is understood—of course we chase the other fellow and try to make him good. We don't resort to moral suasion, or methods mild like that; we give his head severe abrasion, and try to break a slat. We show the road that you should travel, and if you halt or fall, we slug you with a chunk of gravel and send you off to jail. We're bound to make this sad world better, and life a joyous hymn, even though we have to place a fetter on every human limb. In olden times the pious hermit was satisfied to train his spirit, or whatever you term it, in solitude and pain; but now the good man ups and hollers, and makes a mighty noise, and wants to put his chains and collars on all the other boys. And if this fable I am handing seems to you Greek or Dutch, and fails to hit your understanding, I cannot help it much.—Walt Mason.

Home Sweet Home

THEN "Home, Sweet Home," was being sung for the first time just 91 years ago. The song came from the operatic stage. Its author, John Howard Payne, posed as a dramatic critic in New York when he was only 14 years of age; before maturity he was successful on the stage; then came 20 years of varying success abroad as actor, manager and playwright. Pressed for funds, he sold the opera "Clari," for \$250. In this was "Home, Sweet Home." Payne had written it, recalling his early cottage home at East Hampton, N. Y. The opera had a phenomenal run and the song brought a fortune to its publishers. Payne never received another cent from it. He later became United States consul at Tunis where he died.

With the Tea and Toast

GOOD EVENING Those truth love best who to themselves are true And what they dare to dream of dare to do. —Lowell.

THE RIVER CALLS Like a barefoot schoolboy, out from school, as joyous as the day, We want to leave the dusty town and take the river way! Or, skimming o'er green meadows that skirt some country ranch, We want to feel once more the joy of wadin' in the branch!

"Come!" says the water, murmuring along; The river, too makes music, and the woodlands hear the song! Farewell, the city's trouble, and all the noisy strife! The breath of green meadows, and live where life is life! We're children of the woods once more, and glad again to live Where the world gives all the brightness God's wanting it to give!

Rivers and birds are calling; "Come—come away!" And life is thrilled with echoes Of an unforgotten day. —F. L. Stanton.

There are some people riding in automobiles who ought to be settling up with their grocer.

Will Ekblad says: "There are two kinds of lawn hose—the rubber kind and the kind that makes you rubber."

If we ever get to running autos on hot air instead of gasoline, there are a lot of Coos Bay men who will never have to purchase any fuel.

As soon as some Coos Bay women get the thing they want they change their mind and want something else.

NO CHANCE. A mermaid sat upon the shore, Her feelings were extremely hurt. She sighed: "My fate I must deplore, How can I wear a shadow skirt?"

T. is a vale of sorrows and a lot of weird men and women would rather mourn than work.

Mistress Mary, light and airy, How does your "Gardan" do? "With Hesitations and Innovations, It makes me a dollar or two!"

The reformer should start with his own family. When he cleans his own house then it is permissible to tell the other fellow how to run his.

The fellow with the raincoat and umbrella is the most apt to remember that behind the dark clouds the sun is still shining.

A woman isn't that way but a man would rather have a lot of friends than a lot of relatives.

If shy of wisdom, profit by that of others.

Only tongue-tied women suffer from brain fog.

Painful duties are best performed by an understudy.

Swallowing his pride never yet satisfied a man's hunger.

faster than twenty miles an hour, it plays "Nearer My God to Thee." Auto dealers should keep on hand a large supply.

If it is true the good die young, will the oldest inhabitant please offer an explanation?

The baseball pitcher is proud of his curves, but no more so than some Coos Bay ladies are of theirs.

THE MORNING AFTER Well, I tried to get that office And I worked with all my might For the pesky nomination. But I fought a losing fight. I suppose he's feeling happy 'Cause they'll fix him in the fall And it really isn't worth it After all.

Let him spend his hard-earned dollars; Let him worry, fret and stew, Throughout the whole long summer! I'll have other things to do! And I'd rather weed my garden. See—the corn is growing tall! No, it really isn't worth it After all.

Yes, I'm tired of making speeches And I'm glad these days are past; Now, I'll delve into my law books 'Cause I've got the time at last. Well, he may be feeling happy, But they'll fix him in the fall And he'll say it wasn't worth it After all. —W. H. M-r-d-th.

TOPICS OF THE TIMES. Billy Sundays says: "A woman told me that she knew she had a bad temper, but that she was over it in a minute. So is a gatling gun, but it blows everything to pieces."

The New York Times reports that there is an increasing demand for men's corsets. But why call them men's?

MEXICAN MANNERS. When gentlemen greet each other they embrace and pat each other on the back. Ladies kiss each other on both cheeks at both meeting and parting. Everybody shakes hands with everybody on all possible occasions. Sons kiss the mothers' and their grandmothers' hands and often their fathers'.

The politeness of Mexican servants is proverbial and their voices are soft and pleasing. Children wear mourning in Mexico. Young girls in their teens wear all-black costumes and little girls of all sizes wear white dresses with black ribbon sashes and hats trimmed with black.

On entering a street car or other vehicle, or when about to be seated, there is a repeated exchange of Gaston and Alphonse "you firsts" between the seniors.

The seat of honor in a Mexican home is the sofa beside the hostess. A caller should not take that seat unless specially invited.

A cigar is lighted before being presented to a friend. The peon men are obliged to wear large, heavy straw hats to protect their heads from the tropical sun, but the peon women have gone bare-headed for centuries.

Clerks in the stores and shops of all kinds smoke while waiting on customers.

The newcomer must make the first call and the "old settlers" can do as they please about returning it.

COALEDO ITEMS (Special to The Times.) One of the delightful events of the week at Coaledo was a party and shower tendered Miss Violet Means, youngest daughter of Mrs. Witschey, Tuesday afternoon. Pleasant conversation followed the shower, when all adjourned to the dining room, where delicious refreshments were served. Those present were Mrs. Covel, Mrs. Sugdan, Mrs. Stallard, Mrs. Parks, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Grant, Miss Means, Mrs. Witschey and Mrs. Williams.

The many friends of Mrs. Chas. Stallard gave her a delightful surprise Tuesday morning. All came with their needles and thimbles, also their baskets well filled and spent the day quilting. Dinner was served at 12 o'clock, when the quilts were finished. Several familiar hymns were sung and all departed to their homes wishing for another day like it to come. Those present were Mrs. G. C. Moore and children, Mrs. W. Sherwood and children, Mrs. Geddie and children, Mrs. Covel, Mrs. Guemel, Mrs. Hetherington, Mrs. Witschey and Helen Witschey, Mrs. Medley, Mrs. Sugdan, Mrs. Williams and daughter Gertrude, and Mrs. Stallard and children. Mr. Moore and Bernard Gimmel ate lunch and then departed for fear the ladies would try and teach them to sew. Another social will be given by the Sunday School, June 29.

BAPTISTS IN SESSION.

Rev. G. LeRoy Hall Addressed Meeting at Eugene Last Week. Rev. G. LeRoy Hall has returned from Eugene, where he attended a meeting of the Baptist denomination. Concerning the gathering, the Eugene Guard says: "Seventeen churches in Linn, Douglas and Coos counties, comprising the Umpqua Baptist Association, were bound by resolutions passed by the forty-eighth annual convention of that organization to take the initiative in a campaign for 'Oregon Dry.'" The resolution was unanimously passed and calls upon the members of these churches to make personal canvasses among their neighbors in support of a constitutional amendment which will prohibit the liquor traffic within the state. Petitions for the submission of this amendment, it was stated on the floor of the convention, will be filed during the month of July. The only other resolution passed thanked the members of the Eugene congregation for entertainment of delegates.

"It was voted to hold the next annual meeting of the association at Junction City the first week in June, 1915. Rev. H. W. Davis, pastor of the Eugene church, was selected to deliver the annual address at that time.

"Captain G. L. Hall of the colportage boat 'Life Line' spoke at this morning's session of the convention upon the spiritual destitution of parts of Coos and Curry counties. His address aroused such keen interest that the association voted to employ a missionary to work in that field during the coming year."

AN AUDACIOUS DEER

The other morning while one of the Smith River farmers was milking his cows, a two-point buck jumped over the fence into the cow corral and began to butt the cows around the corral, paying particular attention to the one that the farmer was milking. After butting the cow over onto the farmer, upsetting him, as well as his milk bucket, the victim picked up his milk stool and ran the buck out of the corral. But he did not get more than comfortably seated again with his head in bossy flank and the liquid streams a flowing, when Mr. Buck appeared again on the scene and repeated the performance as before. This was too much for Mr. Farmer, and with a dash on his lips, he rushed into the house and grabbed his old .32 rapid fire and made for the corral, where Mr. Buck was having all kinds of fun with the cows. He took deliberate aim, but happened to think the close season was on, and being a conscientious man, as all Smith River men are, in regard to these matters, he concluded he would not kill the animal, but would raise the sights of his gun so that he would overshoot, which he did, frightening the deer away and thus saving his life. But the worst of all is that the neighbors are saying that his aim was no good, or that he had the "buck ague," but nevertheless, the deer disturbs no more and the milking goes on in peace.—Gardiner Courier.

LOCAL OVERFLOW.

Get Leases.—J. W. Perkins, who is here from Roseburg with E. M. Andrews, has been conferring with L. J. Simpson and C. A. Smith relative to oil leases on some of their holdings. He reports everything going satisfactorily.

Big Suit Begun.—Sanna Marua Koskela of Finland has begun suit in the circuit court of Multnomah county against the Coos Bay Pulp Mill for \$50,000 damages for the death of her son, sometimes known as Edward Johnson. She alleges he was killed through defective machinery.

EDITOR AUSTIN'S PLANS

J. H. Austin, the genial editor of the Courier, mysteriously slipped out of town Monday, ostensibly bound for Roseburg. His many friends are greatly alarmed, as his personal attractiveness might prove his undoing. From one source we learn that it is a widow, but better authority insists that it is a flaxen-haired stenographer. A stenographer would greatly improve the appearance of the editor's office, and would prove of sufficient inducement to increase the circulation of the Courier twofold. P. S.—This is one way for his inefficient substitute to get even, and a very refined manner in which to break the news.—Gardiner Courier.

ALONG the WATERFRONT

A Portland paper says: "The Michie will likely be out of commission for thirty days." The schooner Roamer is licensed to carry a crew of eleven. The Speedwell, which came over from Bandon yesterday, is scheduled to sail from here Friday for San Francisco.

Grand Theater TONIGHT

The Great American Drama "THE LION and THE MOUSE"

Six Reels

Special Music by the Grand's six-piece Orchestra.

SOCIAL CALENDAR.

WEDNESDAY. Jolly Dozen with Mrs. Brockmueller. Newly-Weds with Mrs. Carl West. Bridge Club with Mrs. W. E. Turpen. Baptist Ladies' Aid meeting. Mrs. E. B. Curtis entertains the Larkin Club at her home in North Bend. North Bend Swedish Ladies with Mrs. William Strang. Mrs. W. H. Kennedy will give a shower complimentary to Miss Mamie Mahoney. THURSDAY. Norwegian Lutheran Ladies' Aid with Mrs. E. Erickson as hostess. Social Sewing Club with Mrs. J. C. Swanson. North Bend Altar Guild with Mrs. F. A. Lennan. Eastside Sewing Club with Mrs. Foster. North Bend Presbyterian Ladies with Mrs. Geo. D. Mandlin. Marriage of James Trosby and Miss Ruth Barnes at Bay City.

PLAN CHILDREN'S DAY.

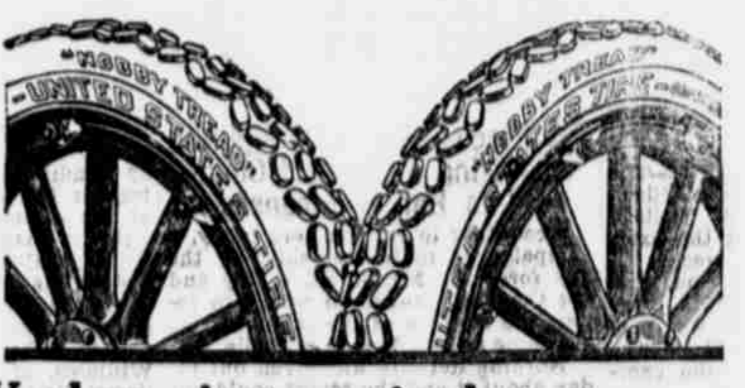
Christian Church Arranges Special Program for Observance. A very interesting and elaborate program is being arranged for Children's Day exercises in the Christian Church next Sunday night. Some features of the program will be music and of especial interest. The program as outlined is as follows: Introductory song service by the school. Invocation by the pastor, Samuel Gregg. Special music. Recitation, Helen Immel. Music, Children's Day, by the children. Recitation, Thurlow Ward. Military Drill. Duet, Lavina and Dorothy Palmer. Recitation, Genevieve Ward. Music by the children. Recitation, Geraldine Ward. Recitation, Alice McDuffie. Tableau, with music, "The Ten Virgins." This feature will be well presented by ten young ladies, all of whom are excellent singers. Closing exercise.

LECTURE THIS EVENING

Dr. Mattie E. Shaw will address husbands and wives and other adults at the High School this evening on matters pertaining to sex hygiene. The meeting will commence at eight o'clock. Pamphlets published by the Oregon Social Hygiene Society will be distributed to those attending. No admission charge is made. A committee of fifteen Marshfield citizens is promoting this series of lectures in the interest of a better Marshfield and most heartily recommend the lecture this evening.

AMONG THE SICK

Frederick Shetter, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Shetter, is reported quite sick of measles.



We have just received from the United States Tire Company a brand new stock of the famous "Nobby Tread" Tires. "Nobby Treads" are the largest selling high-grade anti-skid tires in the world. Because of the quantity and high quality of rubber and fabric used in their construction, they are the greatest mileage tires made.

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