

COOS BAY TIMES

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ARMIES OF PEACE AND WAR.

When a general wants to tear down a city in time of war he sends an army of men to do it. When somebody wants to build up a city in time of peace it takes an army of workers to accomplish results. You can't make Marshfield a better town, or Coos Bay a better community by wishing they were better.

"THE SKY PILOT."

The Times yesterday printed a press dispatch of the passing of a man who was not only well known to all the loggers and lumberjacks of Minnesota and Wisconsin, but also to hundreds of woodmen in the Pacific Northwest who will learn with genuine regret of his death.

"Nor was it less the work of a strong man to live the life of the lumberjack—to share his fare and his hardships; to be able to turn in and do a day's work beside these giant-armed northerners.

"The sky pilot" seemed to care nothing for human recognition of his work, except as it might bring him more means to carry that work along.

EVERY MAN OWES A DUTY TO THE STATE.

"I believe," said President Coman of the Exchange National Bank, when accepting membership among the regents of the state college, "that every individual owes public service to the state by reason of the advantages that accrue to him through being a citizen.

This is the sort of sentiment that every American citizen ought to have and cherish as to his relation to the state and his attitude toward public service.

social relations would cure themselves automatically. The refusal of otherwise good citizens to perform public service for the state lies at the root of much of the failure of American democracy.

Every citizen can and should render public service to the commonwealth. It may not come in his way to do so as a legislator, or a judge, or an executive or administrative official.

REMEMBERS OF WHAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN

It is said that along the Canadian border there are two or three places where crumbling relics of fortifications, built long before the Treaty of Ghent was signed, are yet standing.

Let us assume that it had not been unfortified; that from the Niagara to Vancouver there extended a double chain of forts and other defensive works; that the two countries had maintained opposing war fleets on the Great Lakes; and another assumption would follow as a matter of logical necessity that two military systems adequate to make these forts and fleets effective would have been maintained.

In the maintenance of these what would have been the educational effect? Exactly that which now is bearing fruit in Europe," says an Exchange.

Never in the history of the world has there been clearer or more convincing example of the evil avoided by the unfortified, navyless and unarmed faith of one people in another than is demonstrated by these crumbling piles of brick along the Canadian border.

OUR RECORDS.

It is believed by chemists that the tons of newspapers which are being filed away, the public records, and many treasured and important papers and documents will be utterly destroyed in the course of time.

Yet the case is not so desperate as might appear on the surface. Or, at least, there are possibilities before us which the ancient knew not of. With our vast democracy of education, our growing concern for the individual, our heritage for the masses, there is a promise of appreciation for the progress of our period which no other age has known.

This seems, after all, the better sort of survival. Not mere dry and dusty relics, but an impulse of spirit which will keep alive in the world a sense of the higher values. The present is not in a stage to build any such monuments as the pyramids at any such prohibitive cost of human liberty and sacrifice.

by the forced labor of thousands of groping slaves. If our public buildings crumble it will not matter, provided we produce a new generation of men and women who will delight in the spectacle of their rebuilding.

PERMANENT ROADS OUTLINED IN PLAN

Prominent Roadbuilder, After Years of Experience, States Needs

Outlining a policy, which if followed would eventually mean a system of permanent roads in the county, one of the leading roadbuilders of the county has submitted his plans of utilizing the annual county road appropriation of about \$200,000.

The plan as it has submitted follows:—"In regard to the method of applying this money: First, the commissioners and surveyor should map out definite main thoroughfares throughout the county, by main thoroughfare I mean those that will be of benefit to the most people and will also conform to the lowest possible grades.

in talking with a man of some years experience in road matters in Coos County the following routes were suggested as the most practical and which would be of the most benefit in years to come:

- 1. A coast route from the north end of Coos County to Lakeside from here two routes could be established to Coos Bay, one via North Inlet and the other to Haynes Inlet and along the east side of the Bay across Coos River and around to Marshfield. From Coos Bay this road would extend to Empire, South Slough, Sunset Bay and down the coast to Bandon, from there down the coast to Curry County.
- 2. This road would follow the north bank of the Coos River to Allegany and east to Drain. A road could be later run up the south fork of Coos River.
- 3. The Coos Bay wagon road could be improved, running from Sumner, Fairview, etc. and extend to Roseburg. Branches from Coquille and Myrtle Point could connect with route.
- 4. Probably the main road would be this road running to Coquille, Myrtle Point and following the middle fork of the Coquille River to Roseburg. This road is being improved each year and it will only be a few years until it can be used the entire year.
- 5. From Myrtle Point a road could be run south to Wagner and open up the entire south end of the county. Another from Myrtle Point along the north fork of the Coquille River east to the mountains.
- 6. The next main road would be

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ent show that in dry weather no amount of concussion has the slightest effect in the production of rain.

At the present time there is one fact which should at once dispose of the cherished theory. There is no reason for thinking that gun firing at the front is more violent than it was in the earlier stages of the war.

INDUSTRIAL ERA FOR US.

Fifteen million men in the field will use apparel about three times as fast as when peace prevails. The equipment of 1,000,000 horses is no small item and means steady equipment of supplies and food for this vast army.

The more one of our industries is taxed the greater the activity which will be reflected upon others. It is the history of war that the first shock produced dullness, but upon recovery industry boomed and prices soared.

We are at peace, the greatest industrial nation; we have the mills, the farms, in short, the equipment wanted. In spite of fear we must be busy for ourselves and for others.

BATTLES AND RAINFALL.

English Scientists Declare There Is No Connection Between the weather and Gunfire.

LONDON, Jan. 16.—English scientists have again been compelled to assure the public that neither the smell of powder nor the concussion of gun-fire has the slightest connection with rainfall.

"Like the supposed influence of the moon upon weather, the popular belief that powder brings rain is baseless," writes a scientist in the Times. "About four years ago the First Lord of the Admiralty was gravely asked in the House of Commons whether he would instruct the fleet to carry out its heavy gun practice at some other period of the year than in the middle of harvest time.

"When the resultant heavy rains may cause serious loss to the farming community." The idea is absolutely without foundation. Experiments made in America and on the continent

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COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS

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