

OUR

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**EVERYBODY HELP**

**A**RE you planning to do your share in assisting the clean-up campaign committee in their effort to improve the appearance of Marshfield? We are all proud of a clean and beautiful city. Let us help to make it so. We have made some progress along this line, but should make energetic efforts to surpass all previous records the coming season.

If anyone asks you tell them Coos Bay is the best place in the world and don't let up on it. It's the truth and should be told.

**WHERE THE PUBLIC SHOULD DRAW DIVIDENDS**

**T**HE following fair and equitable statement of a condition of affairs that prevails in the United States is worthy of most serious consideration:

"Expert testimony heard before the New York legislative committee on telephones one day recently was to this general effect: That notwithstanding a 10-per-cent reduction in rates which became effective Feb. 3, 1914, the New York Telephone Company made a net profit last year of almost \$9,500,000, and was able to set aside a liberal amount for maintenance and depreciation, besides paying 4 1/2 per cent of its gross receipts to the American Telephone and Telegraph Company as rental for its instruments; also that this net profit was \$5,000,000 more than should have been earned, according to the most generous estimate of a reasonable return on the investment.

Now, let this serve simply as a text. The New York Telephone Company is not the only corporation that has cleared unreasonable profits, assuming the experts' figures to be correct. Unreasonable profits have made possible two things in American corporation financing that have worked, first, to the injury of the public, and second, to the injury of the corporations themselves. They have made possible divisions and distribution of surplus revenues among shareholders, and they have led to the watering of the stocks. Not with relation only to the particular corporations referred to here, but in relation to all corporations. It may be truthfully said that when they take from the public profits to which they are entitled they do that which must eventually injure themselves. The effort that many corporations have been making to maintain dividends on the surplus earnings basis is largely responsible for their present distress. They have been charging the public all it could bear; in many instances they have over-reached themselves and charged the public more than it would bear; and in doing this they have simply been draining their field of patronage.

The theory that corporations can safely take what they do not earn is economically unsound and morally reprehensible. Excessive profits should not be divided among shareholders who have already received all to which they are reasonably entitled. Such profits should be used, especially by public service corporations, for two principal purposes: improvement of service and reduction of rates. In other words, profits unduly taken from patrons of a public service corporation should in some form go back to those patrons. The \$5,000,000 of excess profits of the New York Telephone Company, for example, belong not to the telephone company, but to the people who patronize its service, and who have been excessively taxed to make up this surplus."

**THEY DO IT DIFFERENT IN NORWAY**

In Norway every woman over 25 who earns at least \$89 per annum in the country or \$119 in the town has a vote.

**STORY FOR THE DAY.**

**Riding Through the Wood.**

A college graduate applied for work in a lumber camp. He was told to get busy on one end of a cross saw, the other end being in charge of an old and experienced lumber man. At first all went well, but by the second day the young man's strength proved feeble. Suddenly the old man stopped the saw.

"Sonny," he said, not unkindly, "I don't mind yer ridin' on this saw, but if it's jest the same to you, I wish you'd keep yer feet off the ground."

**LAUNCH TRAMP ASHORE**

**Coos Bay Boat Hit By Storm At Fort Oxford**

The Port Oxford Tribune says: "Captain Swing game down from Coos Bay Saturday with the Tramp and moored the little vessel in Nellies Cove. Monday night a strong wind came up from the south, and shortly after noon yesterday the vessel capsized in two and the boat was blown ashore. However, the beach in the Cove is soft and well protected, and it is not thought the Tramp will be seriously injured. There was no one on board when the accident happened."

**Jim Hunt's Booster Breezes**

**Editor Coos Bay Times:**

Dear Editor, and when I address you, kind friend, I mean every reader of The Times:

What cheer does Coos Bay need most? Well, that is a question with a big "Q". I'll endeavor to tell you what in my belief Coos Bay needs—a business men's co-operative demonstration station of anywhere from five acres up to 200, just graduated according to the business caliber.

First—it should be the honest aim of all business to keep as much of Oregon money at home as possible.

Second—it should be the endeavor of all business to bring as many desirable people here as can be taken care of.

I mean by that as many as can be employed at a living wage.

Third—Our exhibits at the state fair or at the Panama only excite a passing interest, but to see milk and honey and all other products in the act of construction or making is something not easily forgotten. Now let us get down to facts. How many thousand dollars goes in California monthly for edibles such as butter, vegetables and fruits, often raised by an alien race mostly who pays the freight? We do, of course, besides losses and shrinkage and commission and profits. Now I know what Coos Bay will be a measure produce, but not all, for many things remain unfilled. But beef, butter, vegetables, milk and cheese and most hardy fruits can be raised with a good profit. More men and women people, who can show me, or be shown.

Continued in No. 5. —Jim Hunt.

**News of Near-by Towns**

**ROSA HAS PLAN**

**Bandon Booster Would Furnish Fire Protection for City**

The Bandon World says: "Col. R. H. Rosa presented another new idea on the salt water high pressure fire protection proposition to the council for consideration last evening. The proposition is that the city lay an extension of the present 10-inch cast iron water main along First west, east to Baltimore avenue and from Baltimore north to the harbor line. Suitable connections and check valves, automatically shutting off the water system outside the business district as soon as the pressure is raised, would be installed on the mains. At the dock arrangements would be made to use either the tug pumps or an electric or gasoline pumping plant would be installed. Estimates place the cost of such a system at all the way from \$1200 to \$3500.

"Col Rosa's plan is for the business men to loan the city water department the money for building the proposed system at the nominal 6 per cent interest rate."

**OUTPUT IS REDUCED**

**Gardiner Mill Cuts Only About 10,000 Per Day**

The Gardiner Courier says:—"The Gardiner Mill is restricting its output of lumber until the prices for the same are better. To do this ten men were laid off from the mill Saturday night making it an object to keep those men at work who have families. This will reduce the cut of lumber to about 40,000 feet daily, which will keep the Steamer San Gabriel employed in transporting the same. It is rumored that the tug Gleamer will be tied up for a while and will not make its regular trips to Coos Bay for freight. It is said the mill company will depend upon the Life Saving Station to furnish plots to take the San Gabriel or other vessels when necessary. Some doubt exists as to whether the Life Saving Station crew has any authority to do this except on extraordinary occasions, which must be shown to exist.

**BIRTHDAY OF PIONEER**

**Jerry Hayes Celebrates 85th Anniversary at Myrtle Point**

"Uncle Jerry" Hayes, one of the earliest settlers of the Coos Bay Section, celebrated the 85th anniversary of his birth last Tuesday, February 16. Mr. Hayes has not been very well the last week, and it was Sunday night that he said he felt so poorly that he wondered, "Will I live to be 85 years old." Mr. Hayes first came to the Bay to manage the first saw mill built in this country by Capt. A. M. Simpson. He also worked for Mr. Simpson in the Puget Sound country, and for many years did logging for Simpson in this country. Mr. Hayes says that during all the years he contracted work with Capt. Simpson there was never a written agreement between them; all their business being handled by debit and credit.—Myrtle Point Enterprise.

**WARM SPORTS IN CURRY**

**Sheriff Bailey Stops Wrestling Match—Blame Liquor**

Gold beach had a thrilling wrestling match the other day which ended in Sheriff Bailey stopping the contest. Jap Turner had taken a preliminary from Verlie Bishel, Duxie Root won from Carl Miller, Then Fred Fish and Roy Turner secured a fall apiece and trouble began during the third. Of it the Gold Beach Globe says:

"If there could be anything that could hurt a little town like Gold Beach worse than the disgraceful manner in which the Turner-Fish wrestling match was conducted, we don't know what it could be.

"The lamentable affair was due solely to trickery and the effect of bad booze, neither of which should be permitted in any kind of sport, much less in a wrestling match between two boys yet in their teens."

**HAS REAL HARD LUCK**

**Harley Falbe of Roseburg in Two Coos County Disasters**

The Roseburg Review says: "Mrs. J. K. Falbe received a message from her son, Harley Falbe, formerly a resident of this city, to the effect that he lost all of his clothes and money in the fire which resulted in the death of seven persons and the destruction of C. A. Smith's lodging house, at Bunker Hill, Coos County, early Wednesday morning. It is understood here that the young man escaped from the burning structure by jumping from the third story window.

"Only last May Harley Falbe was quite seriously injured when a boiler exploded at Lakeside, Coos County. Two men were killed at the time of the latter accident. Mrs. Falbe says her son only recently left Marshfield for Bunker Hill, and could not have been working there more than a few days when the fire occurred."

**WIFE FIGHTS BANDIT FILM**

**Plea Made Against Exhibit of Life of Reformed Outlaw.**

PORTLAND, Or., Feb. 24.—Determined to prevent any further exploitation of her husband's life as an outlaw in California, Mrs. Chris Evans has taken steps to prohibit the exhibition in Portland of motion pictures in Portland theaters of "Sonja and Evans during the time they were bandits. Mr. Evans is now a resident of Portland.

For many years the names of Sonja and Evans were the most common of all bandit names. Mr. Evans and his wife object to the exploitation of the outlaw days any further. The pictures as taken in California were brought here by C. A. Rice. As soon as Mrs. Evans learned that they were here she protested to the board of motion picture censors. The board viewed the pictures and condemned them.

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