

COOS BAY TIMES

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THE SPIRIT OF FELLOWSHIP

THE Men's Fellowship Club of Marshfield fills a unique and important place in the social and civic life of the city. The get-together spirit which is so necessary to communal advancement finds its best expression in the interesting meetings of this association.

Of the value of such an organization in promoting community life there is no doubt. It can be made a vehicle for united action in all public affairs. It can crystallize public movement into singleness of purpose and unity of action. It can accomplish what cannot be accomplished otherwise. Man is a gregarious animal. His temper is better when he is under the glamor of social intercourse. When he meets his neighbor and converses with him he usually concludes him to be a better person than he believed. The presence of gathered numbers and a general spirit of good fellowship incident to such association, civilizes, humanizes and harmonizes. It is the touchstone of sympathy and kindness. It is the heart of happy and helpful existence. It causes forgetfulness of the dollar mark. It brushes away the mercenary impulse and substitutes fraternity. It melts and merges factionalism into fraternalism and unity. It teaches business and professional men that after all they are not enemies, but friends. It gives to public movement solidarity, not division. It focuses effort with a unitedness that brings inevitable results. It is uplift in its every influence. It can be made a first and foremost factor in community progress. It involves every essential that has brought man up from primitive barbarism to his present lofty position on earth because incentives and factors of invention and discovery come out of the associations of men through the various epochs. It is a master influence for general good, well worthy of the membership and good will, and wishes of every man in Marshfield.

ENJOIN PENALTY ON LAST HALF OF TAX

EUGENE BANK GRANTED INJUNCTION AGAINST LANE COUNTY TREASURER FROM IMPOSING PENALTY ON DELAYED PAYMENTS.

EUGENE Ore., March 3.—S. W. Taylor, county treasurer, was enjoined from imposing a penalty on the second half of the 1915 taxes, suit having been instituted by the First National Bank during the day.

The case is exactly the same as the one last year when the bank, acting in behalf of the people, enjoined the treasurer and made it possible for the taxpayers who were unable to raise all of their tax money at one time to make two payments.

In its complaint filed yesterday forenoon, the bank states that if the treasurer is not enjoined he will collect and take out of circulation \$983,581.44 and deprive the taxpayers of the money of which they are in present need and such sums will be deposited with the state, the county, cities and school districts when they are in no immediate need of it. The complaint further states that the taxpayers would be compelled to borrow money at high rate of interest to pay their taxes and the state, cities and school districts would accumulate large sums of money which they could not use at the present time.

TRADE AT THE PALACE MEAT CHAMPIONSHIP GAME SATURDAY EVENING.

The Value Of A Clean City

Editor Times:—The proposition of cleaning up and beautifying our city has been discussed from many points of view. Various methods of procedure have been suggested, all of them having merit. Now, since the method has been under discussion so much, I propose to leave that phase of the subject and write my few words on the value of beautifying by cleaning up.

The actual money value of a thorough cleaning would be considerable. It is a well-known fact that a discontented, idle, slovenly lot of people can be told by the conditions of their yards and houses. They fret and worry, and become untidy, both in personal appearance, and in the appearance of their places.

On the other hand, a prosperous, contented people keep their places in good shape. A well trimmed lawn, fresh paint, and flowers in front of a home give the impression that the inmate is contented with his lot and is there to stay.

So the stranger, visiting our town, glances up and down the streets, observing all these signs with interest. He notices things that we pass over, simply because we have seen them so often. The tumble-down sheds, the straggling dirty front yards, the littered vacant lots all have a meaning to him.

COQUILLE RIVER TO BE DREDGED

SEATTLE TO BE GIVEN CONTRACT AT EIGHTEEN AND TWELVE CENTS PER YARD—NO BOND ISSUE NOW

COQUILLE, March 4.—The suction dredge Seattle, which has been operating at Coos Bay, is to be brought to the Coquille river about April 1 and set to work digging a channel ten feet deep and a hundred feet wide through the shoals between Coquille and the mouth of the river, if the plans decided upon by the Port Commissioners go through as expected.

Engineer Charleson, of the Port of Coos Bay, has been engaged by the commissioners of this port to make a survey of the Coquille river from here to its mouth to determine how many yards of excavation must be made to give us the 10-foot channel proposed. Provided he can get a temporary vacation from his Coos Bay job he promises to have this Coquille job completed by the end of next week, so as to make a report to our commissioners at their regular meeting on Saturday, March 6th.

The contract offered by R. E. Miller, provides: That the dredge shall work 24 hours per day and 7 days in the week with three shifts and that the amount paid shall be 18 cents per cubic yard for the first 100,000 cubic yards and 12 cents per cubic yard for the next 200,000 yards excavated during one month.

That not less than \$20,000 of excavation shall be done, and that \$20,000 shall be paid in cash; but that for additional work, up to \$20,000 more, the Port's note will be taken. That if \$50,000 of work is to be done one-half shall be paid in cash and the other half the Port's note.

The commissioners figure that with \$6,000 from the general government in last year's appropriations and \$6,000 more in this year's bill if it passes, and with \$5,500 of old taxes now on hand, and \$18,000 to be realized from the taxes of 1914, they can take care of their expenses, and pay all the cash required as the work progresses this spring—for if the contract is made it is expected to have the Seattle eating away the shoals by the first of April.

As to the balance, for which a note is to be given, it is expected to take care of that out of the taxes of 1915.

DON'T miss the COOS COUNTY TRADE AT THE PALACE MEAT CHAMPIONSHIP GAME SATURDAY EVENING.

He says: "These people don't take enough interest to keep their homes in good condition" and then he goes away to another place. A dirty looking town arouses no interest in him. He does not envy the inmates of those slovenly places.

But if the same stranger comes to look over the town, and finds it cleaned up, and sees neat, well kept gardens in front of our houses, it makes him think. He is inspired with a feeling of envy—he compares the place in his mind with other towns he has visited. He says to himself: "Would not Mary enjoy those flowers,—would not she love a little place like that?" and the thought arises that he might locate, and finally live there.

We may not believe it, but it is the little things that often decide a man in a question like this. Those flowers will stick in a nook in his mind, and finally, when he is decided whether he is to remain here or not, the memory of their fragrance and beauty may influence him to make his home here.

It is really a commercial proposition, from which we shall get returns for our works, just as surely as if we were marketing or selling something. Our returns will come in the shape of increased value to our property, an influx of new people, bringing in new money, and the prosperity that goes with it. We are trying to develop this city of ours, and here is a way in which everyone can help.

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