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### ROGUE RIVER FISHING.

Medford sportsmen are mad. At the last legislature they stood behind a measure to open the Rogue river to commercial fishing. Last year the canneries got all the fish, and Evan Reames, George Putnam, Attorney Kelly and Toggery Isaacs were left to beat the turbulent current with their flies with never a strike, for the canneries at the mouth of the river had taken all the fish, big and little. So, of course, they are mad. However, their anger is good for the community if it is deep enough to overcome whatever inducements may have been made in the past, or whatever compromises may be offered in the future, to leave the law so the canneries will get all the fish. The Rogue river, as a fishing stream, is the greatest asset southern Oregon possesses, if closed to commercial fishing. This is essentially a playground and may be made the Mecca for huntsmen and fishermen. The stream should be permanently closed to commercial fishing and opened to the free use of citizens living along the stream as well as those who come here from abroad to indulge their passion for sport. The cannery at the mouth of the river is of little value to the state. It employs but few men, and most of those are Chinamen and other foreigners. The tax from this source is indifferent—it amounts to relatively nothing to the state. Most of the supplies used at the canneries are purchased out of the state. By leaving the river open the state gains one dollar while its citizens lose thousands. In ten years the Rogue river open can be made worth a million a year to southern Oregon, for it will draw nimrods from everywhere, who will leave a tremendous crop of dollars. There is now an effort being made to organize strong sportsmen's clubs with the view of wielding influence at Salem to have the Rogue river permanently closed to commercial fishing at the next session. Ashland people should be tremendously interested in this move and the local club should be raised to at least three hundred members. The Rogue river closed against the greed of canneries is worth more in the development of Ashland along tourist lines than any other one thing. Let everybody join the sportsman's club and help on the good work. Those interested will find proper membership blanks at Harry Hosler's cigar store.

Never mind about being better than others; try and be better than you yourself were yesterday.



A HORSE IS OUR FRIEND and we should treat him as such. To shoe him with uncomfortable or painful footwear is not "clubby." What's more, it isn't human. If you care for your horse as he deserves, bring him here to be shod. We guarantee he'll reciprocate the good treatment he receives here.

### N. M. LANE

Corner First Avenue and C Streets Successor to F. L. Lamb.

Nothing wrong with the Ashland spirit. Witness the prompt consummation of our hotel plans. The Commercial Club is very much alive and is doing splendid work. The bathhouse project will be carried to successful conclusion at once.

The hotel committee of the Commercial Club made its final report Monday night. The necessary bonus was subscribed, and under the agreement between the committee and Messrs. Owens and Perozzi work will be started at once, expending fifteen thousand dollars in remodeling the Oregon Hotel. Thus is the hotel proposition brought to a successful issue. The hotel committee was composed of M. C. Reed, W. J. McCoy and V. O. N. Smith, and they are to be congratulated on the dispatch with which the bonus work was carried to a successful conclusion.

The Southern Pacific Company and the county commissioners have come to an agreement on the under-grade crossing at the top of the Billings hill, and the work, it is announced by Judge Tou Velle, will go forward as soon as weather will permit, and it is hoped to have the work completed by the first of April. The grade up the hill will be five per cent maximum and will remove a great barrier to traffic between here and the town down the valley. This improvement alone will be worth all the taxes paid by Ashland citizens on the entire road bonds. This way, as well as the Siskiyou grade, is indispensable in successfully developing along tourist lines.

The next effort of the Commercial Club will be for a modern bathhouse suitable for resort purposes. Ashland has two fine hot sulphur natural springs, with plunge, tub baths and showers. She is well provided with those, but Ashland's need now is for a bathhouse equipped with all the modern devices and conveniences for the giving of hot baths, night or day, and every season of the year. The equipment should be provided for electric baths, mud baths, sulphur baths, salt baths, Turkish baths, carbon dioxide baths, and the like, and should be ready for use by the time the hotel is completed. It is estimated that such an equipment can be installed for \$10,000. That does not include the building in which it will be housed. It is proposed to organize a local company and put in the equipment. Monday night the Commercial Club appointed a committee to take the matter up and work out a plan, and its work will go forward at once.

The Minnesota Historical Society is projecting a new building at St. Paul. Proposals are being taken on granite and Kettle river stone. Granite is bid higher, but when durability is considered the granite becomes the cheapest and in lapse of time far the handsomer and most economical. This fact, which is being generally accepted by builders, will no doubt strengthen the demand for granite in buildings. Ashland's granite quarry will be opened his spring and, we understand, is well financed to handle large building contracts.

Springfield, Ill., is to have the greatest statue of Lincoln in the world. The design will be made by an American sculptor, Andrew O'Connor, of Worcester, Mass. Now if this American sculptor will chisel his design from American granite. A statue of America's greatest president, by America's greatest sculptor, out of America's greatest granite—the Ashland granite. And why not? Let the Commercial Club get busy and get Ashland granite into this greatest American monument.

An old woman on the coast of Maine has become wealthy catching live seals for \$25 each. Yet in the cities it is not uncommon for a girl to become rich by catching just one live lobster.

Be vigilant; the weeds can get the upper hand in your mind as easily as they can in your garden.

### Twenty-Six Hotels

Are burned in this country EVERY WEEK in the year. "Safety Engineering," in a report covering a portion of 1914, showed a human being killed or injured every twenty hours in a HOTEL FIRE. Deaths were as frequent as serious injuries.

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CLARA FREULER in Cavalleria Rusticana. Coming to Vining Theatre.

Things will be doing in Ashland next year. Already the Commercial Club started the ball rolling for a big Fourth of July celebration. Mr. Frobbach Monday night moved a committee to lay plans for a three-day season of entertainment about the Fourth of July. Many attractive stunts will be pulled off here during the coming summer. The railroad company will run excursions from north as far as Portland and south into the Fresno valley, and if proper entertainment is provided to attract people here Ashland should enjoy visits from twenty to thirty thousand persons the coming season. That will mean a lot to Ashland, and every one should be interested in forwarding a movement to provide such entertainment. Not only will Ashland profit directly by the ready cash the visitors will leave here, but greater in getting persons to see and realize the extent of our development and the splendid benefits from our waters. Every legitimate plan imaginable should be put forward to attract people here this coming summer. Upon the success of the enterprise the first year will depend largely the degree of success that will speedily follow. Ashland's enterprise must be known and seen to be appreciated.

It is freely asserted that many of the social clubs of the state will find some way to evade the Oregon prohibition law, through clandestine sale, or through the locker system. Time will tell whether these clubs are composed of law-abiding or lawless citizens. If law-abiding, whether the law suits them or not, they will comply with it in good faith. If lawless, of course, the hand of the law should be laid upon them with the same rigor and persistence that it pursues the bootlegger and the blind-pigger. Officers whose duty it is to enforce the law should play no favorites. The law must be respected. These social clubs are mostly composed of men who claim to be law-abiding, leaders of their communities. Now that the test is here we shall see whether they really are composed of that type of citizen, or whether they sail under false colors.

Ashland is glad to see that Portland, as reflected by the newspapers there, is waking up to the tremendous advantages to the state inherent in the development that Ashland has undertaken. Every development looking to the attraction of tourists through the northwest benefits the whole northwest. Ashland appreciates the good publicity the Portland papers have given our enterprise. All of the dailies there have been good to us, but the Journal has been especially free in that respect, having published six splendid feature stories on our development during the past six months.

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The Home Circle Thoughts from the Editorial Pen Be a Booster. A booster is a man who does all the good he can to everyone he can and leaves the rest to God. A knocker is a chronic dispeptic with a grouch that finds no good in himself or anyone else, and is out of tune with the world. I'd rather be a BOOSTER, The smallest one in town, Than be the biggest knocker And try to tear it down. I'd rather be a BOOSTER, And with the boosters stand, Than be a lonesome knocker A-cumbering the land. I'd rather be a BOOSTER, And only boost a mite, Than be a knocker knocking At everything in sight. I'd rather be a BOOSTER, With purpose good and true, Than sit around a-knocking— Now, sincerely, wouldn't you? The Small Town Kicker. There are fancier towns than Ashland, there are towns that are bigger than this; and the people who live in the finer towns all the city excitement will miss. There are things you can see in the wealthier towns that you can't in the town that is small; and yet up and down there is no other town like our own little town after all. It may be that the street through the heart of our own

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Isn't wide, isn't long, isn't straight; but the neighbors you know in our little town with a welcome will wait. In the glittering streets of the glittering town with its palace and pavement and thrall, in the midst of the throng you will frequently long for our own little town after all. If you live and work in our town, in spite of the fact that it's small, you'll find that the town—our own little town—is the best of a town after all.

Missing his horse, which had been put out to pasture, Allen Moore, a lower Augusta township, Pennsylvania, farmer found that it had broken through the covering of an abandoned well and fallen twenty feet to the bottom. When it was gotten out an old rusty bucket was found caught in one of its shoes. Moore found the bucket was sealed. Taking a hatchet, he cut the top, and out rolled a stream of Spanish doubloons valued at \$3,000.

New moon—we saw it over our right shoulder, and now for luck. True enough, we hear them jingle, they fall so fast one can't count them single, and now our joys and raptures mingle, jehu, how our blood does tingle. Back subscriptions rolling in, great Caesar, what a pile of tin, glorious, raking shekels in; wonder where on earth we've been; dreaming, are we, can it be? Must this vision from us flee and back subscriptions still go free? Heaven help us! To the rescue. Hand in quickly what is due, that this vision may be true.

Habit of Happiness. No matter what his vocation or condition in life may be, every man owes it to himself and to the world to form the habit of being just as happy as he can. Happiness means harmony and harmony means health and efficiency.

Loyalty Pays a Dividend. We read much in the public press today of "loyalty to our country."

Much natural ability is rendered inefficient because men do not realize that discord, whether in fear, worry, selfishness, hatred or jealousy, is a health and happiness killer, an efficiency blighter. Many men waste more vitality and mental energy in a few minutes of hot temper than would be required in the legitimate running of their business for days.

But there is another loyalty which ranks side by side with that of country, and that is loyalty to home and home people.

Happiness is a great stimulator of growth. Nothing grows when discordant. When we shall have learned how to conserve our energies by getting our minds into harmony, even the hardest day's work will not tire us. It is nerve exhaustion, wasted energy through unnatural, discordant conditions, that makes us jaded and tired out—the result of friction in our machinery. If we could keep ourselves in a happy condition all day we should be fresh at night. It is by keeping ourselves in perfect harmony that we become more efficient and get the most out of life.

We have a community here in which any people might feel a just pride, and we have a people wholly on a par with the community, though there are times when we are neglectful of our interests and unmindful of the disintegrating consequences which invariably ensue.

Kaffee Hag is still on deck, for it is just as good a grade of coffee with 95 per cent of the had effects removed. Sold by Ashland Trading Company. Phone 122. It

Loyalty always pays its dividend, but loyalty to home and home people pays a double dividend.

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