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Commonplace Sermonettes

By W. H. GREENE

CAN WE PAUSE TWO MINUTES FOR SUCH AS THESE

The little, barren, flowerless corner of an alien cemetery in which they were hurried seemed at the end of the world. They had been shoveled into a pauper lot back of a coal pile, and two small heaps of crumbling sand without a cross or name above them were sterile monuments.

But the doughboys found them. They came marching up with flags and flowers. Through the winding roads of the German garrison cemetery they marched past numberless graves of German soldiers heaped with flowers and marked with heroic tombstones.

"Line 6, grave 6," said Major Jaka. "Line 5, grave 25, here they are."

The two little heaps of sand became wonderful flowery spots. "If you please Major, we've brought some flags," said one doughboy and at the head of Grave 6 and Grave 25, an American flag with a gold tipped staff flapped in the breeze.

The little barren corner of the alien cemetery where Private Shultz and Gallon lay seemed no longer at the end of the world. The doughboys stood lined up and Richard Henry Little of Chicago who belonged to the Y. M. C. A. during the war spoke about Shultz and Gallon.

"If it is an American tradition to decorate the graves of the soldiers who have died for their country," said Mr. Little. "On this day all through France and England and at home, they are putting flowers on the graves of the fellows who fell in the war. There are 67 American soldiers buried in Germany at this time. We cannot cover them all, but these flowers and flags and these words go for them all. No matter where they lie they are not forgotten."

A small group of American newspapermen removed their hats, the doughboys stood at attention and an American young woman stepped forward. And, behind the coal pile in the pauper's lot of the German garrison cemetery, she sang "My Country 'Tis of Thee."

The organizing of Memorial Day services for Privates Shultz and Gallon was undertaken by Captain Sprinkle in behalf of the doughboys quartered in Berlin, and Mr. Little representing the newspaper correspondents.

On May 30th can we pause two minutes for such as these.

Dear Mary:

We are in the trenches tonight, it is 9:00 o'clock. We have orders to go over the top in the morning at four o'clock. I write these lines as I await the dawn. You will read the casualty list Mary, but wait if you hear of me as among the missing, wait two or three weeks before you break the news to mother.

I leave in your hands dear Mary the responsibility of informing mother that her son went down in this great charge. I go gladly for the glory of God and America; it is a pleasure to die that Christianity might prevail over autocracy and that you back there in America might learn the lesson of sacrifice, from us who paid supreme.

Be kind to mother if I fall in this great charge tomorrow; comfort her as best you can and tell her that her son died gladly that she might not share the lot of many women over here, who have made this great struggle all the more hideous with its appalling realities of their sufferings.

Goodbye dear Mary. God bless you, and if in the years to come you are ever blessed with a son, tell him of me who loved you and whose body helped build the bridge for his feet to tread in future security. Kiss mother and comfort her.

With all the love in the world,

ADISM No. 5

BETTER ADVERTISING AND BETTER MERCHANDISING

Fred W. Anderson, of Cozad, Neb., is called the "Miracle Merchant" and there is a good reason for his having that title. In a little town of less than 1,300 population he has built up a business of more than \$800,000 a year, and he did it by intelligent merchandising, the biggest factor in which was advertising.

Perhaps his success cannot be duplicated in every town. But every town has its opportunities for merchandising and the man who has at hand the facilities for making that better merchandising possible, is the newspaper publisher.—Baker Herald.

WANT SOME BUSINESS?

Introducing Uncle Sam, "the Little Germans have invented a 'death ray.'" The department of commerce has just put out a bulletin bearing on the business of every manufacturer and producer who hopes to sell his product outside the United States and would welcome a little help. It compiles all the foreign inquiries received for American products.

Chile wants salmon, hops, lubricating oil and rice, for instance. Germany would like rubber toys, radiators and over-shoes. England wants bicycles, carpenter tools and "prams." And they all write Uncle Sam as the Santa Claus who will find it for them.

Seattle shippers can get the list from Shirl A. Black, department of commerce room, 515 Lowman building. Seattle

Observations--Opinions--Comments

A COMING GREAT MINING CAMP

There is to be a great mining camp in the Santiam region, at the front door of Salem—

And it will do for Salem what the Coeur d'Alene mining district has done for Spokane.

Within a month will begin the shipment of concentrates from the Lotz-Larsen mine to the smelter—

And the Silver King mines are coming very near to the point of production on a commercial basis—there may be some shipments from the Silver King this year.

The quick development of this coming great mining district at the front door of Salem now depends largely upon good management and ample capital. Some profits will no doubt be made in sending the concentrates by truck to the smelter, but the big profits will come with rail connections, allowing the elimination of the high trucking costs—

Or with the building of a smelter in the Santiam district.

The vastness of the ore deposits would justify the construction of a smelter in the Santiam mining camp; and certainly the cost of a railroad extension from either of two directions, of only a few miles, would be justified—indeed will surely come before long. Then will follow the full development into paying mines of a number of properties—seven or eight or more are now in sight.

There is a story to the effect that the trappers of the Hudson's Bay company, in the days before the first settlements in Oregon, used lead from the ores of the Santiam country for making bullets for their muzzle-loading muskets.

There was a time, in the early days of the settlement by white people of the Willamette valley, when the whole of the Little North Fork of the Santiam river, from the old Elkhorn postoffice to the mouth of Gold creek, was staked out in placer claims; and other placer claims were worked at intervals as far down as Mehama—and a good deal of gold was recovered in this way—estimated at \$50,000 to \$100,000 as a total.

Then came a long series of years during which many mining claims were staked out throughout that region, and development work kept up, and some ambitious efforts were made in those hard years at treating the ores on a commercial scale—

But the ores and combinations were such that all these efforts were foredoomed to failure, because mining science had not yet advanced to the point where there could have followed success—

But in late years there have been discoveries in this field that make the treatment of the ores of that region not only practicable, but very desirable; for the fluxes are such that the smelters want those ores and will encourage their shipment in every reasonable way.

Also, during the long, hard years of prospecting and holding the claims, and attempting to do some commercial mining, the question of transportation was one of the most difficult ones for the district. One company, the Black Eagle, expended a fortune in literally hewing and blasting out of the solid rock on the sides of the mountain a wagon road in the canyon of the Little North Fork of the Santiam, to within a couple of miles of the mouth of Gold creek. Since that time, this road has been widened and improved; new bridges built, and the road extended to the Lotz-Larsen mines at the point where Gold creek empties into the Little North Fork of the Santiam. The Lotz-Larsen people have expended a big sum of money in improving this road. If as good a county road as the miners' road could be assured, from Elkhorn to Mehama and Lyons, the matter of transportation by truck would be a much easier task. The hauling of truck loads would be possible throughout the year; barring an occasional day of deep snow.

HOW THE AUTOMOBILE HURTS THE RAILROADS

In April the Spokane United Railways' interurban lines carried 112,371 fewer passengers than in April, 1924. The falling off is attributed to increased automotive competition. The company's net loss from operation was \$18,521 in April, \$3191 more than in April last year.

President Byram of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul said in Spokane recently that, while the long-distance passenger business of the company is not falling off, the Milwaukee's passenger earnings have shown a net slump from the severe loss of short distance passengers. The annual loss from that influence runs into millions of dollars. If this travel had been retained it probably would have kept the Milwaukee out of a receivership.

In self-defense some of the great railway systems are adopting competitive service and putting on the highway their own lines of freighting trucks and passenger stages. The Great Northern has just adopted that expedient, having incorporated a subsidiary company with a capital of \$1,000,000.—Spokesman Review.

A TRIUMPH OF ENGINEERING

(By The Associated Press.)

The Florence Lake tunnel, fifteen feet high and the same width, extending more than thirteen miles, mostly through solid granite in a snaky line under the high Sierras, is a construction feat that has just been completed. The tunnel is one of the most important works in the Big Creek-San Joaquin River project of the Southern California Edison company. The entire project will bring in 1,407,000 horsepower, and with its transmission lines, sub-stations and accessories, will cost \$375,000,000.

The tunnel itself cost \$17,000,000. Since the start in the fall of 1920, the work has been maintained in relief shifts. The scene is 250 miles north of Los Angeles and thirty-five miles south of the Yosemite Valley. The tunnel is to convey water from the Florence Lake watershed, source of the south fork of the San Joaquin river, through the barrier of a 10,000-foot mountain ridge into the watershed of Huntington Lake, the reservoir for the four great units of the electric company which supplies a large part of central and southern California.

World records for tunnel construction have fallen during the four years' progress in the Sierras. The thirteen-mile bore was divided into three sections, with two lateral adits cut into the granite slopes and a crew working each way from each adit. The bore was completed a year and a half sooner than the most optimistic estimates.

There will follow the creation of Florence Lake, to store 31,000 acre feet of water at an elevation of 7,300 feet. The total drop from Huntington Lake through a chain of tunnels and power houses to the lowest power house is about 6,000 feet. The whole project when complete will have eighty-six miles of tunnel, with about eighteen power houses. A 222,000-volt transmission line conveys the power generated by these plants 376 miles to Los Angeles.

This banker should have added that the gold and silver dividends last year were greater than all of the dividends from the banking institutions of the country; that the average rate of return on all banking institutions was a trifle over 6%, while the rate of return on mining was 18%.

Mr. Hatcher went east on mining business.

Southwestern Oregon Mining News

Edited by Southwestern Oregon Mining Bureau

WONDERFUL VARIETY OF USEFUL MINERALS FOUND IN SOUTHWESTERN OREGON

Government Recognizes This Great Mineral Belt

The United States Geological Survey, in Bulletin 624, reports useful minerals found in Southwestern Oregon as follows:

- Argonite. Arsenopyrite (arsenical pyrite). Asbestos (actinolite). Asbestos (chrysotile). Asphalt. Auriferous (blue carbonate of copper). Barite. Bauxite. Borax. Boronite. Brown Iron Ore (limonite). Celestite. Cement Material. Chalcedony. Chalcocyanite (copper cyanide). Chalcocite (copper glance). Chromite (chromium iron ore). Chrysoberyl (silicate of copper). Cinnabar. Clay (brick). Clay (fire). Clay (kaolin). Coal (bituminous). Coal (lignite). Coal (subbituminous). Cobaltite. Copper (native). Corundum. Cuprite (red oxide of iron). Epidote. Garnet. Garnierite (nickel ore). Gentile (nickel ore). Gold. Granite. Graphite. Gypsum. Hematite (red iron ore). Ilmenite. Iridium. Iron-bearing. Josephinite. Kieselguhr. Limestone (fig.). Limestone (lime). Magnetite. Malachite (green carbonate of copper). Marble. Marcasite. Mineral Paint. Molybdenite. Monazite. Niter (saltpeter). Olivine. Platinum. Priteite. Pyrite. Pyrochlore. Pyrrhotite. Rhodochrosite. Rhodonite. Sill. Sandstone. Siderite. Silver. Sphalerite (zinc blend). Silbaste. Sylvanite. Talc. Tenorite. Uranium.

In addition to the above the following minerals and non-metals are found in this district; and in some instances same are developed commercially: Oil Shale. Tungsten. Cement Material. Carbonic Gas. Various mineral waters of commercial value.

Platinum in ores. Palladium.

BANK PRESIDENT SEES NEED FOR MINING DEVELOPMENT

The President of a large National bank in Chicago was under criticism by the presidents of several other banks because of his investments in mines. This man made the following reply to the criticism:

"Through the west, ages ago, Almighty God built stronger vaults in His granite banks than we have in ours. He filled vaults with gold, silver and copper. He gave the prospector knowledge and insight, and guided him on his way to the loof of the vaults He had built. The Federal Government handed him a title to all therein. It is not a crime but a virtue to enter. With drill, blast, pick and shovel the prospectors have broken the combination locks and entered. But for him our notes of issue would be as a stamp-talented currency of 1857. But for this Government of ours would be bankrupt."

"Mines will be producing millions of gold, silver and copper in that future day when National banks are unknown."

"A mine contains a crop already raised, harvested and on deposit for you to check against at your pleasure."

"The wealth gathered from the mines immortalized King Solomon."

"Mining has made the United States the richest country in the world."

"Mining is an industry as necessary to the welfare of the community as the raising of crops."

"Show me a country without mines and I will show you a people sunk in degradation and poverty; and poverty makes cowards of nations as well as individuals."

"Mining is the second industry in the United States."

"Mining has transformed more poor into millionaires and raised them to positions of honor and trust than any other business."

"Mining has scored less than 35% failures against 95% of failures shown in general merchandising business in the United States."

"Without the products of the mine you would have neither a frying pan, a spoon, a hat pin, or a monetary circulation."

"Eliminate the miner and you set civilization back to the dark age."

"Outside of the elements of the great personal profit which will accrue to us bankers who are able to supply the money to open the great mines, it belongs to us to foster an industry upon which then property of not alone our depositors, but of the entire nation depends."

"The people of Minnesota are looking forward to a good wheat crop. Duluth expects to benefit greatly from the deep waterways canal, designed to draw into that terminal a vast volume of freight from the northwest that enters Chicago at present."

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION TO THE SOUTHWESTERN OREGON MINING BUREAU

I hereby make application to become a member of your organization and if this application is accepted I agree to abide by your Constitution and By-Laws. Herewith find \$2.00 in payment of Annual Dues to June 1st, 1926.

My Postoffice address is: I am interested in mining at or near: I am not interested in mining but desire to aid in the development of our natural resources and enclose herewith check for \$:

Dated: (Signature). Note: If you do not desire to enroll as a member your aid will be appreciated, and checks can be mailed to the Secretary at Grants, Pass and receipts will be issued therefor.

REGISTRY OF MINING NOTES

Under this heading the Bureau will furnish from week to week publish data regarding one or more of the mines recorded in the Registry of Mines, without any information relative to the location, other than county and nearest postoffice, or name of owner. Unless otherwise noted the properties described are open for development either by sale, lease and bond, or financial assistance to the owner. Bonafide inquiries regarding any of these properties will be placed in direct touch with the owner, thus avoiding paying any commissions for making a deal. The data is furnished by the owner, and while the Bureau does not guarantee same, it accepts it as authentic.

Registry 3101 Josephine county, Oregon—Leland district. 80 acres patented and 20 acres held by location.

Vein: 18 inches white quartz; foot and hanging wall porphyry; dip 65 degrees to south.

Minerals: Gold \$15.00 to \$25.00; silver \$5.00; partly free milling. 42 tons milled and recovery satisfactory; bullion returns available.

Development work: 350 feet of tunnel, Mill buildings, 1000 feet steel rails; ore car, drill, tool, etc.

Water: Water available for power and milling. Timber: Plenty for all purposes. Located six miles from nearest post-office on auto road.

Give the bonafide investor every reasonable opportunity to assist in the development of your property, but requires all parties asking for options to produce credentials that they represent bonafide investors, to avoid becoming tied up with the speculator.

The Registry of Mines is the only means by which all owners of mining property have an equal opportunity to place the date regarding their property before the investors who come into the district. Get your property on record and avail yourself of the opportunity. All mine owners, whether members of Bureau or not, are entitled to this service without charge.

Mining engineers, operators, and investors are cordially invited to make use of the facility afforded by the permanent Registry of Mines. It is kept at 511 H Street, Grants, Pass, Oregon, and is open during ordinary business hours.

If your neighbor has not registered his mine tell him of the advantages to be gained and show him how to go about it. Blanks can be had of the Secretary at Grants Pass.

Address all inquiries regarding the Registry of Mines or any property described in this column to the Secretary at Grants Pass.

NORTHWEST MINING

Many small producers of iron ore in the Minnesota range have suspended operations following a reduction in the price of the metal, but the larger operators are producing in large volumes, according to L. F. Hatcher, mining stock broker, yesterday, on his return from the east where he spent several weeks.

"The displacement of the town of Hibbing, population 15,000, reputed to be the richest of its size on the continent, is made accessible for the U. S. Steel corporation and other companies, is a sight that impressed me," said Mr. Hatcher. "Every house and every great building in the path of the steam shovels is being removed in whole or piecemeal to a site a mile and a half distant, the foundation for which, it is hoped, is not so rich in metal."

"Among the structures removed or to be removed are the city hall, the court house, a large hotel and a high school building, the construction of which cost \$4,000,000 and the equipment a large sum. What remains of Main street ends at a pit in the bottom of which, 300 feet below, a steam shovel is knowing into rich iron ore."

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THE OREGON OUTLOOK

Union county reported in exceptionally prosperous condition.

La Grande—New Mount Emly Lumber company mill ready to operate; will add 2,000 population to city.

Eight-mile Otter Creek-Newport section of Roosevelt highway to be surfaced.

Gold Beach-Hunter creek section of Roosevelt highway, 2.5 miles, to be finished.

Government sales of Oregon and Washington timber for 1924 totaled 704,386,000 feet, worth \$1,449,898.48.

Umatilla county wheat growers expect crop 50 per cent above that of 1924.

Albany—Albany college has funds to build first \$50,000 campus unit.

Eugene—Large experimental acreage of flax being put out this year.

Albany—Louis W. Hill, railroad magnate, buys 3,104 acres timber near Foster for \$100,000.

Medford—Medford Precooling company start \$165,000 cold storage plant.

Bend—Building permits for April broke all records with \$94,180.

Ashland—First section of Lithia hotel will be ready for tourists in June.

Bend—Shipment of shade-roller pickets, several carloads, goes to England.

Medford—City building for 1924 was \$585,514.

Mill City—Dan Carew, aparist, contracts 20 tons of 1925 honey.

St. Helens—Five vessels take 4,500,000 feet of lumber in one week.

Albany—City builds \$10,000 bridge across Calapoza river to Bryant park.

Klamath Falls—Extensive planting of sugar beets here this season.

Portland—Steamer Atlantic takes 3,200,000 feet of lumber, with flour and truck fruit.

Grants Pass—Druck gardeners to plant 100 acres broccoli.

Astoria—Machinery arrives for Sanborn & Cutting vegetable canneries.

Property owners agree to new Albany-Lebanon highway right-of-way.

Perry—Grand Ronde sawmill, rebuilt since fire last fall, will cut 130,000 feet daily.

Portland holds third place on Pacific coast for building progress.

McMinnville—Yamhill county to grow 100 acres fibre flax this year.

Lakeview—Edgerton & Adams buys 10,000,000 feet timber and will build mill to cut 40,000 feet daily.

Klamath Falls—\$20,000 bridge to be built across Link river.

Astoria—Construction begun on \$200,000 Hawkins building.

Corvallis—Another cottage being built for Children's Farm Home.

Astoria—Pier 2 of Astoria Terminal to be repaired at cost of \$12,000.

Monroe—Mountain States Power company to install power system here.

Arlington—Rapid progress being made on new \$70,000 hotel.

Medford—Eight new fireproof business buildings now under construction; also many residences.

for great naval base at Astoria.

Scappoose—Gas and oil showings found in prospect well, 2,020 feet deep.

North Bend—New city wharf and warehouse completed and dedicated.

Under new law all dairy cattle in Oregon must take tuberculin test annually.

Clover Creek Copper company and Goose Creek Copper company, \$1,000,000 capitalization.

DO YOU KNOW—

That carelessness on the part of the public costs this nation millions of dollars each year?

For instance, last year 21,000,000 letters went to the dead letter office for one reason or another.

At the same time 803,000 parcels found their way to the same place.

Every day of the year, on an average, 100,000 letters are placed in the mail with a perfectly blank envelope. They go to the dead letter office. That costs the government money.

Each year through misdirected envelopes about \$55,000 in cash is extracted from those envelopes.

In the same way, and during the same time, \$12,000 worth of postage stamps fail to reach those for whom they were intended.

It costs Uncle Sam \$1,740,000 yearly to look up the addresses on misdirected mail.

Over 200,000,000 letters in a year must be given this service. In New York City alone the expense of looking up proper address is around \$500 per day.

It's all right to kick against the cost of government, but remember those in charge of governmental affairs are not to blame. Every excessive cost imposed on the nation today comes from some form of carelessness on the part of the public.

The above shows one form of such carelessness.

Another form is failure to go to the polls and elect safe, sound, conscientious men to public office.

An order to prepare for a resumption of operations on June 1 has been issued to the superintendent by the Marsh Mines Consolidated, Burke, Idaho, according to a circular letter to the stockholders.

"We are pleased to announce that through the courtesy of the management of the Hecla Mining company, arrangements have been completed for continuing exploration of the Russell vein," says the report, issued by the board of trustees, Edward Pohlman, president. "The scene of operations will be the No. 2 level of the Hecla, which is 200 feet lower than the scene of our last operations on the 20th floor, and opens on Canyon creek. Besides affording greater depth on the vein, this privilege provides even greater facilities for waste disposal and greater convenience for operations in general."

"By attacking the Russell vein on this lower level, where oxidation and leaching is less, we hope to disclose an ore sheet of commercial importance."

"Work continued last year on the easterly extension of the Russell vein on the 20th floor of the Hecla mill July, when the waste room placed at the disposal of the Marsh by the Hecla company was filled, forcing a suspension. Continuing longer than expected, this delay prompted the management to seek another outlet and at the same time to obtain greater depth if possible. This led to negotiations with another company whose long tunnel crosses the Russell vein at less altitude. These negotiations continued for several months and failed."

"The annual meeting of the Marsh Mines Consolidated will be held at 605 Empire State building, Spokane, at 10 a. m., Wednesday, June 10, according to a notice from Joseph McCarthy, secretary."

Just now many of the very wise in matters of finance are wondering what will happen in the near future to industries that do not get in step with 20th century methods of production.

Information—

On industry and mining in this district will be gladly given.

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