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In Defense of Speculation

ONE of the amusing things to be observed at present is the penitence of the business world. In sackcloth and ashes it bewails its speculative excesses of a year and more ago. It licks its sores and sobs out "Never again". Now business at the mourners' bench is indeed ludicrous; for everyone knows that when times get good again, caution will be forgotten, warning signs disregarded and business will wallow up to its ears in another good old speculative debauch. It may not be in Wall Street, nor in Florida land, nor in Southern California, nor Texas oil. But there will be some new Mississippi bubble of inflation which will attract the easy dollars.

However in this time of prayer and meditation it is well to consider that it is only by such business ventures that progress is made in the commercial world. People do not throw their money away. They invest or speculate with the idea of getting returns large or small. If they guess right they prosper and the world shares their prosperity.

Economists assert that one of the reasons for depressions is the tying up of liquid capital in fixed capital. In times of easy money business men expand their plants, increase their outputs, enlarge their activities. It by no means follows that all this expansion is foolish and ill-advised. On the contrary it is usually sound and practical and fully justified. It is precisely because of these forward ventures that business is enlarged; and it is because of the willingness of American capital to take risks and embark on commercial adventure that our prosperity has been so amazing and our growth in manufacturing, commerce, agriculture and transportation so rapid.

Washington Irving had some good ideas on this point, though Irving could qualify only as a Knickerbocker romantic, and not as economist or politician. It seems that Irving caught the fever of his time and invested heavily in lands. The panic of 1837 caught him with this land on his hands and he was a heavy loser. In spite of this he wrote in one of his letters as follows:

There is no more idle as well as physical phenomena incident to every state of things, which may at first appear evil, but which are devised by an all-seeing Providence for some beneficial purpose. Such is the spirit of speculative enterprise which now and then rises to an extravagant height, and sweeps through the land. . . . The late land speculations, so much deprecated, though ruinous to many engaged in them, have forced agriculture and civilization into the depths of the wilderness; have laid open the recesses of the primitive forests; made us acquainted with the most available points of our immense interior; have cast the germs of future towns and cities and busy marts in the heart of savage solitudes, and studded our rivers and internal seas with ports that will soon give activity to a vast internal commerce. Millions of acres which might otherwise have remained idle and impracticable wastes, have been brought under the dominion of the plough, and hundreds of thousands of industrious yeomen have been carried into the rich but remote depths of our immense empire, to multiply and spread out in every direction, and give solidity and strength to our confederacy. All this has in a great measure been effected by the extravagant schemes of land speculators. I am, therefore, inclined to look upon them with a more indulgent eye than they are considered by those violent politicians who are prescribing violent checks and counter measures, and seem to have something vindictive in their policy.

Recently The Statesman along with many other papers reprinted the prophecy of Lord Macaulay with respect to the year 1930, in which he predicted for England a vast expansion which has of course come true. This extract from Irving's works deserves reprinting as well, because it contains a strong element of truth. The period of business adventuring or speculation if you please, which now we lament so tearfully, is indeed the route to commercial growth. We may condemn its excesses; but a world which invested its savings only in government bonds would quickly starve to death. Business must go forward; and every forward commitment involves a degree of risk.

Re-read what Irving wrote nearly a century ago.

The January number of "The Oregon Motorist" comes out with a photograph of the circuit rider with the capital in the background as the cover design. In the full size of the page, 9x12, the picture is very imposing. The Frocker bronze horse and rider stand out against the gleaming white of the capitol west facade with the beautiful bronze dome towering above. A splendid design.

ROBERTS GROUP HAS MASQUERADE DANCE

ROBERTS, Jan. 7. — A new year's eve masquerade dance was given at the hall with Mrs. S. C. Davenport and Mrs. Forest Edwards as hostesses. Nearly a hundred were present and all but six were dressed in costumes. A merry time is reported by all. Miss Julia Query and Henry Query went to Eugene and attended the wedding of their friend, Miss Viola Wells of Portland who was married to James F. Clark of Astoria on New Year's day. Fred Brown who went to Nevada some weeks ago for his health is improving. Richard Bettendorf, patrolman is going some road work in the Grosvenor creek road this week. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hobbs and Mrs. Priscilla Jaiton and two children of Portland visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rice and family. New pupils at the school this week are Virginia and John Davis.

COMMUNITY PLAY PLANNED AT LABISH

LABISH CENTER, Jan. 7. — Work on the Community club's dramatic production, "The Three Act Comedy," "Aaron Slick from Punkin Creek," which will be given the forepart of February, has been started.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Mahler returned the latter part of the week from a month's visit in California. Mr. and Mrs. Mahler accompanied their daughter, Mrs. Elsie McCracken to San Jose the last of November.

Miss Constance Weiman, who spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Weiman, returned to Sutherlin the last of the week to resume her duties as instructor at the high school there.

Miss Lavelle Starker returned Thursday to her home in Portland, after a week's visit with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Starker.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Trachsel and family of Meridian called on friends here Sunday. The Trachsel family are former residents of this place.

Prayer meeting has been dismissed this week only in order that all who desire may attend the Paul Brown rally at the Presbyterian church in Woodburn, Thursday evening, at 7:30 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Bibby were hosts to the monthly business meeting and social of the Endeavor society Friday evening. Entertainment featured an "indoor track meet," which proved quite hilarious. Refreshments were served at a late hour to 41 members and friends.

VISIT FOREST GROVE

FOREST GROVE, Jan. 7. — E. A. Lefley made a trip to Forest Grove Saturday afternoon to take his wife and two little daughters Dorothy and Wilma down to visit it friends for a few days. A step-daughter, Miss Pearl Berger, who had been visiting her grandmother and aunt for nearly a week in that city returned home with Mr. Lefley in the evening.

HEALTH

Today's Talk
By R. S. Copeland, M. D.

Water aids the body in maintaining a proper balance in the distribution of fluids. It aids in the chemical reactions that bring food a step nearer to growth in the various cells and tissues of the body.



Water serves as a vehicle to carry off the waste products of the body. It acts as a stimulant for the production of saliva and assists materially in the proper digestion of food. It aids in maintaining a clean and healthy mouth.

Water is absorbed through the lining in the small intestine. It is not taken up from the stomach as is generally believed. After serving its purpose, the water leaves the body through the kidneys, lungs, skin and bowel.

Normally, a balance is maintained between the amount of water taken in and the amount expelled. If the output increases we drink more water because we become thirsty. This balance is maintained at all times during health.

In certain diseases where the balance is disturbed, "forced fluids" are resorted to by the physician. This is accomplished by giving fluids under the skin, through a vein or by the rectum. It is absolutely essential that the balance be maintained.

One can fast for many days without food but not without water. Water is essential to life. It is a good hygiene rule to drink plenty of water.

A normal healthy person should consume at least six to eight glasses of water per day. This amount is to be taken in addition to the fluids obtained from the foods we eat.

Most foods contain a remarkable quantity of water. For example, 94 per cent of tomato consists of water. Even the best of milk consists of 87 per cent of water; 92 per cent of water-melon and 75 per cent of potatoes is water.

At one time it was believed that the drinking of water at meals was harmful. It was taught that water should only be taken between meals. There exists a good deal of confusion on this subject. The only objection to drinking water at meals is the bad practice of using it to wash down food. Water is a poor substitute for the saliva which should be mixed with the food. For this reason water should not be taken when food is in the mouth.

In taking the six to eight glasses of water per day, always make sure that it is pure water and not contaminated by bacteria. With the good water supplies which are now almost universal there is little danger of having a contaminated domestic supply. The infrequency of a disease like typhoid fever is a tribute to progress in this matter. Safe water is a blessing to every community and to every family.

Answers to Health Queries
S. E. B. Q.—What would you suggest for indigestion, accompanied by belching and hiccoughs as well as a smothering feeling? I have been wearing a surgical belt for a fallen stomach for three years. Also troubled with constipation.

A.—Overcome the latter trouble first of all. Stagnant elimination would be apt to cause most of the symptoms you describe. Watch your diet and try to take some regular exercise daily. For full particulars send a self-addressed, stamped envelope, and repeat your question.

Chief of Police Cornelius and the night police force made a clean-up last night of the city's "red light district."

John W. Cochran, city editor of the Oregon City Enterprise, is in the city visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Cochran.

Two bids for purchase of the old Central school buildings were received at the school board meeting last night. Joseph Albrecht bid \$15 for the big building and R. R. Ryan and company bid \$15 for small one and \$25 for the large one. Action was deferred.

Mrs. Harold Turner of Brooks is in the city for a short visit after which she will depart for Omaha to visit several months with Nebraska relatives.

The New Year's dinner given for the ladies of the Relief Corps for the G. A. R. was a decided success.

The charity ball given for benefit of the Salem public library was a popular event. The grand march was led by Governor and Mrs. George E. Chamberlain.

VISIT IN DALLAS
GRAND ISLAND, Jan. 7. — Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Ferguson and two little daughters, Marie and Nellie drove beyond Dallas immediately following the church services Sunday morning to visit an aunt and uncle of Mrs. Ferguson's, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Steinhilber, whom they had not seen for over three years. They also enjoyed a very pleasant chat with a brother, Roy S. Ferguson, who wife who lives in Dallas. Roy Ferguson is employed with the Southern Pacific railroad shops, located in that city.

RETURN TO CALIFORNIA
WALDO HILLS, Jan. 7. — Mrs. Ida Neuenburg and son, Wilbur, better known as "Bud," who have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edson Comstock for a week,

"AFTER YOU, MADAME!"



"FOREST LOVE" By HAZEL LIVINGSTON

CHAPTER XLIV.
"Married!" Nancy was the first to grasp it. "Married—Oh Lou—so soon?"
"Thursday."
"Thursday—why Lou—that's wonderful," Nancy came alive. The old light came back to her eyes, the color to her cheeks. At last something was happening, something nice.
"Louise waited, quietly.
"To whom, may I ask?"
"To whom the words with elaborate sarcasm. Her little hands stirred in her lap. Her head began to shake. She looked at peeringly at papa, but he saw only Louise.
"Louise," he faltered, "you aren't making a mistake? Because of my—my—He couldn't go on. He pointed at his useless legs, wrapped in the wheel chair.
"Peter!" mama shrieked. "I won't have you taking that attitude! Do you hear me? I won't have it!" Her faded eyes had brightened, she breathed deeply, her nostrils dilated. She had caught her husband's thought—Oliver Lachman. . . . Louise was going to marry him after all. But even as she rejoiced, she wept. For Louise had not told her—she had kept it a secret from her own mother.
Louise stood up, one hand protectively on her father's shoulder. She looked very tall and young and strong, standing beside the little wizened old man.
"There's a blessing, a big fuss," she said simply. "Mat and I are going to be married Thursday, that's all!"
"Mat! Mat Tully!" mama echoed—starting as if the possibility had never entered her head.
Nancy moved toward her sister, belligerently. "Don't you listen to mama!" she cried, "Don't you listen—"
And through it mama went right on "Mat Tully! That . . . that whippersnapper. That cheap ten-cent scientist! Oh, what a fool you are. Oh, to think you'd do this, after all we've done for you, all I sacrificed! Well, I will not permit it, that's all. I won't have it! Do you hear me?"
"Don't LISTEN to her, Lou. Don't let mama spoil your life! Don't you do it!"
Louise smiled tearfully. She said in a voice that shook a little in spite of all her effort to keep it steady, "I don't want to worry anybody, but I can't help it. It must be Thursday. We're leaving Thursday for Kansas City. Mat must go home because his father is so ill and there's some business. They've sent for him.

left for their home in Santa Monica, Cal., Sunday morning. They were accompanied as far as Eugene by Roger Comstock, a student at the University of Oregon. Mrs. Neuenburg and "Bud" made the trip from Santa Monica to Silverton in two days, a distance of 1064 miles.

CLOVERDALE HAS HOLIDAY PARTIES
Gay Entertainment Enjoyed By Residents of This District
CLOVERDALE, Jan. 7. — Mrs. Frank Schampier entertained with a watch party on New Year's eve in compliment to her husband's birthday. The rooms were prettily decorated in keeping with the holiday season.
The evening was pleasantly spent in various games, the most exciting ones were "Touring" and "Ladies." Mr. Schampier served refreshments late in the evening. The serving table was centered with a large beautiful birthday cake with candles. The guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Philip Fisher and son Marion, Mr. and Mrs. J. Robert Bye, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hennies, Horton Hugglett, Greg Robb, Kathryn Schampier and the hosts Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schampier.
Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Hennies entertained on New Year's day with a dinner at their home here. The guests were their home guests, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Webb, Dallas, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Stanley, and daughter Carol Jean and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hennies, Louis Hennies, and the hosts Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Hennies.
Mr. and Mrs. Jay Cook entertained the church board at their home on Friday evening. After the business meeting a social hour was spent. Refreshments were served by the hostesses. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Titus, Mr. Webb, Mrs. Pearson, Mrs. F. Cook, Earl Cook, Fred Brown, Howard Baker, William Butyke, Rev. Olstrup, Alice and Glen Titus, Gertrude Cook and the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Cook.
Mrs. A. E. Kunke and children spent several days in Salem last week.

SPRING VALLEY CLUB MEET POSTPONED
SPRING VALLEY, Jan. 7. — The Spring Valley Community club meeting will be postponed from the regular date of January 9 to Friday evening, January 16. The committee in charge of the program is L. F. Matthews, V. A. Stratton and Miss Irene Windsor.
Mr. and Mrs. W. Welch and son Billy of Aurora spent the weekend as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Fred McKinley Sunday, then motored to Lebanon to see their brother, W. R. McKinley, who is very ill. Miss Irene Windsor returned home from Portland Monday after spending several days at the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Christenson.
Miss Ethel McKinley spent the weekend as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Wilkinson.

Cemetery Assn. Meeting Called
The Aumsville Cemetery association will meet Thursday, January 15, at 2 p. m. at the Aumsville Christian church, according to an announcement made by Mrs. Mable Martin, secretary of the association.
The meeting is being called for the purpose of discussing plans for a fund to be used as a trust fund for the perpetual upkeep of the cemetery. The matter has been considered by the board and all members are urged to attend the meeting so that an explanation of the plan may be made.

HUBBARD, Jan. 7. — School was dismissed for the forenoon session Monday. The heavy wind storm damaged the electric wires thus shutting off the electricity used in running the fan in the heating system of the building.

BITS for BREAKFAST

Old right of way troubles:
The city of Aurora presents one of the most difficult right of way problems to the state highway department. There are too many sharp corners, and hard ones to get around on account of the lay of the land.
But this problem is not a new one. Ben Holladay and his right of way men in the early seventies encountered it. One finds in Henry T. Finck's latest book, "The Golden Age of Music," which was his autobiography, the proofs finished just a few days before he died, this reference.
"On June 4, 1870, I made this entry in my diary: 'The Oregon and California railroad is coming right through the middle of town; today they commenced to move an old shop. The store and stable must likewise be moved.' And on July 14: 'R. R. men leave town now and it will be quiet again until the track-layers come.' Mr. Finck was 16 years old then, and lived at Aurora.
With no railroad at that time in all the great state of Oregon, one might suppose that there would have been enough room to find a way for a single track through a town anywhere. But not so. Even at Salem there were right of way troubles, and Ben Holladay finally chose 12th street for the line, remarking that the people might see grass grow in their streets, because they were not willing to allow the construction to come further to the west, where nearly all the stores and dwellings were then located.
There were right of way problems also at old Waconda, the pioneer city whose main street is now the Pacific highway this side of Gervais; the center being where the Duck-in-Its roadside place is now. So the town of Gervais was laid out, with several blocks for depot grounds, warehouses, etc., for the metropolis of French prairie that was to be. And the town of Waconda all moved away. Some

Other townships were affected by the location of the Oregon and California railroad, clear south to Roseburg. Jefferson took the place of Santiam City, some miles below Oakland, which became "old Oakland," struggled on for several years, and then moved to the new site on the railroad. On account of the Rice hill grades, the historic city of Yonahia came near being abandoned into desuetude by a deflection of the survey further to the east; on which survey a good deal of money was expended. The road reached Eugene in 1872, Oakland in the summer of that year, and Roseburg in the fall. And Roseburg remained the front for 16 years, until the Southern Pacific interests took charge—and drove the last spike early in 1885, celebrating the event in a joint session of the legislature; the first session to be held beginning with the second Monday in January, instead of in September of even years, as before.
There was another case of a problem that was presented in getting the line through the Aurora community. The survey ran straight through the lot residence of George Link, a couple of miles south of the town. The difficulty was overcome by Ben Holladay (Continued on page 11)



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