## El East Oregonian   <br> $\left(\begin{array}{l}\text { i } \\ \text { - by Edgar A Guest bid } \\ \text { A }\end{array}\right.$

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THE TOWN HAS GROWN
 lower than last year because of declining values . Hence the
normal tax income of the city remains about what it was way norma tax income of the dine war.
back in the days before the
the population has increased by several thousand and the town in every way has grown. Formerly we had no paid fire depart-
pent. We relied on volunteer work and let the property owner
foot the bill in the form ofligh insurance ret abolish the fire department and go back to the policy of letting
volunteer firemen roll out a hose cart when a blaze gets under-
The city is now paying twice as much for street lights as it
formerly paid. But who would cut down street lighting? We need more lights, rather than fewer because it is a matter of
common fame that our business section is very poorly lighted. There is necessity fer more se street cleaning than formerly
because we have several times as much paving as we did 10 years ago. so on down the line in every department. Salaries
are naturally higher than they were and materials cost more.
The city s legitimate expenses have risen and the facts must be recognized.
Fortunately a higher levy than 11 mills may be made if the people so vote. They win vote affirmatively on the budget if
they understand the facts and want see the town go forward.
With one exception Pendeton now has a lower tax rate than any town of its size or larger in Oregon. We can afford to meet
the really pressing needs of the town and should do so. It will check against waste or graft. But we dent need a niggraugly
policy and we will not get anywhere by trying to follow such a policy.

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> LET SUPPLY AND DEMAND HAVE A CHANCE
ORRESPONDENT of the Chicago Tribune
> from
> prices at which they must sell their products and at the slow e low Having taken his own loss the farmer is justified in expect ing that other prices also come down. But how can he have hi
wish if the Fordney tariff, with its joker in the form of the Am Mo increase prices as shown by a statement from the head of the facts are indisputable, and if the decline in prices is stopped by the wholesaler. They will be helpless s The surest way to restore reasonable prices for the cons u er is to permit the law of supply and demand to work its will
through allowing a fair measure of importation. This has been distinctly proven in the news print market, a market in which newspapers are keenly interested. During the war and the
prosperous year following the war the price of news print in
America was run to diva. heights large city papers paid two and three times the pres war price for
newsprint. The spot market was even higher. Scores of news papers suspended and everywhere publishers were driven near-
ply to dispoin. There are newspapers in Oregon the size of the Last Orgonian that paid out, last year as much as $\$ 10,000$ dur Their profits were simply taken by the paper mills because the Relief for the publishers came through importations an from no has been cut in half through imports and though the price is still above ore war figures the danger is considered over. In
this case the only voice the mills could hear was the voice of
> What is true in this line of business is no doubt true in man lines. The manufacturer who shot prices upward during the
war time naturally dislikes to come back to earth. He will keep his price up as long as he can and let the retailer take the gaff
from the public. But the welfare of the country demand prices come down. Until they do come down the buying power or agriculture, the greatest factor in A american business, must re
main in a state of partial paralysis and business depression will te on ns. Fordney bill is exactly the type of bill that should not to support this measure which has passed the house and now awaits approval by the senate.

> Fatty Arbuckle was evidently unable to stand prosperity He wan pron the character to carry the role after he had trained his fame. He became conceited over his wealth and thought he could do anything. He is now behind the bars
charged with a dastardly crime. Whatever the outcome of the chase may be the bubble of his popularity is basted. The public pegged the limits


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