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THERE should be concerted action on the part of every citizen of the Coquille valley in the Port of Coquille River project. It will be the greatest dividend earner to the tax payer that can be obtained from any source. A three mill tax will be sufficient to cover all expenses and it will increase the price of property twenty-five per cent and make freight charges much cheaper. In fact the money will be returned to the tax payer ten fold inside of ten years and the government will do something for us if we show a disposition to do something for ourselves. A boost for the port means a boost for the Coquille valley while a knock against it means a blow to future development of the valley.

THE expenses of national and state governments are on the constant increase. Consequently taxes have been increased and there is no prospect of a reduction of taxation. President Taft has adopted a business course as regards the federal government and has called upon his cabinet ministers to give their special attention to the expenses of their departments. President Taft must know that the various departments are extravagantly managed. The transient visitor at Washington is shocked by the things he sees. He fancies that he sees enough useless door keepers and idle persons on the payroll to sink the Ship of State. We agree with President Taft that it is time to call a halt. It is time to scan the expenditures for every department, including the army and navy.

An electric road to Roseburg from Bandon via Coquille and Myrtle Point. The project has not yet been launched, but why not launch it now? In conversation with a competent civil engineer the other day, he informed a representative of the RECORDER that the survey could easily be made for \$5,000 and that nearly everybody along the line would gladly give the right of way through their land, so that it would not cost over \$5,000 at the outside. Thus we would have a survey and right of way with a total cost of \$10,000. With this in sight, it would be a comparatively easy matter to interest capital in the project and the road could be built. The proposition is one worthy of consideration and if the people of the Coquille valley will get busy, they will get all kinds of support from Douglas county and Roseburg. We all want the railroad. Why not take the initial step? Secure the right of way and the rest will be easy.

THERE are people here and there—and a good many of them—who are so unreasonable as to complain about the diminution in the size and weight of the loaves of bread they buy since Mr. Patten has succeeded in running a corner on the wheat market. These grumblers don't seem to have any imagination whatever. They allow the sordid consideration of the price of bread—which is, at best, a bagatelle—to close their eyes to the magnificent beacons of genius by which Mr. Pat-

ten, by a simple turn of the wrist, so to speak, will pull in millions of dollars by way of profits on his masterly deal. The trouble is that those people who allow themselves to fall into the rut of mere bread-winners and who think only of what they shall eat and where-withal they shall be clothed, really become too ossified to appreciate the effulgence and grandeur of such brilliant speculation as Mr. Patten and other plungers of his stripe are capable. They appear to have no conception whatever of what a dull and stupid affair life would soon become if all persons were content to go in the beaten path of honest and legitimate accumulation.—Kansas City Times.

ARCHIE WHISNANT, editor of Coos Bay Habror has a chronic grouch. He is continually pouring forth his wails of woe, and trying to besmirch some one else. This writer has never had the pleasure of meeting the gentleman, but one would think that he must have a curl in his upper lip that keeps agging him on all the time. Last summer he made a personal attack on the editor of the RECORDER over an article that appeared in this paper relative to some difference of opinion between the RECORDER and the Coos Bay Times. It wasn't any of his put in, but he butted in just the same as is his usual custom. This writer told him at the time that he had wheels in his head and later developments have proven it to be true. Then last fall he made an attack on several of our citizens and we showed him that he was again wrong. This spring he was still whistling to keep up courage and claimed the county championship for the North Bend girls' basket ball team in face of the fact that the North Bend girls WERE AFRAID to play the Bandon team and decide the disputed championship. Being defeated again in his deception, he tries to dig up the old sores once more, just something to follow up his grouch. This is not the only paper that he has poured forth his venom upon, he also tried his hand on The Coos Bay Times a short time ago with the result that he got his literary proboscis peeled to the mar. Poor fellow, we feel sorry for him. He just can't get along in peace with his friends. His mind is constantly on the grouchy side and he must give vent to his feelings. Cheer up old fellow. Spring has come, the birds are singing in the trees, the earth has taken on her beautiful coat of green and all nature is bright and bids us be happy. Look on the bright side of things and you will be happy, contented, and pe able to live at peace with all men. Cheer up! Cheer up! Cheer up!

It is perhaps impossible to try the Calhoun case without bitterness. It goes into the very heart of the bribery cases from the standpoint, not of the slimy wretch that was bribed, but the cultivated gentleman in broadcloth, the man of clubs, who did the bribing or had the bribing done. In the economy of things this particular individual, however contemptuously he may look on the fellow who accepted the bribe, feels no compunctions of

conscience, no loss of self-respect and no sense that he has committed a public crime in offering the bribe and debauching a public servant if the money or other consideration is offered through an intermediary. It was much this way that the world looked upon such affairs until within very recent times. But now it is getting round to believe that the man who offers a bribe is no better, if indeed he is not very much worse, than the low-down wretch who betrays his constituents by accepting it. But this view of the matter has not yet been firmly established in the courts of justice. Skillful lawyers find devious ways of avoiding penalties that are oftentimes swiftly meted out to more humble offenders. That it should take thirty days of valuable time and the expenditure of thousands of dollars of the public's money to get a jury in such a case is to a great degree a travesty upon that even-handed justice which in theory is dealt out to all classes and conditions of people. And so it is probably inseparable from the existing conditions that there should be feeling on both sides of the case, between the prosecution and defense, and that there should be verbal warfare upon both sides of the counsel table. All this is perhaps to be accepted as a matter of course, but on both sides it has been carried to the verge of indecency as well as nausea. Why should there be any talk of opposing counsel meeting each other on the outside, of settling such disputes like a pair of bruisers, with their fists, or mayhap with their guns, in a court of justice, where the matters at issue are supposed to be settled with an eye single to what is just and equitable between the parties to the case? It is getting very tiresome, and in this respect there is no greater offender than Mr. Heney.—Telegram.

AT MONROE, Benton County, recently, about \$40,000 was paid for more than 1000 acres of land, which it is planned to set to set to apple orchards. A syndicate of which J. O. Booth of Grants Pass is the head, made the purchase, and will plant the orchards. Before acquiring it, borings of the land and a careful analysis of the soil were made, so as to determine its fitness for apple production. In the same locality, other lands have been acquired under the same tests by a Corvallis syndicate, which will devote it to the same uses. In the vicinity of Corvallis three large orchards, the smallest of which is forty acres, are being planted under similar conditions. The movement is due to the results achieved at the agricultural college in demonstrating that Yellow Newton apples of the finest quality can be produced in the Willamette valley. A private orchard was leased by the college and placed in charge of Professors Lewis and Cordley. It was properly sprayed and cultivated, with the result that apples approximating if not equal to the very best were produced. In Folk, Linn and other counties, a similar movement is observable, with the prospect that within a few years, with sagacious care of the orchards, the Willamette valley will become a heavy apple producer. An encouragement that new growers will have is the wide success that has come to M. O. Lownsdale through a long period of years in the business. The danger is that some of those who undertake orcharding will not apply correct methods and that losses and failures will in

some instances result. A way to avoid this is for all who engage in the business to count in advance on its drawbacks, to weigh well its discouragements and to thoroughly understand that success is attainable only through complete and unvarying application of correct methods. Any other rule will result in failure and a black eye to the industry. The matter of over production seems impossible. In New York, Michigan, Missouri, and other heavy apple producing states the business is on the decline. Orchards there are, in many cases 50 to 100 years old. Comparatively few new orchards have been planted, due to new problems or pests and the better apple growth in the west. The maximum production of 1896 when the aggregate of the country ran to 69,000,000 barrels, dropped last year to 23,000,000 barrels. In the 12 year period since 1896 it has not run above 47,600,000 barrels. The better apples of Oregon, the method and cleanliness of their packing, their unsurpassed size, color, and form, their unrivaled reputation and their premier place in the world's markets, seem to justify the movement in the Willamette valley for la'ge attention to the industry.—Journal.

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