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## Bandon's Outlook

The outlook for continued prosperity in Bandon and the lower Coquille valley was never better than it is at present. Many projects that promise to be of great value to our future progress are now under way and when completed will surely make of this community of progress and prosperity.

We are definitely assured that work of grading will be started on the Bandon-Port Orford railroad as soon as the weather will permit in the spring and the work of slashing and clearing the right of way will go on during the winter. W. S. Chandler was elected president at a recent meeting of the board of directors, will be here in December and lay plans for the development of the system. When this road is completed it will add greatly to the business interests of Bandon, and the development of the community.

We are also informed of other propositions that are assured for Bandon, of which we can not speak at this time, but will come in the near future. These will also add greatly to the general prosperity of conditions and make of Bandon a much larger city than it now is. Then there are great developments in the country by the ranchers, fruit growers and dairymen. There

is appearing on the scene a marked tendency toward intensified farming all of which will more than double the productiveness of the soil.

We also have better prospects for railroad connections with the outside world, than have ever been known and it is more than probable that one or more railroads will reach the city within the next two years. With all of these prospects there is nothing for the people to do but hang on to what they have, secure all they can, and boost for the general prosperity and development of the country, and success is sure to crown our efforts.

## Recent Elections

Elections were held Tuesday November 2d in a number of cities and states in the Union, but the two places upon which the eyes of the world were centered, were New York and San Francisco.

In New York, it was Tammany against the Republicans and fusionists, and with the exception of the mayor, Tammany was decisively defeated. Gaynor, the Tammany candidate for mayor was elected, but it was generally understood that he did not stand for Tammany principles, but the nomination was forced upon because it was thought

his personal popularity would elect the whole Tammany ticket but the scheme did not work out, and the people of New York put their stamp of disapproval on the Tammany methods of manipulation.

William R. Hearst, the standing candidate made a dismal failure of his attempt to gain the mayor's seat, he being the tail eader of the three candidates. Bannard, the Republican candidate having nearly 25,000 more than Hearst while Gaynor's plurality, over Bannard was 73,016.

In San Francisco, Heney was defeated for prosecuting attorney by Fickert, who had 15,000 majority, this would appear as if Frisco people did not approve of the method of graft prosecution. McCarthy, the union labor candidate was elected mayor, he promises that San Francisco shall have a clean administration, and it is the hope of all that this may be true.

In Cleveland, Ohio, Tom L. Johnson the three cent fare mayor was defeated he having served four terms as mayor, and was up for the fifth. In all of these places the election was fought on local issues so it is not possible to get a line on national conditions existing. In New York State the new legislature will be composed of 102 Republicans, and 48 Democrats a gain of two Republicans, Massachusetts went Republican, Maryland went Democratic and Rhode Island Republican.

## The Gompers-Mitchell Decision

The Washington courts are doing what they can to make a great big issue in these United States. If the court of last resort follows their

reasoning and sends Gompers, Mitchell and Morrison to jail a spark will be lighted that will burst into a conflagration of public sentiment. The charge against these men is that they published the "Buck Stove and Range Co. in their unfair list." It is a high and mighty position for courts to assume that in this country freedom of speech can be suppressed. If there is one principle essential to human liberty in any country it is the right of free speech. Whenever the silence of the press can be commanded by the guns of a hostile court conditions that make for oppression are fast becoming cumulative. The recent dictum of an Indianapolis court that declared the freedom of the press to be fundamental to liberty is a doctrine as old as the republic and as sound and fixed as adamant. The publicity and censure of the press is the surest guarantee the people have against wrongdoing. Whenever there is encroachment on that right there is invasion of that which is the surest and safest groundwork for the perpetuity of any self government. It is true that entanglements surround this decision that in a measure becloud the issue of free speech. There is a sufficiency of these side issues to give the court excuse for a decree that were otherwise impossible. But back of it all, as well as beneath it, over it and through it, runs the fact that because the defendants printed and circulated in their publication an unfair list in which the Buck Stove and Range company appeared, they are to be sent to jail. It is a notable episode that one of the judges differed with the other two

and wrote a dissenting opinion. Terms in jail for the three defendants, if it ever comes to that will make future issues about as stirring as this county has seen in recent years.—Journal

The United States Government has joined hands with the railroad companies and other large users of timber in experimenting for the purpose of finding methods of prolonging the life of timber after it is cut. An immense annual drain is made on our diminishing supply of raw material, and some of the loss can undoubtedly be checked by the use of chemicals in treating the timber after it is cut. While the Government has the matter of timber preservation under consideration, it might do a little experimenting or investigation for the purpose of determining how many millions of feet are annually going to waste in the forest reserves. In nearly all of these reserves are vast areas of ripe timber that will steadily depreciate until it becomes too old and rotten to be of value to anyone.—Oregonian

A Yreka, California, paper is agitating the proposition of establishing a new state to be known as Siskiyou with Yreka as the capital. The new state is to be made up of the northern part of California and southern Oregon, with Douglas, Klamath and Lake counties as the northern tier. A map of the proposed new state is printed in a recent issue. It would contain the undeveloped harbors of Humboldt and Coos Bay. The scheme is certainly attractive from a Yreka stand-

point, but southern Oregon will have to think over the proposition a bit before consenting to secession from the state of which it has been a part for so many years.—Myrtle Point Enterprise.

The RECORDER has received several copies of the Roseburg Evening News and we find it to be a real live little daily, with considerable telegraph and lots of home news. They also have a nice advertising patronage. Roseburg is large enough to support one daily nicely, but it is to be hoped that no other daily will butt in until the city is big enough to support it.

## Hamilton Trial This Month

The trial of former Adjutant Gen. Ortis Hamilton, on charge of embezzlement while head of the Washington national guard forces, will begin Nov. 23. After many delays, this date has finally been fixed. Since early last summer, Hamilton has been confined at Olympia. Of late he has spent much time examining his accounts in his cell, preparing for the defense. Hamilton's downfall resulted from his inability to resist the blinding effects of the bright lights of high life.

## Cock Roach Exterminator

The Coast Mail says: Major Kinney gives the Mail a recipe for a cockroach exterminator, which he says cleared that troublesome pest out of the buildings on Plat E. One pound sugar and one ounce sugar of lead mixed and distributed where cockroaches congregate, will be eaten with avidity and with results fatal to the whole cockroach colony. This is worth trying in any "haunted house."

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