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Trade Balance Improving

A summary of the foreign trade for the month of May shows that we have reached the turn of the tide, and the balance of trade, which has been setting strong against the United States for the past three months, is again running in our favor. The excess of exports over imports for May was \$11,215,820, compared with an excess of imports over exports amounting to more than \$800,000 in April. The decrease in the value of imports was quite heavy since the high water mark of \$163,000,000 was reached in March, for last month's figures show but \$119,929,000. This is the smallest total since August. To the size of these figures is due the fact that the "balance of trade" is again showing on the right side of the ledger. In other words, the exports were not large enough to be proud of, but the imports were so small that they permitted us to again exhibit an excess of exports.

This favorable trade balance will probably remain in evidence for the remainder of the season, for new-crop agricultural products are now coming on the markets, and there will be an increased movement of the remainder of the old crop, which, as a rule, gets out of the way as soon as the new crops are assured. But while the May imports have suffered a heavy decline as compared with those for some of the preceding months, they have been sufficient to bring the total for the first eleven months of the fiscal year up to the highest point on record. The total of \$1,438,169,502 shows an increase of \$250,914,000 over the same period last year. Exports of \$1,617,000,000 for the eleven months show a gain of \$71,567,000 over the same month last year. The excess of imports over exports, best known as the "balance of trade," for the eleven months amounts to \$179,346,000, compared with \$358,336,000 for the same period last year.

An important feature of the summary of the foreign trade was the gold movement. Gold exports declined from \$36,283,000 in April to \$3,143,000 in May. This is an encouraging sign, showing as it does that some of our obligations incurred abroad are being met by the sale of securities, or by increasing exports. Unless the summer tourists become excessively extravagant, there will hardly be much necessity for gold shipments of any consequence until another season.—Oregonian.

Clean Up The City

The RECORDER has always stood for a clean city, and we still stand for it as one of the greatest essentials of a prosperous city.

Bandon is growing all the time; no boom on, but just a steady growth, and it will not be long until a number of changes will have to be made.

Of course there are some obstacles in the way of a clean city here. The people have decided that live stock shall continue to run at large on the streets, and so long as this is allowed, it will be difficult to keep the city in ship shape condition, but there can

be many improvements made, and no doubt will be all the time.

Of course we are not as liable to contract disease as a result of debris and rubbish lying around, as they are where there is excessive heat, but for the pride that we all take in the town, we should endeavor to keep it clean. Bandon is a city of homes and always will be, and let us make that home city as attractive as possible in every way.

Should Export Butter

There is no better dairy state in the Union than Oregon, if the proper effort were put forth by the dairy men, and yet we are importing butter by the carload, when we could just as well be exporting this highly valuable commodity. Along this line the Pacific Homestead has the following to say:

"Several carloads of butter from the middle west states have been imported to Oregon during the past few months which is a very good indication that there is a woeful lack of interest in the dairy industry by the farmers of the state. The dairy commissioner and his deputies have been aware of this condition for some time and are doing everything possible to counteract the disinterest on the part of those who should be producing dairy products, in sufficient quantities to meet the home demand at least. These officers have been doing some active campaigning in the way of conducting dairy meetings at various places throughout Western Oregon during the spring, and in many instances it is believed their work will have some weight in favor of increasing the amount of dairy output from now on. The state should be exporting butter by the carloads instead of purchasing it from other sections where the natural facilities for producing it are not nearly so great."

Illogical Immunity

With reference to graft development in the New York Legislature, Governor Hughes contends that there should be a wide open and very thorough investigation, and he holds, furthermore, that any law which affords immunity protection to the grafter, is an unfortunate and illogical law.

There could be no view more morally correct than this; there could be no view carried to practical effect that would be of greater benefit to the public. It is rather amazing, and, in a certain sense, anomalous that we should expend either time or thought legislating for the protection of the dishonest man, the man who betrays a public confidence and a public trust; while for many crimes less injurious to the public morals, we provide no means of evading punishment, that is to say, no means explicitly addressed to that purpose.

When men are outright and become known as vulgar and common thieves, the law provides for no narrowing of the field of inquiry; nor does it create distinctions that exempt if the thief takes property of a certain description or from certain people as distinguished from all other

property or from all other people. The fact of theft is sufficient to be proven, and when proven, barring the effect of technical agility on the part of the lawyers, conviction is most likely to follow. What good reason is there that we should hedge this particular crime of graft about with exemptions and distinctions which seem to give it an honorable place in the category of wrongdoing?—Telegram.

Everybody Must Register

Everybody who wants to vote at the primaries, which are to be held Saturday, September 25th, or at the November election, must register, unless they want to go to the trouble to hunt up six free holders on election day, and swear their vote in. Any notary public or justice of the peace can register you, and it is a matter of but little effort to register, but when it comes to swearing one's vote in, it is not only a big job for the voter, but adds extra work for the election board; and from the number of measures that are coming up this year, it would appear as if they will have troubles of their own about election time. So the best way for all concerned is for every voter to get busy and register at the very earliest date possible.

Under New Mail Contract

Beginning with today, the mail service changes to the new contractor, C. P. Barnard, who has everything organized to carry mail and passengers over both routes into Coos county. J. L. Laird of this city has charge of the route between here and Camas valley, making two changes of horses between. He has equipped himself with several teams of fine, large horses and a new four-seated Studebaker stage wagon that combines strength and comfort, having an arrangement of springs that gives the greatest amount of elasticity possible. And his equipment of stock seems to give assurance that the work will be well done. He starts in with the rule that there will be no drinking by the drivers, and no needless frightening of passengers.—Myrtle Point Enterprise.

Bandon is certainly to be congratulated in its forward movement of voting to issue bonds to the amount of \$60,000 to secure municipal water works. The vote was nearly three to one in favor of the new plan. The city is to be ridiculed, however, for its position taken by a vote of 117 to 91 to allow live stock to run at large. The stock may not do any damage, but the idea is not in keeping with the broader movement of progress so plainly manifest in that growing city.—Coos Bay Harbor.

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T. B. WHEELER

UP STAIRS IN RASMUSSEN BUILDING

A TENDERFOOT AT POKER.

He Knew How to Play a Good Hand When He Got It.

"Pat Sheedy," said a sporting editor, "used to entertain me when I visited his art shop with gambling tales.

"There was one tale about a sandwich that I rather liked. It seems, according to this tale, that a barkeeper in some mining town, connived with three sharpers, and dear help any tenderfoot that ever ventured to sit in a little poker game among that crew.

"One night the tenderest tenderfoot imaginable, after a half dozen drinks in the saloon, agreed to take a hand in a dollar limit game.

"Things went along in the usual way for awhile. Then an amazing series of nods and winks began to pass about. The bartender held signaled that the tenderfoot held four kings on the draw. There were more nods and winks, and betting began.

"In the midst of the betting a waiter brought sandwiches and whisky in order to distract the tenderfoot, and while the poor dupe was tossing off his drink the sharper next him slipped a sixth card on to his hand, thus, of course, nullifying it.

"The unconscious tenderfoot took up a huge sandwich, bit off a large mouthful and began to bet again. Right and left, of course, they raised him. He ate on and bet away calmly. An enormous sum lay on the table.

"Then suddenly the bartender resumed his nods and winks. He was terribly excited. Something was wrong. The sharpers, a little anxious, called the tenderfoot.

"The tenderfoot finished the last bite of his sandwich, took a long drink of whisky and laid down his original five cards. Then in silence he gathered in his vast pile of winnings and with a cool nod took his leave.

"After his departure there was a terrible time.

"What the dickens did he do with that sixth card?" the sharper cried.

"Didn't you see? Didn't you see? cried the bartender, dancing up and down with rage. "He ate it with his sandwich!"—St. Louis Globe Democrat.

Standing Armies.

The first standing army of modern times was established by Charles VII. of France in 1445. In England the first standing army was organized in 1638.

Folding a Man's Coat.

To fold a man's coat lay the coat out perfectly flat with the inside down. The sleeves should be spread out smoothly and then folded back to the elbow until each end of the sleeve is even with the collar. Fold the revers back and then double the coat over, folding it directly in the center seam, and then smooth it out carefully and lay flat in the drawer.

Nettle Fiber.

From nettle fiber a thread has been produced so fine that a length of sixty miles of it weighs but two and a half pounds.

Orang-utan.

Orang-utan is a Malay word derived from orang, man, and utan, woods. It would appear from this that the Dyaks of Borneo, who use the term, were Darwinians at an early date. The one thing most nearly human about the orang-utan is his cry when wounded, according to the stories of hunters.

Prayer Meeting in the Commons.

For many years a prayer meeting has been held in the house of commons once a week during every parliamentary session. No one knows who originated the idea, but the records of the proceedings, which are faithfully noted each week, show that in the year 1833 the well known Quaker Mr. T. Powell Buxton and the evangelicals Sir George Grey and Mr. Zachary Macaulay were in constant attendance. The prayer meeting is held in a room granted for the purpose by the sergeant-at-arms and is restricted to twenty minutes. The proceedings are very simple. At each weekly meeting a president for the following week is chosen. On the day of assembling—Tuesday, at 5 o'clock—the president for the day opens the meeting, reads a portion of the Scriptures and either offers an extempore prayer or calls on one of the members to pray. Two or three others offer short prayers, and the meeting closes with the benediction.—London News.

Echo.

She was a slight so fair to see
It thrilled my soul with ecstasy.
A wealth of mellow charms were here
Enwrought in truly gorgeous furs,
Her step a thing of life, her form
Enough to rouse a jealous storm
Among the graces and an eye
That dimmed the luster of the sky
I stopped and gazed,
Entranced, amazed,
"Ah! Whither away?" quoth I.
She paused upon the gutter curb,
Ah, me, her pose was so superb
It made me think perhaps that she
Had stood for Winged Victory
In some remote time of the past
Amid some other cycle cast!
She paused, and, glancing stonily,
She gave an upper cut to me
That left me feazed
And sadly dazed,
"A-ah! Whither away!" quoth she,
—Harper's Weekly.

Forgot the Judge.

Two lawyers before a probate judge recently got into a wrangle. At last one of the disputants, losing control over his emotions, exclaimed to his opponent:
"Sir, you are, I think, the biggest ass that I ever had the misfortune to set eyes upon."
"Order, order!" said the judge gravely. "You seem to forget that I am in the room."—Wasp.

Strange Things.

A toiler toils,
And a boiler boils,
And bolts the Helong daisy,
But no plumber plumbs,
And no summer sums,
The dictionaries say,
A waiter waits,
And a skater skates,
So it seems a little queer
That no crater craters
And no traitor traits
As far as one can hear,
—Youth's Companion.

Quite the Reverse.

"Excuse my laughing," said Mrs. Briday, "but I'll never forget my feelings when you asked me to marry you."
"Why?" asked her husband. "Was it such a hard thing to answer?"
"No, but you were such a soft thing to answer."—Catholic Standard and Times.

Were the work that is incident to the earning of food, fuel and clothing and that involved in getting the same ready for consumption done away with everybody would have leisure and to spare, from the ditch digger and his wife up.