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Mail Order Houses.

Printer's Ink says that mail order houses have become a good barometer of business conditions and that no other concern is as closely in daily touch with the buying pulse of the entire country as one of the great mail order concerns. The same publication states that one mail order house sold during the first six months of 1910, merchandise to the amount of \$30,000,000, as against \$51,000,000 during the entire year of 1909. The company referred to retired \$200,000 preferred stock and the stock is 25 per cent above par. Another Chicago mail order house reports a greatly increased business also. Printer's Ink also reports that the mail order fight by dealers is not nearly so extensive as it once was.

We fancy that the mail order business is one of the finest in the world, every order being accompanied by the cash. The customer is not at the counter. He does not have a chance to examine the goods. He must accept what is sent to him. If there is a dissatisfaction in one neighborhood, there are new neighborhoods. The people are constantly changing. For the customer the mail order business has a fascination. It is a little like a lottery. We are not prepared to say what its future will be, but one thing is certain, and that is, that the mail order house is the greatest enemy the people have, and people are sending out their money by the millions of dollars to these catalogue houses and getting a lot of junk in return, and the catalogue houses never pay a cent of taxes to keep up the roads, schools, churches, and other public enterprises in your community. These catalogue houses also destroy home markets, because they get the cash out of the country and there is none to return for the produce of the farmers, and yet the farmer will still continue to stifle his own business by sending away his cash.

It might be added in this connection that local merchants are largely to blame for the inroads of the catalogue houses in any community. The catalogue house uses the merchant's only weapon, that of advertising. They scatter their advertising matter broadcast, and are trying to buy more advertising all the time. Every year the local papers in towns all over the country turn down thousands of dollars worth of advertising from catalogue houses. This is done out of loyalty to the home merchant, but in many instances we are sorry to say, the merchants do not always reciprocate by patronizing the local paper, even though they see the excellent effect of advertising in the amount of business the catalogue houses are taking away from them.

To Cruise the Timber.

Assessor T. J. Thrift was in Bandon a week or so ago, circulating a petition which was freely signed by the people here. This petition is to go before the County Court asking that body to have a cruise made of all the timber in Coos county, with the object in view of making the big

timber holders pay their share of the taxes. This is a move in the proper direction, and will, if carried out, cause the taxes of the small property owner to be considerably lightened and will have a tendency to take the penalty off of the improvement of farms. As things are at present, a man who really tries to improve his land is fined for his industry, because, as soon as he begins to get his land in condition to be useful, his taxes are immediately raised, while the land hog, holding his for future high prices, pays practically no taxes, but gets all the benefit coming from the taxes paid by the other fellow.

There will be great pressure brought to bear on the county court in this matter, and it is quite likely that the cruise will be ordered at an early date, for the people will demand it, and the more they look into the situation, the greater will be their demand.

Again the Maine.

If the battleship Maine is ever to be raised from the mud and slime of Havana harbor it should be done without unnecessary delay. Probably no light would be thrown on the cause that sent her to the bottom where she has lain for more than a dozen years. Even if the suspicions of Spanish treachery as the cause of the disaster that had so large a part in bringing on the Spanish American War were verified upon bringing the ship to the surface and by instituting expert inquiry into her condition, no good could result from the findings. However, as a menace to navigation in the harbor in which she is sunken, and as an inspiration to the quality of National patriotism which zealously guards and loyally remembers its own, the vessel should be raised and the controversy about the matter of her disposal ended.

Plans looking to this object have been submitted to the War Department by Engineer O'Rourke, who has the Pennsylvania Railroad's tunnel under North River and the bridge over the Hudson at Poughkeepsie to the credit of his ability to do large things. These plans have been referred to an Army board of engineers, and in time will be reported upon. In the meantime the people of the United States have come to "remember the Maine" without acrimony and with sorrow softened by time for the fate of the unfortunate men who lost their lives when she went down.—Oregonian.

To Improve Harbor.

Coos Bay is going to improve its harbor and the channel from the ocean into the bay. Public docks and warehouses are to be built well. For this purpose it is the intention to expend \$300,000. It is proposed to issue 20 year bond bearing 5 per cent interest. Coos Bay people approve this project generally, but the Commission of the Port has decided to leave the matter to a vote at the Fall election. The plan contemplates a great improvement of the Coos Bay harbor.

Ravages of the Sleeping Sickness in Uganda

By Theodore Roosevelt in Scribner's Magazine.

We passed by many islands green with meadow and forest, beautiful in the bright sunshine, but empty with the emptiness of death. A decade previously these islands were thronged with tribes of fishes folks; their villages studded the shores, and their long canoes, planks held together with fibre, furrowed the surface of the lake. Then, from out of the depths of the Congo forest came the dreadful scourge of the sleeping sickness, and snote the doomed people who dwelt beside the Victorian Nile, and on the coasts of the Nyanza lakes and in the lands between. Its agent was a biting fly, brother to the tsetse whose bite is fatal to domestic animals. This fly dwells in forest, beside lakes and rivers; and wherever it dwells after the sleeping sickness came, it was found that man could not live. In this country, between, and along the shores of, the great lakes, two hundred thousand people died in slow torment, before the hard taxed wisdom and skill of medical science and governmental administration could work any betterment whatever in the situation. Men still die by thousands, and the disease is slowly spreading into fresh districts. But it has proved possible to keep it within limits in the regions already affected; yet only by absolutely abandoning certain districts, and by clearing all the forest and brush in tracts which serve as barriers to the fly, and which permit the passage through the infected belts. On the western shores of the Victoria Nyanza, and in the islands adjacent thereto, the ravages of the pestilence were such, the mortality it caused so appalling, that the government was finally forced to deport all the survivors inland, to forbid all residence beside or fishing in the lake, and with this end in view to destroy the villages and the fishing fleets of the people. The teeming lake fish were formerly a main source of food supply to all who dwelt near by; but this has now been cut off, and the myriads of fish are left to themselves, to the host of water birds, and to the monstrous man-eating crocodiles of the lake, on whose blood the fly also feeds, and whence it is supposed by some that it draws the germs so deadly to human kind.

Teachers' Examination

Notice is hereby given that the County Board of Examiners of Coos County, Oregon, will hold the regular examination for applicants for State and County papers at North Bend, commencing Wednesday at 9 o'clock, A.M., August 10th, and continuing till Friday at 4 P.M., August 12th.

Dated this 28th day of July, 1910.
W. H. BUNCH,
Co Supt

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60 Days From This Date, July 7, 1910

T. B. WHEELER

UP STAIRS IN RASMUSSEN BUILDING

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Ore.
June 24, 1910.

Notice is hereby given that Stonewall J. Wilson, of Bandon, Oregon, who, on August 27, 1903, made Homestead Entry No. 13019, Serial No. 03551, for SE 1-4 NE 1-4, NE 1-4 SE 1-4 of Section 7, and SW 1-4 NW 1-4 and NW 1-4 SW 1-4, Section 8, Township 30 S., Range 14 W., Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final five-year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before A. D. Morse, U. S. Commissioner at Bandon, Oregon, on the 1st day of September 1910.

Claimant names as witnesses:
R. F. Cox, of Bandon, Oregon.
R. P. Hunt, of " "
Eugene Pierce, of " "
J. A. Cope, of " "
Benjamin F. Jones, Register.

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Aged Pedestrians.

Pedestrianism is becoming about as popular a recreation on the section of the coast as it is in England, and it is not only the young who take a "like" without the aid or consent of teamsters, chaffeurs, conductors or aviators, but the vigorous old people who enjoy life here as they do nowhere else. Yesterday a woman 67 years young, accompanied by a lady of fewer years, passed through town. She had walked in from Roseburg, making about 20 miles per day. She trundled a cart that carried bedding, cooking utensils and other camp equipment, and was as spry as a cricket. Last week a man of 80 years was the main actor in a similar stunt. Both were headed for Bandon to enjoy the cool sea breezes.—Myrtle Point Enterprise. The Pedestrians arrive in Bandon O. K. The ladies above mentioned stayed here over Sunday, and started on their return trip to Roseburg, Tuesday morning.

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Presbyterian Church

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