



## WHAT HAVE WE THAT WILL BRING MONEY?

Do you want that business lot immediately beside the Movie Theatre, Athena, for \$350? Worth double and treble that amount. You may have it right now for that price.  
Do you want a Ford car for \$175? Take it and get it out of our sight.  
How about that Dodge business car for Ten Hundred? Worth over Thirteen Hundred.  
We will buy, sell, trade, barter, exchange, swap or BET to get money. If you happen to have some of ours you know how to make two of us feel

## WATTS & ROGERS

ATHENA, OREGON

## Buy a Barrel of Flour



*"for clean oil in a clean engine"*  
**Inside facts on a dirty job!**

**YOUR ENGINE** requires an internal bath frequently. Road dust, carbon from the combustion chamber, and fine particles of metal worn from the bearing surfaces get into the lubricating oil in the crankcase. All this dirt circulates with the oil through the engine. If it isn't drained out regularly there's bound to be excessive wear and tear.

Gasoline also escapes past the pistons and dilutes the oil.

Modern Crankcase Cleaning Service gets rid of the dirty, diluted oil,

flushes the crankcase thoroughly and refills with clean, fresh oil.

The garages listed below are now equipped to perform this needed service quickly and for a nominal charge. We use Calol Flushing Oil, which cleanses thoroughly without danger of contaminating the fresh Zerolene refilled into the cleaned crankcase.

**TODAY:** Bring in your car for Modern Crankcase Cleaning Service. It will result in better engine performance and longer life for your car.

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School taxes and municipal taxes are what make mostly for high taxation, and yet people pay little heed to the doings of school boards and of town councils, while watchfully suspicious of the state legislature. The reason is, perhaps, that these boards are composed of community citizens and neighbors who are known to be taxpayers themselves, who nearly always serve without pay and who are thought to be doing the best they can. Besides, tangible results are seen by the taxpayer. State and federal taxes are the hardest to pay because the man who pays the tax is often unable to determine where his money goes, by visual and convincing evidence. He therefore more than half suspects that more than half of it is wasted, and unless he lives at the capital or in a state institution town, he isn't able to feel that he is getting any direct and personal benefit from his taxes. That he is protected in life and property and without his higher governments would class with the

# THE PUBLIC and The TELEPHONE COMPANY

In spite of the fact that a great majority of the telephone using public thoroughly understand the rights, duties and obligations of public service companies, we find now and then an individual who does not understand the matter.

A telephone company, in its broadest sense, is a partnership consisting of the State as an institution, the public as a group of customers, and the company. The State determines the extent to which the company may go and regulates its rates, services and practices. The company furnishes the facilities with which these rights are exercised and the services rendered. Those members of the public who constitute the customers, furnish the revenue with which the company is enabled to perform these services. No telephone company can exist without customers, and these customers must be treated with fairness both by the company and by the State. The State does not permit any undue burden to be placed upon a customer.

A public service corporation, in a broad sense, is merely an organized right to render the public a service, and in the same larger sense the service belongs to the company's customers. It follows that the customers are really the company. What benefits or harms the one has a like effect upon the other.

We are anxious that our present customers, applicants for service, and the company shall be treated fairly. To continue to extend our service under our present condition is impossible. We invite our customers, the public of Oregon, to interest themselves in our problem.

**The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co.**

barbarians, is a matter he seldom consumer is always the goat. Since any evidence of disappointment or thinks about at all. There is need everyone is a consumer, however, bitterness. The president's frame in our beloved land of broader vision there is no way to protect him. The may have been weakened by his ion, as well as of that eternal vigilance which is the price of economical and efficient government as well that of having no taxes and no government.

Quaint wisdom and homely philosophy mark E. W. Howe's "Sermons From Kansas" in Saturday Evening Post. The life guided thereby will never fail of true success. Here is one of less significance than many others, but which is reprinted because it applies so aptly to us all: "I may have expected a great deal of friends long ago, but I do not now. I have not only learned that if I expect too much of them I shall be disappointed; I have learned I have no right to expect it. And I have my share of good friends, and appreciate them as sincerely as ever a man did; if I impose on them they may be sure I experience such shame and humility as I deserve. If you have anything undesirable to sell, and apply first to friends, that is meanness; be ashamed to impose on anyone so kind as to fond of you. If you criticize your friends severely it usually means you have been expecting too much of them."

It is not alone to the farmer's interest but to the interest of all the people of Umatilla county that every householder buy a barrel of flour and buy it now, and thus aid in administering a much needed stimulant to the wheat market. Umatilla is the greatest wheat-producing county in Oregon and one of the greatest in the United States. The prosperity of all its people depends in such direct degree upon the prosperity of the farmer that all should help him when opportunity offers—and the opportunity is here and now. Moreover, the consumer who buys a barrel of flour at present prices is likewise helping his own pocket book, since indications point to higher wheat and consequently higher flour in the early spring. The present movement is for the purpose of hurrying the advance and enabling the grower, instead of the speculator, to reap the benefit.

We are wondering how the people of the United States would view widespread agitation in England, headed by a so-called "president of the Filipino republic," in behalf of independence for the Philippine islands—supposing the islands to be in rebellious turmoil through the activities of a secret organization. Would we not describe such interference with our own affairs as "damnable impudence." These very words have been used by Englishmen in describing American agitation for Irish independence.

It has now been discovered that the consumer is paying the excess profits gross in a dispassionate and able tax, to whom in devious ways it is state paper, devoted chiefly to pressing on by the manufacturer. The ing domestic problems and free from

Much first page space was devoted to the fact that Mrs. Harding called on Mrs. Wilson—just as though two good housekeepers cannot come together for a friendly chat without getting their names in the papers.

The president-elect is getting an careful of political advice, but only that which accords with his own opinions is apt to be given place in his mental storehouse.

Striking Chicago piano workers will build and run their own factory. We fancy their former boss is saying that they needn't go far for the ivory.

Perry's cartoon in The Oregonian of Old Man Congress looking up the word "Economy" in the dictionary, is one of the cleverest of the day.

Yoncalla, Oregon, will be governed entirely by women. As all, happily, are married women, there can be no miss-government.

Beyond much doubt, it is the misfortune rather than the fault of the Turk that he has left enough Armenians for mediation purposes.

Revising the tariff upward is such a congenial occupation for the republicans that we hear they are going to be a year on the job.

"If Jesse James were alive today he would probably be the business agent for a builders' union," says James J. Montague.

One of the most hopeful reports coming out of Marion is that Harding intends to hear some democratic advice.

Lord Bryce says the world is on the brink of an abyss. With plenty of airplanes, it should worry.

"Vox populi, vox Dei." Well, the G. O. P. is certainly in need of divine sponsorship and guidance.

Mesopotamia looms largely as a bone of contention through putting the oil in war spoil.

Soviet Russia may be reduced to rags, but these can still be utilized for paper money.

Some boob bandit robbed a Seattle shoe store of \$275—and left the shoes!

### NOTICE TO PATRONS

In order to avoid much unnecessary inconvenience, we must request that all patrons be prepared to pay their bills when our collector calls. We also desire to notify them that all of our own responsibility for service ceases when electricity is delivered.

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