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THE TIDINGS ATTITUDE

The members of the Chamber of Commerce having gone on record with a decided vote as being content with the present status of affairs in that body, it is not for anyone, much less the Tidings, to question their decision. It would avail nothing to analyze the causes which have led up to that condition, thereby again opening up wounds, to bleed afresh and naught to assuage or alleviate the pain and bitterness attendant thereon. Suffice it to say the Tidings will abide by that decision and will continue on its course of constructive work for the good of Ashland. That the result is keenly disappointing it would be useless to deny, shattering as it does, for the time being at least, the hopes the editor had entertained for the future greatness of the city, in that it has dealt a death blow to the plans laid for placing the crown piece on the great foundation of Lithia Park.

It is to be presumed that the board of directors have in mind a definite plan for the bringing in of outside capital to replace the proposal of Mr. Greer which has been rejected by the vote of the Chamber of Commerce. If they have, they will find the Tidings behind them, with all the influence it can command, not only in that, but in any and every effort which that body may put forth for the good of Ashland.

Again we say that the disappointment is keenly felt, but with it there is no tinge of bitterness. We are deeply grateful for the loyal and unwavering support of those who understood the proposition which we had, in view for the development of our beloved city, but we have no word of censure for those who could not accept our viewpoint, and, as we believe, voted for the cause they thought was right.

TIDINGS COLUMNS OPEN

The columns of the Tidings are open to the Chamber of Commerce or any individual who desires to make a signed public statement in regard to the issues of the Chamber of Commerce campaign just closed. They will remain open to any citizen to

express his opinions on any subject, except politics and polemics, which he considers in the interest of Ashland. The Tidings is and always has been anxious that citizens should use its columns freely to discuss any matters of general interest, but the articles should be of such nature that the writer will not hesitate to sign them. That does not mean that all articles offered MUST be signed by the writer. Sometimes it is better for all concerned that the name of the writer be not given, but in all cases where the correct name is not signed, the Tidings reserves the right to refuse to print the article when it deems it not to be the best interest of the community. When articles are properly signed and are not libelous it is the duty of a newspaper to print them, over the proper signature of the writer.

APPROPO

In the olden days, before John Barleycorn got the axe, a big Irishman got tanked, drifted into a saloon and remarked: "I can lick any man in the house." Nobody said a word. "Well, I can lick anybody in town." Nobody said a word. "Well, I can lick anybody in the county." Nobody said a word. "Well, I can lick anybody in the state." Up stepped a little guy and landed under his chin. Half an hour later he came too and rubbing his head, remarked, "Well, I guess I took in too much territory."

THINK DROPS

When you fight, do it with two hands and for all there is in you.

If you lose, take your licking like a good sport.

The man who does not know how to lose, is not fitted for victory.

Never whimper. Don't try to steal the glory of the other fellow's victory. Slap him on the back and congratulate him.

"Life is a drama, and we are players in it; we flit and strut our hour upon the stage and are seen no more." So goes the world. We will be, we are, and then we "ain't."

In the game of chess, the opponents marshal their men in battle array and play the game according to the rules. Somebody gets licked, but the players do not get mad and scratch out the other's eyes. Why should we do it in other games? Why not be a real sport?

Pin these little maxims in your hat so they will penetrate the brain, and you will have achieved the greatest victory man knoweth—a victory over self.

THE PEOPLE'S FORUM

Wool Growers Encounter Dealers' Tricks

Co-operative marketing is comparatively new in Oregon, and we Oregonians will have to learn the same lesson that Californians have learned in their successful co-operative marketing activities. They have been through the mill in California, and we in Oregon are going through the same mill at the present time. Ask any Californian you meet about the tricks resorted to by dealers in any particular farm product to injure or discredit the co-operative organization handling that product. When will we farmers learn that we must stand together and not lend an ear to this insidious propaganda circulated by middlemen who seek to wreck and injure farmers' efforts at co-operative marketing.

Not all dealers are so bad, but it is rather difficult to pick the sheep from the goats, so all producers are urged to be on their guard against the propaganda and tactics carried on by these middlemen. In combating co-operative wool marketing, wool dealers' tactics usually consist of the following activities:

- 1. Circulating false reports and propaganda about the co-operative association's methods of doing business, regardless of the fact that dealers know practically nothing about them.
- 2. Offering high prices for a few choice remaining lots of wool with the idea of establishing in the mind of the wool grower that said dealer would pay these prices. Growers should remember that the association forces dealers to strain themselves to the very limit in offering prices. Growers should also remember that if the association had left its 1,500,000 pounds of wool in the valley, these dealers would offer much less per pound, because they would know that you would have to accept their offers or keep your wool. Growers should also know that dealers would willingly lose money by

paying to prices, even to paying more than the wool was worth, if by such means they could do away with the association, and get the field back to themselves again. But, oh boy! when they would get the field back, how they would make the poor wool growers pay through their noses for our sins in marketing wool co-operatively.

3. Offering high prices before shearing time when dealers know there is practically no wool to buy. This is done for the purpose of dissatisfying members with the returns they receive from their association, which ordinarily remits about this time.

4. Wool growers should compare the prices they receive from their association NOT with prices offered by a few dealers at the end of the year when the association settles up, but with prices paid THROUGHOUT the entire year. It is the average association price, and the dealers' average price which show conclusively the benefits of co-operative wool marketing.

5. Orderly marketing does not mean holding or speculating for peak prices. No one consistently sells on the peak market. Statistics show that as many miss the high markets as hit them. Statistics also show that over a period of years, orderly marketing a portion of the wool clip month by month results in the best average prices. This should be plain to every grower as it is this very principle that has made money for wool dealers. The association markets wool direct to mills in an orderly manner. This makes it IMPOSSIBLE to close pools quickly. This is just what farmers have organized to prevent—the dumping of any entire farm crop on the market at any one time. Accordingly growers are asked to be patient in the matter of receiving returns. They will always be sent out as promptly as any pool is closed.

These principles of co-operative marketing were endorsed by President Harding, Secretary of Agriculture Wallace and Secretary of Commerce Hoover, and your own representatives at the national agricultural conference just closed in Washington. Why not endorse them and follow them yourselves?

These same principles of co-operative marketing of graded products in an orderly manner direct to consumers at actual cost of distribution have made millions of dollars for the members of the California marketing associations. They will make millions for you if you will but live them, think them, sleep them, and convince your neighbor of their sound truth. Try it!

F. W. HERRIN.

NEW GRAND JURY RETURNS

4 TRUE, 3 NOT TRUE BILLS

The new grand jury under the direction of Mrs. Mary E. Kleinhammer, forewoman, wasted no time in deliberations and returned four true bills, and three not true bills, as follows:
Mose Hall, robbery, while armed with a deadly weapon.
William Miller, burglary.
L. R. James, assault.
Edmund Bean, forgery.
The not true bills were returned against:
Brice Nichols, liquor in his possession.
Leo Summers and Jack Law, defacing property.
Ray James, burglary.
The grand jury will complete its work and make its report by the end of the week.

COUNTY SCHOOL NOTES

The last two local council meetings at Phoenix and at Bellevue schools have been successful sessions. The Phoenix council mustered a larger number of teachers than any other so far. And what good Saturday appetites the pedagogues exhibited over the choice luncheon prepared by the ladies of Phoenix! Better methods, new methods, and "how I do it," were all thoroughly presented and discussed in various branches and lines of work. No one is afraid to speak out what he knows at these small gatherings, which is much to the advantage of all. At Bellevue the elected chairman presided for the first time, and teachers were present who had come many muddy miles in order to be there. Some patrons were present for the sessions and for lunch hour which made it all the more a helpful getting together.

The Jackson County Athletic association met at the Medford library last Saturday and laid plans for the track and field meet at Talent April 28. All schools in the county outside of Ashland and Medford can enter for the various contests. It was ruled that volley ball and baseball

DOMESTIC SCIENCE
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Rice Dainty

One cup cooked rice, one cup canned pineapple, half cup powdered sugar, half cup cream whipped.

Mix rice, sugar and pineapple, fold in cream, drain the pineapple and cut into small cubes. Add sugar and pineapple to rice, fold in the whipped cream and pile in sherbet glasses. Serve very cold.

Pumpkin Pie

One and a half cups canned pumpkin, one cup brown sugar, one and a half cups milk, scalded, two eggs, one teaspoon ginger, one teaspoon cinnamon, half teaspoon salt.

Put milk in double boiler to heat; beat eggs slightly, add sugar, cinnamon, ginger and salt. Pour hot milk over mixture, add pumpkin and pour into a pastry lined pan. Place in a hot oven reducing heat to moderate after five minutes. Bake till firm in the center.

Fruit Pudding, Supreme

Beat three eggs; add one-half cup sugar and one and a half cups scalded milk. Butter a pudding dish and sprinkle with sugar. Decorate the bottom of the dish with halved blanched almonds. Cut stale cake in lengths the size of lady fingers; put a layer of cake on the bottom and sides of the dish; cover the bot-

tom layer of cake with cooked mashed fruit; add another layer of cake, then the fruit until dish is filled. Pour over egg mixture, then set in a pan of boiling water and bake in a moderate oven until firm. When cold unmold and serve plain or with whipped cream.

Surprise Charlotte

Take one and half cups cooked apricot pulp, two cups whipping cream, one one third cup powdered sugar, one teaspoon vanilla, lady fingers.

Whip cream, add sugar and vanilla; line individual serving dishes with lady fingers; add whipped cream—keeping a well in the center; fill center with apricot pulp, then cover top with whipped cream; sprinkle with chopped nuts. Serve very cold.

Apricot Cobbler

One egg, well beaten, two-thirds cup sugar, one cup sifted flour, one teaspoon baking powder, quarter cup milk, one-third teaspoon vanilla, two tablespoons melted butter, one cup of apricots, cooked.

Add sugar to beaten egg gradually, beating well; add flour sifted with milk; beat well, add flavoring and melted butter. Put apricots in a buttered baking dish, pour over batter and bake in a moderate oven. Serve with juice from apricots or a pudding sauce.

GAME IN ARCTIC ABUNDANT

Hunters Have Had the Best Season They Have Enjoyed for the Last Twenty Years.

According to mail advices from Nome, Alaska, this is the periodic year of abundant wild animal life in the Arctic regions. Early winter, with tremendously large ice floes in the Behring sea, gave the natives of Kutsuebe sound the most profitable polar bear hunting in 20 years. More of these animals have been shot or killed to date than for many years combined. Only in exceptionally severe winters does this nomad of the Arctic abound so far south. Accordingly Northwest Alaskans prepared for a long cold winter. The white king of the northern regions is a combined hunter-sailor-hobo. He has no fixed habitat, but goes where game is most plentiful, coming down with the ice pack from the North when the seal, walrus and whale move.

MIGHTY RIVER IS THE YUKON

Ranks as One of the World's Greatest, Though It Was Long Comparatively Unknown.

The Yukon is one of the great rivers of the world. It is more than 2,300 miles long and is both the longest and the largest river flowing into Pacific waters in the western hemisphere, surpassing by a considerable margin its nearest competitors, the Columbia and the Colorado. Among all the rivers of North America the Yukon is surpassed in length only by the Mississippi system and the Mackenzie. It is longer than the St. Lawrence, as well as all the other rivers except the Mississippi system which flows into the Gulf of Mexico or the Atlantic.

The existence of such a large river as the Yukon in the Far North was long unsuspected. A Russian lieutenant, Zagoskin, entered its mouth by boat in 1842 and traversed it for several hundred miles. The Hudson's Bay company had discovered its headwaters in Canada; but the two bits of information were not pieced together. The existence of the river as a stream of great magnitude and length first became really known through the daring and romantic project of installing land telegraph wires between America and Europe across Alaska, Behring Strait and the wastes of Siberia. Robert Kennicott, in connection with this enterprise blazed the Yukon trail by descending the river in 1855. The first trading steamer ascended the stream in 1859. The Yukon really came into its own with the discovery of gold in the Klondike in 1896.—Bulletin of National Geographical Society.

"Build with the Birds."

CORRECTION
In the story on the Josephine Caves, appearing in the Tidings of March 10, a mistake was made in the route to be taken from Grants Pass to the Caves. A map of the new road has been received from the Grants Pass chamber of commerce that shows the government road, which has recently been completed, as being on the opposite side from the Williams Creek road, which only runs within ten miles of the Caves. The new road passes through what is known as the Holland district and takes off the Grants Pass-Crescent City highway 22 miles from the Caves. The distance by this road is 52 miles from Grants Pass and 96 miles from Ashland.
Great credit should be given the Grants Pass chamber for the efforts it has put forth in having the road to the Caves completed.

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