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WEDNESDAY, Dec. 4, 1907.

Congress is in session, the men who have received the confidence of the people by the vote that elected them to office, are now back in Washington. They are cognizant of the situation, they are the powers to which we look. We are on the verge of great changes that will lead to the betterment of conditions in the management of our system of finance. Corrupt politicians and rotten corporations should be met and dealt with face to face by our great bodies of law makers now in session. A rich man or a big corporation is no meaner than a poor dishonest tramp or a small corporation. Cornering of the people's substance, whether it be the products of the soil or the gold and silver, by dishonest methods, must be made impossible. Vast fortunes and great business concerns can be established and maintained honestly and only for honest men of ability to manage and take the lead, the great masses of working people would be wandering about and the millions of happy homes in our country would not be. That this reaction, culminating in a panic so severe, should come now, in the midst of the most favorable conditions surrounding our people, can we not see the Divine forethought in it? It had to come; high financing has figured prominently and openly many years. There had to be a halt called. As one bird dies the hunter shoots; the remaining birds are alarmed and fly from their hiding in the grass, only to be shot too; so with the handling of the great and important issue now before us.

Because one man or one corporation is dishonest it does not go that all men and all corporations are dishonest; and thank God this great United States of ours can put their hands on many great and good men, and again let us give thanks that we can hold up the hand and present effort of our own President, who is in touch with all the people and shows by his actions, without fear and with no hesitation, that right must prevail and justice must be given.

The unfolding of pages of corruption, naturally, puts a check on the regular runs of business and a curb on the money circulation or necessary medium of exchanging values. If we would put the curb on dishonesty, the sooner the better; but, as we have said, there are many honest men in business, we should and could see for ourselves at this time of abundant harvest and wonderful prosperity shared by all, that disaster can come only to those that are proven to be guilty. Let the wheels of commerce and exchange go on; hoarding our money is dangerous and not in any way profitable; we can't eat it or take it with us. It is given us as a means whereby we can buy and sell; loan and borrow, but of no earthly use if stored away.

Money makes the mare go; if

everybody was as timid as a few are, the brake-beam travelers and the tie walkers would have the walk of their lives. If you can't use your money, find out your banker, you know who bank officials are, and if you use judgment, you need not take half the risk that the old sock is in danger of.

What the public and particularly the investing class, needs in this period of stress and anxiety is to be calmed and reassured and made aware that there is a silver lining to every cloud, and no good reason for their loss of confidence; for the country is still as great and grand and prolific in its resources as ever, with its future no less promising and magnificent than it was before this crisis darkened the sky.

In any decline in prices the wages of common labor fall not only more quickly than the prices of commodities, but they fall farther. Thus now, while prices generally have a sharply downward tendency, which, however, may not continue long or go to the point of a general "depression," the price of labor has dropped by a large percentage and suddenly. This was caused, primarily, of course, by the money stringency, which caused a wholesale discharge of railroad laborers, and in a less degree the employes of other large enterprises. These men were in a great aggregate body suddenly thrown upon the labor market, and that at a season when the normal demand for labor is decreasing. It was time for prices generally to decline somewhat, and in that decline it was inevitable that labor should be affected first and most noticeably. No party, no governmental policy—unless one of immense public importance—no law, could prevent this result.

Yet we think public sentiment should be aroused to the general ultimate benefit of keeping wages up in proportion at least to other prices. Labor cannot suffer long and severely without a great coincident and sympathetic injury befalling the country. The temptation to cut down the price of labor below a fair reward should as far as possible be resisted. By keeping up wages, as much as they reasonably can, rather than by bearing them down as much as they can, employers will help to restore normal and healthy conditions.—Journal.

Special School Meeting.

Notice is hereby given to the legal voters of School District No. 45 of Lane county, State of Oregon that a special school meeting for said district will be held at the east side school house on the 14th day of December 1907 at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon for the following objects: To vote a ten mill tax for school purposes as follows: To pay off out standing warrants and to support the present term of school. Dated this 30th day of December 1907.

Attest: J. K. BARRETT,
District Clerk.
F. B. PHILLIPS,
Chairman Board of Directors.

The Leader Office has just finished Volume I, No. 1, of "The Superlative," the High School paper. It is neatly gotten up and well edited, and certainly a credit to the High School and the "staff." It contains some interesting stories written by members of the senior class. The cover design, which is not excelled by any school publication in the state, was designed and drawn by Allen Baker, of the class of '08, and must be seen to be appreciated. It is a fine piece of work and Allen will surely become one of our great artists. The Superlative will be issued each month during the school year, and the interest taken by our business men in the way of advertising assures its success. The following is the staff: Editor-in-Chief.....Ernest E. Wyatt
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Telephone Lecture.

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than 200,000 coldered connections and 15,000 incandescent lights, each hardly larger in diameter than the end of the lead pencil. Such a piece of apparatus as this costs \$350,000. On the first of January, 1907, the investment of the Bell companies in switchboards alone exceeded \$20,000,000, and on the 1st of January this year, there were 4,532 exchanges and branch offices in the Bell system.

In the laboratories of the Bell system of which the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co. is one of the important parts, experiments are being conducted every day looking to the improvement of the service and the apparatus employed.

When the telephones calls are coming thick and fast the scores of busy operators before the switchboard seem to be playing a game which consists in making all sorts of curious patterns with long white cords which the girls are constantly arranging on the face of the switchboard.

It is hard to realize it sometimes—particularly when you are in a hurry or when anxiety makes every moment seem an hour—but the average length of time in which Central asks what number you want after you have called her is five seconds. The average time it takes her to make the connection is five or six seconds after that. Then the quickness with which you actually begin your conversation all depends on how promptly the person you want answers, whether some one else comes to the telephone first and has to go away and find him and such things as that. To keep up to the standard of efficiency the operators are carefully trained before they enter the service and after they join the regular forces their work is constantly supervised, frequent tests being made in every office to see that "Central" lives up to her motto of promptness accuracy, and courtesy.

"You often hear people say, for instance, that they 'know better' when 'Central' tells them that a line is busy or that nobody answers. Yet if you could look into the exchange at that moment you would see that much the easiest thing for the operator to do even if it were not required by her duty is to give you the person called for if she can possible get them.

"Central" can help a subscriber out of many troubles, but she cannot see whether he is using the telephone properly—which often makes all the difference in the world. The man who tilts back in his chair, puts his feet on his desk, and holds his telephone nearly upside down; does not make himself heard as distinctly as he would if he used the instrument in the way in which it was intended to be used. When you are talking by telephone you should not stand or sit with your head turned away. You should speak directly into the transmitter with the lips very close to the mouthpiece, using a tone of voice a little lower than your ordinary conversational tone.

"The subscriber can do a great deal in little ways toward making the service quick and accurate, for example, the numbers should be looked up in the telephone directory before a person begins calling. The system has grown to such a size that "Central" cannot be expected to remember off-hand the telephone numbers of people whose names are given her. Besides, even though an experienced operator who has been in one office a long time might know a good many subscriber's numbers from constant repetition, new girls are required for the switchboard right along and they have so much wide acquaintance but must depend absolutely on numbers being given them, for they have no time to look them up.

"Long distance operation though in a general way the same as the operation of the local lines, naturally involves more processes before one person can speak with another. For very long distances it frequently requires the use of six or eight

switchboards altogether, and the services of ten or a dozen people. But perhaps the thing least understood by those not familiar with the inner workings of central is how the toll calls are timed.

In front of each long distance operator is set into the shelf that projects from the switchboard what looks to be a clock with a handle sticking up at either side. The clock face which you see is not used for timing calls, however. Underneath it, is a set of dials with figures like the letters on a typewriter machine. The operator puts the ticket on which the details of your call are entered, into this caligraph as it is called, and when you begin your conversation she stamps the exact time on the slip of paper by pulling down one of the levers. The instant she gets the signal that tells her you are through talking, she pulls the other lever, which makes an impression on the ticket showing just how long you have used the line, down to as small a fraction as fifteen seconds. The caligraph runs by clockwork which is examined for accuracy every day and cannot, of course make any mistakes.

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Train No. 17.....	4:30 p. m.
Train No. 15.....	4:26 a. m.
Northbound	
Train No. 16.....	1:53 p. m.
Train No. 18.....	5:30 a. m.
Train No. 14.....	5:38 p. m.
Train No. 12.....	10:48 a. m.
No. 12 closed, pouch to Portland only.	

Go to Hogate, the city drayman, for a careful transfer of your household effects.