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TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 1909.

WOULD UNITE MINING AND LUMBER INTERESTS

The Myrtle Point, Coos county Enterprise says, in favor of the creation of Nesmith county:

The people of Cottage Grove are working enthusiastically for a new county of which that town shall be the county seat and they are receiving the support of the people of other towns in the proposed new county. The plans contemplate the taking of a portion of Douglas and of Lane, the north boundary of the new county to be the fourth standard parallel from a point 30 miles from the ocean to

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south line, takes in Leona and the Bohemia mines, thus wiping out the serpentine boundary between Douglas and Lane in the east end. The new county would be long and narrow and make Lane of like shape, but it has many points to recommend it. Douglas seems inclined to oppose the proposed division. The advantage of the new county would be to unite the Bohemia mining district and the logging and lumbering interests in the same section.

UNFAIR TREATMENT.

The last issue of the Leader gave Editor Wimberly, of the Roseburg Review, a dark brown taste and put him in a very peevish mood. He says, "In accordance with his old-time habit, Editor Conner fills his sheet with contemptible flings at Douglas county officials and other citizens who do not see fit to favor the Cottage Grove grab game."

If there can be anything more unfair and "contemptible" than the misrepresentations and dirty flings which the Review and Douglas county judge have been throwing at the people of north Douglas and south Lane counties who favor the creation of the new county of Nesmith, we would like to have some one point it out. Roseburg has shown no disposition to be reasonable and fair in this matter, but to resort to nothing but misrepresentation since the plan of creating the new county was first announced. With a view

of prejudicing the people of Douglas county against the very reasonable request for the comparatively small territory in north Douglas required in the creation of Nesmith county, a large area of which lies in the Cascade Forest reserve, Roseburg immediately announced that Cottage Grove proposed to run the south boundary line of the new county as far south as Rice Hill, including Youcalla, Drain and all of the Douglas coast county in the proposed new county. The people of those localities not being tributary to Cottage Grove and not knowing the real facts, became excited at once, called mass meetings and entered protests, only to find later that they had been deceived by the Roseburg papers and politicians and that no intention had been entertained on the part of Cottage Grove people to include their territory in the proposed new county. After Douglas county citizens were finally correctly informed regarding the small Douglas territory really included in the proposed new county, Roseburg then proceeded to cause another great hue and cry, by publishing the false report that \$5,000,000 worth of taxable property would be lost to Douglas if the new county of Nesmith was created. Cottage Grove therefore sent a competent committee to Roseburg who spent a whole day examining the records and by the assistance of the assessor and other officials found only \$1,485,569 worth of taxable property included within the Douglas county territory located within the boundary lines of the new proposed county, so that Roseburg has been magnifying and exaggerating this matter nearly \$3,000,000.

Of course, Cottage Grove and the people within the borders of the new proposed county, did not anticipate anything but selfish and vigorous opposition from Roseburg, but such unscrupulous and unfair methods were not entertained. It was general expressed that probably some opposition would develop at the county seats of the two old counties, but the Roseburg brand of opposition was not anticipated.

Four prosperous counties have

been cut off from the original Wasco county and in each and every case just as dirty a fight was put up against the movement by the Wasco county seat as Roseburg is putting up against the creation of Nesmith county, but without effect, as the little county seat rings are invariably unable to block the march of progress in this rapidly growing and developing state, and Roseburg, like the others will have to take her medicine, and give up some of her immense undeveloped territory that it may be more speedily developed and improved by being created into new counties.

The opposition, what little has developed at Eugene, has been of a very fair and reasonable character, much in contrast with the campaign of misrepresentation being conducted at Roseburg.

Since Cottage Grove has taken up the matter of providing a public park for this progressive, growing municipality, Albany and many other enterprising Oregon towns, observing the necessity for such a movement before real estate increases more in value, as it is sure to do throughout the Willamette valley, are devising ways and means to purchase city parks, and like Cottage Grove, finally resolve that the most just and equitable way is to levy a small special city tax to provide a fund for this purpose. Cottage Grove citizens will be called upon to vote on such a question at a special election Wednesday Jan. 20th and it is to be hoped that civic pride, loyalty to home interest, public spirit and interest in the town's future welfare and progress will prompt every legal voter in this enterprising municipality to vote in favor of the measure. Opportunities to secure such a beautiful, natural park as is now afforded, like dame fortune, knocks but once at our door. Let us not be unmindful.

Editor Shutt of the Drain "Six Point," says the Leader has turned its solid battery against "poor little Drain," that we threaten to confiscate their normal school and would even throw their citizens down and take their

tobacco and pipes. Oh no, brother Shutt, we are not that desperate. While we would not object to the removal of the normal from your beautiful little city to Cottage Grove, excuse us when it comes to smoking "home twist" in a stale Missouri "meershaam." We may have to resort to some pretty desperate means and methods to bring Nesmith county to the front, but we are not going to endanger our health, eye, lives in the manner you suggest, in the effort.

A business letter to the Leader from Stewart & DeLaunay, the enterprising wholesale lumbermen of Curtin, Douglas county, concludes as follows: "Do not put Douglas county on any of our printing, wishing Nesmith success, we are, yours for the new county." Roseburg will please take notice. This is the way the people of north Douglas are opposed to the "Cottage Grove grab game," as the Roseburg Review terms the peoples efforts to create Nesmith county.

Last January the Eugene Commercial Club made a hit with a picture series showing a young man "shoveling snow in Ohio"; the next was "boarding a train for Oregon" and the last one "arrival in Eugene" amid the flowers and berries, all scenes taken in January. The Register came out with this famous cut Saturday with the humorous heading, "This picture for sale—10 inches of snow on the level."

If we failed to have one of these freak winters every ten years or so, we Oregonians might become altogether too cheery over our climate.

Now you know how your Eastern cousins feel as they sit shivering around the fire. But it won't last long in the Willamette valley.

Portland says it was the coldest weather for 21 years, but the oldest inhabitant can remember a few worse ones.

The biennial raid on Oregon's treasury was precipitated Monday.

Did that little snow storm strike Mr. Hartog dumb?

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