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Notice to the Public

All notices of entertainments, where admission is charged or where there is a money consideration, all cards of thanks and resolutions of condolence will be charged for at the regular advertising rate—5 cents per line.

POLITICS IN BUSINESS

Under the present management, this paper has meddled but little with politics, and intends to have but little to say excepting in a general way, which it may do with perfect safety, as every man's business is half politics, and every man's politics is half business.

Politics may not enter as largely into business matters as many people believe, but many people do believe, and many people right here in Cottage Grove are saying that, the present depression in many industries is a game being played for political capital. They may not have any proof to show, in fact they may not want any, but it shows how easily a man's ideas, and ultimately his vote may be influenced.

A man recently returned from California said on the streets of this city Thursday that, the lumber yards of that portion of California where he had been, find it hard to get the necessary supply of lumber, and that prices are very high.

A recent arrival from the state of Kansas says the lumber yards of that state, and in fact of many of the Middle Western states are depleted almost to the last board, by reason of the fact that, owing to failure of crops for the past year or two, lumber men have sold nothing and consequently have bought nothing.

A few evenings ago, a sawmill man said to the writer that, "The farmer trade does not affect the lumber business; one railroad will use more lumber in one month than all the farmers in one state will use in a year;" and this same man refused to concede that the farmers' immense crops would influence or stimulate lumber buying on the part of the railroads. But stood pat on the proposition that there is no outlook that would justify optimism on the part of lumbermen.

Natural and financial conditions are so favorable to a general resumption of industry in all lines and a big revival in business of every kind, that the people easily take up the line of thought suggested above, and fall to thinking that there is political bluff back of anything going in the contrary direction.

The man who can disabuse the public mind on this score, will be doing a public service. If it is an unwise line of reasoning, the conclusions can not help being injurious.

Men ought to think right politically as well as religiously, and believing a lie in one case is as dangerous as the other.

HOW TO REDUCE TAXES

"You can't eat your cake and keep it too."

You can't spend your money in the East and have it at home to carry on the business of the community in which you live.

Oregon can't support manufacturing plants outside the state with her patronage and expect low taxes and business activity at home.

In this state of 800,000 population, over five million dollars is invested in automobiles and one and one-fourth millions in motorcycles, every one of which was made in the East, of Eastern material, by Eastern workmen. To keep these machines in repair and operation costs the owners monthly more than \$30,000, al-

most all of which goes East.

This is only one item in a long list of things which keeps Oregon's pockets drained into the lap of Eastern manufacturers, thus building up with our purchases immense tax-paying units in other states; keeping employed the workmen of other states; furnishing a market for the raw material of other states, while our working men go jobless, our raw material is a drug on the market, and our taxes mount higher and higher every year.

When we learn enough to establish home manufacturing, using our own material, and working our own citizens, we will build up units that will help very materially in lightening the present load of taxation.

The United States exported for the ten months ending in April more than 78 million bushels of wheat, worth \$74,117,403.

A Washington exchange tells about a controversy between two individuals as to who got into market first with this season's strawberries, and the date of this event is May 20. Why, bless their Eskimo climate, we were eating home-grown strawberries in this part of Oregon in April.

There is just one Mexican question—how are we going to get out of the country without backing out or fighting our way out? While a lot of time is being fooled away "meditating," the Mexicans are getting more and more in the notion of uniting and fighting the hated "Yankee Gringos."

The Seattle Times said in a recent editorial that the destruction of values under the Wilson administration, as shown by the quotations on the New York stock exchange, has been going on at the rate of two million dollars per day. But the Times didn't stop to say just how much of this value destroyed was moisture.

Some complaint has come to this office that there are barns in town that are not kept as clean as the law requires. The newspaper office is hardly the proper place for filing such complaints, but this paper is willing to do what it can to help in the cause of cleanliness, and passes this suggestion along to the proper authorities.

Sometimes city governments can do and contemplate mighty small things. At Roseburg, where they are having a carnival, the ladies of the various churches made arrangements to serve meals each day. Then members of the council introduced a resolution in the council meeting to charge these ladies a license fee for the privilege.

The Middle West has borrowed heavily and will use the present big crop to pay its debts. Railroads and banks are prepared to move the crop to market promptly, and large payments and new purchases of merchandise will set the wheels of commerce and manufacturing humming. Followed by a big corn crop, permanent prosperity is assured.

Wednesday's papers report a temperature of 100 degrees in the city of Washington, and a temperature of from 92 to 98 all through the East and Middle West, while farmers report a light frost in the neighborhood of Cottage Grove Wednesday night, and most of our people were glad to have a fire in their heating stoves Thursday morning. Neither extreme is good, but the average man would rather make fires in the summer months than swelter through three months of 100-degree weather.

Make Cottage Grove Bigger, Busier and Better.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Babcock and son Edward were in from Silk Creek yesterday.

The splendid rains of this week have done a world of good to growing crops and fruit,

5,000 VOTES FOR NEW SUBSCRIBER

The Leader will give contestants in our Big Business Getting Contest 5,000 votes for each new subscriber secured and handed in with payment for one year before 5:00 p. m., Saturday, May 30. We will also give 2,500 votes for each renewal for one year. Two thousand votes will be given for each dollar's worth of job work or advertising secured, but no votes will be allowed on any work not secured by contestant. A written order from the business house must be filed when the order is presented at the office.

Good Mail Order Story

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could telephone to the home dealer and have their needs supplied at no extra cost.

Can you imagine a town so run down by mail order business that the local stores had to close up and board up their windows and doors, while Mr. Farmer is outside with a load of peaches waiting to dispose of them, and standing up at a sign over the merchant's door, which reads, "Send your peaches to the mail order house." Do you get the point? Why, if it is all right for some of us to patronize the mail order houses, isn't it all right for all of us? And if we all do it, what's the answer? Did you ever hear of a mail order house paying a share of taxes that goes to give your boy or girl an education?

Miss Fannie Haney has returned to her home near London Springs, having spent the winter in Roseburg in denominational school work.

OH, YOU PIE!

Oh, goodness, wouldn't it just be grand if all the different kinds of pie would form behind a big brass band and magnificently march by?

The pumpkin and mince would likely lead, And next the raisin without a seed, Then apple, shoofly, lemon and cherry, Peach, rhubarb and huckleberry.

'Twould be great temptation to see all that pie.

And wouldn't mouths water as they rolled by? And wouldn't there be an awful cry: "Pie! Pie! Gimme a pie!"

I bet ten dollars if you were there You'd make a dive right through the air. You'd grab a dozen like a bear And disappear the Lord knows where!

Our coins must read "In God We Trust;" Our coat of arms is "Pie or Bust!" So pass the pie and help yourself. There's plenty on the cellar shelf.

C. M. BARNITZ

INDISCRIMINATE BREEDING.

Indiscriminate breeding of poultry is a common fault on farms. Many farm flocks are made up of old and young, large and small, early and late hatched birds, and in many cases are common, and when eggs for hatching are needed they are gathered from the common nests, which are often in the haymow, barn entry or under the hogpen. No one knows for sure if they are fresh, fertile or what hen laid them.

Such are nondescript eggs and their offspring is like them, and flocks bred in a such a loose way don't pay. Their laying is poor, the eggs are not uniform in color and size and dressed fowls are likewise.

A lecture tour of nine Pennsylvania counties the past institute season showed many farmers breeding this careless way and getting few winter eggs accordingly. To pay, farm flocks must be thoroughbred, built up by selection. They must be culled down to a paying basis. They must be fed and housed properly. This is not a criticism on the farmer, but we call attention to a mistake that has been handed down from generation to generation. But a good number of farmers have cut out loose methods. They cull hard in the fall and keep a watch for undesirable the year round, and as spring approaches they put the flock through the X ray and select the very best birds, pen them alone and hatch from them only.

If farmers would join cow testing clubs and have each cow's milk tested for butter fat it would work a revolution in the herds of the country and send lots of supposed paying milkers to the butcher.

If a few trap nests were set up on farms where this indiscriminate poultry breeding is in vogue they, too, would work wonders and there would not be much left on some farms but the rooster.

FEATHERS AND EGGSHELLS.

A New Jersey farmer lost sixty chickens before he found raccoons were turning the trick. He watched thirty days and nights for another species of coon, and then to his surprise found a family of raccoons, two old and four young, in a hollow tree, and the nest full of feathers and bones from his fancy roosters.

The easiest way to catch an opossum that pesters your flock is to track him to his den, and a trap baited with a

fish and set at the entrance will do the rest. If you don't like "roast possum and sweet pertaters" give your catch to the colored preacher of your neighborhood and thus make him a friend for life.

In many parts of England there is little snow, and the grass is green the whole year round. This means greater fertility in winter months and a longer, better season for raising chicks and a better chance for winter eggs. With it all, England is among the countries low on the list for poultry production and imports much of her poultry and eggs.

Changing the ration too quickly has disorganized many a flock and knocked the egg record flat. It's all right to try out feeds and formulas, but this should be done with a few hens and thus the risk is small.

While the popularity of the hen's egg, compared to the duck's, is ascribed to the fact that she always advertises it by loud cackling, this is not the whole truth in an eggshell. There is a Rip Van Winkle prejudice against the quack's egg that declares it is strong and unpalatable. Those who have dined on the modern duck egg call this all quackery.

One thing often neglected by poultry keepers in winter is grit. A hen's mouth, her crop, her gizzard, her intestines—of course, they have no teeth. Yet how do these fanciers who neglect to furnish grit expect Biddy to grind hard grain and turn it into eggs and blood without grit?

When a skunk steals your hens he always leaves a loud trail and his burrow is easily found. Eight have been caught in one hole. They are easily caught. You need not bait the trap, you need not even cover it, but you should keep under cover of some sort if you kill him with a club or your bare hands.

Scalded oats, the hulls soaked soft and mixed with fine chopped vegetables and a sprinkle of green cut bone, black pepper and salt, are much relished by the hens and add to the variety which is so necessary in winter to promote health and the egg record.

In setting traps for varmints that catch poultry one thing often forgotten is to kill odor left on traps by the hands. A sprinkle of blood or burning grass on the trap will generally fix this, or if a skunk has previously been in the trap that's deodorizer enough.

L. M. Barnitz.

THE WORD "YES."

We Are Charged With Rarely Using It In This Country.

In the United States "yes" is pre-eminent a book word, though it is also scattered somewhat thinly through the conversations of everyday people and is employed habitually by a negligible number of individuals who are both highly cultured and careful of their speech. Furthermore, as compounds or set phrases tend to preserve old forms and old sounds, "yes" regularly occurs in all stock combinations. That is why persons whose habitual affirmative is ordinarily "yeh-a," or "eh-a," "eh-up," "yeh-up," never say "yeh-a, sir," "eh-a, to be sure," "yep, madam," "eh-up, indeed," or "eh-a, thanks," for example.

"Yes, sir"—a group which in various states, but especially in New England, is occasionally employed as an emphatic exclamation (and without any humorous intent) in addressing girls or women!—"yes, sir," has several striking variations; first, "yes, sir," an accentuation as common and illogical as that in "I hadn't any reason to go," or in "He's a married man." Then what is "yes, sir-ee?" Well, like "no, sir-ee," it is as characteristically American as "yes, sir-rah" is Elizabethan; but that final "ee" is mysterious—possibly a decayed remnant of "ye" or "thee," possibly nothing but an emphasizing vocable appendix, like the "o" which cheerful Britons often add to "right."—Richard T. Holbrook in North American Review.

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Useful Proverb.

"Do you," he asked, "believe in early marriage?" "Well," she replied, "I used to, but I am willing to say that at present I believe 'better late than never' may be applied to marriage as well as to some other things."—Exchange.

Ancestors Burned.

Bacon—He says his ancestors were all cremated. Egbert—Why, I thought cremation was a method of recent years? "It is. His picture gallery, though, was burned up only a month ago."—Yonkers Statesman.

Welcome Color.

"A streak of yellow is all right sometimes." "How's that?" "In a gold mine, for instance."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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