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PREMIUM PAPERS.

VALIANT CHAMPION OF LANE COUNTY'S BEAUTIFUL RIVER

The address of Mr. E. H. Cox at the Commercial Club last night was timely, and that his suggestion touched a responsive chord was evidenced by the hearty applause accorded him. He called attention to the fact that Oregon people, probably because of having so many natural attractions and resources, were prone to overlook some of the most important and allow them to be wasted.

In contrast to the Oregon policy Mr. Cox called attention to the fact that the state of California spent thousands of dollars annually in propagating trout in all its streams and advertised this fact throughout the world, securing in return a vast revenue from the throngs of tourists who were attracted there on this account alone.

Mr. Cox's suggestion met with the hearty approval of the club and a standing committee will be appointed to take up this matter, not as affecting Lane county alone, but the entire state, which has many rivers that in a measure rival the McKenzie as a scenic fishing stream and deserve to be looked after before they are entirely fished out.

PREPARATIONS FOR THE NEXT CENSUS

The census for 1910, for which preparations are now being made, indicates even in advance the immensity of the country. The cost of the census is estimated at \$14,000,000. It will require the services of 70,000 people, many of these for a long term. Of the enumerators there will be an army of 65,000. While these will be under civil service rules, it is deemed inexpedient to appoint them according to civil service methods.

Statistics gathered will cover the United States, Alaska, Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, the canal zone and Porto Rico. The Philippines will be omitted because a census was taken as late as 1903, and the expense of another so soon might be deemed objectionable by the natives, who have to bear it. Figures are not only to deal with population, but to be as complete as possible as to agriculture, manufactures, mines and quarries. Condensation will be aimed at, and in consequence the mortality data will be omitted.

A curious necessity is recognized in the plan to begin the count of the population April 15 instead of June, as has been the custom. Heretofore enumerators have found so many houses closed and families absent that the returns have been unreliable, many people having been omitted or counted in the wrong place. The

new data will anticipate the vacation season.

In the Crumpacker bill, which is expected to be passed promptly on the convening of congress, provision will be made for the taking of the agricultural census every five years. In respect to farming the country is developing so fast that figures collected only once in ten years fall far short of adequately setting forth actual conditions. There is also a growing feeling in favor of taking the population census at five instead of ten-year periods.

Publication of the twelfth census required ten volumes. It is hoped that thirteenth may be presented in six, or at most seven, and yet be so comprehensive as to fulfill the purpose of the great work.

THERE IS REALLY NO TREASURY DEFICIT

Nobody shuddered a few days ago when the treasury department issued discouraging figures showing a deficit of \$60,000,000 in the nation's strong box. For this reason there are not likely to be violent exhibitions of joy over the announcement by Secretary Cortelyou that there is not a real deficit after all, the illusion being due to the antiquated system of bookkeeping employed by the department, which he promises to remedy in the near future.

The Los Angeles Express says this declaration may give rise to some thoughtful consideration of the subject of bookkeeping in general. It is rarely that systematized accounting is used to show, designedly, that a concern is in a bad way financially; on the contrary there is usually an effort to have the books show a surplus, even if the cash is missing. A recent exception to this rule may be found, however in the case of Texas railroads, whose managers complained that they were losing millions of dollars because of hostile legislation. The railway commission of the state challenged the statement and declared that half the alleged shortage was due to tricks in bookkeeping.

In the case of the national deficit Mr. Cortelyou contends that the government is now paying for these things which are quite frequently in this country and as a rule in foreign countries, paid for by bond issues. Uncle Samuel is making purchases which represent future assets, and should not figure as items of current expense.

The explanation is quite comforting, even if nobody seemed to care particularly. It may calm the minds of esthetic persons who imagine a deficit looks bad and forget that a surplus is a temptation.

BUILD OREGON EASTERN FOR HEAVY TRAFFIC

There is no doubt but it is the intention of Harriman to make the Oregon Eastern the main line of his Oregon & California road. This is evidenced by the fact that the road bed now being constructed between Weed, California, and Klamath Falls, Oregon, is one of the most substantial ever built on the coast. Not only this, but a seventy-car passing track is being put in every eight miles, an innovation in Western railroad construction which tends to show that it is expected to handle a great volume of traffic over the new road.

Railroad men inform us that the distance from Eugene to Weed, California, by the new road will be but one mile and two hundred feet greater than that between the two points via the present route, while the new road will eliminate the two Siskiyou mountain grades that are very expensive to the company, especially in handling its heavy freight trains.

When we realize that probably within the next two or three years this new road will be in operation, making Eugene one of the most important railroad junctions in the West, we know the basis upon which so many good business men ground their faith in the future of this city. It is destined to become a steam and electric road centre that in time will make it a jobbing and manufacturing city of first-class importance.

BE HONEST—BEST REMEDY OF ALL

The papers and magazines throughout the country were full of articles diagnosing the recent financial conditions and suggesting remedies of all sorts, all very complex and some very interesting, but all so entirely unnecessary. The real remedy is very simple—very simple, according to the Boston Statesman. It is just one of mother's old-time prescriptions:

Be honest—that's all. "Get rich quick." That has been the aim of too many. Too many persons have endeavored to reach wealth by hook or by crook, and that in a hurry. There has been too much of forcing things and too little striving to progress steadily and surely, if more slowly, by honest industry, by

real work, by honest, sincere, judicious efforts.

The business communities should unlearn the lessons learned from observing the methods of some of our great financial giants who have occasionally forced their way upward at the sacrifice of their own honorable principles and their own peace of mind, and should follow the lead of the men who have succeeded and who are still doing business under the old idea of commercial integrity.

Then there won't be so many private yachts, or so many suicides. But there will be more happy homes—more honored names.

The people of this country have been going at a steam-engine pace during the past ten years, with the sole object in view of getting money, no matter how it might be obtained. A great many of the fortunes have been acquired honestly and a great many dishonestly. Many who started out with the purpose in view of getting money failed in the attempt and have nothing but regrets to show for their efforts. Honesty pays in the long run, and though acquiring wealth in that manner may be slow, yet when it comes, if it does, there will be some satisfaction in the reflection that there is no tainted money among your possessions.

PANAMA CANAL ZONE AS HEALTH RESORT

All that the American people really bargained for when they agreed to foot the bill for digging a waterway across the Isthmus of Panama was simply a good, serviceable canal for strictly marine purposes. But the Yankee mind under the stimulus of great undertakings refuses to acknowledge limitations. Wonderful achievements mark the isthmian progress in the way of sanitation, and canal zone officials point proudly to vital statistics, which they compare with some of the slum-burdened cities of the United States, supplementing these occasionally with temperature records which bring discomfort to residents of our torrid sections.

In keeping with the vaulting ambition which impels nearly every city and town in this country to proclaim its advantages as a summer or winter resort, the canal zone people are harboring a similar ambition. They have determined to employ their convicts in the improvement of the zone, in building roads, opening up the fertile valleys, etc., with the ultimate end in view of making that region as "garden-like as Hawaii."

This is strange reading for those who have a mental picture of Panama as a graveyard of Frenchmen and laborers who perished in carrying out the plans of DeLesseps or who associate the Isthmus with the idea of yellow fever and all other diseases peculiar to the tropics. But our canal diggers have an eye on the far future. When the great canal is completed the average American will be filled with a desire to see it. Evidently there will be provisions for his comfort and entertainment—a counsellor Albert Bushnell Hart, all the modern improvements. Excursion rates and good advertising are all that will be necessary to draw the crowds to that coming resort—the canal zone.

And now the editor of the Springfield News has moved Eugene four miles away from Springfield, but in the same editorial says his town is nearer the State University than the western part of this city is, and that the electric road construction work is already helping Springfield. All this effort to create rivalry between the towns that lie on opposite sides of the Willamette river may be harmless, hot weather diversion, but nothing more. When the Oregon Eastern is completed, no matter whether its terminals and shops are in Eugene or Springfield, the two towns will have grown so close together that the dividing line will be purely imaginary, and their interests will be common.

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At the beginning of the fiscal year, July 1st, the Department of Agriculture had \$15,000,000 available for carrying on its work during the ensuing year. The forestry service gets \$3,856,200 and the bureau of animal industry \$3,000,000. "Special attention will be paid to the war on impure foods and products during this year," Secretary Wilson said. "We have an appropriation of \$26,724 made to the bureau of chemistry, and this will be used in the campaign against adulterated goods. The pure food law will be enforced."

A writer suggests more practical education for our boys and girls. He declares that every girl should be taught to make baby clothes, and the boys some useful trade. He is quite right. And the practice of the present day is all in that direction. The time is past when it is considered a social crime to work. In this age every boy and girl should be so educated that if it is ever necessary they can earn their own living, no matter whether their parents are wealthy or not. The idea of industrial training in the public schools is one that should be promoted in every manner possible.

The Japanese protest that the open-door policy is in vogue in Manchuria, but all the other nations do not see it in that light. Perhaps the doors in Manchuria are open—to the Japanese, but they seem to be securely closed to the other fellows. For tricks that are vain, the Jap seems to be almost equal to the heathen Chinese.

Every day new buildings are begun in Eugene, but there is no indication of a boom. The city is destined to double in population within three years, and the present activity is only a sound, healthy growth. Five years from now there will be upward of 20,000 people in the city limits, and then we will be in a position to really grow.

A number of young men from the foremost families of Kentucky have foregone drinking, gambling, swearing, chewing tobacco and smoking cigarettes and cigars. Now if they will swear off on nightriding they will be model young men, indeed. But what in the world the grand old blue grass state will do for colonials is past our understanding.

Uncle Sam and the Sultan of Turkey are about to pull off one of their periodical run-ins—a bunch of Greeks holding naturalization papers, obtained in some old way—usually through a ward boss in one of our large cities—have been imprisoned by the Turks.

Senator Tom Platt, who lives in New York state, and represents the express companies in the senate, does not like the Statement No. 1 feature of the Oregon primary law. A good reason why the people should be pleased with it.

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Abie Ruef is out on bail and all the loose money in San Francisco is being weighted down and constantly watched, and at that they are not over-confident of keeping it out of Abe's clutches.

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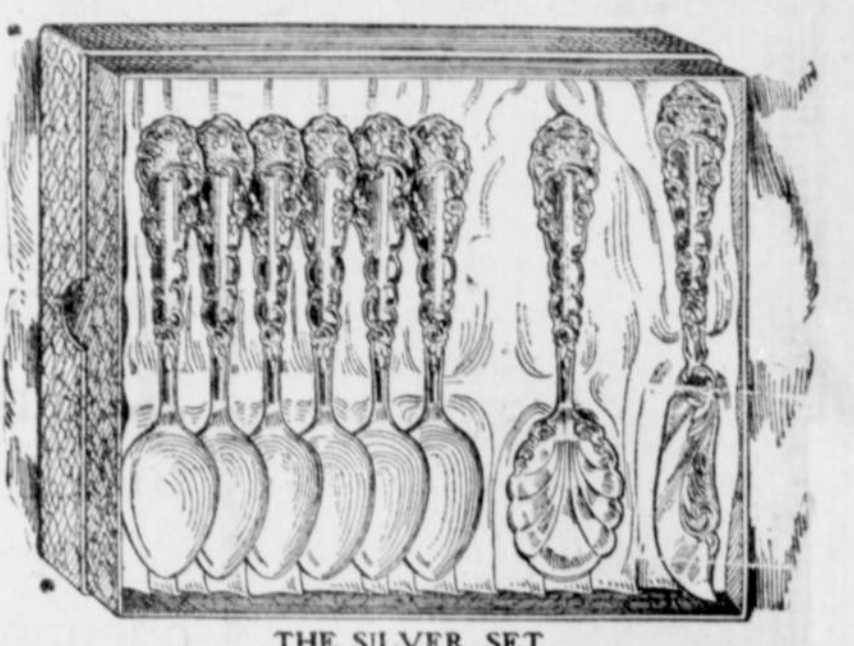
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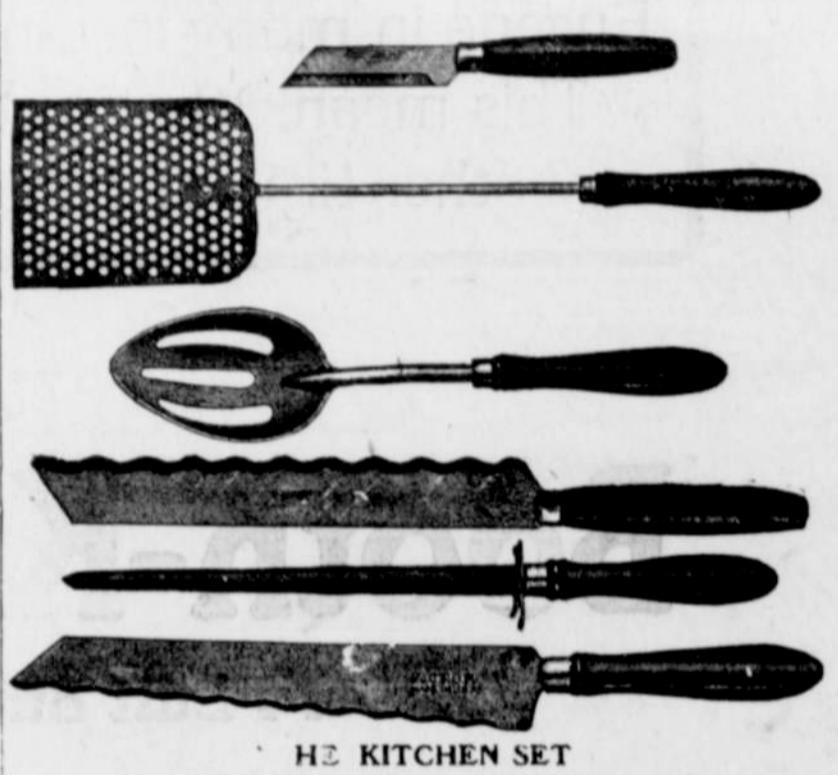


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IT AIN'T THE SAME OLD SHOW

(A gray-haired delegate speaks.) It ain't much like it used to be. Around convention time; There's lots of shouting goin' on— The flag is still sublime. But there's a change, it seems to me, It ain't the same old show. We miss the boys we used to see A dozen years ago. There ain't no speeches by Dewey, Who used to loom so big. Tom Reed and Quay are missing, too, So's Lem's Ely Quigg.

Tom Platt ain't welcoming the boys On no parlor floor; Mark Hanna's gone, John Sherman Ain't a candidate no more. And where is Chauncey Filly now— We never hear his name; There's lots of noise, but still, somehow, The big show ain't the same. There's many of 'em dead and gone, We miss 'em with regret, But let us not forget we've got J. Ellen Foster yet.

And then you take the other side— They've had their changes, too; There's many faces misin' there, And many that are new; Old "Uncle Ned," of Iowa, Ain't makin' any noise, And yet there was a time when they Were yellin' loud for Boise. And what's come over Tammany? Since Croker's crossed the sea, The tiger cat, it seems, is not The cat it used to be.

Bourke Cochran's silver tongue is still, Carlisle is seldom seen, The stately Bayard is no more, And Whitney's grave is green; The axe that Adlai used to swing Is dulled and laid away; Is Sulzer still endeavoring To look like Henry Clay? 'Twas lively 'round the peanut stand A dozen years ago, But Dave Hill's gone to Europe, and It ain't the same old show. —Chicago Record-Herald.

ROSES. Red as the winds of forgotten ages; Yellow as gold from the sunbeams spun; White as the gowns of Aurora's pages; Pure as the robes of a sinless one. Pink as the dawn of a summer morning; Sweeter than Araby's winds that blow; Soothing fragrance—our world adorning— Roses, roses, I love you so! —Selected.

MOTHER'S BAKING DAY.

I was doing in my armchair with a book upon my knees, While through the open window came sweet summer melodies— The sound of many song birds and the humming of the bees: And the breath of June's red roses drifted with the summer wind— (Now I love the scent of roses and the wandering breeze was kind, And he bare his lovely burden till he found my half-closed blind.) In the eulinary region underneath, I thought I heard, No wand then, its clever goddess as about her work she stirred; And I caught the sound of singing though I understood no word. Now I wonder if you've noticed as you've gone along life's way, How some odor will bring suddenly to mind a certain day, Or a scene, of pain or pleasure, which till then forgotten lay?

As I dozed within my armchair came my friend the summer breeze— Came and stirred the leaves of that old book that lay upon my knee; Then he whispered, told me gently, "Here's something that will please." 'Twas the smell of ginger cookies from the regions down below! And my thought went back to childhood as an arrow from a bow, And I stood in mother's kitchen in the years of long ago, With her sleeves above her elbows and her hair all tidied back, (She used to say a frowsy-headed girl was always slack) She would spend the half of Saturday in baking up a stack.

Of cookies, bread and doughnuts. pies and puddings, Johnny cake Oh I cannot call to mind the half the things she used to make, But I know I always liked to stay around and watch her bake. And I'm sure I must have bothered her, for oft I've heard her wish, "I wouldn't get right under foot, then with a sudden sh—!" She drove me out (but afterwards she let me lick the dish). 'Twas fun to watch her mix the dough and use the rolling pin; And when she had it all rolled out, (I always thought too thin.) To see her cut out cookies with a heart shaped cookie tin. And how I teased to have what's left to make a cookie man! And what a time I had to get him safely in the pan. And when I had him baked he looked just like a palm leaf fan. As still I dreamed of baking days in which I'd taken part, I was suddenly awakened from my dreaming with a start, And there stood the kitchen goddess with a fresh baked cookie heart.

Now I wonder if you've noticed as you've passed along life's ways How the smell of something baking on the moment seemed to raise a long forgotten memory of your mother's cooking days? William D. Gould, In Springfield Republican.

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