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OPEN FORUM

GOSHEN-LOWELL ROAD

Editor Guard:—It was with considerable interest that I read a news item in the Oregonian the other day in regard to the letting of a contract for the rebuilding of the Goshen and Lowell road which was let to the Warren Construction company for something over \$80,000, also to another company of the building of a bridge for a little over \$3,000, which I understand is in the same connection and of which the Commissioner, Emmett Sharp, objected to letting these contracts, alleging that both of these contracts could have been built for one-half or less and still at a reasonable profit for the contractors.

The survey and detailed specifications of the work to be done in these contracts, upon which a reasonable estimate could have been made as a guide to the commissioners, who let the contracts, and it would also seem reasonable that Commissioner Sharp had a very good reason for making the objection on account of the exorbitant price for the work to be done, in accordance with his objections, therefore we are entitled to a full understanding in regard to this matter.

The statement made by Judge Barnard in last evening's Guard does not explain anything except in regard to agreement between the government and state in order to the improvement of the balance of the road from Lowell eastward over the mountains, but does not touch upon the price for the contracts let.

If Commissioner Sharp is right in his opposition and the charges he makes are correct, then a gross violation in spending the public road and bridge money has been made, and the taxpayers are entitled to the truth of these accusations and an explanation of the whole matter should be made by the county court. No doubt that the county engineer has made

M. SVARVERUD.



Lila Lee, James Kirkwood and Jacqueline Logan in the Paramount Picture 'Ebb Tide' A George Melford Production

A desperate fight with an octopus, a breath-taking storm at sea, scenes of peril, divers at work and overlaying it all the remarkably human characters of Robert Louis Stevenson and Lloyd Douglas—such are the high lights of 'Ebb Tide' a new George Melford Paramount picture, which is now playing at the Castle.

MOUNTAINEERS WILL ARRIVE IN SAN DIEGO JUST IN TIME FOR CONTEST WITH GONZAGA COLLEGE

Morgantown, West Va., Dec. 21.—The itinerary of the West Virginia university football squad on its move to the Pacific coast to play Gonzaga university at San Diego on Christmas Day has not yet been fully decided upon, but it is certain that no attempt is to be made by Coach Spears to acclimate his grid-ironers.

Tentative plans call for the Mountaineer squad to leave here on Tuesday night, the nineteenth, and make a rush trip across the continent, arriving at San Diego on Saturday afternoon, December 23, just forty-eight hours before the kick-off. A light workout will be put on on Saturday afternoon soon after arrival and on Sunday the players will be taken on an excursion into the country, with a short "hike" for exercise and that will end the preparation for the East-West game. There will be no workouts enroute, although the railroad companies have been asked to provide an itinerary showing all water stations and junction points, so that the men can, whenever feasible, slip into a pair of football shoes and some light equipment, jump off the train and take a light signal drill, or perhaps only some setting up exercises. Nate Cartmell, the trainer, extraordinary, and Dr. Spears have had several conferences on this point and they believe that it will be possible to keep the men in shape by some such program.

This plan is at variance with those followed by a number of the eastern teams that have visited the West. Ohio

State, Harvard, Pennsylvania and others of former years, as well as Pitt and Penn State this year, have spent several days on the coast in an endeavor to become acclimated, but Dr. Spears was out with the Dartmouth team in 1920, at which time they played a game in Boston on one Saturday, boarded a train that night for Seattle and after five days ride got only one brief workout and gave one of the best accounts of themselves that any eastern team has given in the west by trouncing Washington 28-7. It is interesting to note, too, that the Washington-Jefferson team of a year ago which played so sensationally against California, was groomed along the same lines as the Dartmouth eleven in 1920 and the same as Spears and Cartmell plan for the Mountaineers this season.

There has been some discussion locally about the fact that Dr. Spears is taking only twenty players on this trip whereas on other trips this season as well as last, he had a minimum of 25 men. Spears believes, however, that his squad is in the best physical shape of the year and that they are right now prepared for a strenuous game with a limited number of substitutes. Tallman has a "hangover" in the way of a bad leg received in the Washington-Jefferson victory, but otherwise there is no injury of any character among any of the men, and since no strenuous scrimmage is planned before the team leaves, it is certain that a team in the real "pink" at condition will take the field at San Diego on Christmas Day.

Bank Workers Have Real Christmas Party

Officers and employees of the First National bank made merry this afternoon at a Christmas party staged in the bank lobby after business hours. A goodly sized tree was put up last night, and decorated. Gifts were hung on its branches. Everyone connected with the institution was remembered by some small token.

Just who played Santa Claus was not revealed.

MOVE IN SENATE TO SECURE NEW PEACE MEETING

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where around, I should be glad to waive this suggestion."

U. S. Seeks French Stand. Washington, Dec. 21.—France soon may be asked by the United States to place all her cards on the table.

With the success or failure of the American move, looking toward a solution of the old world's economic crisis, virtually hanging on the attitude of France, this government is understood to be preparing to ask Premier Poincare for a definite statement as to the utmost concessions he is willing to make on reparations and kindred questions in order to relieve the situation.

France's Plight Recognized. This government realizes the Poincare government faces a difficult political situation because of the strong demand in France for the use of force in the hope of making Germany pay the huge reparations figure which has been imposed upon her, and the inquiry to the French government will be propounded in the most friendly manner.

This government has received the German proposal calling for a commission of experts, preferably Americans, to review the reparations down to the highest possible figure that Germany can pay.

This proposal was revealed exclusively by the United Press and caused unusual interest in official circles. It is believed that any plan the United States agrees upon would be acceptable in the main to Great Britain, thus making it necessary to harmonize as much as possible the wide differences between France and Germany, if a solution of the problem is to be reached.

Views of All Are Sought. The plan of this government is to get the views of all the powers, and then outline a common ground upon which negotiations could be opened with the United States acting as a sort of mediator.



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Appetites sharpen, memories stir, in happy anticipation of the holiday.

Christmas weather cautions you, be warmly shod for the trip.

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AUCTION SALE

GREER'S SALE PAVILION Southeast Corner Park Square, Eugene, SATURDAY, DEC. 23. HOUSEHOLD FURNISHINGS. Including beds, springs, mattresses, oak dining table, dining chairs, 3 new gate leg breakfast tables, 2 library tables, nearly new, extra good large oak rockers, 2 velvet couches, dressers, dressing table, pictures, oak stand tables, kitchen cabinet nearly new, Coleman gas lamp, Rayo lamp, lot of new kitchen ware in gray enamel, Singer sewing machine, dish pans, tea kettles, etc.

LITTLE TALKS ON THRIFT

By S. W. STRAUS, President American Society for Thrift.

PEOPLE often imagine that economy means a state of bondage, and that it restricts them in a full enjoyment of life's advantages and blessings. On the contrary, economy and thrift open a direct road to independence and liberty. Independence through thrift would be a good motto to keep constantly in mind.

"Economy," wrote Dr. Samuel Johnson, who was a noted exponent of the gospel of thrift, "is the parent of integrity, of liberty and ease and the beautiful sister of temperance, of cheerfulness and health."

The value and satisfaction of liberty and independence, so generally unrecognized in the bloom and vigor of youth, looms up as the years advance, and we begin to crave a freedom from the servitude which always goes hand in hand with poverty and dependence upon others.

The ways of extravagance and waste, which appear so inviting at first, soon begin to narrow down and present the terrifying prospect of penury.

Systematic economy and precaution against waste and extravagance in the days of prosperity, will prevent the unhappy condition in later years.

Do not contemplate thrift as only a sacrifice of personal liberty. It consists and regains practical, in fact, provide the only way one can attain genuine liberty and a complete fulfillment of the ultimate objects of life.

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Gift Suggestions for the Late Shopper

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APPLES—Apples of most all kinds are ready. Some prefer the fancy combination box of apples, candies and nuts. These boxes are being sent great distances. Remember there are very few places where apples grow to the same degree of perfection as those in Oregon. Just phone 246.

CAKES—Fruit Cake naturally has its place on every Xmas table. There are three varieties here to select from. Convenient sized packages, wrapped and ready to go, will prove a delightful adjunct for the dinner on the 25th.

TURKEYS—In the Meat Department you will find just what you want—Turkeys, Chickens, Shooice Roasts and other cuts of meat. When you buy here you select what you want and in that way you are sure to get what you want. Better phone NOW for the Turkey.

LOOK—Corn on the cob at Xmas time is going to be a real treat for many. The Corn is already prepared, cooked and flavored, and comes in cans, the Preferred Stock line. This is one of the choicest articles ever prepared for the table and is mighty appropriate for the Xmas dinner.

EXTRA—An attractive gift in our Delicatessen Department is a fancy basket filled with Candies, nuts, Fruits, Apples, Grapes, etc., or you may personally select the things you want in the baskets. It will make a nice gift for many of your friends—the price is reasonable and it contains all the toothsome things that help make Xmas.

The Table Supply Co. L. D. PIERCE, Proprietor Telephone 246 Ninth and Oak.