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Coos county has nearly caught up on general fund warrants, all issued before 1919 having been called for redemption.

Doc Steinmetz says we can send a message to Mars for a billion dollars. Why not send it collect?—Poria "Transcript."

For a permanent business we can imagine few that give less promise of steady returns than the illicit manufacture of booze.

They have a mythical city up in the north end of the county which runs:
"When the sun sets on Summit Bay,
There's moonshine still at Lakeside."

"Thirt" is to be one of the subjects in the course of study in Oregon schools next year says Superintendent Churchill. He is said to think that the present and nation wide extravagance indicates the need of paying more attention to this homely virtue.

Down claims the most valuable hog yet reported. Fifteen months ago \$250 was paid for him, but a Goldfield man now puts up \$50,000 for him. A man ought to live in gold field to be able to pay that price for a few pounds of pork—or a few hundred pounds for that matter.

Men are beginning to be suggested candidates for the legislature. One question any candidate for these positions must answer if he wants our vote, or the vote of those who think as we do, is: "Will you favor legislation to render strikes henceforth unnecessary and impossible?"

"What has become of the grocery man who used to give us a sack of candy when we paid our bill on a Saturday night? There may be a few of them left, but absolutely you can't get a free pair of suspenders when you buy a suit of clothes," remarks our old friend Smallwood in the Joseph Herald.

If the large land owners had to pay as much taxes in proportion to smaller holders, there would not be so much unimproved land in the lower Umpqua country between here and Roseburg, and the mustard crop would be shorter and the willows and alders would not be growing so abundantly, avers the Reedport Courier.

In apparent desperation the Hiram Johnson supporters in California are sending out letters to the press asserting that a vote for Hoover is the same as a vote for Wood. It's an unsettled question whether the California delegation will be for Johnson or Hoover and Johnson realizes that if Hoover gets the state's vote, he might as well hang his head on the willows.

The officers of the Oregon National Guard who came to Marshfield to accept the new Armory were entertained at a luncheon at which eleven people were seated. They cast a straw vote for president resulting as follows:
Wood, 8 first choice, 1 second choice; Hoover, 1 first choice, 8 second choice; Lowden, 1 first choice, 4 second choice; Hughes, 1 first choice; Taft, one second choice.

It's a dead cinch that the United States needs just such an executive as Herbert Hoover would make but he is hardly in the running, and General Leonard Wood is the next best man for the place and is now in the lead for the Republican nomination. Senator Johnson or any other member of the battalion of death is a dead one, so far as the Sentinel is concerned. No man who does not favor a league of nations to put an end to war looks good to us.

In order to combat the high cost of wearing apparel, many of the leading business men of Roseburg, including a number of county officials, have

signed an agreement pledging themselves to wear blue overalls and short shirts until such time as the price of clothing is reduced.
Among the names appearing on agreement are bankers, realty dealers, hotelkeepers, clerks and contractors. It is proposed to call a mass meeting when lists will be circulated and organization perfected to make the protest effective.
If business men in enough other cities take like action the high cost of living, so far as clothing is concerned, will grow less rapidly.

The wets, who were unable with all their efforts to keep one-fourth of the states from ratifying the national prohibition amendment, are now uttering swelling words about the things they are going to put into the platforms of the republican parties—how at least they are going to let the dry movement by having a new definition of intoxicating liquor put into the laws which will permit the sale of wines and beer. There is going to be no change in the law, gentlemen. The only question is as to how well it can be enforced; and no manifold and manifest are the blessings that are flowing from it, that the fight against its enforcement is bound to grow weaker and weaker as time goes on.

A DIVIDED EMPIRE
County Agent Farr is quoted as saying that Coos county needs a "county wide folder," which would "judiciously" set its limits to people outside its limits who are seeking farm locations. Although both the Coquille Valley and the Bay section are enthusiastic in their praise of Coos county, they have never been able to get together in agreeing as to which end of the county offers the greatest inducement to settlers, and each section has heretofore gotten out its own literature. There can't be two best places in the county you see any more than a fellow can have two best girls. From a financial, a commercial, or a manufacturing standpoint there can be no question about Coos Bay's primacy; but when it comes to dairying, agriculture and climatic advantages the Coquille Valley shines. Indeed, the Bay folks can hardly get out a folder without representing our wide valley vistas and fine country homes as attractions of the Coos Bay country.

A MONSTROUS THING
Isn't it a monstrous thing that a fraction of one per cent of the population of this country should be plotting strikes to disorganize the transportation system of the nation and in the disorder thus created to precipitate a revolution and destroy the government under which we have lived and prospered for a hundred and fifty years and with which more than ninety-nine in a hundred of the people are satisfied? And yet that is exactly what the I. W. W. agitators have been trying to do by means of the prevailing railroad strike. They are not satisfied with a government by the majority but are trying to impose on us a government by a contemptible minority—contemptible in numbers and far more contemptible in character. That such an attempt can succeed is, of course, beyond all the bounds of possibility; but what we want is laws which will insure the deportation of all who are responsible for making the attempt. They ought to be banished to some remote and uninhabited island where they can set up a little hell of their own.

NO HOPE OF OIL IN OREGON
We are in receipt of No. 1, Vol. 9, of "The Mineral Resources of Oregon," published by the state Bureau of Mines and Geology. It is a report on the oil and gas possibilities of Western Oregon, which, of course, interests everyone living in this section. After a most careful and thorough study, the opinion of the geologists who made this report can be summarized in five words: "there are no such possibilities." The conclusion which they reach is stated a little more fully in the concluding paragraph of this report, which is as follows:
"In this investigation a careful study of the geologic formations and tests of the better looking shales failed to give any encouragement that western Oregon would have areas in which petroleum products exist in commercial quantities. The lack of satisfactory indications, in the form of oil seeps or the heavier residues, when considered with the fact that because of the generally broken condition of the formations there should be innumerable indications, leads to but one conclusion—that hopes of productive oil fields in western Oregon are not founded on any satisfactory evidence that can be found by a careful study of the geology."

Considerable is said in this report about the Coaledo, as the upper stratum deposited in the Eocene period has been named from the town of Coaledo in this county. As to what is contained in this stratum and the possibilities of oil production from its

and the following is definite enough. Overlying the Tyne in western Coos County is the Coaledo and this marks the upper part of the Eocene period. In this region there is 4000 feet of Coaledo made up of fresh water sandstones and shales with occasional brackish water shale beds. In the upper part of the Coaledo are a number of coal beds. A study of the beds of shale and sandstone, and tests of the more favorable looking shales failed to show any part of the Coaledo that could be regarded as a source of petroleum in commercial amounts, as none of the samples gave even a trace of oil. The sandstone members of the Coaledo, even when the structure is favorable for oil concentration, contained no evidence of ever having been the container of oil. The subject of oil seeps will be taken up later but it should be noted that in Coos county there are a number of folds which are so cut that there should be live seeps if any part of the Coaledo is productive of oil. But nowhere in the Coaledo was it possible to find petroleum seeps or signs of petroleum residue."

CANNIBALISM IN AUSTRIA
The following article telling of the almost incredible famine conditions in Austria now is furnished us by Karl John, of Arago, who is a friend of Mr. Ponischil, of Hoquiam, Washington, who received the letter from a friend in the old county and gave them for publication:
Appalling conditions in Austria continue to grow worse, say letters arriving to Adolph Ponischil, Hoquiam merchant, who is exerting himself in the interest of the relief fund.
In a letter he received a couple of days ago, the writer, who is a friend of Mr. Ponischil, states that conditions are beyond all belief in Austria. Children are literally starving, too apathetic to even cry any more. Births are growing fewer and children are wan, gaunt little effigies of childhood. Most of the babies are born dead, says the letter, and the few that survive are withered, fear-some looking mites, unnatural in appearance.

But this is not the worst, for there comes the startling, terrible announcement that cannibalism now prevails as the famished people yield to their last desperate clutch upon life. Instances of the devouring of human flesh are no longer rare, and reports of cannibalism are coming in from various parts. In this connection there is a horrible story of a demented family, crazed by hunger. The mother died. The father went out to dig a grave. When he returned he found two of the older children devouring the baby. Wild-eyed, the other children explained they did not kill the infant, but only began to eat it when they were quite sure it was dead! Sickening tales like this, and even worse, are coming in.

Mr. Ponischil's correspondent says the starving people are eating rats and mice. Note of but the skinniest of dogs and cats are spared. Domestic pets of all kinds are being eaten. The winter has been terrible with cold and an utter lack of fuel. The hospitals are trying to battle along bravely with little or no means to allay the sufferings of patients that besiege the institutions, and most of the sufferers are simply ailing from starvation and malnutrition.

There is no clothing and only the rich can afford even the plainest of raiment. The rest have to wear gunny sacks and burlap, when they can get any.
"For God's sake, help us!" is the cry that reaches across the Atlantic. In his appeal on behalf of these unhappy people, Mr. Ponischil says: "The American relief administration has established an Armenian relief warehouses in Vienna, Austria. Anyone can buy at any bank in the United States American relief warehouse food drafts to anyone in Vienna. On presentation of these food drafts at the warehouse in Vienna they can draw American food."
"Anyone wishing to help these unfortunate people can do so by purchasing food drafts, or I will buy them and send them direct to the needy."
"Food drafts range from \$10 to \$50 and no more than \$500 allowed to any one family.
Arrangements have been made whereby one can purchase these food drafts at either the First National Bank or Lumberman's bank of Hoquiam."

The Marshfield armory has been turned over to Adjutant General Saffrin in behalf of the Oregon National Guard, Capt. Ben S. Fisher will be its custodian and it will be for rent every night in the week except the one reserved for Guard meetings.

It is rather guardedly promised by the Coos Bay Harbor that the initial trip of the Coos Bay to Crescent City line of stages will be made "during the present month, or just as soon as the roads will permit."

E. LOTHARD McCLURE

Candidate for Republican Nomination for District Attorney of Coos County.

Mr. McClure, candidate for district attorney on the Republican ticket is a graduate of Cornell University of the class of 1902, Bachelor of Arts, and of the University of Buffalo College of Law of the class of 1904, Bachelor of Laws. He has been actively engaged in the practice of law for the past sixteen years. He is married to Belle Livingston, daughter of one of the old pioneer families of Douglass and Coos counties. Mr. McClure first came to the bay district in 1913, when upon resigning from the legal department of the O. W. R. & N. Company in Portland he became associated with the late J. W. Bennett. Since the latter's death he has practiced alone. He abandoned his practice, at a great personal and financial sacrifice, to go to France during the war as a worker with the Y. M. C. A., after being rejected for voluntary enlistment in the army because of poor vision. He is a member of all branches of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Pythias and the Loyal Order of Moose. Mr. McClure is one of the prominent members of the Emmanuel Episcopal church in Marshfield, and is deeply interested in the Boy Scout movement, being scoutmaster of the Bear patrol in his home district, and has been prominently connected with every charitable and social betterment movement in Marshfield during the past seven years. He has probably tried more criminal cases than any other three attorneys in the county, and promises to give the county, as District Attorney, the same vigorous and energetic service in the enforcement of all laws impartially that his private clients now receive in their personal affairs.

CANNERY IN OREGON

To take care of the demands for Oregon canned vegetables, fruits, fruit juices, etc., says the Southern Pacific Bulletin, there have been constructed during the past year six new canning plants; also four of the old established canneries have increased their capacities approximately 100 per cent. This was necessary in order to take care of the increased acreage of loganberries, vegetables, apples, pears, peaches, etc. It is estimated that the loganberry acreage increased during the past year 60 per cent, and apple, pear and prune acreage increased approximately 25 per cent, and there will be additional acreage of new orchards come into bearing this year.

A special election will be held at North Bend April 26 when the people there will vote on the proposition to bond the city for \$400,000 for the purpose of making the Pony Inlet improvement. The plan is to take a part of the money and buy the land needed and then start the improvements, one unit at a time.

Sunset Magazine and the Sentinel are now furnished in combination for \$3, the price of the Sentinel being \$2 a year and that of Sunset \$2 and the combined price being \$1 less.

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A Later Statement
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