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**KENDALL FOR REPRESENTATIVE**  
The editor of the Herald is not much inclined to act as a mentor for confused voters, telling them just whom they ought and ought not to support at the polls. At the same time, having a newspaper, he likes to sometimes tune up a little for his own satisfaction. Just at this writing he thinks that perhaps a few words regarding a certain candidate may be helpful to those who have never met the gentleman. We refer to John C. Kendall, who desires the nomination for the legislature on the Republican ticket. Mr. Kendall has been engaged in the practice of the law for some years at Marshfield, but may not be generally known among the readers of the Herald. So we wish to say that we have been in touch with Mr. Kendall in an affair of business for several years, commencing while we were a resident of Marshfield, and we wish to say without reserve that we have a high opinion of him. We believe that he has good all-round ability; that he has good judgment; that he is modern and progressive in his ideas; that he is careful in forming his estimate of whatever matters he has to deal with; that he has the nerve to back his judgment; that he is square and to be relied on; that he is in no sense a grafter; that he has ambition and that he has enough faith in the people to believe that the straight course will win. It will be noted that in making appeal to the voters for support he has not pieced together a lot of platitudes on which there can be but one opinion and called them his platform, nor does he saw the air with a lot of phrases that, when you come down to brass tacks, don't mean anything. He doesn't raise the slogan of "lower taxes," which has been a chestnut for several generations and about which no candidate ever kept a promise, as every taxpayer knows. He doesn't cry for "fewer laws," when we all know that the only purpose of electing a legislature is to make more of them. He does not try to catch votes with the talk of "fewer commissions," but we would like to bet that if he is sent to the legislature and gets his eye on a commission that is unprofitable to the state he will do a lot more toward abolishing it than some of those who are yelling the loudest. In fact, we believe that if Coos county sends Mr. Kendall to the legislature she will have a representative of ability, energy, good judgment and integrity, with whose record we will have every reason to be satisfied, and that the Republican voters cannot make any mistake by placing him on the ticket.

**SAME OLD QUESTION**  
The old question is again in the air, as to whether a prosecuting attorney who tries energetically to enforce the laws can hope to stay in office. The Republican voters and probably the voters at large will be called upon to settle this question—for that is the real question that is now before the meeting house through the candidacy of L. A. Liljeqvist. Of Liljeqvist's ability there can be no question; of his energy there is as little; of his nerve there is none. We believe that his integrity is equally as well established. It is merely a question of whether, in the course of his duty, he has stepped on too many toes and made too many enemies. It is merely a question of whether the people whose corns haven't suffered will appreciate his work and will stay with him. We hope and believe that they will.

**DO WE WANT TO GO BACK?**  
While we are talking politics we would like to remark that it is impossible to suppose that the people of Coos county would wish to make any change at this time in the office of County Superintendent of Schools. Raymond E. Baker, during the time he has been in office, has given our schools a good start on the high road to excellence. He has devoted his time and his energies to that purpose, and he has succeeded. His ideas are in line with those of the day in school matters, and he has made the Coos county schools the object of admiration to the educators of the state. State Superintendent Churchill is on record with expressions of the highest regard for Mr. Baker, and no one familiar with the work he has accomplished in pulling Coos county schools out of the back woods can fail to appreciate what he has done for us. That this county should wish to take a backward step and return to the old conditions is unthinkable.

## Herald ads Bring Business

### RAYMOND E. BAKER SPEAKS

**To the Republican Voters of Coos County**  
The last issue of the Agitator has the platform on which Mr. W. H. Bunch is asking for another term for County School Superintendent. His promise to devote his entire time to the duties of the office will doubtless be interpreted in the light of his past record in that regard. He promises, if elected, to do away with the school supervisor. He fails to state that the matter of having or not having a supervisor is in the hands of the school boards of the county, not in the power of the county superintendent. The legislature of 1915 so amended this law, and for a year copies of these laws have been in the hands of the school board members, and the supervisor's fate has been in their power without any option on the part of the county superintendent. Mr. Bunch himself is a director of the McKinley school board, and if he wishes to have the supervisor done away with could head a petition to that effect and work more effectively as a school board member, than as a candidate for office. It is presumed that the school boards recognize the difficulty of supervising over 80 rural districts on a traveling allowance of only \$200, and also of attending to the many duties of the office, including probably as heavy correspondence as that of any office in the court house, and all without any clerical help. The salary and expenses of the supervisor amount to about \$1,800 per year, not \$2,000 as he states. Mr. Bunch also promises that all teachers and those aspiring to teach will be assured of impartial assistance. This should be understood in the light of the history of a certain private, denominational academy which for many years had almost a monopoly in the matter of furnishing rural teachers for this county. About one-half of the present teaching force have normal school or college education, less than a third are not at least high school graduates, and the present source of supply is from colleges, normal schools, and standard high schools. There are now five consolidated districts in Coos county, taking the place of twelve weak districts. There was one when I took office a little over three years ago. Two other consolidations will be voted on next June at the annual school meeting. Several townships of timber land have been set over into districts where they will be actively used for the support of live schools. This is not popular with the timber barons, but it is good for the county child. The following data will give some idea of the changes that have taken place in the past three years. The figures are taken from the official records in the County Superintendent's office, and are open to all who wish to see them. No. 8th grade diplomas issued in 1912, 108; in 1915, 200. Enrollment in grades above 8th in 1912, 277; in 1915, 558. Average number of days of public school taught during the year, in 1912, 130; in 1915, 147, (an increase of almost a month in the length of term throughout the county.) No. of schools having 9 months' term, in 1912, 12; in 1915, 26. Average monthly salary of female teachers, in 1912, \$53.12; in 1915, \$68.22. Average monthly salary of male teachers, in 1912, \$68.84; in 1915, \$81.81. No. of schools houses built as shown by the County Superintendent's reports of 1910, 1911 and 1912, 6; for 1913, 1914 and 1915, 20. A standardization plan has been adopted that has benefited almost every rural school in Coos County. As I understand it, this office is that of an advocate, a defender, of the rights of children. The rights of property are always safeguarded, the rights of children are likely to be forgotten. If re-elected I promise an even more vigorous prosecution of the reforms begun. I shall continue to reside at the county seat, and to keep the office open Saturdays as heretofore. The county child deserves as good an education as the city child. I am trying to see that he gets it. Respectfully submitted, RAYMOND E. BAKER, County School Superintendent.

### Good Roads Notes

There are over 400,000,000 acres of uncultivated land in the United States. It has been stated, furthermore, that probably not half the land now under cultivation is producing an adequate return. If a system of good roads is provided to serve as feeders to the railroads and other means of rapid transit, it will aid materially in making productive the millions of acres of unproductive land and in bringing about more thorough cultivation of the land already in use. It has been estimated that more than 5,000,000,000 tons of freight per annum pass over all the highways of this country. It is also estimated that the average haul is a little under 10 miles and the cost is about 23 cents per ton-mile. This cost should not exceed 8 cents per ton-mile on a good road. In other words, at least \$1.50 should be saved on every ton moved on our highways. The total saving from good roads staggers the imagination. Seven and one-half billions of dollars per annum! This would build 15 Panama Canals a year or 1,500 dreadnaughts a year. It would build all of the 250,000 miles of railroads in the United States in a period of three years. It represents one-quarter of the entire annual wealth produced by this great nation. There are 27,000,000 horses, mules, etc., and more than 4,000,000 horse-drawn vehicles in the United States, more than 2,000,000 bicycles, more than 100,000 motor cycles. These, with the automobiles are valued at more than \$5,000,000,000. If from the good roads only ten per cent in depreciation per annum were saved it would amount to the enormous sum of \$500,000,000 every year. Here is another phase of the situation. The value of farm real estate and buildings in this country is \$35,000,000,000. Two million miles of improved highways will increase land values some \$10,000,000,000, or approximately an increase of one-third above present values. There are 6,500,000 farms. This means that the average increase of value for each farm would be \$1,500. At \$100 per year per farm, we would have a sum of \$650,000,000 per annum with which to improve our highways. Coos County Good Roads Association.

### NOTES ON THE PHOTOPLAYS

**Of Interest to Those Who Patronize the Movies**  
Here is picture news that ought to interest every patron of the Scenic. "The Goddess" will make her first appearance here Friday, May 12th. This Vitagraph serial, featuring Earle Williams and Anita Stewart, is guaranteed to be a most delightful picture and will be appreciated by every one who likes the highest class of acting by two of the most popular players on the screen, supported by an ideal cast. The name of the Vitagraph is enough to insure something first-class in the way of production. "Neal of the Navy" will be finished in two more installments. This serial has been very popular, so the management has no kick coming, but he thinks that he can promise something better in the Pathe Program when this is out of the way. The Wallingford pictures end at the same time. But the big matter in the service of Fox Features is to be resumed. The reason for this is two fold. With the increase of attendance at the Scenic it seems that these expensive pictures can be made to pay their way; and we are assured by a special representative of the Fox company that the policy of Mr. Fox has undergone a change and that the sort of plays that he charitably called "heavy" is being replaced by those of a kind far better suited to the tastes of a Coquille audience. One reason for cancelling the service was that the "Vampire" and "Fallen Woman" were getting to be a bore, if nothing worse, and did not care to inflict them on our patrons any longer. Now we are assured that they will be conspicuous by their absence, and that plays of a cleaner kind will be presented, and if not we are to cancel again. We will have William Farnum, who is probably the greatest popular idol on the screen, in one picture every month, and in the first month we will have two of his pictures. "The Bondman" in which Farnum and Dorothy Bernard are the stars will inaugurate the service May 10th, the pictures being shown every Wednesday night. We will also have one big comedy each month, and no one needs to be assured that a comedy produced by Fox will be a thing he doesn't want to miss. The Scenic wants to show its patrons absolutely "The Best" pictures; the Fox pictures are absolutely "The Best." The great twelve-reel picture, featuring Annette Kellerman, on which the Fox Film Corporation claims to have spent a million dollars, will be released in about five weeks, and it will be shown in Coos county some time later.

### To Teach Children Thrift

Mr. Carleton A. Grier, of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, has been in the county the past week at the invitation of County Superintendent Baker in the interest of securing the co-operation of the schools in teaching thrift to the children. The plan includes talks on thrift by the teachers, and children are encouraged to open savings accounts with the local banks, all of which are asked to co-operate. The children may deposit one dollar or more at any time, and do the banking themselves, the teachers not being required to handle any money for them. The system will probably be introduced in the schools of three or four of the towns and a number of the rural districts, Marshfield having already adopted another plan which is now in successful operation. The Farmers and Merchants Bank of Coquille has entered heartily into the plan, and will soon be able to accommodate the customers, big and little, that this new department will undoubtedly attract.

### Notes on the Photoplays

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### East Fork Items

Carl Vogel threw up his homestead on the Gold Brick road and a Mr. Leatherwood took it up the next day. John Frowl, whose father has a homestead near Derby in Jackson county came in over the Coos Bay road last Thursday. He worked on the postoffice building at Grants Pass which is now finished. He said the contract price was \$100,000 for building, \$10,000 for

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the furnishing, and that every subcontractor lost money on the job. The stone man was the greatest loser, \$2,250, and the contractors, the Sound Construction Co., of Portland, made plenty. He also said that work has commenced on the sugar beet sugar factory that is to be built at Grants Pass. Two autos were driven in over the mountains Wednesday. Dave Crowley and Henry Charlton have gone to a logging camp to work. Al Garten is driving Fred Baker's team and hauling road lumber. Hailey Laird is hauling road lumber with his team. Saturday night 10th inst., there was a spelling match at Brewster Valley school house between the Brewster and McKinley schools. The McKinley school went out with several on the floor when Clifford Laird, the last of the Brewster school went down. R. A. EASTON

### A FEW OF OUR Good Bargains IN Real Estate

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No. 7—A place containing 60 acres, 30 acres of it fine bottom land situated 7 miles from Coquille on the main river. Balance of land is good grass land. Price \$4000  
No. 8—A 100 acre stock ranch, 10 acres of it is fine river bottom. Situated 7 miles from Coquille on main river. Price \$3500  
No. 10—A fine well-improved Dairy ranch, 8 miles from Coquille containing 60 acres, 50 acres of it fine bottom land in good cultivation, balance fine bench and hill land all in Grass, 2 Houses, 2 Barns, separator House and all other necessary outbuildings, also 20 head of fine Dairy Cows, Chickens, Hogs, and all farming Machinery close to good School, Store, and P. O. A snap for some one. The price is right, and good terms given. Terms are 1/2 cash, Bal. on time to suit purchaser, secured with mortgage at 7 per cent.  
No. 16—A nice little ranch of 24 acres with 22 acres of it in the bottom under the plow, the balance of 2 acres good bench land; small Orchard, with large 7 room House and Barn, situated 7 miles from Coquille on main river. Price \$7200 Terms 1/2 cash bal. to suit purchaser at 5 per cent on deferred payments.  
No. 23—This is a snap if taken soon, a 17 acre tract one mile from Coquille. A new 7 room residence, 4 acres in good cultivation, young orchard of 125 choice fruit trees, just beginning to bear. Price \$1700. Terms one-half cash, balance to suit purchaser at 8 per cent on deferred payments.  
No. 24—A nice little 10-acre ranch, 5 acres of it fine bottom land in good cultivation, balance good bench land cleared and in good grass, good orchard, house and barn, 1/2 mile from good school, postoffice and store, situated on main river 10 miles from Coquille. Price \$1200. This sure is a snap if taken up soon.  
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No. 20—A good 5-room residence and two nice corner lots. Good location. A snap if taken soon. Price \$650  
No. 25—A new 5-room modern residence and two lots. Good location in east part of town. Price \$1500  
No. 26—One fine residence lot with good house and orchard. 1 1-2 blocks from Post Office. A good buy. \$2000  
No. 27—A nice 5-room cottage and four lots. Good location. Price \$1500  
No. 29—A fine residence lot 1 1-2 block from Post Office. Price \$700  
No. 33—A fine 9-room modern residence 1 block from Court House, and one corner lot. A fine location and a good buy if taken soon. Also good terms of payment. Price \$1400  
No. 32—A good house and one lot, one block from Court House. Good terms. Price \$800  
No. 34—A good 7-room residence with bath; good basement and new barn; good family orchard. The place contains six lots, four of them fine bottom lots. Situated two blocks north of the Court House. A good buy. Price \$1900  
No. 35—A nice 8-room residence and one lot. One and one-half block from Post Office. Price \$1500  
No. 36—A fine residence lot 1 1-2 block from Post Office. Price \$525  
This is only a few of our good buys in City Property. When you want to buy property call on the Coquille Valley Real Estate Co., Wm. Oddy, Manager. Phone 711. P. O. Box 198.

**Notice to Creditors**  
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed by the County Court of Coos County, Oregon, administrator of the Estate of Frank Gauthier, deceased; and that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby notified that they are required to present the same duly verified with proper vouchers therefor, to the undersigned, at the office of W. C. Chase, in Coquille, Coos county, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice. Dated this 28th day of March, 1916. GROVER C. GOUTHIER, Administrator.

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