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They have just issued a very attractive illustrated folder on BEND, which they will mail upon request.

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BUNCO MAN WILL BUNCO NO MORE

SKEWES, "RAILROAD BUILDER", VANISHES

Takes Bride's Savings, and Leaves Fake Checks, Not to Mention Wounded Sensibilities in Metolius and Prineville.

The following clipping from The Oregonian of Portland tells the rather amusing story of the late lamented Metolius-Prineville railroad project, and of its projector. Other more local chapters could be added by gentlemen whose hopes and whose pocketbooks get "stung" in the "terminal towns", but the clipping gives the chief features of the biggest bunco game that thus far has been pulled off in Central Oregon:

With large ideas and small methods, a man who called himself H. H. Skewes arrived in Metolius early in June, and announced himself a railroad promoter. He said, with mysterious winks, that he represented St. Louis capital to build a railroad from Metolius to Prineville. To make his credit good he deposited a few dollars in the bank at Metolius, and then went to Prineville. He engaged a party of surveyors to lay out the line.

As a side issue, while he was giving the glad hand to the farmers and telling them the value of the stock in his company, Mr. Skewes made love to his landlady, Mrs. Sparks, proprietress of the Sparks Hotel, and won her heart and hand. It is rumored that he also absorbed her bank account of several hundred dollars. Mrs. Sparks-Skewes is now hunting for her husband, not so much to have her former name returned as to get her money back. She will not confess to the exact amount she gave her husband.

Steel Ordered, He Asserted. Addressing the members of the Chamber of Commerce of Prineville, for the purpose of soliciting subscriptions to the stock of the Cen-

tral Oregon & Eastern Railroad, which had no legal substance, he is alleged to have said the steel for the construction work had been ordered for delivery, not later than October 15, and that as soon as the surveyors had completed their work the grading would be commenced. The Prineville Chamber of Commerce insisted on knowing who was really back of the enterprise, and Mr. Skewes confidentially told that body he was representing the O.-W. R. & N. Company. This caused the bubble to burst, for B. B. Miller, traffic manager of that company, pronounced Skewes an impostor and warned the Prineville citizens to beware of him.

When this information was circulated Skewes disappeared from that section. His surveyors quit at the same time and are still doubtful if they are on the payroll or whether they will lose pay for their work. Amusing as it now appears, Skewes said that work on the road would be through such a dense farming district, he did not want to interfere with the farmers by grading, until they had harvested their crops.

Automobile Deal Collapsed.
 Leaving Metolius, with his bride to await his return, Skewes came to

Portland and bought an automobile, giving a check on the Metolius Bank in payment. The check was returned as no good in three days, but in the meantime the machine was used day and night, lubricated with a trail of bad checks.

Skewes was next heard of in Seattle, where he was attempting to make a contract with the Union Oil Company to furnish oil for his engines, in the Central Oregon & Eastern Railroad. On the strength of this he circulated a few more bad checks there, and then removed his operations to Vancouver, B. C. There he took the Board of Trade into his confidence and interested that body in securing 4,000,000 railroad ties for his road in Central Oregon.

About this time he learned that some of his Oregon creditors were on his trail, his wife being one of them, and he disappeared before he had made much of a clean up. Information from Vancouver is to the effect that he is wanted there, so it is evident that he placed in circulation some more of the Metolius bank checks.

He was a free spender and of convivial habits. His fraudulent operations have netted him an opportunity to spend a period in the penitentiary.

PAY FOR HONEST SERVICE.

Retail Merchant's Right to Protection From Unfair Competition.

Speaking recently before a state convention of retail merchants, a representative of a firm manufacturing a widely advertised food product said: "If co-operation is to be of a loyal and sincere sort we must recognize the right of every one in the chain of distribution to an honest profit. Not even the consumer has any right to object to the honest profits of the merchant who gives him honest service. No one who will carefully study the relation of profits to service can escape the conviction that public economy is best served by the policy of 'live and let live.'"

"The argument of the mail order house, chain store and department store that elimination of the middleman would be economical to the consumer is absolutely false. Such institutions, taken broadly, are enemies rather than friends of the consumer, just as they are of the retailer. If they hold as rigidly to strict truth and fairness as the retail grocer does they would die an early death."

"Nothing has contributed to the existence of these irregular monarcl classes so much as favoritism, but even this is slowly getting a hold on thinking retailers. Quantity prices have made possible every one of the unfair practices of the trade. If you can buy ten cases more cheaply than one it is fair to sell 100 cases more cheaply than ten and a carload at a lower price still. But such practices inevitably make it possible for the big buyer to own goods more cheaply than his small competitor. If mail order houses paid the same price for their goods that the small merchant does they wouldn't last a year, because the small merchant is the consumer's friend and with a square deal will beat any catalogue house out of existence in his town in the game of competition."

SEPARATE YOUNG PUPILS.

Older High School Students' Tendency to Overdress is Harmful.

"There is a tendency on the part of the older high school pupils to overdress and adopt the styles and fashions that make them seem more mature in nature and appearance. The younger pupils are quick to imitate the dress and manners of their older schoolmates. This leads them into indiscretions and robs them of an important part of childhood. The expense of overdressing falls heavily upon most families and tends to discourage many parents from keeping their children in school."

These assertions are made in a circular of information just issued for free distribution by the United States bureau of education, which deals with an educational experiment at Dayton, O., whereby the school children are segregated in a special high school for their first year after graduation from grammar school. "In this school," says the circular of information, "there are no older pupils, and the simplicity of childhood is maintained in dress and manner for another year. The children are able to develop more naturally without the influence of older pupils." The bureau of education's circular of information was written by J. H. Painter, principal of the first year high school at Dayton.

Maybe It Was Accidental.

Pastor Goodloe had just preached a sermon on "Gossiping." It may have been, therefore, wholly unintentional that he gave out the first stanza of the closing hymn in this wise:

Blow ye the trumpet, blow,
 The gladly ringing sound,
 Let all the neighbors know
 To earth's remotest bound.

He looked preternaturally solemn, and there wasn't the slightest flicker of an eyelash. —Chicago Tribune.

A Sample.

"Why did you cover that board with paint and lean it against your gate post?"

"That," replied Mr. Growcher, "is a sample for the benefit of the people who won't believe paint is fresh until they have rubbed their fingers across it." —Washington Star.

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