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MAIL ORDER TALK

In Tuesday's Bandon Recorder John Nielson takes up Western World's editorial on the mail order business, "to which," he said, "I will have to take some exceptions."

After carefully reading his article and comparing its contents with that of the editorial from which he received his inspiration, Western World is at loss to find the exceptions. In fact this paper can find but one point regarding the mail order business on which Mr. Nielson and the World differ. As to the rest of his discussion, wherein it has reference to the World editorial, it simply argues the question from a different point of view.

The one point in question refers to the following from Mr. Nielson's article: "I can't see where it makes much, if any, difference whether the people send their money to mail order houses or the merchant sends his money out to buy his merchandise from the wholesalers as far as keeping the money in the town is concerned. If the people do not send their money out to buy their necessities, the merchant will and does. The money goes out just the same whether it is thru one channel or another, consequently I can not see where it makes any difference as far as draining the town or community of money."

If, like the mail order patron, the merchant was sending all the money received from his customers to the wholesaler the foregoing would be good argument. But, that certain percentage (the difference between cost and selling price) which in the first case makes millionaires out of the individual stockholders of the mail order concerns and builds up great cities in the east; in the case of home trading remains in the community and pays rents, clerk hire, taxes, supports schools, churches, libraries, etc.

If Mr. Nielson's theory were put into practice and everyone should buy from mail order houses, what kind of a town would we have? Would there be any business buildings, streets, sidewalks, electric lights, up-to-date schools, modern conveniences of any kind? Would there be any use for carpenters, masons, tradesmen or fire insurance agents? Not much, there would probably be a sawmill or two along the river, each with its row of shacks, a few tie camps widely separated and a lot of undeveloped land. By the way, what would Bandon real estate be worth?

There is so much to be said in favor of building up small towns and communities in preference to centralizing wealth in the great cities, that it seems too apparent to need further discussion.

Western World, in its recent editorial, based its appeal for home town loyalty on the fact that, regardless of what had been done in the past, it is now possible—everything considered—to buy goods of equal quality in Bandon as cheaply for cash as can be bought elsewhere. Prices in all lines have dropped, because the majority of merchants have done away with the credit business.

This paper has many times expressed its desire to see the merchants and the producers get together. It has done everything in its power to help the farmers and producers and its one effort has been to see home grown products take the place of those shipped in from California. That this is now being done as far as possible, is the statement of the merchants, and to anyone who patronizes the local stores it is becoming more and more evident.

As to city government costs, not only in Oregon, but everywhere, the World admits they are excessive. But comparing local millage with that of other cities of the state from a tabulation prepared by the Oregon Voter from the official figures compiled by the insurance commission of Oregon, it is asserted Bandon's municipal costs average as low as in other cities of same or about equal population, and are much lower than some.

It has been said if city government was placed on the same plan as the large corporations are run; a manager employed and he given full sway with a certain tax levy, the residue of which after all expenses were paid to be considered as a private profit, limited only by the condition that he should furnish an administration equal in its effectiveness to the present plan, municipal affairs would be run on a basis so far cheaper than the present costs there would be no comparison. But even then everyone would not be satisfied. Humanity will never reach that state of mind until taxes are nil and everybody has his or her opportunity to take a hand in the "municipal boosing."

In the meantime the present forms allow a goodly share of the taxpayers an opportunity to express themselves; the only drawback being that the "machinery is so complex and the friction of its parts so great it requires considerable oil."

Mr. Nielson's charge to Western World is appreciated. A wholesome discussion of any subject reacts to a greater knowledge and better understanding on the part of all concerned.

THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

The home town spirit is essentially the Christmas spirit. The more we patronize home interests, the more we invest our money in support of home trade, the more we are investing in the Christmas spirit which means peace and good will. Are we investing in this Christmas spirit? If we are, the returns will be two-fold. We will get back a double blessing. Every Christmas purchase in the home town means the building up of a community where conditions are prosperous and where poverty is practically unknown. In this way we pile prosperity on prosperity. We create values where they do the greatest good to the greatest number. Let us remember that the home town spirit is the Christmas spirit.

BUYING SECURITIES AT HOME

The Portland Telegram publishes a long list of state, county, city and school bonds selling at big premiums. Of course, all sold through bond brokers to eastern investors, and the premium indicates high rates of interest. The sooner the people of the west learn to buy up their own securities and cut out the bond brokerage business the better. The sooner they learn to invest in their own securities, including investments in public utilities bonds, the better. For instance, the people of California last year bought over nine million dollars of Pacific Gas and Electric company securities. With state regulation of rates and state control of stock and bond issues, the investor in such securities is perfectly protected. The popular loan should be applied to public and utility securities and stop the enormous stream of interest going out of the west.—Pacific Coast Manufacturer.

NOTHING MATTER WITH COOS

A general review of the situation in Coos county as the year draws to a close should be a source of satisfaction to everyone who lives here.

There are probably very few localities in the state which have done as well during a year which was not very favorable to the coast in general. The lumber mills in the Coos Bay cities kept operating through the year. The Simpson mill which was closed a year ago was started again. Part of the mills in the Coquille valley section have operated and the loss of those which did not run was made up to a great extent by the big trade in ties. The lumber market is better than it has been with prospects of a still greater improvement. The Southern Pacific railroad is building into Coos Bay and the whole district will be connected with the rest of the country. Big harbor improvements have been made both at Coos Bay and Coquille river and shipping has been extensive. Many improvements have been made by mills and factories, many thousands of dollars have been spent in building in the various cities of the county, municipal works has been carried out on a big scale and centers of population made modern, the dairymen have had a good season and although the year has not generally been one which encouraged the investment of capital, the fact remains that great work has been done in Coos county. Improvements of all kinds represent an outlay of more than \$2,000,000 in money. With such a record and with the revival of confidence which has been evidenced locally within the past two weeks, there is surely nothing the matter with Coos county. In spite of the talk of hard times in Oregon, Coos county has done a great work and starts on a new year which promises to bring about the greatest development the history of south-western Oregon has ever known.—Coos Bay Times.

Christmas is giving time, but remember one of the best and brightest things we can give, is kind words.

PHILOSOPHICAL CHORDS

(By a Rallsplitter)

The ground hog is the biggest hog of all.

Even the polygamist has visions of renewed business activity.

The true blue patriot is the man who works for economic justice.

He who knows the bitter sting of poverty's lash must first have felt it.

Under normal conditions men would do right. No man is dishonest because he prefers to be so.

Church organizations eliminating the negro evidently believe that the soul is only skin deep.

Man, mind, to think, it logically follows that the individual who allows another to do his thinking is of a lower order.

It might pay to watch the moral delinquent who asserts that there is no such thing as honor among men.

Even in the face of the uncertainty of war, land values are advancing in Germany and England; and rents are rising accordingly.

In the physical make-up of this man animal there is a goodly supply of yellowish-green matter deposited somewhere among the organs of digestion called gall. There is also a small portion of grey matter secreted in the apex known as brains. Don't mistake the two.

"Prosperity is here," so the newspapers say—but our prosperity is a good deal like Greek liberty. It was there alright, but only a few of the privileged class got any of it: The rest were Helots.—Bolton Hall.

May God speed the mission of Oscar II.; may she ride the highest billows to success; may the dreams of Henry Ford come to pass; may the mothers, wives, daughters and sweethearts of the world mingle their voices with those of Angelic messengers of peace on Christmas day; and may the world reverberate with anthems of eternal peace and good will towards all mankind!

They have well been likened to the bright flowers of earth's existence. Use them everywhere, but especially around the fireside: they will make a paradise out of a hovel. Nothing can heal a wounded heart, or cheer a crushed spirit like kind words. Let us not be so careful how we use them, for they are the greatest blessing earth can give.

JACK LONDON'S STUPIDITY

Jack London is so blind to facts as to not understand the spirit which induces a man to defend his country.

He says: "The good soldier never tries to distinguish right from wrong. He never thinks, never reasons, he only obeys. If he is ordered to fire on his fellow-citizens, on his friends, on his neighbors, on his relatives, he obeys without hesitation."

This is false in the highest degree. A good soldier enters the army to serve his country, and he makes the greatest sacrifice that a man can when he places his life at the service of his country. He is in the army, not for any personal advantage, nor is his gun given him to secure such a thing. He is there to execute some great national purpose, upon which all of his friends, family and those for whom he has any sort of respect, are intensely interested.

When he is ordered to use his gun, it is to secure this object. If it be so, that some of his friends or neighbors are on the wrong side of the question, and are opposed to that which the people of the country intensely want for the good of the country, then that is the misfortune of those friends and neighbors, and they deserve what they get.

It is always an unfortunate part of the accomplishment of any great good that a small proportion of good, but mistaken, persons may be injured by it, but the reform should go on, nevertheless.

Men in the United States service have never used their guns for anything that was not strongly approved by the consciences of the Christian men and women of the country. The soldier is merely their agent in doing what they very much wish to have done, and would do themselves, if they were physically capable. The soldier is entitled to the credit of fighting the battle for them.—National Tribune, Washington, D. C.

The World reprints the above at the request of a local veteran, who, from his record in the army of the United States, is entitled to be classed as an authority on the question of a soldier. He says the above explanation given by the Tribune is correct. Since the article purporting to be from the pen of Jack London first appeared Mr. London has come out in a signed statement denying that he is its author.

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