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Editorial Program

- I. Make Springfield the Industrial Center of Western Oregon.
- II. Develop a Strong Trading Point; Build a City of Contented Homes.
- III. Improve Living Conditions on the Farm. Promote the Raising of Purebred Livestock and the Growing of Fruit; Work for Better Markets.
- IV. Tell the World About Oregon's Scenic Wonderland.

INDUSTRIES NEEDED AT KLAMATH FALLS

Klamath Falls, soon to be on the main line of the Southern Pacific, announces through the new industries committee of the Klamath County Chamber of Commerce, a present need for the following new industries:

- Sugar beet factory
- Condensed or evaporated milk plant
- Woolen mill
- Saw mills
- Box factories
- Veneer plant
- Tub and pail factory
- Furniture factory
- Moulding factories
- Curtain roller factory
- Meat packing plant
- Boot and shoe factory.

Sash and door factory.—Oregon Business.

Springfield, soon to be on the main line of the Southern Pacific railroad as well as two or three other lines, puts in a bid for a similar list of industries.

Reports are that the Mountain States Power company has asked the public service commission for a reduction in rates. This shows that some corporations have the interests of the public at heart and do not require a club to be held over their head before granting concessions.

A Chicago switchman working on his Ford the other day discovered the art of hardening copper which has been lost to man for thousands of years. Patenting his discovery he immediately received a check for a million and a half dollars. Luck is an element that figures in the advancement of the world as well as science.

In 1896, 80 per cent of the eligible voters of the country went to the polls and voted.
 In 1900, 73 per cent cast their ballots.
 In 1908, 66 per cent.
 In 1912, 62 per cent.
 In 1920, less than 50 per cent of those eligible to vote, went to the polls!
 Are you going to be numbered with the vote slackers in 1924?

With all the good men running for council that body ought to be a "humdinger" next year.

The railroad committee of the Klamath Falls Chamber of Commerce is trying to obtain the division point for that city when the Natron cut-off is finished. This is a report rendered to the State Chamber of Commerce.

A successful business man is often one who has lost his health making enough money to play golf.

Editorial Comment

The outstanding development revealed by this month's survey of business conditions throughout the state is the fact that more than 500 new families have come to Oregon and taken up permanent residence within the past 30-day period.

The number of new families per district range from six in the Baker section to 70 reported from Myrtle Point, in Coos county. Districts that report more than 20 new families include Albany, Ashland, Bandon, Corvallis, Cottage Grove, Eugene, Gresham, Independence, Myrtle Point Salem and Springfield.

The great influx of settlers may be taken as an indication that stable conditions and substantial opportunities of the state are obtaining wide recognition, and points to the further fact that Oregon is beginning to reap the benefit of the nation-wide advertising programs of the railroads serving in the Northwest, the Oregon Development Fund, the automobile clubs and other agencies.

The upward trend in business generally noted in the two previous months is borne out by the present survey, which shows bank deposits, postal receipts, retail sales and buying power of the farmer consistently better than a year ago. Bank deposits for September show an increase of 7.83 per cent over the same month last year; postal receipts have increased on an average of 13.47 per cent; retail sales have increased 6.70 per cent and the buying power of the farmer is reported as 10 to 25 per cent greater in 35 communities, with but two showing a decrease.—Oregon Business.

Peter Cunniff, editor of a Chicago labor union publication, has refused to use a matrix sent out by the La Follette headquarters because it was stamped "Flexideal Germany." "I know it is only the name of the paper used in making the mat from which cuts are made for publication," said the labor editor, "but it does not seem consistent to me that La Follette should be parading around the country pleading for support by the American workers while he uses the products of German workers."

Last year building construction in 269 cities amounted to \$3,999,694,906. And the significant part is that the erection of private garages far outnumbered the construction of any other kind of building. In the residential line of construction there were 211,235 one-family buildings erected while private garages numbered 221,825. The sum expended for the latter was \$110,563,189; the cost of the former amounted to \$881,569,529.—Republican Publicity Association.

Somerset County (Pa.) Star.—The farmer needs from the Government none of the quack remedies which half baked, vote seeking politicians advocate. What he needs is just simplified, economical government.

Marion Star.—A Buckeye paragrapher says, "Mr. La Follette isn't running on his war record." We are not so overlasting sure of that.

Albany Journal.—Germany's railways are recuperating after release from government management.

Los Angeles Times.—It is mighty hard in these times to furnish a legitimate excuse for being radical.

The girl who used to be willing to kiss and make up now thinks a kiss would spoil it.

Springfield Tailor shop has been moved from the corner of 4th and Main to the corner of 5th and Main opposite the Farmer's Exchange O 30

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