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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.

### LOST HOPE

"Forty acres for \$40,000" reads an advertisement in Eugene papers. There isn't any significance in land selling at \$1,000 an acre on Blair street except that it is the same land offered to the railroad company one time for nothing as a site for the S. P. shops. We hope it is sold to people who will cover it with factory buildings, which might compensate the owners for the hard luck they had in trying to give it away.

Market prospects for canned fruit and vegetables are very good this year according to officers of the Eugene Fruit Growers association. In fact the indications are the best in years. An immense building year is predicted all over the country. Dairy products are bringing a good price. Why shouldn't we enjoy a prosperous year in the Willamette valley.

Bend is in the market for a glue factory. There are 50,000 head of wild horses roaming the plains of central Oregon which are a menace and should be converted into glue, bone meal and leather according to the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce.

From the activity on the paving of Second and Mill streets it appears that the council may be asked to pave two streets instead of one. It seems that more property owners than generally expected want paving on both streets.

There were 1209 bobcats, 2 wolves and 21 cougars killed and bounty collected on them in January in Oregon according to the report of the state game commission. Guess this is putting the bob in the bobcat family.

The Teapot dome fight is summering down to nothing in the Cheyenn federal court this week. Probably the teapot will be a whitewash bucket before the notorious affair is settled.

Now is the time to ask the council for a new sidewalk in front of your property before they tell you to build one. "Get the jump" on the city dads.

A sea lion will eat 40 cans of salmon a day. Wish there had been more sea lions during the war and maybe there would have been less "goldfish on the mess hall menu."

Spring is here and so is cleanup time. There are many yards and alleys in Springfield that need a cleanup.

Chemists have discovered an artificial sugar. No we are not talking about a stenographer.

### KEEP THE STAGE FILTH ON BROADWAY

New York now has a play jury to decide whether stage offerings are filthy and objectionable. Already three managers—one no less a person (as the great Belasco—have tacitly admitted—that their productions are indecent, and they have agreed to make them fit for the public. The fact that "it is true to life" is no excuse for forcing upon public attention the degrading phases of our so-called civilization. We are not deeply concerned about the character of entertainment preferred in the city of New York. We could wish, however, that a clean minded jury might put the ban on these filthy entertainments coming into the country.

It's the first drink "that causes girl's feet to take the road to iniquity; not the last drink," says the oldest woman doctor in America. Then why should there be any first drink.

New machines make hay without sunshine. Nothing can take the moon's place in making love.

### Editorial Comment

#### ONE QUICK SOLUTION

James Oliver Curwood, popular novelist, may not have been entirely serious when he threatened to kill any bootlegger selling liquor to Curwood's boy, but fathers are sympathetic. If every known bootlegger were to be killed, our population would take a tumble. High schools are getting in the news for liquor parties, and murders are more frequent than ever. These are blamed on the bootlegger, who probably doesn't mind but surely doesn't deserve the censure. They but supply a demand. Who or what maintains the demand? Quick solutions by the scores are offered, but they don't work.—Record Press, Ellensburg, Wash.

#### THE GOLDEN RULE FITS ANYWHERE

Now that picnic and fishing weather looms, is it not well to give the farmer and rancher a thought at this time of year? Every spring there are numerous complaints of damage and destruction committed by thoughtless fishermen and picnickers to fields, fences and what not, and each season more of the open country is being closed and more "No Trespassing" signs appear.

The farmer, in a majority of instances, cannot be blamed in the yeast for closing his range to sportsmen, on account of the many who have not been sportsmen, on account of the many who have not been sportsmen who have caused him real loss through neglect or carelessness. There are always to be found in the press later in the year comment and appeals on behalf of complaining farmers. The Independent calls the situation the attention of Benton county and Corvallis folk, now, that a little thought taken seriously and in sound doses may be the ounce of prevention.

We are too unappreciative of our roaming liberties in the great west here, and think entirely too little of the time ahead of us when we shall be restricted to camp grounds for our picnicking. And when we shall be forced to fish where a few years before we have "planted" our crop of fish. Those of the common herd, who cannot afford game preserves and private fishing places, will by and by read of the old days, or tell of those thrilling moments with a landing net to our grandchildren.

When a landholder allows you to follow the creek through his ranch he trusts you to take care of his property, close his gates, and refrain from the litter which so many campers feel privileged to leave where it drops. When this trust is violated by some unthoughtful few the recreation of that ground may be closed to everyone for the future.

So now, at the beginning of spring, let us decide to think out our responsibility to the good folk who live in the byways, and enforce the golden rule at our wanderings among our greer hills.—Benton Independent.

If you have money to invest this year, bear in mind the local mill, or bank, or creamery, or quarry, or any local industry that can employ labor or capital. Why send your money out of your sight, to help build another community, when it ought to be working at home where it was raised?—The Manufacturer.

### WHY TAXES ARE HIGH

The people are coming to this office daily with the inquiry as to why their taxes are so much higher this year than they were last year. The several deputies of the county are being daily besieged with the same question, all of which could be avoided if the tax payer would simply take his tax statement (receipt form) and note the valuation of his property as shown thereon then turn his statement over, he will find all the several levies that make up the tax for the year against his property and then if he would compare it with that of the previous year he will see what occasions the increase, for instance: of increase in valuation for 1924 over that of 1923 are very rare. Summarizing the average tax payer's tax is higher this year simply because the people have voted more taxes upon themselves. This is a situation over which the Assessor has no control save that of checking levying bodies from exceeding the Constitutional six per cent increase over the previous year, but the Assessor has no control over the increase of taxes resulting from levies made to meet bonded indebtedness and interest thereon, and just as long as the people are willing and ready to pile up and increase their bonded indebtedness they may expect to have their tax accounts materially increased.

Illustrating my explanation of why taxes are higher this year than last, note the comparison of total levies between the two years as to Lane County and the seven incorporated towns:

	1924	1923
Lane County	Mills 23.1	27.
Eugene	51.7	58.1
Coburg	74.5	82.2
Cottage Grove	69.4	74.8
Creswell	45.1	50.9
Florence	71.6	89.8
Junction City	60.7	64.2
Springfield	62.2	69.6

As to the State and County levy, it would have been 23 mills which is one tenth of a mill less than last year but for the four mills for bridge purposes voted by the people.

When the several towns get done (if ever) voting necessary and unnecessary bonds, residents will be looking back and longing for our present low (?) rates.



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