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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.

## Attempted Robbery

The cat is out of the bag and now we know publicly what many of us have known privately for many months—a little group of Eugene men desire to steal the Southern Pacific shops from Springfield and place them on a gift site west of Eugene. The only part of the scheme that surprised us is that they have the colossal nerve to ask the good people of Eugene to be party to this underhanded scheme—to vote \$175,000 in bonds to pay for the site which is being held on option.

It is the Southern Pacific company plan to build its shops on the tract acquired some ten years ago east of Springfield. This has always been the company's plan and is now. The Eugene men's entry into the matter if it can be said they have made an entry, shows only a narrow minded viewpoint of the benefit that city can derive from the shops: To the people of Springfield this scheme to steal the railroad shops is but another outcropping of the old "snake in the grass" attitude certain men, seemingly in authority, in Eugene have adopted toward this city. This scheme can be held in no other way than in contempt by the people of Springfield.

Only a few months ago the leader of this clique to buy a shop site in Eugene and give it to the railroad made public announcement that that city did not have a chance to secure them and advocated lending support to Springfield. This statement was generally accepted as the truth here and hailed as a new "friendly spirit" that was springing up between the two towns. But it was only camouflage while this bunch of schemers perfected their plans for a poisonous gas attack. Under cover of this smoke screen options on land were being taken and representations being made to the railroad company.

The danger in this attack on the part of the Eugene men lies not so much in the possibility of Eugene getting the shops instead of Springfield but in whether the railroad will build them at all on this side of the mountains. The controversy and ill feeling that these Eugene men have injected into the issue will have a bad effect on the railroad officials. It may mean that they will not become involved in the mess and sidetrack both towns as shop sites.

However, we are loath to believe the good people of Eugene will have anything to do with this vile smelling scheme to steal the shops. They will not have anything so rotten as that fostered on them. Instead of getting the people to vote a \$175,000 bond issue to purchase the land, chances are 10 to 1 the nefarious scheme will be turned down and the plotters will be in the hole the amount of a \$30,000 option.

### FOOLING OURSELVES

Once there was a Springfield merchant who had a quantity of shoes, that were a little out of date. He displayed them in his show window and offered them for sale at \$1.95. Nobody would buy. In the course of time this same merchant bought a stock of goods in Eugene and started to close out the store. He sent the shoes over to Eugene and sold them out at \$3.50. Many of them to Springfield people. Some people have to fool themselves to be satisfied.

### BIG DAILIES VANISHING

There seems to be a race on between Mr. Munsey of New York, and Mr. Curtis of Philadelphia, to see who can buy the largest number of metropolitan dailies. It may be that in a few years four or five men will own and control all the large dailies in Our Country. The Country weeklies and small dailies remain the big independent groups of newspapers. There are some fourteen thousand of these published and read in the homes of the people and reaching a majority of the population.

Vacationitis, the disease that expands the imagination centers while it all but paralyzes the muscle tissue of the body, is claiming many victims here. Advance reports from the seashore, wooded places, fishing grounds and mountain retreats are that more victims of this recurring malady are expected than ever before, and that reservations are increasing in direct ratio as the changing climate intensifies the disease.

Eugene men plan to have that city bond itself and buy a shop site to trade to the Southern Pacific for its shop site in Springfield. They say that we should be delighted for if they make the trade the 280 acres here will be donated to this city as a playground. We'll have all the fun and Eugene the shops and smoke.

There are between 450,000 and 475,000 miles of surfaced roads in the United States, according to a report of the department of agriculture. The following recommendation is made by the department:

"For the movement of every vehicle over a road, there is a certain cost, which is less if the road be improved than if it be left in a state of nature. Logically, therefore, the limit that should be placed on expenditures for road improvement is the amount that can be saved in vehicular operating costs. All roads should be improved to the maximum degree that their traffic justifies, but no road should be improved beyond its earning capacity."

Pullman designed his cars after seeing bunks. But whoever designed his sheets must have been seeing handkerchiefs.

After holding up a logging camp and getting away with the cash a Washington robber asked the sheriff for a ride. He got it.

School is out and another vacation is all ahead of the boys and girls. Wow.

The Presbyterians seems determined to legislate the correct way the dry law to enable them to dispense prescriptions as they wish. If they win they lose. The profession would soon be overcrowded.

For the sake of peace in the country we hope that Clarence Darrow and W. J. Bryan don't get into an argument about this monkey-business.

If all the babies are going to be born in hospitals from now on what is the country going to do for log cabin presidents.

We are fortunate again to have the airplane patrol for our forests during the fire season.

Eugene's last card is now on the table—it is about time for Springfield to put on the joker, and rake in the pot.

The amount of liquor smuggled into this country and that withdrawn from bonded warehouses legitimately is about 1 per cent of the pre-war consumption, experts announce. Now for the figures on what the moonshiners make and we will know how dry we are.

Ten hens laying purple eggs have been brought to this country from Argentine. We supposed the rabbits had a corner on the colored eggs business.

Suggest we send a flock of installment house collectors to Europe. If they don't get the back payments, then our debtors are insolvent.

Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of the home team.

The United States refuses to recognize Russia but that isn't our fault if she is unrecognizable.

The new railroad bridge seems to be the next thing on the program.

Europe needs more "settling down and settling up."

German marks are now worth 23 cents a trillion. But who'd count 'em for that.

### Answer to last week's puzzle.

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"Well, no, I can't say that I do," was the answer, "but I'm sure it pays my son Jim."

"How's that?" asked another man. "Well, you see, I bought him the fowls; I have to furnish their food; I buy the eggs from him and he eats them."—Farm Life.

### Have Many Books

The University of Oregon ranks second among twenty-two leading American universities and colleges in circulation of library books for home use for the year 1923-24, according to a survey made by M. H. Douglas,

University librarian. Oregon with an enrollment on the Eugene campus of 2656 students had a circulation of 57,892 books, or a per capita of 21.76. Princeton holds first place with an enrollment of 2448 students and a circulation of 80,929, giving this institution a per capita of 33.05.

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By A. B. CHAPIN

