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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. IV. Tell the World About Oregon's Scenic Wonderland.

BREAKS RECORD.

Probably the first time in the history of Oregon a budget committee met and actually lowered the estimated expenditures for a municipality over the preceding year occurred Monday night when the Town of Springfield committee adopted a budget about 250 less than the last year.

WHO PAYS THE TAXES?

The editor of the Cottage Grove Sentinel finds in searching the tax rolls that in every instance business and enterprises in comparison are paying more taxes than Eugene.

But at present, we would remind Cottage Grove that she is not paying all the taxes. Springfield is conceded to be a smaller city than Cottage Grove yet she had a higher assessed valuation last year and paid a greater total millage.

LABOR'S LATEST DEMAND.

Almost before the shade of Samuel Gompers as passed into his greater sphere the spectre of renewed labor trouble arises to remind the world of the worth of the man who has gone.

The report of the National Industrial Conference Board just made public shows that the average working hours today stand at 47.5 per week. There is a well defined increase in employment, and weekly earnings increased rather than decreased as a result of our slow reconstruction.

No workman today can complain of a poor wage, even in the face of present living costs nor can he complain of unemployment. In the country it is next to impossible to get work done at any price, and for the most part the results bear every evidence of either incompetence or carelessness.

There is of course little or no quarrel with the high wage. Everyone wants to see the American working man self-respecting and well rewarded. But when it comes to shortening the work day, when it comes to hating over to industrial workers the gross result of genius in developing production, it is getting time to call a halt.

HEAR 'EM YELL.

These oil station in west Eugene that flew the "Vote for the Terminal" banner are now running up distress signals because the highway is going to be changed to the other side of the railroad tracks to avoid a death trap at Blair street crossing.

An electric locomotive in a tug of war dragged two huge steam locomotives up a two per cent grade near Snoqualmie pass on the Milwaukee railroad the other day. The steady pull of the electric machine yanked the steam rigs back between breaths of the cylinders, railroad men said.

A half dozen Cleveland prohibition enforcement officers have become blind by sampling moonshine. Some are so blind they never could find any to sample.

A business man tells us he is committed to life, liberty and the pursuit of a golf ball.

BUSINESS CONDITIONS IN THE TWELFTH FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICT

By John Perrin, Chairman of the Board

There was little change in the general business situation in the Twelfth Federal Reserve district during September. Seasonal increases in total volume of trade were smaller than is usual but, comparing September, 1925, with September, 1924, a larger than normal annual increase in trade volume was shown.

This bank's index of bank debits, a measure of general business activity, declined from 146 (1919 monthly average—100) in August, 1925, to 143 in September, 1925, due to allowance being made for normal seasonal variation.

Building activity continued at high levels during September. The value of building permits issued in 20 principal cities of the district was less by 10.3 per cent than in August, which compares with an estimated normal seasonal decrease from August to September of 13.0 per cent.

Lumber production of reporting mills in four trade associations of the district exceeded their shipments and

sales by 4.1 per cent and 10.0 per cent, respectively, during September, 1925. Production, shipments, and sales (orders) were all larger in volume during September, 1925, than during September, 1924, although smaller than during August, 1925.

Trade at retail, as reported by 32 department stores in seven principal cities of the district, was 0.5 per cent smaller in value during September, 1925, than during August, 1925. There is normally a seasonal decrease of approximately 4 per cent in value of sales during September as compared with August, and this bank's index, which is adjusted for seasonal variations, advanced from 148 (1919) monthly average—100 in August, 1925, to 153 in September, 1925.

Used Car Values

- 1923 Ford Touring, 1923 Ford Fordor Sedan, 1923 Chevrolet Roadster, 1923 Chevrolet Touring, 1922 Ford Coupe.

Gannett Motor Co.

Chevrolet Dealers, Eugene, Oregon

Magnavox Radio

The simplicity of this Radio will appeal to you as it has to us. Anyone can operate it—just one dial. Come in and arrange for demonstrations.

Marshall's

56 9th Ave. W. Eugene Stanley Bldg.

Wanted---A Job

I want to work for YOU: I can double the amount of work YOU now produce! And thereby increase YOUR income.

I can cut in half YOUR daily worries! And double or treble YOUR enjoyment of LIFE!

I can, in short, make LIFE itself a pleasure! And I come where the door is open!

I will cost you less than I earn!

For I am a FRIEND. I AM HEALTH!

Chiropractic

Is the Safe, Sane, and Sure, Science of Restoring Health through the Nerves.

License No. 300 Phone 355J

Geo. A. Simon

Over Penney Store, Eugene

Tire repairing



Official Goodyear

Tire Repair Service Station, Expert Balloon Tire Repairing

Eugene Vulcanizing Works

957 Oak St. 1020

Words of Wisdom

THRIFT—It is easy to prove that money spent on trifles in youth would keep many a man from want in old age.

Opening a saving account in a child's name has many times resulted in thrift-forming habits which have been the foundation stones for a successful life.

Out-of-town neighbors might do well to make the trip into town more than a spending excursion from the child's standpoint. Make it an event for adding a little to a saving account.

We Pay 3 Per Cent Interest

Commercial State Bank

Springfield, Oregon

NEW WINTER "RED CROWN"



Prepare for action with the new winter Red Crown gasoline—hair-trigger starting—worlds of power—mileage! At Standard Oil Service Stations and "Red Crown" dealers.

WILD TO GO!

STANDARD OIL COMPANY (CALIFORNIA)

This Week



By Arthur Brisbane

GREATEST OF ALL WEALTH. AMERICA'S GARDEN SPOT. ALFALFA AND FREEDOM. KILLERS FOR HIRE SCARCE.

Our crops are worth billions every year. That's encouraging. In our mines and oil wells are hundreds of billions stored away, and that's encouraging.

The unused water power of this nation is worth tens of billions, and other tens of billions for irrigation afterwards. That's encouraging, and also the fact that in the atmosphere above there are endless billions worth of nitrogen, which can be brought down by electrical power.

But there is a greater wealth, and its figures more important.

One single city, New York, has for the first time in its history MORE THAN ONE MILLION CHILDREN ENROLLED IN ITS PUBLIC SCHOOL CLASSES.

That is the REAL wealth of today, and the real power of the future.

Take away those children, and this country, with all its mines, water power and fertile soil, would amount to as little as it did when a few Indians possessed it and spent their time murdering each other.

At the Genesee, N. Y., fair Lieutenant-Governor Lowman arranged to ride one mile on the back of a five-ton elephant.

The farmers doubtless laughed, as they saw 250 lbs. of human being carried by 10,000 pounds of elephant.

A 10,000-pound elephant will carry on its back one moose, to ride the big boat, and in the bowditch on its back an English gentleman eager to kill a tiger without giving that tiger a chance to kill him.

Consider the gap between Kublai Khan and Automobile manufacturers who gives you for a few dollars a little machine that will carry seven people forty miles an hour, carrying more than its own weight in freight.

If our progress in THINKING had equalled our progress in transportation, we should be better off than we are.

Riding over the desert lands, destined to be the world's most beautiful garden, from Colorado to Arizona you could not resist buying land, hoping to live there some day, at the end of your mighty dollar hunt in the East.

Nothing grows until you irrigate. And when you irrigate EVERYTHING WILL GROW.

Do you put fertilizer or lime on Mojave Desert alfalfa? Not an ounce of either. Alfalfa roots go down eighteen feet through soil washed down from mountains made up of lime, minerals and centuries of growing and decay.

The soil also produces democracy. Any man with a hundred million dollars who thinks he is better than some other American should go there. He would gather valuable information.

Going through that country every brown golden hill in the distance more beautiful than any palace or castle, under a magnificent blue sky as big as the country, you care nothing for news that comes out of human swamps in the East.

Your only hope is that the Government will know enough to provide the flying machines necessary to take people to that land and to protect it.

John Hulbert, official executioner at Sing Sing prison, quits his job after killing 140 in the electric chair. For this he has been paid \$21,000—\$150 for each killing.

Will the retiring executioner ever meet, on the other shore, the 140 that he sent on ahead? If so, what will they say to each other? Thank him, very likely.

It is difficult to find another executioner, because he must be a trained electrician, willing to kill for a living. It should be not difficult but IMPOSSIBLE to find such a man in a civilized state.

About Your Health

Things You Should Know



by John Joseph Gaines, M. D.

Tuberculosis Germs Not Inherited.

Most anybody nowadays can write or speak intelligently of tuberculosis. My little neighbor, a lad of ten, not yet in "Junior High" refers gravely to "T.B." when conversing with his play-fellows; the learned scientists and the statisticians, however—to combat it successfully—remains a dark and unfathomable secret.

The outstanding fact to be remembered in tuberculosis is, it is communicable. People do not inherit germs—they are acquired. A child may be infected, and harbor the bacteria for years without symptoms. Let him get influenza, or pneumonia or even a severe "cold" and the tubercle bacilli awaken to do serious mischief.

The germs when dry, blow everywhere! A dozen school children racing along in their glee inhaled millions of these deadly germs! If there is an ordinance in YOUR town against spitting on the sidewalk, make it include the entire street at your next meeting!

Next Week, More about Tuberculosis