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WE SHOULD CARRY ON

Springfield closed a week of Community revival services that has stimulated much civic pride and town spirit. Captain C. S. Nusbbaum left us with a new vision of things after giving messages that touched most of his hearers' hearts. But without we follow out these ideas and ideals pictured to us his visit will do little good. During the week here Captain Nusbbaum spoke to 14 different gatherings and allowing for people who heard him more than once the ears of 1000 or 1200 people were probably reached. Truly if this number of people have a will to carry on Springfield can accomplish most anything humanly possible.

We should not let ourselves drift as a community but all should be up and doing. Those who have ideas should come to the Chamber of Commerce and attempt to put them over. Sell yourself that your idea is right and then convince others. Soon the whole town will be organized for your project and if it is right you have accomplished something worth while.

Large bodies move slowly and it is a hard job to hurry a town. But if there is teamwork a town can be moved and kept going ahead even though no outside capital is invested in it and outside capital is more likely to come if the town is alive and doing. Nobody wants to make an investment in a grave yard while he is living. People just naturally like to live and spend their money in live places. Let's liven up Springfield and community.

FOR A STRONG HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

Lane county should have a strong highway committee to push the completion of our state roads, the McKenzie, Willamette, Roosevelt and Coast highways. We are not getting our share of the state money in Lane county. The Pacific highway is the only state road completed in Lane county and the license fund from our 13,000 automobiles will soon have it paid for although the bonds run for many years yet.

Other counties have strong citizen delegations before the highway commission at every meeting. The result is Lane county state roads are side-tracked for projects proposed by these men in other counties.

A strong road committee, appointed from the Chambers of Commerce of every town in the county, the grange and farmers union, should be organized and a delegation should attend every highway meeting until we get what is due us. Lane county has spent more of her money for roads than any other county, except Multnomah, and proportionately when her taxable property and auto and gasoline taxes are considered gotten less than any other.

We were in Eugene Saturday and watched a captain of the state traffic force park a state automobile on a yellow corner line close up to the cross walk on a busy street. He seemed to act as though it were his privilege to park anywhere he chose. We believe that officers whose sworn duty it is to enforce the laws should obey the laws as well and set an example for other people. Sam Kozar should weed this sort of men out of his force they haven't the stuff to make good officers—they're lacking in the sense of right and wrong.

Whether or not it is mentioned in their platforms, almost every politician is particularly interested in forestry. The log-rolling department, at least.

Inasmuch as there is nothing to interfere, why doesn't the King of Italy go over and play with the little King of Roumania?

HERE NOW—OPPORTUNITY—FAITH IN U. S.

Write this on your tablets, and never rub it out. "Buy something sound in the United States, take care of it for better, for worse, and it will take care of you." Before the big war General Motors stock sold for \$20 a share. There were 400,000 shares outstanding. In 1916 the stock sold at \$850 a share. The company gave five shares for one, the new stock sold at \$410. Later each shareholder got ten shares for one and had fifty shares. His original one share that had cost him \$20 was worth \$2100.

There was a slump. Pierre du Pont of the Du Pont Company became chairman of the board, Mr. Sloan, president of the company. Common stock was reduced from 20,000,000 to 5,000,000 shares. The original holder of one share that cost \$20, without having tolled or spun, simply by holding on, now has 37½ shares, at present prices worth \$5,267, not a bad return on an investment of \$20.

But don't gamble; make up your mind what is good, buy what you can, hold it. Some see these things in advance. During the war when the Stock Exchange was closed, Otto H. Kahn said to a newspaper man: "Buy yourself a couple of thousand shares of General Motors (it was selling then at \$59 a share), keep it and you will have all the money you will ever need. The profit on that transaction, which required no great investment, would have been a little more than ten million dollars.

The Eugene ministerial union should have a percentage of the gate receipts for drumming up a crowd for Judge Ben Lindsey's lecture on "Companionate Marriage." Without the free advertising it is doubtful whether Mr. Lindsey would have had a third of the audience that he did. Truly we would all be lucky if we were able to make money out of our enemies as does Judge Lindsey.

Tell a person not to hear a lecture, see a certain show or read a racy book his curiosity will be greatly aroused. Chances are that nine out of ten times he will do just the thing he is told not to do in this regard.

The fellow who said the automobile was ruining the younger generation, really meant—the younger generation is ruining the automobile. Yeh, all of them.

When Bill Hinch told Sam Pudy's wife to shut her mouth and keep it shut, she did. Bill is a dentist.

Stranger in town last week "did not choose to run" while crossing the street. One less Republican vote in 1928.

Well, since that London typist swam the English channel there is at least one stenographer in the world with a clean neck.

It has taken more than five years to prove it, but the nation now knows that Harry Sinclair has no Teapot Dome.

It now develops that most every tooth in the prohibition law is "gold filled."

Levine's enemies may say what they wish but they can't say he double-crossed the Atlantic.

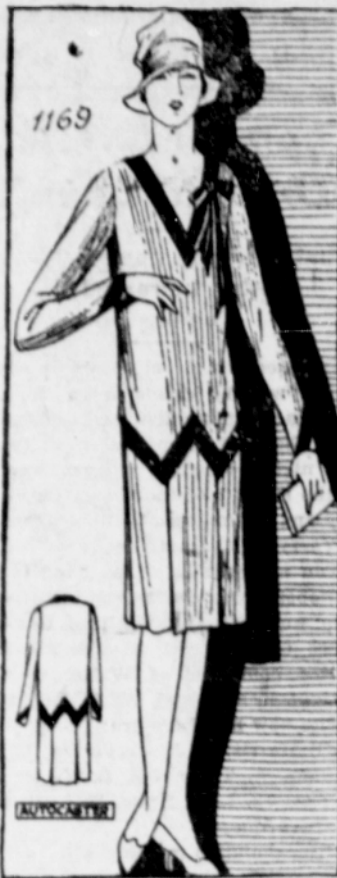
Editorial Comment

SPENDING IS THE FUN

Directors of St. Helens' chamber of commerce recently indicated their choice of chamber committee membership. There were fourteen requests for membership on public improvement committee, seven desired place on merchant's committee, industrial department was chosen by four, while only three expressed a willingness to sit on city affairs committee. Spending, improving, beautifying appeals to aggressive, impatient men. It attracts their attention. Administration of city affairs is apt to be tedious, apt to require study and analysis. It is lack of willingness on part of business men to pull on the tug straps of city administration, responsible for some of the messes into which city operation sometimes falls—Oregon Voter.

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Fair Enough
Teacher—and now, children, give me the definition of a husband.
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Right in His Line
Medico's Wife—"And do you really think I swallowed that silly alibi you gave me last night?"
"I don't know, my dear. But I can have you X-rayed."

Tramp Efficiency
Tramp: "I've asked for money begged for money, and cried for money."
Man: "Have you ever tried working for it?"
Tramp: "Not yet. I'm going through the alphabet and I have not come to 'W.'"

Oh, That's Different
Dad—"Why don't you dance with young Thompson?"
Co-ed—"Why, I wouldn't dance with him if he were worth a million."
"Well, he is."
"Good heavens. Introduce me, quick."

Decoyed
"Goodness, have you been in an accident?"
"Do you remember that play of mine that was produced the other night?"
"Yes."
"Well, they called for the author at the end and unfortunately I didn't realize how much they wanted him."

The Door—The Door
Graduate—"Have you an opening for a college trained man?"
Manager—"Yes, it's right behind you, and would you mind closing it as you go out?"

Please Count 'Em
"I've never had a chance," said the man with the lang-dog expression. "No matter what I do my unlucky number pops up and gets me into trouble."
"How come? What is your unlucky number?"
"Thirteen. Twelve jurors and one judge."

Several Are Injured
Charles Wetzel of Marcola was badly shaken and bruised Friday when he fell off a bumper on a car while working for the Fisher Lumber company.
On October 20, W. A. Koons, Fischer millwright, sustained a fractured rib when he fell across a timber.
A. B. Garrison of Marcola was treated here Monday for an injured hand.

Auxiliary to Meet
The American Legion Auxiliary will meet tomorrow at the home of Mrs. A. B. Van Valsah. Plans will be shaped for the dinner to be given by the Auxiliary and Legion on Armistice evening.

Perkins Building School
George Perkins, Springfield contractor, has started work on the construction of a new high school building at Mapleton, to cost in the neighborhood of \$15,000. Mr. Perkins recently finished the new Marcola school.

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