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KEEP OUT RUSSIAN LUMBER

Russian lumber produced from free stumpage and apparently by convict labor should not be allowed to enter this country in competition with our own, especially when the soft wood industry is in as poor condition as now. The new tariff bill has provisions which prohibit such importations, and they should be invoked.

With the lumber industry at a standstill and those mills which are now operating under "slow bell" and many of them cutting an already low wage, it is not fair to beat down the market still more with Russian lumber.

MOTORING PESTS

Everybody who has done any considerable amount of travel by automobile has run into the two commonest pests which annoy the motorist.

One is the "hitch-hiker," using the term broadly to cover any stranger who tries to halt your car and asks for a lift. The other is the beggar who tries to sell you something worthless when your car is held up in line awaiting the clearance of traffic in the other direction where the road is under repair.

Several states have recently legislated against both of these pests. New York imposes a penalty of fine and imprisonment on anybody asking a passing motorist for a ride. Massachusetts imposes a fine of \$5.00 for offering goods for sale to stalled tourists.

There have been enough cases in many states, of hold-up men getting a lift and then robbing and in some instances killing the generous motorists who obliged them, to justify legislation on that subject. There are enough risks incident to motoring without that one. The other type of pest, the fellows who—frequently posing as ex-service men seeking funds for the relief of disabled veterans—try to sell cheap lead pencils or souvenir booklets when their victims cannot get away from them, and frequently become profane and abusive when the motorist refuses to come across, are just plain, unmitigated nuisances, and should be subject to the vagrancy laws without the necessity of special legislation.

We are too soft in dealing with minor crimes and misdemeanors, in most parts of the United States. We are too inclined to be sympathetic with the man who makes a pretense of trying to earn money, even though we know that it is only a pretense. Every once in a while the police in the big cities discover that some corner beggar has accumulated a fortune and is better able to ride in his own car and live in luxury than most of those who drop pennies and nickels into his hat.

So long as human nature is what it is, however, we suppose there will be a fair quota of people trying—and often succeeding—to get money without working for it.

The McKenzie highway is going through another summer in horrible condition. The summit section is the only good road of any length now on the entire stretch. Lane county is losing hundreds of thousands of dollars by the haphazard methods of construction on this highway. There is no excuse for throwing up new grades with big rocks and then letting it lay a year or so before resurfacing. Better take a section of road and complete it before sticking the plow into other sections.

The first six months of this year 297 new families located in Oregon and invested \$1,282,384 according to a report of the state chamber of commerce. They purchased 50,000 acres of land and plan to invest more than three million dollars. This is a fair showing under present conditions.

A statistical shark has figured that Americans drink 75,000 cups of coffee every second. And no telling how many saucers.

REPUBLICAN NOMINEE LIKELY TO BE PROGRESSIVE

Who'll be the Republican nominee selected by the state central committee when it meets in Portland next week is a question being most frequently asked. To make the nomination the committee faces a hard task, it is granted. Hopes were, of both party leaders and laymen since the death of Mr. Joseph some outstanding man would develop that everybody would recognize as a leader, and his selection would not require any long session of the committee.

To present a united front in November the Republican party must have as a standard bearer, a liberal who will appeal to both the standpaters and the ultra progressives. This is generally recognized by party leaders and it is safe to say who ever is nominated will be more progressive than any governor before. However, it is not thought that he will go so far as the late Mr. Joseph's platform would point.

A recent shipment of razors to Africa indicates that they are going to have a big dance over there.

"Boy Saves Father From Bull"—Headline. A son like that would be worth having around during a political campaign.

When a person uses an unusual word frequently, it is a good indication that it is a recent acquisition.

Away of Life by BRUCE BARTON

TOO MUCH PITY
A man who has won high distinction in his chosen field of labor came into my office not long ago. He walks with a limp, for one of his legs is shorter than the other.

He told me that for years he went around on crutches.

"I finally threw them away," he said, "and I'll tell you why. I got infernally tired of having people stop to ask me what had happened. I didn't want sympathy. It did me no good, and slowed up my operations. I'm lame. I'll never be any better. But I can stand lameness better than I can stand being pitied."

There is a great waste of pity in the world. I know, for example, a couple who seem to be curiously mismatched. The woman is ten years older than the man. She is argumentative. She is not a good housekeeper.

At least a hundred times I have heard somebody say: "I'm so sorry for Joe. He might have picked out a lovely young girl, and see what he went and did."

Now, the simple fact is that the man and woman are exceedingly happy. I personally can't see what he finds attractive in her, nor why she should have chosen him. But it is none of my business, and I certainly am not going to waste sympathy on two folks who seem to like each other and to be perfectly satisfied.

I live part of every year in the middle of Manhattan island, and the rest of the time in a New England village. My Manhattan friends say: "What a terrible bore it must be to live in a little town. No theatres, no art galleries, no excitement. How I pity country people."

My village friends say: "I like to go to New York for a visit, but what a frightful place to live! Noise and crime, rush and expense! The poor folks who are crowded together in those big apartments just don't know what real living is. How I pity them."

What an absurd situation. What an emotional waste!

This seems to me to be a pretty good idea—don't weaken your emotional nature by pouring out pity unless you intend to do something about it.

Pity the sick and relieve them. Pity the poor, and divide with them. Sympathize with the struggles of youth, and lend a helping hand.

But don't get into the foolish habit of being sorry for anybody who happens to be different from yourself. The chances are that he is spending an equal amount of his time being sorry for you.

RED CROSS IS READY TO ASSIST VETERANS TO FILE NEW CLAIMS

All Red Cross chapters on the Pacific Coast are now ready to assist all veterans of the World War in the filing of their claims for the "disability allowance" provided for in the World War Veterans act as amended on July 3, 1930. A supply of the application blanks have been distributed to the 300 chapters on the Pacific Coast states and may be obtained at any of these places.

The first requisite of the new act is that all beneficiaries must be honorably discharged veterans of the World War. Many hundreds of veterans will be eligible for the new benefits and are expected to apply for them. The act provides a monthly allowance ranging from \$12 to \$40, according to the degree of disability, to veterans who served more than 90 days and who are suffering from a 25 per cent or greater disability not acquired in service and for which compensation has not been paid.

No payment of this allowance shall be made prior to July 3, 1930, and no veteran shall be entitled to it unless he has been exempt from payment of a Federal income tax for one year preceding the filing of his application. No veteran can receive both compensation and disability allowance during the same period.

It is necessary that all veterans wishing to file a claim must bring his honorable discharge or a certified copy of the same with him to the Red Cross office.

OUTING CLUB MEMBERS TO ENJOY GOOD FISHING

Those attending the Obsidian club summer camp at Marion Lake will enjoy good fishing, according to three local men who spent Sunday at the lake near Mt. Jefferson. W. K. Barnell, Dr. W. N. Dow and H. E. Maxey brought back good catches of cut-throat trout after a few hours fishing. They went over the McKenzie pass to Allingham ranger station on the Metolius, thence to Jack Lake on a mountain road where the Minto trail was then followed to the lake.

Marion Lake has beautiful surroundings on the top of the Cascade range. It is a six and one-half mile hike from the end of the road on the east side and a fifteen mile walk on the west side of the mountain to reach the lake. Other smaller lakes in the section are said to be well stocked with fish.

CALIFORNIA LEADS IN SENDING NEW FAMILIES

More families come to Oregon to make their homes from the state of California than from any other state in the union, according to a report just issued by W. G. Ide, manager of the State Chamber of Commerce. Five families came to Oregon from the Golden State and bought farms during the last week in June.

A total of 297 families have moved to this state during the last six months, according to the report and these people have purchased over 50,000 acres of land and invested in lands, household goods, machinery and equipment of all kinds approximately \$1,282,384.

Another 1000 people have written the chamber of their intentions of coming to this state this fall for the purpose of seeking new homesites. They have stated on questionnaires

RELIEF FROM CURSE OF CONSTIPATION

A Battle Creek physician says, "Constipation is responsible for more misery than any other cause."

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that they will have \$2,265,470 for investment purposes. Manager Ide calls attention in the report to the fact that people are now pouring into the state from every side as a result of literature and advertising placed before them during the winter months. He urges that every assistance be given those inquiring folks to learn of our state and its many opportunities.

SQUIRREL POISONING CAMPAIGN NEARS END

The squirrel poisoning campaign, carried on by the county agent's office, is being brought to a close this month, according to O. S. Fletcher, Lane Agricultural agent. Claims from four committeemen who have been working on the poisoning of the gray digger squirrel were brought to the county office last week and more are expected this week and the next. The first four men to report had put out poison in nine different tracts totalling 1089 acres of neglected land where the owners failed

to take action against the squirrels. There are 45 committeemen who have been working on this task this season. They are paid for their time and the poison barley by the county court, and that amount is charged against the land on which the work is done. Owners are given an opportunity to pay before it goes on the tax rolls, otherwise it is added to their taxes.

BAPTIST FINANCES ARE GOOD SAY REPORTS

Consideration of reports of the various departments of the church was the principal business at the quarterly meeting of the Baptist church on Thursday evening of last week. The church is now in a better financial condition than it has been for many years, according to the reports given at the meeting.

Jasper Resident Here—M. A. Helms of Jasper, transacted business here on Monday.

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