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A PECULIAR FEATURE.

There is a peculiar feature of the newspaper business that probably is not found in any other business on the entire list. A newspaper is expected to publish all the news about all people and every fellow expects to find the news about everybody else, good or bad, there, and all the news about himself—that is good. When the little item comes along that is not complimentary, then the individual concerned swears by all the eternal that the editor has a spite at him and wants to proceed straightway to get even. The editor who is fit to fill his place is courageous enough to disregard all of this and pursue his daily work without fear, publishing in his paper the things that he feels obligated to his clients to publish. He is not often a popular individual, and he does not care a rap whether he is or not. He knows, if he is fit to conduct a paper, that he must hit someone every time he shoots and he also knows that in the course of a few years there will be many people looking for him with a meat axe. If he is a coward he will quail before this condition and his paper will have about as much force as a wooly worm in a battle with an alligator. In this regard, this business is peculiar—but it is an interesting game; one gets such a good grand-stand view of human nature.

Referring to the made-in-Oregon campaign the Dallas Observer very properly says that if Oregon manufacturers would use the methods employed by those without the state instead of depending upon a paid propaganda by paid propagandists they might get more return for their money. About the only manufactured product that is not widely advertised in Oregon newspapers is the made-in-Oregon product, and it is an established fact that advertising sells goods. True, money is spent on professional boosters who claim to be able to develop public spirit that will sell the home made product and a tummy side of it is that they expect the newspapers who are not recognized by the manufacturers to get in and boost the game. But, as the Observer well says, if this money was spent in straight-out, legitimate advertising in the Oregon country newspapers there might be more practical results even if there was less hot air and fewer banquets attended only by those who do not need converting. The fellow the Oregon manufacturer must reach if he would increase his sales is the man who buys the eastern made goods and he can only be reached by the methods adopted by the eastern manufacturer—legitimate and skillful advertising.—Hillsboro Independent.

A wheat crop of better than 71,000,000 bushels is being harvested in the Pacific Northwest this season despite the many trials and tribulations that the crop has passed thru during the last few weeks. This is according to the estimates reached by Hyman H. Cohen, chief crop reporter of the Portland Journal, and one of the best informed men in this line on the coast. He estimates that the yield has been shortened at least 5,000,000 bushels by the unfavorable weather conditions, but notwithstanding the crop of 1914 will have been found to be a record breaker at the close of the season. Barley and oats will also be bumper crops, the former estimated at 17,000,000 bushels and the latter at 31,100,000 bushels.

It is a great tribute that is unconsciously paid to Mr. Roosevelt by one of his sons. Quentin remarks that "Papa is expected to pull everybody's chestnut out of the fire." The smart saying has its sordid side, but it contains a great and noble truth. Every man who thinks he is wronged and despairs of relief from existing political parties or leaders turns to Mr. Roosevelt. Struggling or oppressed causes regard him as their champion. An immense number of Americans consider him the tribune and defender of the people, their political St. George to slay dragons of iniquity.—Spokesman-Review.

What a peculiar world it is. Not deterred by the bad luck that befell our three Meacham train robbers many who were, or claim they were, passengers on that train are now trying to pull off a little stealing of their own. They have put in claims that are undoubtedly padded in view of the officers and railroad officials. They ask for the return of twice as much money as was stolen. Very likely some of the claims are filed by people who were not aboard the train at all. They are simply trying to do a little robbing on a safe basis. Here for sure is the psychology of crime exemplified in a new way.—E. O.

The contest for nomination to the office of supreme judge between Judge H. L. Benson of Klamath county and Judge Charles L. McNary of Marion county is drawing to a close with Judge Benson standing to win by one vote. To settle this contest and to find out who was really nominated it has been necessary to make a recount in many sections of the state and the result in Harney county is yet doubtful. If the vote should stand as indicated there, Judge Benson will have a majority of nine votes.

According to word received from Umatilla, actual construction of the diverting dam of the West Umatilla project will start soon. Morrison & Knudson of Boise, Idaho, contractors, have unloaded supplies at that point and a large crew will be added at once. There seems now no chance of work of construction of the West Umatilla project being delayed.

A daily newspaper, owned, managed, edited and circulated by women, is expected to make its first appearance in San Francisco within a few days. It will serve the interests of the Democratic party in the coming campaign, and it is hoped to make it a permanent publication of that city.

Sherman county suffered a severe storm of hail and rain on Sunday evening and much damage was done to ripening crops. The loss is estimated at \$250,000, and the sufferers are the farmers on the east side of the Deschutes Valley where the force of the storm was spent.

WHO HURT BUSINESS?

Editorial Portland Journal.
At last, there is official confirmation by a great non-partisan body of railroad corruption.

Yesterday's report by the Interstate Commerce Commission of crookedness in the New Haven is one of the most extraordinary indictments ever brought forward in this country. Remembering that the management of the road was by the Morgan and Rockefeller group of banks in New York City, the commission's finding is a dramatic and significant event.

The commission finds that there was a working alliance with political corruption in New York City which cost the New Haven stockholders \$1,200,000 paid to politicians for securing Westchester charter changes. The New Haven was made to pay \$11,000,000 for the Westchester when it was not worth over \$5,000,000.

John Billard was allowed to buy from and sell back to the New Haven, Boston & Maine, stock at a profit to himself of \$2,700,000 and was then rewarded with a directorship in the road. The New Haven was made to pay \$20,000,000 for Rhode Island trolleys admittedly worth no more than \$8,000,000.

Dozens of trolley properties in Connecticut and Massachusetts were bought for the New Haven at almost any price the owners saw fit to ask. One thousand newspapers in New England were subsidized, and hundreds of thousands of dollars spent on civic bodies, lobbyists, legislators and even college professors to influence public sentiment in favor of

New Haven monopolization of the transportation affairs of New England.

Large sums were paid in five states to lawyers who never participated in any litigation for the company. The losses to New Haven stockholders through corruption and maladministration are placed by the commission at \$60,000,000 to \$90,000,000. Dummy corporations were frequently employed to carry out the malodorous scheme of corruption.

What makes this recital of dishonest manipulation and waste extraordinary is the paramount fact of who did it. The road was managed, not by its president, not by its board of directors, not by its stockholders, but by certain great Wall Street financiers who were supposed to embody the highest integrity of the country.

They were Mr. Morgan, Mr. Rockefeller and their associates, who admittedly represented the best there is in Wall Street. Their opinions were law in the financial world. Their judgments were regarded as infallible. Wall Street almost defied them.

Yet look at their work! In their efforts to control the transportation of New England, they guided a great railroad system, one of the best in the world, to plunder and disaster. In their desire to exploit the people of half a dozen great states, for their own gain, they squandered \$60,000,000 to \$90,000,000 of the money of the New Haven stockholders, many of whom were reduced to bankruptcy.

What is more, these heads of New York banking houses, by interlocking directorates, control many of the great industrial and commercial enterprises of America. They and their immediate associates exercised sway over the great world of industry, finance, insurance, commerce, banking and transportation. In all these great fields, is it not almost certainly probable that they employed the same vicious methods, dealt with the same stealthy politicians, indulged in the same corrupting of government that they have been found guilty of by the Interstate Commerce Commission in the New Haven management?

In the light of these criminal transactions by the greatest banking heads in this nation, who would turn Woodrow Wilson back in his effort to make these things impossible? Who but special interests would repeal his tariff bill and restore to these groups of great financiers the power to tax the shelter, food and clothing of all the people?

Who would repeal the new currency bill which took from these New Haven wreckers their personal dominion over the credit and money of the country and give that control into the hands of the American people? Who can offer a single sound reason why the president's bill for a trade commission to supervise the trusts should be rejected? Who can put forward one legitimate argument against the president's bill to send to jail a trust brigadier for such exploitation as befell the New Haven?

Who that reads the Interstate Commerce Commission's arraignment of the New Haven management, can offer one single objection to the president's bill for regulating railroad issues of stock securities and for requiring the proceeds of such securities to be applied to the road instead of to the benefit of dishonest directors and managers?

They say President Wilson's policy has "hurt business." Is it President Wilson's policy or the Morgan-Rockefeller method of running railroads and other great institutions that has "hurt business?"

FACTS ABOUT HYDROPHOBIA.

In the current issue of Farm and Fireside, the national farm paper published at Springfield, Ohio, Herbert Quick, editor of that publication goes on with his articles showing the damage done to the sheep industry of the United States by worthless dogs. He says that there are many reasons for the proper control of dogs aside from their effects on sheep. He says that dogs disseminate the germs of hog cholera and other livestock diseases from farm to farm. But there is another reason for the confinement and regulation of dogs, and that is hydrophobia of which dogs are the sole source of infection. Following is an extract from Mr. Quick's article:

"The strict muzzling of all dogs in all seasons of the year—for dogs run mad as often in winter as summer—has been shown to be an absolute preventive of rabies. It has been worked out perfectly in Great Britain since 1887. In that year and the two following deaths from hydrophobia in Great Britain were respectively 217 for 1887, 169 for 1888 and 312 for 1889. In the latter a muzzling law was passed and enforced. In 1890 the number of deaths dropped to 129, and in the two following years to 79 and 29. In

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1892 the ordinance was repealed by the dog worshippers. Deaths from the bites of mad dogs rose by the following steps in the years which succeeded; 93, then 248, the 672. Horrified by this sacrifice to unmuzzled dogs the law was passed and enforced again. In 1896 deaths dropped to 38, next to 17, to 9, to 6, to only 1 in all Great Britain; rose in 1902 to 13 and since that time not a single death has occurred in England, Scotland and Wales from hydrophobia. The muzzling of dogs saves hundreds of tragedies every year.

"All dogs should be muzzled for reasons of common humanity. If this were enforced the worrying of sheep would be largely a thing of the past."

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Mrs. Ida Warnock, who has been spending the past three months at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Minor near town, departed on Wednesday morning for Portland.

Virginia to Vote on Prohibition.

Richmond, Va., July 14.—Out of an estimated total of 140,000 qualified voters in Virginia, 68,936 have signed petitions calling upon Governor or Henry C. Stuart to call a statewide election to decide whether liquor shall continue to be sold in the state. The petitions were filed today and Governor Stuart is expected to call the election for September 22, as provided by the enabling act passed by the last Legislature.

Of those who signed the petition, 57,356 live in the counties, most of which already are "dry."

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