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PLAN TO REOPEN STOCK EXCHANGE FOR BOND SALES. NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—A definite plan to re-open the New York Stock Exchange for transactions in bonds under certain restrictions will be submitted to the governing committee of the exchange on Tuesday, it was announced today.

GREAT FUNERAL FOR BOB BURDETTE. PASADENA, Cal., Nov. 21.—The body of Dr. Robert J. Burdette, the preacher-humorist, who died Thursday, was interred today.

OBITUARY. Ray Zimmerman. Fate seemed extremely cruel sometimes, and 'tis extremely hard to comprehend its meaning. Less than two years ago two happy children, a boy and a girl, came often to visit us.

Just a few short weeks ago they moved to Selma, twenty-two miles from Grants Pass, and still not one cloud darkened their horizon. But on Wednesday of last week, the 11th day of this November, the fatal blow was struck, not only literally, but in fact, for on that day the poor boy cut a deep gash in his instep which resulted in his death.

I was requested to write these few lines by one of his family, that it might rectify some few mistakes in the obituaries. Some have said he was sick a week after this sad accident, and some have intimated lack of care, both of which statements are overdrawn.

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SWEDISH STEAMERS HALTED AT PORTS. STOCKHOLM, Sweden, Nov. 21.—A grave conflict threatens at Gothenburg between officers of the Swedish mercantile marine service and the Swedish ship-owners.

TIME TO HELP OURSELVES

"SHE flies with her own wings" is the motto of Oregon. It is truer of southern Oregon than of any other portion of the state. Only by her own efforts has the Rogue River valley succeeded in accomplishing anything—her own wings are still her sole motive power.

The initiative for any development or industrial enterprise that succeeds must be home-born. As long as the community affected is satisfied with things, as they are, the world is not going to interfere.

Whether Medford and the valley are going to awaken from the lethargy of the past two years, finally recover from the period of liquidation and readjustment that followed the era of exploitation and inflation, depends upon the people themselves. Shall we continue to crawl or shall we attempt a flight with our own wings?

The surrounding cities are putting forth every effort to build up themselves and the surrounding country. Ashland has voted \$175,000 for the municipal development of her wonderful mineral springs to make the city famous as a watering resort.

Two projects are in process of submission to the people of the valley—the construction of an irrigation system to increase tenfold our production, and the development of one of our greatest natural resources—timber.

Repeated efforts have been made in the past to secure the necessary acreage to sign up for water rights to justify the construction of an irrigation system. They have resulted in failure, principally because the holders of idle land refused to contract for water, preferring to hold for speculative purposes and reap the profit of unearned increment due to the efforts and enterprise of neighbors.

It is now proposed to create an irrigation district, by which means an irrigation system could be easily financed without burdening any one, and the cost be borne by the community as a whole, by the idle land as well as the cultivated, which would force the sale and cultivation of speculative holdings.

The irrigation district proposal will probably be fought by the large holders of property, who will neither utilize their idle land themselves nor sell it at figures that will permit any one else to farm it at a profit. It would be a God-send to the valley to freeze such land hogs out and place idle men upon the idle land, thus increasing many fold the production, population and prosperity of the community.

After waiting for many years for some of our non-resident millionaire timber owners to construct lumber manufacturing plants and thus check the flow of our own money from the country as well as furnish a payroll for our local workmen, it is finally realized that if we want such an industry we must start it ourselves.

All large tracts of Jackson county timber are owned by non-residents, the owners playing a watching and waiting game—watching to discourage manufacturing and development, waiting to force out competition, freeze out the little fellow and buy timber at a sacrifice, thus cleaning up greater profits than by operation.

An average of \$200,000 a year is sent out of the valley for lumber. It goes to keep up payrolls for the Booth-Kelly mills in the Willamette valley, for the Glendale mills, for the Grants Pass and other mills. Not a stick of lumber is cut from the twenty-odd billion feet of merchantable timber available in Jackson county.

This condition cannot last. As long as it does exist we shall never have abiding prosperity. Everyone must help check it, and this can be done by helping finance Mr. Hafer's project.

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BUD TURNS DOWN OFFER TO MEET BARRIEAU AGAIN

PORTLAND, Nov. 21.—Bud Anderson has turned down an offer from Wallace, Idaho, boxing promoters, offering him a 10-round bout on Thanksgiving day there with Frank Barrieau.

This didn't suit the Vancouver boy, as it wouldn't give him long enough to train to meet a man of Barrieau's caliber, and he wired back at once vetoing the proposition, but offered to meet Barrieau there on New Years, instead.

He has received no word from Wallace since wiring them yesterday. It is likely that the promoters are taking the proposition up with Barrieau, to see whether the change of date would suit him or not.

"I am not going to take any chances with Barrieau without pinning him down to a weight I can make," said Bud yesterday. When I met him in Canada he had all the best of the poundage proposition, and if I went on with him Thanksgiving, he would probably want it at catch weights.

"I convinced myself that I can still make trouble for any of the boys around my own weight when I boxed Willie Mack at Astoria last Monday night, and am satisfied with my condition. I didn't let myself out at any time to the limit, as I wanted to give myself a thorough tryout, and took no chance. I can go 20 rounds as well as 10, I am certain."

Stanley McDonald, the veteran boxing instructor, was at the Astoria ringside, and said after his return that the form shown by Anderson surprised him. According to McDonald, Bud was as fast as he ever was, and while outweighted by nearly 10 pounds, had all the best of the encounter after the first five rounds, which were even up.

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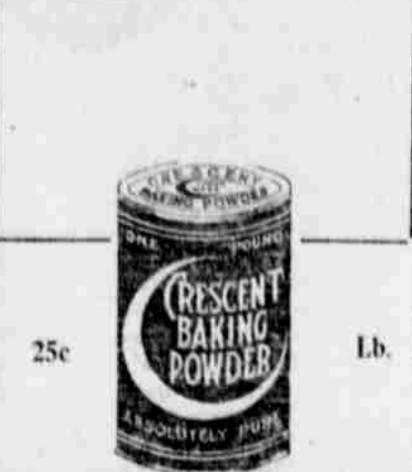
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