NEED OF HARBOR AT CRESCENT CITY MOST IMPERATIVE

By John Mortimer

The following facts concerning southern Oregon and the Rogue river valley in particular should be given most serious consideration by everyone living in and having material interests in this vast territory ::

Our location is such that we have never received the assistance needed financially frim Portland capital and have had to look elsewhere for money for development purposes and have had to pay excessive rates of interest which in itself is a great handicap.

People have come into this district from all parts of the United States and recognizing our great and valuable resources in vast commercial quantities east their lot with us and have builded their homes, only to find however that almost all of these resources, as it now stands, cannot be develiped at a profit because of the lack of cheap transportation.

Hundreds of thousands of tons of five per cent copper ore have been blocked out in the mines-but high rates for transportation keep the mines closed. Other copper districts with cheap rates of freight are operating steadily with two percent cop-

Wheat brings the lowest price here and flour the highest. We are compelled to pay the highest freight rates here of any place in the United States upon everything we buy.

A few years ago the orehardists planted some 60,000 acres of apple and pear trees in the Rogue river valley and these trees will all be in full bearing soon and will produce, with irrigation, approximately 18,-000,000 boxes of fruit per year or about 30,000 car loads all of which must go to eastern and foreign mar-

There are more than two hundred billion feet of standing timber in this Pacific ocean storms, where vessels district-yet not one real sawmill in operation in the entire districtagain no cheap transportation.

Birmingham, Alabama, has grown into a great manufacturing city from coal, iron and limestone, all of which is of poor quality, why? Because Birmingham has more thaan one railroad, hence cheap transportation. It costs more money to pay the freight on a ton of rails from Portland to Rogue river valley points than it does

suitable for blast furnace use in smelting iron, we have mountains of the highest grade limestone, and iron against the highest grade limestone against the highest grade limit. Manganise, chrome and red hemstite in close priximity, yet without cheap transpirtation it is of no value. The rate of transportation from Peru, South America, on Monday were astonished at the figiron ore to San Francisco, is less than one-half the rate from Rogue river valley to San Francisco.

It is all very well to live in the finest climate in the U. S. but that wont pay the grocer nor the butcher. We must have low freight rates or our resources will never be developed, and our only hope is to get the government to construct a harbor at Crescent City and all of us help to construct a railroad to that point.

A railroad from Medford via the Blue Ledge copper district would in a short time do a huge business.

Be it rememberel, that a railroad constructed from this valley to Creseent City would be subject to the ralings, as to freight and passenger rates, of the U. S. interstate commerce commission and no excessive rates could possibly obtain. The tory could not do business here, in. beet a gar factory in this valley will rate on copper ore from Blue Ledge to der present freight rates, in outside lar per ton. Tonnage rate between Rogue river valley and Crescent City not over two dollars per ton and water transportation between Crescent City and San rFancisco not to exceed one dollar per ton.

The big fruit steamers would take our fruit at Crescent City to New York and Europe at a saving ((when our orchards are in full bearing) of about six millions of dollars per year difference in favor of the growers.

If we had no greater population in the district affected than at the present time the saving on freight would amount to more than four handred thousand dollars each and every year upon other commolities. For instance the freight on 100 pounds of City harbor improvement has been both our values and populate sugar from San Francisco to Rogue river valley points is now 60 cents lots. Via Crescent City less than one-half

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200 MEN, WOMEN, BOYS AND GIRLS SHOW ARCHERY IS NOT DEAD SPORT.



struction, depth of water, etc. The plan shows sea room of several hun-dred acres and a depth of 32 feet, NINE PERSH IN easy of entrance during the worst could lay in quiet anchorage - a real

harbor of refuge. Should a harbor be constructed as recommended by the full military board of engineers at a cost of only \$1,800,000 it would require practically no expense for upkeep for after the flood that swept parts of St. drive and the record for hitting a it was once dredged out, there being Louis and some of the suburbs yesno river running into it, the harbor terday, and two persons are missing. could never fill in again with silt.

With this harbor and railroad conservative capital would quickly come that of a white woman, and eight from Birmingham, Ala., to Portland, to our relief and develop our wonderful resources, and employ thous- It was an offshoot of the storm We have millions of tons of coal ands of men every work day of each which swept Texas early in the week. transportation is the basis of commercial prosperity.

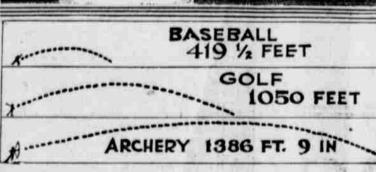
The congressional rivers and herbors committee at Crescent City last rashed toward he towns of Woodures and facts ably presented at the two hirsemen whi had stood watch at hearing which they gave to the rep- the levee, raced a hundred yards resentatives from southern Oregon ahead if the incoming water calling who met them there and without right and left "Run for your lives." doubt the committee was favorably in an hour the three towns were unimpressed with the statements made der ten feet of water, but the popu-

Now if we want to have inr re sources developed during our life time we must get a move upon each and every one of us and work hard and all the time till we get an outlet for our products via Crescent City, Medford, Grants Pass and Ashland would all grow into cities of vastand busy populations but indifference to this matter will surely empty our store buildings and houses and Western Sugar company, will return out our populations down to the to Medford the last of next week, minimum. Orekards will be dug up or go to ruin for a big canning fac-

The wealth of natural resources locked up in this section is greater took samples of the beets grown in than in any other district of like size known. More copper than in Alaska or Montana. Kaolin for making chinaware, the best of clays for all kinds of pottery and coal to burn it with. A column could be easily filled in naming the valuable offices will be opened in this city and

resources of this district. Let us all work faithfully for ... outlet for these resources which the ontside world want, forgetting personal differences, petty jealousies and rivalry of cities for we are all slow and a lot of hard work must in a most deplorable position and we done to bring it through. It must be

all need each others help to get out followed up most vigorously. Low The work of getting the Crescent cost of transportation would coable



Archery is a sport in which neither age nor sex is a handicap. The shotos show Dr. Robert Elmer of Wayne, Pa., national champion, and Mary Williams, 15, of Chicago, entrants in the national tournament.

entrance of nearly 200 men and wom-|even greater distances to take part on, boys and girls for the annual in tournaments. tournament of the National Archery association at Chicago.

being that the lovers of the bow and love of the sport. arrow game pay their own freight.

ST, LOUIS, Aug. 21.-Nine per-

Nine bodies were found today-one

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lation had escaped.

The contestants do not shoot for

Archery is an amateur sport pure cash prizes that would cover ex- life belts at hand. and simple, one of the big features penses, but for cups, medals and the

Proof that the ancient art of arch- And they travel from Boston, Mass ; some of the bows used in this sport and acting as the liner's escert ery has not died out is given by the Central City, Iowa; Topeka, Kan., and, is shown by a comparison of the dis- through her patrol. The destroyers, ball or baseball driven. The longest archery shot ever made

in this country, in public, was 870 feet, but in a tournament at La Tou-quet, France, last year, Ingo Simon, an expert, sent an arrow 1,386 feet, 9 inches. He used a Turkish com-lar process of the section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors processed it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with 9 inches. He used a Turkish composite bow, made of wed, horn and and

Three hundred anl fifty yards, or ons are known to have perished in 1.050 feet, is a corking good golf at baseball is 419 1/2 feet, set by Ed Walsh, the big pitcher of the Chicago White Sox.

CYMRIC GUARDED BY RELAYS OF BRITISH WARSHIPS

NEW YORK, Aug. 21.—Passengers and crew of the White Star liner Cymric asserted upon their arrival here toda that the Cymrie had been convoyed for 36 hours after leaving Liverpool August 11 by relays of British warships, five in number, and that she had not been permitted to sail unaccompanied until the war zone had been left behind.

The Cymrie toik virtually the same course as the Arabic, which was sunk Thursday by a German submarine. The Cymric carried 189 passengers, of whom 105 were in the steerage.

Before the Cymric was out of the Mersey, sailors provisioned the lift boats and swung them outward. The passengers were assembled and assigned their respective places in the boats so that there might be no confusion in emergency,

When clear of Liverpol harbor, the Cymric sighted a small cruiser, formerly a converted yacht, which steamed silently along side, some times approaching as close as 200 yards, till nearly sunset when the second relay, a fast vessel of the destroyer type, was sighted ahead, apparently awaiting the Cymrie's ar rival in her zone.

The eruiser dropped behind and the destroyer took her place. That night all lights, except candles, were extinguished and every port hole was blanketed. The passengers slept with

Four destroyers passed the slip from one to another, each warship An idea of the driving power of apparently patrolling a certain zone tance an arrow can be shot, a golf according to the Cymric passengers. darted back and forth and around the ship, circling her frequently.

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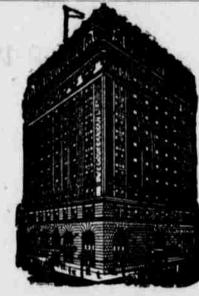
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