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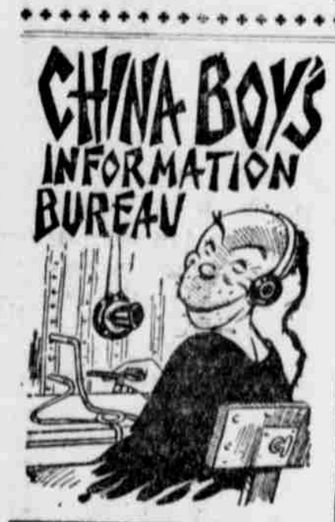

HONG KONG KOLUM

What shall I do when my girl says she has cold hands?—Peter. (Tell her to sit on dem.)

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The Servians are serving the allies well.

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Goodnight!

JERSEYVILLE, Ill., Nov. 17.—A divorce has been granted here to Bertie Goodnight from Harry Goodnight.

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Isn't She the Cat?

Della—How do you like my new hat?

Stella—Fine. I had one just like it last year!—Philadelphia Ledger.

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Mr. H. O. Hem has been employed by the Toledo Scale company as salesman. Ho Hem!—Lloyd.

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Maybe You Can Tell Him

Tommy—Father, which end of a dog is the west end?

Father—Don't be silly!

Tommy—Well, it says here that a mad dog was shot in the weset end.

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Little brother said the other day that my daughter Pearl, is so slow in dressing that her fiancee's auto goes out of style while he's waiting for her.—Richards.

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Today's Bellringer

"Say there's a ball game today and I wanta go," said Elihu Root's office boy one afternoon last summer. "That isn't the way to ask, boy," corrected Mr. Root. "Now you sit in my chair and I'll show you."

The boy took the chair and the eminent lawyer approached him.

"Please, sir," he began, "if you can spare me—"

"Why, certainly, Jimmy," broke in the office boy, "and here's 50c to pay your way in!"

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Stella's Bargain Counter

When a woman feels it in her bones that she is due for a new hat, it is usually in her wishbone.

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Yes, "Money has wings," as the old saying goes, "and taxicab rides make it fly."

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Here's a Pessimist for You!

"Forty years ago I paid $28 toward a new parish hearse," grumbled the old Massachusetts villager, "and not one of my family has had a chance to use it yet!"

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Is it right for a girl to sit in a man's lap—even if she is engaged?

Answer: Yes, if it were our girl and our lap. Yes, again, if it were some other fellow's girl and our lap. But if it were our girl and some other fellow's lap—no.

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This Gentleman Shouldn't Have Much Trouble Filling His Wants in Europe

(Ad in the Boston Transcript)

A young man with one leg wants who has stenographic or clerical experience and, if possible, knowledge of photography, for evenings, holidays and other spare time; information by letter or phone before interview if desired. Address M. R. F.

WHAT IS THE MATTER?

WHAT is the matter with the Rogue River valley? Lack of development.

How can it be remedied?

By securing development enterprises that create increased production, furnish payrolls and consume local products.

Production must be increased and a market created for the output.

Irrigation will increase production and give us diversified and intensive agriculture.

The beet sugar factory will supply a fixed market for the product, furnish a payroll, stimulate stock-raising by furnishing cheap feed.

Everyone likes to live in the Rogue River valley—but families are daily leaving because they cannot find work and make a living. There is no sale for property, because it is too unproductive to render justifiable return on prices asked.

In pioneer days, with large donation homesteads and sparse population, the valley easily supported its people.

Conditions have changed. The methods that supported 2500 people will not support 35,000. The valley must meet the changed conditions or gradually lose the population it has gained.

An irrigation system is within reach of a large portion of the valley—and they refuse to reach for it.

A beet sugar factory is within grasp—and those most vitally affected will not co-operate to secure it.

A large percentage of the population are apparently willing to see land values continue to slump, the balance of trade continue on the wrong side of the ledger, unwilling to aid in securing industries that spell prosperity.

Times have changed. It is no longer possible to eke out a shabby existence by scratching a few acres, raising a few hogs at neighbor's expense, violating game laws and gaffing sore-back salmon. The surface-scratched land has become exhausted, the neighbors have fenced their holdings, and game wardens guard the spawning riffles. The idyllic existence of the "good old times" has gone forever.

Land values are created by population. As the population increases or diminishes, so does the value of land. Property in Medford with 10,000 population is not worth a third of what it will be worth with 50,000 population. A farm in the valley with 35,000 population is not worth near as much as with a 100,000 population to furnish market for products and buyers for land. To support the increased population development of resources is essential.

The first step in the ladder of progress is agricultural development. This can be accomplished by irrigation and establishment of related industries like sugar factories. Then will come development of timber, mineral and other resources—but if the agricultural resources remain undeveloped there will be no substantial foundation upon which to erect the edifice of abiding prosperity.

If the farmers and land-owners of the valley fail to grasp the opportunities offered, fail to get water upon their land, fail to secure the proffered sugar factory—they deserve the perennial hard times in store for them.

COMMUNICATIONS

To the Editor:

Now, this is the concensus of opinion, the rebonding and refunding tax was defeated by a small majority at the polls but the defeat was an honorable one, and has shown conclusive to the public that something must be done.

Now to defeat was partially due to misrepresentations and a lack of understanding on the part of the public as to the measure's real merits. But the principle reason that appealed to a big percentage to vote against the measure was that a majority of the city council, some of the business men and the two daily newspapers were loud in their assertions that a better measure could be formulated and placed on the ballot at the coming regular city election in January for approval or rejection by the voters at that time.

Justice Not Prevailed.

Now kind readers what is going to be the text of this promised measure, or was it merely campaign pledges to thwart the will of the people and defeat the rebonding and refunding plan? Better wake up, property owners, the battle is not over, justice has not prevailed!

Go and have a talk with your councilman, or the mayor, and find out what is going to be done. We, the people, have been promised a better measure than the rebonding and refunding plan, now we want to see that we receive the gift.

There is nothing more just than the measure that was defeated, but I am frank to say that if its agreeable to the property owners of Medford there can be another measure proposed and adopted that will obtain practically the same results and save the city from going into debt so deep.

Now I don't say that any measure would be absolutely just but one could be proposed and worked out if the people would co-operate with the city officials.

I have had one in mind which I believe can be worked out and if adopted would work no hardship on anyone, the principals of it are as follows:

That the city council (authorized by a vote of the people at the January election) would proceed to issue and sell general obligation bonds of the city of Medford, running for twenty years at 5 or 5½ per cent interest, optional and retirable after the tenth year, for the amount necessary to pay the present outstanding general obligation bonds (now called Bancroft bonds) but which are really and truly general obligation bonds on the whole city; then just pay by general taxation the interest on this same, and bonds for the first five years and then establish a sinking fund to be available for retiring bonds after the tenth year.

25 Per Cent by Property Owners

Then settle with the property owners as far as direct assessments are concerned on the following basis: 25 per cent of the original assessed cost of the paving and interest, and upon the payment of this 25 per cent of the original assessment and interest furnish the property owner with an absolute release for his property from any further direct assessments due from the cost of laying of the paving and enter due release upon the city's lien docket showing same.

Now to settle with the property owners, who have paid in full, or who have paid more than 25 per cent of the present assessments and interest, return to them city bonds or warrants in denominations of $25, or more bearing 6 per cent interest running for five years, but optional and retireable through the city hall on and after the first year with cash, acceptable at par and accrued interest as payment on any lot on the paving in the city for to pay the 25 per cent direct assessment and interest.

Now this would make these securities negotiable and available for paying bills locally among ourselves, thus saving the necessity of borrowing outside money and sending the interest away from home.

A Compromise Effected

Now a measure along these lines would be a compromise between the so-called 50-50 and rebonding and refunding in full and although personally I question the absolute legality of any direct assessment, under our present charter, yet I do think that the people of Medford are broad minded enough to co-operate in a solution of this paving problem and pay at least 25 per cent directly, this would work no particular hardship on the individual property owners and it would be an amount that would be less than the real value of any lot fronting on the paving thereby making it an incentive for the owner of said lot to lay this 25 per cent and receive a release in full from all direct paving liens.

It would save the city from jeopardizing its credit by trying to borrow any more money outside than it already owes to non-residents and it would establish a rule whereby future paving would have to be paid for one-fourth or 25 per cent of the cost by the abutting property thus eliminating the future possibility of private speculators profiting from pavements laid to benefit their property without having to bear directly a portion of the burden.

A plan of this kind would eliminate any immediate increase in the assessed value of the property on the paving for taxation purposes as would be the case under a general bond plan as it would be recognized that the abutting property was paying directly for the specially derived benefit of a paved street in front of same.

Now citizens and property owners, give this subject your best thought as I don't ask you to even consider this plan, but perhaps this brief outline of an idea, will assist you in proposing some feasible and workable solution.

Now I believe a measure along these lines will meet with the approval in a general way with all classes and settle once and for all time in Medford this undesirable and financially embarassing condition.

The thing to do is for everyone to lay aside personality and prejudice and try and help to suggest a better plan if possible than the rebonding and refunding plan, and if we can't we will again unite and initiate the rebonding and refunding measure up for consideration and the public then and in that event will give the present defeated measure an overwhelming majority.

Personally I will support any measure that will help the property owners and safeguard the city's interests without needlessly penalizing the man who willingly has paid his special assessments and is now being made to suffer for so doing.

Every one believed that Medford as a city should pay a percentage of the cost of the paving as it is a public improvement and is a benefit to all and used by all, and most people also think the abutting property receives a special benefit and should pay directly for a certain per cent of the cost of the paving. Now this being the case I believe the average intelligent citizen will figure that owing to the intersections and all the paving now being charged to the abutting property that 25 per cent of the amount borne by the abutting property owners will make as near a just division as can be made.

Our honorable attorney, A. E. Reames mentioned in his address before the mass meeting the night before the election that he thought 25 per cent an equitable basis to figure on.

Now I don't fish for any honor in helping solve this paving problem but I am a taxpayer and interested in Medford both on and off the paving and I recognize something must be done and done at once as it's a rank injustice to tax the man who has paid in full for all of his paving, to pay for more paving, and it's absurd, to say the least to try and force property to pay the under our present charges that have been placed against their property, and I think a majority of our city officials have the best interests of Medford too much at heart to let any sorehead or any coterie of lawyers talk them into such a foolish step at this time.

A wise counsellor always proposes arbitration and a fair adjustment of past wrongs.

EARL H. FEHL.

To the Editor:

What is the matter with the county's finances, when the small pittance allowed the county's pensioners is paid in county warrants worth only 80 cents on the dollar? I think we are taxed high enough for county purposes and can't see why the county's credit should be impaired. Does the county court and the other employes of the county, and the men who are seeing the exposition at San Francisco at the taxpayers' expense, paid in county warrants at 20 per cent discount?

W. J. DRUMHILL.

Lung Trouble Yielded to This Medicine

If you are suffering with serious lung trouble it will pay to fully investigate Hickman's Alterative, a remedy which has caused many recoveries. One follows:

5323 Girard Ave., Phila., Pa.

"Gentlemen:—In the winter of 1903 I had an attack of Grippe, followed by Pneumonia, and later by Lung Trouble. In the winter of 1904 I had a cough, night sweats, fever and raised quantities of awful-looking stuff, and later I had many hemorrhages, at one time three in three successive days. Three physicians treated me. I was ordered to the mountains but did not go. Hickman's Alterative was recommended by a friend. After taking a small quantity I had the first quiet night's sleep for weeks. My improvement was marked from the first. I gained strength and weight and appetite. I never had another hemorrhage and my cough gradually lessened until entirely gone. I am perfectly well." (Abbreviated.)

(Affidavit) ANNIE P. LOUGHRAN.

Hickman's Alterative is more efficacious in bronchial catarrh and severe throat and lung affections and debilitated conditions than any other remedy. Contains no harmful or habit-forming drugs. Accept no substitute. Small size, $1; regular size, $2. Sold by leading druggists. Write for booklet of recoveries.

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MOTHER CONSENTS TO DEATH OF CHILD BORN DEFORMED

CHICAGO, Nov. 17.—Mrs. Anna Bollinger told today the story of her consent to let her six day old baby boy, deformed in body and mind, die, rather than live a life "barren and useless."

The mother, confined to her bed in the German-American hospital, agreed with Dr. N. J. Halseiden, chief of the hospital staff, to sacrifice the child, when a simple operation would assure its life. The infant, if it lives, would, in the opinion of Dr. Halseiden, be a mental and perhaps moral defective. He therefore, with the consent of the child's parents, declined to perform the operation. Death is expected to take the infant within 48 hours.

"It is not heartless of me," Mrs. Bollinger said. "I love the little deformed one as I love my three healthy children. But the doctor told me it would be an imbecile, a criminal. Left to itself it has no chance to live. I consented to let nature take its course.

"No one need think me an unnatural mother. My heart is full of mother love for all my children. This poor baby, if allowed to live, however, would be a burden to itself. Its life would be barren, useless. It is one of nature's blunders, and I am willing that nature should correct its error by my baby's death. I am satisfied that I am doing right."

Dr. Halseiden said he was prepared to face bitter criticism and defend his course.

"I have no doubt that I shall be called a murderer," he said, "but the infant's death is a question between me and my conscience."

The baby, born after its mother had been seriously ill with typhoid fever, came in to the world last Friday.

MADAME ZEMBRICH RESIGNS FROM POLISH COMMITTEE

NEW YORK, Nov. 17.—Because of ill-health, Madame Marcella Zembrich has resigned as president of the American Polish relief committee, and vice president of the Polish victims' relief fund. All her professional engagements have been cancelled.

POSTAL CLERKS OUT ON STRIKE

FAIRMONT, W. Va., Nov. 17.—Twenty-five clerks and carriers in the postoffice here, practically the entire force, struck today as a protest, it was said, against the discharge of W. H. Brand, assistant postmaster, and three other employes.

Postmaster Charles H. Manley found on his desk when he entered his office today a large piece of cardboard, on which was written "your clerks and carriers have quit. Here are your keys."

Brand, who was connected with the postoffice for 17 years, was dismissed recently on the charge that he had given assistance to applicants in civil service examinations. Postmaster Manley is a democrat, while the majority of striking clerks and carriers are republicans.

GIRLS! HAVE A MASS OF BEAUTIFUL HAIR, SOFT, GLOSSY, WAVY

25-Cent Bottle Destroys Dandruff and Doubles Beauty of Your Hair.

Within ten minutes after an application of Danderine you can not find a single trace of dandruff or falling hair and your scalp will not itch, but what will please you most will be after a few week's use, when you see new hair, fine and downy at first—yes—but really new hair—growing all over the scalp.

A little Danderine immediately doubles the beauty of your hair. No difference how dull, faded, brittle and scraggy, just moisten a cloth with Danderine and carefully draw it thru your hair, taking one small strand at a time. The effect is amazing—your hair will be light, fluffy and wavy, and have an apeparance of abundance; an incomparable lustre, softness and luxuriance.

Get a 25-cent bottle of Knowlton's Danderine from any drug store or toilet counter, and prove that your hair is as pretty and soft as any—that it has been neglected or injured by careless treatment—that's all—you surely can have beautiful hair and lots of it if you will just try a little Danderine.—Adv.

Chesterfield Clairvoyant

LOW FEE ALL THIS WEEK

What I Do For $1.00

I call your name, tell your age, your occupation, and what condition your business is in and how to promote it, tell you all about your wife, husband, sweetheart or lover and how to win the love of anyone you desire. I tell you of any move, journey, speculation, position or change of any kind which may be before you and how to act to obtain the best results. I tell you exactly, who to trust and who to shun. I tell you whom and when you will marry, if at all, and give their name, age, occupation and disposition. In short, I tell you everything you called to find out, and that, too, without asking you a question or you speaking a word.

Parlors at the Palm Rooming House, 130 West Main St., hours 9 a. m. to 8:30 p. m. Daily and Sunday. —Adv.

SAGE AND SULPHUR DARKENS GRAY HAIR

Brush this through faded, lifeless locks and they become dark, glossy, youthful.

Hair that loses its color and lustre, or when it fades, turns gray, dull and lifeless, is caused by a lack of sulphur in the hair. Our grandmother made up a mixture of Sage Tea and Sulphur to keep her locks dark and beautiful, and thousands of women and men who value that even color, that beautiful dark shade of hair which is so attractive, use only this old-time recipe.

Nowadays we get this famous mixture by asking at any drug store for a 50 cent bottle of "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Hair Remedy," which darkens the hair so naturally, so evenly, that nobody can possibly tell it has been applied. Besides, it takes off dandruff, stops scalp itching and falling hair. You just dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. By morning the gray hair disappears; but what delights the ladies with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur is that, besides beautifully darkening the hair after a few applications, it also brings back the gloss and lustre and gives it an appearance of abundance.

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