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EM-TEES

WHIRL! WHIRL! Which reminds us of the Irish gent who got off the train at a station and hiked into the lunch counter to inhale a little feed.

OPENED AND PASSED BY THE CENSOR.

Dan Fogarty, a young Irish recruit, by hard work and strict attention to duty was promoted to sergeant. Well, he was so cheery about his position he couldn't keep the buttons on his coat.

IMPROVE YOUR APPEARANCE!

"Improve your appearance!" says Fogarty, "with a face like yours? By my soul, if you don't live it on again by the afternoon parade today, there'll be trouble!"

NEW REVENUE BILL IN HOUSE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—The new revenue bill, embracing excess profits and increase inheritance taxes designed to produce \$248,000,000 and a bond issue not exceeding \$100,000,000 to meet the threatened deficit next year was reported today by the house ways and means committee.

PERSHING'S TROOPS STATIONED ON BORDER

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Jan. 29.—Border stations to which troops of the expeditionary forces will be distributed upon their return from Mexico, were announced at headquarters of the southern department today.

RODIN, WORLD FAMED SCULPTOR, NEAR DEATH

PARIS, Jan. 29.—Auguste Rodin, the famous sculptor, is seriously ill with the grippe. According to the latest bulletin, the malady is following its normal course, but owing to the sculptor's great age and the severity of the attack, the patient is very weak.

NEBLETT FEDERAL JUDGE FOR NEW MEXICO

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Cohn Neblett of Silver City, N. M., was nominated by President Wilson today as United States district judge for New Mexico.

MUNITION PATRIOTISM

SECRETARY OF THE NAVY DANIELS has been the target of abuse from the reactionary and plutocratic press since he first took office, and the reason is now apparent. He has conducted the department in the public interest as against the predatory special interests.

An example of the patriotism of the munition makers has just been given the country in the contract for projectiles let an English company. In 1914, when the department decided to receive bids from English firms, American manufacturers at once reduced their price from \$500 to \$315 each on 14-inch shells and on other sizes in proportion.

Commenting upon the attitude of the American munition makers, Secretary Daniels says:

"Nothing but the utter failure of the most patient negotiations and appeals to the patriotism of the little group of steel manufacturers which have a practical monopoly of this business have made it imperative for the government to build a projectile factory and give a contract to a foreign bidder.

The secretary calls attention to the "utter failure of the companies, with no spur of competition to drive them on," to keep pace with the improvements in the quality of armor-piercing shells being manufactured abroad.

Out of thirty-four 14-inch shells submitted by the Bethlehem Steel company for the test, three passed—a percentage of 8.8. The Crucible Steel company managed to get 37.7 per cent of the sample shells submitted passed, and the Midvale passed 73 per cent, while the Hadfields, the English company, ran 100 per cent.

The government plant will compel American makers to improve their output and reduce their prices. It will prevent extortion and make for true preparedness. Government competition will drive no one out of business, but it will insure what is needed—improvement in American manufacture and elimination of extortion.

ANOTHER DRY YEAR

WITH two-thirds of the rainy season past and less than a third of the average precipitation, the valley faces the driest year in its history. Coming after three unusually dry years, with the water table of the valley abnormally low, it is evident that we are again going to have a demonstration of the need of irrigation that will convince the most skeptical and make them wonder why they voted down irrigation a month ago.

Fortunately there is some snow in the hills, less than the average amount, but enough to keep the streams flowing. But what good does the water in the streams do the land owner in the valley who lacks intelligence enough to utilize it?

The Rogue river has been at October low-water stage all winter. There has not been even a freshet. All the small streams are equally low. And the low water is one of the principal reasons why fishing is poor. Salmon and steelhead delay entrance from the sea until high water, and when the spawning season forces the entrance, they enter the first tributaries to spawn, and few ever reach the upper waters.

Although a month has passed since the large land owners succeeded in blocking the district plan of irrigation, an alternative proposal for securing water has not been forthcoming—which confirms the general supposition that it is not the district plan they oppose—but irrigation, which would rudely disturb the slipshod, unscientific methods in vogue, and force the adoption of modern scientific methods of diversified farming.

MISSING WITNESS DELAYS SPANELL TRIAL

SAN ANGELO, Tex., Jan. 29.—The delay arose today in the trial of Harry G. Spanell, charged with killing his wife and Lieutenant Colonel M. C. Butler at Alpine, Tex., last July, when the state announced it had subpoenaed another witness who could not reach here until this evening. The district court ordered an adjournment until 7:30 o'clock tonight.

ANOTHER COLD WAVE HEADED FROM NORTH

HELENA, Mont., Jan. 29.—A cold wave for this vicinity is predicted by the local weather observer. The temperature has fallen 25 degrees within thirty-six hours. A snowstorm began this morning and persisted for two hours, with a sharp wind. More snow is predicted. It was 18 below at Helena this morning.

DEMOCRAT WINS ELECTION CONTEST

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 29.—The state supreme court today affirmed the Allegheny county court in the matter of the congressional contest in the thirty-second district between Guy E. Campbell, democrat, and A. J. Barefield, republican, in which Barefield appealed against the action of the lower court in taking the figures on the tally sheet in preference to the certified return sheets. The tally sheets showed that Campbell had a majority over Barefield.

BOSTON FIRE ENTAILS LOSS OF \$350,000

BOSTON, Jan. 29.—Fire early today destroyed the five-story brick building occupied by Thomas Kelley & Co., blanket manufacturers, in the center of the wholesale district, causing a loss estimated at \$350,000. Most of the loss was sustained by the Kelley company.

If Your System Is Poisoned

with acids, you cannot know what it is to be healthy. Acids poison the blood and are the source of many diseases affecting the heart and arteries, skin and mucous surfaces, joints and muscles, and the brain and general nervous system. Some of these diseases are Rheumatism in various forms, Catarrh, Eczema, Pimples, boils, rashes, and other skin diseases, Malaria, Scrofula and general blood troubles. In order to restore yourself to a healthy condition, you must drive these acids from your system and purify your blood.

POULTRY MEN ELECT OFFICERS FOR COMING YEAR

The annual meeting of the Southern Oregon Poultry association, held at the public market Saturday afternoon, was the largest and most enthusiastic assemblage of poultrymen ever held in Jackson county. An interesting discussion of the present year's work was held, the result being that the scope of the association's activities will be much enlarged along practical lines, including the market end of the industry.

Officers Elected.

Interest in the poultry industry is more pronounced than ever before in this region. The local association felicitated itself on its progress during the past year and laid definite plans for greatly enlarging the output this year. Farmers find it an easy way to pay taxes, many stating that their improved method of handling their flocks has given them a satisfactory profit.

Votes of Thanks.

A vote of thanks was extended TWICE PROVEN. If you suffer backache, sleepless nights, tired, dull days and distressing urinary disorders, don't experiment. Read this twice-told testimony. It's Medford evidence—doubly proven.

unanimously to the Big Pine Lumber Co., the California-Oregon Power Co., Paul's Electric Store, W. J. Folmer of the Fisher Flour Mills Co., J. A. Van Waning, Southern Pacific Co.'s local agent, city of Medford and the newspapers of the county for favors to the association during the state poultry show period this month.

Renewed interest was manifested in the Junior Thrift's feature of the poultry industry in this county. Its members made very creditable exhibits in the recent show, displaying extraordinary concern in the improvement of the local flocks. Special care will be given that department of the work this year.

Poultry Farm Plans.

A proposition is under consideration for the establishment of a poultry farm in this vicinity, a number of prominent farmers and orchardists having signified their willingness to assist such an enterprise. It is proposed to organize it on an extensive business basis and to conduct it on strictly scientific lines, from the coop to the market.

BETTER THAN CALOMEL

Thousands Have Discovered Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets are a Harmless Substitute

Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets—the substitute for calomel—are a mild but sure laxative, and their effect on the liver is almost instantaneous. They are the result of Dr. Edwards' determination not to treat liver and bowel complaints with calomel. His efforts to banish it brought out these little olive-colored tablets.

association at the public library hall on Saturday afternoon, February 10, at 2 o'clock, for the purpose of hearing committee reports and further considering important business initiated at the meeting just held. Another large attendance is much desired.



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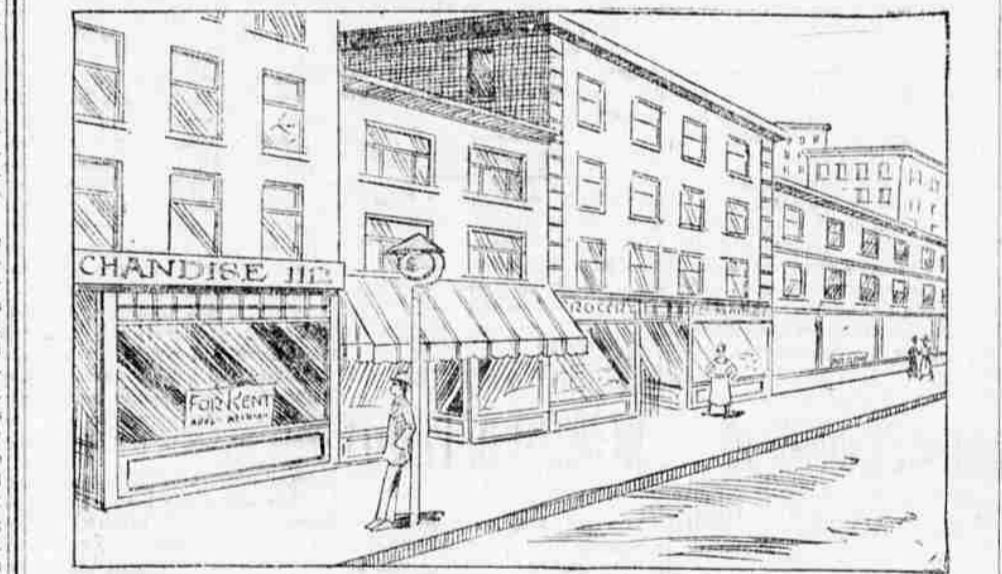
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Keep the Town Spirit Alive

Is our town on the down grade? Are things slackening up? Are the weeds commencing to grow on our main thoroughfares? Do people shun our community? Maybe it isn't as bad as all that. And yet we feel that all is not right. The hostile and hostile of business is wanting. We don't get together tonic. We must get after ourselves. We must start a campaign in the interests of home trade. We must keep our town alive at all costs. Even if it does cost money to keep the town spirit alive, it is surely money well spent. There's no use in waiting. We must make things hum now.

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