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Rippling Rhymes by Walt Mason

GREAT TIMES.

Oh, these are grand and gorgeous times, and every fellow has the dimes! I work four hours and draw more pay than father pulled down for a day, and he was doing things at dawn, and busy till the light was gone.

COMMUNICATIONS

(The Mail-Tribune welcomes communications on any subject of general interest but is in no way responsible for the sentiments expressed. Only in exceptional cases will communications of over 200 words be printed.)

Schools Measured by Salaries

To the Editor: The Medford school board, I am informed, recently made a flat increase of 15 per cent in teachers' salaries. This action was taken despite the fact that most of the teachers had already, and before the term began, signed a written contract to teach this scholastic year for a specified salary, and despite the fact that the school board will have to borrow money to pay this added expense and raise it next year by an increased budget.

And since the people twice defeated the budget put up by the present school board and compelled a pruning down of some \$15,000, what will they do next year to one inflated several thousand dollars by money thus paid out without warrant of the law? Or will some taxpayer in the meantime bring an injunction suit and restrain this voluntary contribution from the school board to the teachers?

A contingency of this sort, however, may not occur. The people have become so accustomed to having public money thrown at the birds that they may approve this action of the school board. However, as a contrast between public and private affairs, let us suppose individual members of the board had written contracts with their employees requiring a year's service at a sum specified, how many of them would voluntarily increase such wages? But, of course, that is different—as widely different as public extravagance and individual selfishness.

But the most serious feature of this transaction is the nullification of a contract. We have always been taught to believe a contract was a solemn obligation mutually binding the parties to it. This is the basic law upon which the commerce of the world is founded. Formerly teachers impressed upon their pupils the sacredness of a contract. It was argued that it was wrong in both morals and business policy to break a contract. Among the many pertinent illustrations recounted, I recall the excellent historical story of William Penn and his dealings with the Indians. How he always kept his promise and won their implicit confidence and the commendation of the world and finally became possessed of the territory of Pennsylvania.

But I suppose the teachers of the present day, at least some of them, have a different concept of a contract, or more likely they have no concept of it at all. At any rate they use it simply to bind the school district, and consider themselves neither financially nor morally bound to fulfill its conditions. For the past several years Medford teachers have insisted that the board fix their salaries and execute contracts for the following year several weeks before the end of the current term. When the contracts are thus made the district is compelled to pay the salary for the full year and cannot discharge the teachers except for good cause. On the other hand, the teacher can, by giving short notice, quit without assigning a reason.

Within the past three or four years scores of teachers have violated their written contracts, some of them without even giving the required notice, and left vacancies to be filled by the board as best it could. Some of them quit in the very midst of the semester to accept a position paying a few dollars more, or to get married, or to gratify some whim or caprice. But the school board is partially to blame for this condition. Some two years ago, after the teachers had signed contracts for the ensuing year, four members of the board voluntarily proposed to make a flat salary increase of \$10.00 per month and were prevented from doing so

A \$40,000 PACK AT ASHLAND CANNERY THE PAST YEAR

ASHLAND, March 8.—Approximately \$40,000 represents value of the pack at the local cannery the past year. Tomatoes led in extent, over 200,000 pounds. Even apples in weight, exceeded the peach output, the figures being 143,000 and 125,000 respectively, a circumstance which is a bit out of proportion in view of the size of production in the "punchbowl paradise." Peas ranked third, 87,000 pounds; pears, 15,000; beans, 14,418; apricots, 4,418; cherries, 2,150; and the humble corn, 2,500 pounds.

Measured by cans, of the No. 2 1/2 size, 79,000 were used; No. 10, 51,000, these being gallon containers; No. 2, 7,000 cans.

"Home grown" applied practically to all these products, for the purchase of which the management paid nearly \$9,000. Labor, practically all local, was also remunerative, \$9,000 having been paid out on account. M. C. Linniger and son, Bruce, ran the cannery and it is being conducted under their proprietorship and management on a larger scale than ever for years. The institution experienced many vicissitudes, but is emerging from the experimental stage to a status of prominence and wider range of development. With a fair average yield this season the output should double in extent and value the figures for 1919. The location is conveniently on a level, thus avoiding either short or long hauls over hills in order to market fruit and vegetables at the central station. Furthermore, quite an acreage is available for raising garden produce in the immediate vicinity of the cannery, a circumstance which works to advantage along economical lines.

DECLARES LEGION MADE MISTAKE IN RELIEF PROPOSALS

WASHINGTON, Mar. 8.—A serious mistake was made by the American Legion of presenting its proposals for soldier relief in the form in which it did, the house ways and means committee was told today by Colonel E. Lester Jones, a member of the legion's executive committee. He said the executive committee would assemble this month and that he proposed to suggest it formulate "a definite and sane policy," for presentation to congress in "quiet and respectful way."

Colonel Jones said he believed the legion also should present a well-considered scheme for financing any plan it proposed. Dismissing the farm settlement proposal the witness said that in making an estimate some months ago he had found that about 350,000 former soldiers desired an opportunity to take over farms. Colonel Jones said a land settlement scheme should not be confined to vacant public lands of remote out-over lands in the south and west, but that vacant lands in the vicinity of the cities should be purchased for soldier use.

Chairman Fordyce insisted over many objections on reading a letter from Baltimore signed "Doughboys," and protesting against the recent statement to the committee by Captain Walter Burns that ex-soldiers did not desire a cash bonus or to further embarrass the treasury. "If we hadn't gone overseas," the letter said, "the United States treasury there is so much hollering about being busted, would be busted right having indemnity to the Germans."

HAYS NOT INTERESTED IN ANY CANDIDATE

CHICAGO, Mar. 8.—The republican national committee is meeting here for a two days conference. The convention committee is also to complete arrangement for the national gathering here in June. Will H. Hays, chairman of the national committee issued a statement denying any pre-convention activity in favor of any candidate for the republican nomination for the presidency.

MEDFORD SLOGAN CONTEST

Have you sent in a slogan for Medford. If not, do it now. If your suggestion is accepted by the Budget Award Committee to be named by President Vernon H. Vawter, of the chamber of commerce, you will receive \$25 in cash. This prize is being offered by the chamber of commerce in conjunction with the American City Bureau. Something that will be in keeping with the significance of the city of Medford, and its needs—not too long—will be chosen as a slogan for the metropolis of Jackson county. Act today; don't wait until tomorrow. Remember, that procrastination is the thief of time. Address all suggestions to Slogan Award Committee, Chamber of Commerce Campaign, corner Front and Main streets, Medford. This contest is open to all persons residing in Medford, or in the immediate vicinity. The winner will be announced at the Civic Dinner, March 22.

MRS. ALICE McCLUSKEY, prominent Lewiston woman, who says she wishes she could have gotten Tanlac twenty years ago, as it would have saved her lots of suffering. Declares she is now well and happy and that she wants everybody to know about it.



"I have been trying for twenty long years to find a medicine that would overcome my troubles, by my efforts failed me completely until I commenced taking Tanlac," was the remarkable statement made recently by Mrs. Alice McCluskey, residing at No. 46 Park Street, Lewiston, Me., a well-known and most highly respected woman of that city.

"I just feel like I would give the world to meet everyone who suffers as I did and tell them about this medicine. If I could only have gotten Tanlac twenty years ago it would have saved me a lot of suffering and worry.

"My principal trouble was indigestion, and for many years I could not eat meat or pastries for I would always suffer afterward. I would meet always have a distressed feeling after eating and nothing seemed to agree with me. Then, to add to the rest of my suffering, I contracted rheumatism in my shoulders and hips and the awful pains I suffered can never be told in words. This trouble finally got so bad I could hardly walk and my arms pained me so I could scarcely raise my hands to my head. I even had to give up my housework and was hardly able to get around at all.

"You can imagine how happy I was when, after taking only a few bottles of Tanlac, I found such a wonderful improvement in my condition? Why, it was just the medicine I needed all the time and I continued taking it until now I am perfectly well again. I can truthfully say that I am enjoying as good health now as I ever had in all my life. I have gained about 14 pounds in weight and can again do all my housework without the least trouble. I don't get tired like I did and after doing my work I can get out and walk for blocks and feel just fine when I get back home. I earnestly advise everyone who suffers as I did to take Tanlac."

Tanlac is sold in Medford by West Side Pharmacy, and by leading druggists in every town.

PORTLAND, Mar. 8.—With 124,000 sacks of Oregon flour, the 9500 ton steel steamer Bearport, the last freighter delivered to the United States shipping board in the Oregon district is scheduled to depart Tuesday night on its way to Armenia. The cargo, which is valued at one million dollars will be distributed among the famine stricken people of the new republic in the Far East. The Bearport will call at New York for inspection before leaving America for the Euphrates.

"KILL-JOYS" Constipation, Headache, Colds, Biliousness ended with "Cascarets"

MEDFORD IRON WORKS FOUNDRY AND MACHINE SHOP Also agent for Fairbanks and Morse Engines. 17 South Riverside

TAXI Dodge Car, stand corner Main and Bartlett, Phone 900. J. D. DELANEY.

Report of the Condition of The Pine Belt Banking Co. at Butte Falls, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business February 28, 1920.

Resources: Loans and discounts \$40,300.04; Overdrafts, secured and unsecured \$1.00; Bonds and warrants \$6,600.65; Furniture and fixtures \$1,826.61; Other real estate owned \$1,436.24; Due from approved reserve banks \$5,268.83; Cash on hand \$3,194.71; Total \$52,247.71

Liabilities: Capital stock paid in \$10,000.00; Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid \$779.97; Individual deposits subject to check \$4,186.07; Demand certificates of deposit \$0.14; Time and Savings Deposits \$17,193.25; Total \$22,242.71

State of Oregon, County of Jackson, ss. I, Ellen O'Brien, asst. cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. ELLEN O'BRIEN, Asst. Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of March, 1920. JOHN E. DAY, Notary Public. My commission expires July 28, 1922. Correct—Attest: Geo. W. Barker, Hazel Barker, Directors.

C. C. MORSE & CO. Operators of World's Largest Seed Farms 125 Market St. San Francisco

MORSE'S SEEDS Handled in Medford by Monarch Seed & Feed Co. 317 E. Main St. Licensed City Scavenger.

OREGON FLOUR SHIP TO SAIL TUESDAY PORTLAND, Mar. 8.—With 124,000 sacks of Oregon flour, the 9500 ton steel steamer Bearport, the last freighter delivered to the United States shipping board in the Oregon district is scheduled to depart Tuesday night on its way to Armenia.

TAXI CHANGE. I am now connected with the Daily Taxi Co., and will be glad to accommodate all my former customers, as well as the general public. Ben Siverson, Phone 15. Brown & Brown.

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FERTILIZERS To fertilize means to increase your crops, add beauty to your flowers, and speed up the growth of fruits and vegetables, ripening them earlier, thereby avoiding the frosts, and saving your crop. Let us talk fertilizer to you personally. MONARCH Seed & Feed Co. 317 East Main Street.

Cafe Holland Special Club Breakfasts No. 1-35c (1) Egg Ham Hot Cakes Coffee No. 2-35c (1) Egg Bacon Hot Cakes Coffee No. 3-35c (3) Wheat Cakes Country Sausage Stripped Bacon or Buckwheat Cakes Ham Coffee No. 4-35c Fried Mush with Bacon Coffee No. 5-35c Breakfast Steak Toast Coffee No. 6-35c (1) Pork Chop (2) Corn Cakes Coffee No. 7-35c Plain Omelette Wheat Cakes Coffee No. 8-35c Plain Omelette Wheat Cakes Coffee

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GIM CHUNG China Herb Store Herb cure for carache, headache, catarrh, diphtheria, sore throat, lung trouble, kidney trouble, stomach trouble, heart trouble, chills and fever, cramps, coughs, poor circulation, carbuncles, tumors, cracked breast, cures all kinds of goiters, NO OPERATIONS. Medford, Oregon, Jan. 13, 1917. This is to certify that I, the undersigned, had very severe stomach trouble and had been bothered for several years and last August was not expected to live, and hearing of Gim Chung (whose Herb Store is at 214 South Front street, Medford, O.), I decided to get herbs for my stomach trouble, and I started to feeling better as soon as I used them and today am a well man and can heartily recommend anyone afflicted as I was to see Gim Chung and try his Herbs. (Signed) W. R. JOHNSON. Witnesses: Wm. Lewis, Eagle Point. W. L. Childreth, Eagle Point. M. A. Anderson, Medford. S. B. Holmes, Eagle Point. C. E. Moore, Eagle Point. J. V. McIntyre, Eagle Point. Geo. Von der Gellen, Eagle Point. Thos. E. Nichols, Eagle Point.

INTERURBAN AUTOCAR CO. Schedule from October 1, 1919. Daily (except Sunday) Leave Medford— Leave Ashland— 7:10 a.m. 7:10 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 7:55 a.m. 8:25 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:10 a.m. 9:25 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:20 a.m. 10:40 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 12:45 p.m. 1:00 p.m. 1:25 p.m. 1:25 p.m. 2:10 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 4:45 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 6:40 p.m. 8:40 p.m. 8:40 p.m. Sat. only 9:30 p.m. Sat. only 9:30 p.m. Sat. only 10:30 p.m. 12:15 p.m. midnight Sat. only SUNDAY ONLY Leave Medford— Leave Ashland— 10:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 9:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m. Office and waiting room No. 5 South Front, Nash Hotel Building. Phone 309.

Jacksonville—Medford INTERURBAN AUTOCAR CO. Schedule from Jan. 16, 1920, Daily Except Sunday. Leave Medford: 7:10 a. m., 8:00 a. m., 9:00 a. m., 10:00 a. m., 11:00 a. m., 12:00 noon, 1:30 p. m., 2:30 p. m., 3:30 p. m., 4:30 p. m., 5:30 p. m., Sat. only 7:30 p. m., 9:30 p. m., Sat. only 10:30 p. m. Leave Jacksonville: 7:30 a. m., 8:20 a. m., 9:20 a. m., 10:30 a. m., 11:30 a. m., 1:00 p. m., 2:00 p. m., 3:00 p. m., 4:00 p. m., 5:00 p. m., 6:00 p. m., 7:00 p. m., Sat. only 8:00 p. m., Sat. only 9:50 p. m. Sunday Only Leave Medford: 9:00 a. m., 10:30 a. m., 12:00 noon, 2:30 p. m., 4:00 p. m., 5:30 p. m., 7:00 p. m., 9:30 p. m. Leave Jacksonville: 9:30 a. m., 11:30 a. m., 2:00 p. m., 3:30 p. m., 5:00 p. m., 6:30 p. m., 7:30 p. m., 9:00 p. m. Office and waiting room No. 5 S. Front, Nash Hotel Building, Jacksonville waiting room at Reter's Confectionery.