

"FURNITURE TRUST," Basking Under the Modest Title of the "OTHER DEALERS," Shows It's Hand

With Aid of Antiquated Records, Misrepresentation and Feeble Attempt at Jocularly Makes Vain Effort to Implicate Mr. Josse the "GOLDEN RULE FURNITURE DEALER" With Blood-Sucking Combination

"JOIN OR QUIT BUSINESS"

It is a fact, gentle reader, that Mr. Josse was a member of the Salem Furniture Association and he is glad to acknowledge the genuineness of the signature, as reproduced in the advertisement of "The Other Dealers" (who were too cowardly to come out in the open and disclose their true identity, but, like a Spaniard, prefer to shoot their victim from ambush), but his signature was attached to that document only when it came to the point of "join or quit business"—since such strong pressure was brought to bear upon the wholesale dealers that they did not dare to sell Mr. Josse goods until he had joined the trust, and at the first opportunity, two months later, Mr. Josse withdrew from the organization and defied his persecutors. He, however, was compelled to remain a member of the combination, although an unwilling and inactive one, until he found another source of obtaining his supplies, not controlled by the retail furniture dealers' trust of the state, when he lost no time in revolting.

State Organization Real Trust.

In the spring of 1906 another effort was made to force Mr. Josse into the combination and to a signed agreement of its unlawful purpose, and it was only after one of the members of the leading firm of retail dealers of this city had called at the store three times

in one afternoon and left with the threat that if Mr. Josse had not made up his mind to "come in" at the next call he would be driven out of business, and the weight of this threat dawned fully upon Mr. Josse when he was informed, cordially and regretfully, by the wholesale dealers that in order to

retain the trade of the members of the trust they could not fill his order for goods. Then it was that he found himself up against the inevitable and he reluctantly agreed to sign the paper, and did so, in self-defense, but with his heart set upon getting out of it at the first opportunity, and this he

did after but a brief two months' membership. He was a perfect stranger in the community; his business future in Salem was hanging by a mere thread, and he would have fallen an easy prey to his well-organized, well-established and rapacious competitors. He now basks peacefully and con-

tentedly in the knowledge that the old saying that "Right will prevail against might" is true, under any and all circumstances, and that the "Wise reaps the reward of his virtues, while the fool pays the penalty," and no better illustration of the soundness of this last quotation exists than

the case of the erstwhile "furniture trust."

Watch these ads for further and even more startling proof of the leech-like methods practised upon a trusting but outraged public by the "real" furniture trust, which tickles itself by the ludicrous title of "The Other Dealers."

FORCED IN BY EXTREME MEASURES

Mr. Josse is happy in the thought that he is able and willing to fully explain how it happened that his signature became attached to the nefarious document made public by "The Other Dealers," but he fears this explanation may not be exactly to the taste of the authors of the anonymous advertisement. When Mr. Josse came to Salem and entered into the furniture business upon a small scale, in 1904, he was advised of the existence of the Salem Furniture Association and attended its meeting as an invited and privileged guest, and not as a member, under the impression that its object was to promote sociability and better feeling among the competitors in this line of business. The association had no reason to believe that he was a member or that he intended to become such, and his first knowledge of the purpose of the organization—that of inflating prices to the point of bursting—was in the spring of 1905, when an attempt was made to assess a fine of \$5 upon him because one of his clerks had offered a customer a discount of 25 cents upon a kitchen treasure if she would make her own delivery. He showed this fine was illegal, because he did not belong to the trust. Then it was that an attempt was made to force Mr. Josse into the trust, but the local combination was too weak to enforce their demands upon the wholesalers and they were obliged to wait until the state organization of retail dealers, which was then in its infancy, could develop strength sufficient to bring pressure to bear upon the wholesalers.

For Honest Goods at Honest Prices--L. U. JOSSE, "The Golden Rule Furniture Dealer"

Can be depended upon at all times. He can be found in his enlarged quarters Nos. 264 and 270 North Commercial street, where he intends to stay against all odds when it comes to fighting for the interests of his confiding customers.

P. S.—Mr. Josse wishes to express his sincere gratitude to "The Other Dealers" who are contributing so generously (but unintentionally) toward the advertising of his business, gratis. Come again, gentlemen, but remember that honesty is the best policy and that truth crushed to earth will rise again.

VISITING CENTRAL OREGON

Harriman Chiefs Go Down Into Central Oregon--Others Cross the Mountains From Detroit--Long Neglected Country at Last May Have Outlet for Its Wealth of Products

Alarmed by the Chicago & Northwestern's surveys into Malheur county, and the movements of J. J. Hill's representatives in the Deschutes valley, the Harriman companies have determined to push construction of a line through central Oregon, and an extension into the Deschutes region. An immediate decision is to be made as between building the proposed branch from the Oregon Eastern to Madras or extending the Corvallis & Eastern over the Cascades from Detroit to Prineville and on to Burns.

Four big chiefs of the Harriman companies headed by the one man whose recommendation amounts to a final decision by Mr. Harriman passed through here today on the way to make a thorough inspection of conditions. In the party were Julius Kruttschnitt, director of maintenance and operation; J. P. O'Brien, vice president and general manager of the O. R. & N.; W. W. Cotton, who is Harriman's chief legal advisor in the Pacific northwest, and Geo. W. Boschke, chief engineer of the O. R. & N. Co. They were accompanied by Fred S. Stanley, one of the principal owners of the Deschutes Irrigation & Power company.

It had been given out at Portland that Mr. Kruttschnitt, who arrived there suddenly and unannounced yesterday, was going over the O. R. & N. lines for an inspection. When the party reached Biggs their special car was switched to the Shaniko train.

Two powerful automobiles, a 60-horsepower Thomas and a Royal touring car, had been quietly shipped to Shaniko. When the party reached here the automobiles were unloaded, and this morning they departed for the south. It is said they will meet Jack Edwards at Madras and he will guide them through the Deschutes country for an investigation to determine the most feasible route of those that have been surveyed to enable the Harriman roads to tap the upper Deschutes valley and the irrigation regions.

A party headed by W. F. Nelson and I. Gregory, who are directing the survey and right of way work for the Oregon Trunk Line, supposed to be a Hill project were waiting to make the same trip into central Oregon, under the guidance of Edwards. It is said that Edwards, hearing that the Harriman party was headed that way, did not want both delegations

to be in the country at the same time and succeeded in postponing the trip of Gregory and Nelson until next Monday.

Thus the Harriman party was given the first chance to learn conditions and make a decision. The fact that a party of Harriman engineers left Detroit, the terminus of the Corvallis & Eastern, yesterday, to make a rush trip to central Oregon confirms the report here that the Harriman people are up against the necessity for making an immediate decision and starting construction of some kind into central Oregon.

The Detroit party is composed of George F. Nevins, general superintendent of the Corvallis & Eastern; John Stevens, superintendent of bridges and building, accompanied by packers and camp outfit, and equipped for a trip across the Cascades by way of Mint pass.

It is given out that their purpose was to make the trip through to Prineville to confer with merchants who have recently been urging the Corvallis & Eastern company to build through to Prineville or some point to enable the citizens of the interior to build wagon roads to such a terminus and market their products there instead of hauling them over the long and very bad road to the Columbia Southern at Shaniko.

It is expected that Mr. Kruttschnitt and his party will meet the Corvallis & Eastern officials in the vicinity of Bend, and that the combined information gathered by all will enable the Harriman chiefs to determine the best course to pursue in opening up central Oregon to rail transportation.

From Shaniko the Kruttschnitt party will go direct to Madras, arriving this afternoon. They will then inspect the Haystack country, and the old route that was surveyed some years ago for the Columbia Southern to Forest bridge over the Crooked river.

The party will then go to Bend and Redmond, and possibly to Laidlaw, on the opposite side of the Deschutes river, and thence to Prineville. It is now believed they will go further south on this trip, as they are understood to have made their plans to return to Portland the first of next week.

The proposal to extend the Corvallis & Eastern from Detroit into central Oregon by the way of Prineville is now with the Harriman manage-

ment, but was an old idea of the original builders of the line. Surveys made have established the fact that the road can get over the Cascades on a moderate grade via Minto pass, and the distance to Prineville is in the neighborhood of 100 miles.

It is proposed to substitute this route for the line surveyed for the Oregon & Eastern from Natron to Vale, but it would serve instead of the proposed branch line surveyed between the Bend county and the main line of the Oregon & Eastern at the junction proposed at the foot of the Walker range, and would materially shorten the haul necessary to move the Deschutes tonnage out of the country by way of the Crescent lake and Natron route.

Constipation.

For constipation there is nothing quite so nice as Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They always produce a pleasant movement of the bowels without any disagreeable effect. Price, 25 cents. Samples free at Dr. Stone's Drug Store.

Reach the Limit.

A Providence girl, who has been married about six months, had wedding cards a short time ago from an old school friend who had given her a wedding present, which, of course, demanded one in return. Among her wedding presents the Providence girl had duplicates in the shape of two silver card trays, and in a spirit of economy she decided to give one of these to her friend. It was marked with her own initials, but it would be only a matter of a few minutes to have them removed and the proper monogram cut. She took it to the jeweler and explained what was to be done. He picked up the tray, looked at it closely and smiled.

"Madam," he said, "it will be impossible. I have already changed the initials on this same tray five times, and it has worn so thin that I cannot do it again without cutting through the bottom."—Providence Journal.

A Wonderful Happening.

Port Byron, N. Y., has witnessed one of the most remarkable cases of healing ever recorded. Amos F. King, of that place says: "Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured a sore on my leg with which I had suffered over 50 years. I am now eighty-five." Guaranteed to cure all sores, by J. C. Perry, druggist. 25c.

Spraying Time.

Spraying has commenced in many hop yards and by the first of next week the work will be well under way all over the local hop district. Very few lice have been reported but regardless of lice appearing the custom of spraying is regarded by the experienced hop grower as the best policy to pursue and as there is a possibility of injury to the crop later on in the season the next few weeks will be busy ones in most of the yards while the spraying is in progress. The great majority of the yards are in very good condition, the rains of a few weeks ago having put the ground in condition to be worked

more successfully than was the case earlier in the season on account of the dry weather.—West Side Enterprise.

BUNCO KELLY PARDONED.

Had Served Thirteen Years and Was Model Prisoner.

Joseph ("Bunco") Kelly was Saturday pardoned by Governor Chamberlain from the Oregon state penitentiary, where he was serving a life sentence for the murder of George W. Sayres, in Portland, in September, 1894. In ordering Kelly's release from prison Governor Chamberlain was influenced by a strong petition in the prison's behalf, which was filed in the executive department three years ago. This application includes the names of many prominent citizens of Portland, ex-District Attorney Wilson T. Hume, who prosecuted Kelly, and George H. Williams being among the signers. Kelly arrived in Portland last night.

"Under the Oregon statutes an imprisonment of 15 years is considered a life sentence," said Governor Chamberlain, "and Kelly has served nearly 13 years. For the last three years there has been on file in my office at Salem a long petition, signed by many prominent Portland people who at that time requested the action I have just taken. Kelly is quite an old man, while his record in prison is above criticism. Kelly was the only man convicted and punished, although others were unquestionably implicated in the murder."

There Are Few

People who know how to take care of themselves—the majority do not. The liver is a most important organ in the body. Herbine will keep it in condition. V. C. Simpkins, Albia, Texas, writes: "I have used Herbine for Shills and Fever and find it the best medicine I ever used. I would not be without it. It is as good for children as it is for grown-up people and I recommend it. It is fine for La Grippe." Sold by D. J. Fry.

How to Prevent Nightmare.

Referring to the frequency with which unpleasant dreams, and more particularly the classical nightmare, occur, Dr. Kehrler, the Munich specialist says: "Persons who are subject to disturbances of this sort should allow three or four hours to elapse between the last meal and going to bed; should not allow this last meal be too hearty a one and should make it a point to avoid all indigestible dishes and alcoholic drinks with the evening meal."

Poor Bird.

The foolish man approached the wonderful goose that laid the golden eggs.

"Old bird," ejaculated the foolish man, "I think your time has come. Golden eggs are no longer popular. Why can't you lay gold bricks?"

"Because, master," replied the goose, "I don't belong to the bricklayers' union."

And then the ax fell.—Chicago News.

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and
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