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SUPERFLUOUS GENEROSITY

Really it seems to have been superfluous generosity on the part of the Portland Chamber of Commerce to withhold its approval of The Dalles-Warrendale dam project that supporters of the Series D plan, and those of the Umatilla Rapids Association might get together on a common recommendation, for in the light of recent events the Portland Chamber has proved itself to be a fast worker—so why withhold approval on any pretext, whatever? We had supposed that the Portland Chamber of Commerce was all set behind the Rapids project; that it recognized the practical results to be inherited by two states on completion of the \$45,000,000 plan. But instead of continuing support of the men who pioneered the Rapids project and organized it to a point where it was to have congressional action, the Chamber flies the track and embraces, all at once, the stupendous The Dalles-Warrendale proposal that would—if ever in anybody's lifetime be carried into effect—draw out every town between The Dalles and the mouth of the Snake river, and involves relocation of two lines of railway and the demolition of both the Columbia River Highway and the newly completed Evergreen Highway on the Washington side of the river. The Series D plan estimates \$71,000,000 for relocation of railroads and highways, making the grand total for constructing The Dalles-Warrendale project \$475,000,000 which is plenty sufficient to blanket Columbia river improvement for all time to come. But on top of this, the Chamber gives us another generous shot by tying up with the Grand Coulee proposition which involves another huge cost mark, \$475,835,231; or a mere matter of \$950,835,231 for the whole works. If that blanket isn't thick enough to smother out any proposed river improvement that we know of, then we would like to meet up with the fellow who has a thicker one.

HOUSE INSULATION BOOKLET

M. C. Betts of the United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., prominent in the field of agricultural engineering, believes that the farmers of the country who are contemplating fall building or reconditioning operations will find much useful information in a new bulletin on insulating materials just issued by the National Committee on Wood Utilization of the Department of Commerce. "House Insulation: Its Economics and Application" is the title of the publication which was compiled under the guidance of a subcommittee of 12 nationally recognized building and housing authorities. Mr. Betts, representing the American Society of Agricultural Engineers, is a member of the group. The bulletin was prepared with the consumer's interest foremost in mind and is non-technical in its treatment of the subject of insulation in building and construction. "The farmers' share of the country's annual building and construction budget is large," Mr. Betts said, "and millions of dollars go into farm buildings. The farmer naturally is interested in making his dollars count. This new bulletin should help him, for it explains the proper uses and correct application of insulating materials to protect houses and buildings of all kinds from extreme changes in temperature, thereby minimizing the need for excessive firing of the heating plant in the winter and making the structure more comfortable in the summer."

Quoting from Harper's Weekly under date of October 10, 1887—seventy four years ago, we find that the world was facing dark moments at that time. The Weekly said:

"It is a gloomy moment in history. Not for many years—not in the lifetime of most men who read this paper—has there been so much grave and deep apprehension; never has the future seemed so incalculable as at this time. In our own country . . . thousands of our poorest fellow citizens are turned out against the approaching winter without employment . . . In France the political caldron seethes and bubbles with uncertainty; Russia hangs, as usual, like a cloud, dark and silent, upon the horizon of Europe; while all the energies, resources and influences of the British Empire are sorely tried. . ."

From recent events it appears that the league of nations is no bigger nor powerful than its influence to curb warfare. That it has signally failed to bring Japan to terms in the Manchurian situation, except on terms compatible to Japanese militaristic demands, lends an entirely different opinion as to what everyone natural-

ly expected of the league in its functioning powers over a belligerent nation. Maybe it is just as well that the United States did not become a member of the league of nations; perhaps this nation is in a better position to enforce independently, treaties which it may make with other countries, thus giving them more value and security than "mere scraps of paper."

Even though Clara Bow were not the "it" girl she could easily qualify as the girl who "strikes back." Not so long ago she sent her girl secretary to jail for swiping a lot of her best duds and jewelry. Now the publisher of a Los Angeles magazine will board at McNeil's Island. He has been convicted of sending obscene matter through the mails in a series of articles relating to the film star.

Alexander Pantages, Greek theatre magnate, has been acquitted on the charge of criminally assaulting a Miss Pringle, vaudeville dancer. As a result of the verdict returned after 60 hours deliberation, Miss Pringle proposes to push a \$1,000,000 damage suit against Pantages, "to give the state of California one more chance to show the world if it will not protect its women."

To give work to the unemployed in the trades, congress authorized the sum of \$700,000,000 for government buildings. It is proposed to construct 245 new buildings to replace obsolete structures, to provide 191 existing buildings with major extensions, and to erect buildings in 1,085 communities which are now without Federal buildings.

Here's one instance where wheat goes up: George S. Milnor, youthful looking general manager of the stabilization corporation, which bought hundreds of millions of bushels of grain in an effort to keep prices up, tells the investigating senate agriculture committee that the total "paper loss" was \$110,000,000.

Ambassador Dawes is being boomed for Hoover's side-kick in place of Curtis in the coming race for president. We have admiration and a heap of respect for Charlie Dawes' ability, but we are in doubt whether he is strong enough to carry Herbert over the top.

Taxes are taxes, and as such, they generally have to be paid one way or another. A tax notice received the other day by Otto Hogonson of Seattle, caused him to drop dead in the assessor's office.

As far as student body numbers go, Whitman college is a small college,

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT
 In the county Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.
 In the Matter of the Estate of Sarah J. Harden, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed her final account and report in the above entitled matter and that the above entitled Court has fixed Saturday, the 2nd day of January, 1932, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock A. M. of said day, as the time, and the County Court room in the County Court house of Umatilla County, at Pendleton, Oregon, as the place, for hearing of said final account and report. Objections, if any there be, to said final account and report must be filed on or before that date. Dated at Athena, Oregon, this 4th day of December, 1931.

MARY McKAY
 Executrix of the Last Will and Testament of Sarah J. Harden, Deceased.
 Watts & Prestbye, Athena, Oregon, Attorneys for Executrix. D411

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT
 In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.
 In the Matter of the Estate of David H. Sanders, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed her final account and report in the above entitled matter and that the above entitled Court has fixed Saturday, the 28th day of December, 1931, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock A. M. of said day, as the time, and the County Court room in the County Court house of Umatilla County, at Pendleton, Oregon, as the place, for hearing of said final account and report. Objections, if any there be, to said final account and report should be filed on or before that date. Dated at Athena, Oregon this 27th day of November, 1931.

CALLY SANDERS,
 Executrix of the Last Will and Testament of David H. Sanders, Deceased.
 Watts & Prestbye, Athena, Oregon, Attorneys for Executrix. N27D25

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
 In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.
 In the Matter of the Estate of Henry W. Vogt, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given to all persons whom it may concern: That James W. Maloney has been appointed executor of the last will and testament of Henry W. Vogt, deceased, and has qualified as such. All persons having claims against said estate are required to present them with proper vouchers as required by law, to the said executor at the law office of Peterson and Lewis in the Inland Empire Bank Building at Pendleton, Oregon, within six months of the date of the first publication of this notice which is the 27th day of November, 1931.
 JAMES W. MALONEY, Executor
 Peterson and Lewis, Attorneys for Executor. N27D25

but its football teams which have played for seventeen years under the coaching of Vincent (Nig) Borleske, are big ones—they win more games than they lose.

Living costs may fall and gasoline prices are constantly fluctuating, but gasoline taxes seem to know no other direction than up.

616 TO 100 FORMULA
 "Where the cost of 616 pounds of wheat is less than the price of 100 pounds of hog, it will pay to use wheat extensively for hog feeding."

This is one of a number of observations on feeding wheat to livestock made at the recent meeting of the Eastern Oregon Wheat League at The Dalles by H. A. Lindgren, livestock specialist in the state college extension service, who spoke on this subject. At the present low pork price wheat must be about 54 cents to make profitable as a major feed for hogs, Lindgren said. He advised grinding the wheat and feeding it either with skim milk or 10 per cent tankage or fish meal.

For lambs, however, wheat is best fed whole, Lindgren said. Alfalfa is the best balancer to use with it, though in some sections excellent results have been obtained by feeding some oil cake with wheat.

A profitable experiment in pasturing lambs on uncut wheat was reported at the meeting by R. A. Thompson of Heppner who told of his successful efforts to save several fields that were too poor to harvest and thresh. He turned 1500 head of feeder lambs which weighed an average of 66 pounds into the wheat. At the end of 58 days they were shipped east and topped the market at an average weight of 78 pounds.

Mr. Thompson then turned on another flock of 1500 which have since been put in feed lots on chaff, wheat and oil cake. A peculiar thing noted by Mr. Thompson as well as by others who have tried pasturing lambs on uncut grain is that they pasture the heads clean as they go, rather running through the entire field.

"I never saw harder or better finished lambs than these fattened on what would have been waste wheat," commented Mr. Lindgren. "In addition to the actual gain, of course, was the increase in value of their original weight brought about by the finishing process."

22 Years Ago

The first game of basketball ever played in Athena went on record Friday evening, when Company L, O. N. G., of Pendleton won from Athena high school in a red hot contest, by the close margin of four points, the final score being 9 to 5.

The annual meeting of the Umatilla County Caledonian Society was held in this city Monday, and election of officers for ensuing year was made as follows: John Bell, president; H. A. Barrett, vice-president; James Henderson, secretary; W. E. Potts, treasurer.

James Ritchey, who sold part of his Weston holdings not long ago and leased the rest, has decided to locate in the Willamette valley near Cornelius, where his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Kilgore, are now living.

The first annual stag supper, given under the auspices of the men of the Methodist Episcopal church, was a thorough success in every particular. The commodious basement of the church was taxed to its capacity by the big crowd that had come to attend the banquet.

Wednesday night's meeting of the Athena Commercial Association was one of the most interesting sessions held since organization. A number of visitors were present, and the later part of the evening was devoted to social features. Refreshments were served by a committee consisting of B. N. Hawks, Edw. Koontz and T. H. Beverley.

Nick Taitinger came down from Alberta Saturday and will spend several weeks with his family in this city.

Mrs. Unruh, state president of the W. C. T. U., addressed an audience at the Baptist church yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Theo Danner was over from Milton this week, and was in attendance at the bedside of her niece, Mrs. Jack Harrison, when she passed away. Ocie Barton came down from La Cross, Wash., Wednesday and left yesterday for Madras, where he will spend the holidays with relatives.

The various churches in this city are making preparations for the usual Christmas programs. Exercises and Christmas trees will be had on Christmas Eve.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunt, who were recently married at Thornton, Wash., are visiting at the home of Mr. and

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Mrs. Jerry Stone, Mrs. Hunt's parents The couple teach in the Thornton schools, which have been closed indefinitely on account of scarlet fever. Mr. Alexander McFayden and Miss Bernice Smith were united in marriage Wednesday afternoon by Rev. Ryder, of the Baptist church. The ceremony was performed in the parlor of the Athena Hotel, in the presence of relatives and friends of the bride and groom. The groom is a young man well known in the community and his bride is a daughter of the late John L. Smith. The young couple will make their home in Athena.

Ten electric lights have been installed in the basement of the Methodist Episcopal church. The new light lends decided cheerfulness to that portion of the building.

Mrs. Harden Mansfield and two daughters arrived in Athena Tuesday from their home in Caldwell, Idaho, and will spend the holidays with friends here and at Walla Walla.

Mrs. Charles Wall, of Pendleton, and little daughter, were in the city this week.

J. E. Herndon, of Freewater, was visiting friends in the city Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Lela Stamper is presiding over the toy booth at the Mosgrove Mercantile Co., store.

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