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THE subject of highways (especially the Pacific highway) has been harped upon in this column so much that any reader of this part of the newspaper may be pretty well fed up with that subject long ago. However, highways are so definitely important to the future prosperity and advancement of our portion of the state that this editor will run the risk of boring people by reading off another paragraph or two.

First off, for this time, what about this military highway plan—is it a boon or a boomerang?

In other words is the Oregon highway commission, as a result of the proposal to build a great north and south super highway with federal funds, going to wash its hands of the pressing Pacific highway problem and wait for the federal government to build the highway building proposal appeared.

And yet the federal plan is an excellent one and its adoption on a national scale would be of great benefit to the whole country. So long as we must have public works to give employment to the unemployed, highway improvement will do the country as much good as anything. We are for it. We should be for it. But in working for something for the general good as well as for our own good, we should not be compelled to sit back and wait and hope for the fulfillment of the federal promise or hope of promise and see Oregon highway funds used elsewhere when they are needed in Southern Oregon.

The Grants Pass Courier editor is about as nutty on this subject as is your News-Review editor. The Courier recently sounded forth on this problem with some pungent and pointed sentences.

Here they are:

"It is all right to work for the proposed federal military highway plan with special reference to the Grants Pass-Roseburg sector. But it is all wrong to let the Sexton mountain section rot in all its traffic-stopping inertia while waiting for a plan not yet approved by congress."

"What are the highway commission's intentions toward Sexton mountain? Is the work in a 'qui ti off' envelope of the commission's file?"

"This is a pretty good year to chop out the Sexton mountain barrier, and open the door to next year's northbound travel to Roseburg and Eugene and northern cities can find out what it means to have a real share of California business."

"When they do find out they won't fret so much over the same 'what disappointing returns from money spent on the coast and plateau routes.'"

Editorials on News
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strong as the desire to go on living.

President Roosevelt himself is undoubtedly shrewd enough to realize that he couldn't be elected for a third term, and this writer believes he is good enough American NOT TO WANT TO IF HE COULD.

If the time ever comes when we have to admit there is only one man fit to be President of the United States, the America of our forefathers will be dead and gone, and we'll be facing dictatorship and decline.

OREGON'S PAYROLL
NEAR 1938 PEAK

New Record Prevented in 1939 by Heavy Slump in Logging Industry.

By PAUL W. HARVEY, JR.
SALEM, June 16.—(AP)—Oregon's industrial payroll for the fiscal year ending in two weeks will come close to last year's all-time high.

A new record would be set except for the fact that the logging industry was in the doldrums last fall. But each month of 1939 has been better than the corresponding month of 1938.

The payroll for the first 11 months of the 1938-39 fiscal year was \$139,130,151, compared with \$142,849,729 for the same period in 1937-38. This means that the payroll for this fiscal year will be about \$152,000,000, or about \$2,000,000 less than the record payroll of 1937-38.

Oregon's industrial workers are earning even more than they did in the busy days of 1937-38. During that fiscal year, the total payroll was about \$129,000,000, or about \$25,000,000 a year less than the total for this fiscal year will be. The payroll for the past 10 years totals \$1,180,248,341.

Unemployment drops are lower than for many years. The unemployment compensation commission is paying 45 per cent less in benefits than it paid a year ago. There are no employable persons left on the relief rolls, but there still are several thousand on the WPA.

One of the principal reasons for the upturn in employment this spring is that the agricultural industry is employing many more persons to pick the crops. Other industries, particularly lumber and logging operations, are picking up rapidly.

The May industrial payroll was \$12,418,000, about \$1,000,000 more than for May, 1938. The number of men employed was 112,328, an increase of 10,000 over a year ago. But the average daily wage was down from \$4.36 to \$4.31.

Influx Escaped
The unemployment compensation commission now is having a collected slight of relief because Oregon was not invaded by an army of agricultural workers from Washington and California.

When the word was spread around that strawberry pickers were badly needed, the commission feared such an invasion. But the commission's employment service went into a huddle with the state relief commission and the berry growers.

The result was that all employable were taken off the state relief rolls and put into the fields. The jobs went to Oregon residents, and the invasion never materialized.

Prospects of good crops probably will keep the relief rolls free of employable persons until fall, when many of them will be forced back on relief again.

JUDGE ASHURST IS
ASKED TO RESIGN

KLAMATH FALLS, June 15.—(AP)—A resolution signed by nearly 100 residents of the Klamath valley farm community east of here today denounced the actions of Circuit Judge Edward B. Ashurst as "un-American" and called on the Klamath jurist to resign his office immediately "so that we may have peace and harmony."

Principal complaints against Judge Ashurst state that he refused to sign a resolution of the Klamath valley farm community which declared his authority in office and that he "was unable to give competent satisfaction to the citizens of Klamath county," necessitating the calling in of another judge to carry out his duties at great expense.

Andy Fields of Langell valley, a sponsor of the resolution, declared his group's dispute with Ashurst was totally unconnected with recent anti-automobile activities on detention by the judge here.

THREAT WRITER TO
F. D. R. INDICTED

SAN FRANCISCO, June 15.—(AP)—Harry G. Griffith, 38, alias Harry Gehl, Los Angeles, was indicted by a federal grand jury today on charges of sending a threatening letter to President Roosevelt.

Thomas C. Lynch, assistant U. S. attorney, said the indictment charged Griffith last May 23 mailed a letter to the president which stated in part: "If you let the Jews and capitalists get into this war I hope I will be able to fire the first shot at you."

Griffith was arrested last May in Huntington Beach investigation in connection with the destruction of postoffice letter boxes.

LOVE PICKET TOLD
TO FIND NEW GIRL

TACOMA, June 15.—(AP)—Tacoma's "love picket," 21-year-old Fred Macintosh, was told by Justice Clarence K. Layton today to "find a new girl friend."

Macintosh, ejected several times recently from appearing in front of the home of a girl who evidently didn't care for him, pleaded guilty to a charge of disorderly conduct. Justice Layton gave the youth a suspended 30-day sentence.

"If you were about 18 years old your conduct would be understandable," Justice Layton said, "but you are old enough to realize there are other girls. Find yourself a new girl friend."

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OUT OUR WAY

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MRS. LIBBIE JONES
DIES AT SUTHERLIN

Mrs. Libbie May Jones, 72, a well known resident of Sutherlin, where she has resided for the past eight years, died suddenly at her home this morning.

She was born in Susanville, Calif., May 2, 1867, and was married to Thomas E. Jones in Sheridan, Wyo., March 8, 1886.

She came with her husband to Sutherlin from Elko, Nev. Surviving are her husband, three daughters, Mrs. Marcy Christie Newman, Los Angeles; Mrs. P. W. Lane, Westley, R. I.; Mrs. Lyla M. Chenoweth, Portland, Oregon; a son, Lefroy Jones, Elko, Nev.; and three sisters, Mrs. Adella Noble, Mrs. C. W. Griswold, Elko, and Mrs. John Grizzly, Oroville, Calif.

The body has been removed to Stearns mortuary, Oakland, and funeral arrangements are awaiting the arrival of relatives.

DAMAGES AGAINST
PHONE CO. UPHELD

SAN FRANCISCO, June 15.—(AP)—The U. S. circuit court today affirmed a \$12,475 judgment awarded C. W. White by an Oregon federal court jury against the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company for an assault upon him by the company's chief special agent, H. A. Hansley.

White sued for \$50,000 in the Multnomah county court. The case was transferred to federal court.

White charged the assault occurred in the Portland police station January 17, 1937. He alleged it was the culmination of fruitless efforts by Hansley to obtain information as to the perpetrators of a holdup of the company's cashier in Portland in the same month.

The telephone concern appealed judgment, saying that he had "exceeded his authority in office" and that he "was unable to give competent satisfaction to the citizens of Klamath county," necessitating the calling in of another judge to carry out his duties at great expense.

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RAMBLINGS
By PAUL JENKINS

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The reservation consists of 457 acres of land. Counting those structures still standing at the site of the old state soldiers home, across the river in West Roseburg and now incorporated with the newer institution—most of which have been razed recently—there are twenty-six buildings. These are arranged for the most part about the main hospital and administration building, and include a secondary hospital unit, recreation hall, heating plant, residential quarters, etc. All are constructed of brick.

The grounds are excellently landscaped, and wondrous have been accomplished in successfully planting the rows and rows of monumental trees and shrubs which beautify the winding driveway. Grasses especially suitable for the type of soil found there provide splendid lawns.

The buildings were erected at a cost, to date, of \$1,158,799. Each conforms to the others in architectural design, and they form a most pleasing general assembly.

A sum in excess of \$100,000 has been expended for equipment, much of which, in an institution of this kind, is of a very expensive nature, and of the finest quality obtainable.

\$35,000 worth of stores are kept in stock at the present time. The facility here is clothing supply depot to five other stations, and as a result this one item accounts for a considerable outlay of money.

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The other patients—317—are in closed wards, and remain under constant supervision.

Although the usual commitment procedure to the hospital is through the medium of the courts, Colonel Tandy informs me that many are voluntary, wherein the patient has taken the initiative in requesting admittance.

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16 Duration
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Answer to Previous Puzzle
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2 Part of the iris
3 Wild duck
4 Hooked
5 Four plus six
6 Male bee
7 Great lake
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9 Fury

15 To analyze
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19 Rhythm
21 To accumulate
22 She opened a dance school at the height of her
23 To run
24 An eagle
25 To scrutinize
27 Reverence
28 Wolfraime
29 East
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DETROIT RUNS WIN
STREAK TO EIGHT

Tigers Become Real Threat in American Loop; N. Y. Giants Rout French.

Associated Press Sports Writer
Now that the major league trading deadline has passed it seems safe to say the Detroit Tigers are the most strengthened club in baseball.

Although the Tigers are crouched in fifth place in the American league today, some of the first division clubs must be trembling at thoughts of Detroit's eight-game winning streak which already has cut into the second-place Boston Red Sox three times in two days.

The Tigers aren't fooling. They settled the outcome of their game yesterday in eight minutes—taking just time to fill the bases in the first inning ahead of a home run by Pete Fox. Bridges pitching six-hit ball they had no trouble thereafter in winning 6-3.

The Yankees kept up to their reputation as great "coolers" yesterday by breaking the Cleveland Indians' winning streak at six games. Gomez and Harder looked up in a spectacular hurling duel in which each allowed only four hits. A walk, a single and an infield out provided a run in the sixth and a 1-0 Yankee victory.

Knott uncorked a two-hitter and Lee encircled with a five-hit job to give the Chicago White Sox both ends of a double-header at Washington, 5-1 and 7-2.

The St. Louis Browns and Philadelphia Athletics took the day off following their night game of Wednesday.

Cincinnati's Reds rained a full game on the second place St. Louis Cardinals by trimming the Phillies, 4-1, after the Brooklyn Dodgers had thumped the Cardinals 8-3, at St. Louis.

The New York Giants won their seventh straight, 7-4, at Chicago. A five-run rally in the seventh chased Lefty Larry French.

The Boston Bees plucked a free-hitting game from Pittsburgh. It was Pittsburgh's sixth loss in a row.

LOUIS CONFIDENT OF
KAYO OVER GALENTO

By GAYLE TALBOT
NEW YORK, June 16.—(AP)—Twenty days before his fight with Tony Galento, Champion Joe Louis is approaching perfect condition, physically and mentally, at his training camp in Pompton Lakes.

The negro weighed 203 after a hard session yesterday, in which he boxed six rounds against four rugged partners, and expects to scale 200 even the day of the bout.

He is hitting sharp and fast with both hands. He looks more formidable every time I see him crashing out another man in the ring.

Almost never has Joe appeared so confident before a big fight. He has little, if any, real respect for Galento as a fighter. Asked to name the man he expected to put the slug on his chubby challenger, he said slowly:

"I don't know whether I can do that. But the condition I'll be in the night of the fight it oughtn't to last very long. I figure Galento will be easier for me to hit than Paulino was, and I knocked him out in the fourth."

There is no evidence of rancor in the champion's camp over the loose talk about his having employed a "blunk" to put Max Schmeling in the hospital. Both Joe and his co-manager, Julian Green, joke. Joe was having his big hands taped for the workout when we walked in on him. He looked at his right critically and grinned.

"There's the thing I hit Schmeling with. It's just four fingers and a thumb like Jim Braddock said."

SEATTLE GAINS TOP
OF COAST LEAGUE

By The Associated Press
The Los Angeles Angels, at the top of the 1939 Pacific Coast league baseball heap since the first week of play, gave way today to the surprising Seattle Rainiers who took over the lead by a half game last night by beating the Angels, 3 to 2, in ten innings.

Before a crowd of 12,000 at Seattle, the Rainiers' ace right-hander, Barrett, pitched a masterful game, allowing only six hits, while Seattle collected ten hits off him.

The winning run came on a single by Second Baseman Morrissey, with bases loaded.

White, Seattle leftfielder, led the Rainiers' attack with a triple, double and two singles in five turns at the plate.

By the same score, 3 to 2, Sacramento moved up a notch to sixth place by beating Oakland at the Oaks park with a ninth-inning rally that brought in two runs.

At Hollywood, San Diego dumped the Hollywood Stars from fifth place to seventh by whipping them, 6 to 3, bunching their eight hits in three innings.

The San Francisco-