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FOR SERVICE RENDERED

By Charles V. Stanton

CITY COUNCILMEN, who serve without remuneration—receiving nothing for their efforts except much criticism and faint praise—are being hard pressed by public work these days.

Installation of spur tracks, requests for street and alley vacations to convenience industrial plants, keeping streets passable without adequate materials or labor, endeavoring to control increasingly heavy traffic on narrow streets, developing new routes for log hauling, maintaining efficient police and fire protection, and finding ways and means of coupling additional homes to an already overtaxed sewage disposal system, are only a few of the problems which have been added to normal work of the council.

At the same time, councilmen are working under provisions of an antiquated charter and are restricted by a budget which has operated, through lack of foresight in past years, to lower the city's tax base to a point where it is now found difficult to meet the cost of administrative functions of a rapidly growing municipality.

Few people realize the time and work members of the city council are required to give to municipal affairs. The men on that governing body are entitled to greater appreciation from those they serve.

It is easy to sit back and point out tasks the city council should be performing, but all too few residents recognize and appreciate sacrifices required of unpaid city officers in keeping the municipality operating smoothly and economically.

Not many people realize the responsibility which devolves upon an administrative body as a result of rapid community growth and a change from agricultural to industrial status.

When a town grows normally, problems can be anticipated. But when population and business take a sudden upward turn, many headaches are created for those who hold responsibility for public welfare.

Roseburg is not alone with its problem. All Oregon cities which have experienced extraordinary growth are in the same boat.

An editorial writer of the Oregon Journal, commenting upon Portland's need for greater revenue, quoting the mayor of that city, said recently:

State-collected revenues have shown increase. State expenditures have not shown the percentage of increase that the cities have. The state has more money than it needs, and the city is tied to the archaic system of revenue sources devised in the horse-and-buggy days.

The greatest handicap to efficient municipal government is the budget law. This law, in principle, is a fine thing. It provides a tight rein on taxation and prevents imposition of impractical tax burdens upon property holders.

But it is too inflexible and exacting and is in need of many alterations. Coupled with the budget law, in need of amendment, is the six per cent limitation statute. At present a taxing body can increase its taxes, IN DOLLARS AND CENTS, by only six per cent.

Although a community may double in size overnight, a condition closely approached by several Douglas county municipalities at the present time, the cities, school districts, and other taxing bodies can increase their tax levy only six per cent in dollars. If the law permitted tax levies to be raised or lowered on a MILLAGE basis in proportion to ASSESSED VALUATIONS, the problem could be solved but, when restricted to dollars and cents, the present system excludes possibility of efficiently expanding services to keep pace with developments.

It has been almost certain to turn his thumbs down on that one—in all kindness, of course, and with the laudable purpose of saving Henry from losing his little bicycle shop and making a mess of his life generally.

Thus killing time between one meal and the next, with nothing better on our hands at the moment to do, my planner friend and I run on and on and on. It's a good thing we haven't the power to compel people by decree to do the things we agree they ought to do. We'd make an awful mess of it.

A country like this is just too big to be TOLD what it can do and what it can't. It's better in the long run to let people go ahead and MAKE MISTAKES. Knowledge gained that way comes hard, but is worth a lot to us after we get it.

State Press Comment

FUMING AT ESPEE Klamath Falls Herald and News. In the neighboring town of Medford, there is still angry fuming at the Southern Pacific railroad because it doesn't run passenger service from there to Dunsmuir. This has been going on, for years, the most interesting recent development being a government suit to force the Espree to give through service on the grounds that it got heavy land grants, in the last century, with the understanding it would provide such service on the line.

Credit for that legal development must go to Congressman Hervey Ellsworth of the fourth district, who happened onto the land grant provision in a big book one day in Washington and called it to the attention of government lawyers. The suit has been filed, but has not been tried. In normal times, it is presumed that any profit-seeking railroad will run trains where the business justifies it. It is a little

difficult to imagine the necessity of forcing a railroad to take business which awaits it. But that, of course, is not specifically the technical issue here, and maybe the courts will hold that trains must be run, regardless of the business justification.

The attitude of Klamath Falls toward the Medford problem, as indicated in a chamber of commerce resolution, is that we are sympathetic so long as Medford service doesn't mean taking trains away from the straighter, faster, better Klamath line.

EVANSVILLE, Ind. The old army saw about shells "having your number on them" is no bunk, says Lt. John R. Staten, of Kenneth Square, Pa. He wrote Evansville relatives that his liberator bomber crew recently found a piece of flak embedded in the ship after a raid.

The flak had the number 568 written on it and 568 is the number of Lt. Staten's plane.

BURIED TREASURE OKLAHOMA CITY When the Paul McCracken moved into a new home 12 years ago they noticed a rusty steel ring projecting slightly above the ground. They didn't pay any attention to it until their 12-year-old son, Jack, started investigating recently.

The result: They found three full drums, containing 110 gallons of gasoline.

OUT OUR WAY



Sports, Picnic Are Enjoyed Labor Day At Honeyman Park

REEDSPORT—More than 1000 employees of the E. K. Wood and the Gardner Lumber companies in both their mills and logging operations, with their families, enjoyed a day of picnicking and sports at Clewax lake in the Honeyman state park nine miles north of this city, Labor day.

50-yard sack race, boys under 16—Chuck Pinion 1st, \$1.00; Rob-in Gay 2nd, \$2.00.

50-yard women's free for all—Martha Bramlett 1st, \$2.00; Helen Pinion 2nd, \$1.00.

Shoe race for boys and girls—Hope Samson 1st, \$2.00; Rose Steinke 2nd, \$1.00.

Three-legged race, free for all—Helen Pinion and Martha Bramlett 1st, \$3.00; Dorothy Switzer and Chuck Pinion 2nd, \$2.00.

40-yard dash for men over 45—Elmer Standifer 1st, \$2.00; Clair Meade 2nd, \$1.00.

40-yard dash, boys under 8—Jackie Jensen 1st, \$1.00; Jimmie Warren and Nelda Lougler 2nd, 50 cents each.

100-yard dash for men—Willard Raymond 1st, \$2.00 Red Hull 2nd, \$1.00.

Tag-of-war, men—Gardner Lumber Co. team 1st, \$10.00.

Egg race—Helen Pinion 1st, \$2.00; Mrs. Elwin Sampson and Miss Hope Samson tied for 2nd, \$1.00.

Tag-of-war, women—Gardner won and each member of the team received \$1.00.

Relay race—Prize a box of 22 rifle shells—Team comprising Roy Berg, Tony Oswald and Loren Herring.

Gardner won the softball game and the prize of \$9 was donated by them to the local section of the American Red Cross.

Two teams of women played a part of a softball game which was called on account of darkness.

Beavers Win Two Games to Regain 2nd Spot in Race

By The Associated Press The Portland Beavers moved into the Coast baseball loop's second place with a half game lead over San Francisco's Seals last night, sweeping a doubleheader with Sacramento, 3 to 2 and 13 to 11, as the Seals lost to Oakland, 4 to 0.

The Beavers took the seven-inning opener, 3 to 2, with both teams being limited to seven hits. In the nightcap the squads unlimbered their bats for a total of 39 hits, Portland getting 21 off Powers and Penrose while the Solons hit Heiser, Windsor and Pieretti for 18, including two homers and four doubles.

Oakland's Salvo won his 16th game of the season as he limited the Seals to five hits. San Francisco bobbled five times in the field.

Seattle and San Diego split, the Padres winning the opener, 2 to 1, in a tight pitching duel between Passo and Seattle's Hal Turpin. San Diego led 5-2 in the ninth inning of the nightcap when the Rainiers scored four times on four hits and a walk to win 6 to 5.

The Hollywood Stars knocked three pitchers out of the box with a 12-hit barrage that netted them a 3-0 win over league leading Los Angeles.

KRRR Mutual Broadcasting System, 1480 Kilocycles.

BEST BETS FOR TODAY

FRIDAY 6:30—Double or Nothing. 7:15—Lowell Thomas. 8:00—Jimmy McDaniel vs. Ralph Zanelli. 9:00—Newspaper of the Air. SATURDAY 8:30—Rainbow House. 9:30—Hello Mom. 2:00—Navy Bulletin Board. 3:00—Halls of Montezuma. 4:00—American Eagles in Britain. 4:30—Flying High. 5:15—Music for Remembrance. 6:00—Chicago Theatre of the Air. 7:30—Red Ryder. 8:00—Downbeat Derby. 9:30—Acceptance Speech of Gov. Bricker.

SUNDAY

10:30—Hokey Hall. 1:00—California Melodies. 1:30—Name That Song. 3:00—Quick as a Flash. 3:45—Dick Brown. 5:00—Mediation Board. 6:00—Adventures of Leonidas Witherall. 6:30—Cisco Kid. 7:30—Boys Town. 8:30—Tonight at Hoagy's. 9:30—Human Adventure.

REMAINING HOURS TODAY

4:00—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Plough Chemical Co. 4:15—Tune Tabloid. 4:30—World's Front Page. 4:45—Music Off the Record. 5:00—Bible Adventures, Presbyterian Church. 5:15—Superman. 5:30—Tom Mix, Ralston's Purina. 5:45—Night News Wire, Studebaker. 6:00—Gabriel Heatter, Kremi. 6:15—Screen Test, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer. 6:30—Double or Nothing, Feena mint. 7:00—State and Local News, Keel Motor Co. 7:05—Musical Interlude. 7:15—Lowell Thomas, Standard Oil Co. 7:30—Lone Ranger. 8:00—Boxing Bouts, Gillette. 9:00—Alka Seltzer News. 9:15—Hi Neighbor, Carstens Furniture Store. 9:30—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Kampfe's Sav-Mor. 9:45—Music for the Night. 10:00—Sign off.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

6:45—Yawn Patrol. 7:00—News, White King. 7:15—Stuff and Nonsense. 7:30—State and Local News, Boring Optical. 7:35—The Beehive. 7:40—Rhapsody in Wax. 8:00—Haven of Rest (ABC-KOOS). 8:30—Rainbow House. 9:00—Easy Listenin'. 9:15—Melody Mart. 9:30—Hello Mom. 10:00—Alka Seltzer News. 10:15—Al Williams. 10:30—Musical Market Basket. 10:45—Todd Grant Gets the Story. 11:00—Morning Melodies. 11:15—Pastor's Scrapbook, Presbyterian Church. 11:30—George Sterney's Orchestra. 12:00—Musical Interlude. 12:10—Sports Review, Dunham Transfer. 12:15—Rhythm at Random. 12:40—State News, Hansen Motors. 12:45—News-Review of the Air. 12:55—Terminal Market Reports, Sig Fett. 1:00—Miniature Concerts. 1:15—Air Lane Trio. 1:30—Edgemore Handicap. 1:45—Garwood's Van Orchestra. 2:00—Navy Bulletin Board. 2:30—Lee Castle's Orchestra.

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8:00—Wesley Radio League. 8:30—Voice of Prophecy. 9:00—Detroit Bible Class. 9:30—Lutheran Hour. 10:00—Alka Seltzer News. 10:15—Commander Scott, Greyhound. 10:30—Hokey Hall, Chooz. 11:00—Baptist Church Services. 12:00—This is Fort Dix. 12:15—Voice of the Dairy Farmer, American Dairy Assn. 12:30—Dr. Floyd Johnson. 1:00—California Melodies. 1:00—Name That Song, Cystex. 2:00—Church of Christ (ABC). 2:15—For a Guy Named Joe. 3:00—Quick as a Flash, Helbros Watch Co. 3:30—Upton Close. 3:45—Dick Brown, Form Fit. 4:00—Old Fashioned Revival Hour. 5:00—Mediation Board. 5:45—Gabriel Heatter, Barbasol. 6:00—The Adventures of Leonidas Witherall. 6:30—Cisco Kid. 7:00—Cedric Foster, Employers Group. 7:15—Musical Varieties. 7:30—Boys Town. 8:00—Harmony Hall. 8:30—Tonight at Hoagy's Nu Made Mayonnaise. 9:00—Alka Seltzer News. 9:15—Stardust Serenade. 9:30—Human Adventure. 10:00—Old Fashioned Revival Hour. 11:00—Sign off.

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Seattle Economist Dated for Public Talk in Roseburg

The Kiwanis program for Tuesday, Sept. 12, will be sponsored by the Roseburg chamber of commerce through its Committee for Economic Development and will feature J. C. Herbin, public relations director of the Port of Seattle. Mr. Herbin, recognized as an outstanding speaker, is devoting a great deal of time addressing public gatherings on the work being done by the Committee for Economic Development.

The meeting next Tuesday noon will be open to all business and professional men of the community and will be the first opportunity for them to learn how the Committee for Economic Development is fast becoming an important factor in all postwar planning.

Members of the local committee are: Harry O. Pargeter, chairman; Wm. H. Gerretsen, Bruce Elliott, Jack Harding, Paul Geddes and Al Bashford. Harold Hickerson is serving the committee as secretary.

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lyn." a musical-dramatic production based on George Gershwin's life and music. Bruce Foote, who usually does the solo work on this production, is taking an enforced vacation in the hospital, having severed connections with his appendix, and Reinhold Schmidt will take over the vocals for him this week. Downbeat Derby from 8 until 9 and at 9:30 Governor Bricker will make his acceptance speech. That's about it—except that there's lots of good listening to look forward to on Sunday what with new shows and everything—but that's grist for tomorrow's mill.

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