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The Weather

U. S. Weather Bureau Office Roseburg, Oregon. Forecast for Roseburg and vicinity: Partly cloudy tonight and Sunday.

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Halloween Fete Entertains Vets

One of the finest single events of the year staged at the Roseburg Veterans Hospital was a Halloween Carnival held Thursday evening for 250 patients.

Success of the carnival was in large part attributed to the joint efforts of members of the Veterans Administration Volunteer Service Hospital Advisory Committee, comprised of the American Red Cross, Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion auxiliaries, Disabled American Veterans, Navy Mothers, and the hospital's Special Services office.

Eight vividly decorated carnival booths, depicting Halloween, were erected, offering nine kinds of concessions where patients could win valuable merchandise gifts.

The fun continued more than two hours to the tune of whirling roulette wheels, sidshow and concession barkers, and "ohs" and "ahs" of winners.

Eastern Trip Won By Marjorie Zeller

Marjorie Zeller of Brockway, winner of many 4-H club honors, will be one of 14 delegates from Oregon to attend the National 4-H Congress in Chicago in 1948.

Marjorie attended the National 4-H Congress this year in Washington, D. C. The Chicago trip will come to her as the result of winning a girls' record contest sponsored by Montgomery Ward and Co., Minneapolis.

OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS

By CHARLES V. STANTON

Announcement has been made of plans for an exhaustive study of highway needs by the Legislature Interim Committee, authorized at the last session of the Oregon State Legislature, which instructed committee members "to make a complete and exhaustive study of the transportation facilities of the state, including state highways, county roads and city streets; and, based upon such study and examination, determine the immediate and future needs and requirements with respect to the construction and maintenance of public thoroughfares of the State of Oregon . . ."

The Interim Committee apparently is preparing to make this investigation as complete as possible. Composed of Representative Ralph T. Moore, chairman; senators Ernest R. Fatland, Douglass McKay and Earl T. Newberry, and representative R. C. Frisbie, M. M. Landon and Pat Lonergan, the committee has invited the Automobile Safety Foundation of Washington, D. C., to make an engineering study, and has solicited assistance from the League of Oregon Cities in gathering and compiling data concerning municipal street problems and present and future requirements.

The League of Oregon Cities, realizing the importance of this study to Oregon municipalities, has named committees, which include managers, engineers, superintendents, etc., to work with engineers in gathering factual material, and also has appointed officials to the executive and liaison committees.

Douglas County communities, in our opinion, should bend every effort to make the best possible presentation before one of the 12 area hearings to be held by the investigating group. No definite time has been set for the hearings, which will wait until cities and counties have had a reasonable time to prepare their data. Meetings, however, will be held sometime during the winter months in Klamath Falls, Bend, The Dalles, Pendleton, La Grande, Astoria, Tillamook, Burns, Portland, Salem, Eugene, Medford and Coquille.

If we follow our usual course of procedure, we will have a few resolutions, possibly some incomplete maps, and a small delegation armed with a few general facts to be used in a more or less perfunctory presentation. Then, when we are by-passed in committee findings, will gripe to the high heavens because of adverse discrimination.

Despite the fact that Douglas County is shown by employment records to have had the largest percentage of population increase of any county in Oregon for the period 1940-47, the program of the State Highway Commission makes Douglas County the last in Western Oregon to benefit from the reconstruction of the Pacific Highway. Improvements are being made to the north and to the south, but the Roseburg-Winchester bottleneck will continue to render much of the improvement valueless until the reconstruction job is entirely complete, unless Highway Commission policies are altered.

Many communities are extremely alert to highway development. They have active organizations outlining their needs. They have representatives present at nearly every meeting of the Highway Commission. They operate on the theory that the "squeaky wheel gets the grease," and experience has shown that theory to be well founded.

Occasionally, when conditions get desperate, the Highway Commission finds that Douglas County still is a part of Oregon. Usually the matter is of such importance that the need is recognized and assistance given, as in the case of the Umpqua Highway improvement to be made in Roseburg and east in the near future. However, we have been most lax in our contacts with the Highway Commission and in keeping our plight before that body.

We now have an opportunity to present our case before "judge and jury". The interim committee will have the benefit of a study made by experienced engineers, covering every phase of highways, roads and streets. In addition, it will consider the present and future needs of municipalities and counties.

In our opinion, every municipality should begin immediately to gather engineering data, outline its future street needs, study traffic flow and parking problems, and be ready with facts and figures. Roseburg should coordinate efforts of its city manager, street department, Chamber of Commerce highway committee, City Planning Commission, and all other interested groups, into an exhaustive study. As soon as municipalities have completed their work, the county court, which, in the meantime, should be putting together a county-wide program, should call municipal representatives together to outline an over-all report, current and prospective highway, road and street needs.

We can be sure that the report of the interim committee will reflect the degree of enthusiasm shown by each represented community. Our enthusiasm in the past has been lacking. It should be bolstered in preparation for the forthcoming hearings.

By L. F. R.

The tragic deaths of Governor Snell, Secretary of State Farrell and State Senate President Marshall Cornett are the more keenly felt by all of the state they served so efficiently because they were more than just officials—they were warm personal friends and genial neighbors of countless numbers of citizens whom they served. Their election to offices by substantial majorities eloquently attested the high public appraisal of their abilities as well as the personal esteem in which they were held. Each typified the energy and healthy ambition of the middle-class American that make for the stability of industrial and political life and contribute materially to the progress of a commonwealth. Sorrow over the untimely demise of these three men springs from the hearts of those who value the happy combination of executive competence and human qualities which they possessed. Most fitting monuments to their memory are their records of public service to the growing state of Oregon—records constituting standards which a bereft constituency sincerely hopes will be followed by their successors.

Safety award medals also were given recently to Shirley and Sally Jurak, Ann Roth, Marjorie and Joy Zeller, and Naomi Severt Mimmick.

Red Probe Pauses As Film Industry Sees Vindication

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31.—(AP)—The promised disclosures of a definite link between movieland and Russian atom bomb spying must await the next phase of the Reds-in-Hollywood investigation.

This will come in "due time," Chairman Thomas pledged today as his House committee on un-American activities ended two weeks of public hearings with an air of suspense not unlike an old-fashioned serial thriller. The movie industry claimed meanwhile that the "arrest" of the current inquiry was a complete vindication of its position.

Paul V. McNutt, special counsel for the Motion Picture Association, declared in a statement the investigators had produced no proof of charges that films contain subversive propaganda. Thomas told reporters the committee will go into this aspect of things when it resumes its hearings either here or in Los Angeles. The time has not been fixed. Members of the committee staff also will continue working on the spy story during the recess, he said, "and when they are ready we will go into it again."

Future sessions, Thomas said, will bring out the names of 68 "prominent people associated with the motion picture industry who were members of the Communist party or had extensive records of Communist affiliations."

As the hearings ground to a halt there was a flurry of statements, some from persons directly involved and others from interested bystanders.

A group of 19 subpoenaed actors and writers—not all were called to the stand—whom the committee termed "hostiles" to the investigation declared: "Not only a free speech, but every free institution in America is jeopardized as long as this committee exists."

Lowell Mellett, former administrative aide to President Roosevelt, said he was "sure as a pun" that the committee did not give him a chance to deny assertions that Mellett pressured movie producers to have Robert Taylor play the lead in "Song of Russia."

The committee claims the movie contained Russian propaganda. Thomas said Mellett went to Hollywood during the war "on orders of his superior to see that Mr. Taylor played that leading role." Mellett called this "entirely untrue," and an apparent attempt to "smear" Roosevelt.

General Patton's Memoirs Tell How to Wage War

NEW YORK (AP)—War is something you learn as you go along. Even an old campaigner like Gen. George S. Patton, Jr., says that to be true. He says as much in his own life story, excerpts of which are published this week in the Saturday Evening Post.

Recalling how the Germans threw back one of his armored columns several miles and cost him a number of tanks, Patton acknowledged it was probably his fault for driving his men day and night to a point where they were too tired to resist the Nazi counterthrust.

"I remember being surprised at the time at how long it took me to learn war," he wrote. "I should have known this before." A few generals are courageous enough to admit they were guilty of mistakes that cost men's lives. It is characteristic of Patton's brutal honesty and superb egoism that he could do so—and still boast that he only made one error in the European campaign.

His story of his own part in the war is a legacy of controversy, bristling with the prejudices of a strong-willed impatient leader who hated the reins he felt held him from the greatness and glory he was born to.

But from it emerges the clearest picture yet given of the most powerful personality of the war—a man who believed in fighting and loved it. Nobody really knew Patton better than himself. Comments Are Quoted. Here are some of his own pithy comments on his trade: "A pint of sweat saves a gallon of blood."

"We never had to regroup, which seemed to be the chief form of amusement in the British armies. "Do not take counsel for your fear."

"If I had worried about flanks I could never have fought the war." "One does not plan and then try to make the circumstances fit those plans. One tries to make plans fit the circumstances. In spite of my reputation as a backslider, I really am very long-suffering."

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Quakers of U. S., Britain Awarded Nobel Peace Prize. OSLO, Norway, Nov. 1.—(AP)—The Nobel committee announced yesterday the Nobel peace prize for 1947 had been awarded to United States and British organizations of the Society of Friends (Quakers).

The recipients are the American Friends Service Committee, with headquarters in Philadelphia, and the London Service Council, which is the headquarters of the British Quakers.

The two have worked together in European relief. The Society of Friends was among five institutions which had been named as candidates for the award. Pope Pius XII and Mahatma G. Gandhi, the Hindu leader, were among the persons nominated for consideration.

The Society of Friends has been associated with endeavors for peace and the brotherhood of mankind for 300 years since its founding in 1647 by George Fox, the son of an English weaver.

The society, whose calm, passive resistance won many of its causes in England, also has occupied a prominent place in American history, dating back to the colonization of Pennsylvania, Delaware and New Jersey. Former Herbert C. Hoover is among its members.

The society is a religious fellowship without any priesthood or outward sacraments. The Quakers, who suffered a period of persecution in England because of their non-conformist views, spread to the United States in the middle of the 17th century, when missionaries were sent to Massachusetts Bay, Rhode Island, New Amsterdam (New York), Maryland and Virginia. Fox himself visited America in 1672.

Tacoma Slayer to Face Quiz on Many Crimes. TACOMA, Oct. 31.—(AP)—A flood of requests from Tacoma police today that Joe Bird, 45-year-old confessed axe-slayer of a woman and her daughter here early yesterday, be questioned regarding similar crimes at widely scattered points in the nation.

Police Lt. Snerman Lyons said Bird would be "checked" about the other crimes in Louisiana.

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Night patrolman reports only

Europe Aid Means Higher Taxes Or Inflation Boost

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31.—(AP)—Help for Europe confronts this country with the choice between higher taxes or greater inflation, Rep. Crawford (R-Mich.) declared today.

At the same time Senator O'Mahoney (D-Wyo.) called for a new excess profits levy as one approach to the twin problem of curbing high prices at home while working out a multi-billion-dollar European recovery program.

A republican leadership decision on whether to press a third tax reduction bill at the November 7 session was delayed, meanwhile, by the illness of Rep. Knutson (R-Minn.)

Knutson, chairman of the tax-writing House Ways and Means committee had been scheduled to confer yesterday with Senator Taft (Ohio), head of the senate's GOP Policy Committee, on the Minnesota's previously announced determination to make tax-cutting a top priority issue before congress.

Taft also favors lower income levies, but he declined to forecast at a news conference yesterday just when the lawmakers might get around to a reduction bill.

Crawford, however, asserted that it no longer is a question of cutting taxes but of hiking them.

The Michigan republican said he voted for the two bills President Truman vetoed last session because he expected government spending to be curtailed sharply.

Since then, however, he added in an interview, "The Senate and House Appropriations Committee have shown they don't know how to cut budgets," the European economic crisis has developed and all signs point to greater defense needs.

"We are clear out on a limb now," Crawford declared, "and you don't cut your defenses when you are threatening everybody."

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Deaths, Damage Left by Typhoon in Philippines

MANILA, Oct. 31.—(AP)—A typhoon which swept across the central Philippines, leaving six dead and heavy damage in its wake, by-passed Manila to the south today and headed toward the China Sea.

The lashing gale heavily damaged two cities, sank one ship and beached three others.

Masbate, city of 24,000 population 230 miles southeast of Manila, sent a radio message for help, saying the city was badly damaged.

Tacloban, city of 10,000 on Leyte island 340 miles southeast of Manila, reported houses unroofed, communication lines down, and the business district flooded.

Riddle High School Dates Carnival Nov. 7

RIDDLE—Riddle High School is sponsoring a carnival to be held Friday night, Nov. 7, in the Riddle School auditorium.

High light of the evening will be the crowning of the queen. A food bar, older booth, bingo games, a telegram booth and a penny toss will be among the many amusements.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS. All persons having claims against the Estate of James Victor Trayer, deceased, now pending in the County Court of Douglas County, Oregon, are hereby notified to present the same, verified as required by law, to the undersigned administrator at his office at the Douglas Hotel, Roseburg, Oregon, within six months from the date of first publication hereof.

WILLIAM A. HUDNELL, Administrator, with Will annexed, Estate of James Victor Trayer, Deed.

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