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The Weather U. S. Weather Bureau Office Roseburg, Oregon Forecast for Roseburg and vicinity: Partly cloudy tonight; increasing cloudiness and slightly warmer Wednesday.

In the Day's News

PROGRAM FOR WAR. We do not believe that a sound and adequate defense system requires the police state methods of COMPUSSION.

The minority report concludes: "Passage of the Andrews (draft) bill would be one of the most tragic errors that could be committed by congress."

LET'S add a word here on this compulsion business. You're COMPELLED to pay your taxes, aren't you?

THERE would be some, of course. As a matter of fact, there would be MANY. The number would run into the millions.

THEY know that war costs money. If our government called for voluntary contributions with which to fight a war, the response would run into the billions.

EVERYBODY in congress knows that is true—although there are some who refuse to admit it.

THIS minority report says passage of a draft bill now would be interpreted to mean that this country "expects war."

LETTERS to the Editor "Disgrace to the State" YONCALLA—The five Oregon University boys who "heckled" Governor Dewey with their pictures of Governor Stassen were a disgrace to the state.

State Press Comment Cordon For the Cabinet (Portland Oregonian) Both Harold Stassen and Tom Dewey, in their intense campaigns for Oregon's twelve delegates to the Republican national convention, have promised to appoint a Westerner as secretary of interior if elected president.

SAVE RECREATION SPOT!

By CHARLES V. STANTON

One of the favored fishing spots on the Umpqua River is at Cleveland Rapids. The popularity of this stretch of water is evident from the fact that sometimes it becomes difficult to find a place to anchor a boat or locate a spot on which to stand while fishing from the bank.

Anglers and picnickers congregate at Cleveland Rapids throughout the entire year. During the winter months the eddy at the foot of the rapids is an ideal spot to take steelheads. With the coming of the Chinook salmon season, fishermen arrive long before daylight to compete for the best spots. Late comers must take what is left. During summer months the beach is crowded with picnickers and bathers.

To reach Cleveland Rapids one drives out on the Garden Valley road from which two roads turn off to the river. One of these routes branches off at the Hutton corner, where the main highway makes two sharp turns at almost right angles.

The county maintains the second road, the one through the center of the growing settlement, but the road starting at the Hutton place is kept up by the property owners. The road along the river is entirely on private land, is not dedicated, nor improved, and is kept open only through the goodness of the land owners.

The center road—the one maintained by the county—has been closed at the river end and the connection from the beach to that route is impassable. All travel to and from the beach is by way of what, for want of a better name, we call the Hutton road.

But, eventually, the property owners are going to rebel unless given some sort of relief. This year has been particularly difficult. The late rains have kept the ground soft. The road has only minimum surfacing, chiefly gravel hauled in small amounts by property owners from the nearby gravel bed.

The county court has been approached on numerous occasions with requests and petitions to take over maintenance of the road to Cleveland Rapids. A few years ago the county did take over the center route, because it is used for mail deliveries. But no help has been or is being given the long-suffering property owners along the Hutton road.

It would seem to us that the time has come that the county should take over both roads, or at least assist the property owners with grading and maintenance. We believe property owners would, in return, be willing to donate to the county a right of way along the river bank to connect the two roads and to dedicate the beach as a permanent public recreation spot.

We believe that public usage of this particular beach justifies the county court in seeking a deal with the owners of the property whereby, in return for a dedication of a recreation area and the necessary rights of way, that the county take over and maintain both roads to the river and a connecting route along the river bank.

Only a few years ago the county court could have purchased for a comparatively small sum that point of land between the North and South Umpqua rivers at The Forks. The court was urged to seize the opportunity. Instead, nothing was done, the land passed into private ownership, dozens of boat anchorages were lost, and an exceptionally fine and largely-used picnic spot was fenced off.

We have altogether too little access to the river and recreational areas. Favored picnic and fishing grounds are going rapidly into private hands. The public eventually will be shut off from Cleveland Rapids as from the center portion of The Forks if the injustice now existing is not corrected.

bridegrooms to narrow the field? Why not a promise to appoint an Oregonian? Presidential aspirants customarily shy away from indicating their preferences for cabinet positions before the final votes are counted, not wishing to alienate individuals and states not sharing in the potential appointments. Yet Oregon, which has not had a cabinet member since George H. Williams was named attorney general in 1871, has a man whose qualifications for secretary of interior are so outstanding that his appointment could evoke naught but praise.

Home Loan Law For Vets Explained At Jaycee Meet

"The home loan, designated as section 501 of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act, provides for a guaranty up to \$4,000, which may be used to guarantee 50 percent of a loan obtained for the purchase of a dwelling for the veteran," Don Reed, who assists with G.I. loans at the U. S. National Bank, told members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce at its meeting Monday night.

"This means," said Reed, "that the veteran can secure a loan up to 90 percent of the purchase price of a home instead of the 60 percent, the maximum that can be loaned on a straight bank conforming loan."

To be eligible, he said, a new house must have a continuous concrete foundation with crawl ventilation and a clearance of 18 inches between the ground and floor joists; masonry walls must be turreted out with 2x4's before applying plaster or other finish; gutters and downspouts connected to dry wells or sewer must be installed. This latter requirement is to protect the foundation and keep the house from settling, he explained. The builder must also obtain inspection certificates showing that wiring, plumbing and sewage disposal systems comply with the state code.

The procedure usually followed in obtaining a loan for the veteran to apply at the bank, outlining his proposed purchase," said Reed. "If we believe the loan is feasible we take the application, and collect the fees for the government appraiser, for recording the deed and mortgage, for a credit report and for mortgagee's title insurance. These costs total \$26. We then ask to have a government appraiser appointed, and while waiting for this appointment we make our own appraisal and take pictures of the property, for which we make no charge. If we believe the appraisal will conform with the selling price, we have the veteran appraiser make the appraisal. If we do not believe the property will appraise for the selling price, we notify the veteran and he may thereby save the appraisal fee.

"After receiving the appraisal and providing it conforms with the selling price," he explained, "we send in a home loan report to the Veterans Administration for prior approval, and upon receiving such approval, we have the veteran and his wife sign the note and mortgage. We obtain the deed from the seller and collect the veteran's down payment. The documents then go to the title company, which examines the title and records the deed and mortgage. Upon receipt of the title insurance policy from the title company, we disburse the funds to the seller. The veteran then has a clear deed to his property, subject to the G.I. mortgage. His payments as well as the principal and interest on the note, but will not include taxes or fire insurance."

Reed stated that G.I. farm loans can be made, but it is necessary that the farm be self-sustaining, and it is also necessary that the veteran has had farming experience and have equipment for operating the farm or funds to purchase it.

G.I. business loans, he said, come under the insurance program rather than the guarantee. The Veterans Administration will insure 15 percent of a loan for the purchase of a business, but from a banking standpoint, 85 percent of the loan is not insured; therefore the business loan must stand upon its own merits. Interest rates are figured at five and one-half percent compared with the four percent for home loans.

Farmer Has Close Call In Tractor Accident

REEDSPORT — Martin Dailey, son of Douglas Dailey, Smith River farmer, came close to losing his left leg in a farm accident last Thursday afternoon, while dragging a piece of ground with the farm tractor.

Honesty of Drunken Driver Saves City \$100

PASCO, Wash., May 11.—(AP)—A man who spent the night in the Pasco city jail for drunken driving appeared at the police desk the next morning to put up \$100 bail.

Reedsport's Dike Plan Strikes S. P. Obstacle

REEDSPORT — The City of Reedsport is attempting to secure easements for the building of dikes by the U. S. Army Engineers, to stop overflow of the Umpqua River into the business section during freshets and high tides.

The Southern Pacific sidetracks are located where the government is to build the dikes. When the city asked the railway for easements the company complied, but with such restrictions that the city would be required to maintain the right of way.

Conditions of the easements are "impossible," city officials report. If the easement cannot be modified, there is a possibility the work may be abandoned.

Government Land Near Powers Will Be Sold

More than a thousand acres of government surplus land in the vicinity of Powers, Ore., are being offered for sale through the Federal Farm Mortgage Corp., 610 Main Ave., Spokane.

Previously, the tract had been burned over. There is said to be more than two million feet of timber still standing.

Wallace-Taylor Group Organizes at Reedsport

REEDSPORT — With the slogan, "Wallace and Taylor to the White House," a Wallace club was organized in this city last week-end. The club was organized by William Hedges of Gardiner, one-time candidate for state representative for Douglas County.

Church Use Limit To White Persons Kayoed by Court

WASHINGTON, May 11.—(AP)—The Supreme Court overturned 6-0 yesterday an Ohio court decision which limited use of a church property in Columbus to white persons.

This striking down of a "restrictive covenant" on use of property was in line with the court's decision of a week ago. By the same lineup, the justices ruled that courts could not enforce real estate agreements which barred persons because of race or color.

The Justice Department since has said the decision covered covenants based on religious creed as well.

A parallel case was brought from California and by the same 6-0 finding returned for further consideration by the California Supreme Court. It involved use of houses purchased in Los Angeles by two persons of Chinese and Korean ancestry.

Among other actions, the court: Refused to rule on whether a book distributor was improperly fined \$2,500 after shipment of 100 copies of an asserted obscene book entitled "Call House Madam." The books were shipped from Brooklyn, N. Y., to Ye Old Book Shoppe in San Diego.

Arguments Set On Tax Surplus Suit

SALEM, Ore., May 11.—(AP)—Circuit Judge George R. Duncan will hear arguments next Friday in the suit to determine if state income tax surpluses can be used to pay expenses of the state government.

The suit was brought by former Governor Charles A. Sprague in order to get a court ruling on Attorney General Neuner's ruling. Neuner ruled that the money could be used to pay state expenses.

So far, income tax money has been used to reduce property taxes. The surplus revenues total \$35,000,000, and probably will reach \$35,000,000 by the end of the biennium on July 1, 1949.

Attorneys for Sprague and the Tax Commission will ask for a quick ruling in order to get the case before the State Supreme court.

TOASTMASTERS DATED Don Gum will be toastmaster for the weekly Toastmasters Club meeting Tuesday at 6:30 in the Umpqua Hotel. Carl Fermin will be table topics chairman.

MEET THE CANDIDATE



The following statement concerning his candidacy for nomination for sheriff on the Democratic ticket was submitted by A. B. Smith, above, and does not necessarily signify endorsement by the Roseburg News-Review:

I was born in the Sutherlin Valley of Douglas County of a pioneer family. My father having come to Oregon with his father in 1889.

I was raised on a ranch and have spent the greater part of my life in ranch and farm work. I have been a member of the Knights of Pythias Lodge for 30 years and am a charter member of the Douglas County Sheriff's Posse.

I am employed for two years in the Douglas County Flour Mill. In late 1941 I was employed as a deputy sheriff of Douglas County and held that office three years, including 18 months' service in the Lower Umpqua area at Reedsport.

If elected I intend to perform my duties to the best of my ability.

Vote for ORMOND R. BEAN

Republican - STATE TREASURER An Experienced State Official

Civil Bend Cemetery Assn.

will hold their annual meeting at the cemetery grounds May 20 at 2:00 P. M. Election of officers and business meeting.

STELLA BOHME, Sec.

Goofy Preacher Blamed in Death

BALTIMORE, May 11.—(AP)—An hysterical rooftop preacher who used his feet to thwart efforts to bring him to earth was accused today of causing the death of a Baltimore deputy police chief.

Lorenz A. Dolle, 63, kicked from a fire ladder Sunday, died in a hospital.

A charge of kicking and causing the death of Dolle was filed by police against William Lane, 25-year-old Negro. Dolle fell feet from the ladder and suffered a fractured skull.

Patrolman Louis J. Mitch said he found Lane dacing about the roof of a three-story house robe and pajamas and "preaching to save the world."

Witnesses said the preacher was audible for three or four blocks.

Members of the fire department and four more policemen were on hand before Lane could be coaxed onto the ladder.

Reedsport Church Plans Buildings

REEDSPORT—O. H. Hinsdale has been named chairman of the Episcopal Reedsport Mission building committee.

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Other members of the committee are Willis Ekblad, treasurer, and F. D. Seelye, and Ivan Gay, and the Rev. Father H. A. Link, ex-officio members.

Eagles Lodge, Auxiliary At Reedsport Elect

REEDSPORT — The following have been elected officers in the Eagles Lodge here: E. W. Smith, immediate past worthy president; Henry Riezenhuber, worthy president; J. G. Meier, worthy vice president; Kenneth Brown, worthy secretary; Thomas Orzall, worthy treasurer; Percy Helms, worthy chaplain; Henry Urobasco, worthy conductor; Aiden Baker, worthy inside guard; C. H. Hedges, worthy outside guard; D. R. Richards, Don Banta, and Elmer Samson, trustees.

The following were elected to office in the Eagles Auxiliary: Mrs. Vera McKinney, worthy past president and secretary; Cleo Richards, madam worthy president; Wanda Brown, vice president; Dorothea Spence, chaplain; Marie Kroening, treasurer; Edna Raymond, inside guard; Billie Jane Richards, outside guard; Claudia Banta, chaplain; Harriett Smith, trustee.

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Father Link, the local mission rector, has announced the following as members of the bishop's committee of the local parish: Ivan Gay, senior warden and secretary; O. H. Hinsdale, R. J. Hubbard, F. D. Seelye, and Robert Sund, with Mrs. Kirtley as church treasurer.

At present, the mission has a small church building at Gardiner, where regular services are held. It is the plan of the bishop to erect the parish house and rector's quarters in Reedsport at a cost of \$5,000 and later to erect a church here, when the congregation requires it.

Father Link recently arrived here from Wyoming on appointment of Bishop Dagwell as missionary priest of the coastal district, including Reedsport, Gardiner, Lakeside, Winchester Bay, Florence, Cushman, Mapleton and Yachats.

Gum arabic is used to suspend insoluble compounds in liquids.

Advertisement for Light Olympia Beer. Features a large bottle of beer and the text: "There is real enjoyment in this light refreshing beverage with its flavorful and satisfying qualities." "Light OLYMPIA BEER" "It's the Water" OLYMPIA BREWING CO., OLYMPIA, WASH., U.S.A. One of America's Exceptional Breweries. Visitors Always Welcome