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THE COLUMBIA COUNTY PARK

The automobile editor of the Oregonian recently made a trip from Portland to Astoria via Clatskanie and Mist, the inland way to the sea. He commented on the beauty and grandeur of the magnificent forests along the road and regretted that logging operations were making such inroads on the big timber along the highways, thus destroying their beauty.

In a very interesting and sensible article, The Oregonian editorially spoke of the necessity of saving the standing timber along our highways, and this brings us to where we want to start on a suggestion. From our observations in Columbia county, covering a period of a few years, we know that unless immediate steps are taken to arouse the sentiment of our people to the necessity of preserving the standing timber along our highways, Columbia county is doomed to be deprived of one of her greatest treasured assets. If we look back several years, we will be convinced that unless some plan can be devised whereby the devastating hand of man can be stayed, the majestic trees now shading our highways and adding beauty to our country, will have been leveled to the ground and acres and acres of bare stump land will remain to mock the eye. Already, some of the most scenic roads have been denuded of the timber alongside. Take for example the road from Yankton to Trenholm. Only three years ago this road wound through forests. Today—what is it?—only a road on barren hills except for the hideous stumps which remind you of the days before the timber faller came there.

Admittedly our timber assets are to be considered, but there is another asset which should also be considered and that is the natural scenic grandeur and in no part of Oregon have we grander forests than in Columbia county. If you are skeptical of this statement, go over the hills to Pittsburg and then up or down the Nehalem and, after you have made the trip and wondered at the magnificence of the forests, the cool and inviting lanes between the stately firs, think of what it will be several years from now—barren hills and unsightly stumps.

There's a place on the Nehalem called the Big Eddy. It is only one of the beauty spots on the Nehalem, and nature has favored Big Eddy. The ground is level, the river is wide and the stately trees give their grateful shade. It is an ideal spot for campers and is located on the main highway. At the time of writing this article, we know of several St. Helens families who are resting there, but in a few short years, the trees will have been fallen, the river will not be so wide and instead of a restful place of nature's grandeur, we will have a sluggish small river and a tract of blackened stumps.

L. R. Rutherford and Clyde Sutherland suggest to the Mist that Columbia county buy a tract of land at this point and make of it a park and the Mist believes they have the right idea. Only a few years and the Pittsburg-St. Helens road will be completed and it will be an hour's journey to Nehalem. Hundreds of St. Helens people will make the journey at the week end.

Columbia county cannot preserve the big trees through the entire Nehalem country along the river and road, but it can preserve a few of them. We have expressed our idea and leave it, if it has any merit, with the St. Helens Chamber of Commerce, and ask, that among the many good things they are doing, that they consider the purchase of a tract around the Big Eddy and just as much more as they can so that in the years to come, the people of the county will have a playground and that a spot upon which nature has lavished her utmost, will not be made unsightly and lost to Columbia county.

Something can be done to save this spot and whatever is done, should be done right now.

FREE SPEECH

Many tears have been shed over the tyranny of the American government in prosecuting the members of the so-called Communist Labor "Party" which was organized at Chicago last fall.

Perhaps the most important leader of the Bolshevik-Communists in America is William B. Lloyd. Anyway, he's only second to "Big Bill" Haywood. Lloyd, however, has money and is able to print many pamphlets and travel much to make speeches to American Bolsheviks. When the government rounded up these American civil war promoters last fall, they arrested Lloyd on the charge of sedition and plotting to overthrow our government in favor of a Russianized government. He has been on trial in Chicago lately, and among other exhibits were the shorthand notes of the following extract from a speech made to a meeting of Milwaukee socialists:

"So what we want is revolutionary preparedness. We want to organize, so if you want to put a piece of propaganda in the hands of everybody in Milwaukee you can do it in three or four hours. If you want every socialist in Milwaukee at a certain time with a rifle in his hand or a bad egg, he will be there. We want a mobilization plan and an organization for the revolution.

"You want to get rifles, machine guns, field artillery, and the ammunition for it; you want to get dynamite. Dynamite the doors of the banks to get the money to finance the revolution."

That's one kind of free speech you hear demanded these days. But what we were going to ask you is: What would you do with a fellow who talks like that?

LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS -

The successful business man must base his life upon honor and integrity. Beyond and outside of these, he must have the compound of initiative, aggressiveness, determination, practicability and vision which America, in her love for condensation, has chosen to style "pep."

The successful, wideawake and progressive town must possess the same qualities. It must have the judgment to realize that its prosperity and growth depend on the home advantages and business advantages which it can offer. And it must have vision enough to see that expenditures which secure these advantages are not an extravagance, but an asset.

Money spent in local improvements such as public buildings, schools, good roads, sewers, city water, gas and electric light, is money well spent. Undertaking any of these improvements is like making an excellent investment, which is bound to return dividends. The gain to the town reacts to the comfort and benefit of every citizen.

Who wants to live in a town without "pep," a town which drags out its monotonous existence without growth or improvement? When the question of a local improvement comes up, stand behind it, "boost" it, work for it, vote for it. Install local improvements, and you will see your town sought by business enterprises and manufacturing.

It is up to you, Mr. Citizen. Stand up for local improvements first, last and all the time, and you will help make your home town a desirable place of residence and a progressive business center.

FARMERS AND POLITICS

We take it for granted that farmers are doing a lot of thinking these days along political lines. But whether they are or not, they should. With one of the most radical political parties that America has ever known endeavoring to gain control of the government, it behooves every farmer and every citizen to think before jumping to a conclusion, says the Centralia Hub.

No owner of a farm home in this state is or can be in sympathy with socialism, because socialism does not recognize that any man has a right to private property. But it is known that many farmers have shown their sympathy for the leaders of socialism, by affiliating with the Non-partisan League. This is dangerous practice, and farmers must know it.

No right thinking man has an objection to the farmer organizing to correct any evils that might exist. The great majority of the people of this state would be glad to have a large farmers' organization whose purpose would be to better farm life conditions. There is no argument on this score. But because of the fact that the great majority are opposed to socialism, they are opposed to any flitting with leaders whose lives have been dedicated to socialism, which excludes them from the class of good Americans.

INDUSTRIAL SIDE OF BANKING

Every bank is closely related to the industrial development of the community and touches every point of community employment.

Financing the farmer and fruit growers in making their crop, carrying the livestock man and sawmill in its logging operations, banks are factors of industrial growth.

This fact is so widely recognized that banks are no longer the target of political attack and legislation aimed to destroy their business facts. The attempts in a few western states to enact laws reducing rates of interest to four and five per cent are doomed to failure.

Even the state banks of the Non-partisan League in North Dakota advertise to pay six per cent on deposits and the demand for money is so great that good state road bonds drawing five per cent sell at a big discount.

In Washington one of the daily newspapers is owned by William Randolph Hearst and another largely owned by Herbert Hoover. The price of each paper to the public has been increased, and Mr. Hearst's two cent Sunday Times is now five cents, while Mr. Hoover's one cent Daily Herald is two cents. It appears that in the newspaper business these gentlemen are agreed that the cost of living has gone up in the paper line, by stages of 100 per cent.

PLAYTIME

The only real time for fun is when you know your work is done. Who leaves neglected tasks behind Takes with him an uneasy mind, But he can sing along his way Who earns the right to rest and play. The sweetest hours of joy are those Which every weary toiler knows—The holidays which now and then Shine through the lives of busy men When, free from care and duty's grind They leave the daily tasks behind.

There is no real joy in play For him who knows that he should stay And keep his post, however sweet The pleasures he has gone to meet. Because forever on his mind There lies the task he left behind.

He only knows the thrill of fun Who plays not till his work is done. Then he may wander fancy-free And claim the joy, whatever it be, Knowing the laughter and delight Which come to him as his by right.

God grant that when I come to rest With life's sun sinking in the west, And the last bugle call is blown By duty's herald, I may own The right to turn from toil and rest, Knowing that I have done my best. —Edgar A. Guest.

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To safeguard
To stabilize
To prosper
To think of
To exalt
To live for
and revere

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Uncle Sam: "Shake, Warren,—My idea exactly!"

OREGON TIMBER NOTES

Oregon's timber pays a large part of the state's taxes—in some counties the bulk of them. The logging and milling of her timber supports the largest payroll of any industry in the state.

At a conservative estimate Oregon's four hundred fifty billion feet of standing timber is worth \$500,000,000 on the stump. Harvested and cut into lumber, its value is increased twenty-fold and becomes ten billion dollars.

Our system of good roads is pulling Oregon out of the mud. Effective forest fire prevention will lift her forests, lakes, and mountains out of the smoke fog which conceals them and give the touring public a chance to enjoy the matchless scenic grandeur of the state.

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President

J. H. HUTCHINSON
Cashier

Columbia County Bank
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