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### A BREACH OF FAITH

The action of Oregon's new highway commission in stopping work indefinitely on the Wallula cut-off has aroused a great deal of resentment, both in Oregon and Washington. Washington highway officials are bitter about the "double-crossing" they have received, and declare that Washington will take no further steps to complete its section of the cut-off until Oregon carries its project to completion.

Oregon will suffer far more than Washington through non-completion of the cut-off, according to Washington highway engineers. The cut-off would divert a large amount of traffic through the Columbia gorge to Portland that now goes to Seattle via the Snoqualmie pass. In fact, Washington would be sacrificing a considerable sum in gasoline taxes through completion of the project, but is entirely willing to accept this loss in order to facilitate travel, it is pointed out.

The near-sighted policy adopted by Oregon's new highway commission without doubt is due to E. B. Aldrich, editor of the Pendleton East-Oregonian, who apparently holds the interest of his own community above those of the state as a whole. For years Pendleton under the leadership of Aldrich, fought inclusion of the Wallula cut-off in the state highway program. This opposition was successful for a time, but finally the highway commission appropriated money for the project. Federal aid money also was provided, and the federal bureau of public roads let it be known that it was particularly anxious that the cut-off be completed.

More than 10 miles of the cut-off was graded in 1931, and the project had been slated for completion this year. Then came the highway commission mess, in which Editor Aldrich suddenly became Commissioner Aldrich. His first official act was to have the cut-off taken from the official highway program, on the flimsy excuse that the road would be under water when the Wallula rapids project is built. This act alone proves that Aldrich is unfit for representation on the highway commission, and that further unpleasant disturbances are inevitable unless there is a speedy reversal of attitude.

The following, from the Walla Walla Bulletin, illustrates the Washington reaction to the Oregon highway commission's edict:

Oregon's new highway commission has broken faith with its people and with the highway department of Washington in side-tracking the completion of the Wallula-Walla cut-off road. It is accepting federal aid money for highway construction by false pretenses, unless it goes forward with the remainder of the project from Sand to the Washington-Oregon state line.

The flimsy pretext that the highway should not be completed until it is ascertained what will be the outcome of the proposed dam at Wallula Rapids is unworthy of consideration. The surveys for this road, already made, took all this into account.

The facts are simply these: E. B. Aldrich of Pendleton, one of the three men named to the commission, has long advocated the Wallula Rapids dam project for the supposed benefit of his community. He has as long opposed the Wallula-Walla cut-off in the highway commission's community. He has fought previous state highway commissions because they did not, in one gesture, authorize completion of a north-south highway into sparsely settled Grant county to open a new territory tributary to Pendleton.

The hand of Aldrich is plainly written in this move. It is almost unthinkable that a man of his reputation of vision would make it his first official act to block a highway project half completed and drag into the highway affairs of Oregon a matter which federal engineers have indicated is not likely to be consummated in many years. Were either of these projects not at the front door of the community in which he lives the brazenness, the boldness of his act might not be so apparent.

What kind of man is he who, named to help handle the highway affairs of a great state, first of all

exercises his new-found power to advance one personal pet and block one personal project to which he and a handful of others are unfriendly?

A previous Oregon highway commission accepted federal aid money, and some of it emergency appropriations, with which to build from Wallula eastward to Sand in 1931. The immediate predecessors to this new group named by Governor Meier acted to complete this project in 1932. It is unthinkable that men like Messrs. Ainsworth, Hanley and Spaulding went forward with their eyes closed. It is unthinkable that Engineer Klein, 11 years in charge in Oregon, was not cognizant of the possibility of the Wallula Rapids dam, no matter how remote.

Business interests of Portland as well as U. S. military interests, will surely see that this link of highway is built. It is as vital to the highway plan of the Pacific Northwest as the Wallula Rapids appears to Aldrich and his Penzance.

Whether Pendleton interests as represented by Aldrich like it or not, the Pacific Northwest must go forward. Pendleton can share the benefits by assisting in the general plan. The provincial attitude represented by the Pendletonian will not rest well with the people of his own state. Such narrowness is dangerous to Oregonians, much more so than this state, which will have its own Columbia river highway before many years.

Lest the Pendleton man forgets, the Wallula cut-off is a greater asset to Portland and Oregon than to Walla Walla, Spokane or any other Washington point. Via Pendleton the highway is longer, from Walla Walla today is longer, by the clock, than is the highway trip to Seattle. This is the second year during which Snoqualmie Pass has been open every day for travel. Our cross-state road is easier driven than that along the south side of the Columbia Gorge. Trade and intercourse from this district can be driven away from Portland by provincialism. Portland will see to it, however, that it is not.—The Dalles Chronicle.

### ROY KLEIN GOES

Roy Klein's resignation as state highway engineer was not unexpected. In fact he has been under fire since Governor Patterson died. That he was able to serve the state eleven years as engineer speaks well for his ability and for the good administration of the state's highway affairs.

Antagonism to Klein developed after Patterson's death from the selfishness of the "back top" paving interests. While this antagonism has been in the background since the Meier administration came into power, opposition to Klein has developed from the arch economists who saw in Klein's salary of \$7,200 a sum that seemed to them a princely fortune. But these economists did not see, or if they did they ignored them, the tremendous sums which Klein was saving to the state by holding contractors to their contracts.

Klein has been known among all state highway contractors as a hard-boiled administrator. He has turned a deaf ear to their pleas for consideration when they learned that their bids were too low and saw that allowance of "extras" was necessary for profit showing. It would be difficult to estimate the amount Klein has saved the state in this way.

No man could hold this office of state engineer for eleven years without making many enemies—powerful enemies. Klein has made them and now he is going out of office. But he need not have any regret for what he did. His administration has been honest and capable.—Albany Democrat-Herald.

### Politician Stumps State in Airplane

CHICAGO, Feb. 25 (AP)—Lowell Mason, campaigning for the Republican nomination as attorney general, is stumping the state by airplane. When his father, the late United States Senator William E. Mason, campaigned for election he used a horse and buggy.

HE WAS ONLY FOOLIN' WILLIAMSVILLE, N. Y., Feb. 25 (AP)—The fellow who held up Mrs. Alma Wooster last week, robbing her of \$125 was only fooling. He sent it back to her yesterday.

Most Precious Possession The present moment is the one thing you really own, to use and enjoy to the full.—American Magazine.

## House Wet Bloc Wins Point By Extreme Tactics

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25 (AP)—Resorting to extreme parliamentary tactics to secure consideration of a dis-control prohibition amendment, the house wet bloc today filed a discharge petition making a vote mandatory if signed by 145 members. Representative Lanthorn of Maryland, chairman of the Democratic wets, presented the petition. If the 145 signatures are obtained, the house will vote on whether the home-rule constitutional amendment sponsored by the organized Democratic and Republican wets, but rejected by the judiciary committee 14 to 9, shall be considered on the floor.

Upon the announcement the petition was pending, Representative Laguardia, Republican, New York, said: "Come on, let's sign it." Amid considerable confusion half a hundred representatives, including two women members, Representatives Pratt of New York, and Kahn of California, Republicans, began to sign the petition.

## VEGETABLES ARE IMPORTANT PART OF ONE'S DIET

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Tables were eaten raw, or baked in the ashes of a primeval camp fire. Records have been unearthed in Egypt showing that cucumbers formed a favorite diet of the Pharaohs more than 3,000 years ago. It is only during the past three years that the real food value of the cucumber has been recognized by science.

Carrots, radishes, onions, turnips and other bulbous vegetables, easily secured from the earth, were esteemed delicacies at the dawn of written history. When the first dishes were made, boiling became the accepted method of vegetable serving. Vegetables were also used in salads, but the salads came much later.

Letuce, as the basis of all our salads, was established in the days of old Rome. Records give frequent references to lettuce in the chronicles of banquets of that day.

Tomatoes Once "Love Apples" A knowledge of vegetables is very important to every housewife in serving meals to keep the health of her family at its proper level. Some vegetables possess strong iodine content—with which pernicious scurvy can be combated. Tomatoes, which used to be known as "love apples" and thought poisonous, are filled with iron and tonic ingredients.

Miss Heath does not wish her opinions to be construed to mean that she is in favor of an exclusive vegetable diet. She quotes vegetables just as one of the adjuncts of cookery with which every housewife should be familiar if she is to qualify as a real cook.

Miss Heath will take up every variety of cooking problems in "The Kitchen Chautauque," which she will give in the Sacajawea Ballroom, 2 to 4 p. m. on Mar. 8, 9, 10, 11 under the auspices of this newspaper.

To Show Short Cuts The latest tricks and shortcuts of cookery—all-in-the-oven dinners, how to prepare vegetables in little sets of triplicate pans while the roast is cooking merrily along at the same time—and other time-saving hints will be taken up by Miss Heath in great detail. We know that every housewife in La Grande will enjoy these programs to the utmost.

The Observer wishes to remind its readers that The Kitchen Chautauque is entirely free of charge and without obligation. There is not only fun and a great number of free gifts in store at the cooking school. We urge you to make up a party of your neighbors and friends and plan now to attend every number of the session. Remember, come early!

### DIES OF INJURIES

OREGON CITY, Feb. 25 (AP)—Earl Lippold, 26, of Portland, who suffered a skull fracture Monday night when his motorcycle skidded and fell, died at a hospital here Wednesday. His companion, Mrs. Raymond Duzendary, 19, riding behind him, was only slightly hurt.

## Ladies Aid At Cove Observes Its Anniversary

By Mrs. A. G. Conklin (Observer Correspondent)

COVE, Ore. (Special)—The Ladies Aid of Cove celebrated the 40th anniversary of its organization Wednesday. The society was organized Feb. 22, 1892, but the celebration is always held on the Wednesday nearest to that date. As the minutes of that date note "The Ladies Aid society was organized Feb. 22, 1892, for the purpose of building up the church and to do whatever came to us to do, that might help along."

At the founding of the society there were the following charter members, meeting at the home of Mrs. William Wentworth and organized under the direction of Mrs. S. McCarthy, as founder, Mrs. McCarthy, wife of the resident minister, founder; Mrs. Andrew Anderson, president; Mrs. William Wentworth, vice president; Grandma Corpe, treasurer; Mrs. Sherman Galloway, secretary; Dora Selzer, chaplain; Mrs. William Ellis, Mrs. Gibbs, Mrs. St. John, Mrs. Dore, Mrs. O. Lund, Mrs. James Sills, Mrs. L. M. Laird, Mrs. A. A. Beiden, Mrs. M. J. Duffy. "The first members began by tacking comforters, piecing and quilting quilts, making children's clothes, picking and carding wool, sewing carpet rags, holding ice cream socials, and dinners, and doing anything that might produce a revenue which finally created a fund, justifying the building of the present church, completed in 1903." This is quoted from their notes. Of these members but three are now living in Cove—Mrs. Duffy, Mrs. Sills and Mrs. Laird and of their faithfulness to the organization much can be said and they are still working at it and have served it through all these years of ups and downs. Much could also be said of the miles of quilts and comforters made, carpet rags sewed and clothes made, but the maintaining of ice cream sold, and dinners cooked and served in 40 years of service can hardly be imagined.

The high school basketball game, which was to have been played with Enterprise Saturday night did not materialize because Enterprise could not get here. Of the 13 games played by Cove this season, they have won ten, having been defeated twice by La Grande and once by North Powder. They won two games each from Union, Elgin, Imbler, and one each from North Powder, Enterprise, E. O. N. seconds and Cove alumni and have a standing of 7-1.

The second team won two games and lost two. The girls have won one and lost three, and will play Union Tuesday afternoon. They played North Powder Monday evening, a very exciting game, with the final score standing 12-13 in favor of North Powder.

Mrs. Eva Milman, who broke her arm six weeks ago, is still carrying it in a sling. Mrs. Ray VanOrsdale, of Pendleton, who has been with her mother, Mrs. M. Sentner, in Cove the past week, was taken to the Grande Ronde hospital Tuesday afternoon for an appendix operation.

The Nisanki Camp Fire girls entertained their mothers at the home of their guardian, Mrs. Gladys Harris, Monday afternoon. The program was entirely impromptu and consisted of singing and readings. The girls served tea. The mothers present were Mrs. Juliet E. Dougherty, Mrs. John Richards, Mrs. Hazel Lindsay, and Mrs. C. W. Clark.

Mrs. A. G. Conklin was hostess at a small quilting at her home Tuesday. The guests who brought their thimbles and quilts were Mrs. R. S. Comstock, Mrs. C. E. Bertach, Mrs. Morris Spaeth, Mrs. L. M. Laird, Mrs. L. E. Anderson, Mrs. T. C. Hefty, Mrs. U. E. Barker and Mrs. T. C. Conklin. A lunch was served at 1 o'clock and covers were laid for nine.

Feels Urge to Speak Long was sitting quietly in his hotel when the show began, but soon his attention was directed outside. He wandered out to see what it was all about. And it wasn't long before he felt the urge, which has been so pronounced in him since, to make a speech.

He approached the "boss" of the outfit, but was brusquely pushed aside. But "Huey" wasn't to be denied. Time and again he bored in, repeating his request. His insistence attracted the "boss."

"And who are you?" he asked Long, a bit disdainfully. "Huey P. Long, chairman of the Louisiana Public Service commission, by the grace of God the next governor of Louisiana, and a man capable of making a better stump speech than the one we are now listening to."

The "boss" turned aside with something which resembled a "Humph!" But "Huey" again pushed in, more insistent than ever.

Finally the "boss" looked him over from head to foot. "Huey," he said, "I don't know who you are, but you've got more nerve than any man I have ever seen before. I'm going to let you speak. But get this straight: "I don't know how you play your politics in Louisiana. I do know how we play them up here. If there's any double play when you get up there, then Louisiana will be minus a chairman of her public service commission and you'll never make another stump

### HARRY M'KINLAY IS RE-ELECTED CHAMBER LEADER

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The banquet committee urges that all reservations be made as soon as possible. Letters were sent to the membership early in the week, accompanied by a card on which reservations may be made, and the secretary, Harold C. Boone, urges that these be mailed as soon as possible.

### BOY EXPECTED TO DIE

PORTLAND, Feb. 25 (AP)—But little hope for the recovery of Nellie Buley, 14, was held by physicians today. The lad was shot last Monday by Elwin Candee, 17, when he approached a vacant house in which Candee and another youth had cached stolen goods.

### END PILES QUICK

No Salves—No Cutting Your itching, bleeding, protruding piles will go when you actually remove the cause—bad blood circulation in the weak, flabby parts—and not one minute before. Salves or cutting can't do this—an internal remedy must be used. HEM-ROID, prescription of Dr. J. S. Leonhardt, succeeds because it stimulates the circulation, drives out congested dead parts and restores the almost dead parts. HEM-ROID has such a wonderful record right in this City, that Red Cross Drug store says one bottle of HEM-ROID Tablets must end your pile agony or money back.—Adv.

# at FALK'S

## SLIPS

OF LOVELY CREPE DE CHINE ARE HERE

PRETTY lace trimmed slips with their new narrow shoulder straps and low backs—form fitting—dainty shades of tea rose, flesh and white—they arrived yesterday—in four price groups from

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NEW Gloves That Are Sure to Get a Hand

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PIGSKIN Very popular this spring—white and beige

**\$2.95**

MESH A new Kayser creation—made of cotton mesh—white and beige

**\$1.**

## In Washington

By Herbert Plummer

WASHINGTON—It has been said in this column before, but perhaps it is worth repeating—the advent of Huey P. Long of Louisiana on the senatorial scene in Washington made capital observers, accustomed as they are to unusual sights, sit up and take notice.

But we heard a story the other day which reveals it, and perhaps explains something of the Long psychology.

It was back in the days before the "Hon. Huey" had attained such a prominent perch in the government of his state: He was then only chairman of the Louisiana public service commission.

Duties of the commission had called him to New York at the time when Jimmy Walker was in the midst of a campaign to be elected "His Honor, the Mayor."

In front of Long's hotel on Columbus circle a Walker "band wagon" put in its appearance and a crowd began to congregate to listen to the speeches.

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OH, DON'T CRY! I'LL FIX IT— IT'S NOTHING

SEE TH' DIFFERENCE? SEE THAT?—OH, I WISH I COULD SQUEEZE TEARS OUT AT EASY—OH, WHAT A SOFT LIFE, IF I COULD ONLY SLOP OVER AN SAY DO—WOO—HOO SO NATURAL— DO YOU KNOW WHAT I'D GIT SAID T' ME, IF I TORE MY GOOD PANTS, ER EVEN MY OLD ONES? NOT, I'LL FIX IT, BUT, I'LL FIX YOU!

WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY

The work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness, quietness and assurance for ever. And my people shall dwell in a peaceable habitation, and in sure dwellings, and in quiet resting places.—Isaiah 33: 17, 18.

### AMERICAN LEGION

We wonder whether or not at the mention of the name "American Legion," the majority of American citizens immediately think of an organization with a war-time program, based, of course, on the events and experiences which have drawn its members into such a group.

Citizens of La Grande have recently had some tangible evidence that in the local post of the American Legion there is a patriotic peace-time program. To prove our point, it is possible to recite a long list of community projects in which the Legion men have figured prominently and given most timely and practical assistance. We have been particularly impressed by three projects for which they have been or are now responsible.

We should like to call the attention of our readers to the fact that the La Grande Legionnaires were the first organization in La Grande to sense the need of a scholarship fund, which should be available for deserving students at our own institution, Eastern Oregon Normal. To be sure there are other funds, and other organizations interested in such funds, but it remained for the Legion to recognize that, in a sense, La Grande has a special duty to perform along this line. So many young people knocking at the door of E. O. N. have found the Legion's help an "open Sesame."

Last winter, when the citizenry of La Grande realized the probability of losing the band, the Legion stepped in and, through a quiet but consistent campaign, secured the funds necessary to keep the organization intact, thereby saving for La Grande one of its finest institutions.

And now the Legion is again enlisting its efforts for the benefit of the community by undertaking a carefully planned project to relieve present local conditions, assisting the jobless heads of families to obtain such employment as will tide them over the next few weeks at least. This is part of a nation-wide Legion movement to find a million jobs.

For such a practical peace-time program the American Legion deserves to be highly commended. It is encouraging to find that the men who answered the call to the colors in time of war are now ready and willing to serve humanity just as faithfully in paths of peace.

### SOUND ADVICE

"No business man in any town should allow a newspaper published in his town to go without his name and business being mentioned somewhere in its columns. This does not mean that you should have a whole, half, or even a quarter-page ad in each issue of the paper, but your name and business should be mentioned if you do not use more than a two-line space. A stranger picking up a newspaper should be able to tell what business is represented in a town by looking at the paper. This is the best possible town advertiser. The man who does not advertise his business does an injustice to himself and the town. The man who insists on sharing the business that comes to town, but refuses to advertise his own, is not a valuable addition to any town. The life of a town depends on the live, wide-awake, liberally advertising business men."

The above paragraph is NOT newspaper propaganda, as the casual reader might suspect. It was clipped from a recent issue of the American Bankers Magazine, and represents the attitude of capable, conservative, hard-headed bankers all over the country. It is a well-known fact that bankers strongly recommend and believe in newspaper advertising, and that they will loan money to business firms which have built up prestige and patronage by advertising in preference to those which never advertise. Bankers know that stores which advertise have a much faster stock turn over, and are therefore in a position to readily repay their loans. These deductions are based on proven facts.

The young man who expects to make a big name in the business world should begin early to make a good one at the bank.

### Clan Brotherhood

In recognition of a good deed done by the Macrae clan by the Fraser clan, an inscription was placed at the entrance to Eleanora, Lake Duich, Scotland, to the effect that "A Fraser shall not be without a Macrae within."

### This Way Out, Mr. Devil

A church in Cornwall, England, has a door built especially for the devil to sneak out with downcast eyes when renounced by the converts. The "devil door" is an old custom harking back to the days of the "witches."