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O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the Lord our maker. For he is our God; and we are the people of his pasture.—Psalm 95: 6, 7.

FREIGHT RATES

Fruit growers of the Grande Ronde valley and the entire Pacific Northwest were considerably encouraged yesterday when they received word that the Interstate Commerce Commission had ordered a reduction of railroad freight rates on all classes of deciduous fruits, with the exception of apples, shipped from the Northwest to eastern markets.

A few weeks ago these columns carried an editorial calling attention to the fact that whenever the railroads announce a proposed increase in rates, hundreds of organizations prepare to fight to a finish against such an increase, and that whenever the producers of certain crops find their market price declining they immediately appeal to the Interstate Commerce Commission for a reduction in freight rates, and usually get it.

Several local growers criticized that editorial saying that the commission is not as sympathetic to the farmers as it has been with the railroads, and that present rates on fruit from the Northwest are entirely too high. We agreed about our rates being too high, for there is no reason why growers from Washington and Oregon should pay more freight than the growers in California. And now the Interstate Commerce Commission settles the argument by granting the reduction and demonstrating the fact that it is not favoring the railroads at the expense of the farmers.

But how about the railroads? Will they benefit from the reduction, or will they be the goat? Local growers say that the reduction will stimulate shipping and that the railroads will receive enough additional business to more than offset the effects of the lower rates. We hope they are right, for that would do much to improve the economic condition of the entire Northwest. The farmers would have more money to spend, the railroads would be able to employ more men, the general purchasing power would be increased, and the lagging industries would have an improved market.

Are such results possible from such a small cause as a reduction of fourteen cents per hundred pounds on deciduous fruits raised in the Northwest and shipped to the east? Time will tell.

GOOD WILL STUDENTS

In the award this month of 300 more scholarships and fellowships which will enable half that number of American students to study abroad next year and an equal number of foreign students to study in American universities, the Institute of International Education is not concerned only with the education of 300 young men and women.

Exchange students, as the recipients of these scholarships and fellowships are called, have a much greater obligation than getting the most out of their education abroad. As they are to become missionaries of good will and a better understanding between nations when they return home they acquaint themselves with currents of thought and sentiment with manners and customs and educational methods in the country of their adopted alma mater. There is a great responsibility.

Out of this exchange of students must come a closer understanding in time. Here is a counter movement of good will and mutual understanding which should eventually undo the harm done by jingoistic journalism, saber-rattling statesmen and superficial lecturer-travelers.

Europe and Asia have long found it worth while to send scholars to the United States for the assimilation and transportation home of American ideas and systems. But the time has arrived when the American university, by reason of its standards, its research facilities and the quality of its teaching staff, can offer the foreign student educational opportunities obtainable nowhere else. Moreover, it is no longer necessary for the American scholar to complete his education in a European university.

Other Papers Say: Whether or not this state — and country — finally go over to public ownership and operation of electric light and power, we believe will depend entirely upon the power companies.

obligation to the people, as it has to its stockholders, that demanding only a fair profit is not only the best policy, but eventually the BEST BUSINESS, then we believe, private ownership under strict and just public control will continue.

For the people as a whole are more than willing to be fair. If the power companies show they want to treat them right, the people will treat the power companies right.

And a vast majority of the people, we feel certain, would prefer private ownership, under such conditions, to public ownership and operation, with the question of service rates, and administrative personnel, thrown into the Maelstrom of POLITICS every three or four years!

In this issue the final outcome rests with the leaders of the electric industry and with them alone—Medford Mail-Tribune.

ABUSE OF THE RADIO Canada is the latest of the nations attempting to recapture the radio from commercial broadcasters, which has largely been effected in Europe. The conviction is growing that it is a mistake to prostitute for hallyhoo an instrument of such great educational and cultural possibilities.

Dr. Lee De Forest, who with Marconi, invented the radio, is bitterly disappointed with the uses being made of it in the United States. He visualized it originally as a means of stimulating thought and elevating taste, but now finds that "constant hallyhoo of sales talk interrupts 70 per cent of amusement programs, even over costly channels. One must wonder at the patience of the suffering public which listens to these at all."

Senator Dill, author of the federal radio act, foresees the necessity of the government taking charge and supplying programs as in Europe. He recently returned from London and discovered that radio broadcasting there is far superior. In general, the secret is governmental control, with taxes on receiving sets.

Radio programs in America are composed largely of cheap jazz and cheap advertising, but in Europe it is possible to take courses in language, history and the sciences, conducted by noted authorities and to hear the best music of every class by the world's first musicians. All this is made available by a light tax on receiving sets.

Unless our broadcasting improves greatly, public dissatisfaction will force its being taken over for public interest, welfare, education and amusement, for our programs are getting progressively worse.—Salem Capital Journal.

CRATER LAKE'S RIM ROAD

Oregonians as well as the people of the entire Pacific northwest are interested in the spending of the million dollar fund made available for the construction of a new road around the rim of Crater lake. During 1931 it was built from the public camp ground to the Diamond lake road, about 1932 it will be extended to the Wine Glass and in 1933 to Kerr Notch. In 1934 it is proposed to complete it and the Educational Advisory Board seems to favor construction from Kerr Notch down Sand creek to Lost creek, then up to Sun Notch, down to park headquarters and up to the rim.

Serious objection to this program is offered by those who are in position to know of a better plan. That plan is to commence construction at the low point immediately west of Garfield peak, thence inside the rim to the base of Kerr Notch, at the water's edge, four miles distance, instead of 13 as at present, on a four per cent maximum grade instead of ten. Then bore a tunnel on approximately five per cent grade to the rim road, about half a mile distant, using all debris to fill in shallow water for turning places, parking and boat houses. With such a park in operation, instead of one per cent of visitors going to the water there will be 100 per cent, say its proponents.

The objection to this proposed route is that it will mar the landscape. Whether or not this objection overcomes the advantages gained by having the road built inside the rim we are not prepared to state. Neither route should be adopted without serious consideration of all of the elements of the situation. If building the highway inside the rim is to destroy the natural beauty and turn Crater Lake into a second Coney Island it shouldn't be done. We have enough hardy guides scattered over the country now.—McMinnville Telephone Register.

In Washington

By Herbert Plummer

CHICAGO.—That bespectacled, bustling man, who this afternoon gathered in Chicago by the name of Edward N. Hurley — dubbed by his fellow townsmen as a "go-getter"—has had a revelation during this convention period.

It came to him in his capacity as chairman of the citizens committee of 140 which secured for Chicago both of the big political conventions. And it is, in his own words: "You would be surprised at how men in their sixties can act like children!"

It all came about when they started decorating the stadium for the Republican show. Thousands of yards of bunting which drape the gigantic hall, the hundreds of American flags that hang from the ceiling, and the 48 coats of arms of the various states were paid for out of the \$150,000 advanced the Republicans by the city of Chicago. The Democrats were promised the same amount.

That's when I got my revelation," said Hurley. "Some of the Republicans were so tight that they threatened to tear them down if I didn't. Of course, most of them didn't feel that way. But those who did gave me more trouble than I had raising my four children."

Hurley, by conviction a Democrat, also revealed how ticklish his job has been. He had to remain neutral to keep peace among the committees on arrangements for both parties. But with it all, he seems to feel that everyone is happy, that the city of Chicago has redeemed itself from

Francis Newlin Weds Miss McWilliams

Impressive Ceremony Marks Important Nuptials Performed At Catholic Church, Monday

At one of the most impressive weddings of the early summer, Miss Lola McWilliams became the bride of Francis Newlin yesterday morning, at 8 o'clock at the Church of Our Lady of the Valley, Rev. O. Nooy read the mass.

Miss McWilliams, who was given away by her father, K. J. McWilliams, was attractive in a dress of navy blue silk and a white hat with white accessories. She carried a white prayer book, and wore a corsage of roses. Miss Virginia McWilliams, sister of the bride, was the bridesmaid, and was dressed in yellow with hat and accessories of white. She wore a corsage of mixed flowers; Lawrence Bay acted as best man for Mr. Newlin.

The altar was decorated in roses, and two large baskets of peonies at the communion rail formed a gateway.

A wedding breakfast was served at the Sacsajewa Inn directly following the ceremony with the bridal party and immediate relatives of Mr. and Mrs. Newlin among the guests. The table had a centerpiece of pink roses and lighted tapers. The young couple left last night for a wedding trip to the coast after which they will make their home in Portland where Mr. Newlin is a member of the advertising staff of the Oregon Journal.

Miss Jane Winter, whose marriage to T. J. Greer, of Wallawa, will be solemnized tomorrow, has been the inspiration for many delightful social activities in Pendleton. Mr. Greer is well known in La Grande, having made his residence here at various times.

Miss Lois Oliver and Miss Helen Rugg entertained on Saturday with a one o'clock luncheon and kitchen shower at their home in Pendleton. Those invited were Miss Mary Edith Water, Miss Marguerite Akey, Miss Katherine Furnish, Miss Evelyn Struve, Miss Vivian Warner, Miss Inez

erate veterans begin their convention tonight.

PITTSBURGH, June 21 (AP)—Mrs. George Huey of Pittsburgh, said today if congress does not give war veterans a cash bonus by the end of the week, she will lead a group of wives of ex-soldiers to the capital to join bonus seekers camped there.

but the lightest count of any candidate at Greenwood.

P. J. Lilly and W. D. Hanks ran fifth and sixth, respectively.

Mr. Moon is a native La Grander. He graduated from the high school here in 1910 and has for a number of years been in the drug business with his brothers. "I am very grateful for the support given me by La Grande citizens and I shall do my best to justify it," he declared this morning.

WASHINGTON, June 21 (AP)—Emphatic denial was made by the state department today of reports in Louisiana that the United States had officially agreed to reopen the question of European war debts, conditional on disarmament at Geneva.

Secretary Stimson conferred with the president but refused to make any statement about disarmament when he left the White House.

more recruiting officers were sent out to Jacksonville, Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

Little concern was manifested by the rank and file, over political affairs, the registered bands, being busy improving their quarters, while leaders divided over the advisability of a third party movement.

Commander Waters opposed it and was backed by the executive committee. Waters said it would be a "dangerous thing" as congressional support for the bonus payment aid must be obtained from ranks of two major parties. A legislative committee of the army had advocated third party action in case the Democratic convention and presidential candidates fail to offer encouragement.

Waters, however, did approve of asking all the Democratic presidential possibilities to state their views on the bonus and other veteran questions, and be endorsed opposition to President Hoover. He was promoting organization of a permanent unit to be known as the B. E. F. requiring pledge of allegiance to the flag and constitution, and promise of all possible help to the bonus cause.

CONFEDERATE VETS MEET RICHMOND, Va., June 21 (AP)—Confederate veterans from throughout the southland moved into Richmond today to encamp with the advance guard of the grey-clad army which arrived in time to witness the dedication of the Petersburg national military park.

Tomorrow the forty-second annual reunion will be in full swing. The principal event tomorrow will be the dedication of the Richmond battle field area.

It has been estimated that 24,000 men died in the battles around Richmond, 18,000 of them being buried in Hollywood cemetery here.

The confederate southern memorial association holds its opening session today and the sons of confederate

WASHINGTON, June 21 (AP)—Secretary of War Patrick Hurley expressed "regret" today over the announcement of Senator William E. Borah that he would not support President Hoover in the coming campaign, and that he was opposed to the prohibition plank of the Republican platform.

"I understood that the prohibition plank to which Senator Borah now is reported to be objecting was his own suggestion," Hurley said.

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Miss McWilliams

newwriting department. Mr. Arant is the son of Mrs. A. M. Arant, of Monmouth, and attended the University of Oregon.

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Refreshments were served late in the afternoon by the hostess. Mrs. Henry Hill will be the next hostess, entertaining at a picnic on July 11.

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and Mrs. Summer Klove, of Los Angeles, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Foster and son "Bud" and W. D. Warnock, of Joseph, left Monday for Snake river, hoping to catch a sturgeon. The party went by way of Buckhorn Springs and down the trail to Innaha and on down to Snake river.

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