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Delight thyself also in the Lord; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.—Psalm 37:4.

TIME TO BE CAREFUL

Those hot August days, so common to the Pacific Northwest, are on us, and day after day the mercury moves up past the 90 above mark, and the nights are not as cool as many would wish them.

Hardly a drop of rain falls over the country as a whole, and scattered thunder showers barely break the monotony of the "hot spell."

And in the mountains, brush and timber become dry and like tinder, and here and there flames spurt into sight and hundreds and thousands of acres of valuable wooded land goes up into smoke.

It is the time of the year to be careful. Here in Union and Wallowa counties, which are so rich in timber and summer playgrounds, hundreds of parties of campers and fishermen are in the hills every day. Many of them smoke and most of them find occasion to build fires for cooking purposes.

And here and there someone carelessly flips a match of burning cigaret or cigar, into the underbrush. Or possibly a camping party moves out and leaves a few embers still glowing. Forest fires result, destroying property worth thousands of dollars, making waste territory that pleased the eye, endangering watersheds and often killing deer, game birds, etc.

Forest fires cannot be entirely avoided, at least not as long as man is impotent against lightning, but they could be greatly minimized by exercising a reasonable amount of care.

ST. LAWRENCE WATERWAY OBSTACLES

It is becoming evident that the St. Lawrence waterway treaty faces a fight in the senate. Whether the fight can be serious enough to defeat ratification is not yet clear; but before it comes to a head, it would be wise for all of us to take a good look at things and see just what all the shooting is about.

So far, the chief opposition seems to come from those who fear that the treaty will prevent construction of the lakes-to-the-gulf waterways.

This is a plan whereby Chicago would get direct water connections with New Orleans. It is an excellent plan; it would provide the middle west with still another outlet to salt water, it would stimulate the entire Mississippi basin and it would be of vast help to industries in the Chicago area.

But it would be a disastrous mistake to assume that we must take a choice between the two waterways. It is not a case of having one or the other. The matter of water diversion from Lake Michigan — additional water must be sent "uphill" via the Chicago river if the gulf waterway is to be constructed — need not be a stumbling block. If both sides are willing to make concessions, this point can be settled without much difficulty.

Then there is the water power issue; and this, too, is not a thing that need balk the treaty. What to do with the power generated as a by-product of the St. Lawrence waterway is a tremendously important question; but action on it should not hold up the treaty itself. We can fight that matter out while the waterway is under construction.

There is, too, the "all-American" plan for a waterway, which would put a deep-water channel across New York state to connect the Great Lakes with the Hudson instead of the St. Lawrence. No one outside of New York has ever taken this plan seriously, and even the original sponsors of it have not been heard from very much lately; nor could it win more than a handful of votes in the senate if it were seriously put forward.

There, then, are the principal obstacles in the way of the treaty. None is insuperable. None should delay construction of the vast improvement which the entire middle west desires.

Other Papers Say:

Ridiculous rumors always are prevalent during campaign years, and this one is no exception. The latest, published in an eastern magazine as fact, declared that President Hoover's fortune had shrunk from its 1920 total of 4 million dollars to less than 700 thousand. Speculation in stocks was blamed for these alleged reverses.

As a matter of fact the president had no time in his life he owned this much money. He is rated as comfortably wealthy, but by no means a multi-millionaire. The president's business representatives yesterday saw fit to make a public denial of the rumors, declaring that Mr. Hoover disposed of virtually all his securities in 1920, on becoming secretary of commerce, reasoning that a public official should not be in a position where outside interests might

TARIFF ON FARM PRODUCTS Julius Klein, assistant secretary of commerce, recently had an interesting and convincing article in the Farm Journal in which he quoted figures to show how the Smoot-Hawley tariff has given protection to farmers. During the first eight months

OUT OUR WAY



By J. R. Williams

OH HOH! THEY'VE FOUND HIM AT LAST! LOOKIT HIM ATRYIN' TO BREAK TH' NEWS GENTLY TO HISSELF. THEM LAWYERS IS AWFUL PERSISTENT—THEM ALMONY ONES.

NOW THEY'LL BE SOME KIDS GIT SOME NEW SHOES ONCE IN A WHILE— NOW THEY'LL BE A WOMAN WONT HAVE TO SCRUB IN DEPOTS NO MORE— NOW THEY'LL BE A FAMILY THAT'LL HAVE SOMETHIN' SIDES OAT MEAL—AN SEE A MOVIE ONCE IN AWHILE.

THE BURIED PAST

In Washington

By Herbert Plummer

WASHINGTON — Rep. Sol Bloom of New York City, the enterprising major press agent for the Washington bicentennial celebration, has had a lot of luck since he undertook the job of acquainting the American people with George Washington.

Clever though he is, even he in his fondest moments of optimism, probably didn't expect some of the "breaks" he has had. There have been times that he has been front page news on a national scale.

The controversy he had with the assistant secretary of the navy, Ernest Lee Jannetta, over sea-going whiskers back in revolutionary times is still remembered. And the row over the Yorktown celebration and plans for restaging Cornwallis' surrender in the presence of British cousins caused even a greater furor.

These two instances alone, had he planned them himself as bicentennial publicity stunts, couldn't have been better.

But he managed to pull a neat one on some of his colleagues in the house who have been a bit cynical about his efforts to publicize George Washington. It came after congress had adjourned, but in a strictly legal manner.

Bloom has been making all sorts of speeches about Washington during the bicentennial celebration.

He has tried to get them printed in the appendix of the Congressional Record. Some of them have gotten in, but not all. One or two of the congressmen, self-appointed guardians of the Record, showed a disposition to object to Bloom's requests.

The wily Bloom bided his time. He knew, perhaps, after the fashion of the farmer under any circumstances, it is the general practice of the house to permit members to extend their remarks at will for a week or so after adjournment.

But there was objection to such procedure at this time. And the objection came from those who had balked Bloom before.

Gets Them Printed— We don't object, they said, to a member extending his remarks once or twice, but more than that — no. So it was necessary to get a special rule and a formal resolution passed by a yea and nay vote to open the Record.

Bloom's opportunity had come. He made the most of it. In one issue of the post-session Record he put in 11 of the speeches he had made on Washington.

All of 'em are public records now, to dispose of as the Hon. Sol sees fit.

Minister, 52, May Face Charges Of Poisoning Wife

MUSKOGEE, Okla., Aug. 9 (AP) — Rev. S. A. Berrie was indicted today on a charge of murder in connection with the death of his first wife.

MUSKOGEE, Okla., Aug. 9 (AP) — A grand jury investigating the death by poison of the first wife of a 52-year-old minister, heard Monday from the county attorney of the tangled romance of the preacher and his 19-year-old girl bride.

Prominent in the evidence which the attorney, Phillip K. Oldham, had prepared were passionate letters and verse which Oldham said the minister, Rev. S. A. Berrie, admitted he wrote to his present wife before the death of his first last March.

Berrie was held in jail "for investigation" but Oldham ordered the girl wife released in custody of her mother, saying he thought she was "the victim of circumstances."

Oldham said both had admitted a love affair prior to the death of the first Mrs. Berrie but both denied any knowledge of the alleged poisoning.

Among the lines which Oldham said were penned in Berrie's hand, were the following:

"To me no other one can be; For you alone I live. Oh, why can't we be free? Others told of impatience for 'that blissful happy day' when they could be married.

The first Mrs. Berrie died last March 21 at a church gathering. On

May 17, the pastor married Miss Ida Beas, Bright, a Sunday school teacher in the tabernacle.

OUTDOOR DANCING HELPS VENDERS TO DRAW TRADE ST. LOUIS (AP) — Where once miniature golf courses blossomed along highways leading from St. Louis, informal outdoor dance halls have sprung up this summer.

Most of the platforms, illuminated by strings of colored lights, were erected by lunch stand proprietors seeking to attract trade. Some offer free dancing, others six dances for 25 cents, still others an evening of dancing for 50 cents a couple.

A traffic count indicated that an average of 19,025 out-state cars per day entered the state, with an average of 3.34 passengers.

Familiar Name The good old name of Smith is said to be a British family name meaning as iron worker or smith.

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P. L. MEYERS, President. Dated June 13th, 1932. 6-14-00 t.

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SUMMONS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY OF UNION World War Veterans' State Aid Commission represented and acting by Julius L. Meier, Governor, Hal E. Hoss, Secretary of State, George A. White, Adjutant General, Walter S. Fisher and Prescott W. Cookingham, comprising the World War Veterans' State Aid Commission of State of

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