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MURPHY FOR GOVERNOR OF MICHIGAN.

According to an AP dispatch Frank Murphy, the last American governor general of the Philippines, has submitted his resignation as high commissioner to the Philippine Islands for the purpose of becoming a candidate for governor of Michigan on the democratic ticket.

There can be no doubt as to the correctness of the dispatch from Manila saying that "widespread regret greeted the Washington announcement of Murphy's resignation from his insular post" and that the "report of his action created near consternation in Manila official circles." The day before this announcement was made a resolution had been introduced in the Philippine assembly urging the retention of Murphy as commissioner.

Frank Murphy is truly one of nature's noblemen. He proved to be one of the ablest of the American governors of the Philippines. He is a clear thinker with a remarkable ability for expressing his thoughts. He emphasized and secured social betterments in the law and in its administration. He was squarely against high taxes and kept them down to legitimate government needs. He is a practical, rather than a theoretical administrator and consequently he achieved a general economy in the administration of the government of the Islands which not only kept the budget balanced, but left a large surplus in the treasury when he turned the government over to the commonwealth. He has an active conscience which obligates and compels him to do that which he considers the righteous thing to do under any given set of circumstances. During his term of office, on proper occasions, he continually laid great stress on the value of the spiritual things of life.

An American newspaperman in Manila, when questioned by Sterling Fisher, far eastern editor of the New York Times, as to Murphy answered "he is the squarest shooting politician I have ever known." After congress had passed the Tydings-McDuffie act, providing for a ten year commonwealth government in the Islands, there was some American criticism of Murphy's action in hastening the steps which were to be taken under that law for the accomplishment of the object that congress had in view when it was adopted.

With this criticism in mind Mr. Walter Robb, an old and esteemed friend of the present editor of The Sentinel, who was and still is, the editor of "The American Chamber of Commerce Journal," Manila, in an editorial which appeared in the December, 1935, number of that journal, had the following to say:

"Frank Murphy governed the Philippines about 2½ years; last of the governors general, in our opinion none excelled him—but some were better understood during their administrations, while others, as he in some degree must do, had to wait for the stamp of time on their acts. But America has never been better served than Governor Murphy has served her here. He has served her with single purpose buttressed with implacable will, probity and intelligence."

"Frank Murphy never forgets that he is an agent of the law of the United States; he is not a free agent, as an official he feels constrained to follow the law, rather than what he might wish that law to be. While governor before the commonwealth-independence act was passed, he made no utterances about independence—the law didn't make this his business. He did nothing to save the Hawes-Cutting act, but its death was followed by the Tydings-McDuffie act. This involved the plebiscite; not questioning the certified record, beyond his province, his office reported it to Washington pro forma. Procedure under the law then became the order of the day. Murphy now became a partisan of the law; now he had official interest in its fortune.

"He counseled the men making the constitution. He knew the Tydings-McDuffie act was the will of the United States; his part therefore was to shun all compromises, every suggestion of trifling with the objective of congress, and make the law effective. He drove the Philippines steadily along, in all this business, toward their independence—as he does still. He reported the constitution; it was duly signed by President Roosevelt, and at once.

Does Murphy know how lacking the economic foundation for Philippine independence is? Who better? This makes a difference to Murphy the man, but quite rightly, not to Murphy the agent of the law. Having driven through the constitution, he drove through the election of commonwealth officers; and

breaking down every threatened opposition, he procured—he more than any other person, than all others indeed—the lawful orderly seating of these officers and the stately inauguration of the 10-year commonwealth. Now begin his duties as commissioner, a post in which he sees to it the prestige and authority of the United States visibly center.

Is his duty in behalf of Philippine independence now done, he now commissioner—no longer the insular chief executive? Not as he sees things. As much as he can, he will keep the country on its course toward independence; as he may influence events, within the responsibilities of his office, he will help prepare the islands for one fate only—Independence after 10 years. If the islands wish anything less, to move Murphy at all they will have to make this lesser wish official; or if congress wishes anything different, it will have to make its wish official. This man divorces what he may privately feel from the duties the law rests in him. Others may incline one way or the other as they will; he, with dynamic force, forges straight ahead toward the fruition of the commonwealth in what congress wants, Philippine independence."

"As hard as cavalry desperately turning a flank, these islands, all of us with them, drive toward independence—under leadership of Frank Murphy the high commissioner who, rightly in our most dissenting opinion, will not compromise the obvious purpose of the United States and the strict letter of the law."

—W. R.

If Frank Murphy is elected he will make Michigan as good a governor as that state has ever had. It is fully realized that this is a strong statement in view of the fact that Michigan has had some outstanding men occupying that office.

If this commendation of a worthy democrat by a republican newspaper "be treason, make the most of it."

COLUMBIA RIVER BASIN BECKONS

A report on the Columbia River Basin states of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana, by the Pacific Northwest Planning Commission, shows that these four states contain an area equal to 13 per cent of the entire continental domain of the United States. In contrast with that large domain, these states have less than 3 per cent of the total population. The basin is a region primarily devoted to the production of raw materials, of which the chief are forestry products, grain, fruits, minerals, and fish. Manufacturing plays a minor role except for the growth of manufacturing processes fabricating the raw materials listed above.

The report indicates that there is room for more people and more industrial plants in this basin.

In so far as Oregon is concerned it appears that prospects are excellent for a considerable increase in population. During the first six months of this year 42,998 tourist cars have registered in this state, 8,664 more than registered here for the same period last year, a gain of 23.3 per cent. Cars from every state in the Union visited Oregon in June. With the vacation months of July and August just coming on, when Oregon enjoys its peak of travel, it is expected that still further records will be broken.

It appears that a large per cent of these tourists, especially those from the middle west states which have been severely damaged by heat and lack of rain, are looking for new homes. The delightfully cool weather we have been enjoying during these months, the magnificent scenery and the fruit and other crop prospects are irresistible magnets attracting these tourists to a cleaner, greener land than they have ever known.

With the construction of the Bonneville dam in Oregon and the Grand Coulee dam in Washington there will be enough power generated to turn the wheels of thousands of industrial plants which will undoubtedly locate in the Columbia River basin in the very near future. Both of these projects are nearing completion.

WHY NOT HAVE A BAND?

At the Townsend Fourth of July picnic this year the band from the village of Creswell furnished the music.

Cottage Grove has two musical organizations, the Carollers and the Balladeers, which have not only given local music lovers a great deal of pleasure, but have been in demand in Eugene and surrounding towns.

Why shouldn't we have a good band? Inquiry has disclosed that there is plenty of local talent, including two men with circus band and one with symphony orchestra experience.

We need a band to give weekly band concerts, to lead parades, to furnish music for future civic entertainments and for many other occasions.

Why not have a band?

COY MCINNIVILLE.

Tradition has created an almost universal belief that elderly maiden ladies and, sometimes, elderly bachelors, are prone to conceal their ages, but it is news indeed when a city pretends to be six years younger than its actual age. McInnville, where the Bladines, father and son, are publishing one of the best weekly papers in the state, has been doing just that and getting away with it. The city seal fixes its birthday as October 21, 1882. However, an old charter was discovered recently which is entitled, "City of McInnville's Record Book, 1876." The newly discovered birth date will make McInnville fifty years of age, instead of 44, next October. A week-end celebration some time during that month would seem to be in order.

charge of Levi Geer; evening service, 8—Union services in Baptist church with Rev. E. E. Coulter preaching. Union young people's meetings at Baptist church 7:00.

Christian Science Society, 242 South Second St.—Sunday school, 9:45; forenoon service, 11, sermon subject, "Life."

Free Methodist Church, A. E. Sims, Pastor.—Sunday school, 9:45; forenoon service, 11, sermon by Rev. W. V. McGee of Cottage Grove; no evening service; prayer meeting Thursday night.

Junior Endeavors meet at Christian church each Monday for study and work. Juniors meet for Endeavor Sunday night, 6:45. The Junior bringing the most verses for our Bible alphabet wins a C. E. emblem. Also the one bringing the most to Endeavor gets a C. E. emblem.

An all-day service and basket dinner was held at Blue Mountain Sunday school. Rev. Harry Neet, Eugene, had charge of morning and afternoon services in which he took for sermon subject, "A Trip Through the Bible." The sermon was made interesting and comprehensive by an illustrated chart.

STATE CAPITOL NEWS LETTER

By A. L. Linbeck

Salem, Ore., July 14.—Budget Director Wallace Wharton proposes that relief profits be dumped into the state's general fund and that the counties match the state dollar-for-dollar in future relief expenditures.

If the budget director attempts to put this program through the next legislature as he now expects to do, county courts can be expected to interpose strenuous opposition. Mr. Wharton apparently assumes that the liquor profits belong to the state and that under the present program the state is bearing the big end of the relief load. In this assumption he errs. Seventy-five per cent of the liquor profits belong to the counties by virtue of the Knox Liquor Control act which reserved only 25 per cent of these revenues to the state.

After allocating the profits from liquor sales and licenses under the Knox act the legislature turned right around and impounded these same revenues up to \$3,000,000—increased to \$5,500,000 by the 1935 session—for relief needs. But this diversion was definitely understood to be only for the duration of the unemployment emergency. Once that emergency is ended—and Governor Martin insists that we are already out of the depression—the county courts can be expected to insist that the original provisions of the Knox act be carried out and liquor profits be diverted into the county coffers to relieve property taxes now being levied for mothers' aid, old age pensions and direct relief.

Added impetus was given to the new state building program this week when Governor Martin referred to the state planning board the problem presented by the need for an additional office building and a library building. While the probable cost of these buildings has been estimated at \$1,000,000 and \$500,000 respectively this is one of the features of the program which the planning board is expected to develop in its study of the state's needs. New buildings will also necessitate the purchase of additional land and in this connection Governor Martin will present to the next legislature the suggestion advanced by the capitol architects that the state acquire the four residential blocks immediately north of the capitol site, two on either side of Summer street. The governor, however, has declared that he will not recommend either the buildings or more land but will content himself with presenting the need of both to the lawmakers together with such suggestions as

A vote was taken at the close of service, to have others from Light-house Temple come out and help in the Sunday school. Rev. Neet promised to have some one out for Sunday school and morning service July 19.

The Christian church C. E. society will meet at 6:45 Sunday evening. Agnes Moon will be the leader for the topic "The Divine Voice in Nature." Martha Thies will have charge of the opening services. The same group will meet Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 for their usual work and study.

Rev. Bertrand Peterson of Eugene will hold a short revival at the Church of the Nazarene July 21 to 25. Rev. Peterson is a successful young pastor who is building a strong church in Eugene. You will enjoy his inspiring messages.

The Altar Society of the Catholic church will hold an annual picnic Wednesday, July 22 at Cedar creek, near Hebron.

Methodist Church Picnic. The annual Sunday school picnic of the Methodist church will be held Friday afternoon and evening at the city park. All members of the church congregation are urged to attend. Games and entertainment for the young people will start at 4 o'clock. Supper will be served at 6:30. Those attending have been asked to bring a picnic supper and ice cream and coffee will be served by a committee. In the evening volley ball, croquet and other games will be provided for entertainment.

Mrs. William Hogate and Mrs. O. Knight were hostesses Wednesday afternoon at the Hogate home for the Women's Bible class of the Methodist church. A business meeting was conducted by Mrs. Belle Taylor, president, and games and contests furnished entertainment. At 6:30, husbands of members and the Men's Bible class joined the group for apertive supper. Additional guests were Mr. Knight, nephew of Mr. and Mrs. O. Knight, and his wife from Chico, Cal. and Raymond Randall, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Knight from Eugene.

Local Women Attend Baptist Meet. Mrs. K. K. Mills, Mrs. Ollie Pickens, Mrs. J. S. Backensto, Mrs. Nannie Smith and Mrs. Ervin Hansen left today for Cascade where they will represent the Baptist church at a three day Baptist house party for the church women of the state. It is expected that more than 300 women from all parts of the state will congregate for the sessions. They were accompanied by Mrs. R. E. Crawford of Roseburg. The group expect to return Sunday evening.

Home Comers



the planning board might work out.

Two hundred fire wardens and patrolmen, all seasoned veterans, are now in the field protecting state and privately owned timber from invasion by the fire demon, according to J. W. Ferguson, state forester. In the event of a serious fire 3000 CCC workers scattered about in camps over the state, all drilled in fire fighting, are available for instant duty. State laws requiring fire permits for logging operations and providing safeguards against careless campers and smokers will be rigidly enforced, according to Ferguson who warns vacationists to watch their step when entering timbered areas or travelling along highways bordering forest lands.

County courts may not compromise tax liens except where there is a real controversy as to the legality of the taxes Attorney General Van Winkle ruled in an opinion to R. R. McCabe, district attorney of Curry county.

There are now 369,594 licensed automobile operators in Oregon, according to Secretary of State Snell. There is also a better compliance with the law requiring permits for learners than ever before. So far this year 7183 of these permits have been issued compared to an aggregate of only 3497 for the previous four years.

Postmaster Nelson Honored.

Our popular postmaster, Nelson J. Nelson, was elected vice-president of the Oregon State Postmasters Association at the closing session of its annual convention Tuesday afternoon at Eugene. He was also elected as one of the delegates to represent the state at the national convention to be held at Cleveland, Ohio next September.

The newly elected board of directors will select the 1937 state convention city.

Damon Scott Honored.

Last Thursday Ralph H. Kietzing, district governor of Oregon for the Lions club, announced his selection of the eight deputy district governors. Damon Scott of this city was selected as the deputy governor of District 3, composed of Cottage Grove, Eugene, Springfield, Roseburg and Junction City.

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THE CHURCHES

Catholic Church, Father Richard Carberry, Pastor.—7:30, mass.

First Church of the Nazarene, J. F. Tindall, Pastor.—Sunday school, 9:45; forenoon service, 11; evening service, 8; young people's meetings, 7:15; prayer meeting, Wednesday, 8.

Seventh-day Adventist Church, Paul Iverson, Pastor.—Services Saturday, Sabbath school, 9:30; preaching service, 11, Pastor Ross Dustin of Eugene will speak the first Saturday of each month; prayer meeting, 7:30, Thursday.

Presbyterian Church, James Aikin Smith, Pastor.—Sunday school, 9:45; forenoon service, 11, sermon subject, "Echoes from Synod," special music by choir; union evening service, 8, at Baptist church, Rev. Coulter bringing the message; young people's meetings, union meeting at Baptist church.

London Church of Christ—Bible school, 10; 11 o'clock service in

Pentecostal Assembly of God, Atwood Foster, Pastor.—Sunday school, 9:45; forenoon service, 11; evening service, 7:45; young people's meetings, Wednesday, 7:45; Friday evening service, 7:45, Martha L. Berglund of Cotton, Ore., is in charge during absence of Rev. and Mrs. Foster.

Blue Mountain Union Sunday School.—Sunday school, 10; a solo by Mrs. McCoy concluded the Sunday school session.

Highway Baptist Church, Henry W. Davis, Pastor.—Sunday school, 10; forenoon service, 11, sermon subject, "The Zionist Movement or the Present Trouble in Palestine Between the Jews and Arabs;" evening service, 8, union service in the Baptist church with Rev. Coulter preaching; young people's meetings in church basement, 6:45; a union young people's meeting; prayer meeting, Thursday, 8.

M. E. Church, C. J. Hall, Pastor.—Sunday school, 9:45; forenoon service, 11, sermon subject, "Dreaming