

Bede Opposes State Power Bill Calling For \$18,000,000

Additional Taxes Will Be Heavy; Believes Government Will Provide for Distribution.

"The same voters who howl about how the legislature squanders money will themselves go to the polls and spend more money than it is within the power of the legislature to spend, then will afterward blame the legislature for the tax bill which the people themselves created," said Eubert Bede of this city while home over the week end during a trip over the state in opposition to the state power and hydro-electric amendment.

"Some of the same persons who probably would ask the recall of city or county officials who suggested a bond issue of any kind at this time are now suggesting that the state embark upon a great bonding program for the purpose of constructing electric power distribution lines and acquiring, developing and operating power plants and distribution systems.

"It doesn't take much imagination to see that the original \$18,000,000 provided in the state power bill that will be up in November would prove wholly inadequate for the development of a state-wide power producing and distributing system, and it is easy to vision action by the people or the legislature to go the present constitutional limit of \$54,000,000 for this power enterprise. If we should embark upon the enterprise, and get \$12,000,000 invested, it wouldn't be long until we'd be going the limit in an effort to save the original investment.

"And this huge sum would be administered by a commission of three men, elected by popular vote, whose qualifications for office would be that they had lived in Oregon five years and hadn't saved any money that had been invested in utilities stocks.

"What voter is there who would take \$18,000,000 or \$54,000,000 of his own money and turn it over to a commission selected by popular vote without regard to qualifications for the job?

"It doesn't seem to me that this investment is necessary to get the benefit of Bonneville. It seems to me that in the state power bill we would tax ourselves to attempt to do in an unbusinesslike way what someone else will do for us in a businesslike way.

"It is not at all likely that the federal government is going to sit back and wait for someone to come to Bonneville to buy what it has to sell. The distribution will undoubtedly be provided and local distribution lines are already in operation or may be built by private capital or by local units. Under private distribution rates would be regulated by our own utilities commissioner and probably also by a federal commission. If we haven't confidence that we can get a square deal by that method, how can we expect one from a political commission of three inexperienced men?"

"Taxpayers can not nonchalantly sit back and see millions of dollars taken from the tax rolls, as would be certain with state ownership of a power system that would put private industry out of business."

Mr. Bede is handling publicity for Oregon Business and Investors, who have filed negative arguments against the power bill and hydro-electric amendment.

SAGINAW.

Mr. and Mrs. English and children returned to their home at Hollywood, Cal., last week after spending several weeks at the home of Mrs. English's brother, Ray Stewart.

Shirley Andrews of Cottage Grove spent the week end with Mary Alma Benston.

Fred Jackson of Walker spent the week end with a cousin, Jacky Montlieth.

Mrs. Bessie Fry and children and the Everett Thompson family spent Sunday at the R. H. Brown home at Elmira. Maxine Fry remained to visit several days.

Mrs. W. A. Keene and daughter, Mrs. Claude Willey of Cottage Grove spent Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Keene's daughter, Mrs. Lowell Benston, Ruby Faye Willey who had spent several days with her aunt returned home with her mother.

The Ellsworth Ritchey family left for Wyoming last week, called there by the illness of Mr. Ritchey's father.

Iris Montlieth, Virgie Copple and Albert Puls are picking beans near Creswell.

Maxine Fry and Lucile Prescott were supper guests at the C. H. Sharon home Friday evening.

George and Wayne Amos of Independence called on friends here Sunday.

Mrs. Violet Puls and children spent Sunday with Mrs. Puls' parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Fry, at Wolf Creek.

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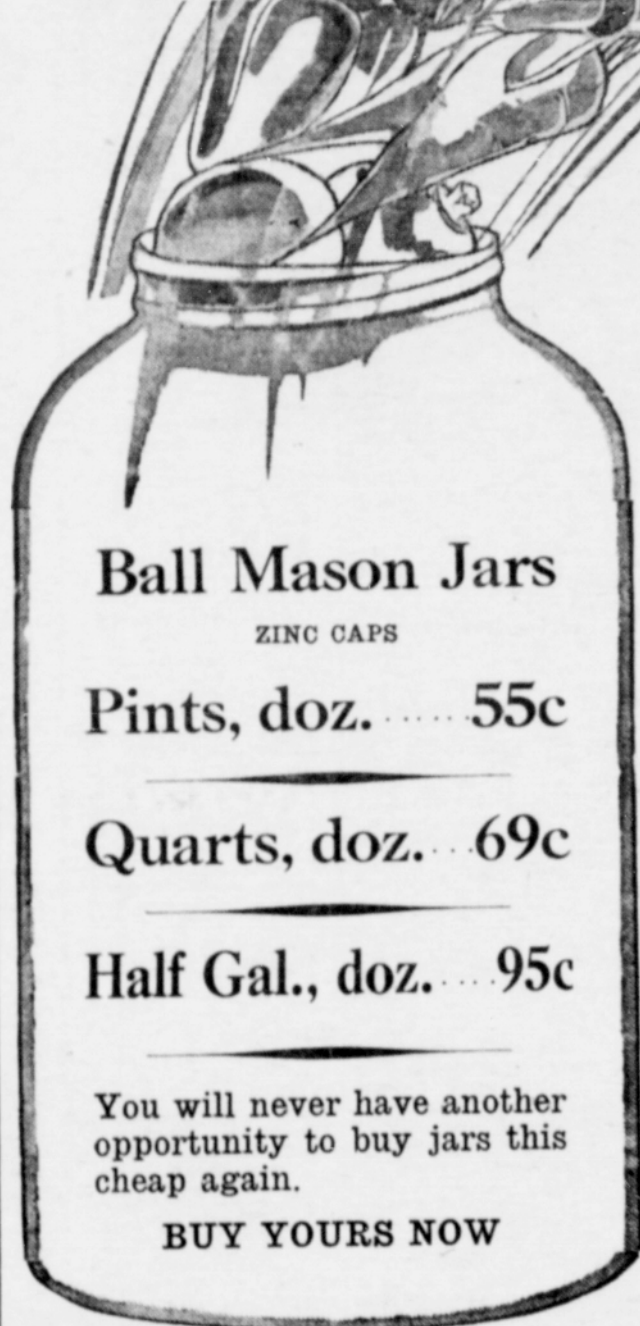
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29c each

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Baking P'd'r

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15c

MEAT DEPARTMENT

Lean Breakfast Bacon
Per lb. 35c

Picnic Hams
Per lb. 22c

Pure Lard, 2 lbs. ... 29c

Bulk Shortening
4 lbs. 45c

Boiling Beef
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Cottage Cheese
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Liver Sausage
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