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"One person's house burns that another may warm himself."

- APRIL
- 23—Captain Paul Jones destroyed the shipwreck at Whitehaven, England, 1778.
 - 24—Russia declared war on Turkey, 1877.
 - 25—First engagement of Mexican War fought at La Rosca, 1846.
 - 26—First society of the Odd Fellows Lodge instituted, 1819.
 - 27—The cornerstone of the Grant monument laid, 1892.
 - 28—Mutiny on H.M.S. Bounty, Captain Bligh and sailors set adrift, 1789.
 - 29—Jacob Coxy leads an army of unemployed into Washington, 1894.

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FORECLOSES MORTGAGES

Our cold-blooded, hard-hearted New Deal government is actually following in the footsteps of those it termed "loan sharks" and from whose clutches it claimed that it had rescued "deserving and oppressed home and land owners," who had failed to pay back the money borrowed from the so-called "loan sharks."

As a result of "helping the deserving and oppressed" by establishing two loaning agencies, the federal government is rapidly becoming one of the greatest land and home owners in the country, according to the Industrial Press Service.

Chairman John F. Fahey of the Home Owners Loan Corporation, recently disclosed that he expected that government agency to foreclose on 160,000 homes in the next 18 months.

The Farm Credit Corporation, created like the HOLC to help carry "debt-burdened owners" through the depression, too is accumulating millions of acres of farm land.

Up to date, the latter government agency has foreclosed on 6,453,000 acres of farm land. It has foreclosed actions pending on approximately 1,500,000 acres more and before the end of the year additional foreclosure proceedings will be instituted.

It will be interesting to follow up these foreclosure proceedings in order to learn just what percent of these loans are recovered by Uncle Sam. Loan Shark Number One. Will he ask for "pernicious, destructive, ruinous," etc., etc., etc. deficiency judgments for whatever sum that may be due him after foreclosure, or will he just slap a few more taxes on the home owners, farmers and business men, who didn't borrow from him, in order to make up the deficiency?

GOVERNMENT BY MAJORITY

Max Berns in his "Weekly Constitutional" correctly states that our government is based on majority rule.

The House of Representatives has 435 members and can pass a law by 218 to 217, by one more than half, that is by a majority. The Senate has 96 members and can pass a law by a vote of 48 to 48 with the deciding vote cast by the vice president as presiding officer of the Senate, that is, by 49 to 48. This also is majority rule.

The Supreme Court has nine members and can make a decision by a 5 to 4 vote. At least 5 votes are required. As in the House and Senate, this is majority rule.

A vote of 218 to 217 in the House is the equivalent of 4.02 to 4. A vote of 49 to 48 in the Senate is the equivalent of 4.08 to 4. A vote

of 5 to 4 in the Supreme Court is proportionately a larger majority than required in either the House or the Senate.

Except where otherwise specified in our Constitution, our government is based on majority rule. Representatives, Senators and the President are elected by a majority vote. Similarly Supreme Court decisions are based on majority votes.

Why all the false and needless alarm about the majority vote in the Supreme Court, with nothing said about the majority vote in the House and Senate? Is it because a majority of the Senators and Representatives can generally be forced to vote as the President desires by a threat to withhold political plums from the constituents of the recalcitrants and a threat to veto all appropriations for public works in their States and districts?

FARMERS TO THE RESCUE

When sit-down strikers took over the Hershey Chocolate corporation, Hershey, Pa., farmers who had been selling 400,000 quarts of milk a day to the plant banded together and forcibly ejected them, so as to regain a market for their milk.

In Ithaca, N. Y., a farmer discovered an effective method of changing the minds of his farm hands about a sit-down strike. Here is the way he explains it:

"The boys have been reading so much about these sit-down strikes," he said, "they kinda thought they'd put one over on me the other night. We'd brought in the cows and had them in their stalls, ready for the milking, when the boys just plunked themselves down on their stools and declared a sit-down strike for a raise in pay."

"Then I happened to think of Neb. loafing in his box s-ail. That bull is so mean we don't dare take him out without clamping a lead pole in his nose ring."

"I just opened the stall door and turned him loose. There was nothing to it. Before you could say Jack Robinson there wasn't a sit-down striker within 100 yards of the barn."

Up to the time the failures, who wish to share, without effort, in the success and fortune of others, began to talk about "social justice" the ordinary human being considered justice done when (1) each individual was given an equal chance to show what he could do; and (2) each individual was protected in the possession of all things that he had through his own efforts. The phrase, "social justice" as used in these days means radicalism, which Dr. Lewis Haney, New York University says "comes to mean that someone is trying to force his own ideals as to what is just, upon his fellow men," such as we see in Russia, Germany and Italy.

CRISP COMMENT

Eve was the first chicken to ruin a man's garden.—Junction City Times.

The anti's a lucky little fellow. No government takes his savings and distributes them among the grasshoppers.—Weston Leader.

The German Nazis have now forbidden Latin being used in diplomas, which shows they are not such idiots as we sometimes think.—Benton County Review.

What's a poor congressman going to do to be re-elected with relief and public works appropriations faced with sharp curtailment?—Baker Democrat-Herald.

We are the posterity about which our forefathers talked and worried. As we look about us now we agree that they had reason for concern.—Turner Tribune.

A verbose syndicate writer is authority for the statement that the time is not ripe for the president to act in the matter of sit-down strikes. It would appear that the fruit is not only already ripe, it is rotten.—Telephone-Register, McMinnville.

If all the advice to farmers gotten out by the government were printed in one book, it would give the farmer plenty of kindling with which to start fires for the rest of his life.—Corvallis Gazette-Times.

They must have a reactionary pardon board over in Idaho. They have voted two to one that a woman who as city treasurer is Boise took some \$200,000 should stay in the pen. They evidently think the act was a crime.—Baker Democrat-Herald.

Public employees are immune from contributing to the support of their government through income taxes. Why this should be is hard to understand or justify. There

does not seem to be any logical reason why an official should not help to pay his share, if his income is large enough, any more than any other person.—Hillsboro Argus.

Before we ever accomplish much toward controlling crime in this country we must change the popular conception of just what the problems are to be decided in relation to the people who commit crime. We must get to thinking in terms of protecting the law-abiding public at the expense of the lawless instead of, as at present, dealing with the criminal at the expense of the public.—Ashland Mirror.

STATE CAPITOL NEWS LETTER

Salem, Ore.—Reports that petitions were in circulation asking for the removal of W. L. Gosselin as secretary to Governor Martin do not seem to be well founded. Avery Thompson, Salem attorney and active Young Democrat who was said to be one of the sponsors of the petitions has denied any knowledge of the move and characterized the report as "just newspaper talk." Thompson, known to be allied with the anti-Gosselin faction in the Young Democratic organization not only denied any connection with the reported petition move but declared that he would refuse to sign one if it should be presented to him. Thompson's attitude appears to be typical of that of most of the anti-Gosselin faction. Even if the reported petitions should materialize—as does not seem probable—they would not bear any great weight in the opinion of those close to the governor. This is not the first time Gosselin's enemies have sought his scalp. More than a year ago it was rumored that he was to be replaced by a secretary with more tact and experience in meeting the public but Gosselin appears to be just as secure in his job now as he was two years ago and will probably continue to serve the governor throughout his term unless a more attractive opening appears to entice him away from the governor.

Sixty-five Drunken Drivers Lose Licenses

Sixty-five drunken drivers had their licenses revoked during March, according to reports filed with Secretary of State Snell by courts over the state. During the same period 13 licenses previously revoked were reinstated on special recommendation of the committing magistrates. Thirty-nine other motorists had their permits suspended for various reasons including reckless driving, hit and run, speeding and operating without a vehicle license.

Big Increase in Life Insurance

Life insurance business written in Oregon during March represented an increase of 45 percent over that of March, 1936, according to Hugh Earle, state insurance commissioner. The increase for the entire United States, according to Earle, was only 15 percent.

Lighted Highways Only a Dream

Lighted highways for Oregon are only a dream of the far distant future in the opinion of R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer. Baldock's comment was made in connection with a report that the highway department was contemplating the illumination of the Pacific highway between Portland and Salem. Baldock estimates the cost of installing necessary lights for such a program at \$4000 a mile. But that would be only a starter. Maintenance of such a lighting system would cost \$600 a year whereas maintenance of the present highway system is only \$400 a mile per year.

1630 Traffic Arrests in Oregon

State traffic police made a total of 1630 arrests during March according to the monthly report of Chas. P. Pray, superintendent. Approximately one-fourth of these arrests followed failure of motor vehicle operators to produce a driver's license. In addition to the arrests warning slips were presented to 10,194 other motorists most of whom were caught driving with improper brakes, improper lights and for other minor infractions of traffic laws.

Foreign Car Registrations Increase

Registration of foreign cars in Oregon during the first three months of the current year shows an increase of 20 percent over the same period a year ago. Tourist traffic has been especially heavy over the Coast highway the past winter since the opening of the new bridges on that route.

Storm Damage to Roads \$150,000

Storm damage during the past winter cost the state highway system approximately \$150,000 according to R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer. Biggest single item of expense was for snow removal following the January storm. Slides and washouts also contributed to the highway damage during the winter months.

National Aid for State Buildings

Salem.—Information from the national capital has it that Uncle Sam is willing to help Oregon finance its new state buildings up to 45 percent of the total cost. The information, however, is not exactly clear as to just how liberal the federal government proposes to be in its assistance on the new program. If the offer means an outright grant of 45 percent on the same basis as the grant made in connection with the capitol building the state will have a total of \$1,000,000—\$500,000 of state money and \$500,000 of federal money—for building purposes. This will make possible the construction of two buildings, one for the state library and the other for general office purposes. If, however, the grant will be limited to the payment of labor taken from relief rolls up to a maximum of 45 percent the offer will not provide a great deal of help unless relief officials are willing to manipulate the relief rolls by listing thereon skilled laborers who are not now on relief.

State Commonwealth Federation Movement

Much interest is being manifested by leaders of both the dominant political parties in the growth of the Commonwealth Federation movement in Oregon. Sponsored by a group of liberals, including leaders in the ranks of labor and state grange, the followers of the movement held an organization meeting in Portland Saturday and Sunday attended by delegates from all sections of the state. In addition to the labor and farmer delegates those present included a liberal sprinkling of Workers Alliance members and Townsendites. Under the right kind of a leadership it is admitted that the movement bids fair to assume the proportions of a powerful minority holding the balance of political power in the state and one which might well become a real factor in future elections.

\$3,000 for Revising Journals of Legislature

Revising the House and Senate journals of the recent legislative session cost the state in excess of \$3,000 according to claims filed with the state department. Four persons were employed in revising the senate journal while seven were employed on the House journal, most of them claiming compensation for the full 40 days allowed for completion of the task.

Beware of Imported Alfalfa Seed

Oregon farmers are warned by Solon T. White, state director of agriculture, to beware of alfalfa seed being shipped in from the middle west and sold at a very low price. White says that the seed is not only of inferior quality but has a high percentage of weed seed, some of which are of noxious varieties.

News Indeed Be Sure to Read

The state may exchange its school lands for federal lands in the public domain but it can not give them to Uncle Sam without getting something in return. Attorney General Van Winkle ruled this week in holding that a proposal to cede 11,500 acres of state-owned lands in the Hart Mountain district of eastern Oregon to the national government for a game preserve was in violation of the state constitution.

More than 30 "rookies" of the state police force were put through a course of schooling here last week in preparation for their duties as members of the force. Instructors were veteran members of the state force. The recruits were housed in the armory during their stay in Salem.

Stewart Weiss of Portland who recently assumed duties of assistant to the attorney general does not intend to resign as chairman of the Multnomah county republican central committee until he has completed an organization program which he now has under way. Weiss says there is no law to prevent his holding the two positions although certain republicans in Multnomah county are clamoring for his resignation.

THE CHURCHES

The Women's Bible class of the Methodist church and the W. C. T. U. met Wednesday of last week at the church for an all day session. The time was spent quilting for the latter group. Following a potluck dinner a business meeting was held by the Bible class. They reported thirty-five calls and three bouquets sent to shut-ins. Twenty four were present for the day and others came to help with the quilting during the afternoon.

Ninety Christian Endeavorers attended the unified meeting Sunday evening at the Christian church. Reports were given by delegates who attended a recent state convention. Part of the meeting was extended into the regular church hour.

Pentecostal Assembly of God, Atwood Foster, Pastor. — Sunday school, 9:45; forenoon service, 11; evening service, 7:30; Wednesday, 7:30, prayer meeting; Friday, 7:30, young people in charge, followed



A HOME Is a Good Investment

A new home is something of which to be proud. An old home properly remodeled and renovated is almost as good. A good home is not only a source of much satisfaction and contentment, but it is also an asset to both yourself and the community as a whole. To own a home strengthens your credit. Every week should be "Better Homes Week."



THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF COTTAGE GROVE

by class in teacher training led by Iola Partridge.

Christian Science Society, 242 So. 2nd St.—Sunday school, 9:45; forenoon service, 11; sermon subject, "Everlasting Punishment;" reading room, Petersen building, open Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, 3 to 5 and 7 to 9.

M. E. Church, C. J. Hall, Pastor. MSunday school, 9:45; forenoon service, 11; sermon subject, "Putting Up the White Flag;" evening service, 7:30, sermon subject, "Practicing Our Religion;" Epworth League, 6; official board meets 8 p. m. Monday.

First Baptist Church, Henry W. Davis, Pastor.—Sunday school, 10; forenoon service, 11; sermon subject, "The Greatest Text in the Bible;" evening service, 7:30, sermon subject, "The Origin of Music;" a sermon in keeping with Music Week; young people's meetings, 6:30; prayer meeting, 7:30, Thursday night.

S. D. A. Church, Cottage Grove.—Saturday, Sabbath school, 9:30, followed by morning service; Monday, 7:30 p. m., interesting educational moving pictures; 8, lecture, "Who Changed the Sabbath from Saturday to Sunday?" Wednesday, 7:30, pictures, 8, lecture, "Saved by Grace and Not by the Works of the Law;" Friday, 7:30, special song service, 8, lecture, "Why Does God Allow Sinful Men to Practice and Prosper?"

A great Christian Endeavor rally at the First Christian church was attended by 93 young people and 24 of the older people. An echo of the state Endeavor convention was given by the delegates. The Junior Endeavor gave the same playlet they gave at the convention. The

Juniors are planning their year's program and are hoping to hold first place in the state work again this year.

Christian Church.—Bible school, 9:45; morning worship, 11; sermon subject, "The Task of the Church;" Endeavor, 7; evening sermon, 8, subject, "Glorifying in the Cross;" a song service by the large choir, special songs and music. If you like the old gospel in song and sermon come and enjoy these services.

The W. W. G. girls club of the Baptist church met Tuesday after school at the home of Mrs. John Read. Miss Margaret Read was in charge of devotionals. Plans were made for a Mother-Daughter banquet for May 12. The group will hold a cookie and candy sale May 1, to raise money for their missionary fund.

Presbyterian church, James A. Smith, Pastor.—Sunday, 11 a. m. theme, "The Home God Meant," in line with Better Homes week; anthem by the choir; 6:30, a special deputation of young folks from Eugene to conduct the C. E. meeting; 7:30, theme, "The Pattern in the Mount;" Thursday, 7:30, cottage meeting at home of Rev. Wm. V. McGee.

Receive Plaques for Service. In recognition of five or more years service in representing the Associated division of Tide Water Associated Oil company the following recently received bronze plaques presented by that company. Alv's Wicks and Gidney & Saffey, Cottage Grove; I. Guard and E. Sprinkle, Yoncalla; W. C. DeLacey, Anlauf; Pearl V. Sharp, Drain.

The Careless Motorist. Epitaph—He drove on the suicide of the road.

Oh! So Good

Fresh Daily at Your Grocers

Better Bakery