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**IMPROVEMENTS**

Now that most people believe this section is in for a few years of better business, it would be a splendid civic move to inaugurate a few of the badly needed improvements. In fact one improvement must be inaugurated to hold our city mail service and this is the numbering of buildings. Eventually a stranger may be able to find his or her way about town with street markers recently installed as a NYA project and the houses numbered, however the response has been extremely slow in regard to numbering houses. This despite the fact that more new people have been trying to find their way about town in the past six months than ever before.

Modernization of the business section, particularly many of the store fronts, would do as much to hold business here as anything the merchants could undertake. Lots of merchandise is sold when attractively displayed, which might otherwise remain on the shelf. Another worthy enterprise is a municipal swimming pool, which may be a possibility within the next year or so, if the public evidences sufficient interest.

And we might have had a highly developed ski course had their been sufficient interest and we might have had a better road into the Bohemia section. These prospective improvements is not a matter of digging down in the pocket and obtaining the money to finance the development, but merely a matter of showing a little interest in the recreational possibilities of the Bohemia section, which would have come and which will come without cost to us if we will wake up.

The time might be ripe also for providing a more attractive city park by erecting a painted fence around the entire park and by providing water within the park so that a lawn can be grown in the summer time, when lawns are really appreciated.

We may not be able to realize all of the things that we would like to do, still if we never plan, we cannot hope to accomplish anything.

**STRIKES ARE NOT NECESSARY**

Everyone hears about the strikes that happen. But little attention is given to those that didn't happen.

Those are the strikes that are settled by conciliation—by a meeting of minds of the various interests involved. During the past year, for instance, the United States government conciliation service handled more than 3,700 situations involving over 1,450,000 people. In the majority of cases, a settlement was reached and the strike avoided.

John T. Daly, Commissioner of Conciliation, recently observed that "every strike is an economic loss to somebody, management or labor." And in these days, the element of loss goes farther still—to the whole country. A major strike taking place now might slow the defense drive to a standstill. The decision of a few willful men, possibly taken in contravention of the desires of the workers, might imperil America's safety.

The public is sick of unnecessary strikes. It is sick of racketeering elements in both labor and industry which make such strikes. There never was a strike which couldn't have been prevented, and an equitable agreement reached, if those on both sides had honestly faced the facts and met around the arbitration table in a sincere spirit.

If both labor and industry refuse to arbitrate, if they permit strikes to be called, only one thing can happen, the establishment of some dictatorial government authority which will make and enforce decisions whether labor and industry like it or not. In the interest of self-preservation alone, it is vital now for labor and management to get together and settle all disputes before the strike stage is reached.

**PROSPECTS OF PEACE**

To most Americans, the government at Vichy in so-called "free France" is a pathetic spectacle. You can draw a parallel with it here, working on the supposition that we have been decisively defeated in a ruinous war, have seen our capital, practically all of our industrial areas, and close to half of our territory occupied by a ruthless enemy, and are faced on all sides by enemy troops against whom we have no military defense. That is the position France is in today. And, under those circumstances, Marshal Petain's announcement that France would cooperate with the Axis power to "restore peace in Europe" should not have come as any great surprise.

Whether or not this makes France a definite ally of the totalitarian states is not yet clear. But it does make clear the unpleasant fact that France will do—officially at least—whatever Hitler and Mussolini want. Few observers think that Hitler's promise not to use the French Navy against England is worth a hoot—most of them think that before long what is left of that Navy may be at sea, fighting for the Axis. Every French resource will be placed at Hitler's disposal when he wants it. It is no doubt true that the average French citizen hates Germany and prays for British victory, but he is helpless. Every precaution has been taken to make organized resistance impossible.

The action of France is simply one more of those many actions which have been dividing the entire world into two distinct and opposed groups. On one side are Germany, Italy, Japan and those other peoples the Axis is able to control. On the other is Britain and the United States. Latin America remains the question mark, and during the next few years both sides are going to use every weapon at their command—flattery, bribery, and threats—to win her support. This war is no ordinary war. It is a world revolution. And "woe to the vanquished" will be the motto of the ultimate victor.

There is little talk now of the war ending soon. Rumors are again making the rounds concerning peace proposals, and France was supposed to have been drawn into the Axis for that purpose. But it is extremely difficult to see how any agreement could be made that would be satisfactory to both Hitler and England—to say nothing of this country, which seems determined to have a say when it comes to redividing the world around a conference table. The chance for a negotiated peace, in other words, might be called an exceedingly improbable possibility.

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**Highlights & Sidelights**



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**Lions to Meet University High School Of Eugene on Armistice Day**

Armistice Day! To all Americans this celebrates the ending of the World War. However to Cottage Grove high it also marks the beginning of another great battle. Before the sun sets on the civic stadium on that day in Eugene either University high or Cottage Grove high will leave the battlefield the victor in the toughest game of the season for both teams.

Uni high is in first place in the Lane-Douglas league with three wins and no losses and the Lions are in second with two wins and one loss. The Tigers are given a slight edge because of comparative scores with Roseburg in which the Lions lost their only game. It was in this game that Tommy Jones, quarterback, injured his back and Johnny Minor, right half, his side. However both are expected to be ready for the game Monday.

This week was spent on pass defense and polishing up on plays.

**B Squad Wins**

The Cottage Grove Lion B squad intercepted two Indian passes for touchdowns and scored a safety to beat the Indian Papposes 15-0 at Kelly field last Saturday afternoon.

The Cubs dominated all of the first half and were near pay dirt a number of times only to get bad break and lose the ball.

No scores were made until the third period when Hamilton, left half, intercepted a Pappoose pass and ran 70 yards for a touchdown. Roberts kicked the extra point. A gain later in the same quarter, Cherry, fullback for the Cubs, intercepted another pass and outran all opposition for the second B-squad counter. The try for point was low. In the final quarter the Cubs drove to the Indian B-strings three-yard line and threw a pass over the goal, only to have it intercepted by Roseburg. The interceptor was brought down behind the goal line, scoring two points on a safety for C. G.

The Lion B-squad were handicapped by the absence of Isham, right halfback, but outplayed the Papposes throughout the entire game.

A return game is scheduled for tomorrow night at Roseburg. The lineup for the game: left end, A. Smith; left tackle, Kennedy; left guard, D. Smith; center, Daugherty; right guard, Roberts, right tackle, Batchelder, right end Harpole; right half, Johnson; left half, Hamilton; quarter, Hammond, full, Cherry.

**Lynx Hollow**

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Beach entertained recently with five tables of pinocle. Guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beach, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Schmidt, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Radway of Cottage Grove, Mr. and Mrs. James Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence

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**HUMOR ON THE FARM**

Some scientist has discovered that farmers seldom laugh. He has also discovered why they are not given to outbursts of mirth.

His theory is that their environment makes them sober minded. Working alone in the open fields, face to face with nature, he thinks, naturally makes men serious.

But a farmer friend of ours does not agree with this scientific chap. He has another explanation for the peculiarity which the professor thinks he has found in tillers of the soil. This is what he has to say concerning it:

"He may be right in spots. But communing with nature ain't what keeps me from laughing. It is that darned old red steer that gets in the garden at exactly the wrong time; that old spotted cow that kicks when you milk her; that blamed white mule that can jump the moon; along with forty million cockleburrs; fourteen thousand chores, besides trimming the hedge fence and cutting the sprouts out of the new grounds. And, too, a four months drought in growing time and a fourteen inch rain at gathering time don't hatch grins very fast.

"Take that old white mule, for instance. That mule won't never stay put. Put him in the barn and when you come back he's in the pasture. Put him in the pasture and when you come back he's in somebody else's pasture.

"When we got ready to start to town last week I said to the old woman: 'I'll stall that dratted mule for once.' I put him in the smoke house and nailed up the door. There is just one window in the smoke house and it is ten feet from the floor.

"When we came back that blasted mule was in the middle of Johnson's cornfield—with that window sash around his neck.

"Now a town man would have laughed his fool head off about it. But by the time I got four hired men to help me run that beast across four fields and corner it and had paid Johnson four dollars, there wasn't a grin on my face as

big as the wrinkle on an egg shell. "No sir, the reason there ain't no laughter on the farm is because there ain't no call for it."

**Blind Men Attend Rites for First Trainer of Dog Guides.**

Los Angeles, July 25.—(AP)—A score of blind men led by their dogs attended funeral services today for Dr. William A. Christensen, fifty-four years old, founder of the National Eye Dog Association.

Blind for the last twenty-five years, Doctor Christensen founded the association ten years ago to provide canine guides for blind persons.

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