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The Brighter Side

Most of the people living in the Northwest are inclined to worry over the outcome of the lumber strike, since the region is largely dependent on the lumber industry, but perhaps the situation has a brighter side at least for the present. One merchant informed us recently that he had the best business last Saturday of any day outside of Christmas and said he laid the unusually good business to the fact that people felt they had more time to shop.

The building supplier has in most places experienced a boost in business because many workers are taking advantage of the lay off and do a lot of necessary repairing around the home.

As the situation stands, there will be plenty of time to worry when we have to and there is no use in fretting before the time arrives.

The only one who will really lose is the fellow who spends his idle time loafing in the loafing places.

"Box 66"

If you are a steady reader of the Sentinel, chances are that you'll not notice two minor changes in makeup which appear this week (we hope). This comment is not made disparagingly, but rather as a truth, because hard as journalists labor to improve the typographical appearance of their respective publications, it is generally noted only by their fellow 30ers.

Anyway, we have prepared two new heads for two special sections of this paper: "Men in Service" and "Letters to the Editor." Henceforth the former will be titled "With Our Armed Forces," while the latter will be known "Box 66."

"Box 66" was picked deliberately after serious consideration. It's the number of the Sentinel box at the post office.

We hope it will serve a dual purpose—as a section head and as a gentle reader reminder that this paper is always ready to print your comments, if you will sign your name and also not use the space to call someone names.

Try as we may, we can't forego adding this last bit: for comments or kicks, write "Box 66." (L. O.)

July 4, 1954

We hope that each and every one of you have a happy, healthy and safe Fourth of July weekend. Remember to drive for yourself and every other driver on the road. It pays. There's still a lot to be said for that old, trite, but ever true, statement that "slow and steady wins the race." (L. O.)

Rain Has Its Good Points

You might as well face it, rain is something that has more good points than bad ones, and no matter how you grumble, it still goes to rain.

At least that's what one of the Old Timers told us the other day as he was busy putting out some new geranium plants in his flower border.

It appears that you take your choice. You can move to the Mojave Desert or if you prefer, the Sahara, and you won't be bothered.

Or you can stay in Coos County and you have rain.

Best thing the Old Timers told us about rain however, was that it grew trees and that's a fact that is interesting and gratifying to all of us. So next time you look out and start to groan about the rain, just remember that those big logs rolling down to the mill wouldn't be so plentiful nor so big if there hadn't been some rain getting granddad wet seventy-five years ago.—Coquille Valley Sentinel.

Something For Nothing

On what basis do you make the purchases you do when it comes to buying something today?

Regardless of why you make the purchase whether advertising created the urge, whether it is in an effort to keep up with the neighbors or relatives or whether it is a necessity and you make your purchase because you are hungry, cold or out of style or season... there seems to be an overwhelming tendency to forget everything else and to shop "where you can get the best DEAL."

This "deal" business is the same old something for nothing and no matter how good it sounds... we still firmly believe in the opposite adage that you only "get what you pay for."

There is hardly a merchant in business today who does not have at least one product being sold on this "deal" basis. Currently new autos are selling for what you can get them for if you drove back to the factory. Appliances can be picked up for a song on any number of "deals" if you qualify or you can take home some free "gift" for making the purchase.

Any number of food products can be bought more cheaply with a coupon. Panic sales make available a wide choice of clothing at "never before imagined savings." Saving stamps, wholesale cooperative deals, buyer clubs, the list of gimmicks is as long as a Russian diplomat's party line spiel, are offered to the public on every hand.

The worst thing of all is that a portion of the buying public is going for this type of merchandise. And even worse is the fact that there is a growing tendency among merchants to believe that only by making such offers can they stay in business... let alone show a margin of profit.

Where is the old solid appeal to customers to shop with confidence with a business man whose above-board operation radiates confidence and that most important business quality of bringing the buyer back again and again?

Some customers are leaning the hard way. Some go for "deals" once and discover the merchant has fled when the goods are found to be inferior. Some discover the merchant is not interested in servicing the cheap product he has foisted on the unsuspecting. The lemon you buy on a "deal" is the most bitter fruit on the business tree. But after it is picked and the harvest is in, the customer is the loser.

If all business goes this way the merchant will wind up the loser as well. No one makes a living trading dollars... even, and we'll borrow from an old joke, if the volume is terrific.

For the sake of preservation of decency, ethics and our way of life... which depends on everyone making a living, let's examine our buying habits and our selling techniques. Let merchants stop trying to give their wares away and let customers start looking past the price tag and the accompanying gift to the product itself.—Beaverton Valley News.

"The one result the Welfare state never achieves is welfare. It gives people more dollars to handle by making each dollar worth less and less." William E. Jenner, Senator.

Letter From Washington

Hearings Being Held on Talent Div., Rogue River

By Harris Ellsworth, Member of Congress Oregon's Fourth Congressional District

Hearings are being held by both House and Senate Committees on the identical bills introduced by Senator Guy Cordon and me to authorize the construction of the Talent Division of the Rogue River Basin reclamation project. The legislation is based upon the Federal Reclamation Act of 1902. Although the project will be originally financed by the federal government, its cost will be repaid over a period of years by the land owners who are benefited by the work. It is also planned to use the same procedure to provide for the rehabilitation of the Medford and Rogue River Valley Irrigation Districts.

As this is written, it is not known what action the House Committee will take on the bill after the hearings are completed. I am hopeful, however, since this is a relatively simple project and pretty much in line with similar projects authorized under the reclamation laws, that it may be favorably reported.

I had hoped that by this time we would have had a hearing before the House Subcommittee on Flood Control of the Committee on Public Works on my bill, H. R. 8661, to provide for the construction of the Green Peter Dam on the Santiam River on a partnership basis. Unfortunately, the department reports on this bill were a little slow in being sent to the committee. Meanwhile the Public Works Committee has been tied up for several weeks with the details of the final completion of its big Omnibus Rivers, Harbors and Flood Control bill. That bill will probably not be completed before

the 26th. I am disappointed about this delay but I have kept a constant check on the situation and I am convinced that it could not be helped.

The Cougar Dam (McKenzie River) which was passed by the House a few weeks ago is making good progress in the Senate. It may become law in the near future.

Every now and then I receive a comment to the effect that I should travel around the Congressional District more often and get better acquainted. How I wish I could do that—especially since this is an election year! The fact is that, unlike any other elected official of our state, members of the Oregon delegation in Congress must stay in Washington, D. C. and do their job of representing the state while congress is in session. Furthermore, trips home are at our personal expense—we have no government expense account—and even if I could find time to make such trips across the continent, which I cannot, I certainly could not afford them. After this session adjourns, though, I expect to visit every county in the district.

There is a feature article in the Saturday Evening Post dated June 19th which tells about the Committee of the House of Representatives of which I am a member—the Rules Committee. The title of the piece is "The Terrible Twelve" of Capitol Hill. It gives a rather fuzzy story of what the committee is and the nature of its work. At the bottom of page 22 is a picture of the committee table which shows me seated in my regular chair where I spend a considerable amount of time.

Central America Causes Washington Worries

By Congressman Harris Ellsworth

Whether by accident or intent, the bill to authorize the appropriation of funds for foreign aid—called the Mutual Security bill—comes to the floor of the House at a time of great tension in world affairs. I am certain, however, that it could not have been "planned that way." The bill is a big one in that it covers our world-wide efforts, and it has been the subject of much study and long hearings by the Foreign Affairs committee. The committee just happened to finish its labors and send the bill to the House for consideration coincidental with: (1) the visit of Prime Minister Churchill and British Minister Anthony Eden; (2) the disturbing speech made in the House of Commons by Eden; (3) communist activity in Central and South America which is causing serious worry here; (4) a new government of France which is moving independently in dealing with the Indo-China problem; and (5) the fizzling out of the conference in Geneva.

Only about 27 percent of the some \$3.5 billions in the bill goes to Europe. That, as well as the remainder, is mainly for the purpose of bolstering up the defense efforts and military ability of the free world.

Although it seems necessary to go ahead with expenditures of this type while world tension continues, I shall vote for this authorization bill with no enthusiasm. I cannot escape the feeling that there is just a slight touch of hysteria behind the writing of millions and billions into such a bill. In other words, I respect the experience, the wisdom and sincerity of the Foreign Affairs committee but

I wonder about their ability in the field of mathematics. For example, one thing in particular bothers me about the bill. Of funds PREVIOUSLY appropriated some \$2.6 billions are as yet unspent and unobligated. A total of \$9.7 billions of previous appropriations remains unspent, although obligated—meaning that contracts or other commitments have been made. To over-simplify the matter a bit, I would feel better about it if they would use up the money already given before asking for more.

The bill referred to is not, however, the final step in taking this money from the treasury. The Appropriations Committee will set the amounts recommended to be appropriated. Perhaps that committee, more versed in figures than is the Foreign Affairs Committee, can straighten out the mathematics.

It seems pretty certain, as this is written, that the forthcoming Rivers and Harbors and Flood Control bill will contain a paragraph authorizing the construction of the Green Peter Dam on the Santiam River as a multiple-purpose project—including power. Senator Cordon and I introduced this legislation a year ago last April. What it means is that planning and construction money can be appropriated for this dam. If the so-called partnership bill is enacted for this project later the Federal government will be relieved of the necessity for borrowing some \$28,000,000 to pay for the power facilities which will then be paid for locally. Meanwhile this much needed flood control dam will become eligible for appropriations.

Lumber Strike

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and shelter needs. The AFL has a Willamette Valley District Council strike fund out of which the members may draw. There will be aid from the International strike fund if necessary. Black commented.

Strike Fund Untapped

Kellogg said that no one has yet applied for aid under the CIO strike fund setup, but feels that if nothing breaks in the near future, some of the men will have to apply.

According to a Lumberman's Industrial Relations Committee released in Port Angeles, Wash., Lebanon, Sweet Home and Westfir, over 1,500 IWA employees, are covered by contract renewals without wage increases in more than a dozen operations. This brings to a total of 10,490, the number of employees included in no-wage-increase agreements this year.

Oregon Highway

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\$86.00 for 0.14 miles of paving on Drain's main street.

Douglas Gets Highest Bid

Colorado Fuel and Iron Corporation, Portland, was awarded the Oakland Junction - Boomer Hill Road fencing project on the Pacific Highway between Oakland and Myrtle Creek. The state project has intermittent right of way fencing on 30.5 miles of highway. The corporation's bid was \$64,403.88.

The federal aid project calls for 4.18 miles of paving on the South Umpqua River-Shady unit, and the Deady-Shady section of the Pacific Highway south from Roseburg. E. C. Hall Co., and J. C. Compton Co. were low bidders with \$398,465.00.

This was the highest bid for any project at the Oregon State Highway Commission meeting.

Eugene Will Host

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interested in good government to come to this rally."

C. Girard Davidson, Portland attorney and former assistant Secretary of the Interior is the general chairman for the state Stevenson rally committee.

Admission to the Stadium will be only by ticket which is given to the holder as a receipt for a \$2.50 contribution to the party. This receipt will also entitle the holder to a souvenir program and entrance to a reception for the former governor after the rally.

Tickets may be secured locally from Judge John Wells. Persons attending the rally from out-of-town and wishing overnight accommodations may secure them by telephoning Democratic headquarters, Eugene 3-3922, or calling in person at the office in the Lumberman's building, Broadway and Oak Streets in downtown Eugene.

Rozelle Lawrence

Rozelle Lawrence, Lorane Route, Cottage Grove, died in Cottage Grove Hospital Tuesday, June 29, at the age of 82 years. She was born May 27, 1872, near Drain, and was married to Charles R. Lawrence in 1899 at Comstock. She had resided in this community her entire life.

Surviving are her husband; two sons: Ialo and Roger of Comstock; two grandchildren: one brother, Bert DeLaunay of Drain and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. Saturday, July 3, at Mills Mortuary with the Rev. Sydney Gaither officiating. Vault interment will be in the Comstock cemetery.

Oslo Young Man Learns American Way Forestry and Agriculture Locally

By Mrs. Florence Eriksen

CULP CREEK—Sometime ago a visitor arrived in the Culp Creek area and recently I thought it would be nice to hear about this person and about his homeland, Norway, so I called at the Kenneth Owen home last week and had a talk with him. He told many interesting facts and so I shall pass them on to other readers. You may have wondered who this young fellow was as he walked to and from the Bohemia Lumber Company with his pack on his back. He is Jens Olav Osuldsen who came to America along with ten others to learn the American ways of forestry and agriculture. He has been employed by a private firm for sometime.

The group left Norway on April 13, 1954 aboard the Norwegian American Line and arrived in New York on April 24. They traveled by Greyhound bus with the others stopping off in Minnesota to learn of the agriculture industry. They are sponsored by The American Scandinavian Foundation which contacted the Agricultural Department in Washington, D. C., and found a placing for them to learn. He will be here from six to eight months but allowed to stay in America for one year. He was much impressed by the huge timber in Oregon although lumbering is the main industry of Norway.

Here are a few facts which were of interest: 23% of their country is forest land, 25% is farmland, 70% mountain and wasteland, 4.5% is water and lakes. The population of Norway as of 1951 is 3.3 million. The population of Oslo, the

This Is a Picket Line?



SOLE AFL PICKETER at Woodard Lumber Co. is Kenneth Freed, green chain worker. Freed makes \$1.52 1/2 an hour and is among those workers demanding a 12 1/2 cent raise.

With Our Armed Forces

Local Paratrooper Participates in Airborne Operation

FORT CAMPBELL, KY. (FETNC) — Serving aboard the medium rocket launching ship USS 412 is Merritt L. Minney, seaman, USN, brother of Glenn O. Minney of 303 N. Eighth st., Cottage Grove, Ore., 403.88.

Minney, who entered the Navy in December, 1950, was graduated from Broadbent high school, Morton, Wash.

The 412, on her third tour of duty in the Far East, recently took part in Operation Flaghoist at Iwo Jima. The operation was the largest amphibious exercise since the end of the fighting in Korea. The ship was a member of the advance force and the attack group. As a unit of the gunfire support element, she provided close fire support for the landing of the 3rd Marine Division.

The operation, commanded by Lt. Col. Ralph D. Burns, began June 7, when the regiment was "sealed in" behind a wall of secrecy and security in the Fort Campbell marshaling area. Two days later the 511th marched at midnight to 75 waiting C-119 Flying Box Cars, and loaded up.

Early Wednesday morning, June 9th, the regiment's 1800 paratroopers hit the silk in four different waves, seized a mythical road junction and prevented the aggressors' resupply of its front line troops. The problem was climaxed on its fourth day with a 25-mile march as the 511th linked up with friendly forces.

Before entering the Army Moore was employed at Booth-Kelly Lumber Co.

S. Sgt. Lyle S. Mullica is visiting his family on a two weeks' furlough from Selfridge Field, Mich., where he is stationed with the Air Force.

SN Doris Roby returned home recently from Japan where he spent four months in service. He is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Roby, on a 15-day leave, after which he will be stationed at San Diego Naval Air station. Roby enlisted in the Navy in October, 1952.

Thomas is Cook

FAR EAST (FETNC)—Just after his marriage in August, 1952, William L. Thomas had 902 months to feed.

Bill not only cooked for his bride, but also prepared meals for 900 sailors stationed at the Astoria, Ore., Naval base.

Thomas, a commissaryman second class, USN, is serving aboard the attack transport USS Uvalde now operating in the Far East.

Thomas entered the Navy in April, 1948, and was assigned to the cruiser USS Pasadena for two years before reporting to the Astoria base. He reported to the Uvalde in July, 1953, and acquired a new hobby, painting. He is completing several paintings at the present and plans to send them to his home in Cottage Grove, Ore.

Thomas is husband of the former Miss Bonita E. Keene of Cottage Grove, Ore. They have a son, Ronald G., three months.

RD3 William Hudson is spending a 16-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hudson of Bennett Creek. Bill as he is familiarly known is stationed aboard the USS Naifal D352, which arrived Friday after a cruise in foreign waters. Bill will report back to San Diego, Calif., at the end of his leave.

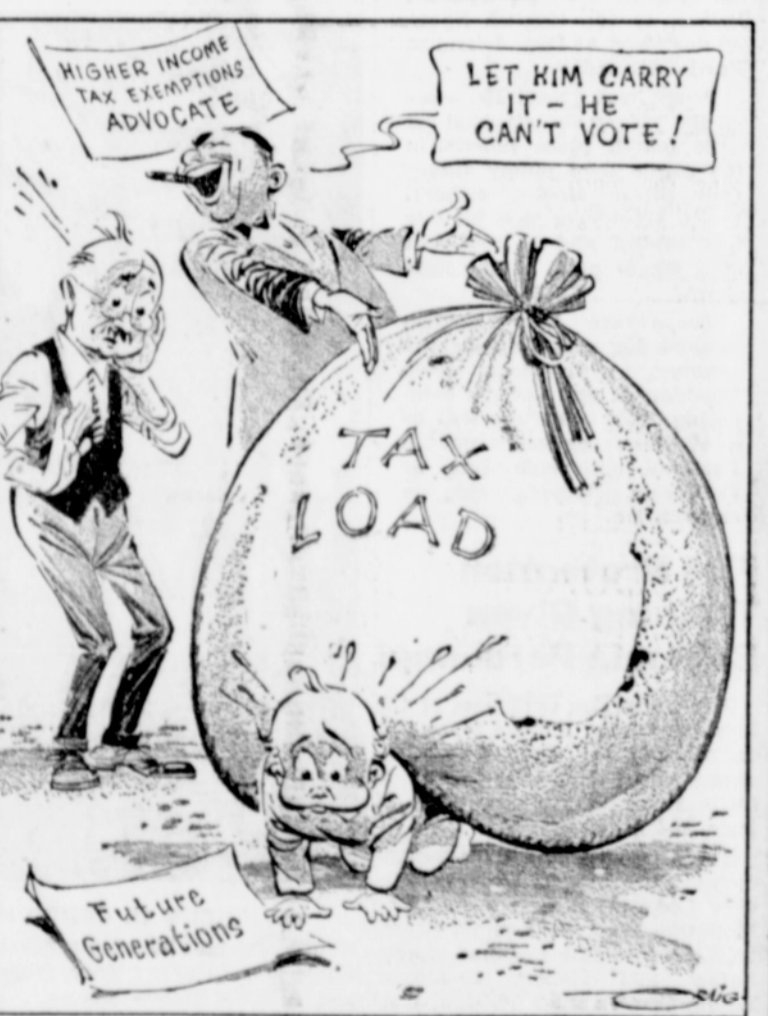
Today's Safety Slogan: Watch Out for School Children—Especially if They're Driving Cars!

Any Kicks? Write—**BOX 66**

This is to introduce you to our new "letter" column. We invite you to use some Sentinel space any time you feel the urge. (L. O.)

It is often surprising to find that heights may be attained merely by remaining on the level.

PASSING THE BUCKS!



Short-sighted Proposals

Advocates of the proposals in the Senate to increase personal income tax exemptions from the present \$600 to as much as \$1,000 seem to disregard the bad effects this would have not only on today's economy but also upon that of the years ahead.

Excusing one taxpayer out of every three from paying any Federal income tax whatever, depriving the Treasury of \$9,000,000,000 in revenue, and further increasing the staggering national debt of \$275,000,000,000, would result from adoption of these short-sighted proposals.

They would mean saddling future generations with an overwhelming burden of debt and taxation. But, as the political cynics point out, future generations can't vote today!

Council Checks

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in the jail for more than 48 hours was an "unconscionable thing to do, irrespective of who she is." City Recorder Farney Edwards told the group that in such instances though, he believed any prisoner would think seriously before getting into a condition to be arrested again.

Mayor Crepeau turned the matter of revamping the cell over to Councilman Joe Bricher and his police committee and Chief Jones for thorough investigation, and asked that a complete report and recommendation for action be made at that time (July 6).

Taking up other items of business, the Mayor asked that assistant to the city engineer H. E. McMillan get more information concerning a lease-purchase agreement for a new city street sweeper and bring it before Council as soon as possible.

W. E. White Appointed
Following the recommendation of the Library Board, council unanimously approved the appointment of Wallace E. White as new member of the board for a three year term.

Mayor Crepeau reported to Council concerning investigation of construction of homes within the city limits not in accordance to city code. Crepeau said that several violations had been found: for examples he cited lack of permits and unauthorized taps on sewer and water mains. According to the mayor the builder, A. L. Woodward, told the Council members who inspected the area that he would take immediate steps to correct the situation. Council stopped work until necessary permits, etc., were taken out.

Planning Ordinance
After lengthy discussion, the councilmen authorized the city attorney to bring to council, not later than the first meeting in August, a proposed ordinance relative to the planning of property boundaries, etc., within the limits of Cottage Grove.

In a final item of business the mayor turned over to the street committee a request from Cottage Grove Gas Co. that the ordinance relating to the company apply to the business now that it is a corporation rather than a partnership. Council will render a decision as soon as possible.

Individuality is everywhere to be spared and respected as the root of everything good.
—Jean Paul Richter