

## WHAT EDITORS THINK

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Governor Pierce joins the great majority in refusing to support the Housewives' measure (336-337) and advises against its adoption. This bill is being attacked publicly from various sources, altho it seems impossible that the overtaxed voters of Oregon will take a chance and saddle another \$52,000 on themselves, not knowing how much more will follow.—Western Clackamas Review.

Al. Smith being a wet, McAdoo naturally comes forth as a dry. Between the two the Democratic party will be split in twain. The party has no bright outlook, and there will be a new party as sure as fate if there is much division in the Republican party.—Woodburn Independent.

Among inquires received by the Oregon City Chamber of commerce are letters from Florida folk who would be glad to live here, in safety and prosperity, instead of staying in the debris of their fairland that was. Some have said that they would give anything to make their home here. And why not? Clackamas and Oregon City do not claim to be the scenic gems of Columbia, nor do we expect a boom here. But we certainly point to the proofs of all that one can reasonably ask in all that is healthy and prosperous in solid well-being. Our acres are still above water and produce almost

anything that grows elsewhere. Our farm lands are unexcelled for their products. Our city here offers matchless opportunities for new industries with the visible proof of old established and successful industries that employ thousands and diffuse millions in annual pay roll. We have good, neighborly home-folk next door. We have splendid schools and good churches to meet the same requirements of all standard sects. We possess community progress, sound principals, steady development and everything else that decent people can expect. Clackamas County and Oregon City are proceeding, not receding; progressing, not retrogressing. Florida, southern California or any other spectacular place cannot say as much, with truth.

There is plenty of room here for people from Florida or anywhere else, if they care to come, and we have lots to offer them.—Oregon City Enterprise.

### Popular Mechanics

She turned to the young man who was showing her through the locomotive works and, pointing, asked, "What is that big thing over there?" "That's a locomotive boiler," the young man replied. "And what do they boil locomotives for?" "To make the locomotive tender."—Ex.

doing the work in a most amateurish style that constitutes an obnoxious series of blemishes along the highways.

"The Oregon State Motor Association, the motor club holding the franchise for Oregon in the A. A. A., is heartily in accord with the campaign being conducted by the A. A. A. throughout America, and intends doing its utmost in ridding Oregon of the hazardous and obnoxious hot dog and small sign menaces along the highways of the state.

### OUR COUNTY TREASURER IS COMPLIMENTED

The state treasurer highly complimented Homer Parrett, county treasurer, upon his promptitude in making county financial reports as required by the state. Mr. Parrett was the first treasurer in the State of Oregon to send in his report on the financial condition of the county required by the Oregon state law.

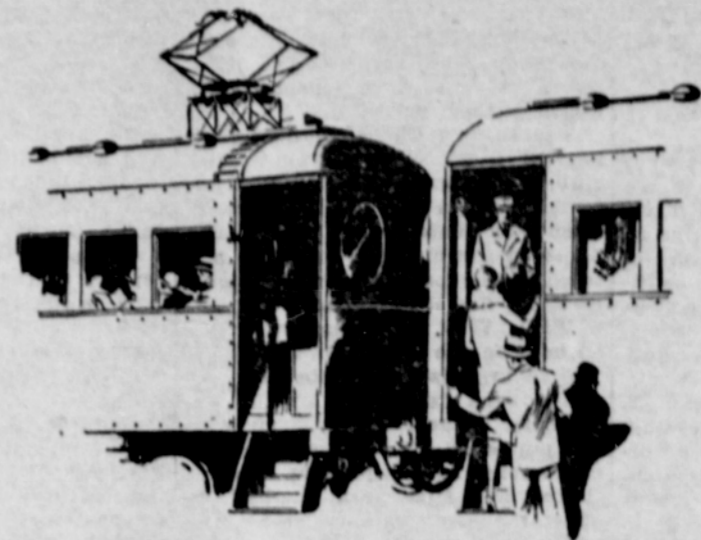
The report shows Yamhill county's bonded indebtedness now to be at \$667,500.00. \$32,500.00 of the debt was paid off this year and \$37,500.00 will be paid off next year. According to the schedule of payment the entire bonded indebtedness will be paid off in 1940. The entire amount being bonds voted in 1918 and 1920, amounting to \$756,000.00.

### HOME POINTERS

Sofa cushions for the parlor, bedroom, or sunparlor, quilted of tafetas or of English prints are the latest style. A great variety of patterns and colors are available in English prints, and they make up surprisingly attractive.

Embroidered hats are still good. Bright colored designs and stitchings worked up on velvet or duvetyne hats prove attractive and popular this fall. Both large and small hats are worn, and the small styles are the most popular.

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### OREGON LAND RECLAMATION

Improvement of Oregon reclamation laws to make the projects profitable and fill the various units with actual farmers was the main work of the Oregon Reclamation congress in its annual meeting at Hood River October 14-16. Wilfred Allen, president, reviewed the year's work in legislative programs to unite reclamation with orderly land utilization.

"Land Utilization" was considered by Dr. Richard T. Ely, director of national economics and public utilities research. Development and discussed by Dr. O. L. Waller, vice-president of Washington State College and member of Columbia Basin League.

Definite plans for improving the irrigation conditions were discussed in detail by representatives of all districts. The financial phrases of desirable new legislation were gone over by Thomas Kay, state treasurer. The state-aid angles were gone into by Rhea Luper, state engineer, and the needs of the settler by W. F. King of Prineville.

The state drainage association went into action Friday under the direction of its president, Sam H. Brown, state senator for Marion county. Drainage structure was explained by L. T. Jessup, drainage engineer of the federal department of agriculture. W. Lair Thompson, chairman Oregon Reclamation congress, gave a progress report, which was followed by a hearing from representatives from each district.

Some phases of water utilization in reclamation were explained by F. F. Henshaw of the federal geological survey, and the use and misuse of irrigation water was discussed by James T. Jardine, director of the experiment station. A. F. S. Steele of the Hood River Growers association explained financing a farm corporation, and A. A. Smith of Baker spoke of economic development of water resources.

### TOO MANY "HOT DOG" SIGNS

In their endeavor to attract the attention of motorists to their wares along the highways, the operators of various hot dog and sandwich kitchens, fruit stands and service stations have overstepped the bounds of safety and harmony in the use of warnings that have been more or less standardized by highway commissions as standard caution notices to motorists, according to George O. Brandburg, general manager of the Oregon State Motor Association

the highway markers.

"These misleading signs become confusing to the motorist to the point of being a real hazard as he becomes inclined to disregard such hoaxes after he has been "wolfed" repeatedly by signs carrying such absurdities as: 'CAUTION! you are about to pass up the best hot dogs on the highway', or some such wording carrying a warning notice to attract the attention of motorists who have been schooled to watching for caution notices. These caution signs should be confined only to the real warning of motorists where an actual hazard exists, as they are the tourist may be warned of the sudden changing of the contour of the highway over which he is travelling. Another use of such wordings becomes a corruption which in the instance is a real hazard.

"In addition to being a hazard, these signs are cluttering up the road-sides to such an extent as to add an element of incongruity that is the height of unsightliness to highways that are otherwise scenic and orderly. In all sorts of colors and sizes these roadside posters and signboards are made as conspicuous as possible, each vendor following his own individual ideas, and often times

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Voters are urged to read Section 4 of the Housewives' Council Constitutional Amendment authorizing the State of Oregon to go into irrigation schemes and into the business of manufacturing and selling light and power.

"Bonds of the State of Oregon, not to exceed five per centum of the assessed valuation of the state, may be issued and sold from time to time to carry out the purpose of this Article and the full faith and credit of the State of Oregon is hereby pledged for the payment of the principal of said bonds as the same mature, and the interest accruing thereon as the same falls due."

Every voter should know that the assessed valuation of Oregon is \$1,058,880,736, and that the Housewives' Council "Water and Power" Board could issue and sell bonds for \$52,944,000. Your property would be a guarantee for the payment of this huge debt.

Oregon's total bonded debt, including that of all political subdivisions, is now more than \$166,000,000. Its State bonded indebtedness alone per capita, \$47.08, is the highest in the Union.

As fast as this political board might retire bonds, it would have the power to issue more; and as the assessed valuations increased the amount of bonds could also increase.

North Dakota Is Still Paying For Her Failures

# VOTE 337 X NO!

Paid Adv. by Oregon Public Utility Committee—Opposed to the Housewives Council "Water and Power" Bonding Amendment—424 Pacific Building, Portland, Oregon.