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SEWER PROJECT COMPLICATIONS—

Sandy city dads were handed another complication in the city's much-delayed sewer project last week. Project engineers and attorneys advised the council that the only manner in which the project can be made large enough to meet liquidation requirements of the bond issue to finance it is by laying the mains through the middle of blocks in the entire project.

What's more, the council also has been given a deadline to meet in completing the disposal project together with an ultimatum from health authorities of the state of Oregon that if this deadline is not met, the state will step in, construct the disposal system and charge the costs against properties in the city. The deadline is 1952.

The city also has been advised that if the state has to take over the project all funds regularly allocated to Sandy from state sources would be withheld until the cost of the project had been returned to the state.

That calls for complete co-operation of all property owners of the city and fast work on the part of the city council and its staff. Easements now must be procured for the entire sewer layout instead of only part of it as had been previously planned. Property owners must realize there is no alternative and that for their own protection they should co-operate promptly with the city in this matter.

Until the easements are procured, the city is stymied on doing any further work on the project. It cannot go ahead with final engineering plans until officials have the assurance that requirements for bond retirement can be met. That means further delay in completion of the project. With a deadline of 1952 set by the state, Sandy will have its hands full getting the job done in time.

If the deadline should not be met and the state should step in as its official representatives have said it will do, there isn't any doubt but what a more costly project would be installed than that now planned by the city. Nor is there any doubt that the entire cost would have to be met through direct, special property tax levies that would be extremely burdensome. That leaves us no choice but to get busy at once and help the council in every way possible to procure easements and move ahead with the project as rapidly as possible.

BRIDGE SHOULD BE REPLACED—

The old covered bridge at Sleepy Hollow is gone, crushed by heavy snows during the winter's storms. Its passing will arouse a sense of nostalgia in the hearts and minds of many to whom it has been a friendly landmark and a reminder of bygone days for many years.

But the passing of the old covered bridge has more serious and important implications to some 50 families for whom it was the only means of access and egress to and from their homes in the hills across the river. Loss of the bridge has created serious problems for them. The only other means they have of reaching or leaving their homes is across two privately owned bridges, both of which have been condemned for heavy travel by either state or county road authorities.

County officials despair of prompt action to replace the Sleepy Hollow bridge because of shortage of road funds. Yet they have an obligation to provide a river crossing for those 50 families that are all but stranded by loss of the Sleepy Hollow bridge. It is an emergency matter and must be treated as such. The county should move promptly to replace the bridge even though it may mean re-allocation of funds already earmarked for other jobs.

MAKE SOME COMPARISONS—

With the March 15th deadline for filing the federal income taxes coming up, it is a good time for every tax-paying citizen to make a few comparisons of his various tax payments. Such comparisons, we are sure, will awaken many folks to the fact that the federal government is our greatest tax hog and that our efforts for government economy should be concentrated in the field of federal operations.

If we don't look at the final report of federal income taxes, many of us are inclined to dismiss them as of little consequence. The reason, of course, is that millions of us have our federal taxes of all kinds deducted from our paychecks. We never actually see the money which is

turned over to the federal government, hence we are less aware of having paid it than if we were required to dig it out of our pockets in one lump sum at the end of the tax year.

We'll bet every citizen who will take the time to total up his tax payments as shown on his final income tax report, then add to that amount paid for social security and unemployment compensation, will get a real surprise. That surprise will be even greater when the total of the federal levies is compared with those paid for all types of local government, including city, county and state. We'll wager it will be a bit of a shock to know how much more each individual is contributing through taxes to the federal government than to local government, even when both state income taxes and all property taxes are added together.

If you have never made such a comparison, we suggest that now is a good time to do so. Your final federal income tax reports must be filed by March 15th. Your state income tax report must be filed in April, and you already have your property tax records for the last year. Get 'em all out and compare 'em. Maybe you will decide that it is time to do something about putting a stop to the constant increase in federal bureaus and payrolls; that it is time we get our feet on the ground and stop extravagant government handouts before all of us are broke and there are none left from whom to extract the cash to handout.

DEMO RACES WARM UP—

Looks like the democrats of Oregon are going to have plenty of applicants for nominations to various public offices in their primary election next May. There's been plenty of talk about everybody and his brother wanting to run for governor; considerable talk about a lot of prospects for the glory (?) of campaigning against Wayne Morse for the United States senate, and, of course there's everybody's friend, Mike Elliott, volunteering to compete with Sheriff Terry Shunk for the party's nomination for that post.

Two of the much-talked of candidacies for the gubernatorial nomination became fact this week with announcements by Lew Wallace, perennial office seeker of the party, and Walter Pearson, state treasurer, that they are candidates for the party's favor for the office of governor. Flegel had not announced when this was written, but speculation was still strong that he will become a candidate.

It's quite different than a few years back when it was all but impossible to get anyone to file for offices in the democratic primaries. Looks like the Truman victory in 1948 has put a lot of courage and confidence in the hearts of the boys and that they are expecting a repetition of the democratic victories this year.

BRITISH SOCK SOCIALISM—

A tremendous, although not quite overwhelming, blow was given to socialism in England last week. The British electorate turned out almost en masse at the polls last Thursday to demonstrate their disapproval of the policies of nationalization of industries and of austerity that have been the rule under the Labor party government for the last five years.

Sweeping gains registered by the Conservatives clearly demonstrated that the experiment in statism is on the way out in England. The commanding lead of nearly 200 seats in the House of Commons attained by the Laborites in 1945 was chopped off to a bare majority which will not exceed 14 seats and may be as little as six seats when final results of all constituencies are reported. It is a majority so small as to be practically unworkable and one which political observers unanimously predict will bring another election soon.

The set-back sustained by the Labor party in England is the third in the last year handed to proponents of socialism and the "welfare" state around the world. The first two were overwhelming defeats of socialists in New Zealand and Australia.

All three, and particularly the set-back in England, should stand in bold relief as examples to the voters of the United States that the "welfare state" is but a will-o-the-wisp; that it just isn't possible to have something for nothing; that attempts at living on government handouts lead only to impoverishment and loss of freedom. The people of New Zealand, Australia and England have tried it. They know, and knowing they have slapped down those who would lead them into such an existence.

Oregon cities which have annexed additional areas and thus made substantial additional population gains, stand to gain considerably financially if they qualify for those gains with the federal authorities by early March. Distribution of state gasoline and motor vehicle tax funds during the next 10 years will be made on the basis of population as shown by the 1950 federal census. These funds amount to approximately \$5.62 per person at present, so cities which fail to qualify for their maximum population stand to lose a considerable sum from the state funds for use on city streets.

Boring Couple Is Feted Feb. 19 On 25th Anniversary

By Eleanor M. Calvert

BORING—Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Dayton of Boring celebrated their silver anniversary with a gala open house on Sunday, February 19, with approximately 72 guests present.

Mrs. Dayton, the former Beulah Johnson, was born in Portland, attended school there, and has lived in the Boring area for about 24 years. She divides her time between being a homemaker and unofficial secretary to Mr. Dayton.

Mr. Dayton (better known as "Shorty") was born in Nebraska and divided his earlier years between Iowa, the Dakotas, Montana and Washington. He has lived in the Boring area since 1920, owns a contract lumber loading business and is the local freight agent for the P.E.P. railroad.

The couple was married in Portland on February 17, 1925, and have two married children: a daughter, Dorothy Alexander, and a son, Donald. They have two grandchildren, Larry and Charlene Alexander.

Beulah and Shorty were delighted with the great response of their friends, as well as with the many cards and choice gifts of silver received.

Rebekah

The president of the Rebekah Assembly of Oregon, Mrs. Lela Ramsey, paid her official visit to the Boring Rebekah Lodge on Thursday evening February 16. Members representing seven different lodges were present. A tribute in the president's honor was given by the Theta Rho Girls club No. 52 of Boring.

The group sang in chorus "The Blue Birds." The girls carried paper blue birds which, when opened, contained their names and thus introduced them to the president.

Another tribute was given by the Boring Rebekahs with the theme of trees. Mrs. James Divers sang the solo "Trees" during the tribute. Mrs. John Kaston and Mrs. Bernard Child were in charge of the refreshments.

A total of 90 members and guests attended the meeting.

The Theta Rho Girls club No. 52, of Boring, have formed a choral group. They have been meeting regularly for the past few months and practicing under the directorship of their leader, Mrs. Minna Colt.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Dayton were guests of honor at a sur-

prise party given for them by the Child family. The party, held on February 18, commemorated the Dayton's silver anniversary. Attending guests were Mrs. Sophronia Child, Barney Child, Mrs. Kenneth Child, Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Child and children, Mr. and Mrs. Don Dennis and children and Mrs. Les Davis.

The joint social night meeting of the Boring fire department and the Ladies Auxiliary, will be held on Friday, February 24, at the fire hall. A representative of the PGE will be the guest speaker. Mr. and Mrs. James Divers and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rolli will be in charge of the entertainment and refreshments.

Ladies' Aid At Eagle Creek To Give Silver Tea

EAGLE CREEK—The Eagle Creek Ladies' Aid will sponsor a silver tea and antique and hobby show on March 17 at 2 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Shirley Burnett.

Tentative plans for a food sale were discussed at the special sewing day held at the home of Mrs. Lillian Still at 2 p.m. on February 28.

Returns

Miss Starley Buhlinger has returned from an enjoyable trip to Corvallis. She represented the young people of Eagle Creek church at the Christian Youth training conference held at Corvallis earlier this month.

Community Club

The Eagle Creek Community club met February 24 at 8 p.m. January committees were in charge.

Extension Unit Meets At Brightwood Feb. 16

BRIGHTWOOD—The Brightwood Extension Unit met at the Sleepy Hollow Grange hall on February 16 with 18 ladies and eight children present. After the business meeting in the morning a demonstration on herbs and seasonings was shown by Mrs. Mel Hardy.

Lunch was served by Mrs. Mel Hardy, Mrs. Don Williams, Mrs. Robert Baker, Mrs. Carl Alt and Mrs. Phil Elliot. A cake decorating demonstration was held in the afternoon by Mrs. Ruben Meyers.

A donation, included in the Unit's budget, was made to the Sandy Memorial hospital in memory of Mrs. Florence Machley.

The next meeting, March 3, will be held at the home of Mrs. Ted Schwartz.

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You can take your choice. Make your returns out correctly and go to the poor house or make them otherwise and go to jail.

We heard about a man who left his wife March 15th because, as he said, he couldn't support his wife and the government on one salary.

However, it's well to be certain that there's no "untold" wealth in those returns.

Use your imagination, but don't resort to fiction in your writings to Uncle.

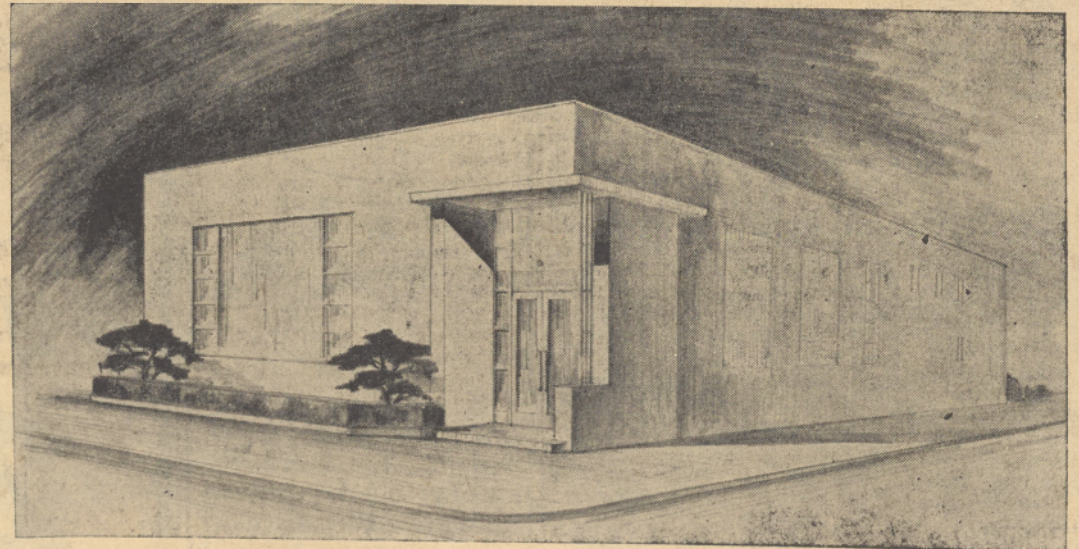
Paying income taxes is tough, but it would be worse if you didn't have to pay one.

Well, if it leaves you with a bad taste in your mouth, we recommend Mi 31 SOL as the surest way to a refreshed mouth and pleasant breath.

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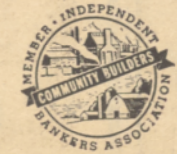
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