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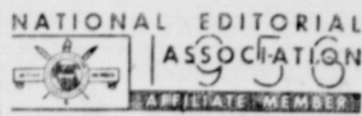
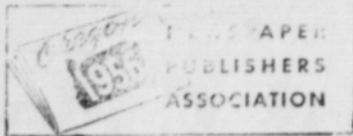
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ROADS or CHILDREN?

Did anybody hear the news? The number one priority for the Grants Pass Chamber of Commerce is to build a road all the way over the mountains to the Upper Summer Bridge on the Chetco. Let us be alarmed. Let us petition the County Court for their 113 thousand dollars so that we can build a counter road to Grants Pass. Alright, maybe we are kidding, and being on the factious side, but apparently that's the thinking of our friends in Gold Beach.

They are alarmed over Coos Bay and Myrtle Point coming to the Agness area to steal their timber, so the County Court has considered the possibility of using the \$113,000 unbudgeted O & C Timber Money to start a road up the Rogue to Agness.

Ladies and Gentlemen, we too, are alarmed and dismayed at the situation. We would like to see all of Curry County timber processed in Curry County, because it will build and maintain payrolls, and it means a wider tax base to support county and city governments. And any help given Gold Beach interests in that regard would be in our best interests also.

However, let's not spend all of that \$113,000 to subsidize the logging industry in Gold Beach. Remember, please, that that \$113,000 belongs to all of us.

There has been paid into the treasury of Curry County, from O & C funds the sum of \$331,000 (this is over and above the tax income and income from National Forests). Of this sum, the County Court of Curry County has budgeted \$218,000 for various purposes. This is a tremendous amount of money, and it belongs to all of the people of the county.

Of the sum of \$331,000 there remains an unbudgeted balance of \$113,000. This balance is a ripe and juicy melon ready for the cutting. Various interests hover about, all ready and willing to get ahold of a slice. Now who is going to get this money? The County Court will answer this question.

We are of the opinion, and we believe a substantial majority of the citizens of Curry County agree with us, that this sum of \$113,000 should be distributed to the schools of the county on an attendance basis. Some of the other counties of the State, who also participated in the distribution of O & C funds have appropriated one-half of the sum they received to their schools. If this sum of \$113,000 is distributed to our schools, Curry County shall have only appropriated about one-third of the total sum received to its schools.

We believe that we are as well informed as to the economic necessities of Curry County as the next fellow. We shall never knowingly impair or hinder the economic development of our county. But there is such a thing as common sense. And we do have children. And each and all of us do possess that degree of integrity which compels us to see to it that our children are educated in good schools.

Various private interests, and perhaps members of the County Court place the harvesting of logs before our crying necessity for better schools.

According to our figures the County government should have \$218,000 from O & C timber money, \$101,057.60 county tax for the county general fund, and between \$150,000 and \$160,000 from U.S. Forest Service (of which three-fourths goes into a road fund). At any rate, that is around \$460,000 to run the county with this year (not including the disputed \$113,000). Surely this should be enough money to run a county and still leave a goodly amount for roads.

If it isn't, and Gold Beach interests are anxious to have the road to Agness, why don't we take the money out of the Court House fund, amounting to about \$300,000 to use on the Gold Beach-Agness road, and then bond to build the courthouse, as is done in 99 percent of all public buildings?

FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH

By CLIFFORD P. ROWE

FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH — One of the most encouraging aspects of the current state political picture was the recent decision of Senator Mark Hatfield from Salem to seek the Republican nomination for Secretary of State. In an era which too often finds candidates entering politics for the sole purpose of self-advantage or to grind an axe for some special group, it is indeed refreshing to discover a well-qualified candidate whose chosen profession is government.

Considering the obstacles that such a candidate must face, one cannot help admiring the courage of such a one who enters the political arena with no financial backing other than that which may come from those who believe in clean and honest government with special privilege to none.

That is perhaps the reason I find myself at this early stage in the campaign determined to give all possible support to this one candidate for public office. While the national picture is still in a muddle and showing signs of becoming even more confusing, I am confident in my own mind that young Senator Hatfield is the best qualified man in the state for the office he seeks.

Possessing an enviable record as a professor of political science in one of Oregon's outstanding independent universities, Mark Hatfield has further strengthened his political stature through his years of service to the state in the senate. With his political record there for all to read, the voter will not be voting for a pig in a poke. Neither will he be gambling as to his integrity. His training and experience have been such as to guarantee honesty in office; for only the weak and unqualified succumb to corruption.

I have never held to the theory that new faces in office necessarily make continued good government a certainty. Neither have I felt that any age group, old or young, holds a monopoly on political know-how. Nevertheless, I do hold that when a young man of promise, possessing outstanding training and experience, comes into the picture, he should be given every assistance in helping him to obtain that office in which he can best serve.

By such assistance we are insuring for ourselves in the future the caliber of statesmanship which this country so sorely needs at all times.

DAFF BLOOMS ARE BOUND FOR MARKET

The growers are just starting to ship outdoor grown daffodil blooms to market, the warm rains having brought them along at a timely season. Several thousand others, grown under glass, have already been shipped out and it looks like the market would clean up the forced ones before the volume builds up from the fields. By far, most of the blooms are shipped by air.

Teachers Ask For Minimum Salary

Establishment of a statewide minimum salary schedule was called for in a motion approved by the Economic Welfare Committee of the Oregon Education Association at a Saturday (December 10) meeting of the group at the association's headquarters building in Portland.

The recommendation of the group is to be acted upon by the associations representative council in March, and if approved by the policy making body, will be submitted to the 1957 Oregon State Legislature for enactment into law, according to committee chairman DeVere Taylor of Medford.

Taylor explained that the new schedule would provide a floor

of \$3400 for teachers with less than a bachelor's degree; \$3700 for those with the bachelor's degree; and \$4000 for those with the master's degree. He said it would also provide regular annual increments for each year of experience to certificated Oregon educators. "Teacher turnover is greater and salaries lowest in districts which do not provide salary schedules," stated Taylor.



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| Cash on Hand and Due from Banks | \$ 149,802,394.07 |
| United States Government Bonds | 300,342,048.86 |
| Municipal and Other Bonds | 74,128,957.36 |
| Loans and Discounts—Net | 309,103,253.93 |
| Stock in Federal Reserve Bank | 1,080,000.00 |
| Bank Premises (Including Branches) | 8,891,928.35 |
| Customers' Liability on Acceptances | 93,654.00 |
| Interest Earned | 2,870,013.78 |
| Other Resources | 1,399,241.00 |
| Total | \$ 847,711,491.35 |

LIABILITIES

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| Capital | \$ 18,000,000.00 |
| Surplus | 18,000,000.00 |
| Undivided Profits | 20,790,555.57 |
| Total | 56,790,555.57 |
| Reserves for Interest, Taxes, etc. | 4,238,685.49 |
| Acceptances | 126,439.50 |
| Dividends Declared | 585,000.00 |
| Deposits | 781,492,594.39 |
| Interest Collected Not Earned | 4,396,591.80 |
| Other Liabilities | 81,624.60 |
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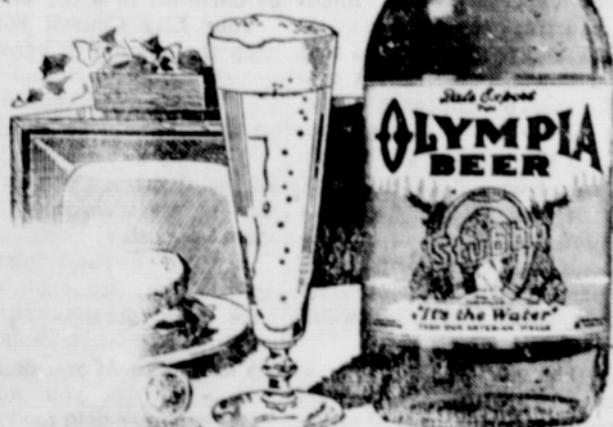
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EXTENSION TO MEET
The Home Extension meets on January 18th at the Grange Hall at 10 a.m. The subject is "Braided Rugs." Those attending are asked to bring a pot luck lunch. For any other information call one of the following phone numbers, 3651, 3287, or 3496.

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