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"President's Birthday Ball"

Everyone that can possibly afford it will want to co-operate by buying a ticket to the "President's Birthday Ball," sponsored by the Hillsboro firemen, and which will be held at the Shute park auditorium Thursday night, January 30.

All proceeds from the dance will be used by national and local orthopedic societies for the fight against that dreaded disease—infantile paralysis. Seventy per cent is to remain in the local community for the rehabilitation of resident infantile paralysis sufferers.

Uniform Student Fee

The uniform student activity fee in the schools of higher education is the democratic way to handle such things. It gives everyone the advantage of many fine additional educational opportunities in the way of lyceum attractions of different kinds, which without all participating would be excessive in cost.

Only by a co-operative plan can the advantages of activities be made available at a low cost.

To approve the bill coming up to the electorate January 31 and regularize the collection of moderate and uniform fees for the support of student activities an affirmative vote is necessary.

As one who paid this fee when in school the advantages seemed entirely worthwhile and beneficial. Students 15 years ago, when conditions were not any too rosy, did not complain about the fee. They considered it an essential part of college life.

A Fine Stand

Declaration of Louis J. Taber, National Grange master, in stating the position of the Grange as a patriotic American organization is laudable and should receive the commendation of all good citizens.

"Ours is not only a truly national farm organization, but it is forever essentially an American one as well. When some groups are worrying about 'Red' influences, communistic and class activities, the Grange should be thankful that a man from California, J. H. Wright, in penning our Declaration of Purposes in 1874, forever placed the Grange as the champion of patriotic idealism by declaring, 'In our noble Order there is no communism, no agrarianism.' Thus those who preach collectivism on the one hand, or class-hatred on the other, can never be received into membership in the Grange."

Might Help

Serious injuries in high school football in the past year have brought out the need for a more careful guidance of this sport among boys in their teens. An attending physician to a New York high school football team suggests some steps that, in his opinion, would reduce injuries to a minimum.

Should Be Welcomed

So much time is given over to elections under the present set-up with nearly a six months' period between the primary and general election that it would seem most folk would welcome the proposed change from May to September primaries.

The following two paragraphs taken from an article by Ralph Watson, political writer of the Oregon Journal, in which he analyzes the proposed change and told of past independent political campaigns are very pertinent:

It does not change or shift a comma in the existing law governing and controlling the commencement, the progress or the conduct of an independent candidacy except that it would tend to retard the malicious and eliminate the political ring.

The only spider in the soup of the potential independent is that his independent desire must be open, honest, frankly stated disagreement with the policies and affiliations of candidates for party nominations—certainly a reform pointing toward cleaner campaigns and better government.

County students were well represented on the rolls of honor at the various institutions of higher education last term. Their work is a source of gratification to their friends at home.

What Other Editors Say

Pestiferous Type of Pedestrian

Pedestrians abroad on the highways at night ought to carry lights, the Hillsboro Argus reasonably concludes, or—even better—there should be foot-paths paralleling the thoroughfares. Everybody agrees that something ought to be done, nor can you make fish of one and fowl of the other by representing that the pedestrian and the motorist, respectively, are antipathetic and naturally hostile species.

Setting aside the hazard of plain carelessness, or nervousness on the part of the pedestrian, there is the self-elected hazard of wilful stubbornness and almost malevolent ill-will so frequently manifested by pedestrians, young or old, hale or infirm, in the broad light of day. These people—and mark you, they may have cars of their own, and in any case it is certain that often they travel by motor—have the appearance, in the demeanor of daring the motorist to dispute their occupation of the traffic lane. It should be obvious to even the moronic mind that the motorist has only the highway on which to travel, and that if he swerves aside he may be inviting collision with a car coming toward him.

There are a few pedestrians, of course, and these are homeless vagrants for the most part, who perhaps walk more than they ride when they take to the highway. But even these ride occasionally, and for that matter, the real complaint is not against such people, but instead is validly directed toward those whose attire and manner clearly indicate that they are in fact motorists afoot.

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State Capital News Letter

BY A. L. LINDBECK

Governor Says Relief a Local Problem, Not Federal

SALEM—Relief is a local problem and not one for the state or nation to deal with in the opinion of Governor Martin, who declared himself opposed to any further huge federal appropriations for unemployment relief such as the \$4,800,000,000 authorized by the last congress.

Local officials, the governor explained, are in closer contact with the situation and in better position to weed out the deserving from the undeserving than are state and federal officials.

The governor, discussing the relief situation in Oregon with Elmer Goudy, executive secretary of the state relief committee, expressed the opinion that an allotment of \$10 a month was adequate for the needs of the average individual on relief, qualifying this statement, however, by explaining that recipients of relief should be able to supplement this fund through part time or seasonal jobs.

Sixty-six Oregon motorists lost their operators' licenses during December, 36 for driving while drunk and 30 for various other reasons including reckless driving, speeding, hit and run driving, etc. Three motorists had their licenses suspended for failure to satisfy a judgment resulting from an accident under the provisions of the new safety-responsibility act.

Traffic accidents on Oregon highways during 1935 took a toll of 239 lives, according to figures compiled by Secretary of State Snell. While this traffic toll represents a decrease of 54 from the 1934 record, Snell insists that the traffic accidents are still too high and urges a continuation of the accident prevention work being conducted by various agencies throughout the state.

Boys at the state training school near Woodburn are to be given every encouragement to become good dairymen. Officials of the Oregon Jersey Cattle club have offered their assistance in promoting interest in the dairy among the boys through awards of prizes and prizes of various kinds. As a result of this interest on the part of the Jersey breeders the board of control this week authorized Superintendent Laughlin to change the school's dairy herd to Jersey's State Fair, when some motorists attempted to cross in one case a motorist hit the seventh car on a long freight train. Crossing accidents were most frequent in winter months with 20 recorded in December, 16 in October and 14 in January.

State Treasurer Holman regards relief and old age pensions as national issues, rather than problems to be solved by the state or county governments. In a statement issued here this week in opposition to the state sales tax for financing old age pensions Holman declared that "the need for old age pensions and public relief now is so general throughout the nation that it is a national problem and must be met squarely as a national issue."

The state board of control in upholding Dr. G. C. Bellinger, superintendent of the state tuberculosis hospital, in his dismissal of Dr. Philip Newmyer, hospital physician, declared the incident to be closed so far as the board is concerned. Friction between the superintendent and his assistant is understood to have been the cause of Newmyer's dismissal rather than any disconnection with his professional services.

In spite of efforts of the board of control to curb the use of state owned automobiles the number of motor vehicles owned by state departments was increased by 28 automobiles and 23 trucks during 1935, according to a report by Dan Fry, state purchasing agent. The state now owns 574 automobiles and 794 trucks.

Oregon estates contributed a total of \$681,300 in inheritance taxes to the state's general fund during 1935, it was reported this week by State Treasurer Holman. This is an increase over the ten-year average. Two estates paid 57 per cent of the total tax for the year.

If the state senate figured to discourage Governor Martin in his determination to develop Oregon's mineral resources they reckoned without their host.

Quincy's recent special session the governor asked for an appropriation of \$15,000 for the use of the state mining board in making a survey of the state's mineral resources. The house cut the amount to \$5000 and passed the bill, but the senate under the leadership of Baker county, killed the measure under an avalanche of "no" votes.

For a time the governor was stumped, but at last he appears to have found a way out of his dilemma. The state planning board this week announced plans for an immediate survey of the mineral resources of the state. This is identical the sort of program the senate rejected, but the planning board appears to be clothed with plenty

The Great American Home



CAUGHT IN THE WILD

By Robert Ames Bennett

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Even Huxby joined in gathering other piles of fallen birch branches for more fires. While they were burning, Garth beached the canoe and tilted it so that the sun would dry the soggy inside. Huxby stirred the fires, and Mr. Ramill broiled the last of the partly spoiled bear-cub meat, while Lilith tried out a cupful of the rancid fat for a final mess of mosquito dope. Garth brought the girl pitch stow of a six from the nearby thicket of young spruces.

No cleaning could be done until the fires burned out. When Mr. Ramill took off the spits of cooked meat, all squatted down as usual to share the meal. Garth smiled as he took the slab of hot meat handed to him by the millionaire. The smile hardened.

A sudden change had fallen upon his three companions. He could easily guess the cause. They realized that this was the last meal they were to share as fellow voyagers with him.

The moment they stepped from the canoe onto the wharf at the emergency refueling post, their forced companionship with him in the lost valley and on all the long trip out would be at an end. Inheritor stepped to him by the opponent for food and guidance for life itself—they would be a trio not only independent of, but hostile to him and his interests.

That was at least true of the two men. And even Lilith betrayed in her look and manner a vivid consciousness of the impending change of relationship. As for Huxby, the cold gloating in his stare showed how he was anticipating the robbery and ruin of the man who had so far outplayed him.

Mr. Ramill had reacted in his own way. His temporary friendliness had disappeared. He was again the bland, arid investor in mines who so generously presented worthy prospectors with a thousand, and return took over claims worth many thousands. Huxby of course had been a hopeless case. But Garth had fancied there were possibilities in the older pirate.

Lilith Ramill, however, was the real disappointment. Though she had done nothing, so far as Garth could tell, to disprove her declared hatred of him, she had seemed more and more to show a spirit of fair play. It had led him into thinking she possessed a true spirit of sportsmanship.

Yet now the girl avoided looking at him. Occasionally she gazed rather hard at her fiancé and murmured about the hotel at Edmonton for the most part she sat in moody silence. The greater that authority as well as funds for proceeding with the project.

The act creating the board authorizes it to "from time to time recommend to the governor comprehensive plans for the utilization, conservation and development of the natural resources of the state." The board is also required at the request of the governor or the legislature of this state, to conduct investigations, surveys and research upon any subject and to submit reports and recommendations on such subjects to the governor or to the legislature.

As to funds, the board still has to its credit a balance of more than \$33,000 out of an original appropriation of \$46,273 set aside for its use by the legislature which created this new state activity.

Grants Pass continues the principal gateway through which tourists enter Oregon. Out of a total of 100,303 foreign cars visiting the state during 1935, 21,465 registered at the Josephine county seat. Ashland ranks second in point of registrations with 14,304.

Oregon motorists paid a total of \$9,150,229.65 in state taxes on gasoline purchased during 1935, according to a report compiled by Secretary of State Snell. This is an increase of \$931,946.54 over 1934 figures. Purchases of gasoline from Oregon distributors during 1935 totalled 183,004,590 gallons, an increase of 17,026,130 gallons over sales during 1934.

Public Forum

Communication to the Argus for publication in this department should be written on only one side of the paper, should not exceed 500 words, and should be signed by the writer, whose mail address must accompany the contribution.

To the Editor of the Argus: Our attention has been called to two letters by B. T. McBain, in opposition to the proposed North-west-Oregon Bonneville People's Utility district.

Mr. McBain charges that this proposition was evolved by political climbers who are trying to break his company and all of their neighbors. Such charges have always been made against those advocating measures for the public welfare, especially public ownership of power. Before charging farmers and other citizens of these seven counties with sinister motives it would be well for him and his company to come into court with clean hands. In other words, before accusing people of trying to break their neighbors, let the power company which Mr. McBain represents show to the people of this district and to their own employees the million of dollars which they secured through the sale of worthless stock. In addition to these millions let them return to the tax-payers of the state the four million and six hundred dollars which they have received from selling the people WATER at Willamette Falls. Also let them return the \$200,000 which the State of Oregon loaned to build the locks, and of which debt they only returned a few cents in interest. Let them also refund the millions of dollars on the ground of the statute of limitations. There is also a little item of three and one-half million dollars sent to eastern holding companies which has been of doubtful value to power users.

Mr. McBain fears that a paper mill at Bonneville would be disastrous to Oregon City mills. Such a disaster would be averted by the cheap power furnished by the People's Utility district. There is plenty of room for expansion of the output of newsprint in the U. S. as the consumption is approximately 600,000 tons of which only 90,000 tons was produced within the U. S. in 1934, this being a loss of 1,200,000 tons from the year before within a corresponding increase of 60 per cent in imports from Canada. In fact, the amount of cheap power is available. We ask Mr. McBain whether lower rates for power will injure industry, or business in this district, but will not rather benefit all the people by furnishing more employment through industrial development.

Mr. McBain is very solicitous lest the construction of power plants for electrical development, but forgot to mention that his company owns bonds to the extent of \$53,665,077 issued without any vote of the people who have the interest upon this debt to pay as a perpetual burden.

A study of Ontario power shows that the power distributed from Niagara a distance of 125 miles costs \$3.39 for 350 K. W. per month, and at 250 miles costs \$4.26. The same amount at Winnipeg costs \$3.08 and would cost \$7.89 at Oregon City. It is interesting to note that the average Canadian customer uses 4,321 K. W. a year, which costs him about the same as it does the average American who uses only 603 K. W. per year.

Under the V. A. at a point 75 miles from Muskegon, Michigan, farmers are paying \$10 a month would receive the following benefits: power for light, radio, waterpump, electric iron, percolator, washing-machine, toaster, waffle iron, vacuum cleaner, food mixer, fans, refrigerator, and a small electric water heater, operation of small farm motor for sawing wood, running feed mill, ensilage cutter, and light and power for a 30-cow dairy.

G. W. THIESSEN, chairman North-west-Oregon Bonneville People's Utilities District.

Hilhi News

Edited by Hillsboro Union High School Student Body

Hilhi Roll of Honor Announced

Students on the honor roll for the last six weeks and for the semester are as follows: Honor roll freshmen—Alvin Becker, Katherine Cavrose, William Corwin, Robert Eastman, Irene Engeldinger, Ted Gardner, Mary Ann Garthofner, Evelyn Haworth, Stanley Hergert, Byron Jack, Mary Ella Jackson, Dorothy Kuratli, Mary Ella Mariner, Ann Peters, Ruth Powers, Lucille Rasmussen, Esther Robb, Dora Sandstrom, Ruth Simantel, George Taugava, Marjorie Vandehey, Maxie Williams, Lucille Yungen.

Sophomores—Robert Allison, Grace Bowman, Glennis Carlson, Delbert Crews, Helen Haldun, Ethel Hartly, Toshio Inahara, Mildred Kramer, Mildred Meyer, Jean Peterson, Margaret Ruecker, Josh Taugava, Helen Walters, Helen Wakayama, Jeanne Wenger.

Juniors—Eleanor Bender, Keith Busch, Lucille Carlson, Lois Cranford, Mary Fenimore, Marybel Flint, Helen Graf, Esther Harty, Dixie Lee McDowell, Ralph Nordlund, Dorothy Schaus, Dorothy Steinke, Evelyn Steinke, Leonora Sherman, Florence Wunderslich.

Seniors—Billy Allison, Helen Becker, Lowell Chase, Joy Faelen, Wayne Goetter, Radaah Gottlieb, Holcomb Hines, Betty Hobbs, Bernice Howard, Dorothy Jackson, Ruth Kraus, Kenneth Meirjungen, Harold Meyer, Marjorie Montgomery, Frances Moyer, Ann Munkres, Lucille Quintance, Christine Robb, Byrdene Rodgers, Betty Ryan, Robert Tongue, Kenneth Woodward.

Students who were on the honor roll for the semester, but not for the last six weeks were Betty Johnson and Eldon Paul, both freshmen, Jeanne Abbs, sophomore, Tom Stretcher, junior, and Holcomb Hines, senior.

Following students were on the honor roll for the last six weeks: Harry Mason, freshman; Dorothy Challacombe, Bill Mears, sophomore; Harold Armstrong, Willis Croeni, Evelyn Hatfield, Shirley Kelly, Tele Miller, Donald Rogers,

Blue-H Club to Honor Athletes

Blue-H club is preparing a plaque, one which to place athletes who have made letters. Space will be left for other names to be added, as honors are won. Tom Goodin and Ernest Brown have been appointed to attend to the placing of the plaque in the hall.

Boners Miss Brogden, in making out a list of nouns for the examination, thought she would include an easy one, "cat." Imagine her surprise when she read on a student's paper the plural, "kittens."

From one of Miss Cimino's students—"The Rape of the Lock" was written by Alexander, the pope.

From another—Tennyson was popular because he was a great friend of Shakespeare, a favorite of the English people at the time.

Strange as it Seems Warren Wahner passed all his subjects. Peggy Ross went to class unattended.

The last letter of Cox is still linked with a Cypher. Ann Munkres contemplates the banishment of her greatest asset, freckles.

"Happy" practised the terpachoor recently. Art (do you dumb burries, the dance) until his ankle hairs were singed.

New Deal Expected Due to the fact that only a few people have been doing the newspaper work for the high school, a "new deal" in this staff may be expected this semester.

No, Franklin Oliver's crutches are not the result of a broken leg. He has a boil.

The new mimeograph machine recently bought by the school board was most useful during examinations.

Among the papers received on our exchange desk are those from Beaverton, Tigard, and McMinnville, all printed school papers, supported by advertising.

"Corset Chief Speaker at Civic Club's Banquet"—says head in a city paper. Well, well, we have often marveled at the achievements of scientists, who have invented a radio, which is a little cabinet in your home with a voice, and many other remarkable things, but we didn't know that a corset had been invented with a voice. How thrilling!