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Al Smith on the New Deal
FROM his editorial conning tower far up in the Empire state building, Alfred E. Smith, former governor of New York and democratic presidential candidate, has been viewing the "new deal". He looks at it from the standpoint of one grown old in the tradition of the democratic party...

"I have never hesitated to recommend the extension of government activities to meet the needs of a growing population in an age of industrial invention, but this plan goes beyond anything my imagination can follow. I may be old-fashioned, but I can't understand how it can possibly work."

Al thinks it is as stupid and unfair to deflate in public esteem the great industrial leaders to the size of pygmies as it was to inflate them to the role of giants in the old days; and it is this situation which opens the way for "all sorts of people" to diagnose economic conditions. Al writes: "It does not seem to occur to the average man that at bottom human nature is responsible for the world's economic miseries, and that it is only by raising the general level of human character throughout the world that a new society free from war, brutality, arrogance, selfishness, waste, disease, and human misery which are the real causes of all economic depressions, can be brought about."

"This is the field day for the academic planner, for the man who has been reading in the libraries, writing books and lecturing to students, and who now has for the first time a great public laboratory for experiment. . . . If we could give the planners a corner of Alaska or a chunk of the Bad Lands, oratory blew up, the whole nation would not suffer."

Smith was a member of the national transportation committee and worked out his views in a minority report. He reiterates his stand: "I stated in this minority report, and I now repeat that the major problem of the railroads is consolidation and probably compulsory consolidation on a national scale; that such consolidation can be brought about only by one man administrator; that the interstate commerce commission has attempted to function under an obsolete and unworkable law, and that it is hopelessly committed to the mistaken theory that it is primarily a court and not a planning and administrative agency; that valuation and rate making have become expensive rackets incomprehensible to the layman."

Undoubtedly Al's view on the new version of farm relief by process taxes are equally critical. In fact it is safe to say that the only thing he approves of in the new deal is repeal of prohibition. As the original battler for repeal, he is no doubt enthusiastic about this part of the program. Al may be as he confesses, old-fashioned, but there are a good many people who are similarly old-fashioned, and who find themselves greatly bewildered by the circus act juggling of money, prices, and laws. But the people, Al must admit, seem to be enjoying the entertainment.

Meier as Bond Critic
WHEN Gov. Meier undertakes to criticize the state treasurer for the purchase of bonds he is rolling down the wrong alley. This particular division of the work has been conducted with conspicuous success by Deputy Fred H. Paulsen, a quiet, self-effacing gentleman whose record in handling the state's investments is not equalled probably by any bank in Portland. The state holds very, very few bonds which are in default and most of those purchases were made prior to the terms of Holman and of Mr. Kay. The record of protection of state funds on deposit in banks over the state has been splendid; and we have not heard of a single situation in which the state will lose because of bank failures.

The Rickreall Road
IN the program for road improvements, include the road from West Salem to Rickreall. This is one of the most important highways leading into Salem, and one of the worst. It is narrow and crooked. It forms the principal street in West Salem, and should be entirely rebuilt and widened there. In fact the road should be relocated most of the way from the end of the Willamette bridge to the old Gov. Patterson place. Beyond that it is a good concrete highway.



HEALTH BITS for BREAKFAST

By Royal S. Copeland, M.D.
IT IS PROBABLE that from now until the early fall I will receive many inquiries requesting information about "athlete's foot", or, as it is more commonly known, "ringworm". This disease has been extremely prevalent for the past two summers. Athlete's foot, or "dermatophytosis," the medical name for this affliction, is caused by a parasite found at contaminated bathing beaches, public pools and gymnasiums.

Prompt Treatment Essential
Fortunately, the disease can be quickly checked if proper treatment is given at once. But too often persons resort to the use of patent medicines and other remedies. Cure is then delayed and is often made more difficult.

Dear in mind that infections of the skin are difficult to cure and what may be good for one person is harmful to another. For example, an ointment that is prescribed for one case of ringworm may irritate a more sensitive skin. It is for this reason that I advise sufferers from this disease to place themselves in the hands of a physician.

Answers to Health Queries
M. C. B. Q.—What causes gas in the stomach?
A.—This is usually due to a faulty diet and poor elimination. Send self-addressed, stamped envelope for full particulars and repeat your question. (Copyright, 1933, K. F. S., Inc.)

ord of the Southern Pacific. During that period it handled 489,634,990 passengers. That is a safety record which will amaze those whose memories go back to train wrecks and long death lists.

"STOLEN LOVE" By HAZEL LIVINGSTON

CHAPTER LI
In the kitchen she wiped her lips where he had touched them. Scrubbed her face with the blue checked kitchen apron. The blue tears dropped into the sizzling bacon in the frying pan. She didn't cry because he had been cross. That didn't matter. It didn't matter that he had been about the starting time. She cried because he had kissed her, and she had wiped the kiss away. "It's come to that," she thought, despairingly. "I don't want him to touch me any more. It's nerves, of course. It must be. We're both nervous—he's so different. It makes me myself. I'll get over it. I'll make myself. He mustn't know. . . . mustn't ever guess. . . ."

The conference between the governor and the colonel resulted in the disbanding of the Oregon regiment, and out of it the organization of two companies, one to serve in the Walla Walla valley and one in Tygh valley at the eastern base of the Cascade mountains; the latter force increased to two companies in May, the battalion being commanded by Major Davis Layton.

Followed a lot of Indian fighting, with the tribes allied with the Yakimas. The last of the Oregon volunteers were disbanded in August, 1856, and the Washington volunteers in September of that year. The U. S. regulars took over the whole mess—and made a good deal of a mess of it.

July 18, 1906
Arrival of Portland delegation, Fairmont vs. Turner baseball game, automobile trip through orchards, balloon ascension and going with his forces to The Dalles for a conference with Governor Geo. L. Curry of Oregon, was attacked four days out from Walla Walla by a band of 300 Yakima braves under Chief Kamakina. The Indians were defeated, with the loss of only one man.

Former President Herbert Hoover pictured as he made an address during the ground-breaking ceremonies for the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge at Yerba Buena Island, Cal. President Roosevelt also officiated by telegram from Washington.

The Safety Valve
Letters from Statesman Readers
To the Editor:
If a word may be said in regards to prohibition it would be appreciated.

AT CEREMONY
Former President Herbert Hoover pictured as he made an address during the ground-breaking ceremonies for the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge at Yerba Buena Island, Cal. President Roosevelt also officiated by telegram from Washington.

SUFFERS PARALYSIS
SCOTTS MILLS, July 17.—Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Blumh of Tenino, Wash., Mr. and Mrs. T. Maplehorpe, Mrs. Ross Hill, Mr. and Mrs. C. Mote of Salem and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Keith and daughter Ellen, of Estacada, visited Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hogg during the past week. Mr. Hogg suffered a paralytic stroke a week ago, but is getting along nicely.