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"No Favor Sways Us; No Fear Shall Awe"  
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## Oregon Road Reconstruction

WE used to think that before long the state could shave its gas tax a cent and still have enough money to carry out its road reconstruction and maintenance. Gas consumption steadily increases, which gives an increasing sum for highway revenues.

Traveling over the roads of Oregon however will convince one that more, not less money is needed. The state is pretty well served with improved highways, that is true; but for the most part these roads need to be completely reconstructed so rapid have been the changes in vehicles and so great the increase in volume of traffic.

There are still many sections of road needing to be completed, the Santiam highway, long stretches of road in eastern Oregon. There are new roads like the two beach roads from Portland to the sea. The Columbia river highway needs rebuilding from Portland to The Dalles.

Besides these major items of work and of expense other reconstruction jobs are necessary to bring Oregon roads up to approved modern standards. A beginning has been made in rebuilding the Pacific highway, east and west, and up the Siskiyou. Heavy work needs to be done from Cottage Grove to Grants Pass. Then the coast highway is a crooked lane which will need a great deal of work to accommodate satisfactorily the travel that is coming with completion of the coast bridges from San Francisco to Astoria.

The maintenance factor is a heavy item too, because the greater the mileage the greater the expense. There is no "permanent" road, because the action of the elements and the grind of heavy traffic cause wear and damage requiring continuous repairs.

We are not dealing with figures, but with impressions based on travel over many hundred miles of Oregon highways this year. The early roads simply are antiquated in this day of speedy motor cars, heavy freight trucks and stages, and passenger cars and trailers which are a new traffic problem from a safety standpoint.

Road building is going to be a never-ending task. We must build our program of construction, maintenance and financing on the basis of continuous operation. There is no rest ahead for the highway organization or for the payers of gas taxes, who however are the ones directly benefitted.

## Zoning Change

THE city council has before it an ordinance which would permit the commercialization of the southeast corner of Twelfth and Court streets. The change was approved by the zoning commission. Since then some property owners in the area affected have become aroused and protest vigorously any change in zone, desiring to keep the district in its present residential classification. The state capitol reconstruction commission has requested the city council to preserve present zone boundaries, condemning the commercialization of the fringes of the capitol tract.

The Statesman has consistently opposed degrading of residential districts for commercial purposes. While the tract in question is not large, and its value for residential purposes is reduced by the presence of a railroad along one side, yet the change would mark an invasion of Court street long held strictly a residential section. Let the breach be made, and where will the end be?

The applicant for the change, Wallace Bonesteel, has followed the proper procedure; but it seems to us the zoning commission erred in not giving notice by mail to every property owner in the area affected so that its hearing might have been full and complete before the matter went to the city council. If the zoning law is to have value the classifications must be fully protected or else the whole scheme will come to naught.

The council must consider the property in the capitol area with relation to the whole capitol project keeping in mind that there is being planned for Salem a civic center of unusual dignity and beauty. Business is necessary and must be served but it should not be allowed to encroach on the capitol tract or the effect of the planning will be impaired. These reasons seem sufficient to justify rejection of the proposed change.

## Half-Way on Road

SPEAKING at the commencement exercises at the University of Michigan Chester Rowell, editor of the San Francisco Chronicle, declared the country was half way on the road to dictatorship. When the legislative arm fails to function satisfactorily invariably the strong arm of the dictator takes hold. The country has gone far toward dictatorial rule, and pending legislation would make it go nearly the whole road. A considerable part of the fault is with the congress which fails to legislate heroically in the interest of the people as a whole.

Just now senators and congressmen are running to the president about the strikes. They have a way to cure the whole business without delay: act themselves to clarify the Wagner act, make it a real magna charta for labor and a genuine chart for business. There is more than a grain of truth in the charge of the Hitler and Mussolinis that parliaments degenerate into debating societies.

## New Summer Resort

SLICK paper magazines are filled now with advertisements of where to go for your summer vacation. Alaska, Yellowstone, Oregon, New England, Minnesota, Quebec are all publicizing their attractions. A paper contained an advertisement the other day of a "new" summer resort. It has several grand canyons; its summer temperature never averages over 74 degrees. It has 13 miles of good, sandy beaches, nearly 20,000 acres of wooded parks, 24 public golf courses, 200 tennis courts, 129 horseshoe-pitching courts, 11 lakes for boating, ten new and large swimming pools. It may be reached by sea, by rail, by auto, by airplane.

Where is it?  
New York City.

## Relief Day for Guards

IT is regrettable that the emergency board did not approve requests for sufficient funds to hire seven more men at the state penitentiary to allow present guards to have a weekly rest day. Under present conditions the men have only one day off in a month, and that may be cancelled if emergency exists. The working hours are long, and while much of the work is not onerous, the men are required to be at attention at all times. The board of control is favorable to the hiring of men for relief duty, but the emergency board rejected the request for the additional funds required.

The state, it seems, can still set its own standards of labor, and may not be cited for violation of the Wagner act.

A man in public life in Russia must find that job-holding gets on his nerves. There is Jurenoff, late soviet ambassador to Japan. It was reported he had been arrested for treason. The report was false—he had been named ambassador to Germany. It must be jitters not knowing whether the messenger who is entering brings him a commission of promotion or notice of dismissal, preliminary to the firing squad.

## Bits for Breakfast

By R. J. HENDRICKS

R. A. Harris, Salem, 6-19-37 gave to the Oregon state library "Stars and Stripes," now worth a thousand dollars:

(Concluding from yesterday:) The men who had the matter for the book all in a jumble went to the head of the Y. M. C. A. forces in Paris, asking if he knew a man in Europe capable of getting all the jumble in order, and taking it through the intricate processes of making a big book of it.

"Yes, I know one man," was the answer. "He is Harris, with the Y. M. C. A. forces. But he wants to go home. He is your man, if you can induce him to stay." The upshot of it was that Harris remained in Paris and saw the first copies of the book through the presses and out of the hands of the binders.

The story of the interrelated games of Paris at the Pershing stadium in that city, the latter a present of the American army forces to the government of France, and the finest stadium in the world—goes back to the Philippines in 1910—a long way in both distance and time.

Elwood S. Brown in that year went to the Philippines as physical director of the American Y. M. C. A. at Manila. At that time, little was known of American games among the Filipinos.

And no one had ever thought of getting the Filipinos, Japanese and Chinese together in athletic contests. Each hated the other too intensely for any such cooperation.

But Elwood Brown succeeded in doing the impossible, and there has since been developed a spirit of sportsmanship among those oriental peoples that may be a noteworthy aid in world peace, however far the realization of that vision may seem now.

Well, Elwood Brown was in Paris, at the head of the department of athletics of the Y. M. C. A., in 1918, and on October 15 of that year he directed a long letter to the American army's general headquarters, opening it with these words:

"Peace, whether it comes tomorrow or many months from now, should find us in a state of preparedness against the inevitable period of relaxation that must be met when hostilities cease. . . . Two million men are now engaged in the strenuous game of beating the Hun—physical expression, nearly all of it. When this is suddenly taken away, no mental, moral or social program . . . will meet the need. Physical action will be the need. Games and play, informal and competitive, will be the answer."

It's a long story. A big 500 page book and pictures galore cannot be compressed into these few lines. Only space can be spared to say it was done, and very well done, and let it go at that.

In Paris is an immense printing plant, Airy American who knows a column rule from an om quad will know it is some plant when he is told it has over 40 Miehle presses, a machine of American manufacture. The Statesman's office has two of that kind of press.

That concern operates under the name of Societe Anonyme de Publications Periodesiques, which, the writer ventures to translate, means the society of general periodicals. The office is at 13 Quai Voltaire, Paris, meaning Voltaire quay or wharf.

On December 26, 1919, Louis H. Frohman, formerly a member of the staff at general headquarters, American expeditionary forces, and then employed by the great printing concern, wrote a letter of appreciation to Mr. Harris, reading:

"Having prepared the original specifications for this book, when in charge of printing and advertising for the interrelated Games, and having been associated with the officers who prepared the design for the book, I wish to take this opportunity of congratulating Mr. Harris upon the resounding success of the book and the execution of the book after the Army staff had gone, and during a period of final editing difficulties, which could not have been foreseen, and for which he supplied the practical solutions which have made the finished book a harmonious whole, and a tangible tribute to his labors and abilities."

The letter was on the stationery of the great printing concern, and written carefully in long hand.

The order was for the printing and binding of 2000 copies of the book, funds not being plentiful at that time. But Mr. Harris, believing a greater number would be wanted, had all the "forms" "kept up," meaning all the type pages left as they were when the printing of the 2000 copies was finished.

Also, what was not contemplated generally, but was not expected by Mr. Harris, the authorities of France ordered the book translated and a large French edition printed. Mr. Harris, upon arrival home, gave a copy of the book in English to the Oregon state library, and one to the Salem public library.

## We Thought This Umpire Had Ruled Out the Bean-Ball

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# GEORGE SERVICES

**SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST**  
Corner North 5th at Geisner. "The only Adventist Church in the Community." L. E. Niernmeyer, minister. Sabbath school 11 a.m. Morning worship 11 a.m. Sermon by the pastor. "Salvation: An Excursion or a Journey?" Evening service and Christian Endeavor at 7:45. Special music by young people's choir. "Hiding from Him in Our Service to Men." All day meeting of the church women Wednesday 7:45 p.m.

**GALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Ferry and South High streets. Rev. Arno G. Weniger, pastor. Church school 9:45 a.m. Dr. K. K. Adams, supt. Morning worship 11 o'clock, sermon subject, "A Builder's Faith." Evening worship 7:45 o'clock, sermon subject, "The Repentance of Believers." Tuesday 7:45 p.m. Bible study.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Corner Marion and North Liberty streets. Pastor, Irving Andrew Fort. Bible school 9:45 a.m. Morning worship children's day program 10:30 a.m. The Sunday school will present the pageant "The Greatest of These." Baptist young people's union 8:30 p.m. topic, "The Third Ecumenical Council." The pastor, Rev. J. H. Schmitt, will preach. "The Message of the Bible in the series of God's sermon in nature."

**GERMAN BAPTIST CHURCH**  
North Cottage and D streets. J. F. Othoff, pastor. Bible school at 9:45 a.m. Samuel Behlman, supt. Morning worship in German at 11. The male chorale sings. German hymns. "Wie Wohl bei der Schrift erfahren kann." "How I know the Truth of the Bible by Experiences." J. Behlman, pastor. K.W.J., Portland, 8:30-4:15. Music by male chorale and orchestra. Rev. A. Heringer, Evening service in English at 7:30. Gospel service, Bible study Wednesday and Friday at 7:45. Evening service every morning except Saturday.

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
Corner of Center and High streets. Guy L. Drell, minister. Church school at 9:30. Sunday school at 10:30. Morning worship and communion at 10:45. Sermon, "The Lord Is My Strength," by Rev. J. H. Schmitt. "Grand Meo, O Lord, Great Peace of Mind." Christian Endeavor at 6:45. Evening service at 8 p.m. Duet by Warner Jackson and John Schmidt. "Some Sweet Day." Lillenas. Sermon, "Life's Biggest Conquest." Midweek service on Wednesday at 8 p.m.

**COURT ST. CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Court and 17th streets. D. W. Daniels, pastor. Bible school at 9:45 with

**Ten Years Ago**  
June 19, 1927  
Prof. Gustav Ebeben, head of the modern languages department of Willamette university for twelve years died suddenly following heart attack last night.

Wallace Griffith and Mary Erickson of Salem and graduates of Willamette university have been announced as graduate students at the University of Oregon for the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Kells and daughter Frances will return Wednesday from the east where Mr. Kells has been attending conferences for Y.M.C.A. leaders and visiting friends.

**Twenty Years Ago**  
June 19, 1917  
Announcement is being made that George F. Rogers of Salem will establish in Astoria a shipbuilding plant of large proportions.

Walter C. Winslow and E. T. Barnes were elected members of the Salem school board at the school election yesterday.

## Beyer Again Head Of Mt. Angel K. C.

Taking it Home

MT. ANGEL, June 18.—The local court of the Knights of Columbus again elected John Beyer as grand knight at its annual election Wednesday. This is his third successive term as head of the organization.

Other officers elected are: Deputy grand knight, John Gafke; chancellor, Alexander Scharlach; recorder, William Boyer; treasurer, Jon D. Smith; advocate, Ed B. Stolle; warden, Lawrence Gerlitz; inside guard, Robert LeDoux; outside guard, John Frank; trustee for three years, Eugene Hoffer. Installation of newly-elected officers will take place at the next meeting.

The need of a club room to be used for meetings of the society has become rather imperative and the Knights met the situation by voting a sum of \$800 for the purpose of remodeling one of the basement rooms of St. Mary's school into a meeting room.

District Deputy W. Douglas Harris announced that July 25 will be Catholic day at Champeog and urged Mt. Angel Knights to give their hearty support to the event.

Local Knights are also invited to attend the initiation at St. Mary's at 11:30 p.m. next Sunday. The Mt. Angel degree team will have charge of giving the first and second degrees.

The following committee was appointed to arrange for refreshments at the next meeting: Louis LeDoux, Joseph Hasler, and Joseph Gafke.

John Waller's faith in human nature isn't extensive. Every day, when he leaves his work as building laborer at Hampton, Australia, he shoulders his 80-pound wheelbarrow, gets on his bike, and rides a mile and a half to his home.

## Federal Aid for Wild Life Asked

WASHINGTON, June 18.—(AP)—A group of senators has proposed federal aid to states in wild life restoration work.

Senators Pittman (D., Nev.), Bailey (D., N. C.), Clark (D., Mo.), McNary (R., Ore.), and White (R., Me.), joined in sponsoring the bill.

The States meeting standards fixed by the secretary of agriculture would be eligible for aid for approved wild life projects. The measure stipulates that states receiving federal funds must not divert license fees, and that no state could receive more than \$1,500,000 in one year.

## Cannerymen Glum Over Damaged Cherry Crops

Local cannerymen were gloomy today as the result of continued hard rains which have damaged Royal Ann cherries and other crops.

Some orchardists reported as high as 20 per cent damage to their cherries. This was particularly true in the hilly sections of the county.

Strawberries also have suffered material damage as a result of the showers, growers reported.

## Rev. Henderson Re-Named By Church for 11th Year

The congregation of the First United Brethren church, 13th and Mission streets, has returned Rev. A. S. Henderson as pastor for the 11th consecutive year.

## Barbara's Tax Shy

WASHINGTON, June 18.—(AP)—The board of tax appeals decided Thursday Barbara Haugwitz-Revontow, the former Barbara Hutten Mdiviani, was \$42,933 deficient in her 1932 and 1933 income taxes.

## Radio Programs

- 10:30—Golden melodies.
- 12:00—Michael Aronstein, cellist.
- 1:15—News.
- 1:30—Musical moments (ET).
- 2:00—Top Matters, arch. 2:30—News.
- 2:30—Alma Ritchell, soprano.
- 2:45—Religion in the news.
- 3:00—Hollywood extra.
- 3:30—Spanish revue.
- 3:40—Lampson institute singers.
- 4:00—Jamboree.
- 4:15—Variety musical comedy.
- 4:30—Musical moments (ET).
- 4:45—Deutch arch. 7—Stevens arch.
- 5:00—Hollywood extra.
- 5:30—Playland Casino arch.
- 5:45—Lee arch. 9:30—LaSalle arch.
- 6:00—Hollywood extra.
- 6:15—News.
- 6:30—Loveland arch.
- 6:45—Hollywood extra.
- 6:50—Weather reports.
- 7:00—Weather reports.
- 7:30—Weather reports.
- 8:00—Weather reports.
- 8:30—Weather reports.
- 9:00—Weather reports.
- 9:30—Weather reports.
- 10:00—Weather reports.
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- 11:00—Weather reports.
- 11:30—Weather reports.
- 12:00—Weather reports.

**HEAR "THE MESSAGE OF THE BIRDS"**  
REV. IRVING A. FOX  
**First Baptist Church**  
(Where the young people flock to church.)  
**Cor. N. Liberty & Marion**  
**Sunday 7:30 p.m.**  
**A Capital Service for a Capital City**  
Orchestra, Choir, Gospel Songs