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The Mellon Bequest

Andrew Mellon did this with his vast fortune: Before his death he provided amply, as he believed, for his children. He invested a large part of his wealth in fine art which he gave to the nation together with a building in which to house it. The residue, the size of which is not disclosed, he has devised to a religious and charitable trust "for the well-being of mankind." Assuming the wise and honorable administration of the trust it is clear that Mr. Mellon has endeavored to use his great wealth to promote human happiness.

It will not be surprising however, if this disposition does not evoke some criticism. The Mellon name has been so common an object of obloquy it would be surprising if that attitude will not persist in certain quarters.

For example, complaint may be made that in leaving his fortune in a trust for charity it escapes federal inheritance and estate taxes, which is true. The law however gives the individual the choice of leaving his property so it may be levied on by the government, or dedicating it to charity where it escapes taxation. Mr. Mellon evidently believed his money could be used to better advantage through private administration than if it went to the general treasury to pay the bills which the government now undertakes to pay.

The Mellon bequest brings up another interesting point: by creating the charitable trust, the administration of which is vested in his children the deviser can preserve the corpus of his estate intact. It will not have to be dismembered to meet death duties. The income of the estate of course must be devoted to philanthropic purposes, and the principal too if the trustees so elect. But the direction of the property stays in the family.

More and more great foundations are getting a stake in industry. The other way the LeTourneau foundation, which owns a large amount of stock in the LeTourneau concern manufacturing earth moving machinery, sold securities. This foundation is a religious foundation; and its income goes to support of religious enterprises. The great Hershey chocolate industries are controlled by a foundation which uses the income for the care of orphan children. There are other great foundations like those created by Rockefeller, Carnegie, Harkness, which have great holdings of stocks and bonds. Churches too are through the investment of endowments, "partners in industry." This fact presents interesting ethical implications. As investors these philanthropies might with great propriety express their philanthropic ideals in the management of the enterprises. Sometimes that might be a little hard on profits.

At any rate the Mellon will projects new angles for popular discussion on the subject of how a man can get rid of his wealth.

Fingerling Test

They made a test at Cazadero dam the other day, releasing fingerling salmon in the mill race, to be carried by the swift waters through the turbines and out the tailrace. It was a sad experience for the fingerlings, and sad too for the friends of the salmon industry. For the baby fish were batted around fearfully. Many were killed, others mangled. Only a small portion swam off without injury.

Moot question was whether fish ladders should be provided to take the spawning salmon above the dam. If the baby fish could not emerge alive then the ladder would not be of much value unless the intake to the millrace were screened. After the experiment the game commission directed the power company to build the ladder, which it is willing to do. To screen the intake however would be a very expensive undertaking.

The Cazadero test is by no means final as regards all power plants. That plant on the upper Clackamas is a high-head installation, and the turbines are high velocity turbines. At Bonneville different conditions prevail. Instead of a small stream dropping a great height there is a vast volume of water, with a moderate fall; and the turbine speed is much slower. It would seem that more baby fish would survive in such an installation.

Dams barring natural progress of salmon upstream; speedy turbines threatening the new crop in their oceanward migration; irrigation ditches draining off fish to die on land; stream pollution depleting the oxygen content of streams so fish can barely live in them,—all these strike vitally at the important fishing industry of the state, an industry worth around ten million dollars a year.

France Nationalizes Railroads

The radical socialist government of France, which recently nationalized the munitions factories, has now taken over the railroads of that country. The nation previously had owned a portion of the mileage. Now it acquires a 51 per cent interest in six roads with a mileage of 26,000 miles (Southern Pacific mileage is about 13,000). While the move of the French cabinet under its emergency powers, subject to the later ratification of parliament, may be partly due to the socialist trend of the present government, another reason assigned for the change is the unification of roads for military purposes.

Every European nation is thinking now in terms of defense. Each is rearming to the very limit of the people's capacity to be taxed. Foreign and domestic policies are based on how they will affect the national security. So France, fearful of a rearmament Germany, alarmed over the rise of Italy, suspicious of a fascist Spain, wants to gear its transportation machine in with its defense program. In the last war, though the fighting arena was overseas, the United States government took charge of the railroads, and would undoubtedly do so again in a similar emergency.

Operating the roads as a military measure and operating them as an economic measure are two different things. Most of the government-owned railroads are costly to the taxpayers and inefficiently operated. Few shippers here want to have the roads under government control, fearing both higher rates and less satisfactory service.

Fellow editors are spoofing Rufus Woods of the Wenatchee World for taking a shift as clown in a recent circus that visited the coast. They should lay off. More editors should take a course in clowning, then their editorials might not be so stogy. The customers would like it too; consider how many more read the comic strips than the editorials.

In Germany the exhibition of "degenerate art" (that which house-painter Hitler objects to) has drawn 1,000,000 visitors. The exhibit of "legitimate art" has attracted only 250,000. Does this showing indicate natural curiosity; actual preference for the new art over the conventional; or one way the public have of indicating their resentment at the Hitler regime?

Three new heavy cruisers sailed from San Pedro, presumably for Shanghai. Except for use in evacuating our nationals from the trouble zone they should be heading in the other direction. Now is a good time to have business elsewhere than in the far east.

The president vetoed six bills which appropriated money to Indiana. There's a crop of these bills every session, until it looks as though congress was giving the country back to the Indians.

Those who bet on Joe Louis nearly got another job in the Farr bout. As it was they must have had cold chills as the match dragged on. Joe is one of the sure things it's safer not to bet on.

Bits for Breakfast

By R. J. HENDRICKS

9-2-37
People of French prairie rallied to help the whites after Whitman massacre—promptly:

This column has frequently referred to the fact that the men of French prairie with Indian wives came to the support of the whites after the Whitman massacre, and that they were prompt in doing so, and their help was thus thrice welcome, and effective in protecting the young colony against the threatened wholesale raid of the blood lusty rds.

In his address at the 1879 meeting of the Oregon Pioneer association, referred to in the last two issues, Willard H. Rees made reference to that historical fact. Quoting him in part:

"I served under General Palmer during the Cayuse war as commissary agent at French prairie, and I can assure you, fellow members, that those old pioneer Canadians gave quite as liberally of their means to supply the volunteers in the field as did the people of any other portion of old Champeog (present Marion) county.

"Being desirous of placing upon our records something to show the feeling and position occupied by this people during that exciting and critical struggle, and in defense of the truth and their fidelity to the provisional government against unjust aspirations to the contrary, I will ask the privilege of reading from an old pioneer paper, the Oregon Spectator, of date January 20, 1848, the following preamble and resolutions unanimously adopted at a mass meeting held on French prairie, which was composed of over 100 Canadian settlers:

"Whereas, it is believed that several of the Indian tribes east of the Cascade mountains have formed an alliance for the purpose of carrying on hostilities against this colony; and

"Whereas, the exigency of the times calls for prompt and energetic action on the part of the people of this territory, in enlisting and mustering into the service the number of volunteers required by the executive; therefore,

"Resolved, that we deem it highly expedient to raise, arm and equip one company of riflemen to proceed immediately to join the regiment at Portland.

"Resolved, that the Canadian citizens of Champeog county feel it our duty to assist our adopted country in the prosecution of the war against the Cayuse Indians for the horrible massacre committed by them upon American citizens at Waiilatpu.

"After which a call was made for volunteers, when 30 came forward and enrolled their names. On motion of Mr. Newell, Thomas McKay was chosen by a unanimous vote captain of said company.

"On motion of W. H. Rees, it was directed that the proceedings of this meeting be signed by the chairman and secretary, and forwarded to the editor of the Oregon Spectator, with a request that he publish the same.

"On motion of F. X. Matthieu, this meeting adjourned.

"Robert Newell, chairman. M. Porteus, secretary. January 12, 1848.

In her "McLoughlin and Old Oregon," page 348 of the 14th edition, Eva Emery Dye wrote:

"The Indians regarded the settlers of Champeog (French prairie) as their own people.

"Will they desert us? Will they join their Indian kindred? queried the anxious settlers.

"Happily Tom McKay solved that. Like a centaur he rode up and down the prairie. In French, in English, in Chinook he gathered them in: 'Pierre, Francois, Antoine, come, come to the war!'

"The snow proved too deep to get word over the Sierras to California. Shut in, Oregon must fight her way alone."

The company of riflemen from French prairie was ready to ride to the Cayuse war almost the next hour. Tom McKay led as captain, Charles McKay, first lieutenant, Baptiste Dorion, son of the famous Madame Dorion of the Astor overlanders, second lieutenant. Augustine, son of Baptiste DeLaur, first settler near Salem's site, rode in that company; so did Xavier and Isaac, sons of Joseph Gervais, next settler near Salem's site, Volatte and Vetal, two Bergersons, two Dupuys, a Montour, and one or two from almost every French family.

Wrote Frances Fuller Victor in her "Indian Wars of Oregon": "Capt. Thomas McKay's company arrived just in time to be of service." She meant in the first battle of the war, above The Dalles.

It was on Feb. 28, 1848, and resulted in a disorderly retreat by the Cayuses, with a loss of eight Indians killed and five wounded, and the whites five wounded. The first blood was by Capt. Tom McKay and the second by Lieut. Charles McKay. The beginning was like this, as told by Mrs. Victor in her book:

"At the commencement of the fighting Gray Eagle and Five Crows rode up near the wagons, as if boastful of their prowess, Gray Eagle exclaiming: 'There's Tom McKay; I will kill him!' but before he could execute his threat, Capt. McKay had shot him dead. At the same time Lieut. Charles McKay shot Five Crows, shattering his arm."

(Concluded tomorrow.)

Postal Receipts Exceed Last August by \$3888

Postal receipts for last month showed an increase of \$3,888.85 over August, 1936. It was announced at the postoffice yesterday. This year's August total was \$24,928.02.



Breakdown Trail Of Pigs Studied

Psychologists Seek Clues to Nerve Disturbances in Human Beings

By H. W. BLAKESLEE
MINNEAPOLIS, Sept. 1.—(P)—The mental trail to nervous breakdowns, mapped by study of the world's first two nervous pigs, was described to the American Psychological association here today.

Both pigs are on an experimental farm at Cornell university. One of them, Achilles, had a nervous breakdown, the first in a pig, which was announced last May. The mental breakdown of a second pig was announced today by Dr. Quin F. Curtis of the Cornell physiology department.

Fig. Human Mind
In becoming nervous both pigs followed the same "pattern."

Their troubles began when the "apple" and "no apple" signals were given in more and more irregular sequence.

The first mental signs were agitation, shown by false motions. No mentally sound pig hesitates when starting after food.

The second stage of the nervous breakdown was a period of delayed decisions.

The last stage was curiously human. The pigs became "inert." They pretended to sleep. Sometimes they became "catatonic," that is, rigid, like human beings suffering from the catatonic form of insanity, who stay motionless, paying attention to nothing.

In this nervous breakdown state the pigs ceased to be able to learn. This was almost exactly like human experience.

Cure Next Step
Further evidence that the troubles of the pigs were entirely mental was found in the fact that outside their laboratory sty they are able to eat. Whether they can be cured of the nervous trouble is yet to be learned.

There is hope that the "road back," which is the goal of medicine, may be found as clearly as the breakdown trail.

Supreme Court to Hear Appeal of Jack Justice Here on September 16

PORTLAND, Sept. 1.—(P)—Supreme court hearing of arguments in the appeal of Jack Justice, convicted of first degree murder, is set for September 16, the district attorney's office learned today.

Justice was accused of employing Leo Hall, Bremerton mass slayer, to kill W. Frank Akin, special investigator, here Nov. 20, 1933.

Acute Paralysis Cases Are Reported in State

PORTLAND, Sept. 1.—(P)—Acute cases of anterior poliomyelitis—infantile paralysis—are again occurring in Oregon, the state board of health warned today. Immediate isolation of patients for 14 to 21 days after onset of symptoms and exclusion of exposed children from school for two weeks were advised in the board's weekly bulletin.

Shoplifter Aged 6

PORTLAND, Sept. 1.—(P)—Police found shaving equipment, a deck of cards, comb and two yeast cakes in a bag carried by a shoplifter—a 6-year-old boy.

National Seamen Conclave Planned

CHICAGO, Sept. 1.—(P)—A conference seeking unity of maritime unions adjourned tonight with the acceptance of a policy committee's recommendation for a national convention of seamen in San Francisco January 17, 1938.

Paul Boyles, chairman of the meetings, announced delegates had pledged to "carry forward" the program of the CIO.

He said a resolution adopted by the seamen "contains the basis for the unification of all existing maritime unions in America into one close-knit national organization affiliated with the CIO."

Next Camp at Clatsop

PORTLAND, Sept. 1.—(P)—Major-General George A. White, commander of the Oregon national guard, home after a two-week encampment at Camp Murray, Wash., said today annual maneuvers will be held at Camp Clatsop, near Astoria, next year.

New Photo of Chinese Dictator



Here is an excellent new photo of Chiang Kai-Shek, president of the executive Yuan and Chinese dictator, taken as he posed for an official state photo at the national government headquarters in Nanking.



This happy family reunion between Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lucas of Chicago and their little daughter Diane followed discovery of the child on the doorstep of a north side apartment after she had been mysteriously kidnaped from her baby carriage while Mrs. Lucas was shopping.



Ordered to Shanghai to reinforce U. S. forces there, this detachment of marines is shown boarding ship at Manila to help in evacuation of Americans from the war-torn ancient city.



Salvage crews are pictured as they recently raised a wrecked naval flying boat from the waters of San Diego bay, which claimed the lives of six flyers. The huge amphibian plane was making a forced landing when it struck the submerged hull of an old schooner. Two of the occupants, both survivors, were believed to have been hurled through the fuselage by the terrific impact when the 14-ton patrol plane struck the hull.

Radio Programs

- KSLM—THURSDAY—1370 Kc.**
 - 7:15—News and quartets.
 - 7:30—Sunrise sermonette.
 - 7:45—Musical variety.
 - 8:45—News. 9—Pastor's Col.
 - 9:15—Symphonic Gems.
 - 9:45—Waltz time.
 - 10:00—Women in the news.
 - 10:15—Songfest.
 - 10:30—Organist.
 - 10:45—Coral Strands.
 - 11:00—Value parade.
 - 12:15—News. 12:30—Farmer's Digest.
 - 12:45—Popular salutes.
 - 1:00—Afternoon frolic.
 - 1:30—Hilbilly serenade.
 - 2:00—Tango time.
 - 2:15—Monitor news.
 - 2:30—Ballon melodies.
 - 2:45—Concert masters.
 - 3:30—Vocal varieties.
 - 3:45—Swingtime.
 - 4:00—Navelette.
 - 4:15—Spice of Life.
 - 5:45—Friendly Circle.
 - 6:00—Stringed harmony.
 - 6:25—Outdoor reporter.
 - 6:30—Eventide Echoes. 6:45—News.
 - 7:00—The Gaieties.
 - 7:15—STATESMAN OF THE AIR—Around the Valley. Robert Peterson.
 - 7:30—This Rhythmic Age.
 - 7:45—Song styles.
 - 8:00—Edwin C. Hill.
 - 8:15—Petite musicale. 8:45—News.
 - 9:00—News in Review.
 - 9:15—Hymns of all churches.
 - 10:00—Crystal Gardens.
- KOIN—THURSDAY—940 Kc.**
 - 6:30—Clock.
 - 7:55—Chicago Engineering. 8—News.
 - 8:05—News from Killy Kelly, drama.
 - 8:15—Eyes of the World.
 - 8:30—This and that. 9—Betty and Bob.
 - 9:15—Hymns of all churches.
 - 9:30—Arnold Grimm's Daughter.
 - 9:45—Hollywood in person.
 - 10:00—Big Sister.
 - 10:15—Aunt Jenny's stories.
 - 10:30—Edwin C. Hill.
 - 10:45—Newlyweds, drama.
 - 11:15—CBS. 11:45—News.
 - 12:00—Myrt and Margie, serial.
 - 12:15—Killy Kelly, drama.
 - 12:45—Variety. 1:15—Mary Cullen.
 - 1:30—Speed, Inc. 1:45—Mary Cullen.
 - 2:00—News.
 - 2:30—Moods and melody.
 - 2:45—Adventure. 2:50—Hall orch.
 - 3:00—Western home. 3:45—Styles.
 - 4:00—Columbia concert.
 - 4:30—Hoosier.
 - 4:45—The McKinnery, sing.
 - 5:00—Major Bowes' Amateurs.
 - 6:00—Your True Adventure, F. Gibbons.
 - 6:30—March of Time.
 - 7:00—Scattergood Baines.
 - 7:15—Little show. 7:30—Drews, organ.
 - 8:00—As You Like It. 8—KVI dedication.
 - 8:30—Goodman orch.
 - 9:00—Hamilton orch.
 - 9:30—Winterville orch.
 - 9:45—Five Star Final, drama.
 - 10:00—Pendarvis orch.
 - 10:15—On the air.
 - 10:45—Goodman orch.
 - 11:00—Hosland orch.
 - 11:30—Kay orch. 8—Black Chapel.
- KOAC—THURSDAY—550 Kc.**
 - 8:00—Homecoming hour.
 - 9:00—Tessie Tel.
 - 10:15—Monitor views the news.
 - 11:00—Famous people.
 - 11:30—Facts and affairs.
 - 12:00—News. 12:15—Farm hour.
 - 1:00—Symphonic hour.
- 1:30—Stories for boys and girls.**
- 2:00—Homemakers' half hour.**
- 6:30—Farm hour. 7:45—News.**
- KEX—THURSDAY—1180 Kc.**
 - 6:30—Musical clock.
 - 7:00—Family altar hour.
 - 7:30—Organ.
 - 7:45—Hollywood III. Hatters.
 - 8:00—Financial service.
 - 8:15—Grace and Scotty.
 - 8:30—Christian Science.
 - 8:45—Stralova, matinee.
 - 9:00—Home institute.
 - 9:15—Home tenor.
 - 9:30—Morning concert.
 - 10:00—Lost and found items.
 - 10:02—Crossroads. 10:30—News.
 - 10:45—Pever Wood Calling.
 - 11:00—Light opera.
 - 11:30—Letcher farm and home hour.
 - 12:30—Market reports.
 - 12:35—Club matinee.
 - 1:00—Lucille and Lanny.
 - 1:15—Stuart craver.
 - 1:30—Congress hotel orch.
 - 1:45—King's Men.
 - 2:00—Orchestra.
 - 2:25—Financial and grain reports.
 - 2:30—Press Radio News.
 - 2:45—News. 3:45—Baseball.
 - 5:00—News. 5:15—Concert hour.
 - 6:00—NBC program.
 - 6:45—Four Showmen.
 - 7:00—Claremont Inn orch.
 - 7:15—News to KOB.
 - 8:00—News.
 - 8:15—Chez Paree orch.
 - 8:30—Trocadero orch.
 - 9:00—Murder Will Out.
 - 9:30—Stratfield hotel orch.
 - 9:45—Deaville club orch.
 - 10:30—Melody man.
 - 10:45—Popular dance melodies.
 - 11:00—News.
 - 11:15—Pever of Rest.
 - 11:30—Charles Runyan.
 - 12:00—Complete weather-police reports.
- KOW—THURSDAY—620 Kc.**
 - 7:00—Just About Time.
 - 7:30—Keeping time.
 - 7:45—Story of Mary Marlin.
 - 8:00—Stars of today.
 - 9:00—Marguerite Padula.
 - 9:15—Mrs. Wiggs of Cabbage Patch.
 - 9:30—Columbia Matinee.
 - 9:45—Just Plain Bill.
 - 10:30—It's a Woman's World.
 - 10:45—Men of the West.
 - 11:00—Pepper Young's Family.
 - 11:15—Ma Perkins.
 - 11:30—The Sadie.
 - 11:45—The O'Neills.
 - 12:00—Refreshment time.
 - 12:15—Gospel singer.
 - 12:30—News. 12:45—Guiding Light.
 - 1:00—Lone Star Troubadour.
 - 1:15—Robert Gilman.
 - 1:45—Gloria Gale. 2—Clinic.
 - 2:15—Woman's magazine of the air.
 - 3:00—Glenn Shelley.
 - 3:15—Johnny O'Ban.
 - 3:45—Radio Bubs.
 - 4:00—Rudy Vallee. 5—Cocktail hour.
 - 5:15—Stars of today.
 - 5:30—Government at your service.
 - 6:00—Kraft music hall.
 - 7:00—Amos 'n' Andy.
 - 7:15—Show Boat.
 - 7:30—Standard symphony hour.
 - 9:15—Wonders of earth and sky.
 - 9:30—Alas Jimmy Valentine.
 - 9:45—Billmore hotel orch.
 - 10:00—News.
 - 10:15—Spiritual Janitor.
 - 10:30—Melody memory.
 - 11:00—Ambassador hotel orch.
 - 11:30—Dyamic hotel orch.
 - 12:00—Complete weather report.