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Reduction on Electric Bills

Public Utility Commissioner Wallace has ordered, and the companies concerned have accepted, a reduction in electric service charges for the Portland-Salem area. One-half cent a kilowatt hour is chipped off the base rate on residential and commercial consumers. In addition the primary demand base is erased, so cost is now determined by actual consumption without being affected by a loading measured by potential demand.

The way the rate cut came about is interesting, and revealing as to the future costs if Bonneville power is distributed. Commissioner Wallace seeks to make regulation effective. The valuation of the properties is pretty well established now, and when he observes a company getting in excess of a "fair return" he makes request for a rate cut. To date these "requests" have been complied with.

When therefore the earnings of Northwestern Electric company reached 8 per cent, Commissioner Wallace insisted on a rate cut. Since the Portland Electric company is competitive with Northwestern Electric in Portland, it had to meet that rate in the competitive area. President Griffith however has for a twenty year term used the "postage stamp" method over the whole territory served by the Portland company, so the rate cut is made effective not only in the city of Portland but in Salem and other towns served and in the rural area.

This instance illustrates the difference in cost of operation between a concentrated distribution zone and a diffuse one. Northwestern Electric has very choice business in Portland, most of it right down town, department stores and industries. It does not attempt to cover the whole city, and doesn't get out into the thin areas around the city. PGE which takes on this business at the same rates, does so at cost to itself with result that its earning rate is a third less than Northwestern's. PGE serves 1800 square miles of territory, which thus enjoys to the farthest point rates which are now among the very lowest in the country.

Oregon has in fact been a pioneer in the blanket rate plan, there being only one small district in areas served by the larger companies where there is any distinction between rural and urban rates. The extra costs in rural service are there, as the comparison of Northwestern and PGE shows; and the rural consumer is subsidized at the cost of the urban consumer.

The new rate schedule brings rates in Portland and surrounding territory on the same level as Seattle; in some brackets a little under, in others a little over Seattle. In these comparisons however folk fail to take into account that the PGE is serving a wide rural area while the municipal plants at Seattle and Tacoma are serving a concentrated urban population almost exclusively. Their rates would have to be considerably higher if they served a large surrounding rural district and paid taxes equivalent to those paid by privately owned companies.

This difference in cost of distribution must be reckoned with in the handling of Bonneville power. There is a call for more extensions into rural areas. Since the settled districts in the Portland-Salem area are already served the ones left are the thin fringes in foothill valleys where the load would be light. At the same time an expectation of reduced rates from Bonneville has been built up. It ought to be plain that we cannot have generous extensions into sparsely settled rural areas with consequent increase in unit costs and at the same time general rate reductions of size, unless deficits are to be incurred.

These facts exist regardless of who distributes power, private companies, cooperatives or the public. They should be taken into account rather than the glib promise of vote-seeking politicians.

President's Council

Poor Mr. Landon gets the panning we expected because he dared to speak out "in meeting" as he called it, on political questions. He gets scolded because he didn't outline a new plan for rescuing the nation. Mr. Landon thinks the first need is to rescue the country from Mr. Roosevelt, so he talked about that.

The concluding point in Landon's address was worthy of reflection. He said the president needs less power so he would be required to consult more often with "other men of both parties—men whose hearts also are in the right place, but men who have had more experience and who know more about the practical applications of government than he does." It is a fair criticism; for the president is less inclined than when he began his term to talk things over with responsible and recognized leaders, more irritable when others express opinions that run counter to his own.

This is a characteristic of the messianic complex: the idea that William Pitt once expressed: "I know that I can save England, and that no one else can." Convinced as he is of the rectitude of his intentions and of the correctness of his methods the president spurns counsel, except that of the yes-yea variety.

Some generals carry on as "chairman of the board of directors," developing strategy in staff councils. Others make their own studies and decisions, issue orders for subordinates to obey. FDR is the latter type which isn't relished much in civil administration. The test is the final success or failure of the effort. In the court-packing bill the president failed, chiefly for the reasons suggested by the former governor of Kansas.

City Light Facts

In its eulogy of Mr. J. D. Ross for his management of Seattle City Light the Portland Journal stated he had built up a \$70,000,000 plant and now there are only \$3,000,000 in bonds outstanding. Where did the Journal get its figures? According to the last financial statement of Seattle City Light a copy of which appeared in Moody's bulletin on public utilities of current date, the total fixed assets of City Light less depreciation are \$44,308,791, its current assets \$10,379,769. Against this are bonds outstanding of \$38,446,000 and current liabilities of \$2,900,239.

The gross income of City Light for the twelve months was \$5,564,000 and net after operating costs and depreciation \$391,122. City Light paid taxes to the city and state of \$309,800. If its tax bill had been on the same ratio as the Portland utilities it would have shown an operating deficit.

This is offered not to disparage the Journal's praise for Mr. Ross, but to give the public the correct figures.

In North China the Japanese armies are making little progress now. In modern warfare the advantage is with the defense. The longer the invaders' lines are extended the greater the difficulties of supply and risks of having lines cut. The Chinese 8th army into which the former red armies merged is now fighting back in North China. Chinese resistance has surprised not only the Japanese and other foreigners, but the Chinese leaders themselves. It is conceivable they may develop military leaders who can out-manuever the invaders.

Why is it that every man with his nose out of joint thinks he is appointed to save "the people"? Yet some folk will listen to mental seers who can't run a poultry farm successfully and accept as gospel their notions about how all the government and business of 135,000,000 people should be run.

An evening contemporary quotes Secretary Earl Snell as halting the republican party as "still a virulent factor in Oregon politics." Fine, only it needs to be a bit more contagious.

Bits for Breakfast

By R. J. HENDRICKS

Wesley Hauxhurst 10-21-37 and wife did not cross "the plains to Oregon behind a team of oxen," as reported:

(Concluding from yesterday:) Mrs. Dobbs says Hauxhurst enlisted in the Oregon Rangers in 1844, after the Cockstock fight at Oregon City, in which that bad Indian was killed, and Geo. LeBreton, Oregon's first secretary of state, received a wound that caused his death.

Rev. George Gary, who took Jason Lee's place in the Methodist mission, visited the Hauxhursts, and pronounced him "a more pleasant and agreeable man than the ordinary class of men."

Mrs. Dobbs says Hauxhurst married Miss Mary of the Yamhill tribe on Feb. 25, 1837, at the Lee mission house, according to the mission records, but that the family Bible gave the date as March 16, 1837. (Something more about Mary later, please.)

The Dobbs book says the Hauxhursts took land on Mill creek. It was their donation land claim, running south and west from the southwest corner of what is now known as the Penitentiary Four Corners; 640 acres. It contains numerous dwellings now; will ere long all be in Salem's city limits.

The Dobbs book says Hauxhurst did a thriving business making pack saddles, in the time of the California gold rush; that he then went "around the horn" to visit his family in New York; that his mother sent presents to his children; among them the reputedly first wax doll to reach the west coast; that went to the daughter who became Mrs. Day, just deceased.

Also that, on his return to Oregon, Hauxhurst sold his donation land claim and moved to Salem. That he did freighting between Portland and Salem, and in 1848, brought the first circus to the capital city. Then he farmed in the "red hills," meaning in the Liberty district south of Salem, until 1866, when he went to Bayoccan.

That means the strip of land between Tillamook bay and the Pacific ocean; being drawn to that beautiful location on account of its resemblance to Long Island, N. Y., on which he was born. That he was captain of the steamer Champion running between Tillamook bay and Portland, and died January 23, 1874, and was buried in an unmarked grave near Tillamook.

This column has contained a great deal of matter concerning the Hauxhurst family. At least seven sons and three daughters grew to maturity. While Wesley Hauxhurst was working at the mission, he "took into his cabin" Mary, the Indian girl, and later married her; probably after his conversion by Jason Lee.

Mrs. Dobbs said Mary was of the Yamhill tribe. Rev. Gustavus Hines, in his book, published in 1857, said she was "an Indian woman of the 'Callapooah' tribe," meaning Calapooah.

The Bits man thinks Mary L. Hauxhurst-Day was born on the donation claim in a house not far from the present "penitentiary four corners," and not in Salem. She herself told Fred Lockley in 1935 that she was born "near Salem."

When the Hauxhursts moved to Salem they occupied the house they had bought at the southwest corner of Center and Church streets. That house stood until a few weeks ago, when it was torn down, to make room for a used car sales business.

The first child of the Hauxhursts was Nelson, born at the Lee mission, likely in the "cabin" referred to above. That may have been the cabin of the "settler" which was purchased by Jason Lee for the mission in order to give shelter to the Rev. Leslie Coffey, in 1837, a la for the newly-wed Rev. H. K. W. Perkins and Elvira Johnson, mission teacher.

When Nelson Hauxhurst was a young man he attended the Oregon Institute (that by change of name became Willamette university); was a seat mate there of Jos. A. Baker, who up to the time of his death, Dec. 16, 1932, had spent the most years in Salem of any resident here.

Nelson Hauxhurst was bright; but he cursed his fate for being "neither Indian nor white," being therefore not wanted by either race; became dissipated; killed a man in a quarrel.

Was convicted of manslaughter and sent to the penitentiary with a 10 year sentence; escaped and got as far as present Klamath county, having led a sensational chase.

Finally, August 12, 1876, a month and two days before his term in that office expired, Governor George L. Woods pardoned Nelson Hauxhurst. The chief executive evidently believed Nelson had been sufficiently punished, or that, given a chance, he might make something useful of his life.

The freed man went south; rumors came back that he had pursued his studies among people in Central or South America who welcomed one of their kind; of mixed blood, that he became a great surgeon, etc., etc. How much of truth was in these rumors the writer does not say. One thing, however, both seat mates, Joseph A. Baker and Nelson Hauxhurst, when in the university, thought of becoming doctors.

So concludes this sketchy series. But, for new comers from the dust bowls and elsewhere, there will follow, tomorrow, accounts of one of the most sensational

Government Interference With His Business



Radio Programs

- KELM—THURSDAY—1370 Kc.**
- 7:15—News, 7:30—Soprano sermonette.
 - 7:45—American Family Robinson.
 - 8:00—Morning varieties.
 - 8:15—Big Freddie Miller, MBS.
 - 8:30—Today's hits.
 - 8:45—News, 9—Pastor's Call.
 - 9:15—The Friendly Circle.
 - 9:45—Coral Strands.
 - 10:00—Oodles in the news.
 - 10:15—Mitchell and Katz, MBS.
 - 10:30—Information bureau, MBS.
 - 10:45—Merry Makers, MBS.
 - 11:00—Variety show.
 - 11:15—Willamette university chapel.
 - 11:45—Bellamy Fairfax, MBS.
 - 12:00—Valse parade.
 - 12:15—News, 12:35—Farmer's Digest.
 - 12:45—One quarter hour in 3 time, MBS.
 - 1:00—Federation of Women's clubs, MBS.
 - 1:15—Streamline Swing, MBS.
 - 1:30—Popular music.
 - 1:45—Frank Serrino's orch., MBS.
 - 2:15—Talk by Dr. Besser.
 - 2:30—The Johnson Family, MBS.
 - 2:45—Vocal varieties.
 - 3:00—Feminine Fancies, MBS.
 - 3:30—News.
 - 3:45—Radio Campus, MBS.
 - 4:00—Roy Barthe's orch., MBS.
 - 4:15—The In-Laws, MBS.
 - 4:30—Mystery Chest, MBS.
 - 4:45—This Side of Twenty, MBS.
 - 5:00—Spice of Life.
 - 5:30—Wayne King's orch., MBS.
 - 6:10—Outdoor reporter.
 - 6:15—Phantom Pilot, MBS.
 - 6:30—Frank Bull's sports talk, MBS.
 - 6:45—News, 7—Gypsy Strings.
 - 7:15—Cosmo and Koyboard, MBS.
 - 7:30—Henry Weber's revue, MBS.
 - 7:45—STATESMAN OF THE AIR—"Round the Valley," Miss Genevieve Morgan.
 - 8:00—Harmony hall, 8:15—News.
 - 8:30—Sam Hays' football prognostications, MBS.
 - 8:50—Musical variety.
 - 9:00—Newspaper of the air, MBS.
 - 9:15—Robert Goodman's orch., MBS.
 - 9:30—Wayne King's orch., MBS.
 - 10:00—Jimmy Joy's orch., MBS.
 - 10:30—Kay Kyster orch., MBS.
 - 11:00—Roger Burke's orch., MBS.
 - 11:30—Frank Serrino's orch., MBS.
- KGW—THURSDAY—830 Kc.**
- 7:00—Just About Time.
 - 7:45—News.
 - 8:00—Stars of today.
 - 8:15—Half Past Eleven.
 - 8:45—Gospel singer.
 - 9:00—Happy Jack.
 - 9:15—NEU program.
 - 10:00—Novelty quartet.
 - 10:15—Mrs. Wiggs of Cabbage Patch.
 - 10:45—Just Plain Bill.
 - 11:00—Standard school broadcast.
 - 11:15—Pepper Young's Family.
 - 12:15—Ma Perkins.
 - 12:30—Vic and Sade.
 - 12:45—O'Neill's.
 - 1:00—Ray Towers, troubadour.
- KEK—THURSDAY—1180 Kc.**
- 6:30—Musical clock.
 - 7:00—Family altar hour.
 - 7:30—Beauty and Waverion.
 - 7:45—Viennese ensemble.
 - 8:00—Financial service.
 - 8:15—Blue Faded Book.
 - 8:30—Christian Science program.
 - 8:45—Originalists.
 - 9:00—Home lastitia.
 - 9:15—George Griffin.
 - 9:30—Morning concert.
 - 9:45—West and fourth items.
 - 10:02—Crosscut, 10:30—News.
 - 10:45—Hal Gordon.
 - 11:00—Broilers machine.
 - 11:30—Western farm and home.
 - 12:30—News, 12:45—Market reports.
 - 1:00—Swing serenade.
 - 1:00—Club machine.
 - 2:00—Peggy Wood Calling.
 - 2:15—Glen Darwin.
 - 2:25—Financial and grain reports.
 - 2:30—Art Tatum.
 - 2:45—Silent to Room orch.
 - 3:00—Harry Kagan orch.
 - 3:30—Press Radio news.
 - 3:45—Tony Susall.
 - 4:45—Trailing along.
 - 4:00—Pleasant interlude.
 - 4:15—Food magician.
 - 4:45—Kidoodlers.
 - 5:00—Speaking of sports.
 - 5:15—Elias Schaller reviews.
 - 5:30—Studio program, 5:45—News.
 - 6:00—Viennese melodies.
 - 6:15—Olas Pares orch.
 - 6:30—Troadero club orch.
 - 6:45—Doonville club orch.
 - 7:00—El Patio ballroom orch.
 - 7:15—News.
 - 11:15—Haven of Rest.
 - 11:30—Charles Rudyan, organist.
 - 12:00—Weather and price reports.
- KOAG—THURSDAY—500 Kc.**
- 9:00—Today's programs.
 - 9:30—The home-makers' hour, Teasie Tel.
 - 10:00—Weather forecast.
 - 10:30—Story hour for adults.
 - 10:45—Delbert Moore, violinist.
 - 11:00—School of the air.
 - 11:15—News.
 - 11:30—Koon farm hour.
 - 1:15—Variety.
 - 2:00—The afternoon philosopher, Dr. H. K. Childs.
 - 2:15—Your health.
 - 2:30—The teacher views the news.
 - 4:00—The symphonic hour.
 - 4:30—Stories for boys and girls.
 - 5:00—The symphonic hour.
 - 5:45—Vaggers, Dr. E. J. Harper.
 - 6:15—News.
 - 6:30—Pave hour.
 - 7:30—Radio shorthand contest, Prof. H. T. Vance.
 - 8:15—"Signs of Inferior Feelings" in Others," Dr. Howard R. Taylor, department of psychology, University of Oregon.
 - 8:45—Foresters in action.

Twins Get Twin Annulments



Lois and Letae Sebring Sharp
Second marriage of these comely twins to twin brothers didn't click so they're going back to their first twin husbands—if a Los Angeles court grants their petition for annulment of their marriage to Hubert and Herbert Sharp, twin brothers. The girls, Lois Sebring Sharp, left, and Letae, right, were first married to Roy and Ray Sebring, twin marines, and now maintain that their divorce decrees from the Sebring's were not final at the time they married the Sharps.

12 Women Named November Jurors

Names of 12 women appear on the November term jury panel drawn yesterday by County Clerk U. G. Boyer and Sheriff A. C. Burk. Listed as refusing jury duty were six others, Bessie M. Updygraf, Edith Boyer, Jennie White, Zoa T. Burton, Marie M. Keene, and Elsie E. Harrold.

The members of the panel include: Harold R. Jones, Rosedale; Elizabeth J. Glatt, West Woodburn; James S. Albert, Salem No. 12; Walter T. Stolz, Salem No. 10; E. M. Nicholson, Scotts Mills; Edna M. Prince, Salem No. 13; John A. Jelderks, Salem No. 2; Olin K. DeWitt, Salem No. 10; John F. Conard, West Silverton; Arthur Boeschler, Salem No. 11; Arthur E. Leary, Scollard; Lottie C. Smith, Salem No. 23; Nick Kimlinger, West Mt. Angel; Mary E. Field, Salem No. 1.

Julia B. Lear, Salem No. 15; Loretta J. Gillis, Salem No. 10; Rose Koessler, East Woodburn; Hazel F. Wells, Englewood; Fred M. Lobdell, Salem No. 4; Daisy D. Ogle, Aurora; Claudia A. Fuhrer, Salem No. 11; Arthur Holden, Chemsaw; Harry W. Burruss, Salem No. 7; Roy E. Skaffe, South Silverton; Wolf Cohen, Salem No. 16; Marguerite M. Yeaton, Salem No. 1; James H. Laidlaw, Salem No. 1; Doris Andresen, Salem No. 14; Justin L. McKay, Champco; William B. Ansen, East Mt. Angel.

Highway Widening Urged, Corvallis

The state highway commission, at its meeting in Portland Friday, will consider a letter from the Corvallis chamber of commerce urging the widening of the west side Pacific highway for two miles south of the latter city.

The widening operations were said to be necessary for the protection of pedestrians. Contracts aggregating more than \$750,000 will be awarded at the meeting, R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer, said. A delegation representing the city of Portland, Tillamook county and Washington county, will appear before the commission in connection with the Wilson river highway construction.

Another delegation representing the city of Portland and Union Pacific railroad will confer with the commission with regard to the right of way for the Columbia river highway at Multnomah Falls. The contract for surfacing the Siletts secondary highway in Lincoln county will be approved at the session.

Permit Given to Transport Steel

Permission to traverse county roads in hauling structural steel for the new North Santiam highway bridge 21 miles southeast of Idanha was granted George E. McGuire, contractor, yesterday by the Marion county court. The steel, some lengths of which will reach 45 feet, will be unloaded from flat cars at Idanha and trucked to the bridge site.

The new bridge and a small section of grading now under contract will close the last as yet unfinished links in the North Santiam highway.

Nebraska Woman Goes Home After Spending Summer With Kinsmen

DAYTON—Mrs. Harden Jensen, mother of Mrs. James Richardson, left Thursday for her home at Scotts Bluff, Neb., after being a guest at the Richardson home since the last of July.

Mr. and Mrs. James Pilley who have resided more than a year on the William Unruh estate, recently sold to George and Albert Thompson, all moving to the Fred Bauer place at Wheatland.

Albert Dixon Purchases 30 Acres From Fields

UNIONVALE — Albert Dixon, who has resided on the K. Perry place in Webfoot for a year, has purchased the 30-acre farm in the Unionvale district belonging to Rev. and Mrs. Lester Fields that has been leased to D. E. Bartruff who will give possession December 1. Albert Dixon is a nephew of S. C. Dixon.

Vacant Desks



Although she is regularly employed at the Sand Creek, Kan., school, Miss Imogene Cooper has no pupils. She receives \$40 a month and is required to spend five hours five days a week at the school, despite the fact that the only two families in the neighborhood with children no longer send them to Sand Creek school.

State's Transient Relief Is Proper

The cost of providing relief to transients with the state of Oregon was properly included in the general relief budget and the relief committee has authority to expend any part of this fund for non-resident relief purposes, Attorney General Van Winkle held yesterday.

Van Winkle said the state relief committee also has authority to credit to the respective counties payments heretofore made by them for the care of non residents from funds derived from county taxation.

The opinion was requested by Elmer Goudy, state relief administrator.

'Loud Speakers' Tune up for Tilt

LEBANON—Fifty of Lebanon high's "loud speakers" are busy day and night learning new songs and yells and getting all tuned up for the big game of the year, the Albany-Lebanon tilt October 29. This will be Lebanon's first night game under the new lights.

Funeral Services Today For Mrs. Emma Carroll

LEBANON, Oct. 20—(AP)—Funeral services will be held here tomorrow for Mrs. Emma Carroll, 61, a native of Aumsville and member of a pioneer Oregon family, who died in Portland last week.

Interment will be in the Masonic cemetery.

Surviving are nine children, including Harry Carroll of Lebanon and Bertha Chambers of Salem.

St. Luke's Benefit Card Party Draws Good Crowd

WOODBURN—The benefit card party given by the Altar society of St. Luke's church Sunday night was well attended with 32 tables of "500" in play. Prizes for high score went to Mrs. Math Hiernle and Ed Koessler, and for second high to Mrs. Henry Miller and George Becker, Jr.

On the Nose . . . By THORNTON



"They said for us not to interrupt when they're listening to KSLM."

Civic Club Is Sponsor For Camp Fire Group at Monmouth This Winter

MONMOUTH—The first meeting of Monmouth's Civic club occurred Thursday afternoon with Mrs. E. A. Stebbins and Mrs. E. F. Barrows, hostesses.

A program included a reading by Miss Bessie Christiansen; and piano number by Miss Betty Smith. Mrs. W. A. Barnum, member of the teaching staff of Oregon Normal, presented an interesting and informative verbal picture of Camp Fire work. The club went on record as sponsoring a Camp Fire organization here.

High School Instructors Honored at Social Event

MONMOUTH—A dinner party was given Tuesday night at the new home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Lorence, complimenting Monmouth high school instructors and the wives of the men members. Hostesses were Mrs. C. E. Blair, Mrs. F. E. Chambers, Mrs. James Gentile and Mrs. Lorence.