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"No Favor Sways Us; No Fear Shall Awe"

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Lumber—Marginal Industry

Two phases of the situation in the lumber industry, one favorable, the other unfavorable, were brought to the attention of Willamette valley lumbermen at a meeting in Eugene Saturday.

Word that there is real hope for alterations in the reciprocal trade agreements with Canada and the British Empire that will open the door for the products of northwest lumber mills to the vast British Empire market, was brought by Col. W. B. Greeley, head of the West Coast Lumbermen's association, who also declared that the federal housing program is showing signs of "clicking."

On the other hand J. D. Tennant, general manager of the Long-Bell company, warned that lumbering in the northwest is rapidly becoming a "marginal" industry, that is, one dependent upon temporary upturns for sporadic activity; an industry that can operate at a profit when conditions are a little better than normal but cannot do so when they are normal or a little under normal.

One of the factors resulting in this condition is the freight differential, which favored southern pine mills by \$7.41 a thousand board feet a few years ago but has been increased to \$9.36. Along with wage differentials which are also favorable to the south, this has resulted in turning the middle west market over to the southern mills.

Then in 1935, after Canada had already sewed up the British Empire market by preferential tariffs—and Canadian mills also have lower wages and longer hours than those in the northwest—the United States proceeded to open its lumber market to Canadian lumber in exchange for some advantages which did not accrue to the northwest, without obtaining any concessions as to the British Empire market.

The score is that up to 1928, Oregon and Washington were shipping a billion and a half board feet of lumber in export annually. Now that figure has dwindled to little more than one-third; 600 million, to be more exact.

The report of Col. Greeley indicates that officials at Washington are beginning to realize what a hole they placed the northwest in a few years ago. They may get busy and help this district get out of that hole now. Knowledge of the facts and a cemented public opinion here will help.

Bund in San Francisco

One new organization which adds to our surplus is the German-American bund, which held a convention over the weekend in San Francisco. Similar bodies have sprung up in other parts of the country, with the evident purpose of getting Americans of German descent to propagandize for Herr Hitler and the nazi regime. Naturally these organizations draw fire, chiefly from groups more sympathetic with communist Russia. The paper says there were two thousand anti-nazi marching in San Francisco in demonstration against the bund.

Why can't people confine their interests to this country without dressing up in alien uniforms, giving a foreign salute and doing a strut not of domestic manufacture? There are numerous bodies of transplanted folk who have occasional meetings in which they tell the stories of the homeland; but they go to no such extremes as the bund does in manifesting its sympathy with a government which is quite alien to that of the United States.

We see no particular virtue in staging a parade of remonstrance; that merely stirs up more agitation and feeling. The best treatment is the silent treatment or one of ridicule. If Americans paid no more attention to the goose-stepping nazi sympathizers here than they do to a lodge parade the bund would soon collapse from lack of interest. We feel this way, if any of the immigrants from foreign lands do not like the way things are run in this country, there are plenty of ships leaving American ports, and they ought to buy a one-way ticket and go back where they can enjoy the freedom and high ideals of Stalin, Kemal, Mussolini, Hitler and King Carol. They will not be greatly missed here.

Dewey's Biggest Job

"Racket Buster" Thomas E. Dewey has performed some big tasks in cleaning up New York City, where he now is district attorney. Now he is tackling a bigger one in the prosecution of James J. Hines, recently indicted on charges of conspiracy and felony in connection with the \$100,000,000 policy racket.

Not only is it a big undertaking because of the size of this gambling racket, carried on mostly among negroes in the Harlem colony, but because of the position and influence of Hines, one of the most powerful political bosses in the big city. He is considered the outstanding one among the Tammany leaders who went along with the new deal. To make it all the tougher, Hines is a personable man who distributed patronage in his district after the typical Tammany pattern but refined the picture by various humanitarian activities.

The prediction is in New York that no matter how the case goes, the waning power of Tammany has received another severe blow, since most of Hines' associates there are not daring to lift a finger to help him; whereas if Dewey is successful in connecting Hines with the racket that "Dutch Schultz" left behind when he and three bodyguards were shot down in a Newark tavern, it will be another boost for the prosecutor in the direction of the governor's chair at Albany, where a number of his republican friends are planning to put him.

OCF and Democratic Organization

Conservative democrats got a fresh shock when they read the claim of Monroe Sweetland, secretary of the Oregon Commonwealth federation, that his organization had captured over 200 seats in the Multnomah county democratic central committee. This is about a third of the total; and any solid bloc of that proportion is in position to do business in a political organization. The OCF represents a distinct political party itself, though it functions by "boring from within" whatever old party it finds fertile field for its operations. Sweetland himself was a socialist two years ago. The OCF membership ranges from liberal intelligentsia to varying shades of pink or red.

Similar division marks the ranks of democratic party in other states. Old-line democrats, those of the tradition of Jefferson, Jackson, Grover Cleveland, resent the invasion of the neo-socialists many of whom are carpet baggers never before registered in the party. Senator Wheeler says the breach may wreck the party this year, and calls on the administration to cease intervening in state primaries. So Oregon is just one of many states where the cleavage over the new deal and its implications is causing a deep cleavage with the democratic party itself.

No, the president probably didn't mean it when he suggested that taxes ought to be paid on election day. There's always the danger that somebody will suddenly realize where the money came from to "prime the primaries." But it might be an extremely worthwhile innovation, at that.

Copy editors and linotypers and proofreaders are unanimous in opposing war in Czechoslovakia. Chinese proper names are tough enough but at least they are not a run of consonants.

"The Hague" used to refer to the capital of the Netherlands. Now it refers to the boss of Jersey City.

On the Record

By DOROTHY THOMPSON

Last Grouse of the Season "Alexander Woolcott once asked me why I didn't write a column on the difference between Socialism, Communism and Fascism."

"That," said the Grouse, "is the easiest thing in the world; you can dispose of the question once and for all."

And with that he retired to his room and scrambled eggs. "If you think it's so simple perhaps you'll explain."

"Gladly," said the Grouse, "If you will promise me hereafter to leave these questions alone. 'Till promise not even to think of them for three months. I'm going on a vacation."

"And it's high time you did," said the Grouse tartly. "I wish you would devote your powers to something really important. Like thinking up new things to eat for breakfast. Why this eternal repetition of eggs? And scrambled eggs, at that. And why is American bacon either greasy or as dry as a chip? Why is the Irish hog so superior to the American, when it rears the breakfast table? I understand the secret of the Irish hog is plain blivver."

"And high thinking," "Root, hog or die," said the Grouse. "I should think the state of Vermont would be a natural habitat for that lean and superior animal."

"But to get back to the question," "Oh, yes," said the Grouse, finishing the scrambled eggs.

"Let us presume you have two cows," he began. "The Socialist comes to you and says, 'You should have a cow and others have none; both yours and mine. That's enough to furnish milk, butter and cheese for your own family.'"

"But it isn't—not the way this family eats butter." "For the purpose of this argument it is," said the Grouse. "The Socialist says, 'Keep one cow. It's yours and the other belongs to the state.'"

"And the Communist?" "The Communist says, 'You have no right to any cows. You should have some people have a cow and others have none; both yours and mine. That's enough to furnish milk, butter and cheese for your own family.'"

"The Fascist comes to you and says, 'We are out to protect property rights against these dreadful people, the Socialists and the Communists. They want to take away part or all of your cows. Now we intend to guarantee your legal and perpetual right to both cows. Not only are they going to see that nobody shall be allowed to inveigle you into selling them. Of course, you must take good care of them. You must see that they are properly stabled and fed, washed and inoculated. But they are your very own cows. Only—all the milk belongs to the state.'"

There was a pause. "Where does the New Deal belong in this picture?" "The New Deal," said the Grouse, "tells you that you should shoot one of the cows and pour the milk down the sink."

"What do you think is the right solution?" "For what?" asked the Grouse, pouring himself some coffee. "For—you know—everything."

The Grouse glared. "There is no solution," he said flatly. "The lot of man is tragic. Hardly does he begin to get a little sense when his glands begin to go back on him. When he is young, beautiful and vigorous he is inexperienced and dumb. When he has gotten a little wisdom, he has lumberago and corns and is cranky. Every time he solves one problem he creates another that he never foresees. Consider the Guannaco."

"What in the world is the Guannaco?" "The Guannaco," said the Grouse, "is a beast."

The one Llama is a priest. The two Llamas is a beam. And I will bet a silk pyjama. "That's right. A sort of three L Llama," said the Grouse. "Anyhow, in Patagonia."

"What do you know about Patagonia?" "I was reading about it," said the Grouse, "just to get my mind off Spain and China and Czechoslovakia and the rest of the so-called civilized world. Well, in Patagonia they grow sheep, and

"Border Incident"



Radio Programs

- Radio Programs list including KMLM-TUESDAY-1370 Kc., KEX-TUESDAY-1180 Kc., KGW-TUESDAY-620 Kc., KOIN-TUESDAY-940 Kc., KOAC-TUESDAY-1270 Kc.

Bank in Prospect For Sweet Home

Meeting June 1 to Eye Plans for Projected new Structure

LEBANON—Sweet Home progressive mountain town, is looking forward to a bank as Ken Jubb, promoter of the water system for the city reports that Dr. Joel C. Bogth of Lebanon has promised to furnish vaults and fixtures for a U. S. National bank to be erected in the city. A special meeting will be held June 1 at 8 p.m. to discuss the matter.

Mrs. O. A. Sturm has returned home after spending the winter in Seattle. T. W. Myman with a high school musical group continued the fair broadcast over KOAC Saturday and gave the dimensions of the big cake as 12 feet wide, 15 feet long and containing sugar, 300 pounds, shortening, 120 pounds, flavoring 2 quarts salt 5 pounds, milk 156 quarts flour 400 pounds, baking powder, 20 pounds; eggs, 1200; strawberries, 1100 pounds; cream, 50 gallons. This giant confection is expected to serve 10,000 guests Friday noon.

The Lebanon Hi-Light, eight-page paper published by Lebanon high school students has issued its last number for the year, May 25, and will resume in September with a new editor in chief, Mervin Jenkins, business manager, Barbara Horner; Elbert Kelly is the outgoing editor. The paper closed the year free of debt.

Strawberry Fete Ready Immense red strawberries have arrived for the fair and can be seen on office windows and on business blocks, a beautiful variety produced by L. C. Skinner with paint and brush. Mr. Skinner will lead a program of music to welcome and entertain the crowds.

L. L. Southern, chairman of the Old Fiddlers' contest to be at 7 p.m. Saturday reports many responses to the invitation to participants in this program that has always proved one of the most popular events of the fair, any fiddler 40 years old or older is eligible to enter. Twelve prizes have been arranged and no prize is less than \$2.50.

Ira Porrey, agricultural teacher in the high school with a number of students on Sunday ate luncheon on Snow Peak, 21 miles northeast of Lebanon near snow from one and one half to seven feet deep. After a hike of seven miles from where they parked their cars at the end of passable roads they visited the rock, a natural wonder of the section.

A. M. (Dolph) Ayers, a Lebanon resident for many years suffered a paralytic stroke at his home on Oak street Friday. His condition is serious and members of his family have been called home.

Claude H. Boothby Funeral Is Today

MONMOUTH—Claude H. Boothby, 60, died Sunday night at Newport where he has been living for several months in hopes of improving his health. He was born at Independence and soon moved with his parents to a farm west of Monmouth. He attended local schools and Oregon Normal and was connected with Wadhams & Kerr, also Lang & Co., both wholesale grocery establishments in Portland, for several years. In 1914 he decided to take up farm life, so returned to the old home place near Monmouth, and has been farming for nearly 25 years, retiring last fall because of impaired health.

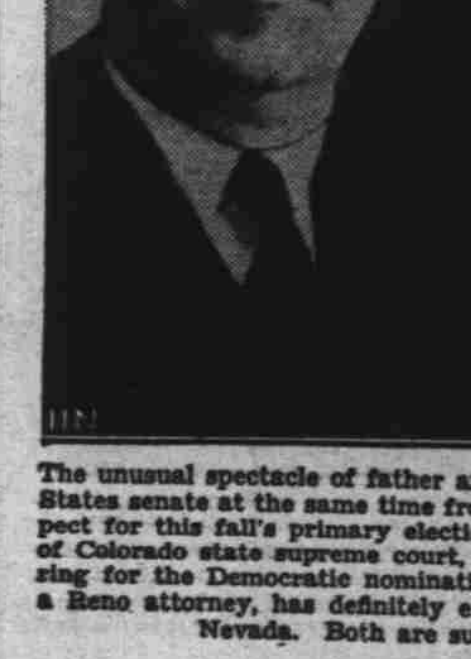
He has been active for many years in work of the IOOF and served as district deputy for nearly 10 years. Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Lillie Grund Boothby, and a daughter, Marjorie, of Corvallis.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Christian church here.

Brown Gets Contract

PIONEER—Harvey Brown of Salt Creek has taken a contract for getting out logs which are being taken by truck to the McMinnville saw mill. A new logging road has been built up to the old Robbins mill which leaves the main road near Roy Bird's place.

Hilliards may Both Run, Senate



The unusual spectacle of father and son seeking seats in the United States senate at the same time from two different states is the prospect for this fall's primary elections. Justice Benjamin C. Hilliard of Colorado state supreme court, is expected to toss his hat in the ring for the Democratic nomination, while his son, Albert Hilliard, a Reno attorney, has definitely entered the race for nomination in Nevada. Both are supporters of Roosevelt.

Amity Graduation Event of Tonight

26 to Receive Diplomas Completing 8 Grades; J. F. Sauter Speaks

AMITY—Twenty-six pupils will receive their eighth grade diplomas at the Amity grade school graduation exercises to be held in the grade school auditorium Tuesday at 8 o'clock.

J. F. Santee of the department of education at the Monmouth Normal will be the guest speaker and will address the class on the subject, "Educational Beginnings in Oregon." The members of the class are Fern Christie, Jack Davis, Frederick Doreave, Dwight Ellenwood, John Ellenwood, Thomas Glahn, Earl Henderson, Patsy High, Edward Jaenway, Edwin Kroenig, Emma Kroenig, Jess Lee, Lois Maxwell, Dorothy McCaslin, Marcell Osborne, Alvin Riererson, Norman Robinson, Paul Shields, Robert Slovick, Joy Tucker, Irwin Warner, Esther Wildt, Bruce Williams, Norman Williams, Thelma Williams and Maxine Wood. Marcell Osborne is valedictorian and Earl Henderson is salutatorian.

Neuman Convalescent Adolph Neuman, who has been receiving medical aid in a Portland hospital for several weeks, has been brought to his home south of Amity, where he is convalescing. The Baptist Mission circle met Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Eleanor Jeffries in Newberg. Mrs. J. A. Breeding gave a report of the Baptist state convention, held recently in Salem, and a lesson on mission work in Burma, India.

During the business meeting it was voted that the circle use the gift boxes next year for individual mission offerings and that it also have the usual silver offerings at each meeting of the circle. Twelve members, who present. Guests present were Mrs. Laura Miller of Newberg and Mrs. Frank Thomas of Salem.

Woodburn Youths High in Studies

WOODBURN—Sixty-one students of Woodburn high school made a scholastic standing of "B" or better during the final six week period which qualified them for membership in the Torch Honor society. Robert Anderson, Bobby Dean, Lucille Edlund, Betty Frenz, Lucinda Homan, Doris Jones and Mary Viqulan all had a perfect average of "A" during the period. Bobby Dean, Fred Evenden and Betty Frenz lead in periods of successive membership with 24 which means that they were members of the Torch Honor group during their entire four years in high school.

The complete list includes Robert Anderson, Kenneth Arney, Tom Asper, Ambrose Asper, Elora Asper, Eva Beard, Elsie Bliven, Fred Biens, Marie Boje, Edythe Calvin, Cleo Carothers, Tommy Collier, Marlan Crosby, Virginia Cullin, Lucille Doreave, Lucinda Homan, Kathleen, Lucille Edlund, Norrine Eppley, Fred Evenden, Rose Field, Betty Frenz, Corinne Kobb, Raymond Gilles, Lorraine Hammond, Evelyn Hansen, Freda Hansen, Orlo Harr, Melvin Harlow, Elmer Hobart, Lucinda Homan, Kathryn Howe, Ben Johnson, Doris Jeanne Lee, Tom Losey, Howard Lawrence, Virginia Miller, Helen Moeding, Bill Nelson, Bill Phillips, Roy Pomeroy, Gilbert Ramage, Charles Rasmussen, Ronald Rasmussen, Dora, Francis Schaeffer, Shirley Seely, Dennis Steffor, Noble Shrock, Jean Simmons, Georgianna Smith, Warren Sybrandt, Clara Taylor, Corryne Taylor, Shirley Townsend, Nelda Trullinger, Mary Viqulan, Vernon Wald and Elsie Yoder.

Twin Colts Newcomers At Farm of Julians; Parents Are Percheons

FOG VALLEY—Friday was a banner day at the Albert Julian farm in Fox Valley when Mr. Julian's grade Percheon mare, Babe, presented him with twin colts. Sired by King Carvel, registered Percheon stallion, No. 219128, owned by Mr. Julian. King Carvel is less than three years old now. Babe has produced the first colts sired by him which is quite a remarkable record considering the fact that twin colts are not common. Statistics show about one mare out of every 1000 gives birth to twins. The new arrivals at the Julian farm appear normally strong and in good condition.

Hovenden Funeral Service Is Held

HUBBARD—Funeral services for Mrs. Edna Hovenden, 61 years of age, were held on Saturday afternoon, May 28, from the Sam Miller parlors. Mrs. Hovenden is the daughter of Mrs. J. L. Calvert of Hubbard. She was born at Hubbard and lived here all her life. She owned considerable property in and around Hubbard. Mrs. Hovenden had a paralytic stroke on Saturday, May 21 and died on Thursday, May 26, at Seaside. Among the survivors are the mother, Mrs. J. S. Calvert of Hubbard, Percy Calvert of Walla Walla, Elden Calvert of Chicago, brothers; and one sister, Miss Ruth Calvert of Salem. Burial was in the Hubbard cemetery.

Morgan Airs Charges Against TVA at Hearing



Charges that improper cost accounting had deceived the public about the expense of TVA activities were made by Dr. Arthur E. Morgan, ousted chairman of the board, when he testified before a congressional committee checking into operations of the project. Dr. Morgan, shown conferring with Walter Kohos, his former assistant, was forced out because of his feud with David E. Lilienthal, shown at the hearing, and H. A. Morgan, the other two members of the board.