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## Frisco's Labor Águe

os Angeles had its sects and salvationists but peer o all the cities in the country for prolonged and costly strike
is San Frarcisco. For four years the Golden Gate metro olis has gone from one labor embroglio to another and trad
and commerce have been vastly injured.
Only a week ago was the up settled. Yesterday the eeight-weeks' old retail clerks' strik
dragged to a conclusion which did not give the strikers closed shop but permitted recognition of the union as a bar
gaining agency. A year ago the hotel business of San Francisco was laid
luring the tourist season by an expensive, bitter controv ersy while the longshore-shippers' disputes have been so
quent that grass still grows on many waterfront docks. tion to end this colstly conflict. The entire state of California is voting on a labor union regulatory measure, somewha similar to that proposed in Oregon. A committee of 100 , de
signed to bring peace between employers and employes bv
series of conferences, has been active for the last six months The futility of its work to date is evidenced strikes of this summer, tieups which are rapidly tearing down
San Franciseo's position as a wholesaling and jobbing censan Francisco's position as a wholesaling and jobbing cen
ter and diverting that business to Fresno, Sacramento and Los Angeles. The four-year record of San Francisco is so bad, its cost
to every individual, every sector of business has been so large the capital-labor groups on the bay. Unless San Francisco the capita-labor groups on the bay. Unless san ranisun
can find a formula for easing its labor tensions the commun
ity must shortly forfeit the business leadership in shipping ity must shortly forfeit the business
and wholesaling she formerly claimed.

Klamath Makes a Record The Klamath Falls district has been hard at work for
decade on two big problems: diversification of its incom and a higher yield per acre from its agricultural products. Its its potatoes have greatly augmented and stabilzed
comin into the area.
While No. 1 potatos are bringing only $\$ 1.00$ a hundred
wholesale in the metropolitan markets, the average yield per wholesale in the metropolitan markets, the average yield per
acre of Klamath potato raisers is going to set a new high in
1938. Leading the way has been James Hammond, a Merril - Hy club lad, who got 536 sacks of Netted Gems on one acre
a yield of 893 bushels and a new record for Klamath county
The Herald and News, which sponside young Hammond's mark is only 200 bushels behind the the average per acre yield of the district has steadily mount
ed. In 1922, the average grower in Klamath county took only ed. In 1922 , the average grower in Klamath county took only
96 bushels of potatoes from an acre. By 1932 that had jumped
to antaverage of 216 acres. The highest recorded mark was in 1936; when the average yield per acre was 312 bushels, a rec
ord which the county expett to exceed this year.
Klamath marketing of potatoes is slightly behind but October 31 saw 1014 carloads already shinped out of the California market, have qiven Klamath Falls its own depresbelieve, says the Herald-News, that a world's record for pro
duction of potatoes can be set on an acre of land in the Klam ath basin.

It Has Happened Her
Even an original pump-orimer must get financial chills
to read the record of the federal treasury for the first four months of the 1939 fiscal year. Three billion dollars will have
been poured out in four months, a rate of outlay exceeding by half a billion dollars the first four months in the fiscal vea
of 1935 when the country was trying to spend its way bac to prosperity. In four months the deficit is ap more than
hillion dollars and it can be confidentlv expected that the win
ter demands for WPA and PWA will ter demands for WPA and PWA will send the red new high by the time June 30.1939 . is at hand.
The staggering scale of federal expenses and deficits is
in face of the heaviest tax rates since war-time plus new taxe in face of the heaviest tax rates since war-time plus new tax New Deal government has added to its costs. never tapering
them when the business recovery of 1936 and 1937 was supThe apologists for big spending always defended the
New Deal's lavish outlays as temporary. As soon as business got under way-ther
would be reduced, so
in the nextder
The New Deal's budget program has reversed these pre dietions. Every year, in every way. the flood cates of the trea-
sury have oopened wider. The bond market has been pegged.
Social security reserve funds have been gobbled with government debts.
Prophets who feared inflation were first ridiculed but
as the extravaganza at Washington continues, their warnings now sound prescient. It has happened here- a , national march
to insolvency of federal to insolvency of federal credit. With more billions to be spent
for rearmament, for rairoods, for larger relief vavments,
the nation marches steadily on to inflation or repudiation.

## The Staters' Comeback

Oregon State's football, which started so dolefully thi jubilant over the comeback of Stiner's Staters Tray are now
The eleven at Corvallis have always been unpredictable. Seldom bril which cut the fans hearts, there has always been enough funa team one uitimately to be reckoned wwith,
Remember five years ago when the Trojans were invin ibie? It was the dark-horse Oregon States who rose up in
Portland to hold Jones' men $0-0$ and to do it without changing pus. Thisho, which was much stronger the Corvallis the dopesters knew, made meat of the Beavers, But Stiner did not despair
Down in Los Angeles where the sunalways shines too bright touchdown. The highly -rated Huskies were clawed to death in a hatif. Washington State took the count. And a bit of luck
a mar of glue on a back's hands, would have put the Staters in the win column over the Golden Bears. missing quantity for so many years when the Beavers coul hoid a line but make no touchdowns. Meanwhile the tiring as the season opened, is in a morass. The early season predic
tion was that the Eugene lads would make hay of their bro thers to the north. Not so now. Lumbering Oregon State ha
awakened; if you doubt it, look over the statistics on the Cal ifornia zame.

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