

### Board to Protest Crater Lake Fees

#### Charge for Driving From Medford to Klamath Falls Is Hit

The policy of charging fees at Crater Lake national park against motor vehicles which use the park only for traveling between Medford and Klamath Falls will be protested to Secretary of the Interior Ickes, the state highway commission decided here Thursday.

State Highway Engineer R. H. Baldock told the commission he had received protests from motorists who were charged the \$1 fee even though they were traveling through the park and had no intention of visiting the lake. Members of the highway commission branded the charge a "grave injustice to the traveling public."

A financial report showed that the commission expended \$16,233,254 in 1939, and had revenues of \$17,308,090. The commission had estimated its revenues for the year at \$17,418,000. Expenditures on the Wolf Creek highway from Portland to the sea in 1939 aggregated \$465,013. Of this amount, the WPA contributed \$338,257 or 72.7 per cent while the state contributed the remainder.

### Exhibit Necessity Key to Authority

Authority of the state emergency board to use emergency funds appropriated by the 1939 legislature for the operation of an exhibit at the San Francisco world's fair this year depends upon whether it is necessary or advisable to maintain such an exhibit. Attorney General Van Winkle ruled Thursday.

Van Winkle held that the emergency board is required to pass upon the necessity and advisability of granting authority to create a deficiency.

The opinion was requested by Governor Charles A. Sprague. He indicated that the emergency board would be called into special session to consider the proposal.

The state maintained an exhibit at the San Francisco fair in 1939.

### Annual Report of Veterans' State Aid Commission Shows Operations Of new System Are Advantageous

Collections of the World war veterans state aid commission in 1939 aggregated \$2,364,017, as against \$2,345,542 in 1938, annual report of Jerrold Owen, secretary, filed with the World war veterans state aid commission Thursday, disclosed.

All-time high collections of \$2,570,000 were reached in 1937. Current delinquencies on January 1, 1940, totaled \$146,640 as compared to \$156,769 on January 1, 1939. In 1935 these delinquencies aggregated \$1,017,000.

Cost of collections since June 1, 1939, by field operatives of the commission outside of Multnomah county, totaled \$335.85 as against \$915 a month under the previous system.

Delinquent accounts on December 31, 1939, aggregated 2,157 as compared to 2339 on December 31, 1938. There are now in force 6758 original veterans loans with an amount receivable of \$9,510,000. Sales contracts number 2479, representing \$4,718,951.

Approximately 1311 parcels of state-owned property remain unsold.

Sales for 1939 aggregated \$747,052 with a profit of \$16,357 to the state. During 1939 a total of 181,331 contracts were cancelled, leaving net sales at \$565,729.

Properties taken over through mortgage foreclosure or deed decreased from 448 in 1935 to 85 in 1939. Repair and maintenance costs in 1939 totaled \$103,609 compared to \$147,000 in 1938.

Income from farm rentals in 1939 aggregated \$28,082 and from city properties \$152,803. Taxes and liens were paid in the amount of \$128,453 in 1939.

There were 49 foreclosures in 1939 as against 85 in 1938. Operating costs in 1939 were \$280,646 as compared to \$432,495 in 1938. Administrative costs dropped from \$128,412 in 1938 to \$122,756 in 1939.

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How long would one last in his Russia, should he even hint disapproval of the government. Is not the US too lenient with those who are taking advantage of our liberty to organize to try to destroy it?

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### The Safety Valve

Letters from Statesman Readers

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He does not know whether it was north or south of the Clackamas river, the date of the arrest nor the name of his friend. The only tangible thing he did know was that it was near an island in the Willamette river, and I can see that island from the window of my office; therefore, his testimony was as for naught.

The testimony of the third witness, Mr. Myers, was to the effect that he was arrested on the super-highway in 1935. The facts are that he was arrested on October 16, 1932; and if my memory serves me right, that was before the super-highway was built.

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### Reform Demanded In Relief Policy

PORTLAND, Jan. 25.—(P)—Reform in the administration of relief was demanded by Multnomah County Commissioner O. V. Badley at a Willamette Democratic society meeting today.

Twenty per cent of relief money, he declared, "is going into places where it shouldn't go."

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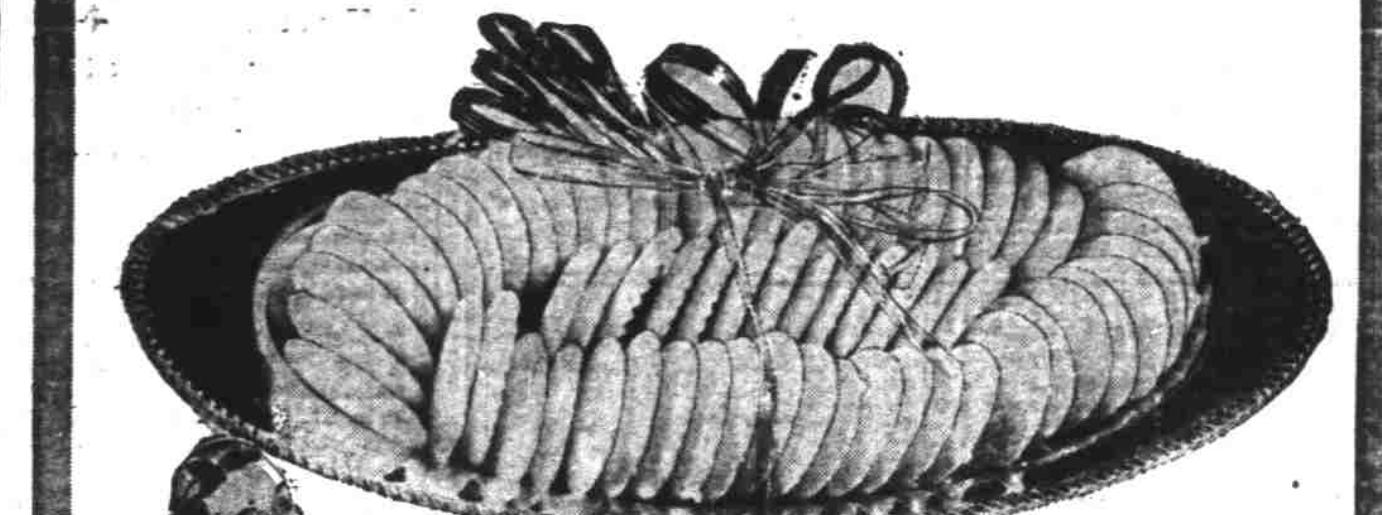
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