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## Amortization

Primary argument of proceeding with the
wage disposal and sewer improvement-program at this time, is that the city is getting an
exceptional bargain. For an investment of $\$ 200,000$ or a little less, through cooperation of
the state and the WPA facilities worth more the state and the WPA facilities worth more
than twice that are to be acquired. The state and
WPA participation is already approved; it may not be available if the project is delayed.
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it
were not for these circumstances point-
ing to the wisdom of immediate action Statesman would favor a "pay as you go pro
gram. But in the present case the city council
has done the next best thing. It has so drafted the enabling measure upon which Salem citizens
will vote next Tuesday, that amortization of the erty tax but a service charge collected from
water users, since they include all of the sewer

What will be the amount of this service
harge? There are 7742 water users inside the city limits, and a number outside the city served by the sewer system who would also contribute
Divide $\$ 200,000$ by 7742 -actually 8000 would be closer-and you do not get any staggering
figure. If amortization of the $\$ 2000000$ is spread over costs but, subtracting the state's share, it is
tion
conservatively estimated that it can be handled
with a charge averaging 25 cents a month, $\$ 3$ a year. In the news columns on Thursday there was
and ture. Aside from the water bonds which are
likewise being paid off through direct charges duced to a figure only slightly in excess of half
m million dollars. Salem is in such favorable
position that it could well afford to add the small
sum sought for financing the sewage disposal
plant But plant. But the alternative
sound and more equipable. sound and more equipable.
Considering the direct benefits of getting
up to date in the matter of stream protection and
the indirect benefitto of the incentive this will
provide for simiar action elsewhere along the
Willamette river, the cost is deceidedly modest.
The sewage disposal project should receive a
substantial margin of approval in the election

## As Clear as Mud

Everybody was talking about the Rudolf
Hess episode, so every editor talked about it too,
at the first opportunity after the news broke Each one, we are convinced, approached the
task in about the same frame of mind. They realized that they didn't know enough to dis-
cuss the matter with any great probity; that they
wete not in posifion to enlighten any reader that their speculations would be no wiser, no
more authoritative, no more profound than those of any reader. But they knew too that because
these things were true, because the readers
would sense that for once at least the editor dld not have any undue advantage in his press-box
seat, what they wrote would be read and en-
joyed more than common. Today everybody has read a great deal s the significant fact that Berlin and London he Duke ond that he sought to discuss it with
conjecture. Only an. Fecretive there on all in stow still
conow what Germany, and only a s
Paul Mallon on this page raises a solid obines but does not endorse, that Hitler was in on
the deal, bumps into the objection that the whole world, and that this result could have been fore-
That leaves us back where we started-and
amidst the conflicting clouds of propaganda,
we're in no position to take off again something like that of a carnival's visit to mail hewn; everything seems to have stopped
tor the parade. But now business is returning
to normal and we note that the nazi web has tightened around Vichy and the nazi web hase fraction
of the 40 million Frenchmen who are governed too, and the Near East may boil over as a result.
It sym
But before leaving Viehy, let's note the amazin words of Marshal Petain

as a European and colonial power." he really might be thinking. Bear in mind that Ing the United States out is the play just now; 5 no more comprehensible than Rudolf Hess
Wage-Hour Compliance
hour division has been inspecting the payroll
rocords of business firms in Marshfield throughout Coos county. To our rest knowledge In Oregon, although heretofore the division has enses remulting from definite complaints.
The finvestigator determined that 3
Of 70 others which were deemed subject
it the lewt the atrong report is made that 68 ,
ficulty about the minimum wage provision since
most wage scales already exceeded this requirement. Yet 15 firms in Coos county were found to be paying less than 30 cents an hour. Of the
others, 39 had failed to pay overtime for work in excess of 40 hours a week. Presumably the
14 remaining firms were violating the law in
technical detail, though news reports neglect In nearly every case, the investigator assets, the violations were not deliberate but were due
to misunderstanding or misinterpretation of the law's provisions. If is indicated that no prosecu-
tions will result; the employers have agreed to pay back wages due, amounting altogether in
the county to more than $\$ 10,000$ in which 1200 able failure to budget such amounts, that will In some cases be a farrly severe penalty in itself. in connection with Atherton purge in other day ference athletic circles also applies to this wagepatience is acppropriate. Regraraless of doubts as to its practical virtues, the public is generally friendly to the law's objectives. And regardless
of all other questions, it it ithe law. The current
embarrassment of Coos county employers should


The Booster club of Florence "says it with
owers" in inviting the editor to attend the annual Rhododendron festival at the mouth of the duet of rhododendrons accompanying the invita-
Hon speaks eloquently of this particular attrac
tion. The club didn't send a sample of the clam

## News Behind The News

| By PAUL MALLON | Yes, in printshop <br> parlance, "they would <br> surely vomit a snipe," <br> these history hickstorians: <br> (Continuing from yesterday:) | Perce woman, said to be related to Chief Joseph, and their daughter became the mother of the wife of Miles Poindexter, United States senator from Washington, and minister to Peru. David Hill, | versity, Forest Grove, in 1854. His past days, afflicted with miners' rheumatism, he was in the Eldorado county, Cal., hospitpl at Placerville (poor house) and died there May 1, 1884; was burled in the hospital cemetery; the |
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| WASHINGTON, May ${ }^{15}$-Hitler seems to be <br> letting out the clutch for one of his familiar all- <br> out propaganda.rides on the Roosevelt govern- |  | the |  |
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| ment. The German short wave radio broadcasts have suddenly manifest tactics |  |  |  |
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| an adversaries ${ }^{\text {antimate, catalog }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 10 \\ & \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ | ${ }_{\text {for }}^{\text {for }}$ |  |
| (ea | I | place was mostly | feelings. Stewart joined the gold |
| cal doings and are obviou | laws" framed were reporte |  | rush to California, and lived in that state thereafter, Stewart was |
| preparation as shrewdly devi |  |  | one of the three men, the others |
|  |  | Champoeg on July 5,184 | Jose |
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| Roosevelt is called "FDR" |  |  |  |
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| quade to thelr wives and families. The whole hits the line of ant-semitism (naming Jewish officials), encouraging rebellion against the tax bill, promisingfarmersEuropean matkets, slugging'PDR ${ }^{\prime \prime}$ and |  |  |  |
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|  | July | ther, | change to a single man for gov- |
| family. is strictly an undermining effort. | ve |  |  |
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| that nazi films have been smuggied into this country from South America. One is designed to demonstrate the invincibility of the nazi army. It is calle |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | (Continued tomorrow.) |
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| copy of the military film was picked up somewhere abroad by the army and shown privately to our military officers months ago. <br> The government is somewhat disturbed by |  |  |  |
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|  | early life followed the sea. So he |  | Saiety Vaive |
| these and similar manifestations (circulation of pamphlets, scurrilous buttons, etc.) But for the present is just listening and reading. wave foreign could not find an answeting murder for his listeners. Of course there is no intention here of meeting the situation that way. |  |  | Letters from Statesman |
|  |  | Champoegs state park is now, She |  |
|  |  |  | GRATITUDE |
|  |  |  | Hoyered in a bomb-proof shelter, |
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| ing records of all the broadcasts. A special defense unit has been quietly created in the justice depostoffice department is burning all it can detect going through the mails, mainly importations from abroad printed in German and English. The domes-tic stuff is circulated mostly in hotel envelopes, or without identification. $\qquad$ | gon 1250 cattle |  |  |
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|  | Today's Gard |  | Bombers raining death struction |
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|  | the South |  | here |
| Sizzling Heess developpents is that neither London nor Berlin can be expected to tell the whole truth and nothing but the truth. They are at war. the British the same relative position as Charrie MCCarthy occupies with Mr. Bergen. He is in their lap. Therefore, it may not be important that all sides |  |  |  |
|  | it mentioned in talks. |  |  |
|  | Answer: The South American |  |  |
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|  | war condititons in | ij |  |
| here and in Europe deny a version witler dispatched his trustworthy intimate with a serious peace proposal, under an arrangement whereby Hitter was | ful effects. A | original trustees of Pacific, Uni- |  |
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| posal, to denounce Hess as hallucinated if no satisfactory | blue and fille |  |  |
| have been roughly the same as carried in this | fuchsias and purple petinias. tos |  |  |
|  | owner referred to tt as her South |  |  |
| it would shortly emanate from nazi sources. That plan was based on German domination of Europe | nit |  |  |
| under a decentralized system providing nominal self-government for the Balkans, the Scandinavian and Australla to remain as is. | ands a bit of tiny he |  |  |
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|  | Tcan you it was |  |  |
| With this, Hess could have carried the threat that Britain would be immediately invaded and con- |  |  |  |
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| the answer was negative. |  |  |  |
|  | the white flowered thyme. There |  |  |
| The nazis naturally might deny such a supposition as they have denied from the beginning of this war all the authentic peace overtures hey have arposal a sign of weakness. <br> The British might well hesitate to expose the |  |  |  |
|  | R.N. writes that some |  |  |
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| trick for the fear of reaction among the pacifists here and elsewhere who preter a German vietory to continuance of the war. | Answer: Possibly the |  |  |
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| Incline toward the British verstions, even though | methaldehyde. These |  |  |
| these sometimes require a disregard of Hess' long- | G.B.B. writes the wants s |  |  |
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| parachute himself wholiy out of his Hfe-character |  |  |  |
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| ali the other nazi leaders with blood on their hands. It is mightly hard to think that type of man | ses $1 i$ |  |  |
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| twould fiee his beloved wife and child as well as hts equally boloved fuehrer to save hls own valueles skini. |  |  |  |
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## Bits for Breakfast

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Radio Programs


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