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YES ON BONUS AMENDMENT

TO put an end to the steadily mounting losses in the operation of the Veterans' State Aid commission, the legislature is submitting to the people of July 21 what is known as the Soldiers and Sailors Bonus Amendment, altering the present setup for this work in the Oregon constitution. On the ballot the measure will appear in this way:

SOLDIERS AND SAILORS BONUS AMENDMENT—Purpose: To provide that no cash bonuses shall be paid by the state after the adoption of this amendment; that no bonus loans shall be made by the state after June 30th, 1938; authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds to refund bonds issued to provide funds from which to pay bonuses and make loans, the total of such original and refunding bonds at any time not to exceed the constitutional limitation now existing.

Vote YES or NO.

302 Yes. I vote for the proposed amendment.

303 No. I vote against the proposed amendment.

Since 1921, when the veterans' aid legislation was enacted, the bureau at Salem has piled up a bonded debt of \$26,115,000 for loans and cash bonuses. In the present year alone, the interest charge on this debt will be \$1,116,821.90.

Between now and 1952, it will be necessary to pay off \$11,942,236.00 in interest and the principal of \$26,115,000, a total of \$38,057,236.00 (and this does not allow for loans which will be made between now and the proposed 1938 deadline on loans).

If the bonus commission were self-sustaining, there would not be much complaint of the size of its operations, but it is not self-sustaining. The original act authorized a special levy, not to exceed 2 mills for its purpose and under this authorization, the taxpayers in 11 years have ponied up \$7,250,000. In 1929-30, expenditures were \$6,248,591; receipts only \$5,116,565. In 1931-32 estimated expenditures called for \$7,002,913 against estimated receipts of only \$4,281,595 (final figures on the biennial not complete). For 1933-34, departmental requests called for \$8,000,672 against estimated receipts of only \$3,337,000, and Governor Meier called a halt.

The proposed change in the law is the first result. Depression is only partly responsible for the troubles of the commission. No ordinary agency could have risked loans up to 75 percent of appraised value even in good times. Bad times have only accentuated difficulties due to fundamentally unsound policies. In the Veterans' Pamphlet the argument for the amendment is signed by State Senators Walter S. Fisher, of Roseburg; Robert M. Duncan, of Burns and Representatives Victor Eckley, of LaGrande; J. O. Johnson, of Tigard; and Harvey Wells, of Portland. There is no negative argument.

What of the veterans? Virtually all veterans eligible for the benefits have received them. The proposed change does not take anything away from them. On the contrary, though it stops cash bonuses now, it permits five more years of loaning which we believe to be a mistake under the circumstances. But we support the amendment because it is at least a first step toward putting this huge operation on a businesslike basis.

VOTE 302 YES—in favor of the soldiers and sailors bonus amendment.

OREGON POPULATION GROWING

SINCE the federal census in 1930, the population of Oregon has increased by at least 25,000, according to the latest federal estimates—based on the data of births, deaths, immigration and emigration. They give Oregon a population of 983,000 now against 958,000 in 1930. Oregon is the 33rd state of the Union in population.

Oregon showed an increase of 170,000 between 1920 and 1930; the percentage was 21.8. To maintain the same percentage of growth in the present decade, Oregon will have to make a gain of close to 210,000, or 21,000 a year. The new estimates, based presumably on 1930, 31 and 32 statistics show that conditions are relatively stable.

California seems to have kept up the 20 percent increase rate with a three year jump of 453,000 putting the total over 6,000,000. Arizona is given a total of 453,000, a gain of 17,427; Nevada, 93,000, a gain of 1,947; Montana and Idaho are not calculated. Washington is given a 1933 figure of 1,569,000—a decrease of 4,396—and it is only the state so far with a decrease.

The eastern and southern states show relatively small gains, only such as might come with normal excess of births over deaths. The nation's estimated population is 125,693,000—a gain of only 2,917,954 since 1930 (a little better than 2 percent).

What do the figures mean, if anything? They indicate that without the stimulus of foreign immigration, population growth in this country has definitely slowed down. They indicate also that the expected internal shifts of population, in the direction of better living conditions, have scarcely begun.

In widely advertised California, this drift is quite noticeable, despite hard times. In Oregon it is traceable, though not so great as might be expected, but sufficient to justify the belief that it will come.

This drift will be accelerated by the social changes now in the making. Federal experts figure that more than 2,000,000 have left the big cities already. The migration will be toward those states and those areas which are BEST FOR HOMES.

GIVE A HAND FOR SPRINGFIELD

AFTER an appalling string of reverses, things are looking up again over in the neighboring city of Springfield. The whistle is blowing regularly at the big Booth-Kelly mill once more. The city's biggest payroll is restored. Springfield is going to celebrate Saturday night with a big barbecue and frolic.

Eugene should be well represented in this celebration. The prosperity of Springfield is important to our prosperity. The industrial development of this district, the dream of generations, cannot be figured without intensive development of the Springfield area. It has the road and rail facilities, and the access to materials. And its people have been

unconquerable in their faith and courage.

Turn out the Gleemen and the Junior Chamber marchers and give a hand in the Springfield party. Going through an old history of Oregon the other night we found a rather prophetic statement about the two cities, Eugene and Springfield. It mentioned Eugene as the head of the then active navigation on the Willamette and as a convenient trading center. It spoke of Springfield as equipped by situation to be a great milling and manufacturing center. Setbacks haven't altered logic "any."

Our good friend Judge Sawyer over in Bend writes with enthusiasm of the cliff writings discovered in Central Oregon by University of Oregon professors. What a difference a few hundred or a few thousand years can make, remarks Old Rosybeak. For if the good judge had been functioning in those days there probably would have been a Councilman for Cliffside Beauty and chief putting his daubings thereon would have been hung up by the toes.

When the depression was beginning the late Dwight Morrow predicted the depression would be over six months before we would wake up to the fact which may account for the fact that some of us still feel like sleep walkers.

A Scotch humorist in the House of Commons suggests "liquidation" of the war debts owed the U. S. by shipments of wine and whiskey. No thanks, the war has left us with plenty of "hang-over."

You've got to hand it to the U. S. department of agriculture. After spending years and millions educating the American farmer to grow two blades where one grew before, it is now lending its applause to bigger and better crop failures.

IN THE EDITOR'S MAIL BAG

LANDAKER APPEALS AGAIN.
 EUGENE, Ore.—(To the Editor)—In my last letter I quoted the report of the state police to the highway commission for 1932 that said that NINETY PER CENT OF THE AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENTS WERE CAUSED THROUGH LIQUOR. In New Jersey eighty-five per cent of the automobile accidents were from liquor drinking.

Neighbors, the old saloons that you are commanded to legalize by President Roosevelt doped their adulterated liquor and then went through the pockets of its doped patrons. You were told that "We don't want the old saloon back." Have you heard that cry in the last year since the distiller has the people of Oregon seemingly eating out of his hand? Just recently I was told how a barkeeper was fired for giving change for a twenty-dollar gold piece instead of keeping the change AS HE SHOULD HAVE DONE. YOU are told that repeat will get rid of the terrible bootlegger. Where will he go? Into the modernized saloons that you will allow him to establish if YOU REPEAL sections 30 and 30A of Article I of the state constitution. He will violate any law that you may think is reasonable regulation. If I were an industrialist I would not pay a sober man's wage to drinking men in my business; neither would you. Repeat and you get just this condition and worse for YOUR lives are endangered. Neighbors, after July 21 I am looking to God for protection if Oregon goes for repeal for I can get it nowhere else.

Your neighbor,

C. MADISON LANDAKER.

WASHINGTON LETTER

By RODNEY DUTCHER
 WASHINGTON, July 12.—Administrator Hugh Johnson frequently bares the teeth of the industrial recovery act.

He doesn't threaten, but people keep asking him what will be done when concerns set extortionate prices, raise rents to offset new minimum wages to employees or discharge workers for union activities. And he leaves no doubt that when an industry doesn't police itself, as he hopes it will, he intends to step in. If he thinks an industry has fixed prices too high he will call in its representatives, ask them to defend themselves, and if they can't make a case will turn to the anti-trust laws for prosecution.

And to fire a man for joining a union would be a violation of pledged word under the new codes, for which deprivation of the act's benefits would be the punishment.

Act Has Teeth

"Read the Act!" is one of the stock official answers to questions here now. Reading of the industrial act discloses more teeth than most of us supposed were in it. First the federal district attorneys, upon orders from the justice department, are charged with preventing and restraining violations of codes, with jurisdiction given to the U. S. district courts.

Next there's a \$500 fine provided for whoever violates a provision of an approved code, for each violation.

Next, the president can license business enterprises to engage in interstate commerce and can revoke such licenses. There's a \$500 fine and up to six months imprisonment provided for operation without a required license—each day of violation constituting a separate offense.

President's Power

Stiffest of all is the final section: The president can prescribe such rules and regulations as are necessary to carry out the purposes of the act and violation of such a rule or regulation is punishable with a \$500 fine, six months imprisonment, or both.

That's the joker which leaves no limit to the government's powers of enforcement. It might be useful to break a strike or to control the number of wars on a pickle.

AN EDITORIAL ON HEALTH

By DR. MORRIS FISHBEIN

ALTHOUGH most people are familiar with the common infectious diseases, such as scarlet fever, measles, diphtheria and whooping cough, few have adequate information concerning some of the more unusual infectious disorders which attack people in various parts of the United States.

For some time it was thought that Rocky Mountain spotted fever occurred only west of the Mississippi river. In 1930, investigators for the U. S. Public Health Service found the disease in some of the eastern states. It has not yet been seen in the New England states, but with the present means of transportation, it might, of course, appear at any time.

Rocky Mountain spotted fever is spread to human beings by the bite of infected ticks, particularly wood ticks and dog ticks. These appear early in the spring, are most numerous during May, June and July, and disappear rapidly during August. The ticks develop on long grass and bushes and from these pass to animals or human beings in search of blood.

The tick, once on the body, does not begin feeding promptly, but usually looks first for a place that will be suitable, including especially the back of the head or the arm pits.

In avoiding infection by the bite of the tick, it is necessary, of course, to avoid the ticks, to get them off the body as soon as possible, and, in case one is going into an area in which Rocky Mountain spotted fever is fairly frequent, to be vaccinated against the disease.

The safest camping grounds are those in places where low vegetation is scanty. Unsafe camping grounds are those in which the bedding is placed directly on the ground in areas thick with sage-brush. Clothing, such as high boots and leggings, or socks worn outside the trouser legs, helps to keep the ticks from getting into contact with the body.

The U. S. Public Health Service has prepared a vaccine which is useful in preventing infections with Rocky Mountain spotted fever.

SIDE GLANCES



"Now we're not going over all that again. So stop arguing and drop her down."

Reception Given At Church Tuesday

Some one hundred and fifty attended the reception given Tuesday evening by the congregation of the First Christian church to honor Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Allumbaugh, who are leaving for Nampa, Idaho, to make their home.

For the program, the Christian Endeavor quartet sang; Mrs. Thomas Bailey gave a talk; Miss Alma Caldwell, member of the music faculty at the state college in Trezona, New pastor of the church, gave a talk; and Mr. and Mrs. Allumbaugh spoke.

Mrs. Will Robertson was chairman for the refreshments and Mrs. Ralph Pierce had charge of the decorations.

Campus Event

Campus events for the week center in the annual "Kampus Frolic" to be given Tuesday evening. Townspeople as well as campus folk are invited to attend the event. Tickets may be obtained at the summer school office but reservations for the campus dinner should be in today. The event starts with an all-campus dinner on the lawn in front of Friendly hall. Following the dinner, the group will assemble on the tennis courts west of the old library for the program. Heading the program is the faculty stunt, "Goldboarders of 1933." All other groups active during the summer session will give stunts too. Dancing will follow the program.

Birthday Party

Honoring her daughter, Virginia, who was four years old Wednesday, Mrs. Arthur T. Moses entertained at a birthday party for a group of children. Jane Moses assisted her mother. Guests included Joan and Eric Olsen, John Nasholm, Henry Boehnke, Betty Lou Hamilton, John Banks, Jimmy Ludford, Lloyd Beebe, Beverly Moses, Jane, Virginia, and Jack Moses. Mrs. Fred Ludford and Mrs. Agnes Moses, grandmothers of the little honor guest, also attended the party.

Texas Club

The Texas club will sponsor its annual picnic in the park back of the butte next Sunday for members and their families. Coffee and lemonade are to be furnished by the club. Entertainment will be given by the Oregon Loggers. All former residents of Texas are invited. Each family is to bring its own basket lunch, silverware, and dishes.

Party For Visitor

Honoring Mrs. Harold Young, visitor from Portland, Mrs. George DeBar and her daughter, Mrs. Harvey Jackpole, visitor from Seattle, entertained informally Tuesday evening at Mrs. DeBar's home. Guests for three tables of bridge were asked.

M. E. GROUPS

Several of the divisions of the Methodist Episcopal church Aid society held meetings Tuesday afternoon. Division four met at the home of Mrs. H. Slattery, a group of twenty-three attending. Mrs. Charles P. Poole was assistant hostess. The group gave a shower for Mrs. Poole and her daughter, Mrs. Younklin. Mrs. Agnes Moses and Mrs. Branch, and daughters of Wisconsin, were guests.

Division five was entertained at the home of Mrs. A. H. Norton, the group giving a picnic supper for members and their husbands. Twenty-five attended. Mrs. Ernest R. Gilstrap was elected the new chairman of the group.

Mrs. W. S. Jost entertained for division three. Twelve members and one visitor were present. The next meeting will be held in August. The seventh division met at the home of Mrs. Carrie Kinnicut. Seventeen were present, including six visitors. Miss Corine Combs gave the special entertainment, including piano and cello solos.

For their next meeting members are planning a picnic back of the butte on the second Tuesday of August.

MARRIED JULY 11

Mrs. Fannie Jacobs of Eugene and John Wesley Moss of Crow were married Tuesday at one-thirty o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Richardson in the Santa Clara district. They were attended by Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Sovereign of Eugene. Rev.

Calendar

Wednesday
 6 p. m.—Picnic for Rainbow Order for Girls and DeMolay Order for Boys, Riverside park.
 8 p. m.—Eagles auxiliary meeting, Eagles hall.
 8 p. m.—Meeting of Daughters of Union Veterans of Civil War, armory.
 8 p. m.—Catholic Daughters of America meeting.
 Thursday
 12 noon—Monthly luncheon of the Alpha Business and Professional Women's club at Osburn hotel.
 2:30 p. m.—Reception of W. R. C. for all patriotic auxiliaries of Eugene and Springfield, armory.
 2:30 p. m.—Central Lutheran Ladies' Aid society meeting at the home of Mrs. John Torkelson.
 6:30 p. m.—Annual campus dinner and "Kampus Frolic," university campus.
 8 p. m.—Neighbors of Woodcraft meeting, W. O. W. hall.

Earl F. Downing, minister of the Santa Clara Church of Christ, officiated at the service. Following the ceremony, a wedding dinner was served to those attending. The couple is to live at Crow.

AT DALLAS
 Mr. and Mrs. Bayard T. Merrill are at Dallas for an extended stay.

ALPHA CIRCLE
 Thirty-one attended the meeting of the Alpha circle of the First Baptist church Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. George Parker. The group finished its studies on the Indians for the program. Refreshments were served. The group's next meeting will come on the second Tuesday of August.

VICTORY CIRCLE
 The Victory circle of the First Baptist church gave a picnic for members and their families Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. C. S. Thompson, a group of forty attending. Miss Imo Ryle had charge of the games. The circle's next meeting will come on the first Tuesday of August.

AUXILIARY MEETS
 The Spanish American War Veterans' auxiliary met Monday evening. Twenty-five were out. Plans were made for the trip to Salem on July 23, 24, and 25, for the annual state convention. Next Monday afternoon the '98 inner circle, sewing group, will meet at the armory with Mrs. George Lammers and Mrs. Harry Balle as hostesses. The auxiliary's next meeting will be held on July 31.

ALUMNAE MEETING
 The Delta Zeta alumnae are to meet Thursday evening at the home of Miss Beatrice Morris with Miss Mildred McElmott as assistant hostess.

Cincinnati's Heine Miller was the real name of the poet, Joaquin Miller.

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Patriotic Groups Invited To Attend

By MARIAN LOWRY
 THURSDAY'S larger gathering will be the reception for which the Women's Relief Corps is entertaining for all officers and all members of the patriotic auxiliary groups of Eugene and Springfield. The reception will be from two until five o'clock in the armory. The affair is arranged to honor department officers of the various groups, including the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, the Ladies of the G. A. R., the Women's Relief Corps, the Spanish American War Veterans' auxiliary, the American Legion auxiliary, and the Gold Chevron club as well as all members of the Grand Army of the Republic.

VISITING HERE
 Mr. and Mrs. Harold Young and daughter, Margaret, and son, Frederic, are here from Portland for a visit with Mr. Young's mother, Mrs. F. G. Young.

VISITOR HERE
 Miss Fannie McCamant, who is on the faculty at Pomona college, is visiting here as the house guest of Mrs. C. L. Schweitzer. Miss McCamant has been visiting in Portland with her brother, Judge Wallace McCamant. She was formerly head resident at

Susan Campbell hall on the campus here.

PLAN FOR PICNIC
 The Evening Shakespeare club members are to meet for a picnic supper on Friday evening on the lawn at the home of Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Norton.

CLUB TO MEET
 The monthly luncheon of the Eugene Business and Professional Women's club will be held Thursday noon at the Osburn hotel. Mrs. Ella T. Edmonson is to review the measures on the ballot for the special election on July 21.

LODGE MEETING
 The Neighbors of Woodcraft lodge will meet Thursday evening to honor past guardian neighbors. Mrs. Albert McMurphy will preside as the guardian neighbor. She was the first one in that office for the local lodge.

C. L. AID
 The Central Lutheran Ladies' Aid society is to meet on Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. John Torkelson on Sylvan drive.

SON IS BORN
 Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Scott (Gertrude Wilhelm) of Jordan Valley are being congratulated on the birth of a son July 8 at Boise, Idaho. The little boy is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Mathias Wilhelm of Eugene.

AID GROUP MEETS
 The second division of the Methodist Episcopal Ladies' Aid society met at the home of Mrs. A. E. Edholm

Mrs. Moon Is Legion Auxiliary President

New officers for the American legion auxiliary were elected meeting of the group Tuesday as follows:

Clarence V. Simon, first president; Mrs. Con Dillon, president; Mrs. F. H. Johnson, secretary; Mrs. Glen Lewis, treasurer; Mrs. N. B. Sleeper, historian; J. G. Simons, Mrs. Nell B. and Mrs. Della Boring, members. The retiring officers are Mrs. J. G. Simons, president; Charles Allen, vice-president; Mrs. J. G. Simons, secretary; Mrs. J. G. Simons, treasurer; Mrs. J. G. Simons, historian. Delegates elected to the convention to be held in Kansas on August 10, 11, and 12, are Mrs. Simon, Mrs. Moon, and Mrs. J. G. Simons. Mrs. A. Stark is the auxiliary is to hold social meetings during the week. The next business meeting will come on the second Tuesday.

Tuesday. A business session in the afternoon. A picnic supper served in the evening, members serving their families. A group of five attended. In August the auxiliary is to have a picnic supper at the home of Mrs. E. O. Browning.

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