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DOUBLE PARKING REAL MENACE

BETTER traffic regulation in Eugene should not have to wait for the electric traffic signals which have been authorized in the 1938 budget. A crusade to eliminate double parking would do more to prevent traffic jams—and congestion accidents—than anything else.

Eugene needs some efficient traffic studies very badly. Piled up traffic may give the big city feeling but it isn't good for business. Parking yards might be more practical to get rid of the all-day-moochers than the occasional roundup in Cal Bryan's court.

It might help conditions considerably if city busses were assigned far-side instead of near side stops. Busses trying to angle into the curb frequently contribute to blockades in traffic. With far-side stops busses could at least pull in flush.

Traffic studies are becoming imperative in Eugene, but double parking is one nuisance which should be stopped without waiting for experts.

'HE'S UP, HE'S DOWN, HE'S UP . . .'

IT may require one of those breathless sports announcers to try to describe what is happening these days in the stock markets. The jargon of the finance experts means little to the general public.

There are a good many Wall street "guys" who would agree at least that Mr. Roosevelt is to blame for what is happening. Translated into common talk all this business of "thin market" and "hampering regulations" and "lack of confidence" means simply that business under the New Deal is NOT in a happy condition.

The thing that is puzzling everybody is that this ought to be an excellent year in business. Crops are fine and farm prices generally, in spite of recent declines, are good. Most industries are busy, or would be, if some of the pointless hell-raising could be checked.

Why, then, the constant jitters? Why do investors as well as speculators dip in and shy away? The situation is not good for the country because so long as it goes on business is denied the flow of capital for the expansions the times seem to warrant.

The answer, we believe, can be found in Mr. Roosevelt's policy of making business the "whipping boy" of politics. It is one thing to punish business for its obvious sins; it is another to make it a target in class warfare.

The Roosevelt statement Monday night that government deficits will be a quarter billion greater than expected and that the budget cannot be balanced this year as promised, probably touched off Tuesday morning's explosion in the stock market. It should have had just the opposite result, for even though it may bring still higher taxes, the fact that Mr. Roosevelt is at last willing to recognize the principles of management should be joyous news.

Business may be a pig! Unless controlled, the pig will "pig." But on the other hand, as every farmer knows, you can't abuse the animal if you expect to have pork.

WHAT OTHER EDITORS THINK

SHORT SIGHTED ECONOMY
FROM Washington comes a press dispatch quoting AAA officials as stating that continuance of the federal subsidy paid Oregon flax growers during the past two years is for 1938 in jeopardy, that the order discontinuing the bonuses still stands

in the face of protests by organized growers. Governor Martin and Senator McNary. There is, however, an intimation that the AAA is still open to conviction and that a reversal of the order may be possible on the recommendation of George Farrell, western district director, who has been authorized to make a personal investigation of conditions confronting the infant industry.

The object of the bonus—\$7.50 a ton this year on a maximum of 5100 tons—is to enable the cooperative retting and scutching plants to finance their processing expenses until such time as they can systematize and perfect their operations. Without such temporary assistance these outlets for stabilized and enlarged flax acreage must fail.

This year flax productions will run about 1.6 tons per acre, according to estimates of the state flax plant, and the price to the growers is a ton, or a gross income of around \$43 an acre. Production costs are figured at at least \$24, leaving a net margin of income of \$20 an acre.

WASHINGTON LETTER

By RODNEY DUTCHER
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WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.—Whether the Supreme Court's prestige has suffered because of the court's acquisition of Hugo Black, who now seems firmly planted in his new seat, presumably is a most important question.

Opponents of Mr. Roosevelt, nearly all of whom have vociferously protested Black's appearance as the newest justice, are insistent that the Alabama presence there has given the court a terrible black eye and lowered public respect for the previously sanctified processes of justice.

Whatever the truth or error of this conception, it seems especially interesting to those here who recall that early in the year the New Dealers were frankly saying—although not for quotation—that they did hope to crack the Supreme Court's prestige to a point where the people would lose faith in its infallibility and where parliamentary government, meaning Congress, would be supreme.

Many lawyers are inclined to believe that, after the Black expose and resultant hue and cry, it may hereafter become perfectly good taste in polite society to talk about the personal backgrounds and theoretical prejudices of some of its other members. At an rate, word comes from the inside that there will be further administration propaganda efforts.

As a justice, however, he did not refrain from writing far-reaching opinions on public utility valuation standards, and last year he read an opinion which saved the Great Northern \$10,000,000 in taxes which had been assessed by North Dakota. Roberts, Hughes and Van Devanter, who concurred with Butler, had all represented railroads in private practice.

On the other hand, it is not to be inferred that justices necessarily have a bias in favor of former clients. They merely fail to "sit out" when former clients bring cases, as Justice Brandeis did at the time of the adverse minimum wage decision of 1923, because he himself had been active for minimum wage legislation.

In January, 1935, Hughes, who once represented Standard Oil interests, upheld a West Virginia chain store tax on filling stations which Standard Oil of New Jersey contested.

But the court doesn't like to be told that any justice isn't qualified to sit on a particular case, and such tactics against Black won't get far. Another reason is that in the Frizzell-Newman case, which Hughes cited in denying Albert Levitt's petition against Black, the court held that only public representatives such as the attorney general could bring court proceedings contesting a public official's right to hold office.

Otherwise, say the court, every private citizen would have the privilege of bringing such proceedings "and a public officer might from the beginning to the end of his term be harassed with proceedings to try his title."

AN EDITORIAL ON HEALTH

By DR. MORRIS FISHEEN
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WORKERS in foundries where brass is made and zinc is melted sometimes develop symptoms of diseases which are known as brass ague, spelter shakes, and brass chills, and which are also known as metal fume fever.

The metals most commonly concerned are lead, zinc, galvanized iron, and similar substances. In a typical case resulting from contact with brass or zinc, the worker begins to feel ill after he has been exposed to the fumes for a few hours. Quite frequently the attack first comes on him after he has reached home after working all day.

Metal fume fever may be prevented by the use of exhausts and by the use of dust respirators. Since few workers are constantly exposed to such fumes, it is easy to determine the circumstances under which the exposures most frequently occur. Usually the inhalation of the fumes occurs during the pouring of melted metal or during a welding process.

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Health Officials Conduct Tests

WENDLING, Oct. 21.—(Special)—Tuberculin tests were given by the Lane county health unit on Monday to the students of the Wendling grade school and also to the Camp 5 schools.

Carpenters have begun repairs on the grade school playground. The grade school children have been canvassing the town for cancelled stamps. Contests are being conducted at the school to obtain the postage stamps which are being sold. The money derived from these enterprises is to be used to purchase weekly readers.

Many From Halsey Go to Conference

HALSEY, Oct. 21.—(Special)—Seventeen members of Woman's Foreign Missionary society of the local Methodist Episcopal church went to Salem last week to attend the all-day district meeting. The local delegation was the largest of any of the 30 societies represented.

Officers Named
The Standard Bearers of the local Methodist Episcopal church met Tuesday evening at the home of Miss Dorothy Bass for their social and organization meeting.

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OREGON TO REAP MANY BENEFITS OF DAM, SOLON AVERS

PENDLETON, Oct. 21.—(AP)—Developed potentialities of the Columbia river mean a bright future agriculturally and economically for the sister states of Oregon and Washington. Congressman Walter M. Pierce of La Grande declared today.

Pierce met with the Umatilla county residents for the announced purpose of charting a desirable program toward which to work upon return to Washington, D. C., this fall.

Highlights of his remarks: Lower wheat shipping costs. Lower wheat shipping should follow development of the Columbia. The proposed Umatilla dam, he predicted, will be built.

COBURG NOTES
COBURG, Oct. 21.—(Special)—Bill Stoneberg, who has been spending the summer and early fall in southern California and

Mexico, has returned home and will attend the Coburg high school this year. Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Pierson are spending several days in Jefferson where Mr. Pierson has employment.

Mrs. Helliwell Has Party For P. N. G.'s
COTTAGE GROVE, Oct. 21.—(Special)—Mrs. A. W. Helliwell was hostess to the M. P. G. club at her home Tuesday entertaining with a 1:30 o'clock dinner.

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