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THURSDAY, AUGUST 20, 1925

A much needed prayer:—Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. Psalm 51:10.

OREGON'S ROLE AS PAPA Just how paternalistic will Oregon's irrigation policy become? Also, how much paternalism from the state should irrigation have, and is it good for irrigation and the farmer, or isn't it?

These are some of the questions which suggest themselves in connection with the visit of the irrigation securities commission and the desert land board. The purpose of the visit to the Tumalo district was to secure information on which to base a decision whether or not the state should pay the district's bond interest for another two years; it is suggested, however, by a member of the party that the final outcome, if the thing is carried to its logical conclusion, would be a system of state underwriting of all irrigation projects.

Such a degree of paternalism would unquestionably be well received by the bonding houses. In fact a San Francisco firm is interested enough to have two of its officials on the present jaunt of the state commissions. There is no argument on the bond market angle.

Almost as unquestionably such a policy of state underwriting would be good for the irrigation unit as such. Theoretically at least it would mean certain, although perhaps delayed development of all worthy projects.

But what would the effect be on the farmer? Good on the face of it, but actually it would be supplying a strong man with crutches and compelling him to use them. The result would be weakening, an undermining of the spirit of independence and self reliance which, more than any other thing, characterizes Oregon's rural life.

And as for the people of the state at large, so much paternalism would seem hardly fair. Why not underwrite our lumber industry, our mines, our salmon fisheries? A dividing line must be drawn somewhere short of communism, and it should be drawn just as soon as the Tumalo matter has been disposed of. The state has a real obligation there, for it started the Tumalo project some years ago, and made rather a mess of it. Now it will be doing only the decent thing if it stands by to put the district on its feet.

The flower show is here today, and of course it's the best in the city's history. A glance at the flower beds in Bend, yards this summer shows why.

While mentioning flower beds, we suggest a look at the one in the city park. Incidentally the gardener has straightened or removed entirely a lot of those funny corkscrew paths, and the whole place looks better for it.

In the latest "Confessions of a Lobbyist", a Philadelphia contractor admits that the Vale project was doped out with Jim Kyle in Washington for the benefit of private investors. That might be another reason why the Deschutes project has not proceeded more rapidly.

Eugene has voted \$175,000 bonds to buy a park site for the Southern Pacific to put car shops on. That's fine. Bend, too, bought grounds for Robert E. Strahorn's use nine or ten years ago, but now the Oregon Trunk seems more likely to get them.

A dog poisoner is at work again in Bend. Somehow we have an idea that his victims have a better chance of passing inspection at the poorly gates than he will have. That may be modernism, but we think any dog lover will agree with us.

Automobile prices are taking some remarkable drops these days, but common stock in the auto companies continues to be preferred.

Down at the Salem penitentiary Mama Dairymple is still puzzling over the age old problem, "Why Boys Leave Home".



THE LIMELIGHT We hear so much of Bildad Booze our hearts are sore distressed; he figures daily in the news, and never gives us rest; if he would like Van Winkle snooze, he would be roundly blest. For years and years he's pranced around, a star that isn't fixed, and there is neither sight nor sound in which he isn't mixed; the pictures of his map abound the raging seas betwixt. If there's an earthquake anywhere, this man is interviewed, and he expresses bleak despair since planets are so rude; he's pictured seated in his chair, in all his pulchritude. He's handing down his wise decrees that touch all human things; and he rebukes the bumble bees for having red hot stings; wherever one may turn one sees the platitudes he springs. Advising women as to dress, he scintillates and shines, and leaves this subject to express his views on beers and wines; and all he says, to our distress, appears in leaded lines. We sometimes wonder how he works this limelight graft so well; how cunningly he always lurks where grandstand plaudits swell, and keeps before us till he irks the hearts that in us dwell. We weary of the pictured face and of the printed name, when we behold them every place, be they of man or dame; and we remark, "It's a disgrace, this endless limelight game." We wish that Bildad Booze would go to some secluded glade, and stay there for a year or so until his laurels fade and let some less time-battered bo in limelight glories wade.

the coming year. Mrs. Clark has been transferred from the Rim Rock (Luckey) school to succeed Mrs. Lawson at Rye Grass, and the Rim Rock school will be consolidated with the Wilson school.

Jesse Miller has leased the W. R. Kniffin dry land ranch and will move his family onto it this fall. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Stiers and son Joe left Friday for their home in Maryland. Mrs. Peter Pauls accompanied them as far as Beatrice, Nebraska, where she will visit for a time with friends and relatives. Mrs. Pauls plans to bring her mother back with her for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Babecek, Orpha Grace, Cora Mae, Billie and Myron motored to Suttle lake Thursday, returning Friday. Alvin Riggs last week purchased a new Ford truck to haul his grain to market. Riggs says his dry land grain, although badly blown out in the spring, averaged 10 bushels to the acre.

Mr. and Mrs. William Peterson gave a birthday party Tuesday night, August 11, in honor of their daughter Clara's 16th birthday. The evening was pleasantly spent with games and dancing. Those present were Misses Beulah Kessler, Gladys and Grace Pauls, Eva and Andra McDaniels, June Chapman, Orpha Babecek, Evelyn Beatty and Adlyne Mustard, and Virgil Mueckler, Joseph Steer, Jr., Will Pauls, Virgil Babecek, Herman Lindquist, Woodson McDaniels and Edgar Peterson.

Harry Reed returned Thursday from a few days' business trip to the Silver Lake country. The rural carrier had the extra job Monday of delivering 100 registered letters, one to each settler on the project, from the state engineer, notifying all who have excess acreage to protect their interests.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stephens and little daughter, of Mount Vernon, Wash., visited Thursday at the home of Stephens' sister, Mrs. Frank Kissler.

Mr. and Mrs. Thaddeus Taylor of Harrisburg motored over and spent Sunday with Mrs. Taylor's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James McDaniels.

Harold Freund and a party of friends motored to Suttle lake Sunday in Harold's new car. Mr. and Mrs. Guy Sears visited the past week in Powell Butte, returning to Hood River Sunday morning. They have recently sold their home in Hood River and as yet have not decided on a location.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Curtis and Mr. and Mrs. Otto Pauls took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. John Moak in Bend Sunday. In the afternoon they all motored to the fish hatchery.

Peter Pauls lost a valuable milk cow last week.

The tri-county orange picnic will be held in the City park at Prineville September 7. A good program, speaking, sports and dance in the evening are planned.

J. J. Chapman is disposing of his strawberries through a Bend wholesale firm.

Maud Kissler and Margaret Chapman spent Sunday with Margaret Sleasman.

Robert Cates and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Staggs are helping put up hay on the Calvin Cates place west of Redmond.

Mrs. C. E. Valney has returned from Paulina, where she has been for the past three weeks, nursing.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Cox and children visited the ice cave Sunday. Virgil Babecek left Saturday morning for a visit with friends at White Salmon, Wash.

KPO, Hale Bros. and Chronicle, San Francisco, 428.3 meters—5:30 p. m., children's hour, baseball, stocks; 6:40 p. m., States orchestra; 8 p. m., program; 9 p. m., program;

orchestra. KGW, Oregonian, Portland, 491.5 meters—7:30 p. m., weather, markets, news, baseball; 9 p. m., concert.

KFOA, Rhodes Store, Seattle, 454.3 meters—4-6 p. m., Hoffman orchestra; 6 p. m., baseball; 6:45 p. m., program; 8:15 p. m., weather; 8:30 p. m., Times; 10 p. m., Harkness orchestra.

Rev. Beard Announces His Farewell Sermon

Rev. F. H. Beard, pastor of the local Baptist church for the past four years and two months, announces Sunday evening, August 20, as the time at which he will deliver his farewell sermon. He and his family will go to McMinnville temporarily after leaving here.

Although he has several pastorates under consideration, one of them in California, Rev. Beard has not decided where he will locate.

Rev. and Mrs. Beard and their son Clyde returned last week from their vacation, spent at the Baptist state convention at Astoria, and the Baptist assembly at Gladstone park. Rev. Beard reports good attendance and interest at both gatherings.

Convicts Face Execution After San Quentin Break

SAN QUENTIN, Cal., Aug. 20.—With one prison officer dead and another dying as a result of an attempted prison break, six convicts here today faced the noose.

R. O. Miller, prison shipping clerk, beaten and kidnapped by the convicts as they fled in a launch from the prison pier, died at 12:39 o'clock this morning. George Grayson, guard, was in the prison hospital near death from being beaten by the men as they fled.

MARSHFIELD, Ore., Aug. 20.—Oregon's only surviving actual daughter of the American Revolution, Mrs. Adeline M. Smith, died here today at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. F. Downer. She was 97 years old. Mrs. Smith was born in Genesee county, New York, November 23, 1827. Her father fought in the revolutionary war.

COMMUNICATIONS

ROADS Admitting, in order to avoid controversy, that graded roads are not so good for all purposes as paved ones, I say, without fear of successful contradiction, that a city like Bend ought to have graded, oiled and properly maintained earth roads, before further paving is indulged in. I am glad to note that The Bulletin is friendly to such roads and I congratulate the editor for his course, and shall keep tab on him as I have in the past. I have no reason to believe that any of the Bend papers or any city officials are making money out of the hard surface method of road construction. I cannot say this of the "city of roses, rats and rascals". I. M. AMSBARY.

OCHOCO FACING HARD PROBLEM

Climax Seen In District Finances

Remaining Settlers Saddled With Debts of Those Who Have Gone

(Special to The Bend Bulletin) PRINEVILLE, Aug. 20.—Officials of the Ochoco project in conference with members of the state securities commission here last night frankly admitted that they cannot meet their obligations in the retirement of the bonds or the payment of the interest on these bonds.

As a result of the announcement made by the officials of the Ochoco district, the \$400,000 bond interest and the \$30,000 interest on this interest has gone by the board. The district bond issue, which likewise cannot be met, is \$1,245,000.

What is to be done?—this is the question which immediately confronted the Ochoco officials and the securities commission when the directors made their announcement. When it was suggested that the great debt should be pyramided on the settlers remaining on the lands, there was immediate objection.

It was suggested at the meeting that the bondsmen have within their power the right to clear from the lands the settlers who are now there and to replace them with new settlers. M. R. Biggs, judge of Crook county, said that he would not submit to the taking of his property for the payment of debts of those who have left the project.

Suit Intimated Officials of the district admitted that it was their belief that the state should wipe from its books the \$425,000 interest debt owed by the Ochoco project. Governor Walter M. Pierce, present at the meeting, intimated that the state would press collection. The statement of the governor presages a suit against the district, it is believed.

The bonds of the Ochoco district are general obligation bonds and it is held that the district must pay. Virtually one-half of the settlers who were on the Ochoco valley lands when the district was formed have left, piling their debt on the farmers who have remained. The situation which developed at the meeting last night was characterized by Marshall Dana, Portland newspaper man, as one of the most dramatic in the state.

The plight of the Ochoco farmers is the result of a period of drought immediately following the year the impending dam was built across Ochoco creek, about six miles above Prineville. Because of the drought, the great reservoir was virtually dry in the season of irrigation. Crop failures and the heavy indebtedness caused many of the farmers to leave.

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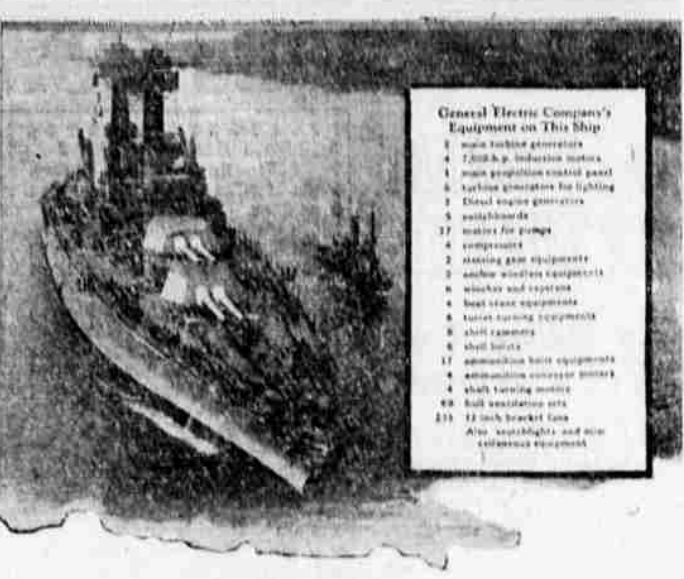
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