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Comes Now the Business of Lowering the Spigot



SOFTENING THE CHINA COAST
For days our attention has been focused on the advance of the American army in Luzon and on the crushing attack made by our navy vessels and planes on enemy shipping off the coast of French Indo-China.

Almost as an afterthought in the story comes the news that the third fleet, completing its mission, has been coming up the China coast, keeping a 350 mile stretch of it under fire for days.

This is the first purpose, but there is another objective at least as important. Once the Philippines are under control, the home islands of Nippon will be cut off from the Dutch east Indies—important part of the Japs' stolen empire.

How long it will be before invasion of the mainland becomes an actuality is a question which the army and navy can best be left to answer.

PAPER PICKUP RESULTS
Congratulations to the Junior Chamber of Commerce on the fine results on its latest paper pickup day.

While we felicitate the Junior Chamber on a fine job—it is a continuing job, by the way, which will not be ended until the war is ended—let us not forget that the response of householders to the appeal to gather, bundle and spot their waste paper on designated routes was an equally important part.

Bend's Yesterdays

TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO
(Jan. 17, 1920)

The city library goes out of existence when the city council transfers the property to the county board.

The city of Bend and the Bend company consider plans for the joint construction of a new foot-bridge over the Deschutes.

The Madras high school basketball players defeat Bend 28-23.

L. L. Fox, former proprietor and operator of the Pioneer Auto Stage and Truck company, announces plans for the construction of the second largest garage in Oregon with 14,000 square feet of floor space.

W. W. Manwaring of Marshfield, leases property at the corner of Wall and Greenwood avenue, and announces plans to erect Bend's first exclusive auto service station.

Word comes from Salem that Denton G. Durdick wins his fight in the legislature to have Redmond designated as the official fair site for Deschutes county.

W. P. Vandever visits here from his ranch south of Bend.

Howard D. Hutchins arrives from Minneapolis and is the guest of M. G. Wagner while he considers locating here.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Beard of Sisters visit Bend friends.

Police Say Mark On Tire Erased
Rubbing the incriminating chalk mark off the rear tire of a parked automobile is just as expensive as paying the fine for getting an overtime parking ticket.

This was discovered today by Mrs. Marie Rambo, 404 Florida avenue, when she paid a \$1.00 fine on a charge of disorderly conduct.

Roy L. Roberts, 58, of Powell Butte, posted a \$2.50 bond after his arrest for disorderly driving through a stop sign at the corner of Franklin avenue and East Third street.

PRICES TO INCREASE
Washington, Jan. 17 (AP)—The office of price administration announced today that retail prices of rifles and shotguns for civilian use will increase slightly after Jan. 22 as result of revised ceilings for the industry.

'Freeway' Bill Due for Airing

Salem, Ore., Jan. 17 (AP)—A developing fight was forecast for this week with the announcement today that the controversial "freeway" bill, which would prohibit access to state highways from gasoline stations and lunch counters, will be introduced to the Oregon legislature soon.

Proponents of the bill explained that the rights of farmers living on such highways would be protected.

The bill, defeated at the 1941 session after farmers fought it because it would "bar them from the highways," will be presented by the roads and highways committee by request of the Portland chamber of commerce and the Oregon road council, said Marshall Cornett of Klamath Falls, committee chairman.

R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer, reported that the bill, which would empower the highway commission to buy rights-of-way and exclude gasoline stations and lunch counters, is necessary to eliminate a serious traffic hazard.

A proposal which would allow the highway commission to construct and operate air fields after the war was brought before the senate by the same committee by request.

Portland, Ore., Jan. 17 (AP)—The fourth fatality among prisoners arrested for drunkenness since the first of the year was announced today by Portland police, who said that John M. Kelly, 42, died in a hospital after being arrested Monday night.

The prisoner was taken first to the city jail, but later was found to have lacerations and cuts and was in an unconscious condition. Taken to the emergency hospital, doctors then discovered he had two skull fractures. He was taken to another hospital where he died shortly afterward.

Quorum Lacking, Meeting Delayed
Owing to the lack of a quorum, there will be no regular meeting of the Bend city commission tonight, it was announced today by City Manager C. G. Reiter.

Instead an adjourned meeting of the city officials probably will be held early next week, Reiter said.

Decision to not hold the meeting resulted from the fact that Mayor A. T. Niebergall is away on business in Portland and Seattle.

THE WAY OUR PEOPLE LIVED by W.E. Woodward

A GEORGIA TOWN IN 1807

It was the middle of the afternoon on the day of the dinner party before Kitty found any time to sit down and rest. In preparing for such an occasion every nook and cranny of the house had to be cleaned, or so she thought.

At last she concluded that everything had been attended to and she sat down in an armchair by one of the parlor windows that overlooked Centre Street.

The Earle house, or mansion, as it was sometimes called, was a medley of architectural fashions, like the houses of many to-do people in that era.

Across its front there was a handsome portico which occupied the whole width of the house.

From its outer edge rose six tall, white columns. They ran to the top of the house and supported the left roof of the portico.

The body of the residence did not measure up to the Greek temple boldness of its face.

On the ground floor there were four rooms, parlor (or living room), library, dining room and a so-called "smoking room" which had a billiard table.

Each of the four rooms downstairs had a fireplace, and fires of pinewood and hickory were kept going in all of them during the winter months.

There were only a few pictures on the walls and most of those were paintings of Kitty Earle's relatives. In place of pictures some of the walls were covered by French tapestries, and here and there hung a strip of silk col-

ored and flaming with Chinese embroidery.

The house stood in a plot of about two acres. Between it and the street was a flower garden which, in the summer months, was full of roses and other flowering plants.

Back of the house stood the stables, a barn and some out-houses. To the left was a vegetable garden, a grape arbor and a small peach orchard.

Behind the kitchen, were the cabins of the negro house servants. These cabins, built of boards, were whitewashed. Each cabin consisted of one room, and had a brick chimney, a door and a window.

The slaves who lived in the cabins were not permitted to put up window curtains, for the patrol on making its rounds of slave quarters looked through the windows to see what the negroes were doing.

For carrying on the housework there were six servants besides two more outdoors. All the housework could have been put into slaves. But that was impossible, for the servants got no wages at all, and they had developed a liberation of movement, slowness of action, and stupidity of comprehension into an art.

Dehydrating hemlock sawdust from the great sawdust piles at mills in British Columbia is being undertaken to dry it enough for use in household sawdust-burning heating furnaces.

Highways and Byways in Books

By Eleanor F. Brown
(Deschutes County Librarian)
Seventy new titles will be presented this week, when the Deschutes county library holds an exhibit of new books.

The humorous, at times pathetic, and warmly human biography of a Georgian immigrant to America, who arrived shortly before the depression, is a book one remembers. Also humorous is Alyson Porter's "Papa Was a Preacher."

Followers of light romance will find many adventurous love stories in the display. Biography is represented by "Philadelphia Lawyer," "As Much as I Dare," "Gilbert Keith Chesterton," "The Letters of Alexander Woolcott," "Ridin' the Rainbow," and "Mother Wore Tights."

Problems of disabled veterans are treated in two books.

Horse lovers may find "Fraining and Gaiting" helpful. Cat enthusiasts have two new books in this batch, a volume of short stories compiled by Frances E. Clarke and entitled simply "Cats and Cats," and "The Care and Handling of Cats," by Doris Bryant.

The second floor had six bedrooms, including two rather large ones in the front. The beds were wide and massive. Each had four heavy posts with a canopy and curtains. Only the two larger rooms had built-in closets; the small bedrooms were furnished with wardrobes.

There was no bathroom in the house, and of course no running water. When anyone wanted to take a bath the servants brought in a large circular wooden tub and filled it with buckets of water brought up from the well.

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Washington Column

By Peter Edson
(NEA Staff Correspondent)

Every year the president sends to congress three or four pounds of nice fresh budget message and a lot of people wonder "So what?" The thing is filled with figures of the kind that mean money, though some are round, fat, long, short or trim just like the human variety.

But unless you have a secret yen for financial statistics on government spending, this annual report of the bureau of budget probably represents more man-hours of hard work and more of the duller facts of official life than any known tome that is supposed to tell all.

After the message goes to congress it may seem to be pretty well forgotten if not positively ignored. Actually it isn't. Appropriations committees take it and kick it around. They give the impression of tearing it to pieces, raising this item, lowering that, killing some requests for money altogether and then thinking up new ways of their own to spend money which the agencies getting it would never dare to ask for themselves.

A comparison of bureau of the budget estimates sent to congress in January, 1944, with the appropriations enacted by congress to cover the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945, shows that of the 18 major divisions of government expenditures, eight were appropriated for practically as recommended in the last presidential budget message.

The total net change shows that congress whittled off the budget bureau estimates by only a little

over 3 per cent. The budget message recommended total appropriations of 66 billion dollars and congress approved for 64 billions, in round numbers.

The eight major departments of government spending in which congress saw fit to make no major changes on budget bureau estimates were, in round numbers: lend-lease, three and a half billion; interest on public debt, three and three-quarter billion; executive office of the president, three million; veterans' funds, one and a quarter billion; District of Columbia, six million; public debt retirement, 589 million; other retirement funds, 506 million; tax and other refunds, one and a half billion.

The one item which congress increased over budget estimate was a 55 million dollar raise on soil conservation payments, bringing the total to 505 million.

All war activities appropriations were cut by two billion dollars, but about half of this saving was made by transferring appropriations to authorizations to let contracts, as mentioned above. Total war appropriations for the

year were \$54,588,000,000, nearly 85 per cent of all government spending.

Western Front—Allied forces reduce Ardennes salient to narrow pocket and strike on either flank at Germans in Alsace and Netherlands.

Eastern Front—Lublin radio reports capture of Warsaw.

Pacific—B-29's blast Formosa while unopposed American forces on Luzon drive within artillery range of Tairac, 65 miles north of Manila.

Air War—More than 1,200 RAF bombers attack four cities on 300 mile front from Ruhr to Czechoslovakia.

Italy—Patrol activity increases on Fifth and Eighth army fronts.

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