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Reading the Bumps



the bundled paper exceeded our most optimistic estimates. With your continued support the paper salvage committee hopes to improve the position of Deschutes county in comparison with other counties in the waste paper salvage campaign. Yours very truly, The Bend Junior Chamber of Commerce, Don Higgins, Secretary.

foreign service - the overseas branch of the department - had 3700 employees. For next year it wants 7200. In 1939 the state department budget was 18 million dollars. For next year it is asking for 77 million dollars.

national agencies like the Pan American union, health and sanitation conferences, now operating, but that is only a beginning of the international co-operation plans afoot. Up to now, in the Bretton Woods conference on international monetary stabilization, the Dumbarton Oaks conference on postwar security, the Chicago conference on civil aviation, all the work has been research and study. From here on the job will be to implement these schemes.

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To the Editor: Just a note of appreciation for the fine series of articles (or should I say, stories?) describing 'The Way Our People Lived.' They really help to understand the background of our country's history.

Sincerely, Donald W. Hinrichs

Washington Column

By Peter Edson (NEA Staff Correspondent) Washington, D. C. - Back in 1914 the U. S. department of state had 200 employees in Washington and occupied about a third of the mid-Victorian pile known as the State, War and Navy building, just west of the White House. By the end of World War I, State had 800 employees in Washington and had crowded War and Navy into temporary buildings down in the Potomac river bottom lands.

If that seems like a lot of money, compare it with war costs. Spending at the rate of six billion dollars a month, 200 million a day, eight million an hour, the shooting war now consumes as much money in one 10-hour day as it will take to run the entire state department for a whole year. The big objective of the state department in the coming year being the establishment of an international peace organization which will prevent future wars, the question is whether its expenditure isn't good insurance and a good investment even if part of it should go for cultural relations and information programs which by 1914 standards might not seem exactly necessary.

Farmers Union Officers Named

Madras, Jan. 6 (Special) - Officers were elected at the newly organized Farmers Union which met Tuesday night. The following were chosen: Chester Luelling, president; John Campbell, vice-president; Ameer Luelling, secretary-treasurer. On the executive board are H. Ward Farrell, Wilma Ramsey and Ben Evick. James Smart, Pelk county, and John Bash, from Marion county, were here to help the group organize.

BACK THEIR SHIP El Reno, Okla. (UP) - School children of El Reno, Okla., have collected phonograph records and books and games for the recreation rooms on the U.S.S. El Reno Victory, a victory ship to be launched Jan. 12 in Richmond, Cal. The American Legion auxiliary here donated 125 books for the ship's library.

There are already some 70 inter-City Drug Co. - City Drug Co. - City Drug Co.

INTRODUCING BILL TUGMAN Appearance of the name of William M. Tugman on the Junior Chamber of Commerce banquet program as speaker of the evening serves to remind us that it is only slightly more than a year ago that the same Bill Tugman gave an address to the Bend and Redmond Kiwanis clubs which might well be considered as the kickoff for the extensive post-war planning which has been going in Deschutes county. His remarks were based on the planning and financing job which was already well along in Lane county and in which, he neglected to say, he had had a leading part.

What his subject will be tonight has not been announced. We understand that the Jaycee committee left that up to him. We do know that it will be well chosen and that it will be thoroughly and logically developed.

As an aside, it might be mentioned here, although the Jaycee toastmaster will doubtless mention it tonight, that Bill Tugman is the managing editor of the Eugene Register-Guard, one of the state's outstanding newspapers. That he is one of the outstanding editors of the state might be guessed. In 1944 he received the Amos E. Voorhies award, official recognition by the profession of unusual demonstrated ability and public service as a newspaper man. An interesting article in the latest issue of the Oregon Historical Quarterly gives the impressive record on which the award was based. It is an award, by the way, which is by no means made annually.

No publicity seeker, Bill Tugman has nevertheless been the subject of two widely circulated magazine articles in the past year, one in Yank, famed publication of the American armed forces, the other in the Woman's Home Companion. Each was keyed on his work in developing the Lane county post-war program.

It is quite probable that Bill will not thank us for all this. As has been mentioned, he is not a publicity seeker. But we've wanted to say some of these things for a long while and now seems as good a time as any.

FUNCTION OF THE BOND

Persisting in their refusal to withdraw their protest against the proposed land exchange between the national forest and The Shevlin-Hixon Company, the county courts of Klamath and Lake counties make a special point of denying the War Production board assertion that their protest is jeopardizing Shevlin-Hixon production of lumber for war uses. They seek to disprove the WPB contention by pointing out that the company is already cutting national forest timber under a bond although, to quote the news story from Klamath Falls, "the current land transaction has not been officially closed."

Actually this has nothing whatever to do with the case. The Shevlin-Hixon Company is cutting under a performance bond, but the exchange has been approved by the department of the interior and the bond is merely a guarantee that good title will be conveyed on the lands on which the residual timber is situated, both of which go to the national forest in the exchange.

If there is any significance in this it is in indicating the need for timber for war production rather than otherwise. At the same time it is an indication of the manner in which provision is being made for selective logging and, with it, for the forests of the future.

News regarding a concrete block plant to be established in Bend notes that blocks of 6 x 12 x 8 inches as well as blocks of 12 x 6 x 8 inches are to be made. Somehow the sizes given seem much the same to us. We are leaving a decision on this point, however, to our department of higher mathematics and structural engineering, which has only recently solved the knotty question, perplexing to campers over many years, as to which is the longer edge of a square quilt.

Bend's Yesterdays

TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO (Jan. 26, 1920) Fire escaping from a defective flue causes considerable damage to the Baptist church. Crowds stand in the rain while the corner stone is laid for the new St. Francis Catholic church. Registration for the second term of school in Bend opens, with an unexpected number of pupils threatening a serious congestion, reports Superintendent S. W. Moore. The Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen adopt a resolution thanking the Brooks-Scanlon Lumber Company Inc. for estab-

lishing a commissary for the employees. Although married five months ago in Prineville, news of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Merle Miller just became known. Jack Horton is confined to his home with an attack of grippe. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Mohler and daughter, Leola, are visitors in Bend from Redmond. Beryl Brown of Redmond comes to Bend to spend the week end with Cletas Sherwood. An oil well is to be drilled by the U. S. navy, east of Point Barrow on the Arctic coast of Alaska, starting in April according to plans.

THE WAY OUR PEOPLE LIVED by W & Woodward

FOUR YOUNG MEN IN THE GOLD RUSH

On June 7 they reached Fort Laramie and stayed there resting for two days. The plain around the fort was white with tents and wagons. The epidemic of cholera that had begun along the Mississippi during the spring of that year had reached this point in Wyoming. About a dozen cases were reported at Laramie when the Cullen train arrived. John Cullen set up his camp for the 15 wagons about half a mile from the main body of emigrants. Then he visited each wagon and gave positive orders that no water was to be drunk until it had been boiled, and all food of every description was to be wrapped in cloth until people were ready to eat it.

No one in the train was sick, but Andy Gordon records the relief they all felt when they got away from Laramie. They had remained there two days to have some repairs made to three of the wagons.

June 12. As the trail gets rougher we encounter piles of things that people have thrown away to lighten their loads. This was a day of scenes of abandoned property: stoves, blacksmith tools, mattresses, cooking utensils, and provisions of every kind strung along the road. There was also an abandoned wagon with broken axles. We have been seeing dead animals from the first day, but today we saw three dead mules and an ox lying by the side of the road.

Out of a spirit of malice those who had to abandon provisions often rendered them useless. Sugar had turpentine poured over it; flour was scattered over the ground, and clothes were torn to pieces. Here and there, as an exception, foodstuffs were left in good order with a message fastened on the pile telling the finder to help himself.

News for the public was sometimes attached to boards and set up in a prominent place. One such message read: "The water here is poison, and we have lost six cattle. Do not let your cattle drink from this creek."

At Pocatello in Idaho - on July 6 - the trail turned to the southwest and 10 days later the caravan entered Nevada. Besides the Cullen recession of 15 wagons there were four other trains altogether, or 47 wagons in all. In Gordon's diary we read of the death of a little girl, one of the three Jackson children who were going across with their parents. Gordon wrote, "A grave was dug by the side of the trail and Tommy Plunkett painted her name and the date of her death on a board which was set up at her grave. She was buried with no more ceremony than a prayer by Mr. Cullen. I shall never forget her mother's face as she looked back from the next ridge and saw the lonely little grave on the prairie."

Occasionally they encountered bands of Indians who seemed friendly. Sometimes they exchanged small articles for Indian trinkets. Every night they took precautions, however, against an Indian attack by forming a square of all the wagons, more than 40 of them, with the people in the center. In this enclosure there was not enough room for the cattle, and they were tied outside the square in a coral formed of ropes. Six men were detailed each night to guard the wagons and the cattle. The cattle were in some danger from wolves, but when they appeared the guards always drove them off by firing a few shots.

there was no way to get around the Humboldt desert of Nevada, which runs from Winnemucca southwest nearly to Carson City. They reached the northern edge of it on August 12.

August 20. I hardly know whether I am alive or dead. All day in a blazing heat, with the air so hot that in moving my hand through it I feel as if I were thrusting it into the hot air over a bed of coals. The oxen stagger along, with their tongues hanging out. I mean our six oxen do, but the beasts of some of the other wagons have simply laid down to die. In such cases we cannot wait; we cut them from their traces and leave them lying there.

Our barrel of water helps. The river water can be drunk when it is flowing - in small quantities - but it is dangerous (I may say deadly) after it stands awhile. Why, I can't say. We have vinegar to pour down the throats of the cattle when they show signs of being alkalied; it does help.

It is difficult to make much progress in the deep, soft sand. It is like fine dust. The cattle are in a rut up to their knees and we are constantly called on to put our shoulders to the wheel and help pull the wagons out. But not for our own shiebang, for our cattle are pulling only a light load now.

The Cullen train of 15 wagons got through the desert all right, with the loss of only one man, six oxen and a mule. The train ran through Carson and south of Lake Tahoe. After two days' rest at Ragtown on the Carson river they began the mountainous ascent leading to the pass across the Sierra Nevada. There was a feeling of gaiety in the expedition, with a great deal of shouting and laughter. They were nearing the end of their long trail, though the road up to the pass was incredibly bad.

Eventually they reached the top, more than 9,000 feet above the level of the sea. They could see for many miles and the whole green world of California lay before them. The members of the expedition gathered and stood awhile in silence, staring across the land. Then a spontaneous cheer arose; it rang and echoed among the mountains, "California, here we come!"

from The Bulletin in connection with our waste paper campaign. The cooperation extended to us by every member of your staff has been a constant source of encouragement. The results which we have attained in this vital salvage job of a critical war material is to a large measure directly due to the publicity extended to our efforts. This was clearly demonstrated in our recent city-wide pickup held on January 14th in which the volume and excellent condition of

The four-fold increase in personnel in both wars is not mentioned as a horrible example of the growth of bureaucracy but as an index of the growing importance of foreign relations in American life. In a shrinking world it becomes more and more necessary to pay attention to what goes on in other lands and splendid isolationism becomes an increasingly dead duck.

The comparison on state department employees at home only begins to tell the story. In 1939 the

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Bend, Ore., Jan. 22, 1945. To the Editor: The directors of the Bend Junior Chamber of Commerce, and the members of the waste paper committee, wish gratefully to acknowledge the splendid support which we have received

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



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Advertisement for a concert. Text: 'CONCERT by the Bend Gleemen 16 MALE VOICES under the direction of C. Dale Robbins Monday, Jan. 29 8:15 p. m. TOWER THEATRE Tickets on sale at Eriksen's Stationery, Deschutes Federal Savings & Loan, First National Bank, F. W. Woolworth. Space Courtesy CONSUMERS GAS "A Local Institution"'