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Last week we said here that western newspapers coming to our notice had paid little attention to the question of valley

authorities. Since then there has been a reference to the subject in the Medford Mail-Tribune and we want to quote the M-T's editorial in full as a preliminary to today's remarks. It has as a title the quotation from Cicero's oration, "O tempora!

O mores!" and reads:

"How times change!"
We have been reminded of this time-honored wheeze by being the recipient of several copies of the Wall Street

It seems only yesterday that this financial daily paper was positively apoplectic over the threat of public ownership in the utility field.

ship in the utility field.

The particular cause of this perturbation then was the Tennessee Valley Authority—an attempt by a pack of "Killowatt Bolsheviks" headed by Senator Norris of Nebraska, to destroy all private business in this country and hand everything over to "Parlor Pinks and the Bomb-Toting Anarchists."

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But now listen to this—the comment of the same journal on
the recent proposal for a Missouri Valley Authority:

"President Roosevelt's proposal for TVAs in every
important watershed in the country has a certain
logical foundation—no doubt about that. If TVA
has been a good thing for the Tennessee river region
it should be a good thing for every other river rector."

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Amazing how public opinion can change and in a comparatively few years—not more than eight or ten of them at most. Not, we imagine, that the Wall Street Journal is particularly, enamoured of federal power and light projects. No doubt it would prefer the good old days if there were any chance of returning to them.

But the Journal is enlightened enough to realize that can't be done—the clock of social and industrial progress can't be turned back. And it is also hopeful that in this country at least a middle road between the extreme right and the extreme left can be attained.

In other words probably the Wall Street Journal believes that along with the development of public power projects, some private power companies, if properly conducted with some sense of social responsibility, can also continue to operate—and at a reasonable profit.

In other words it foresees a compromise whereby a modified private profit system can endure working with, rather than against a system of controlled public ownership.

This department has a plous idea the Wall Street Journal is right.

To begin with and without wishing to be pedantic let us suggest that neither the exact nor the implied meaning of the Ciceronian phrase is "How times change" and then let us insist that the Wall Street Journal has not changed. The

insist that the Wall Street Journal has not changed. The Mail-Tribune has jumped to a wholly incorrect conclusion and it has done so by failing to pay attention to one little word in the quotation from the Journal—the little word, "if." "If TVA has been a good thing," says the Journal. "If."

The Mail-Tribune makes the mistake of thinking about the Tennessee valley authority as an example solely of the development of "public ownership in the utility field" and of the "TVAs in every important watershed in the country," proposed by President Roosevelt, as "federal power and light projects" and nothing more. The facts are otherwise.

Mr. Roosevelt's original proposal for the Tennessee valley, it is true, was for a public power development and he sug-

it is true, was for a public power development and he suggested that such development would provide a rate "yard-stick" against which private utility rates could be measured. The Tennessee valley law as enacted by congress, however, covered a much wider field than the generation and distribu-tion of electric power. Accordingly, when the Wall Street Journal says "If TVA has been a good thing for the Tennessee river region" it has reference to all the activities of the federal

general system of TVAs contemplates, as in the Tennessee region, an over all, and not simply a public power development.

If the Mail-Tribune will examine the bills introduced in the 78th and the current congress to implement President Roosevelt's proposals it will discover what extensive areas of local government and regional economy far outside the power field they cover. The Murray bill for the Missouri valley, the Mitchell bill for the Columbia valley and, by the way, all Oregon coast streams such as the Rogue, and the Rankin bill for the gentlemen present to you His the measures that tall it. gon coast streams such as the Rogue, and the Rankin bill for the nine regions into which it divides the United States are the measures that tell the story.

The Medford paper says that "probably the Wall Street Journal beliaves" exerting things above the way, all Ore-land. The gentlemen present bowed; the ladies curtised. "newly appointed by his Gracious Majesty, the Czar."

The Governor said to Count

Journal believes" certain things about public and private power. We have made it clear, we think, that those conclusions power. We have made it clear, we think, that those conclusions cannot be drawn from the sentences that are quoted. Just what the Journal does believe should, we think be left to it to the Journal does believe should, we think, be left to it to ored—"
assert.

Turning now to the Journal we make the point that even your Excellency. Thank your Excellency. Just this way.

"if TVA has been a 'good thing' for the Tennessee river re-gion" it does not necessarily follow that "it should be a good as the Missouri, the Arkansas or the Columbia. Differences between river regions east of the Mississippi and those west in area, density of population, water law, types of same law. thing for every other river region." In particular we assert that success in the Tennessee region, IF it has been achieved.

Frederic's eyes w in area, density of population, water law, types of agriculture, continue—"
in area, density of population, water law, types of agriculture, continue—"
Frederic was motionless. it impossible to draw any sound conclusions.

by the Mail-Tribune it is said that "How good TVA has been for the region it occupies might be debated, but so far as public opinion is concerned the debate is closed." We question that assertion. As we see it the debate is just beginning, TVA has had the floor for a long time and by skilful propaganda has secured a wide currency for its own clai—is of success.

Now that the other valley propagals are wide with the count was savine, or could save In a further sentence in that Journal editorial not quoted

has secured a wide currency for its own claims of success. Now that the other valley proposals are made, with TVA offered as the example of success, those claims are being scrutinized and some interesting facts are coming to light.

Here, for instance, is one such. For the fiscal year ending on June 30, 1944 the average cost of electricity to domestic users on the TVA systems was 1.88 cents a kilowatt hour while for the calendar year of 1944 the average paid by Pacific Power & Light Company users was 1.86. And remember that the TVA systems had the benefit of all sorts of subsidies.

How about that yardstick?

WORKERS NAMED

May B. Johnson.

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H. A. Dussault, county chairman for the Jefferson county Red Cross drive announced the work ers for Madras this week. Business district: J. W. Warren, W. R. Cook, Mrs. Fred Green. Residential: Mrs. Mary Conroy, Mrs. by Mrs. Mary Conroy, Mrs. by Mrs. Turner and Mrs. George with the cases dealt with problems of servicemen or their families.

MANY CASES HANDLED

During January a total of 126

bome service cases were handled by the local Red Cross, it was reported today. Of this number, 81

Stand up. Frederic. There are sponsibilities. Stand up. Bow down. One or the other. It is for down. One or the other. It is for the cases dealt with problems of servicemen or their families.

"Did Someone Say MacArthur?"





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THE STORY: Frederic Chopin's playing is applauded at Count Wodzinski's dinner party and he is asked to play an encore.

THE DECISION

Frederic had bowed. Now he

chair.
"Your Excellency!"
Chairs were pushed back and the guests, taking their cue from the host, stood up.
Frederic stopped, his fingers in midali.

The Count bowed to his new guests, then presented his Count-ess who made a sweeping curtsy. The Count in a shrill voice said:

cious Majesty, the Czar."
The Governor said to Count Wodzinski: "Thank you. But 1

your Excellency, Just this way, your Excellency," Then to Fred eric, he said: "Sit down, please

-You man-you-go on with

your music.'

ow—now—now— remember Poland and your Frederic's eyes which had been friends who are proud of you."

(To Be Continued) now-now-now-now-

Count Wodzinski. "-I do not play-" His tones

rang clear. "I will never play-for Czarist butchers!

There were gasps, muffled voices, and a shifting of chairs.
But Frederic was gone.

No one had lighted a candle, and the room was in darkness. Mamma Chopin said: "Frederic Frederic—why did you do it?" "What did you think you would gain by it?" asked Nicolas Chopin. Frederic didn't answer. A candle was lighted and placed

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on the table.

"—What could you have hoped to gain by it?"

Mamma Chopin said: "Do you think you will ever get to teach in the Conservatorium now?"

"That's done." Nicolas Chopin raid. "That's when he will be to the conservatorium now?"

said. "That's over. That much is certain." —"Tch, tch." Jozef Eisner walk-

—"Tch, tch." Jozef Elsner walkcd back and forth, his hands behind his back.

The kitchen door flung open. It
opened with such a bang that
Mamma Chopin recoiled from
fright, sure agents of the Czar
had already come upon them. She
was relieved when she saw that it
was Mile. Gladkowska and two was Mile Gladkowska and two

was Mile, Gladkowska and two men—Jan Bialoblocki and Tytus Wojciechowski. Konstancja was the first to speak afd she spoke sharply. "Frederic, get out of this house!" "—Out of Poland!" said Jan Bialoblocki, "There is no time to lose!"

Nicolas Chopin said: "Are you out of your head? Where would he go?"

"Anywhere!" Tytus answered. "There's be an order for your arrest by morning," Jan said. "No doubt about it,"

Jozef Elsner said: "As I have sometimes said, Nicolas—there is always Paris," "—Paris!"

"Yes."

Mile. Gladkowska pressed a small leather bag into Frederic's hand. "Frederic." Frederic looked at her, then at

Frederic looked at her, then at the leathern bag.

"Polish earth," she said.
His hands closed tightly over it.

"Keep it, Frederic; keep it with you wherever you go, Cher-ish it, Frederic."

"Polish earth?"
The girl profiled "Frem union

The girl nodded, "From under the birch trees. It will help you to

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Washington Column

By Peter Edson (NEA Staff Correspondent) Washington, D. C. — Proposals between congress and the execubetween congress and the execu-tive end of the government, the voters and the special interest lobbles and pressure groups, must be judged on the point of whether congress is out of step with the rest of the world or whether ev-erybody else is out of step with congress.

Defenders of congress are too Defenders of congress are too often forced to plead that their critics do not understand what congress is supposed to do or what it does. On that basis it is the executive arm of the government which needs the most reforming. Nevertheless, few people can deny that there is general public dissatisfaction over the continued rowing between congress and the executive.

and the executive.

A reform of the executive agency set-up might be in order at the same time congress goes through its reorganization. Anything that would improve relationships be-tween the executive and legislative arms of the government would be a help, but since it is re-form of congress that is being talked a bout now, let's stick to

that.

It has often been proposed that cabinet members and the heads of administration agencies be given seats on the floor of congress and the right to debate, without the right to vote.

Far more practical is the new

right to vote.

Far more practical is the proposal of Representative Estes
Kefauver of Tennessee that congress be permitted to call executive department heads to the floor
for regular questioning. Cabinet
members can now be called before
congressional committees, but not congressional committees, but not before the whole congress. This might lead to the "baiting" of cer-tain unpopular executives, and furthermore it might lead to considerable embarrassment of the president. Questions would have to be submitted in advance, and

answers might be declined.

Feeling that the executive departments have been running off with the government, there has fastened on the pock-marked face of the Czar's new Governor of Poland now met the cold eyes of Buy National War Bonds Now!

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fields, reefers and short coats tailored to a "T", 12-42, 22,75-39.75

PEOPLES

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THE

war plants corporation, lend lease administration, office of war mobilization and reconversion and similar agencies have specified that the direction shall make periodic reports to congress.

When congress gets the reports, often the congressmen do not have time to state the congressmen do not have tary-treasure. Laws establishing the smaller for second place with 20 out of 3

often the congressmen do not have time to study them and do not have the staff to make studies of Washington, D. C. — Proposals the reports for them. This leads for improving the relationships to the desire to reform congress between congress and the execusive end of the government, the better check on what the execusive end of the government, the

better check on what the execu-tive departments are doing, how they're spending the money con-gress gives them.

The general accounting office, created as an agency of congress, might do this, but its functions have been limited to audit for freud and it is not used to advise fraud and it is not used to advise congress on what the executive agencies of government should or should not do. Bureau of the bud-get, in the executive office of the president, determines that, but it venoris to the president and not to

officers and retains Jack Harry
as herder at the Crane Praire
camp. Officers are Cedi Steam
president; N. A. McCoin, vizpresident; H. M. Stevens, sextary-treasurer, and George Jone
N. F. McCoin, Leland Casey and
Luther Harrington as members of
the advisory board. the advisory board. Construction Engineer Wickner

Construction Engineer Wickne for the Oskar Huber highway projects, reports here that the government has rejected the pro-posed 30-mile Crooked River roat

posed 30 mile Crooked River road as a post road. M. J. Danielson, builder, report that the new footbridge over the Deschutes river in Bend is ready

Deschutes river in Bend is ready for use.

Range applications are studied by members of the Sisters-Meto-ius Livestock association at a Bend meeting attended by Ben Tone, Max Wurzweiler, E. B. Gra-ham, Joe Howard, Jr., and Ella Edgington.

president, determines that, but it reports to the president and not to congress.

Bend's Yesterdays

TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO
(From The Bulletin Files)
(Feb. 16, 1920)

In a Bend Trapshooters meet, Dr. W. G. Manning breaks 22 out of 22 clay pigeons, with N. G. Jacobson and Don H. People tying

Total, Max Veryeller, E. B. Gr. ham, Joe Howard, Jr., and Ellis Edgington.

Members of the Methodial Cohurch vote on whether they should construct a \$40,000 church this year, with the results of the balloting not being made known. Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Shevlin of Portland are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Crosby Shevlin, Mr. and Mrs. W. L., O'Donnell report the birth of a daughter on Feb. 14.

Thomas Jarrard of Terrebonne, is a Bend business visitor.

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