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Not the City's Business

Wood dealers with established yards in Salem have requested enactment by the city council of an ordinance which would require each of them to pay an annual license fee of \$100 and prohibit the retail delivery of wood in Salem by any other than a licensed dealer. Professing that it did not care to act so hastily upon the question the council last night rightfully refused to pass upon the matter and referred the ordinance bill to the ways and means committee for investigation and report.

Without entering into the legality of the proposal, which is doubtful in view of discriminating features and the questionable authority of the city to thus exercise its police power, there are several reasons why the city should not be a party to such legislation.

The ordinance would, first of all, operate to create a limited monopoly, and would admittedly increase the retail price of wood in the city by destroying free competition. Wood prices, under the stimulus of competition by farmers and idle men who have turned their unemployed time during the winter to profit by cutting wood, have automatically adjusted themselves to the depressed level of other commodities.

Fuel is one of the necessities of life, the price of which should be governed solely by supply and demand.

Under existing economic conditions unrestrained production and distribution of wood has been the salvation of many an unemployed resident of Salem. Farmers, deprived of a market for their other products, have turned to cutting fuel from their own wood lots. Others have purchased stumps, or have cut the wood on contract. Dozens of men have been given employment who might otherwise have gone hungry. These men are just as much a part of the economic life of the city of Salem as the established wood dealers. If they are privileged to spend their money here they are entitled to every opportunity to earn it legitimately without having discriminatory barriers thrown up in front of their enterprise.

The wood dealers talk of "stabilizing the price of wood" by the legislation they propose. By stabilizing the price they mean increasing it by including in it a handling charge for their own profit. It is no business of the city council to take a hand in such price fixing. The salvation of the wood dealers, like merchants in all other lines, lies in their own enterprise and resourcefulness. The city's interests are those of all of its citizens—not those of any particular class.

Can Julius Do It?

In his proposal to balance the state budget and reduce governmental expenses to a minimum Governor Meier has an opportunity to do the state and people of Oregon a great and valuable service. His program for abolishing all items of expense not justified by strict necessity, for abolishing useless boards and commissions that have fastened themselves upon the governmental structure under the excuse of being "self-supporting," and requiring other self-sufficing departments to contribute to the general fund to compensate for the free services now rendered them by tax-supported offices is sound and sensible.

But we wonder if Governor Meier realizes what a task he has undertaken, what a battle lies before him, and whether or not he is really prepared to carry it through.

Other governors before him have had visions of just such a house-cleaning as Governor Meier suggests. None could serve more than a few months in the executive office and not be impressed by the waste, extravagance, duplication of effort and expense and the utter futility of many of the functions for which the state now stands sponsor. Devising and executing a remedy for the situation has been another matter.

Those governors who have attempted the needed reforms have soon lost their enthusiasm. None has been successful in withstanding the pressure exerted by interested parties from every direction. It remains to be seen if Julius Meier, whose financial fortunes are not dependent upon his political future, really possesses the independence to tell the self-seeking politicians where to head in and force a legislature dominated by bureaucracy and special interests to do his bidding.

Recent Graduate Honored At Party

Mt. Angel—Miss Helen Willig was honored at a party at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Constantine L. Willig, on the occasion of her being graduated from the Silverton high school June 2. Games and dancing were the diversion of the evening until a late hour when a luncheon was served by the hostesses.

Guests invited for the affair were Mr. and Mrs. John Willig, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Borkenhagen and son Harry, Mr. and Mrs. William Lucht and son Raymond, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lucht, Sr. and Mrs. Fred Willig and daughter Gwendolyn, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lucht, Jr. and family, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Schottman and children, Erwin, Franklin and Ruth, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Schottman and children, Helen and Roy, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Willig, William Pfaff, Edwin Willig, Mrs. William Wolf and Besse Hatch.

MRS. CRUMMENY GUEST

Hubbard—Mrs. Raymond Crummeny and children, Agnes and Hugh, are guests at the home of the former's aunt, Mrs. Mary Coleman. Mrs. Crummeny lives in San Francisco and expects to remain in Hubbard several months for her health. Before her marriage she was Miss Agnes Leonard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Leonard, who is well known to Hubbard and St. Paul residents. Crummeny was in the hotel business and was unable to make the trip at this time. While here Mrs. Crummeny will also visit other relatives.

Scotts Mills Hi Class Graduated

Scotts Mills—The following program was given at the high school commencement exercises here: Professional, orchestra; invocation by Rev. Macy of the local Friends church; selection, orchestra; address of the evening by Dr. Levi T. Pennington of Pacific college; vocal solo, Mrs. Leroy Frazier; presentation of diploma, Mrs. L. Fulkerson, county superintendent of schools; benediction, Rev. Macy.

Members of the class of 1932 are Verda Miller, Merle Hawkins, Doris Hogg, Walter Thurman, Ruthanna McCracken, William Kellogg and Cleo Sauerbald.

Mrs. Barnett Will Direct Club Again

Pioneer—The F. L. club of the Gervais Rebekah lodge met at the home of Mrs. W. E. Barnett for the monthly business meeting and election of officers. The president, Mrs. Alice Barnett and the secretary, Mrs. Janet Harold, were elected and Mrs. Claire Watts was elected vice-president. An outdoor affair is planned for their next meeting.

SHOOK TO BUILD SOON

Broadacres—Mr. and Mrs. Tom Shook have returned to Portland after a short visit here. They have owned acreage here for several years and are planning to build in the near future. Shook is an engineer on the S. P. & S. railway. His brother-in-law, Mr. Wilson, is looking after the property here.

POWER PLAN AT HOOD RIVER HAS APPROVAL

The state hydro-electric commission today announced its approval of the proposed Hood River People's Utility district for the supply and distribution of electric energy for the entire Hood River valley, including 95 square miles.

C. E. Stricklin, secretary of the commission which has had the matter under consideration for some time, stated that the commission believes that if bonds can be sold at not less than par, bearing not to exceed five per cent interest, it would be financially feasible for the district to be created and to enter upon the purchase and distribution of power or generation and distribution of electric energy.

This is the second hydro-electric district which has been before the commission since the law making the creation of utility districts possible. The first one, that includes Tillamook and vicinity, was declared satisfactorily as far as creation of the district was concerned but the commission recommended against the development of hydro-electric energy.

The commission's engineers reported the best of the four proposed projects in the Hood River district would be the enlarging of the Farmers' canal, which now diverts water for irrigation, so that it would carry sufficient water for power development. The engineers report estimated cost of the 5400 horsepower generating plant would be \$356,436, or with distribution system and financing a total cost of about \$915,000.

The district is now served by the Pacific Power and Light company, and residents paid during 1931 an average price of 3.02 cents per kilowatt hour. Under the new plan as proposed the cost would be about 2.7 cents or a saving of about 10 per cent, permitting the district to pay for its project in 25 years, the commission reported.

The commission further recommended that if impossible, as the bonded limit of the district indicates, to finance the entire project, that some of the transmission lines be not constructed at once. Further recommendations include the acquisition of the Pacific Power and Light company facilities now serving the district, if obtainable at a fair price.

The hydro-electric commission consists of B. L. Eddy, Roseburg, chairman; E. F. Slade, Salem, and C. E. Stricklin, Clatskanie.

SCHOOL BILL UNDER ATTACK

Appeal from the ballot title of the proposed initiative measure providing for the physical consolidation of the state's higher institutions of learning was filed with the Oregon supreme court here today. Attorney Chester Ross of Salem filed the action, naming C. W. Keene of Silverton as plaintiff and state officials as defendants. The appeal is from the title affixed some time ago by the attorney general.

The complaint asserts the ballot title is unfair and misleading. It contends the measure is misnamed for the reason that it does not provide for any consolidation, but does provide for moving the normal schools to Corvallis, moving the law schools to Eugene, moving the offices of the board of higher education to Corvallis and establishing new junior colleges at La Grande and Ashland.

The complaint alleges further that this, instead of creating an economy will call for at least one million dollars of new expenditure on buildings and equipment for strictly school purposes, not including the housing requirements.

The plaintiff offers a proposed substitute ballot title for the measure, as "A bill for moving university and normal schools and establishing additional colleges."

Attorney Ross said no organization was back of the attack on the ballot title, but that Keene as a taxpayer, is the actual as well as nominal plaintiff.

Arthur Benson, clerk of the supreme court, said the appeal would probably be given immediate attention by the court.

FEEDING OF GRANGE DELEGATES PLANNED

Silverton—During two days of the state grange convention here next week, the women's societies of the Immanuel Lutheran church will hold food sales and serve lunches all day in the Innman building across from the Silverton postoffice. The Trinity Lutheran Ladies' Aid and Dorcas society will serve lunch and dinner during the days of the session. They will serve in the dining room of the church.

The Immanuel Ladies' Aid group will hold their sales and all-day light lunches Wednesday, and the Immanuel Guild will serve Thursday, Mrs. Ed Overlund is president of the Guild. Mrs. Conrad Johnson is vice-president. Mrs. N. Henjum is treasurer and Mrs. F. Harmon, secretary. The committee in charge includes Mrs. H. B. Jorgensen, Mrs. Ben Furuseth, Mrs. Rasmussen and Mrs. Joe Hopfinger.

Of the Immanuel Ladies' Aid, Mrs. M. E. Strand is president, Mrs. Oscar Olson is vice president, Mrs. H. Hallgrud, secretary, and Mrs. R. Solheim treasurer. The sale and luncheon committee includes Mrs. A. Halver, chairman, Mrs. Orvar Olson and Mrs. L. Opedahl.

With the 14 eating houses in Silverton and the churches serving meals, the citizens feel that the grange visitors will be well fed. Other arrangements are taken care of by different committees working under the chamber of commerce.

New German Regime Sounds Death Knell Of Democratic Rule

By FREDERICK KUH

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Berlin, June 7.—The pre-war rulers of Germany, for the time being minus the Hohenzollern dynasty, have recaptured power in the Republic. German historians recorded the shift of epochal significance in a week of stirring events. Not the Hitler fascists, but the German people, at present Kaiserless, are cracking the whip of the dictatorship.

The Von Papen government's first proclamation sounded the death knell of democracy, denouncing parliamentary government as a failure. Even of the leaders of the democratic party, uttering a view hitherto only among the mortal enemies of the democrats, remarked to the correspondent:

"Our post-war blunder was in ad-

BONUS MARCH CENSURED BY LOCAL LEGION

Resolutions condemning the tactics of "bonus marchers" now converging upon Washington, D. C., and their efforts to impress congress by a show of force were adopted by Capital Post No. 2 American Legion, Tuesday night. Because Portland was the starting point of one large group and is also to be host city to the national convention in September, that city is receiving "dubious credit" for the movement.

Leadership in all matters affecting the welfare of ex-service men and their dependents, taken by the American Legion, leaves the impression with the general public that any organized activity of veterans must be sponsored by the American Legion, the resolution continues. Tactics used by the "bonus marchers" are characterized as "repugnant to American citizens" and department headquarters of the American Legion are called upon to "publicly and forcefully repudiate any responsibility for or implied endorsement of the so-called bonus marchers." The resolutions were signed by J. T. Delaney, R. S. Keene, R. H. Bassett and E. M. Page.

Benefits to be derived by Oregon through the national convention were outlined by Carl Moser of Portland, state adjutant. Already 300 Pullman cars have been chartered and between 500 and 600 are expected, he said. Portland railroad officials are already negotiating to have additional tracks laid to take care of the cars during the convention. Alex Barry, state commander, was unable to attend the meeting.

Entertainment included violin solos by Miss Helen Purvine, accompanied by Carl Moser of Portland, state adjutant. Already 300 Pullman cars have been chartered and between 500 and 600 are expected, he said. Portland railroad officials are already negotiating to have additional tracks laid to take care of the cars during the convention. Alex Barry, state commander, was unable to attend the meeting.

BRUNK TO HEAD CLUB AT EOLA

Eola—The Eola Community club held its last regular meeting Friday evening with the president, Mrs. B. I. Ferguson in the chair. The election of officers for the coming year was held, Thomas W. Brunk being elected president. Mrs. Ferguson, vice-president; Miss Leona Brunk, secretary; Mrs. L. Pugh, treasurer, and Henry Carr, janitor. A pot-luck supper preceded the meeting.

After the business meeting the following impromptu musical and literary program was given, which was arranged by the president: A reading, Beth DeLapp; vocal and instrumental music, Virgil White and Curt Ferguson; vocal solo, Elsie Lachafelle; piano and violin, Maxine and Coranell Ferguson; piano solo, Willow Gibson; vocal solo, Alvin W. Meade; piano solo, Mary Elsie Ferguson.

In the absence of the chairman of the school board, E. L. Herrell, M. J. DeLapp, a member of the board, presented Elsie Lachafelle with an eighth grade diploma. The following pupils were presented with merit awards: Enoch Herrell, first Palmer button; Wayne Russell, Glenn DeLapp and John Gibson, second Palmer buttons; Coranell and Mary Elsie Ferguson and Glenn DeLapp, perfect attendance certificates; Mildred Denham and Coranell Ferguson, final Palmer certificates.

The club went on record to can fruit and vegetables to be donated to the Doernbecher hospital this fall.

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MODERN YOUTH DRAMA BILLED; REVUE FEATURE

The drama of boy and girl at the threshold of manhood, facing the several paths leading to honor, to crime, to respectability, and undecided which to take, forms the background that Director Frank Borsage chose for his romance of youth, "Young America," coming to the screen of the Warner Bros. Mainstage theater Wednesday and Thursday.

Borsage has woven this setting into the story and the result is a film that is said to be one of the most arresting productions of 1932. Spencer Tracy, Doris Kenyon, Beryl Mercer and Ralph Bellamy have the principal "grown-up" roles with Tommy Condon, Raymond Borromeo and Dawn O'Day as the leading youngsters of the picture.

In addition to the screen feature, Manager James Carey is presenting the fourth annual dance revue given by Miss Barbara Barnes and her school of professional dancers. A feature of the revue this year will be "The Kiddie Kabaret," a one-act dance drama. A group of specialists will be given between the two parts of the revue program.

PASTOR HOLDS COUNCIL SEAT

For the first time in many years—perhaps for the first time in the city's history—an active minister of a local church is now a member of the city council.

This came about last night when Rev. Adelbert S. Henderson, whose residence is at 1155 Mission street, and who is pastor of the First United Brethren church, was installed as an alderman from the fourth ward to succeed W. D. Evans. Mr. Henderson was elected to the office over Mr. Evans in the election of May 20. He was eligible to take office immediately for the reason that Evans was holding office by appointment and not by election.

There was some question yesterday whether Alderman Henderson would sit in last night's meeting, because the system under which the public tried of parliamentarism. The government was considering also establishing later a sort of house of lords, which would further doom the Reichstag to insignificance. Von Papen intends virtually to abolish the Prussian government of the last 13 years, which has been the backbone of German democracy. Reaching the system under which the Kaiser was both emperor of Germany and king of Prussia, the Prussian administration, according to a project on which it was learned the cabinet has informally agreed, will be placed under the heel of Von Papen's regime.

DALLAS CITY HALL BOND ISSUE LOST

Dallas—By a vote of 420 to 394, Dallas residents rejected a \$22,000 bond issue for the erection of a new city hall at the special election Monday. The issue was in the form of a charter amendment.

Change of the offices of auditor and police judge from elective to appointment by the council was also turned down, the vote being 187 to 225.

Scotts Mills—At the school board meeting Saturday evening a \$400 warrant was paid, leaving only an indebtedness of \$800 on the gymnasium building.

Doris Blake Says:-

More Than Efficiency Is Needed To Insure A Happy Home

"In your column recently you described the life of a woman married to a cold, unresponsive, unaffectionate mate. What about the man who draws that kind of woman from the matrimonial grab bag? The woman, at least, can trump up a divorce excuse and be taken care of for the rest of her life—BUT

"I've been married 12 years. I have a beautiful daughter, 19. From the first day until the present one I have never known what it is to be shown any love. My wife cooks my meals; sews on the buttons; she does the washing. She saves the money. But is that all that's needed for a happy union?"

"I'd go without meals, sew the buttons on, myself—yes, and do the washing, too, for one good, spontaneous hug and kiss. If I attempt to kiss her she pulls away, saying she has to do this or that. There is always an excuse."

"I have tried leaving her alone, paying her no attention, hoping she'd miss it. It didn't work. She is just a type that never should have married. I've tried the old Adam trick of threatening to find myself a loving mamma. The answer I get is: 'Go ahead, if you're not satisfied with me.' And we're both 30."

"I'm no angel. None of us is. But I don't cheat. I work. Turn over my money, and what I've earned of other men, if I'd forgive the conceit, makes me feel I do not deserve this kind of treatment."

"For the last five months life has been awful. I started in acting as she has always done; going to work without kissing her goodbye, showing no affection at any time, and it's got to the point that I hate to come home and see her. I don't believe in the other woman kind of stuff. I want my own wife. But when she doesn't care enough to show me one particle of affection, what can I do?"

There isn't any answer to the problem. There is warning to wives in it, however—to wives who are little more than good and efficient robots. If they want to know why men leave home, there's the answer. Happy unions are fostered on more than machine-like efficiency. They must have warm blooded, human relationship. But whether you can change a robot (man or woman) into a loving human being—You answer it, reader. Can you.

West Salem—Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Henningsen of Gerth avenue have had at their home guest for a week Mrs. Henningsen's sister, Miss Elsie Palmrose of Seaside. On Saturday the group motored to Corvallis for a visit with their brother Victor Palmrose who is a member of the faculty of O. S. C. The Henningsens returned home in time to be present at the Children's day exercises in Ford Memorial church on Sunday morning. Miss Palmrose remained in Corvallis.

STATE BANKERS PONDER BILL

Eugene, June 7 (UP)—One hundred Oregon bankers, gathered in annual convention here, had a new problem to consider today in the national revenue measure which yesterday was signed by President Hoover. The enactment levies a tax of 2 cents on every check cashed by a bank.

T. P. Cramer, Jr., secretary of the Oregon Bankers' association, said he understood officers of the group believed the burden should fall on the depositor who issues the check, and not upon the bank.

Bankers were opposed to making "collection agencies" of their institutions.

John N. Edlefson, president, opened the 27th convocation with a strong plea for "a guarantee of bank management rather than a guarantee of deposits."

The delegates were to consider such issues as the state law providing an 8 percent penalty, and branch banking, both controversial.

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