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I sketch your world exactly as it goes."
—Byron

A Super-Scenic Drive

Perhaps the most scenic drive in the world is that on which the editor spent his brief vacation. If there is another comparable in variety and beauty of scenery for a similar expenditure of effort, time and money, it is not of record. One has but to speed around this great circle to be convinced that the Pacific northwest is the scenic wonderland of America and destined to become the vacation land of the continent.

The speedometer recorded 2000 miles in circling the grand loop from Salem north, east, west and south back to Salem. The route traversed was north on the Pacific highway to Bellingham, thence northeast via Sumas and Chilliwack to Hope, B. C., gateway to the Frazier river canyon; up the Caribou trail to the "100 Mile House", 100 miles north of Lillooet, where the road leaves the Frazier for the northern lake country.

From 100 Mile House, after a trip to Lake Canim and a cruise to its falls, we doubled back to Clinton, turning east via Camloops to Revelstone; shipped the car through Glacier park to Golden; thence up the Kicking Horse canyon through the Yoho and Banff national parks to Lake Louise; south through Kootenay and Yahk national parks, via Bonner's Ferry to Spokane; thence via Pasco and the Columbia highway to Mt. Hood, and around its loop, back to Salem.

As far as Hope, the route is a bewildering succession of fertile cultivated green valleys, verdure clad mountains ranging back to snow mantled peaks, of great winding rivers, of placid blue lakes, of foaming mountain torrents, of gray ocean vistas. Occasionally there is a barren belt or cut-off desolation which only lends contrast, populous cities and decadent villages. One traverses the richest garden regions of Oregon, Washington and British Columbia, disfigured only by gas stations, hot dog stands and mama shacks.

The Frazier river canyon is more rugged and picturesque than the Columbia gorge, though lacking its broad vistas. The fine highway clings to the brink of countless precipices, beneath which the river dashes its foaming way—and the Frazier is one of America's largest streams. Leaving the gorge, a sage brush desert belt is crossed which gradually merges into forest and grazing land, studded with lakes, large and small—the home of the moose.

Lytton is at the junction of the Frazier with its main tributary, the Thompson river, and a highway runs up each stream. At Kamloops the Thompson widens into Kamloops lake, and there is a succession of lakes along its channel for 100 miles. Revelstone is noted as the home of the champion ski jumpers, and though only 1500 feet elevation, is in a heavy snow belt. Here the upper Columbia makes its northern sweep, and as the proposed road along it is far from complete, cars must be shipped across the mountains to Golden.

From Golden the road climbs the Kicking Horse canyon, one of the famous scenic drives of a scenic wonderland. Thence along spacious paved park boulevards amid silvery lakes to Lake Louise. A score of snow capped mountains tower on every side while glacial streams tear through gorges and valleys. It is but a short drive to Banff, with all of its attractions and a few miles back trailing, to the Kootenay park, where the river of the same name begins its tortuous course. At the southern boundary is Radio Hot Springs, famous for its spa, and here we leave the Canadian Rockies.

In sections from here south, the pine forests have been cut or burned and the land left desolate in strips, but the many streams and lakes save its landscape features. In Idaho a rich farming region studded with lakes is traversed, until Spokane is entered. From here south to Pasco lie the wheat fields of the Inland Empire, where harvesting operations are underway.

From Pasco, a new highway has just been opened, following the bend of the Columbia to Umatilla after crossing the Snake on a new bridge—and its scenery is in keeping with that of the Columbia further down. It obviates the old river ferry.

Everywhere the roads are excellent, most of them hard surfaced and in the entire 2000 miles less than 10 miles of detours, due to road building, were encountered. Hotel and resort accommodations are first class and prices reasonable.

GROCERY SCALE IS SATISFACTORY

The NRA program is working out satisfactorily in the grocery business, according to H. J. Hort of the Table Supply company, and he believes it has inaugurated a program that should have been adopted by the grocers months ago.

"Last Saturday," he said, "we did more business in 10 hours than we have done heretofore in 15 hours. At our place of business we added one man to the payroll for the day, and will do that each Saturday. There is a possibility that we may have to have extra help on Fridays also."

Under the new schedule the grocers open at 8 o'clock in the morning and close at 6 in the evening every day in the week.

Epidemic of Poison Menaces Oakland

Oakland, Cal., (UP)—Poisoning was almost an epidemic here. In one day the Highland Hospital treated the following cases: Margaret Thompson, age 2½, whose curiosity led her to drink furniture polish; Joe Pesca, who was forced to drink liniment on threat of death; Mrs. Lucile Grimes, who told them she had taken 1,000 poison tablets, admitted she had only attempted to hoax her husband by so saying.

One British charitable organization provides 24,000 meals for boys and girls every day.

PEACH CROP LIGHT SAYS VAN TRUMP

County Inspector Van Trump, who has inspected some peach orchards in this vicinity, reports the crop spotted, with probably a comparatively light crop this year. Triumph peaches are ripening now but the Crawford and Charlottes for canning will not be on until about September 1, he stated.

In Keizer and north he says there are some fairly good crops but orchards in the Pudding river section, he says, are showing a very short crop and some scarcely any peaches to speak of.

Prune Market Makes No Change In Week

The prune market is practically unchanged in selling price from one week ago, except that Imperials are a little easier in quotation, says the California Fruit news. Packers have been buying prunes from growers at increasing prices and are now well up above the basis of the pool's opening price. This is understood by growers who think the pool should have opened higher. As a matter of fact, the pool's opening price seems to have proved that it was just about in line with the theory of this whole matter, as it is furnishing a substantial market with advancing prices to growers on their free tonnage, which is really what the growers ought to think most satisfactory just now.

BEAVERS BEAT REDS 2 TIMES AND REACH TOP

The Portland Beavers, 1932 Pacific Coast league champions, regained the top rung Sunday by a double-header victory over the Missions, and aided by the surprising Sacramento Seals, who trounced the ersatz leaders into fourth place.

In the entire list not one double-header was split.

The Beavers beat the Reds, 8 to 7, in ten innings, and 6 to 3, to win the series by a 4 to 3 count.

Tony Freitas, southpaw sent to the Beavers by the Philadelphia Athletics, nearly lost his game due partly to errors behind him, but pitched himself out in the tenth. The Reds rallied in the seventh with three runs, and tied the count by a score in the ninth. Friberg and Sheely got home runs.

The Beavers had less difficulty in the nightcap, when Art Jacobs, another southpaw, held the Reds in hand. The Missions didn't get a run off Jacobs until the eighth. Manager Fred Hoffman of the Reds was sent from the field for disputing a close decision.

The Seals, winding up their spree against Sacramento by winning four games in two days, took the first tilt Sunday, 8 to 3, and the second, 12 to 9.

Hollywood ailed into second place by defeating Seattle, 7 to 3 and 10 to 6.

The Stars reached Page for 13 hits and staged a four-run rally in the seventh inning in taking the opener. Campbell granted 10 hits to the Indians.

The second game went to the Stars when the runs came across the plate in the fourth and fifth innings, after the Indians, who reached Wetzel, Buchanan and Shellenback for 16 bingles, took a three-run lead in the early innings. Radonits and Sewell gave the Stars 13 blows.

Los Angeles also climbed by dropping Oakland, 15 to 3, and 7 to 5.

NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

BY PAUL MALLON

Washington, Aug. 7.—Word has been passed down the line inside for all government officials to talk down inflation prospects.

Those who were whispering a week ago that dollar revaluation was just around the next corner are humoring a new time. They infer that perhaps the N. R. A. alone will pull us out. Also that world prices may come back to a level where artificial stimulation will NOT be necessary.

Nothing is being said officially that might prove embarrassing later on, but the administration is obviously trying to stamp out inflation talk without showing its own hand. There is a reason.

The stock and grain markets have just come back to earth after a wild flight of speculation. The latter, the speculation was built largely on expectations of inflation. Everyone knew it. Even the office boys were digging in their socks to drop nickels in the Wall Street slot machine.

The administration apparently is determined that shall NOT happen again. It is therefore feeding out information to prevent speculators from starting another fleeing market movement.

Facts—These are only surface developments. At bottom the inflation situation has not changed.

The only real question about it is whether the recovery steps now being taken are sufficient to do the whole job. Nine out of 10 insiders in Washington believe more will be necessary. They have not changed their minds, only their talk.

You cannot go on with existing currency conditions forever. Some day some dollar standard will have to be fixed. It probably will be a gold standard. If it is the gold content of the dollar will unquestionably be less than it was. If not, it will be a commodity dollar standard. Either way, you get the same result—inflation.

Preparations—The most significant inner development on this subject recently was the unnoticed appointment of a new federal board of statistical experts. They are to be known as the central statistical board. Their job is going to be to keep Mr. Roosevelt properly informed as to how much purchasing power the N. R. A. is creating. They will keep their eyes on reemployment and wage figures particularly.

The board has a mixed personnel. Some are strong anti-inflationists while others want to keep the ball rolling.

They probably will confine themselves to pointing out the problem rather than giving service on remedies.

The most responsible officials leave a neat way out for themselves in their denials of inflation talk. The White House spokesman offered his denials only for the period "until the N. R. A. gets working." Acting Treasury Secretary Acheson made his denial purely personal. He said it reflected only his own view and not that of the administration.

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START INSPECTION OF HOP CAMPS

Inspection of quarters and camp grounds provided for owners of pickers for the thousands of pickers which will flock into the country late this month, was started by the Marion county health organization today by John E. Blackburn, county dairy and food inspector.

The inspection will include a check on the purity of the water supply and arrangements made for garbage and sewage disposal. State health regulations govern the inspections.

Little trouble is encountered by the county health officers from operators of the larger yards and other who have been in the business for many years since they know what is expected of them and act accordingly. The work will be a little more difficult this year, however, because of the setting out of many new yards in the past two years. Many of these coming into bearing for the first time this fall will entangle the hundreds of pickers. In many instances the operators will have to be told what is expected of them. The hop yard owners apparently are willing to cooperate in maintaining sanitary quarters for their employees and give the authorities little difficulty.

LEAVE FOR CHICAGO

Donald—Miss Bernadine St. Helen returned home after spending two weeks with her cousin, Miss Dorothy Watson of Yoder.

Lyons—Mrs. Paul Harvey and daughter Margaret of Portland are visiting at the H. E. Bodecker home for a few days. They are enroute to the coast.

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genthan, Sr., the chairman of the delegation to the Geneva wheat parity.

He also is keeping a close watch on the national voluntary campaign for industrial peace which he regards as vital to the drive for better times.

Reports from Pennsylvania of doubt over the acceptance of the peace treaty in the soft coal war by some of the miners brought no reaction here. Mr. Roosevelt is accepting the peace agreement in good faith. He has put fullest confidence

FEATURE KITBALL CLASSIC TONIGHT

Pade's and Parker's, undefeated during the second half of the kitball season were scheduled to clash in the second game of tonight's double header at Sweetland field. Parker's defeated the grocers one game during the first half of the season while Pade's beat the sports goods men in an exhibition affair to even matters.

So tonight's affair is really the rubber. Elliott is ticketed to take the mound for Parker's in the absence of Sirger, regular chucker. Steinbock was reported in good condition and ready to perform in the hero role for Pade's John Bone, second string pitcher for Pade's and one of the hardest hitters in the entire group, expressed confidence over the ability of his club to defeat Parker's. "We will throw them past the Parker batters so fast they won't be able to see them," Bone declared.

The first game tonight at 8:30 will bring together Wait's and Kingsley's.

NEBRASKA WILDCAT WOUNDED IN BRAWL

Los Angeles, Aug. 7 (UP)—Perennial bad boy of fistic circles, Ace Hudkins, of the Nebraska wildcat, is in a hospital in nearby Glendale with two pistol slugs in his chest to show for what police described as a cafe brawl early yesterday.

In no immediate danger of dying but in a serious condition, Hudkins will go on the operating table today in doctors' efforts to stop a hemorrhage by removing the bullets, one of which lodged in the right upper lobe of his lung.

Hudkins embarked on his most recent night club fistic celebration, witnessed local police, when he with several friends arrived at the cafe in an openly belligerent mood. The middleweight, whose fists still carry weight in spite of lack of training and self-advised dissipation, punched a few of the patrons for a warm-up.

As the proprietor, R. H. Harris, asked Hudkins to take his fights outside, the witnesses said, Hudkins decided to show him "how to run your place."

Police were told that the boxer pulled a gun from his pocket and brandished it in the face of Harris.

Harris, alarmed, drew a gun at the same moment and fired. Hudkins pitched to the floor, face down, while patrons fled to the street.

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He asked that governors, mayors and other chiefs of local governments take similar action.

WARNS RETAILERS

To retailers making local agreements to cut hours of operation, Johnson sent a warning that they must take care or lose the blue eagle.

Their temporary code, he reminded, was approved with the understanding that the average hours of retail store operation should be kept around 65.

"The proposal to shorten hours is in violation of . . . the president's re-employment agreement," he messaged the Indiana Retail Grocers association. "Reconsideration of the provisions of the (temporary) retail codes and possible

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