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Tipsters to Fraud?

Paul W. Ward, Washington correspondent of the Nation, in the current issue of that periodical, asserts the Federal Trades commission maintains an agency engaged in "standardizing and licensing fraud," nullifying to an extent the efforts of the postal department, the food and drug administration and the SEC to keep the people out of the clutches of various types of knaves. He says:

The particular section of the FTC that is engaged in standardizing and licensing fraud is its Special Board of Investigation, established in 1929. The board is made up of three commission attorneys under the direction of E. J. Adams; Edwin L. Davis, a Roosevelt appointee and former Democratic Congressman from Tennessee, is the commissioner who has supervision of its operations. His colleagues on the commission are concerned with other matters.

The E. J. Adams referred to is a former citizen of Eugene, prominent in politics, and really operations, was on the first appointive state highway commission, and went to Washington as private secretary to Senator Stanfield. As little has been heard of him since, the Nation article is interesting to the Oregonians.

It is asserted that the help the FTC has extended to flim-flam artists is of two sorts, formal and informal. The informal type comprises the maintenance of a kind of tipster service for the latter-day medicine men. Other federal agencies, proceeding against these quacks, find when they come to grips with them that their own and the public's foes have been forewarned and prepared for the combat. The quacks show a strange familiarity with the details of the cases against them, and are prepared to meet each point raised.

Numerous cases are cited to prove the contention, in which the special board of investigation, through its chief, Mr. Adams, came publicly to the aid of the accused by vouching the scientific claims of nostrum makers and quacks, and issuing licenses for operation over the protest of the post office fraud division and the food and drug administration. Secret stipulations are arranged between the FTC and the permit recipients, although the right to issue them is questioned in supreme court decisions.

Abate the Nuisance

Residents along Pringle creek, which winds its way artistically for a mile and a half through the heart of the city from the Southern Pacific tracks to the Willamette river—particularly those who have gone to the trouble and expense of landscaping their properties to take advantage of the stream—are righteously indignant over the operations of a gravel plant recently opened by a highway contractor on the upper reaches of the creek, just outside the city limits.

Pretty Pringle creek is pretty no longer. In place of the crystal clear water which formerly danced and sang its way down the rocky stream bed there now flows a dirty conglomeration of mud and water, having the color of murky coffee and the consistency of soup. As the stream gradually recedes it leaves bare mud-covered rocks.

No self-respecting fish—and there have always been fish in the stream—would continue to live in such an environment, if it could.

The cause of the pollution, which is in violation of the state law, is easily found and, in the opinion of competent engineers, easy to remedy. It comes from the barrow bits and crusher of the gravel plant, established by Harold Blake, contractor, who has the job of paving five miles of the relocated Pacific highway south of Salem. One of the upper branches of the stream runs through the open barrow pits from which material is being dredged. Tailings from the gravel washer are being dumped directly into the stream.

No provision has been made for a settling basin to clarify water before it is turned into the creek, although the topography of the land is such that one could be provided at little expense.

Unless the contractor takes voluntary action to abate the nuisance the state game commission, the district attorney or the city should immediately undertake to enjoin further operation of the plant until steps are taken to eliminate the cause of pollution.

Choices for the Court

George Creel, who poses as the unofficial spokesman for the White House, in the current Collier's, submits a list of the group from whom the president will select new supreme court judges. He declares "the inner circle of the administration" is finally agreed that selections will be made from this list:

- Felix Frankfurter, 54, of Harvard.
- James M. Landis, 37, chairman of SEC.
- Donald R. Richberg, 35, former general counsel for NRA.
- Stanley Reed, 52, Solicitor General of the United States.
- Robert H. Jackson, 45, Assistant Attorney General.
- William O. Douglas, 38, member, SEC.
- Judge Joseph C. Hines, Jr., 57, 5th Circuit Court of Appeals.
- Joseph Warren Madden, 47, chairman of NLRB.
- Robert M. Hutchins, 38, President, University of Chicago.
- Judge Sam G. Bratton, 48, 10th Circuit Court of Appeals.
- Lloyd Garrison, 39, Dean of the Wisconsin Law School.
- Charles Fahy, 44, Chief Counsel for NLRB.
- Dean Acheson, 44, former Under-Secretary of the Treasury.
- Judge John J. Burns, 35, Special Counsel, Maritime Commission.

Every one, stated Mr. Creel, is "an ardent new dealer" so the president would seem to be taking no chances in respect to the conduct of the men after appointment. The executive's worry is whether the men he wants would accept appointment. There is also the question whether the senate would confirm some of these radicals, with whom its committees have frequently clashed.

In the senate itself a strong sentiment exists for the appointment of Senator Robinson of Arkansas, administration leader in the senate. His confirmation would be assured off-hand. But Mr. Robinson is 65 years old and beyond the age limit the president prescribed for appointees to federal courts. Yet the executive shortly after upset his own rule by appointing Judge R. L. Williams, 68, of Oklahoma, to the circuit bench, on his promise to retire at 70.

Big Business



News Behind The News

By Paul Mallon

Washington, May 21—Something went wrong inside the senate judiciary committee when it repudiated the President's court packing bill. At the very moment the committee was rejecting the whole house program, an eminent congressional leader was assuring his associates definitely that the committee



When the bad news was brought to him, he was so shocked he would not talk to anyone the rest of the day. At the white house, surprise was likewise indicated. The President did not get his wind back in time to discuss the matter in his press conference later that day.

The fact is the presidential major-domos thought they had arranged for entirely different result. They are not saying anything now, except among themselves, but they thought the committee was going to have a tie vote (nine to nine) on the Logan compromise. This is a proposal to pack the court at the rate of one a year instead of six at once. Such a development would have saved the court packing program from the ignominy of a direct defeat. It would have lifted the issue out of the committee to the senate floor for open discussion with the least possible pain to all.

Everything was fixed for it, or, at least, nearly everything. The skirts were greased, all except one skid.

Snoozing—What happened, the domos say, was that one of their pals on the committee was asleep at the switch. He was supposed to vote for the Logan compromise, but got to voting against all compromises so fast he did not know when to stop. The question now has arisen as to whether he took or was given a sleeping powder before the meeting.

If he had voted for the Logan proposal, the vote would have been exactly nine to nine. As it was, the compromise was defeated, ten to eight, and the committee went on to defeat the president's plan by the same score.

What it seems to boil down to is that the domos did a very bad job on the committee, or else some natural and unavoidable misunderstanding arose.

At any rate, they were flabbergasted and were unable to do anything about it after it occurred.

Domestication—A democratic group of anti-packers around the senate has come to be known familiarly in the corridors as "the lion-tamers club."

The title grows from an obvious but not generally advertised fact. They make no secret, in conversation, of their displeasure over the general attitude taken by the White House since the last election, on other matters as well as the court.

What brought their resentment out more distinctly was the latest edict of the president against compromise. Since then, they have been talking (in private, of course) about what happened to Mr. Wilson on Article X when the war president stood against any senatorial getting of "is" and any extra senatorial crossing of "is."

stored, if the president is just once defeated on an issue. Not all anti-packers feel that way, but enough of them do to create a very strong personal and somewhat bitter situation.

7 PER CENT OF FUND EXPENDED

Expenditures of state and federal money on the new Oregon capitol building, totaled \$363,932.87 up to May 18, a review of expense records at the secretary of state's office revealed. The sum represents nearly 7 per cent of the \$2,500,000 allotted.

The largest item listed was for payment of contracts on the actual construction of the building which started last September. This sum, when other construction costs was \$242,553.71.

Architect fees to date, including travel expense, was \$79,695.97. The next largest item was administrative expenditures, a total of \$21,769. This included the scale model of the capitol now on display at the statehouse at a cost of \$1,347.50. Other items under administration included \$10,996 in salaries and travel expenses for commission members and others of \$5,053.

Preliminary expenses prior to actual work on the capitol, which involved awards for the architectural contest, totaled \$13,565. Expense of artists work and sculpturing to date was \$6,337.90.

The building will be completed by August 1, 1938, under terms of the contract. Officials stated the work was well ahead of schedule at this time.

NEW SUIT FILED ON MILK CONTROL

Appeal from an order of the state agricultural department, revoking the milk and cream testing license of C. H. Peters, in charge of the Oregon City Creamery station here, went into the circuit court here today. This is the first appeal on a department milk order filed in Marion county.

The court also saw filed an amended complaint in the case of W. E. Savage and Bruce Fox against the state milk control board, attacking the law as illegal delegation of legislative power. The board suspended the licenses of the two dairymen for violations. A later appeal to the supreme court was expected.

Legal

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO IMPROVE FOURTEENTH STREET FROM SOUTH LINE OF "D" STREET TO A POINT 100 FEET SOUTH OF THE SOUTH LINE OF "B" STREET IN THE CITY OF SALEM, OREGON.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Common Council of the City of Salem, Oregon, deems it necessary and expedient, and hereby declares its purpose and intention to improve FOURTEENTH STREET FROM THE SOUTH LINE OF "D" STREET TO A POINT 100 FEET SOUTH OF THE SOUTH LINE OF "B" STREET IN THE CITY OF SALEM, OREGON, at the expense of the abutting street and alley intersections, the expense which will be assumed by the city of Salem, Oregon, by bringing said portion of said street to the established grade, constructing Portland cement concrete curbs, and paving said portion of said street with a six inch Portland cement concrete pavement, 40 feet in width, in accordance with the plans and specifications therefor, which were adopted by the Common Council on April 19, 1937, now on file in the office of the City Recorder, and which are hereby referred to and made a part hereof.

The Common Council hereby declares its purpose and intention to make the above-described improvement by and through the Street Improvement Department of the City of Salem, Oregon.

ZOLLIE'S Capital Journal GANG

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GIPS (Uphorn) took a crack at me the other evening. He insists that I'm always plugging the "Gang." He should only know how hard we've had to work in order to get kids to read this section! Seriously—Innumerable mothers wouldn't let their children read the Capital Journal because of his column. That's why we've had to build up the name of "Zollie's Journal Gang."

G. N. ME and Eddie Cantor—we had a swell broadcast program last week—someone handed us a play to use—we did—gosh, it went over swell. Later, many calls came in to tell us they had heard Cantor's program the week before also—my! oh my! is my face red!

G. N. THIS is really funny! The main feature tomorrow is Warner Olan in "Charlie Chan at the Olympics"—and it's approved for every boy and girl. The second attraction is Ken Maynard in a dashing, exciting Western. Of course—the serial—plus comedy and cartoon.

CHEWAMA Indian School is sending over its "Romantic Serenaders"—12 handsome, singing lads. Barbara Barnes is promising us a real special in "Raggedy Ann and Andy," but she won't tell us who they are; others appearing are Agnes Johnson and Rachel Baldwin, Doris Taylor (eye clubby secretary), Alice Lehman, Albert, Isabella and Ramona Castello, Eileen Fisher, Geraldine Miller and Jeannette Zwicker.

G. N. IN the section elsewhere you'll find a story about the new poetry contest. It should be loads of sport, and the winner will receive a beautiful wrist watch. You merely have to write an eight-line verse concerning the weather.

G. N. WILL I see you tomorrow at the show? So long.—ZOLLIE.

In the Mail

Which do you like best, comedies or extra features for the special Saturday show?

Features for Leola Huddleston, 1035 N. 15th, and Patay Post, 1220 N. 16th; Alice Rose, 1490 S. 13th, Gloria Ann McClintock and Dell McManus gave their choice for comedies.

"Gosh, but was sorry to miss last week's matinee. I did hear it on the radio though. I was naughty during the week so mother punished me. Alice Akers, route 4."

Special notes from Ha Jacobson, Doris Chapin, Bill Leavely, Ruth Arnold, Harold McCaskey, Wanda Long and Ardis Long.

BIRTHDAYS

George Bach, Charles Batt, Buddy Stephens, Douglas Carter, Earl Givens, Bob Eckley, Thomas Jackski, Frances Roseman, Louella Crow, Barbara Davis, Marie MacWhittington, George Blinder, Shirley Keaton, June Thompson, Ed McCaffrey, Frances Boggs, Pat Smith, John Malm, Mildred Harwood, Eugene Butler, Albert Wickert, Hense Paulson, Colleen Graham, Carl Wartz, Doris Lappin, Ralph Kirschhoff, Rita Hennan, Bill Keeney, Connie Cocking, Frank Southwick, Edith Mohr, Billy Clark, Virginia Hawkins, Jean Campbell, Gail Knockhead, Elaine Evans, Lucille Carver, Jimmie Arnett, Mary Lou Sears, Bob Hyert, Erma Carver, Wayne Pitts, Billie Morrison, Clara Hurt, Bill Lind, Gerry Wolf, Mary Whitehead, Lorna Kinawell, John Peterson, Maxine Sharp, Edna Mae Garner, Katherine Turk, Thelma Gibson, Wilford Beard, Joanne Savage, Dolores Marie Muller, Elinor McKenzie, Dolores Elertic, Laura Anderson, Wallace Huntington, Betty Lou Kayer, Horace Randall, Donella Nelson, Stanley Gamble, Dick Thomas, Stanley Blake, Jimmie Crothers, Helen Hutchison, Elythe Walker, Richard Greener, Barbara Hoadley, Allen Anderson, Richard Lee Tan, Douglas Berwick, Regina Chandler, Jim Merris, Jean Roffert, Ervan Halmar, Dale Woodruff, Geraldine Hinshaw, James Daugherty, Helen Hanckratt, Donald Addison, Leola Weekly, Mildred Rothberg, Audrey White, Murray Marr, Roger V. Warner, Duane Robinson, Virgil Parver, Clarence Page, Jay Johnson, Phillip Gray, Anita Kennedy, Fredrick Welch, Holland Cleveland, Bill Upjohn, Valenta Carr, Bob Dawson, Rose May Ford, Lucille Marie Reed, Dorothy Clark, Marjorie Rutherford, Bob, by Leroy Jones, Geneva Seamaner, Lyle Hedrick, Jan Simmons, Marylou Daner, Charlotte Kolliver, Benjamin Barrell and Richard Ovens.

They're Still Favorites

In last Friday's "Gang" section the names of Gloria Meyers and Johnny Croisier were omitted from the list of those entertaining on last Saturday's program. Far be it from us not to mention two of our favorite pupils from Barbara Barnes school of dancing.

Zollie Just Got Tired Time was short! "Zollie" had 15 prizes in his hands! So he divided them among Mildred Leek, route 4, box 186, Jennie Winchell, 1175 Leslie, and Mrs. Caruth. They were plenty lucky last Saturday.

Actress Joins with Gang



Member "Tennis From Heaven" Edith Fellows, one of the featured players in the picture, is now a member of our "Gang." Above is a picture of Brad Collins giving her the membership card, and "Donnie" Edwards placing a pin on her coat. It was her birthday also, so Brad made sure she received her gifts and Deluxe ice cream.

Triplets to Try Talent for Trophy

Three beautiful girls have already been obtained for the THREE contest to take place the first Saturday in June. In other words "Zollie's Journal Gang" is going to have a trio contest.

It makes no difference what the three members do, just so long as it is done at the same time. How about getting a couple of your friends together and start planning an act now? Registration starts immediately.

Uncle Brad Sez—A FEW NEWS FLUSHES

Through the courtesy of the Assn-assinated Press: Army general refuses to enter picture theatre because they advertise the two major features.

Although it is true that the Siamese Twins have had a quarrel, they are still seen constantly together.

In a hotel, Kate Smith always has a single room because the doctor advised her to avoid suites.

Owner of gasoline station who became father of twin daughters, has named them Ehyi and Tetra-Ehyi.

First Aid

DOG BITES Do not Kill the Dog, if it can be helped, but turn him over to the city health department to be watched, or shut him up yourself for fourteen days. If the dog remains well, you may be sure he is not mad, and there is no danger from the wound, except the usual danger of infection common to all wounds. If the dog dies or is killed, pack his head in a pall of ice and send it to the nearest health department laboratory for examination. If it is discovered that the dog was mad, have the doctor give Pasteur treatment at once. If you neglect to do this, the victim may develop hydrophobia (the usual result of being bitten by a mad dog), a disease which is fatal.

Musicians Expecting Busy Summer Months

Doug Jaquith, director of the "Gang" band, has great ideas in mind for the boys this summer. He is planning park concerts, parades, etc., everything to show the bunch a good time. School is out already, and there are many of you who have been playing in school orchestras and bands and would like to have some place to play. Why not sign up with this group?

Prize winners at last Saturday's rehearsal were Warren Doolittle, Daryl Jones and Milton Bressler.

Gang's Fame Spreading

The club was recently honored by two very special letters. Both were requests for the "Gang" to present stage shows; one for the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Silverton, and the other offers the entertainers a trip to La Grande to appear before the Newspaper Publisher's conference.

Billy Mozet Thrills With Surprise Songs

The girls were thrilled! The fellows just averted! The usherettes forgot to usherette, and why not—Billy Mozet was singing on the "Gang" program last Saturday. It was a surprise appearance and "Zollie" didn't know Mozet was going to be there until 15 minutes before it was time to go on the air. He had dropped in to say hello from "Zollie's" brother, who Billy had seen recently on a trip into Washington. He was persuaded to stay and sing just one song, but before the audience would let him leave, he had completed his sixth number. Mozet now has his own orchestra, and has been singing with Sterline Young at the Hollywood Bowl.

Book Shelf

The Spring Book Festival of last week, held in the Children's room of the Salem Public Library was very successful. There were over 500 people who entered the Guess What Book contest which was a most satisfactory number when it is remembered this was the first time such a contest had been tried here.

It was promised that the winners would be announced this week. I am sorry to say we cannot do so for 500 papers are a goodly number to correct! However, we can announce the schools which won the awards for their school libraries. Those receiving an award were SACRED HEART ACADEMY with 48 percent and BUSH SCHOOL with 47-plus percent of their total school enrollments having joined the contest. Both schools have been awarded books because they were within a small fraction of having the same percentage. Hence it seemed fair to give two books instead of one.

"Aunt Jane" told the stories at Story Hour last Saturday and was so enjoyed by those who heard here that it was unanimously decided she would tell her stories again Saturday, May 29, at 10 o'clock. Since the Story Hour at that time will be the last one until school starts in the fall, "Aunt Jane" plans to make it quite special. Besides the Library plans something a little different if the weather permits.

Do you remember the Explorer's club the Library sponsored last summer? This year there is to be another club called the Gypsy club. Everyone who joins will have an automobile with a trailer to place on the map just as you had an airplane last summer. Let's all become Gypsies, take our trailers and fare forth to see what adventures may be had this summer!

Miss Beauty's fifth grade class at HIGHLAND and Miss Inlow's fifth grade class at BUSH have just a very few more readers to complete the best book list before each room will have 100 percent. GRANT school has the highest percentage of readers of Best Books. The Library is proud of GRANT school and of the two individual rooms at BUSH and HIGHLAND.

The winners of the awards of the Guess What Book contest will be announced as soon as possible. The correct answers may be seen in the Children's room anytime this next week.—HELEN BAIRD, Children's Librarian.

Poet's Corner

MY MOTHER My Mother is the kind who bakes cookies, pies and chocolate cakes. And tells me stories when it's night. And what is wrong and what is right. I hurry home when school is out. No matter what the children shout. Because I know she waits for me. Each afternoon at half-past three. Georannna Belcher 865 S. 13th St. Salem, Oregon.

Junior Reporters Join in Contests

"Gang" member Helen Hatfield, 1805 Market street, was awarded a portable typewriter at the Parrish Junior high school assembly this week by the president of the chamber of commerce as a prize in the S and W Junior Reporters' contest. Helen submitted a story of the Bandson fire to a San Francisco radio station and it was accepted for dramatization and presented Tuesday over a national broadcast. The contest is sponsored for junior reporters.

Spring Has Sprung; Results in This

Ye Editor "Zollie" tells about this new contest in rhyme: Here's a contest that is fun, Only 8 lines and you are done; Two verses about the weather, Rain, hail, storm or sun. Entries in by the 29th of May. A wrist watch to the winner upon that day. Stevens-Brown award the gift. So get busy—piff, oh piff.

Judges Are Swamped

The scrapbook contest has become such a favorite that the judges are over-swamped with entries. The winner of the Miller wrist watch will be announced in next week's section.

MARGARET LEE