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Slighted Again

Confessing that he has "no illusions as to the perfection of the aforementioned folder," Carl R. Ryneerson, manager of the Oregon Pacific Highway association, replies to the Capital Journal's editorial criticism of a Pacific highway publicity booklet issued by the organization with a denial that any slight was intended to Salem in omission from the pamphlet map of the Silver Creek Park loop road and the North Santiam highway among the interesting side trips described for visitors.

Mr. Ryneerson challenges the editorial statement that Silver Creek park was not even mentioned, calling attention to the following brief mention buried in the body of a half column of fine-print matter descriptive of Salem's attractions:

Silver Creek National park, with ten beautiful water falls and one of the most beautiful parks in the United States, is less than an hour's drive.

While accepting "full responsibility for the omission of the North Santiam highway from the map," due to the rush in which the folder was prepared, he neglects to explain why the Silver Creek park paved loop was likewise ignored on the map. Both of these roads are shown prominently on the official state highway map, from which the booklet strip-map should have been copied.

That Salem and Marion county were further slighted in the preparation of copy for the booklet is evidenced by Ryneerson's assertion that "every city along the highway having a Chamber of Commerce or similar civic organization" was requested to furnish information about its community and attractions, and the further fact that no such request was made of the Salem Chamber of Commerce, according to the chamber's secretary and his records.

The fact that the original Salem copy for the folder was prepared by a Salem promoter as a commercial enterprise does not excuse the inaccuracies contained in the text and map, full and accurate information for which could have been had from the Chamber of Commerce for the asking.

A Distinguished Visitor

Dr. Louis Pound of the University of Nebraska who as national vice-president will speak at the state convention of the American Association of University Women tomorrow has been called the foremost woman of Nebraska. She is more than that, she is among the foremost women of America and ranks as a real "first lady."

Dr. Pound, who is a sister of Roscoe Pound, former dean of the Harvard law school and president of the American bar association, has as distinguished a career as her brother. She graduated from the university at the age most students matriculated. She has a score of degrees from European and American universities, has distinguished herself in a dozen branches of education, as well as music, held highest offices in many teachers organizations and a list of her activities and the honors bestowed upon her would fill a column of newspaper space.

Alumni of the University of Nebraska remember Louise Pound not only for her brilliant scholarship, but her athletic powers. She could pitch a fast baseball game, held track records for sprinting and jumping and was tennis champion of the university. She later held the women's western lawn tennis championship, singles and doubles and later the state golf championship.

Dr. Pound has been author and editor of many publications and contributed to various periodicals on literary, linguistic, folk lore and educational subjects. In brief she is an all round woman, good at anything.

Sees No War at Present

Roy W. Howard of the Scripps-Howard newspapers has spent the last six weeks touring Europe, interviewing statesmen and sizing up the situation, which he has summarized in dispatches to his papers quotes Lord Beaverbrook, publisher of England's greatest newspapers as saying "there is not going to be an European war just now, because the Germans will not provoke the British and French to fight because they know that such a fight would be the end of Hitler and his national socialists." He continued:

"We have no illusions. The British and the French would be very badly handled at the start. But before the war was over the German people would have had such a terrible time that they would have rid themselves of Hitler and his colleagues. The moment war breaks out, Hitler knows that the actual command goes to the soldiers in the field. His authority dwindles, his power declines, and his reputation vanishes. Hitler the politician goes into eclipse when the need for military strategy becomes paramount. The soldiers and the trade unions take over. When that happens they will move independently of Hitler and his Nazis. Hitler is no Napoleon. Napoleon, a trained and experienced soldier, achieved victories by conquest and the sword. Hitler achieves his aims by oratory, the radio, and the press."

Beaverbrook is quoted as saying that Great Britain is not basing her calculation on any expectancy of American participation or depending upon American assistance, though it would be welcomed and settle the issue, but is relying upon her own resources, fortitude and endurance.

Our Birth Rate Decline

Dr. Frederick Osborn, research associate in anthropology off the American Museum of Natural History, says that the growing urbanization of this country is responsible for a rapid decline in the birth rate which may lead to a turning point in American history. The rate of reproduction is now about 95 percent, or 5 percent short of the rate required for replacement of the present population.

The American birthrate is highest in the farm regions and lowest in the big cities. Large cities have a reproduction rate of 75 percent. This grows as the size of the community decreases. Towns of 25,000 to 100,000 population show an 88 percent reproduction rate while communities of about 10,000 show a rate of 97 percent. On the other hand rural villages show a rate of 137 percent while farms have the highest birthrate, 169 percent of their population.

Racial, social and educational standards all play vital parts in the decline of population, Dr. Osborn states. Reproduction is highest among those most isolated, most limited in economic opportunities, most lacking in educational facilities. To maintain our present population, there must be an average of 2.6 children for each married woman.

Parental Problems

By Beck



Sips for Supper

By Don Upjohn

Bill Hammond, new exalted ruler of the Elks, has raised the local mustache clan to an also exalted position by his recent elevation. Unless our memory serves us incorrectly, Bill is the first be-mustached exalted ruler since the days of Ben Schucking, about a quarter of a century ago; our apologies if we've overlooked any interim mustachios. It's sort of the irony of fate that a mustache wearer should assume

such an important place in the community right after George Belt and Connell Ward returned their upper lips to an unadorned state of nature. However, Bill's slightly downy growth couldn't exactly be classed along with those boasted by George and Connell in their palmy days.

The prediction that we made a week ago that the rain is coming in a mighty onslaught on next Saturday, the opening of the fishing season, still holds good and will stake our reputation on same. However, in so doing we admit we're not staking much and can probably live down a sunny day Saturday if given sufficient time.

The weather only stayed cloudy enough today to make the farmers happy that they're not harvesting hay.

Some Complimentary References

Harold L. Ickes, secretary of the Interior and a sort of Hollywood litch of the cabinet, has issued a lengthy statement in which he condemns columnists as "calumnists" and goes down the line describing each one until he gets to us and then quits. We hasten to apologize by adding that he also left out Bob Hendricks, but he may be saving us up for a special edition. Of Westbrook Pegler he says, "He is against everything and everybody, according to his whim." Of Mark Sullivan he says, "He would be missed for his dignity and charm," and he calls Dorothy Thompson the "Cassandra of the columnists." He calls Bonke Carter "Crock Carter," and among the few for whom he had nice words is Heywood Brown, the parlor red of the New York World-Telegram. The general opinion the columnists have of Harold Ickes is about as warm as the reception Mr. Ickes received when he came to the Pacific northwest recently and was received with open arms—by a couple dozen job hunters.

Don't forget to put in your weekend itinerary the Cherrians' Cherry Blossom dance and glamorous floor show Saturday evening at the armory at 9 o'clock. While the show winds up a great blossom week it is

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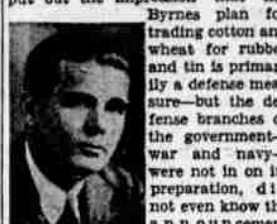
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NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

By PAUL MALLON

Washington, April 12—The state department went to some trouble to put out the impression that the



Byrne plan for trading cotton and wheat for rubber and tin is primarily a defense measure—but the defense branches of the government—war and navy—were not in on its preparation, did not even know the announcement was coming.

One inner version is that Agriculture Secretary Wallace originated the idea and tried it on State Secretary Hull last January without success. Another is that Senator Byrnes worked out the plan with Ambassador to London Joe Kennedy who sounded out England and gave Byrnes considerable information during the last two months.

Both versions are probably true. The original instigator was undoubtedly Byrnes himself who became interested in the subject when he was a member of the house appropriations committee during the World war.

While it will pinch the Hull trade policy again, the pinch is of an emergency nature, which will soften Mr. Hull's objections. Something will be worked out.

Cabinet Shake-up

A difficulty, but only a temporary

also designed to add something to the coffers of the Cherrians for their float at the Portland rose show. It will be informal and the whole affair deserves a big boost.

We encountered another weather prophet today in the person of Fletch Long, who says he's the best moisture expert in the valley. "Old Fletch knows all about moisture, whether from the clouds or from a glass, and take it from me, there's going to be lots of it both ways during the next week." Here's looking at you, Fletch.

S. S. VanDine, the great mystery writer, is dead. Your columnist figures he was one of the greatest mystery creators of the age, it always being a mystery to some how anybody ever read one of his stories through far enough to find out who killed the cook.



ACCORDING TO THE NEWSPAPERS, Blizzards... the budget... politics... taxes... and the Flu.

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one, has been encountered by administration officials in their plan for the triple-play cabinet shakeup (outlined yesterday.)

Largest difficulty is reported to be War Secretary Woodring. Apparently he did not react enthusiastically to vague suggestions concerning his possible promotion to the diplomatic corps.

Until Mr. Woodring goes quietly, the plans of bringing Murphy over from justice to the war post, obviously cannot be carried out. Wise custom requires that any member of the official family, who has been on the inside a long time, must not be permitted to go away angry. The circumstances of departure would have to be provided on the usual "Dear Harry—Dear Mr. President" basis.

Friends of Mr. Woodring are saying he would not be interested in anything less than London or Paris. If Joseph Kennedy would return and permit the Walking-State-Secretary-for-Europe Bill Bullitt to be moved over from Paris to London, the Paris post could be opened. Were it not for this difficulty the triple play would have been engineered some weeks ago. At it more negotiation has been necessary.

FHA Publicity

Those Fort Wayne houses may not continue to be advertised as an official example of what FHA can really do when it sets its mind to a good job.

A little pro-FHA publicity had been circulated in magazines and elsewhere, praising the Fort Wayne project an offset to the unfavorable FHA publicity resulting from the Garner housing project in Uvalde.

But since then senators and congressmen have been receiving the magazine articles of "The American Lumberman" and "Plumbing and Heating Business" which are headed:

"Fort Wayne housing authority gets FHA insurance of shoddy building, sidesteps building codes, erects on vacant lots, clears no slums."

"Fumble-plumbers of the WPA flout Fort Wayne plumbing code in cracker-box houses."

The articles resulted from investigations made by these two trade papers, and they deny the cost was \$460 to \$600, claiming the actual cost was \$1,500 and up. Among other things, one of the articles claims "daylight could be seen through open cracks on all four sides of the outside doors, and that rain leaked in."

The difference of opinion will at least prevent any further use of the Fort Wayne example as part of the stop-Garner movement.

Czechs Trick Nazis

Inside official reports bring confirmation of the trick played on the Germans by the retreating Czechs, a

Forum

Contributions to this column must be confined to 300 words and signed by writer.

To the Editor: Your recent editorial, "By Accident or Design," has just come to my attention, and as manager of the Oregon Pacific Highway association, and the person responsible for the editing of our recent folder, "39a," I feel that a reply to your editorial is in order.

I wish to make it plain that I have no illusions as to the perfection of the aforementioned folder, will welcome constructive criticism on this and our other activities at any time.

"By Accident or Design," however, your editorial appears a bit unjust in that it presents but one side of the story, and to a certain extent, is misleading.

First, let me give you a little history which has prevented Germany from producing the armaments expected in Czechoslovakia.

Fleeing Czech aviators not only flew out with their planes, as reported, but took a large quantity of blueprints, drawings, plans and specifications for armaments with them. They took enough to impede the workings of the armament plants when Hitler took over. The Germans are now tediously replacing the blueprints by working back from the completed armaments they found in stock. But it is naturally a difficult process.

Most Skoda products lately have been going to Italy, some to Rumania.

Job for Amle

Floresan—Withdrawn nominee to the ICC, Tom Amle, is due to get an appointment in the administration which does not require senate confirmation, and one which will pay \$10,000 a year, like the one he lost on ICC — — — Hitler's see-all news-man here, Kurt Sell (who goes to Mr. Roosevelt's press conferences, Mr. Hull's and others just like a domestic newsman) is leaving on a six weeks trip abroad. He is going back for reschooling in revised Nazi ideas — — — Virginia's Senator Harry Byrd, ally of the south's only unreconstructed rebel, Carter Glass, has been chosen for the Gettysburg address this year, the first time a "Johnny Reb" speaker has been invited — — — Navy has a neat scheme to get most of what it wanted in Guam after all. The present proposal is for dredging the harbor and no appropriation is to be provided for a sea wall which is the most important step toward establishing an air base. However, the navy plans to dump the dredgings into place for a wall, and ask congress for further funds when antagonism dies down.

Every city along the highway having a Chamber of Commerce or other similar civic organization of which we had any record, was written and asked for information about their city and community, in ample time to supply us with this information before we went to press. Few responded in time, and we did the best we could with the time, money and information at our disposal, and we are not ashamed of the final product.

Again let me say that I will welcome constructive criticism.

Yours very truly,
Carl R. Ryneerson, Manager
Oregon Pacific Highway
Association, Inc.

Eugene, Ore., April 12, 1939.

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