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## The Politicians Conspire

Talk is already being heard of the possibility of a special session of the legislature late this fall or early next year to overhaul Oregon's tax structure along lines to be recommended by a special interim committee set up by the lawmakers before they adjourned scarcely more than a month ago.

Significantly, the agitation is confined so far to professional politicians and their camp followers whose conniving would be the principal end served by such a session and who could be depended upon to use such a gathering as a spring and sounding board for launching and promoting candidates in the 1942 elections. The public got a good sample of that during the recent regular session, when most of the effort of certain of the members was devoted to the promotion of their own political stock.

Aside from the fact that its deliberations could not be confined to tax matters, a special session such as is proposed would early develop into a political convention into the hands of which it would be folly to entrust the formulation of a comprehensive tax program. Dominated by potential seekers for favor in the eyes of organized minorities, such a gathering would be a farce and a menace to the state's welfare.

The need of Oregon at this critical time is not for new taxes or increased levies. It is for drastic economy in the conduct of state and local government to ease the burden of multiplied federal taxes that must accompany the defense program. By the time the 1943 regular session rolls around the interim committee on tax revision may have some idea of what can be done through state legislation to lighten the aggregate load and distribute it more equitably. But until that time the committee would be only shooting in the dark with its recommendations.

## Criminal Strikes

William S. Knudsen, director of the office of production management for defense, has denounced strikes called to take advantage of the defense situation as "criminal," and jurisdictional strikes as "plain stupid." Strikes he defined as falling into three classes, jurisdictional, for organization purposes and for wages, and working conditions. He continued:

The organization strike makes a nasty problem. I am very unhappy to make the statement there is no doubt whatever that the biggest blame lies with some of the more radical local unions for taking advantage of the defense program in trying to get a fundamental advantage in a contract, such as closed shops, union shops or the like. Also it can be definitely stated that strikes have been pulled without waiting for labor board action or representation, with the result that the orderly collective bargaining procedure which should be had in an orderly way develops into a dog-fight with neither side being willing to cooperate. A good percentage of recent strikes were purely outlaw strikes, for something not allowed in the contract and merely an attempt by the local to get something. An example is the aluminum strike where 7000 men were idle a week because one man would not join the union.

The president has set up a lot of machinery to handle and prevent these strikes, the labor department's conciliation service, the OPM's mediation efforts, and the newly-appointed federal mediation board, but every settlement made is the signal for still bigger strikes. Soft coal miners are still out, crippling defense production for lack of fuel, and a strike has been called in General Motors company.

Most of these strikes are caused by the CIO, many of whose leaders are communists intent on sabotaging defense and aid to Britain. Handling this subversive element with kid gloves, as the president does, gets nowhere. It is time congress acted. It is unfair to draft 14,000,000 young men for the army at \$21 a month when unions refuse to let their members work at \$8 or \$10 a day to outfit and arm them.

## Josiah Stamp

Lord Josiah Stamp, who with his wife was killed in the recent nazi air blitzkrieg on London, was one of the most distinguished of his countrymen. He won renown as an economist, statistician, author, scientist, lecturer, director of the Bank of England, chairman of railway and many industrial boards, and a leading figure in defense efforts.

Strongly built, with square shoulders and a jutting jaw, a non-smoker and tee-totaller, Lord Stamp inspired confidence among business men and government officials. His views were sought, quoted and followed on both sides of the Atlantic and in the Antipodes. He made frequent trips to the United States, Canada and Australia. He held honorary degrees from many American universities as well as those of Europe.

Lord Stamp was born in Kent in 1880. At 16 he won a clerkship in the revenue service and for 23 years was the foremost authority on taxation. His entry into business was at the conclusion of the World war, when he became a prominent figure in industry. He was British member of the reparations committee, and helped draft the Dawes and Young plans and the bank for international settlements.

In the early days of the new deal, Lord Stamp saw much to be commended in the program, but by 1935 he was doubtful of its wisdom. He said Americans thought of their politics "emotionally instead of practically." He was four times knighted, and in 1938 was raised to the peerage.

## Measles Take Toll At Hazel Green

Hazel Green—Clinton Wampler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Wampler, a freshman at Oregon State college, is recuperating at the family home in this community following an attack of measles. Clinton was among the pledges of Delta Tau Delta initiated at the recent spring service at the Delta house. Mrs. Geraldine Imper, principal of the local grade school, has resumed her duties after a week's absence due to an attack of measles. Miss Harriette Dunningan, daughter of the Maurice Dunningans, has re-

sumed her position as bookkeeper at Dr. Dougherty's office after an absence due to measles.

## Student Hobby Show Opened to Public

Evergreen—The students' hobby show in the school auditorium Friday afternoon was well attended. The public was admitted for a program of varied readings and musical numbers. In a memorial ceremony a willow tree was planted on the grounds in honor of a pupil of the school, Clarence Kuenzi, who died during the past year.

## Things to Worry About

By Peck



## Sips for Supper

By Don Upjohn

Jack Kennedy, county rural school supervisor working out of the office of Mrs. Agnes Booth, county superintendent, makes the rounds of the county schools two or three times a year and is conceded to be a good driver, one of the best. Yet, practiced as he is in the art of safty driving, which is among the arts he impresses on all rural scholars, Jack pulled a rather flagrant piece of hit and run driving on the way home from Mt. Angel on the other night and left his victim dead on the highway. Yeah, he figured the victim was dead, at any rate, but he took no steps whatever to find out. Jack and his wife were driving home from a school meeting and as they rounded a curve the lights on his car picked up a small striped figure in the middle

of the pavement. Jack swerved to one side, but as he swerved the car the small striped animal started across the road in the same direction and ran under the wheel of Jack's car. For 200 yards, reports Jack, he thought all would be well. Then an aroma enveloped the car, Jack and Jack's wife, which almost overpowered him. When asked if he went back to see whether the skunk was badly hurt Jack freely confessed he did not. Jack had to leave some papers in the superintendent's office when he got home that night. And, as a net result of the accident, the Kennedy clothes went to the cleaners; the Kennedy car went to the wash rack and the force in the superintendent's office have been burning incense therein.

The grand jury is in session but nothing is expected to come of the hit and run driving. "They probably wouldn't want Jack around as a witness, anyway. Andy Burk would probably reject him as a prisoner and the courts wouldn't want him either."

From all reports something of a record was set over the week-end for more fishermen and fewer fish.

## Without Even a Fish Thrown

(Medford Mail-Tribune)  
The Black Tornado track team scrunched Salem Friday eve. Afterwards the athletes went to the high school cafeteria and ate sandwiches, and sneaking out without washing the dishes.

County Comm. Ralph Girod was looking at a current issue of Colliers with a gleam of pride in his eye. Investigation revealed an article therein devoted to Julius Girod, Ralph's cousin, who is in charge of matters horticultural at Golden Gate Park, San Francisco, and had charge of the plantings at Treasure Island. Ralph had a right to a little pride. The picture revealed that Julius is a good looking guy, too.

Doc Voigt showed up early this a. m. with a report that burglars had tried to invade his dental office, probably after gold, and had busted off a key in the Yale lock on the door. Doc was all excited until he made a second trial at it, and found instead of a key being busted off in the lock he'd tried to open the lock with the wrong key. The agitation then subsided.

## Lodge Celebrates Its 68th Birthday

Independence—Valley lodge No. 42, I.O.O.F., will celebrate its 68th anniversary and also observe the 122nd anniversary of the grand lodge Thursday evening. Clyde Wunder, Thomas Ritchey and Wayne McGowan, the committee in charge of the program, announce that dinner will be served starting at 7 o'clock, and will be followed by a program and social evening.

## Salem Sketches By Will Danch



"I'm going to have Dr. Fred W. Lange, the vet, look my piggy bank over to find out why it doesn't put on any weight!"

## Kelly Says:

Rocky Mountains May Get Naval Base

Price Fixing for Pulp, Paper Delayed

Perkins Disputes Red Influence Charge

By John W. Kelly

Washington, April 21—Col. Frank Knox, secretary of the navy, is being urged to establish a navy base at the edge of the Rocky Mountains, between 700 and 800 miles from the Pacific ocean, and only a few miles from Yellowstone national park. The proposition is being submitted in all seriousness and has the support, of course, of the Idaho delegation in congress.

For the navy base it is proposed that American Falls be utilized and that a seaplane training station be installed. American Falls are now tamed by a dam and power plant and there is a broad lake resulting from the dam as the waters of the Snake river are backed up to the east; an ideal place for learning to operate amphibians and with a smooth water surface unlike the rough waters of the ocean. With the lake and the hydroelectric power, a navy station can be constructed at a minimum of expense to the government.

### Location Strategic

Argument is made that as a matter of national defense American Falls should be used by naval fliers in sweeping across the continent from the Atlantic to the Pacific. No naval aviators have ever made such a trip, but there is no reason why they can not or may have to with the navy destined to play such an important role; a cross country flight would be much quicker than following the coastline.

American Falls is in the region where Captain Bonneville, the Hudson Bay trappers and other fur hunters roamed; it was on the Old Oregon Trail and there are vast stretches of sagebrush desert in all directions. Suggestion of such a place for a training station for the navy caused the bushy eyebrows of Secretary Knox to lift. In addition to Knox, the GAA is being urged to place the lake on its airplane map.

If the idea goes over with Secretary Knox the dammed waters of the Columbia at Grand Coulee may be proposed for a naval station, and the Owyhee dam, Boulder dam, Shasta dam, and the waters of the Willamette and its tributaries formed by the flood control project.

### For Indian Security

Nevada is circulating the congressional delegations of western states proposing that social security benefits for Indians be paid entirely by the federal government, as Indians are wards of the government. Of such sum, Nevada contends 10 per cent of the total amount should be given to the states for administration purposes by the state welfare departments.

None of the delegations from the Pacific northwest has taken up the matter yet, although the Indian populations in Washington, Oregon and Idaho are substantial. Oregon, for example, has the Klamath, Warm Springs, Umatilla, Cayuse and a few survivors of the coastal tribes. Washington has the Kluckwats and a half dozen other tribes; Idaho the Nez Perce, Shoshones and a few hundred various tribesmen.

Pulp and paper industry, an important factor in Washington and Oregon, will escape price fixing by the government for some time at least. Representatives of many leading concerns have held a conference with Leon Henderson, who has the task of sitting on the lid when prices soar, and have given assurances that the industry faces no shortage. Over estimated consumption in the United States and Canada for 1941 there will be a surplus of approximately 5,193,000 tons. The surplus will exist in all but a few unimportant grades of paper.

### Pulp Mills Line Up

Without fanfare, the war department has arranged with several pulp and paper companies in the northwest states to expand their facilities to make an element essential to smokeless powder and TNT. The department considers it better to have existing mills expanded than to build a government plant, such a shas been discussed. Four pulp mills have come to an understanding with the war department, three in Washington and one in Oregon, and expansion will soon be under way.

According to Sidney Hillman, Boeing Aircraft company in Seattle has hired all available trained men from Washington and Oregon and about 800 aircraft sheet metal workers alone are needed as plant expansion progresses. To meet the demand courses have been set up to train men, organized by company personnel experts, local union leaders and vocational school authorities. Labor division of OPM believes the new master contract for the west coast shippers will prevent workers migrating from yard to yard, which has been one of the worries with those who have contracts. Madame Perkins announces there is no communistic influence in strikes. Mr. Roosevelt said there was some; Vice-President Wallace also charges the reds with being trouble makers.

The number of beauty parlors increased 33.4 per cent from 1935 to 1940—61,355 to 82,071, while the number of barber shops decreased from 121,000 to 118,000, according to the census.



PROTEST—To her moneyed relatives, Zara du Font (above) is "Miss Kick" because she usually backs up vocal protest with action. She marches with strikers, pickets utility plants, belongs to 63 progressive or educational organizations.

## Monmouth Host To Educators

Monmouth — The annual educational conference at the Oregon College of Education will be held Saturday, April 26. The conference begins at 9 o'clock. The general theme is "Education for Complete Living."

Among the conference speakers are Dr. Alonzo F. Myers, School of Education, New York university; Dr. Edward O. Sisson, formerly of Reed college, Portland; Mrs. Alonzo F. Myers, New York; Superintendent Rex Putnam of the State Department of Education, Salem, Oregon; Miss Dorothea Jackson of the State Department of Education, Olympia, Wash.; Miss Maud Garnett, music department, University of Oregon, Eugene, Ore.; Dr. Edward Bernhart, Department of Psychology, Reed college, Portland, Ore. Other educators will participate in various sections of the program.

Discussion meetings have been arranged for the following groups: Primary, intermediate, art, music and administration. A feature of this year's conference is a general forum at which six educational leaders will speak briefly on the general theme of the conference, after which the forum is open for questions and discussion.

For the convenience of our visitors the placement offices of the University of Oregon and Oregon State college, as well as the Oregon College of Education, will have representatives present.

A number of exhibits have been arranged. These are available to all visitors at the conference.

Luncheons at the noon hour have been arranged for the primary teachers and the intermediate teachers organizations. Every teacher is welcome to attend either of these luncheons. A banquet for the members of the Phi Delta Kappa organization will be held at Jessica Todd hall at 6 o'clock in the evening. Alumni of the Oregon College of Education will have a buffet supper at 5:00 p.m. that evening in the Physical Education building. The conference closes with a dance from 8:30 to 12 in the evening in the Recreation building. All visitors are welcome.

Friday, April 26, in the afternoon at 4 o'clock supervisors of elementary schools in Oregon will meet in the administration for an organization and business meeting. Friday evening at 6 o'clock, the same group will banquet together at Jessica Todd hall. After the banquet a discussion group will continue the meeting. Dr. and Mrs. Alonzo F. Myers will be present at the banquet and discussion meeting.

Friday night, at 8 o'clock, the Crimson O Players will present a group of plays. Visitors who arrive in Monmouth Friday are invited to attend.

Dr. Arne S. Jensen, conference chairman, has served in this capacity ten years.

## Rebekah Assembly Officers Visitors

Independence — Cloverleaf Rebekah lodge No. 86 met in regular session this week with Mrs. Vernishia Newby of Amity, president of the Rebekah assembly of Oregon, as an honored guest on her official visit to the lodge. Mrs.

Madeline Rosner, warden of the Rebekah assembly of Oregon from Dayton and Mrs. Groves, publicity chairman for the state from Salem, were also distinguished guests present.

Mrs. Angie Bradway, noble grand, presided during the evening when the work of the order was exemplified for Mrs. Newby. Three candidates, Mrs. Francis Holt, Mrs. Frank Cooper and E. C. Tandy, received the initiatory degree of the lodge and were welcomed as new members. Mrs. Robert White, in behalf of the lodge, presented Mrs. Newby with a gift.

The dining room was in charge of a committee composed of Mrs. Stella Calbreath, Mrs. W. S. Kern and Lon Travis.

## THE SPIRIT OF



By JOHN CLINTON

From now on you can call me Shock-Proof John. I've seen everything! Because the other morning when I was driving past the Union Oil station on the corner I almost fell out of my Hispano-Plymouth at what I saw.

There, drawn grandly up to the pumps was a horse and wagon! "This, I gotta see!" says I, and turned back. And when I returned I got the 2nd shock, for what do you think the hay-burner was doing?

Well sir, the driver had put four old auto wheels on his wagon, and he was having the tires filled with air! While he was doing it, one of the boys had put a bucket of water down for Dobbin to drink! It was the most unusual sight I've seen for years!

And while the situation was, to say the least, amusing, the boys at the station were doing their stuff with perfectly straight faces. I'm not sure just what the entire significance of this little drama was, but it certainly proves that the Union Oil boys are gentlemen from way back!

So, in addition to inviting you to drive your car into a Union Oil station for service, I'm now in a position to invite all horse-and-wagon operators to do likewise. It's really too bad that Union can't think up some way for horses to use 76, or Triton Motor Oil, because somehow I think life would be more picturesque (if less convenient) if we had more horses galloping by. Don't you?

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## ONE SOUR NOTE... but it's a great orchestra nevertheless

Even a great orchestra will make a musical mistake once in a while. And once in a while... out of the thousands of decent, law-abiding beer retailers in Oregon... you'll come across one or two who operate reputable establishments.

These "black sheep" retailers constitute a tiny minority. Yet they tend to drag down the good name of beer. By arousing public indignation, such undesirable retailers endanger your right to enjoy good beer. They also en-

danger the benefits to the public that beer has made possible.

For example, in Oregon beer has created 13,232 new jobs with an annual payroll of \$11,541,550 and paid \$617,020.86 in taxes last year.

The brewing industry wants "black sheep" retailers eliminated entirely. You can help us by patronizing only the reputable, legal places where beer is sold. And by reporting irregularities to the duly constituted law enforcement authorities.

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