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JUDGE BRAND PROBATION

PLAN APPROVED

Legionnaires and Auxiliary women throughout the state this week are being asked to aid in the formation of a nation-wide probation system, designed to restore to useful citizenship many worthy young men and women haled into American courts.

Cosco Bay American Legion Post No. 17 gave hearty approval to a program as set forth recently by Circuit Court Judge James T. Brand, according to word from Marshfield this week, and a concerted effort to have the plan adopted as a part of the National Legion service work is to be made.

The program calls for a close co-operation between the American Legion and the Auxiliary and the American courts, and includes a national system of parole wherein Legionnaires and Auxiliary women play the part of volunteer probation officers. The plan is to go into effect immediately in a co-operative move between Judge Brand's court and the Cosco Bay Legion post, it was announced.

The proposed system is said to be unusually valuable in that it will permit a wider freedom and a closer checkup on all paroled law violators, and entails no additional expense since the only organization to which such a duty could be entrusted already is in existence.

The plan, in brief, as described by Judge Brand aims at three classes of citizens:—young men whom circumstances or weak will have driven to minor crimes, girls who by influence, innocence or ignorance have taken the wrong path, and, lastly, the wards of the courts, infants and young children from broken homes.

Legionnaires and Auxiliary women throughout the United States would play the part of "big brothers and sisters" wherever the paroled person went, it is pointed out.

The author of the plan, who is now a candidate for the Oregon supreme court, has spent five years as circuit court judge in the second judicial district.

The most despicable vandal is the flower thief, the man, woman, boy or girl, who will deliberately enter a flower garden, on which the owners have spent hours and days of toil and effort, in order that they and their friends and the public may enjoy the beauty which nature has given the flower, and deliberately steal the blossoms. Every year this act of vandalism is committed in Coquille and this year is no exception. Who is doing it is not known, but a fairly good idea is held by the losers of who the thieves are—those who reap where they have not sown. Some one is going to receive a lesson on property rights!



Fines aggregating \$18,237.65 assessed by justice courts in Coos county against traffic law violators arrested by state officers and due the state under provisions of an act passed by the legislature of 1923, have never been properly accounted for, it has just been revealed through an audit of the treasury and traffic departments under the direction of Secretary of State Hoes.

This amount, it is explained by the auditors, represents the gross fines assessed and never received by the state and is subject to reduction through credit for fines remitted, court costs and jail service, items which can be determined only through an audit of the justice court records. In Marion county where this audit has been completed the gross amount revealed in the audit of the two state departments was reduced by approximately 40 percent.

For the state as a whole unre-

mitted fines as revealed by this audit total more than \$114,000. Every county in the state with the exception of Jefferson is shown to be owing the state money on this account in sums ranging from a low of \$80 in Walla Walla county to a high of \$22,669.05 in Clackamas county.

Practically all of this money, it is believed at Salem, has been erroneously remitted to the county treasuries instead of being sent to the state treasury as required by law. Just what action will be taken to recover the money for the state in the event any of the counties refuse to pay has not been determined but Secretary of State Hoes has indicated that he would refer the problem to the attorney general for solution.

Approximately \$8,000 has been recovered for the state from justices of the peace in various counties since the audit was completed and the situation called to their attention. The audit goes back to May, 1923, at which time the act providing for remission of these traffic fines to the state became effective.

In spite of charges of laxness in law enforcement made by sportsmen's organizations records of the state police department show that more arrests are being made under the present set-up and more fines are being imposed against game law violators than was true when the game commission was in charge of enforcement of the game laws. In the first six months of its existence the state police made 719 arrests for violations of game laws. Fines imposed against these offenders aggregated \$34,424. For the year ending September 30, 1930, under the game commission 676 arrests were made with fines imposed aggregating \$25,762. Present indications are that the record of arrests and fines growing out of game law violations will be more than doubled under the administration of the state police.

A special plea to all motorists to

comply with the requirement that the automobile registration receipt be displayed in the driver's compartment, has been issued by Chas. P. Pray, superintendent of the state police, who explains that compliance with this requirement would be of material assistance to the police in other phases of law enforcement work. At the present time only a small percent of the motoring public take this provision of the law seriously, Pray declares.

Fire losses in Oregon for the first three months of the current year total \$726,000 according to reports filed with A. H. Averill, state fire marshal. This figure is well below the quarterly average. While fire losses in incorporated cities and towns show a reduction of 11 percent over those of 1931, losses sustained by farm property show an increase of five percent over the 1931 figure and an increase of 16 percent over the four-year average.

Logging operators will be given until July 1 to put their house in order and produce proof that their trucks are not responsible for serious damage to state and county roads. In the meantime the state police department will enforce strict compliance with present load and weight limits and the state highway department will make a further study of damage inflicted on the roads by all types of trucks. This was the decision reached by the commission at a meeting at Salem last week at which a large delegation of logging operators and mill men appeared to protest against the imposition of any additional restrictions against their logging trucks which, they declared, would spell ruin for many of the smaller operators. R. H. Baldock, highway engineer, had recommended a reduction of the maximum axle load on logging trucks from 17,000 pounds to 14,000 pounds and a reduction of speed limits for loaded trucks from 35 miles to 25 miles per hour.

gustion that these vacant lots as well as farm land be turned over to the unemployed for gardens this summer. In several counties free seed is being provided as well as the use of tools necessary in preparing the gardens. This provision will, in the opinion of Devers, take hundreds of families off the charity list next winter.

Twenty-two of Oregon's 39 organized irrigation districts have managed to meet their financial obligations so far in spite of the agricultural depression, according to C. E. Stricklin, state engineer. Three of these projects, however, have been refinanced in order to reduce the strain on the settlers.

Hundreds of vacant lots heretofore productive only of unsightly weeds are this spring being converted into garden patches to relieve hunger next winter, according to information received by J. M. Devers, executive head of Governor Meier's unemployment relief committee. It was Devers' suggestion that these vacant lots as well as farm land be turned over to the unemployed for gardens this summer.

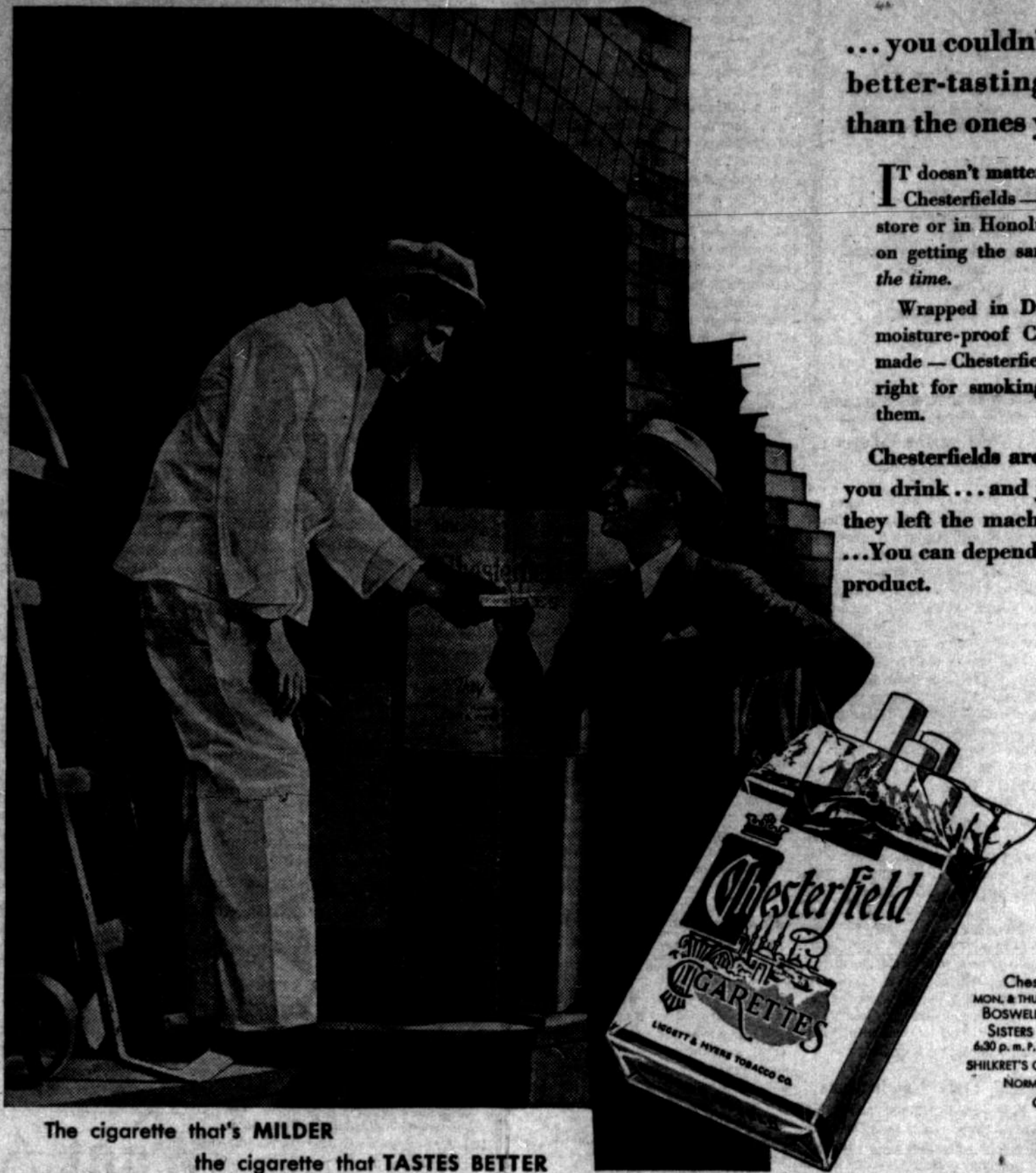
R. A. Easton's Weekly Letter

It is something that takes toll out of a man when he is part of a business for more than fifty years; for if he stands up to it, he has had to put more into it just for the fun of the job, than he has taken out in personal rewards.

J. P. O'Brien has been retired from service as general manager of the Oregon - Washington Railroad and Navigation Co. to take effect May 1. More than fifty years of railroad giving a man an extended, public acquaintance, while a man who gives his community a life of service may not be known beyond the county boundaries and yet possess all the riches of unselfish service equal to the man whose acquaintance spreads far.

More and more I am persuaded that a man's real life is a community life and that it does not reach far beyond his friends and neighbors, regardless of how extensive his acquaintance.

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BLACKSMITH SHOP ADDED

A blacksmith shop has been added to the Coquille Machine Shop equipment and those needing that kind of work will find Fred Schaer in charge of the department.

Let us figure with you on your requirements.

COQUILLE MACHINE SHOP

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COQUILLE

I know a man who for fifty-five years has given his neighborhood and county threshing machine service. In '76 he commenced, his horses pulling the threshing outfit over roads that were little better than trails and at the settings were the power on the sweep to drive the machine. For 55 consecutive seasons he and his threshing machine have been on the job. It was in '97 that I first became acquainted with this man and it was counted an event when it was known Charlie Heller and his machine would start on the threshing pilgrimage, and each farm folk counted the days for their turn.

The crew never had a picnic but they were always sure of their pay, even if the owner of the outfit had set his machine on a job that did not have bushels enough to give more than the five dollars setting charge. It was not a question whether the job would pay, it was: does the man want his grain threshed.

Fifty-five seasons of that kind of service fixes a man's place in the memory of his neighbors and friends as something that would not be erased. And there is no question in my mind but that a man who has lived that kind of a life has given equal service

to his fellowmen with the man whose job is rated larger. Not the job but the spirit in which the job was done, is the token of a man's life.

Charlie Heller and his threshing machine make a landmark in my life.
R. A. Easton.

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How One Man Lost 22 Pounds

Mr. Herman Runkis of Detroit writes: "A few lines of thanks from a rheumatism sufferer—my first bottle of Kruschen Salts took all the aches and swellings out of my joints—with my first bottle I went on a diet and lost 22 pounds and now I feel like a new man."

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