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Fish in Kentucky is fowl in Georgia. Because "Dear Alben" Barkley sees eye to eye with F. D. R., is in fact his most petted "yes" man, the president urged his renomination in the Kentucky primaries, and Barkley was renominated. In Georgia last week the president came out strongly and flatly against the renomination of Senator George because he wouldn't "yes" all the new deal program. And yet the president claims he has no ambition to be a dictator!

Fatuous Fragments

BY FERNANDO FABRICATO
The poet who said, "To him in vain the envious seasons roll, who bears eternal summer in his soul," surely did not know our Oregon climate. While we enjoy our glorious summer days, it is the first rains of fall which make us want to burst into song. The misty air of yesterday morning was soul-satisfying to plants and humans alike.

What's in a name? Our modern Ahab did not covet his neighbor's vineyard, merely the pretty name of it. By governmental pressure he secured the right to name "Krum Elbow" for his own estate on the Oregon shore but now that the original Krum Elbow is a negro "honor" he may derive as little satisfaction from the title as Ahab did from his possession of Naboth's vineyard.

We do not doubt that Irving Stone's story of Jack London, "Sailor on Horseback," now running in the Saturday Evening Post is as accurate as such an account could be after thirty years. However, the author seems fairly familiar with Martin Johnson's own story of the Snark's ill-fated voyage and if he had read the first four pages of the book more carefully, he would never have made the mistake of locating Johnson in Chanute, Kansas, and learning to cook in Topeka. That makes him jump around like a bug, (as one of our treasury experts complained of an income taxpayer). Instead Martin's home was in Independence, Kansas; it was in a restaurant there that he learned what pitifully little he did know of cooking. It was after his return from the voyage, while he was barnstorming through southeastern Kansas and showing the moving pictures taken with London of the South Seas that in Chanute he met Osa, the pretty piano player at the theatre. For a number of years the first movie theatre in Independence was named "The Snark" and was operated by Johnson. On its ceiling was drawn a life-size deck plan of the famous boat.

It seems probable that the last great scourge of mankind is soon to be conquered by medical science. Cancer, the most stubborn of all human ills, has been responsible for one in ten of the deaths in America the last few years. Now, with all the power of modern chemistry, bacteriology and electro-therapy turned toward its mastery, various cures may be announced simultaneously. Recently the successful work done by two scientists at Yale was made public. So far their experiments have been confined to mice and dogs and by the use of a rare alcohol, cancer, in them, has been made to disappear.

As it now stands there is scarcely a person in the United States who has not lost some relative by this dread disease. It is second in the first six causes of death, the other five being heart trouble, pneumonia, kidney inflammation, apoplexy and tuberculosis, in the order named. The great white plague is rapidly being overcome, it now being sixth where it formerly stood first. The others are not communicable diseases and are to be fought by teaching proper health habits.

A week or two ago we were much impressed by the screen version of Robin Hood; not so much by the legendary hero himself as by the pictorialization of King John, for John did become king upon the death of Richard five years after the latter's return to England. John has the name of being the most corrupt of all English kings, he was cowardly, superstitious, cruel and licentious. However, his

very barons was a blessing in disguise. His barons, their vassals and all England rebelled against him and at Runnymede meadow forced him to sign the Magna Charta. This charter is still in force in Great Britain today and is the heritage upon which the thirteen colonies established their constitutional liberty. Its two most important provisions are: "No freeman shall be taken, or imprisoned, or disseised, or outlawed, or banished, or in any way destroyed; nor will we pass upon him, nor commit him, but by the lawful judgment of his peers, or by the law of the land." "To no man will we sell, to none will we delay, to none will we deny, right or justice."

Our neighbor has a purple clematis; Its rich-hued blossoms cover all the vine Entwined upon the graying lattice fence; Its gorgeoussness is headier than wine. Our neighbor has a purple clematis; Its saucer blooms, with petals dark and bold, Present a picture more resplendent; more Magnificent than royal courts of old. Our neighbor has a purple clematis; To see it is to know that God alone, The quest for beauty and eternal truth, Could thus content, with art to man, unknown.



In the first seven months of its operation the claims department of the Oregon Unemployment Compensation Commission has paid out a total of \$4,528,269 in benefits to 67,000 jobless workers, according to a report issued this week.

The fire alarm system in Coquille's new capital was given its first test this week. An employee proudly exhibiting the building to a group of friends inadvertently tripped one of the alarms connected with the Salem fire department. Two pumps and an aerial ladder responded immediately. The experiment demonstrated the efficiency of both the alarm system and the Salem fire department.

Every silver lining has its cloud, it seems. The state has just completed installation of a new telephone switch board designed to expedite handling of calls to the various departments. Now it develops that the new system makes it impossible to put through station-to-station calls. Instead all incoming calls are charged for at the higher person-to-person rate. The Board of Control has protested the policy and asked for a new deal.

One hundred and twenty-nine dead and 2971 injured was the toll taken by traffic accidents on Oregon highways during the first six months of 1936, according to figures compiled by Secretary of State Snell. The record, however, reflects an improvement over the situation in 1937 when 150 persons were killed and 3186 injured in the same period.

An international incident was amicably settled this week when Secretary of State Snell approved a claim for 95 cents filed by the Latvian charge d'affaires ad interim at Washington, D. C. The foreign diplomat, it appears, was a recent visitor to Oregon. While in the state he purchased 19 gallons of gasoline on which he paid the state tax of five cents a gallon, or a total of 95 cents. The Latvian official promptly filed a claim for refund with Secretary of State Hull who just as promptly forwarded the claim on to Oregon's secretary of state, Earl Snell.

Forty-nine persons lost their lives as a result of fires in Oregon during 1937 to set a new high record for this state, according to the annual report of Hugh H. Earle, state fire marshal. "Most fire casualties were entirely avoidable and the direct result of carelessness," Earle declared in commenting upon the situation. "The most common causes resulting in these deaths were misuse of kerosene and gasoline, smoking in bed, or standing too near a stove or fireplace." Fire losses over the state during the year totalled \$3,270,297, which was approximately \$46,000 above the 1936 record but 22.9 per cent below the average for the previous ten-year period.

Reports that a \$2,000,000 Oregon Trail museum of history, science and art was in store for Oregon without cost to the taxpayers came as a surprise to state officials none of whom, apparently, have been consulted on the project. Plans for the museum as outlined in a Salem newspaper would require that the state donate only the

site for the structure. Financing of the project was to be financed through a FWA grant of \$800,000 with donations from foundations, institutes and historical societies making up the balance.

Suits filed in the circuit court here this week by J. A. Moore, of Brooks, strike at the validity of the Carney and Martin bills of the 1937 session outlawing slot machines, pin ball games and other games of chance. The complaint filed by Brooks alleges that the procedure attending the passages of the two measures was faulty. The suits, it is understood, are designed to keep the two measures off the November ballot so that attention of the voters might be centered on the so-called "trade stimulator" measure sponsored by the Oregon Merchants Legislative Council.

For the first time on record the official voters' pamphlet this year will include poetry among the arguments used in support of the several measures on the November ballot. One of the poems is the "Beautiful Willamette" by Samuel L. Simpson, in which the sparkling waters of the Willamette river are pictured as "waltzing, flashing, tinkling, splashing" on their way to the sea. The other poem is by Dean Collins and pictures the same river as an open sewer carrying the waste from mills and industries until even "the fishes hold their noses and no longer leap and frisk." The poems are used as arguments in support of the stream purification measure sponsored by the Stream Purification League of Oregon.

Word from Washington that the Public Works Administration has approved a grant of \$56,381 toward construction of a new heating plant to serve the capitol group of buildings is expected to spur action on that project. Total cost of the plant is estimated at \$110,000 with the state's share to come out of the \$1,000,000 appropriation authorized by the last legislature for construction of a new library and heating plant. The state board of control is expected to act at once in purchasing a site for the new plant which will probably be located on Twelfth street on property adjoining that already owned by the state.

Not only do the salmon adorning the new capitol swim down stream, contrary to all precedent, as pointed out by fishermen, but the ox-drawn covered wagon on the state seal in the capitol rotunda is headed back east. This latter fact was discovered this week by an "old timer" who explained that he had come west in a covered wagon himself but "had never heard of one of them traveling east before."

Ballot Measures Analyzed

By A. L. Linbeck
State Capital News Bureau
[Note—This is the third in a series of weekly articles dealing with the 13 measures to appear on the state ballot in November.]
Legislators' Compensation Constitutional Amendment

This measure represents another attempt to increase the pay of members of the legislature. Passed by the last session it requires approval by the voters before becoming effective. Under its provisions the legislators would be entitled to compensation at the rate of \$8 per day while attending a session, except that pay for a regular session would be limited to 50 days or a maximum of \$400; special sessions would be limited to a maximum of 20 days. Oregon legislators are now paid at the rate of \$3 per day but may not claim more than \$120 for attendance upon any regular session; extra sessions are now limited to 20 days. The proposed amendment would reduce travel allowance for legislators from the present rate of 15 cents per mile to 10 cents per mile. Presiding officers would receive one-half daily pay additional, or \$12 per day, compared to the present two-thirds additional pay which gives them only \$5 a day.

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Homemakers' Vacation Camp Furnished Relaxation For 112 Women

Due to the fact that the Sentinel was issued a day early last week, the following Vacation Camp report, made by Coos county's home demonstration agent, Miss Julia Bennett, was not received until after the issue had been mailed.

Homemakers' vacation camp held from Aug. 2-7 at Lake Clewax held for a year was a big success in regard to enrollment, enthusiasm, weather and the effect it had on the one hundred and twelve women who attended. Women from Coos county and Lane county formed the majority of the camp registrants with a few attending from Douglas, Curry, Linn, and Yamhill counties. On the last day of camp, about 165 visitors, friends, and relatives entered, had lunch, and helped move the women after their six-day vacation.

The women were divided into four color groups, the reds, yellows, blues, and greens, from which sprang such cognomens as "red devils," "yellow jackets," "blue heaven," and "greenies." Each group elected its captain and on successive evenings presented a newspaper, camp skits, stunts, etc., music, or vesper services at the evening campfire circle. On Friday, Aug. 5, Miss Lucy Case presented a demonstration of table decorations from nature. She showed centerpiece and placecard arrangements from flowers, shrubs, and even from a small mossy log which had been converted into a candelabra. In the early evening, the women watched Miss Case plank a salmon and steam potatoes over a campfire. Mrs. Olive Barber conducted several bird walks and her group classified seventeen different birds which they actually saw, and heard the calls of many, which remained unseen. On August 4 a group of 32 women made a tour-up the coast highway to

visit the sea lion caves. They reported a most successful observation. A highlight of Saturday was the filming of a short moving picture picnic scene in which 25 women from the homemakers' camp at Clewax played important roles. The women dressed as picnickers, and under the supervision of a director from the National Parks Bureau, they enacted a typical American picnic group in a National Park. These films will be shown at the World's Fair in New York, at San Francisco, and in many other places all over the world. Many women learned the arts of candlewicking and quilting. The Eugene library loaned 40 books and many magazines which were in use constantly. Mrs. Brownlow presented an astronomy talk and led an observation tour on Wednesday, August 3, and Miss Harriet Long gave a lecture and short review on interesting books. Probably the early morning swim was the most popular activity of the day, with the campfire program at night vying for its place.

Although no definite schedule or rules, rising bells or regulations were in order, the camp life did have system if desired. Meals served were breakfast at 8, lunch at 12:30 and dinner at 5:30, and the evening program started at about seven o'clock, so that the women could get to bed by ten. In the fifteen meals served, the following partial list of foodstuffs was used: 250 loaves of bread, 65 gallons of milk, 350 lbs. potatoes, 60 lbs. of butter, 50 doz. eggs, 60 heads of lettuce, 190 lbs. of meat, 4 boxes of apples, 60 lbs. of sugar, and 40 lbs. of coffee.

The oldest woman present at camp was Mrs. Rose Gray, of Sumner, who has attended camp for four years. The youngest member was Miss Betty Hack, of Lane county, but all age groups were well represented.

Telephone Connection Charges Suspended

The West Coast Telephone Company announces that service connection charges and installation charges for telephone installations would be suspended during the period of August 14 to August 31, inclusive. This telephone sale has met with enthusiastic response in the past and the company believes that the general public will respond heartily to this offer again this year.

The charges which are usually made for the establishment and connection of telephone service will not be collected during this period. Orders for telephone service qualifying for installation without service connection charges will not be accepted later than midnight of August 31. Orders placed between August 14 and 31 will be installed without service connection charges regardless of whether the company can actually make installation of service in the period between these two dates. Service connection charges will also be suspended upon extension telephones as well as on primary telephones.

To assist prospective subscribers in obtaining telephone service, all telephone employees of the West Coast Telephone Company will act as telephone salesmen during this period and will take any person's order for service. All employees are prepared to answer questions concerning the details of this telephone sale.

Appreciation in Words

I, the undersigned, A. McDuffee, who acted as general manager of Coquille's first annual Golden West Days celebration wish to personally thank the general public of Coos county for its splendid support, interest and attendance at Coquille's celebration last week. I also wish to thank the local business men and especially the laboring men who were ever ready to peel their coat and hop in and give a hand when one was needed to bring our celebration to a public-pleasing conclusion. I have been informed by the finance committee that the celebration was not a financial success. However, as I have before stated I hope the celebrating seed that has been planted here in Coquille, by myself and associates will take root and grow, and that the business men and fraternal orders of our city will organize themselves into one big-harmonious body for the sole purpose of developing this seed into a bigger and better Golden West Days next year. Thanking my friends and loyal supporters for past favors, I wish to remain a Home Town, Coquille, Republican.

A. McDuffee.
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