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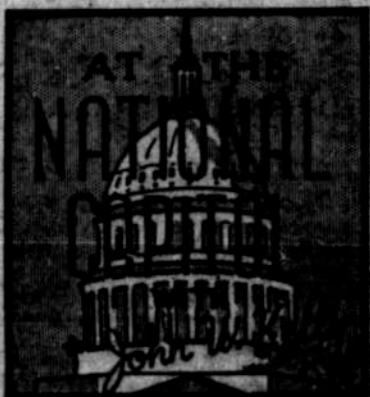


A WELCOME VISITOR

Thomas E. Dewey, candidate for the republican nomination for president, visits the Northwest in furtherance of his campaign against defeatism and despair. In his fight against the misdealing that gave the American public, hoping for acres, a handful of jokers, Mr. Dewey will profit by his tour of the northwest empire. He is indeed a welcome visitor.

That he will wage a fight to the finish against New Deal misdealing is clearly evinced in Mr. Dewey's recent speech in Boston when he declared: "The New Dealers would have us believe that the American people have lost control of their own destiny, because they say this unbridled spending cannot be stopped. This is the challenge posed to Americans by the New Deal. To this challenge, there can be but one answer. The American people can stop this reckless spending. And furthermore they will stop it."

We sincerely hope that Mr. Dewey will not lessen his punches against New Deal misdealing and we, like millions of other Americans, will read and listen with rekindled hope to his speech to be delivered in Portland on the occasion of the Lincoln Day celebration, February 12.



Washington, D. C., Feb. 6—Seriousness of the drought prevailing last fall is stressed by the department of agriculture, which predicts (despite winter snow), a wheat production this year of 60 to 80 million bushels less than the normal amount consumed. No shortage is expected, however, as the carryover will be 300 million bushels by July 1, and if the estimates of the experts are correct on 1940 production, the carryover July 1, 1941, will be in excess of 100 million bushels.

Of course, the drought situation has political possibilities, good or bad, for the administration and in an election year, but the man who is not giving cheerful news is the chief of the weather bureau. He forecasts the weather regardless of the effect on political fortunes. This drought has not captured the imagination nor received the publicity of the earlier drought with its dust storms and farmers fleeing to the Pacific northwest, but department spokesmen assert that it is fully as severe if not worse.

The dry spell has ranged from the Oregon-Washington country to the Rocky mountains and then east across the plains even to the Atlantic coast. In anticipation of a grave situation for many farmers who cannot make a crop, a program for relief has been drafted and placed in a pigeonhole, in case.

Active spirits in the Commonwealth Federation in Washington and Oregon are reviving the plan to call a conference or convention of "liberals" within a few months. Primarily, the group wants President Roosevelt for a third term. The plan, as reported in the national capital, is to boom Mr. Roosevelt as the new deal candidate, and if the democratic convention refuses to nominate him or name someone he wants, a protest third party may be formed. The general outline of the idea was submitted a few days ago to the president by three government officials who are in touch with the Pacific northwest "liberal" wing.

The new seed law becomes operative this month and eastern Oregon growers want their product classified as "eastern Oregon seed" and not as "Oregon seed" because the claim the western Oregon rates lower in "growing adaptability" to the middle west than eastern Oregon seed on account of climatic conditions. This will probably be challenged by the seed farmers west of the Cascades. What appears to have aroused the eastern Oregon farmers is a decision by New

York that Oregon seed is not acceptable and not qualified for payments under the soil conservation plan.

Many wheat farmers have abandoned grain and turned to red clover, which is more profitable, but very expensive because of the care required to keep the fields free from weeds.

All the Douglas fir plywood manufactured in the United States is in Oregon and Washington, and Pacific Forest Industries is an export trade association representing these mills. New federal trade commission cracks down on Pacific Forest Industries, ordering the association to cease and desist from advertising in foreign countries that it is the sole export representative of the plywood mills in the Pacific northwest and claiming that Douglas fir plywood can be purchased only through Pacific Forest Industries.

The federal trade commission has decided laws are being violated because members of the association have not been selling to individual American exporters.

Reconstruction finance corporation has rejected a proposal that it make loans to timber owners in Oregon and Washington, which would enable them to pay their taxes and thus remove the necessity of liquidating their holdings regardless of market conditions.

In its economy streak the house of representatives deleted from the agricultural appropriation bill \$27,000,000 to finance purchase of farms by tenants. For fiscal year 1940 there were 929 applications from Washington state for such loans and only 27 were made. In the first two years of the act 728 applications were filed from Washington and 24 were approved. Oregon applicants for 1940 were 274 with 17 loans, and in the first two years of the act 194 applications came from this state and 15 were allowed. Bulk of the loans approved were to share-croppers in southern states, such as Mississippi, where 656 were allowed in fiscal year 1940 and 630 in the first two years.

Members of the senate are being begged to restore cuts made by the house and while the senate is favorable to the idea on many items, it doubts whether the house would accept a senate bill carrying the restorations. The house has limited the navy program to two years and refused to increase the navy yard at Bremerton or at Mare Island. Almost every appropriation in which the northwest is interested has been reduced in the house.

Tenth Home Interest Conference At Corvallis Feb. 7 To March 1

Many special features on the program of the tenth annual Oregon conference for the study of home interests, opening at the Oregon State College, February 27 and continuing through Friday, March 1, await the 1200 women who are expected to attend.

These features will include a concert by the college students, an art exhibit, an evening of one-act plays and style show, and a technical-color moving picture on travel in the United States.

In addition to these special features a full program of talks, discussions and demonstrations on all phases of homemaking will be given by outstanding speakers, both local, state and national.

Since this year's conference also celebrates the 50th anniversary of the establishment of home economics at Oregon State College, the conference starts with a banquet on Tuesday evening which is followed by a recep-

TWENTY YEARS AGO

(Taken from The Sentinel of Feb. 13, 1920)

The kind of weather we have been enjoying this month has stimulated the buying of cars.

Twenty cases of flu are reported at Beesport and there has been one death at Marshfield.

A. T. Bolden says he has peas up big enough to hose. He also has a brood of turkeys just hatched.

P. O. Lund and family this week returned to Powers where Mr. Lund will again engage in business.

Tomorrow night the American Legion are going to have a big Valentine Day ball at Gould's Hall.

A. H. Powers says there are 600 loggers now employed at the Powers camps but that they want more good men.

The new lath mill at the Coquille Lumber Mills started Tuesday. It has a capacity of 20,000 lath a day and it takes five or six men to run it.

E. A. Folsom has purchased the Mrs. Nannie Collier tract of ten acres just south of town on the Myrtle Point highway. The consideration was \$5,000.

Tomorrow Kennett P. Lawrence, son of Recorder and Mrs. J. S. Lawrence, will be united in marriage to Miss Marian Rankin, of Oakland, California, where Kennett is now employed.

Geo. Moulton has bought the Peo-

tion. Women attending the home interests conference are invited to attend teas at various dormitories and houses on Wednesday afternoon, visit the Horner Museum of Oregon country, the farm kitchen, the nursery school, the new Chemistry building, the new home management houses, etc.

The swimming pool is reserved each afternoon from 5:00 until 8:00 for those who enjoy that recreation.

Mrs. Lathrop, president of the state home economics extension council, who was the Oregon delegate to London at the Countrymen of the World conference last summer, will speak on the subject, "An Oregon Homemaker Goes to London," and will present the illustrated talk, "Food in Relationship to Health," which she gave at the New York World's Fair on her way to London.

Several women have already expressed their intention to attend this year's conference for all Oregon homemakers, and to learn and see more about their special home interests whether it is "Landscaping," "Home Management," "Clothing and Textiles," "Foods and Nutrition," "Recreation, Child Training," "Family Relations," "Interior Decoration" and "Handicrafts."

Probate Court Cases

W. W. Tilghman was last Thursday confirmed as executor of the will of his late wife, Mary J. Tilghman. The estate is estimated to be worth \$300.

M. W. Skipworth was on Monday this week named as executor of the will of S. B. Ridley who died January 28, leaving an estate estimated to be worth \$3999.

Large variety of Potted Plants at Bergen's. Sturdy stock and blossoms of beauty.

Tomorrow Friday, was set by Judge Brand on Tuesday as motion day in circuit court.

Calling cards, 50 for \$1.00.

Motorists May Claim Income Deductions

Motorists making out their federal income tax statements are allowed exemptions for expenses necessary in the maintenance and operation of their automobiles, the legal department of the Oregon State Motor Association reminds Oregon motorists.

Deductions allowance in computing taxable income include the following: State gasoline taxes—motorists must furnish a complete record for this item as the department of internal revenue will not accept estimates. The tax in Oregon is five cents per gallon.

All sums paid as registration fees during the year—this includes licensing.

Any loss sustained from the outright sale of the car. This does not include any trade-in deals on the purchase of another car.

Any loss occasioned by damage to a passenger automobile used for pleasure. This must be an actual loss to the person claiming exemption—if the loss has been compensated by insurance it is not deductible.

Any amount expended for personal injury damages that has not been compensated for by insurance is a deductible item—this is true, however, only if the car were being used for business at the time of the accident.

Any interest paid on money borrowed for the purchase of a car—including financing charges specifically covering the interest on the loan.

All operating and maintenance expense, including depreciation, on passenger cars used wholly for business—or on a pro-rata basis where used less than half the time for pleasure. This has been construed to cover insurance costs.

Motorists are warned by the association that the federal gasoline tax and federal taxes on new cars, lubricating oil, tires, tubes and accessories

are considered by the department of internal revenue as manufacturer or distributor taxes and not as deductible consumers' taxes.

The amount paid for the purchase of an automobile for either business or pleasure has been ruled to be a capital expenditure and not deductible, but the depreciation incurred in its use for business is a deductible item as mentioned before.

Any employee receiving mileage or gas allowance can claim no exemption for automobile operation unless this allowance has been declared a part of his income.

Catching Inlet To Pay Teachers Twelve Month Basis

The Catching Inlet board has voted to pay teachers on the 12-month basis. In the past most of the rural schools have paid salaries in nine allotments. At the last annual school officers' meeting which was held November 18, at Myrtle Point, the boards recommended that the teachers' salaries be divided in twelve allotments if the teacher so desired. Most teachers are in favor of this salary division so no doubt many boards will follow example of the Catching Inlet district.

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