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Eleven counties in the state of Oregon received larger amounts than did Coos county as their share of the state for county fair expenses. The money is received from the levy of one-twentieth a mill upon the taxable property in the counties. Coos' share was \$1,057.02 on a taxable valuation of \$21,140,319.32.

It is strange how little respect the youth of today have for the rights or property of others. And it all reflects back on the parents who have been too thoughtless or indifferent to give the proper training in childhood.

A case in point is Bert Gould's game farm, all of it private property, where he was saving 25 chittim trees. On Monday of this week boys went in there, unobserved by anyone on the acreage, and stripped the bark from all 25 trees.

Mr. Gould has now posted the place with "No Trespass" signs and any boy caught on land will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

Fragments of Fact and Fancy

England is considering the advisability of sending her children to New Zealand to escape the dangers of war. Probably Australia and Canada will also be places of refuge for these English children if the British Islands become more vulnerable and invasion more probable. Putting aside the sorrow of parting such family separations would mean, there would be much of benefit and broad education for the young folks in spending a few months or a year or two in other countries. In time of peace a similar custom could be continued for it would result in the knitting together of the empire as nothing else could. Of course, for generations colonial families have been sending their sons home for education but to reverse the habit and send forth the boys and girls of the "tight little isle" should broaden the insular ideas of many native Englishmen.

Can you remember when:
We made the world safe for democracy?
The League of Nations was a power in the world?
Japan was a good friend of Uncle Sam's?
Halle Selassie was an emperor?
There was a king in Spain?
We thought Hitler was only bluffing?
We called this a phony war?

Listening to the radio we realize how far we have grown away from our mother tongue. Much emphasis has been placed on the growth of American slang which is incomprehensible to the average Englishman and we must admit that the American speech is becoming more and more a separate language, an entity in itself.

Hearing the broadcasts from London brings us the realization that we have not only added much to the English language our forefathers brought to this continent three hundred years ago but that we have also discarded much of it. Expressions such as "last Tuesday week" sound foreign in our ears and when Winston Churchill told the House of Commons, "The House must prepare itself for hard and heavy tidings," it surprised us for the only "tidings" left in our speech are "good tidings of great joy."

In our fear and anxiety over the break-up of the civilization to which we have become accustomed, let us remember those "good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people" and trust that somehow mankind will move forward, even in our time, in spite of the dreams of conquest by a few Godless men who put their faith in brute force.

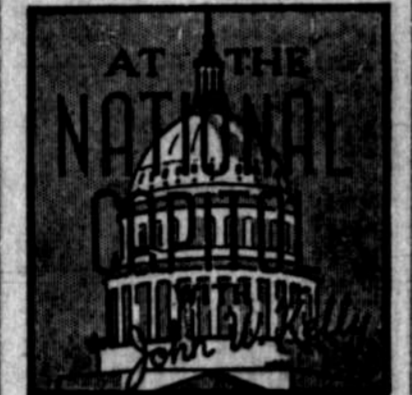
For a couple of weeks this month there were wooden benches to be seen in the parking space alongside the Pioneer church. Hurrying home for lunch the casual observer may have given them scant attention but really they meant a great deal—a tremendous lot, indeed. Of course, they showed that the youngsters were receiving a manual training, something all systems of education are stressing more and more, but

that is not what they meant to us. Instead, they were the outward symbol of the unity of our people even in their divergent beliefs.

The vacation Bible school in which the various churches joined is commendable in purpose and worth while in results but how dependent it is upon religious tolerance. The flag on the pole across the street in the court house yard almost floated over the boys at their benches. To it all religions look for protection—but, we believe, that it was Christianity only which made possible the flag and all it connotes.

Tomorrow is flag day and most of us will want to spare a moment to repeat:

"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America,
And to the Republic for which it stands,
One nation, indivisible,
With liberty and justice for all."



Washington, D. C., June 12—Several thousand residents of Oregon and Washington who heretofore have never paid an income tax nor filed a return will be digging up for Uncle Sam next March to pay, in part, for the national defense program. By a queer quirk, there will be several hundred WPA workers, men on relief, who must pay the government a tax on the income they are receiving as relievers. Sounds like comic opera, but it is deadly earnest.

It is going to cost you, and you, and you, more to live. Gasoline taxes will amount to a few more dollars a year (depending on how much gas you use.) Lipsticks will cost more, also toilet soap. The book of matches which the dealer has handed out with a pack of cigarettes will not be donated; matches are on the tax list, and taxes on smokes are higher.

A single man who has an income of \$800 this year must make a return and a married man if his income is \$2,000 must also file. Formerly a single individual did not bother about making a return unless his income was \$1,000, and a married man \$2,500. Now if a single man is making \$75 a month he must pay four per cent on his net income. After the normal tax has been paid, then the individual must pay a sum in addition which is 10 per cent of the normal tax.

For years at every suggestion of broadening the base of the income tax (lowering the exemption as now proposed from \$2,500 to \$2,000 for married and from \$1,000 to \$800 for single) there has been an immediate protest, chiefly led by organized labor. Under the excitement of defense and war hysteria revision is being made without too much objection, yet. If this change is made, as now appears probable, it will hit about 50,000 new income taxpayers in the Pacific northwest. And, remember, once a tax is imposed it is almost never repealed. As the tax program is now shaping up, the middle class and those just escaping the under privileged group will be paying the defense bill.

That an emergency exists is recognized and any day a situation may arise requiring prompt action by congress. This involves the date of adjournment. President Roosevelt says congress can get through voting money for defense and adjourn on June 24. Republicans and many democrats think they should keep congress constantly in session ready to meet unexpected developments and not go home leaving the president in full charge. Republicans also recognize that if Mr. Roosevelt is alone he will get all the publicity during the presidential campaign and they will be deprived of their soundingboard. This is a political angle neither Mr. Roosevelt nor his opponents underrate. As there are 70 odd democrats in the senate they have the votes to cause adjournment in accord with Mr. Roosevelt's wishes.

Hitler had made the nomination of Mr. Roosevelt inevitable. When Holland was invaded and Nazi troops swept on, any doubt that Mr. Roosevelt would not be nominated was dissipated. Whether he will or can be elected is another matter. Democratic politicians have abandoned organized opposition to Roosevelt and are now building fences to see who will be his running mate. Among the 100 per cent new dealers the first choice is Attorney General Robert Jackson, but Jackson and Roosevelt are both residents of New York. It is unlawful for president and vice-president to come from the same state.
No one has the republican nomination

TWENTY YEARS AGO

(Taken from The Sentinel of Friday, June 18, 1920)

At the regular meeting of the Commercial Club Wednesday evening, the president appointed R. H. Mast and John W. Miller to serve on the State Chamber of Commerce committee to fill the vacancies left by the removal of F. C. True and H. S. Tuttle.

The Woman's Club having been asked to take charge of the big parade for the 4th of July celebration, are getting busy and from present indications the parade will be a success. The clubs, lodges and business firms generally will be represented in the parade. The high school, under the direction of Mrs. L. H. Hazard, will participate. Other special features are: Boy Scouts, Mrs. J. S. Lawrence in charge; Doll Buggies, Mrs. Hal Pierce; Bicycles, Mrs. Allen Collier. Chas. W. Willey, Jr., will give his attention to humorous stunts.

The Goddess of Liberty contest is now on in full swing and the candidates request all their friends to back them. The following are the candidates: Gladys Nozler, Effie Floten, Frances Medley, Vera Parry. A dollar will buy 4,000 votes and help pay expenses for the Fourth.

E. D. Webb, formerly cashier of the First National Bank of Bandon, and later connected with the Bandon Garage, will go to Coquille July 1 to enter the First National Bank, says the Bandon World.

Rapid progress is being made by

tion nalled down, and Tom Dewey, who made a favorable impression in Oregon and Washington with his personal appearance, has been losing ground because of his isolationist attitude.

Either before adjournment now or not later than next session, congress will be asked to vote for a measure requiring compulsory military training of every physically fit youth of 20 years. Such suggestions in the past have been unpopular, but public sentiment changes and President Roosevelt favors the idea. Threat of war is working transformation in the thoughts and customs of the American people. Many things will be different a year from today.

Five acre tracts on areas of the public domain are to be leased by the department of the interior for homesites, cabin, camp, health, convalescent, recreational or business purposes. No applications will be received before July 27. Every application must be accompanied by \$5.

Every employee in Oregon or Washington who works in any bureau or agency in the department of the interior will be required to make an oath that he is not a member of the Communist party or other subversive group. The order has been issued by Secretary Ickes.

WHEN MA IS SICK

When Ma is sick,
She pegs away.
She's quiet though—
Not much to say.
She gets right on
A-doin' things,
And sometimes laughs
Or even sings.
She says she don't
Feel extra well,
But then it's just
A kind o' spell.
She'll be all right
Tomorrow, sure;
A good old sleep
Will be the cure.
An' Pa, he sniffs
An' makes no kick,
For women folks
Is always sick.
And' Ma she smiles,
Lets on she's glad.
When Ma is sick,
It ain't so bad.

BUT—

When Pa is sick,
He's scared to death!
An' Ma an' us
Just hold our breath.
He crawls in bed
An' puffs an' grunts
An' does all kinds
Of crazy stunts.
He wants the doctor—
An' mighty quick—
For when Pa's ill,
He's awful sick.
He gasps an' groans
An' sort o' sighs.
He talks so queer,
An' rolls his eyes.
Ma jumps an' runs,
An' all of us
An' all the house,
An' peace an' joy
Is mighty skeered.
When Pa is sick,
It's somethin' fierce!
—By Josephine Moon

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Superintendent Perham on the high school building. The hollow tile for the walls of the first story are already laid and he expects to have the building under roof early in July.

Next Monday evening at eight o'clock the annual school meeting of the Coquille district will occur at the high school. The amount to be raised by taxation is \$23,051.56. To raise this sum will require a levy of 21.2 mills, doubling the special levy which was 10.2 mills last year.

A. L. Simpson returned Wednesday morning from a trip out to the Willamette valley, where he visited Albany, Dallas and Salem.

Misses Viola Knife and Myrtle and Dorothy Newton, of Arago, went over to Marshfield Wednesday to meet their friends, Miss Mabel O'Neil, of Berkeley, California, who came up on the steamer, Topeka. Miss O'Neil will spend her vacation with her uncle Grover and Grandmother Gouther this summer.

At 5:15 p. m. Saturday, June 11, at the Methodist Church here Rev. L. G. Weaver of Myrtle Point pronounced the words which united Ruby L. Goodnight and Julius Yutzler, of North Bend, in holy matrimony.

Two Japs at the opening baseball game stood uncovered during the playing of "How Dry I Am," thinking it was the American national anthem. —Oregonian.

F. S. A. Farm Debt Adjustment Program

The Farm Security Administration through its Farm Debt Adjustment Program is assisting debt burdened farmers in Coos and Curry counties to continue with their farming operations where otherwise they would have been unable to operate, advises Norman Fletcher, county rural rehabilitation supervisor.

Farmers are being assisted through a committee of farmers and civic leaders in the counties in getting obligations refinanced, which in some cases means prevention of foreclosure on property and in others reduction of annual payments. The organization is also instrumental in getting contracts rewritten and obligations extended over a longer period of time. This service is available to all agriculture creditors and debtors.

Anyone desiring information regarding this service should contact or write the Farm Security Administration, 201 Laird Building, Coquille, Oregon.

Fair Attendance Exceeds Last Year's

During the first 12 days of operation the 1940 Golden Gate International Exposition piled up an attendance record of 629,665, or 7,269 in excess of the first 12 days of the 1939 season, when 622,396 visitors paid admissions at the Exposition gates.

This most remarkable achievement, heralding the success of this year's California World's Fair, was hailed with enthusiasm by exposition officials and those who were leaders in the campaign to open Treasure Island for a second season. At the same time it was revealed

that 80,774 automobiles brought more than 300,000 visitors to the Exposition during the first eleven days' operations. The figures were provided by Maurice Ketelman, head of the Treasure Island parking concession.

Ketelman stated that an increasing percentage of cars parking at the island lot carry out of state license plates, a fact indicative of the beginning of the summer travel rush that is expected to shatter all previous attendance records.

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