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SUBSCRIPTION RATES



In Josephine County	
One Year	\$2.50
Six Months	\$1.25
Outside Josephine County	
One Year	\$3.00



ABOUT THAT AMBULANCE INSURANCE

Well, the Illinois Valley News has egg all over its vest again.

In a recent issue, with good faith and bad judgment, we held forth editorially on the sad plight of a local firm which provides a most needed community service, the Valley Ambulance service. It was our understanding that ambulance insurance rates had increased to a level which was insupportable in view of the ambulances meager income, and that the operator would find it impossible to continue the service unless aid with the insurance premium were forthcoming from the community.

The response from individuals and organizations was most heartening; in a short time enough contributions had been received to handle nearly all of the reputed three hundred and some odd dollar premium.

However it appears that somewhere along the line we picked up some sour facts, and the operator now states that he is capable of handling the premium himself, and while he is grateful for the community's support he prefers to pay the premium himself and refund the donations.

Therefore, all donations for this purpose received by the NEWS and/or Butch Hollingshead now await the order of the donor; while we are probably obligated to seek each one out and refund his money, it would greatly simplify matters if each donor would make his claim on Butch Hollingshead, unofficial treasurer, by letter, phone or in person. All money received by the NEWS was turned over to Mr. Hollingshead, and he has the complete list.

We extend sincere apologies for riding off in all directions at once without making an exhaustive first-hand investigation of the matter.

P. S. Our Editor in Charge of Good Works writes that Siberia is not as bad as it has been painted, but he is already looking forward to his return in just 19 years, 11 months and 21 days.

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Capital Parade

BY MURRAY WADE

WOULD AIR CONTRIBUTIONS

Democratic leaders in Oregon have accused the republican state central committee of violating the corrupt practices act in not reporting the source of campaign funds of \$83,000 raised for the last election.

Spark plug of the movement (very much in the background) is State Senator Richard Neuberger who, with William L. Josselin, democratic state chairman, and James W. Goodsel are carrying the ball. It is reported that suit will be started against republican political party officers.

David B. Simpson, GOP finance chairman, says the act has not been violated, that party committees are not required to report names of donors.

Both republican and democrat leaders are forthright in stating that to carry out the intent of the law all sources should be reported in detail, instead of the too common practice of hiding names of contributors in committee reports.

David O'Hara, chief of the state elections bureau, is of the opinion there are some points of conflict in Oregon's corrupt practice act and the case will throw light on the weak spots in the law—another law revision job for the coming legislature.

DAM ON DESCHUTES

With the objective of controlling the flow of the Deschutes river and furnishing irrigation for the valley, a tentative site for a federal dam was announced at the capitol this week by Lee McAllister, area planning engineer for the U. S. bureau of reclamation.

Dr. Charles Berkey, noted consultant geologist, headed a federal board that investigated the possibilities of the development of the last block of "dependable water supply" on the upper Deschutes river and decided on Brenham Falls as the dam and reservoir site.

GOVERNOR'S SHORT VACATION

Palm Springs was the destination of Governor and Mrs. Douglas McKay when leaving Salem last Wednesday. They intend to spend a week at the California resort before going to San Francisco where the governor will attend a meeting of the Pacific coast board of inter-governmental relations, opening on December 15.

ASK HIGHER RATES

In a suit now before the state Public Utilities Commissioner, the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company is seeking a second increase this year in phone rates. Company officials testified that a 7½ percent net return is necessary to attract needed new capital. Their earnings were \$8.55 a share for the year ending last August and return on investment amounted to nearly 6 percent.

PORTLAND-SALEM 4-LANE

The hourly volume of traffic on Fairgrounds road, Salem, is among the highest observed hourly volumes on a two-lane road in the nation, according to the Highway Capacity Manual of the national bureau of public roads.

The reason for a four-lane highway between Salem and New Era, that would complete a four-lane way from Salem to Portland, is that the west side highway 99 in the Dundee district is four-lane, with only about one-third the traffic that moves between Salem and New Era.

UNEMPLOYMENT PAY UP

Benefit payments to unemployed workers increased in November; approximately 64 percent over October. Unusually heavy payments were made during the last week of November.

Claims have been increasing recently because of seasonal let-downs, however, last week's total of claims of 12,657 was below the 26,638 of last year and the 15,397 of two years ago.

SALVAGE OLD TIRES

The state of Oregon is salvaging old tires—now. Governor McKay learned at the last meeting of the board of control that some state departments were interested in getting only new tires when those they were using showed wear. The governor, who has one of the largest garage businesses in the state, said, "It's about time the state got every old tire back when a new one is issued. Some can be re-

LETTERS to the EDITOR

December 5, 1950

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Dear Sir:

I wish to thank everyone who participated in donating to the fund for the ambulance service.

I was more than surprised when the request for donations first came out in the local paper and it was gratifying the response and immediate action taken by all the organizations and individuals in the Valley.

Prior to the appearance of this most thoughtful, spontaneous request I was entering into negotiations and had made application for the proper coverage to guarantee adequate protection for myself and the public. Since these donations have been received this has become a football classic, at least between some individuals and insurance agents who have brought pressure to bear to issue their own insurance. I believe this pressure has lost the thought and imposing an imposition on the generosity of those contributing and I therefore must with thanks and regret decline in order to maintain my integrity and personal well being.

As everyone knows our service is 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Our service is available to all who need it and consequently many trips necessary for the good of the individual cannot be paid although the service is a necessity. In these cases the cost and expenses must be assumed by the Ambulance service. This is a necessary part of our service and I find much personal satisfaction in it.

I wish to once more extend my thanks and appreciation for the support and generosity of all the people in the Valley.

Sincerely,
Valley Ambulance Service
Lester J. Tythcott

Children Can Prepare These Holiday Candies

Fudge mixes, already prepared except for mixing additional flavors, nuts, or fruits, serve perfectly for introducing a child into the realm of cooking. Believing that a package of fudge mix, plus a child's imagination and a little guidance from the parents, will lead to tasty, multi-flavored holiday candies, Holiday magazine has compiled a group of simple recipes for children to try.

The recipes, which feature simple variations of the usual fudge mix, can be followed easily by youngsters. Coconut fudge drops, for example, can be made by substituting a can of coconut for the usual cup of chopped nuts. Or marshmallows can be added to give an unusual flavor and appearance to the holiday favorite.

A popular candy with children, both in preparing and eating, is chocolate covered cherries. Simply follow the directions given on the package of fudge mix. When the fudge is ready to pour, keep it over hot water, and, using a fork or toothpick, quickly dip the cherry into the fudge. Coat on all sides, drop onto wax paper and cool. One package of fudge will coat about 40 cherries. Further suggestions for holiday candies are available in the December issue of Sunset.

Petitions For REA Help

People living in the rural areas who have no electricity may sign a petition asking that a government agent survey the region for the purpose of determining the feasibility of a rural electrification program here.

The Rural Electrification administration can make loans for construction of electric systems if two hundred to three hundred consumers can be served by an integrated project. This number is needed to finance maintenance and operation overhead costs and to obtain wholesale power in addition to interest and amortization payments on the loans. Such loans are made for one hundred percent of the cost of required facilities at two percent per annum, and provides for repayment within thirty-five years.

According to Ernest Woodcock of Selma, these petitions are now placed in the postoffices at Selma, O'Brien and Takilma.

treaded and even those that are worn so badly that it would be profitable to retread them can be salvaged."

Secretary of State Earl Newbry said he had instructed heads of his department to turn in old tires. He said the state police and highway departments have been salvaging old tires for a long time.

Hereafter all old tires will be turned in when new ones are furnished.

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Car & Truck OWNERS!

We submit the following facts and conclusions for your consideration as they will ultimately affect the operation of your car or truck as well as your pocket-book in the very near future.

THE FACTS:

Aluminum

Cut back of 35% for civilian use (pistons, cylinder heads, etc.)

Copper & Brass

Proposed cut back 20% to 30% (ignition parts, fuel and oil lines, bearings, etc.)

Steel

No official cut back as yet. Supplies tightening (most engine parts, chassis, body, etc.)

Babbitt

No official cut back as yet. Prices have risen weekly since Korea (bearings, etc.)

Rubber

No official cut backs as yet. Several price increases since Korea (fan belts, hose, etc.)

THE CONCLUSION

QUALITY of some of the replacement parts may deteriorate in proportion to the substitute materials used.

DELIVERY, already slower on some items, will be worse in the future which will result in a slow down of service. You get faster service at lower prices today than you will tomorrow.

Your car or truck may have to last you for a long time, therefore don't wait until it's too late!

We have the men, the equipment and the parts to still give prompt and efficient service.

Get our free estimates while our stock is still complete.

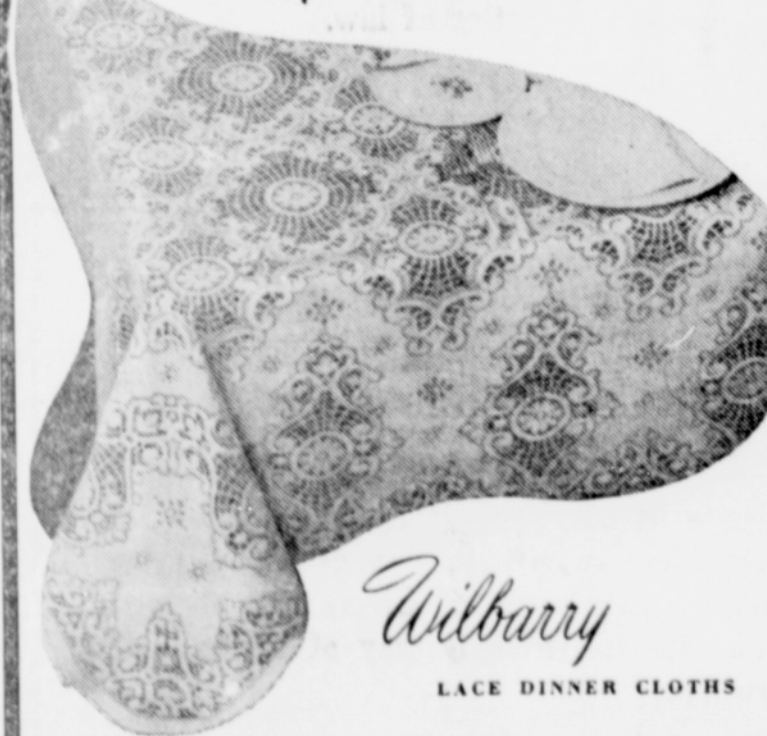
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