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UNWARRANTED CONSERVATISM

Somewhere along the 30-mile route between Cave Junction and Grants Pass there must remain a thick blanket of fog—or perhaps it's a lack of highway signs—or maybe some other confusing factor.

Whatever it is, Cave Junction merchants have suffered in past weeks as freight trucks failed to arrive with important merchandise long overdue.

(Enclosed with her renewal to her subscription to the NEWS this week, Mrs. Reuben Cook of Kerby wrote the following comment on the recent election:)

Dear Editor:
That old man with the red, white and blue stripes won't worry us "no more"—like will take care of him!

Mrs. R. I. Cook

WANTED— SCRAP IRON, METALS AND BATTERIES

Short Steel.....ton \$15
Mixed Cast Iron.....ton \$15
Mixed Copper.....lb. 14c
Heavy Red Brass.....lb. 12c
Heavy Yellow Brass lb. 9c
Light Brass.....lb. 6c
Aluminum.....lb. 4c
Radiators, clean.....lb. 11c
Batteries.....each \$1

YOUR FRIENDLY
Ashland Junk Co.
4 Miles South of Cave Junction
on Highway

Such has been the plight of at least two local stores—one which has postponed its grand opening due to a shortage of merchandise, and the other which planned a special event to show off a new line.

Maybe the nation's distributors pulled in their horns this fall in preparation for another Democratic victory, Nov. 4.

BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

Cliff Sparks is gone. But like all good men he left behind results of his labor which will remind Valley folk for years to come of his short stay here.

Cliff was a pioneer—not in years, but in vocation. The successful planning and groundwork which led to an insured future for the Bank of Illinois Valley was an accomplishment of great importance to business activity here.

Then too, Cliff will be remembered for his interest in Valley agriculture, for he realized that on it the future of this area would one day depend.

S. Clifford Sparks is gone, but his accomplishments will perpetuate the memory of his residence here.

The Valley of Yesteryear

14 YEARS AGO

November 24, 1938—The Rockdale school was closed Wednesday on account of illness.

E. D. Haines of Weatt, Calif., arrived yesterday to spend Thanksgiving with Mrs. Susan Haines.

Howard Bearss, Harry Floyd and L. E. Athey attended the Shrine ceremonial in Grants Pass last Saturday.

Mrs. Mary Christie of Klamath Falls left for her home last Sunday after visiting her niece Clara Hammer.

10 YEARS AGO

November 19, 1942—Miss Imogene St. John who now makes her home in Lakeview visited her sister, Mrs. Walter Doney and other friends in the valley.

Art Kellert represented the Midway Island Post of the American Legion and Blake Miller and Ed Miller represented Glenn Morrison Post in the Armistice Day Parade in Grants Pass.

LETTERS to the EDITOR

ON IRRIGATION

Editor, NEWS:

I just received my Illinois Valley News in the mail and noted the two articles about the irrigation project. As I've said before, I'll support anything that will help the Valley to the limit, but if its setup I'm certain it is, ninety per cent of the Valley places will be sold for unpaid water bills.

You pay on every foot of ground you own in an irrigation district, regardless of whether you use the water or not.

As for getting excited about the surveyors being on the scene, don't get any high blood pressure worked up as I remember in 1909 they had surveyors survey the railroad from Grants Pass to Crescent City and held a railroad celebration at Kerby and where is the railroad?

Paul Pfefferle
Klamath Falls

Miss Janet Martin attended the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity dance in Corvallis last weekend returning home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Messenger received word that their son Ralph Messenger was married last Saturday, to Miss Anne Lewis of Seattle.

Whether you're buying or selling, NEWS want ads work for you.

Capital Parade

By Murray Wade

EDUCATING PRISONERS

Convicts in prison must be prepared to return to society as most of them will come out to live in that society again. Virgil T. O'Malley, warden at the Oregon State Penitentiary told a conference of teachers during a "workshop" session in Salem this week.

O'Malley said aptitude tests and vocational ability tests are given at the penitentiary. They help the prisoners to find a field in which to study. They are enrolled in appropriate courses to teach them a vocation.

He accentuated that education is far more powerful as an aid to society than punishment.

STATE BUDGET TO PRINTER

The biennial state budget for 1953-54 has been scaled down to \$210,000,000 and turned over to the state printer by Harry Dorman, director of the department of finance. Publication schedule calls for delivery December 22.

In addition to these figures the state board of higher education will ask the legislature to sanction a \$9,000,000 building program.

The state board of control will present an institutional building program for the next two years totalling \$6,771,000.

A MILLION A MONTH

Death benefit payments of life insurance to Oregon families totaled \$11,495,500 in the first ten months of this year.

The number of policies becoming claims in the first nine months of 1952 showed an increase of over 4 per cent compared with the same period in 1951.

The tremendous increase in life insurance ownership since World War II is reflected in current payments. Life insurance ownership in Oregon has increased 80 per cent in the past seven years.

BIG BUSINESS ON THE BLOCK

Bids have been called for a \$5,000,000 war-time plant in Salem.

The plant was built in 1942 as a pilot plant in extraction of alumina from clay to stockpile the war effort. The present product is activated manganese dioxide for use in the manufacture of dry cell batteries. The monthly capacity of the plant is 100 tons of manganese and 400 tons of ammonium sulphate.

The property offered includes:

100 acres of land. Bids will be opened in Portland December 22 by the government's General Services administration.

WHO HAS A NAME?

What are the recently sanctioned dispensaries of whiskey - by - the-drink going to be called?

That may be up to the legislature which has the job of creating a law to guide the Oregon Liquor Control Commission. In selecting a name to distinguish the new shops from the present taverns the solons have a long list to choose from, including phases of the mode and antiques.

If that ancient scrivener Geoffrey Chaucer were a member of the Oregon Legislature he would call the shop a "wyn bibbery". Our pioneer grandfathers said "whiskey saloon." To the gold rush miners all such were just "bars."

The ultra-prohibs and ulcer-prohibs would have them known as "grog-shops," "barrooms" or even "drinkeries"—how quickly that one would slip to "drunkeries."

In Nevada they say "lounge," and we read of escapades where the o is silent.

Oregon probably will follow California and call them "cocktail bars", an Americanese, originating on U.S. Atlantic liners.

CAPITAL SHORTS

At this time every two years conscientious legislators band together planning to shorten the lengthening legislative sessions—they're at it again. . . . The annual convention of the Oregon Republican Club will be held in Portland

Nov. 28-29, Dr. E. E. Boring, state president announced this week. . . . Paul Patterson, Hillsboro, state senate president, is working again this week as acting governor of Oregon. It took rulings by Atty. Gen. Geo. Neuner and David O'Hara, state elections director, to hold him on the job when other officers argued that the new law, relating to terms of office of legislators, disqualified him. . . . Peery Buren, attache of corporations commissioners office, told conference of Ag Co-ops in Portland last week that "before a co-op association can lawfully sell notes, bonds, etc., it must register with the corporation commissioner and gain permission otherwise they are personally liable."

Unemployment Claims Can Be Filed Locally

To enable residents of the Illinois Valley area to file claims for unemployment insurance, an official from the State Unemployment Compensation commission resumed weekly visits to Cave Junction last Thursday.

Business will be conducted in the Auxiliary quarters of the American Legion hall between 9:30 and 11 a.m. every Thursday.

Lumber Co. Purchased

D. C. Adams and his sons, D. L. Adams and Francis Adams have recently purchased the Elk Creek Lumber co. from George Alcorn. It will be known as the Adams Lumber Co. from now on. The new owners are from Salem, Ore.



From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

Going... Going... Almost Gone

Granny Robinson put on quite a show the other night at the annual White Elephant auction held at the Women's Club.

Towards the end of the evening, she had the ladies battling for anything she put up. "What am I bid for this woman's lovely black coat here—good as new? Who'll say ten dollars?" she asked.

Granny held the coat up, and commenced describing the coat's lining, sleeves, buttons—really "selling hard." Then, suddenly, she took a close look and blurted out "Land sakes, no more bidding

please—this is my own coat!"
From where I sit, what almost happened to Granny was good for a laugh, but sometimes when people "get carried away" with their own talk it's not so funny. I prefer a glass of temperate beer while listening to my favorite radio program—you may like soda pop—or cider. I suggest we hold on to our personal opinions—and believe in them—but take a good close look at them before we try to "sell" them to our neighbor!

Joe Marsh

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Who really owns Standard?

That old bogeyman—the Tycoon of Big Business—seems still to linger in the minds of some people. Whether or not this was ever a true picture, it is certainly false today. Standard Oil Company of California, for instance, is widely held, independent. It has its own management and shareholders. It is not connected with any of the Standard companies in the East.



The actual owners of Standard Oil Company of California now number 115,942—which is 17,000 more than just two years ago. They include 283 universities and other educational institutions; 236 churches and religious organizations; 1825 small and large businesses; 159 hospitals and other medical groups; 10,876 employees of the Company, and 102,563 other individual citizens, few of whom could be called rich. The great number of our shareholders are people like your own friends and neighbors—

yourself, perhaps—mechanics, clerks, farmers, white-collar men, widows, men and women who have retired. ¶ In another sense, of course, the "owners" of the Company are our customers, who, in effect, control it and receive its benefits. You control Standard by your choice of brands. You benefit by the quality and economy of the products we sell. The only way we can look after the interests of our shareholders is by making sure that Standard serves you well.

STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA plans ahead to serve you better

SCHOOL CENSUS

IMPORTANT TO PARENTS OF CHILDREN OVER 4 AND UNDER 20 YEARS OF AGE

IF YOU ARE LEGAL RESIDENTS OF JOSEPHINE COUNTY PLEASE ASSIST IN THE SCHOOL CENSUS

Children now in school will be given a census card. Fill in and mail please.

If you do not have a card, get one from your nearest school or send the following information to County School Supt., Court-house, Grants Pass, Ore.:

Names of children over 4 years, under 20 years as of October 25, 1952. Print name, age, male or female, correct address (not P. O. Box), name of father, mother or guardian.

Write name of school child is attending, including business college, university, etc.

NOTE: Include children in service or married, under 20 years of age. If you have a child who is disabled and unable to attend school for six months or more, and not completed 12th grade, please specify.

Josephine County School District LOSES \$90 from School Fund sources for each child whose name is not included in the census.

Don't Delay . . . Act Today!