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BOAT FISHERMEN AND—

The mere fact that one firm operating boats on the McKenzie river, derived an income of \$22,000 from fishermen able to pay the price, and further, that California anglers are offering to help pay court costs to test the constitutionality of the law passed to prohibit fishing from boats on certain portions of the McKenzie and Deschutes rivers, is more than sufficient reason for the cementing of unanimous Eastern Oregon sentiment in favor of the stand taken in the matter by Eugene. The practice of commercializing trout fishing privileges on two of Oregon's greatest inland streams has grown by leaps and bounds, especially on the McKenzie, to the very serious depletion of the fish supply. That the boat fisherman has all the advantage over the bank fisherman is well known, for the boat has the advantage of putting its fisherman in choice of position on trout feeding water, which is half the game in the art of angling. The statement that only 9000 trout were taken in exchange for the \$22,000 that went into the boat coffers of Thompson Bros., is smearing the issue with applesauce, and reactive, instills the fervent hope that Eugene sportsmen will keep the ball rolling to push the boats where they belong—on the lakes and coastal streams. A Portland sportsman, carrying buckets of applesauce on both shoulders is quoted as saying:

"It seems to me that to prohibit fishing with a hook and line from a boat is an unjust discrimination. What difference does it make whether you catch a fish while standing in a boat, on a projecting log, on a bridge, or on the bank of a stream?"

But it does make all the difference in the world, and he knows that it does. In the first place every angler knows that to fish successfully a pool, eddy or riffle, he must cast from the most favorable position the location presents. And this is just the advantage the boat gives the angler. He can locate himself for casting from the middle of the stream, working choice spots and cover near the bank or under overhanging bough; he can deflect his boat near the bank and whip the rifle, or he can anchor and fish out a favorite pool from a selected direction that gets 'em.

"I think the boat-fishing ban is very foolish and will hurt the tourist traffic in Oregon," he says.

There are some (Thompson Bros., included) who are making money out of tourist travel by commercializing the out-of-doors recreative possibilities inherited by the great state of Oregon; a privilege that should be free and open to the fullest extent, so long as infringement against basic resource does not prevail to the exclusion of equal opportunity for recreative enjoyment.

HIS BUSINESS EYE

Governor Meier is getting his business eye lined up and finds that if cost the state of Oregon during the previous biennium, \$1,165,685 for traveling and subsistence expenses. Telephone and telegraph cost \$127,597, postage amounted to \$197,215, or \$30,930 more than the cost of printing and stationery which totalled \$166,285. The state payroll was \$18,853,039, and the governor does not mince words in saying there are departments where the payroll has been padded and employees are incompetent. Concluding, the governor says:

"From investigations made of outside travel requisitions submitted to me since assuming the office of governor, I am convinced that travel expenditures by various state departments and other activities have been extravagant and wasteful, not only outside of the state but within its borders. Sound business principles and economy should govern the administration of state affairs as well as private business, and I am convinced that if the same strict economy is practiced in state affairs as in private business, public expenditures can be greatly curbed and the state can be saved much money during the current biennium. The state has been confronted with a steadily increasing deficit for several years and by slashing expenditures to the bone we can accomplish much toward wiping out this deficiency. By applying business methods and practicing rigid economy you can help to transfer the financial affairs of the state from the red to the black column on the ledger."

In his recently written book, Dean Wallace Brett Donham, of the Harvard graduate school of Business Administration, himself a capitalist and director of a bank and trust company, says the employe who has been shaking in his boots for fear of his job the past few months, and the

erstwhile employe who is now pounding the pavements, may rightfully blame business leadership for his condition, Dean Donham says American business can and must prove to the efficient working man that he need not fear for his job because of recurring business depression. Business must work toward progressive stability within itself, and with the help, but not domination of government, must organize a system of federal unemployment exchanges, from whose statistics depression could be foreseen, and building of national public works immediately ordered. And work is the real cure—all-business and government must provide work, not doles.

Back in Yonkers, New York, twelve piled into a car built for five. The car crumpled up against a tree and seven were left when the dead were counted. It sure beats the band what experiments are carried on in testing out the automobile.

SEEDS, \$10,000 AN ACRE
(Nation's Business)

Latest available figures bring out some startling facts about a relatively little known great industry. That industry is a specialized branch of agriculture and in some instances it produces a yield of \$10,000 an acre. It is an industry devoted exclusively to the production and sale of flower and vegetable seeds.

At present, some 200,000 acres in the United States are so employed. Nothing is grown on this land but seeds.

We, as a nation, annually consume some 200 million pounds of vegetable seed. Included in this impressive total is 500 tons of lettuce seeds, each about the size of the minute stuff that is fed to the family canary.

The magnitude of the industry is more easily appreciated when we learn that last year a single firm put out more than two million packets of flower and vegetable seed, not to mention a further additional sale in ounce, quarter-pound, pound, five-pound and 25-pound packages.

Styles in seeds fluctuate just as styles in clothes. The demand for nasturtium seed, once a leader in the field, has been falling off steadily for the past 15 years. On the other hand, zinnias are coming to the fore. Sweet peas are the most popular of them all.

The seed business is decidedly a profession and one which takes a lifetime to master. It is a small industry, yet complicated. A single firm may produce and sell as many as 3,000 varieties in the course of a year. And these must be constantly improved lest they revert to the less desirable types from which they were originally developed. And it is an exciting business, too. The successful seedsmen must face the uncertainty of guessing what the customers will want two, three or five years hence. He must also battle with the risks of weather and insect-pests.

Even unemployment is a factor, for figures show that during periods of unemployment the sale of vegetable seeds shows a material and immediate increase.

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. In the Matter of the Estate of Nora E. Hagen, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given to all persons whom it may concern: That Aime Tardiff, executor, and Lurna (Lorena) Miller, executrix, of the last will and testament of Nora E. Hagen, deceased, have filed their final account and report in the administration of the estate with the clerk of this court; that the County Judge by order duly made and entered has appointed Monday the 20th day of April, 1931, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon as the time and the County Court House at Pendleton as the place where all objections and exceptions to said final account and report will be heard and a settlement of the estate made.

Dated this 20th day of March, 1931. AIME TARDIFF, Executor, LURNA (LORENA) MILLER, Executrix. Peterson & Lewis, Attorneys for Estate. M20A17

22 Years Ago

Friday, April 9, 1909

That Athena will have her annual picnic is fully assured, as preliminary steps have been taken and arrangements made. At a meeting of the Caledonian society held in this city Saturday night, committees were appointed.

Mrs. Jacob Clark, Mrs. Chance Turner and Miss Ruby Douglas, were Weston visitors to Athena Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Nellie Foss spent yesterday in Pendleton, the guest of her sister, Miss Aley Foss who teaches there.

Miss Darr, a teacher who resides at Adams, was in the city Saturday, visiting her sister, Mrs. Harry McBride.

David Taylor this week received three car loads of hay from Touchet, Wash., which he is selling out at \$16 per ton.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Clemens, April 8th, a boy. The child lived only a few hours and was buried the same day.

Mr. G. D. Foster notifies the Press that he has moved his family from Corvallis to Union, Oregon, where he desires his copy of the paper sent to his new address.

Unique invitations and programs were sent out to the Arbor day exercises at the public school, which are in progress today. These were prepared by the pupils of Mrs. Walker's primary grade and by the children in the 3rd and 4th grades, taught by Miss Wilkinson, and are hand painted in water colors, the invita-

tions in the form of a maple leaf, the program a tree.

Miss Lizzie McIntyre was over from Weston and spent the week with friends here. The McIntyres will return to Athena to reside as soon as the Normal school is closed, and will send their young people to the Athena high school next year.

Misses Lizzie Sheard and Leota Cannon came home from Whitman college Wednesday to spend the Easter vacation. They were accompanied by Miss Ethel Crowell.

C. A. Barrett is having extensive improvements made on his residence in the north part of town. When finished it will be one of the best arranged in the city, with all the modern conveniences.

H. A. Barrett drove to Walla Walla Wednesday, where he visited Henry Adams, who is in a hospital there taking treatment. Mr. Barrett reports active preparation for building and improvement at Whitman college.

Miss Ferol McBride met with an accident Saturday at the home of her parents south of town, which will result in her absence from school for some time. While riding a horse, she fell, sustaining a fracture of the two bones above the wrist of her left arm. This is the second time the arm has been broken.

Austin Foss this week purchased the fine residence property adjoining his own lots on Jefferson street, from T. J. Kirk, and will move as soon as a few improvements are made in the interior. Mr. and Mrs. John Stone, who occupied the same, have moved in to one of the cottages owned by Lester Swaggart, situated farther east on the same street.

The Preston-Parton mill opened Monday on a 12,000 sack consignment of flour, which will be shipped to Hong Kong, China. The mill has been shut down for some time but at present all is activity about the big plant.

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Editorial
And then there was the disappointed sportsman who took his suit for the recovery of a stolen stuffed fish to a higher court on the ground that the lower court did not grant him his herring.
A. M. Johnson, Editor

Spring is here and many of the house wives are likely to get a good case of spring fever, and housecleaning. Make it pleasant to work in the kitchen with some new built-in cabinet work.

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Nevada may have legalized gambling but in Oregon many people take a chance by buying poor quality goods.

A hick town is where the sewing circle still acts as the grand jury.

There is a sign on Easy street that says, "closed for repairs."

According to his admirers, the only thing that Mussolini hasn't been able to straighten out in Italy is the spaghetti.

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