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**NO, NO**

With the statement that an army only has one general and the state of Oregon should have but one governor, the newly elected governor opens a campaign to obtain more power for the office he is to occupy. This will at least justify the fears of those who did not like the idea of a military man in high office.

It is true, as some of the supporters of the general imply, that he was elected governor. It is also true that Holman was elected treasurer and Snell was elected secretary of state, both with the understanding that their wisdom and experience would be available to the board of control. The people have given tacit consent to the system that gives the two conferring officials the power to vote on important state questions. It is about the only way outlying sections of the state can have direct representation on the most important board of the government.

The governor needs not the power of dictatorship. He must convince but one man to control the board. Surely he should be able to convince one man, even if that man be skeptical, if his ideas are good enough to try on the state at large. Both Mr. Holman and Mr. Snell are better acquainted with the state than is the governor to be, both are as interested in its development and it is doubtful if a move would be advisable that could not enlist the support of either. This state does not need or want a government by executive edict. We still hold to democracy.

**FEDERAL FARMING**

It may be easily imagined that the comments on the removal of 85 Jefferson county families away from their vines and fig trees will be varied and numerous. Some will say, with conviction that smacks of truth, that if the farmers cannot make a living where they are the government is acting as a robbing angel to them. Others will doubt the advisability of the federal government interfering actively in the chosen lives of its citizens.

Jefferson county is a new farming area even for the west and it is doubtful if the land there is worn out so as to be useless for anything but grass. A wet winter and a spring rain would still produce a fairly good crop of wheat there in all probability. Many of the inhabitants undoubtedly believe that the dry years are about over and better days are coming. They may look forward with no enthusiasm to pottering about a patch of irrigated ground after experiencing the expanse of large wheat fields.

We doubt if it is a proper function of government, this meddling with private affairs. It can lead to many dangerous practices. The farmers of Jefferson county, we think, will be better off in spirit at least if they work out their own salvation without the aid of the paternalistic touch of the magic governmental wand. They may have fewer bath tubs and automobiles where they are but much more of that inner toughness that has made civilizations succeed.

If you want to make a small boy happy this week ask him what time it is.

Just as an exhibition we would like to see Huey Long and Hugh Johnson slinging the bum's English at each other.

Whether poor or rich we can all be interested in the superlatives used in describing the new cars.

A man in Oklahoma discovered that he was a singer by entering a hog calling contest. Well, some have started out as singers and ended up as hog callers, too.

The New Years game may bring in a lot of jack for good old Alma Mater, but it tough on the contestants about dinner time of Christmas.

Teachers are being tested with 40 words to spell, and all look fairly difficult. The teachers will appear more foolish if they are caught misspelling some of the shorter words, like "busy" say.

After the first of the year one can write checks without paying the two cent tax. That wasn't the biggest difficulty with writing checks however.

It is now thought by leaders in the freight rate fight that lower rates are not to be expected and that they may be higher. With the river turning by the door higher rates will just about finish the branch lines.

If this winter ends as it has started we will forget what zero weather is like in this country.

Nineteen thirty-five will be as good as we make it.

**Grass Valley**

Miss Barbara Walpole is home from Eugene where she has been attending the University of Oregon.

Ted Baker, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Baker, is spending his Christmas vacation here with his parents. He is teaching school in Phillipsburg, Montana.

Miss Rachael Bayne, sister of Mrs. C. L. Poley, is visiting here over Christmas from her home in Salem.

Several of the farmers who raise sheep are lambing this week and are praising the moderation of the weather as it allows them to save a large part of the lamb crop.

Bob Poley is home for the Christmas vacation from the University of Oregon where he is going to school.

Principal Hughes and School man Rowe left Sunday for Ridgefield to visit over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. David Morris and daughter and Lee Stradley came home to the F. L. Stradley place to make a real family gathering for all. Mrs. Morris is a daughter of the Stradleys.

Grover Young was in The Dalles Monday on business returning the same day.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen King drove to Portland Sunday to visit with relatives over the holiday season.

Harry and Florence Beezley are here this week to visit with relatives of Mrs. Beezley for a short time.

Miss Olga Koepke is home from Hood River for a few days on account of the Christmas season.

The Holmes family gathered at the home of S. B. Holmes in town on Christmas day for a family celebration of the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Brown were here this week with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hansen. They are from Hillsboro.

"A smart girl is one who can make her complexion taste as good as it looks."

Ethel—How can I get a wart off my hands?  
 Helen—Why not shoot him?

**Dry Goods Men Hit Hardest Of Merchants**

Figures given in the retail census taken last year show that dry goods stores have fallen off in business more than any other and yet practically everyone is wearing clothes. The decrease in business as compared to 1929 for dry goods merchants was less 77 percent.

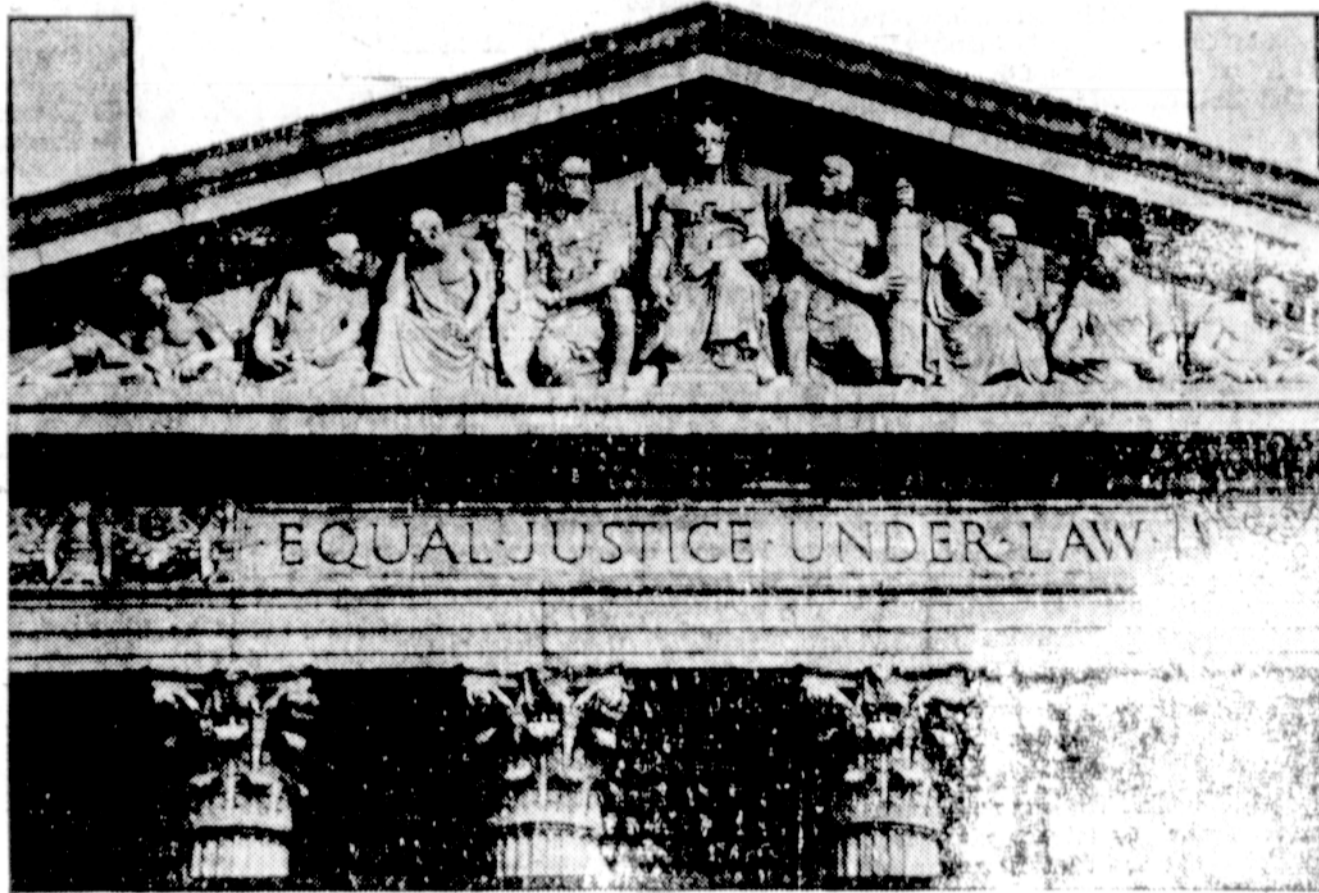
Candy and confectionery stores dropped 53 percent, combination stores 18 percent and the food group as a whole dropped 37 percent, eating places 38 percent.

**LEARNING TO SHOOT**



An order requiring all New York policemen and police patrolwomen to report for target practice once every three weeks, at the precinct headquarters to which they are attached, indicates that the time is not far off when they will be armed while on duty with revolvers of at least .32 caliber. There are now in the department 105 policemen and 50 police patrolwomen. The photograph shows one of the policemen on the range at police headquarters.

**Notables on Supreme Court Building Pediment**



Several notable men, some living, some dead, appear among these figures on the pediment of the new Supreme Court building in Washington. Left to right, the figures are: Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes; Howard Taft, when a student at Yale; Elihu Root, former secretary of state; Chief Justice John Marshall; Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes; Chief Justice William Brandeis; Chief Justice Roger Taney; Chief Justice John Jay; Chief Justice John Marshall when a lad.

men's stores dropped 59 percent, and ladies apparel houses 48 percent. The average for all retail establishments was a drop of 49 percent for the four years.

**Changes Made In Farming Areas Lately**

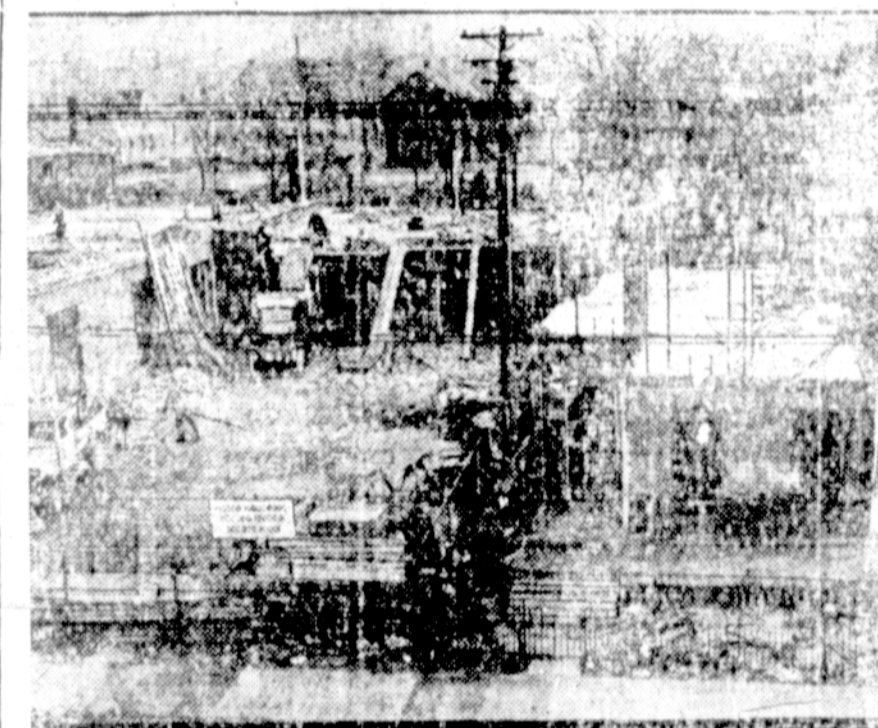
During the past eighteen months great changes have been made in agricultural production. In any system of national planning it is obvious that a detailed knowledge of farm inventories is essential. The forthcoming Census of Agriculture to be taken in January, 1935, will supply this information. The data obtained by the use of uniform questions in every part of the United States will also furnish a splendid basis for comparison, and an excellent basis for determining the effects of drought in reduced crop yields and the reduction of livestock through government buying, forced marketing, and voluntary reduction in adjustment programs.

To obtain this information quickly and accurately will require the active cooperation of the farmers themselves. Sample copies of the schedule to be used in the farm enumeration can be obtained by addressing the Bureau of Census, Washington, D. C. By filling in the information called for in this schedule prior to the visit of the enumerator a more accurate as well as a more rapid census can be taken.

**Farm Census Is Primarily For Farmer**

Some time during January, 1935, a United States census enumerator will call at every farm and ranch in the country in connection with the Census of Agriculture and farmers and ranchers can be of great assistance in furthering

**Cleveland Housing Project Under Way**



Wrecking crews are here seen removing some of the old buildings in the area in Cleveland, Ohio, where the federal public works housing project is under way.

the project, which is designed primarily for their benefit, by writing to the Bureau of Census, Washington, D. C., and procuring a sample copy of the schedule.

The definition of a farm for census purposes is all the land that is directly farmed by one person, either by his own labor alone or with the assistance of members of his household or hired employees. The land operated by a partnership is likewise considered a farm. A farm may consist of a single tract of land, or of a number of separate tracts, and these several tracts may be held under different tenures, as when one tract is owned by the farmer and another tract is rented by him. When a landowner has one or more tenants, renters, croppers, or managers, the land operated by a separate farm, and the land operated by the owner or manager by means of wage hands is likewise reported as a separate farm. No report is required of a farm of less than 3 acres, unless its products in 1934 were valued at \$250 or more.

**Preparing for Another Bonus Army**



Louis Wittenborn, Harold Hickerson and James O. Eaton, of the Rank and File committee, in their Washington headquarters planning for the coming of another "bonus army" which, they predict, will make the last one look like a Boy Scout camp. The army is due in Washington by the middle of January and "will stay until the bonus is paid."

planned by Mrs. A. A. Dunlap for Mrs. Max Pluemke at her home Monday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Pluemke's birthday anniversary. The honor guest was the recipient of many birthday gifts. Cards were the diversion of the afternoon and refreshments were served to the following guests: Mrs. L. V. Walton, Mrs. G. L. Hoskinson, Mrs. A. A. Dunlap, Mrs. J. L. Matthes, Mrs. Ida Davis, Mrs. Frank Haynes, Mrs. W. C. Guyton, Mrs. Wayne McCulloch, Mrs. C. F. Darby, Mrs. J. E. Norton, Mrs. J. S. Wilson all of Kent and Mrs. G. C. Young of Grass Valley.

Kent Grange No. 688 held its regular meeting Saturday, December 22, with potluck dinner at noon. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bruckert of Klondike grange were visitors. After the business meeting in the afternoon the following officers were installed by County Deputy J. L. Davis: Master, C. B. Andrew; Overseer, J. L. Matthes; Lecturer, Mrs. George Wilson; Steward, L. E. Clark; Assistant Steward, John Decker; Chaplain, Laura Scatter; Secretary, Mrs. H. E. Morrow; Treasurer, H. E. Morrow; Gatekeeper, George Wilson; Ceres, Helen Wilson; Pomona, Marguerite Mitchell; Flora, Clarice Mitchell; and Lady assistant steward, Pauline Davis.

Albert Pluemke arrived home Saturday from Warm Springs CCC camp to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Pluemke.

Students enjoying the Christmas holidays at their homes in Kent are: Donald MacInnes from Linfield college; Marjorie MacInnes and Rua Helyer from Hood River business college; Alta Norton, Lester and Charles Wilson from Northwestern business college of Portland; Virginia Helyer and Clarice Wilson from Oregon Normal at Monmouth and Hazel Decker from the Girls' Polytechnic, Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Norton were shopping in The Dalles Thursday and also to meet Mr. Norton's sister, Miss Rena Norton of Spokane who will spend Christmas here.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Vergier of Bend spent the week end at Kent repairing and remodeling radios.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Decker and son John motored to Portland Thursday returning Saturday accompanied by their daughter Hazel.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Darby went to Vancouver, Wn., to spend their holiday vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Dunlap and daughter Anita and son Charles went to Yamhill Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives.

Earl Harbin of Portland is home to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Harbin.

**Kent News**

A pleasant surprise party was

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