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BONNEVILLE POWER

Our Walter, who likes to be called Walter because of its supposed political value, and Charles H. Martin, who hates to be called Charles because he feels that to be called by his first name is a characteristic of a peanut politician, met in Washington last week and as expected their opinions clashed over the matter of Bonneville dam and the use of it by the state.

Congress was holding hearings on Bonneville and the governor and a party of other officials were on hand to testify. Walter intimated, or so report goes, that the governor and Portland's mayor were interested in other matters than the people they were supposed to represent and the governor and the mayor arose in their wrath and told Walter what they thought of him.

Walter's bill, which he says is favored by the president, provides for an administrator to be appointed by the secretary of Interior to take charge of Bonneville dam except the operation of the locks and fish ways. This administrator would be in complete control of the power project with very broad power.

The argument between these two representatives of the people of Oregon is important only in that it indicates that there is a distinct difference of opinion among the people of the state and northwest regarding the use to which Bonneville power should be put.

There is a theory that inasmuch as Bonneville was built with public money the power from it should be used exclusively by the public, leaving to the private companies the sale of power for heavy industry. This theory is impractical in certain respects for private companies already have their lines established and are ready to handle the power from the dam, and industry and private use are badly mixed over much of the territory to be served.

In the thickly settled parts of the northwest there might be sufficient demand for power to use up a considerable part of the amount that can be developed but if the government builds the lines a much larger cost will have to be provided for, in some manner, and charged to the cost of service unless the taxpayer is to be burdened with it.

In the thinly settled parts of the northwest, of which this is one, it is not generally expected that power can be brought to any large part of the rural people without a cost that would be prohibitive.

The most usual sentiment expressed in this section of the area is that industry should be encouraged to come to the vicinity of Bonneville by the sale of the power at low rates. New industry will certainly bring new residents who will make a market for the wheat, wool, meat products and dairy products thus decreasing the amount of these that must be exported in competition with the world. This aid the financial welfare of eastern Oregon's farmers to a much greater extent than could be done by lowered power rates to individual users.

Farmers.

The government is now debating the future of Bonneville power. We may have light and power at cost for northwest farm homes or we may have development of the resources of the country. We might even have some of both.

It should not be necessary to remove the private power companies from the scene. If there is the proper development of industry and population in the northwest there will be a demand for all the electric power that can be produced by our rapid flowing streams. It is not yet possible to transmit electricity economically over great distances and steam engineers are still producing power and light near Niagara falls cheaper than it can be transmitted.

Bonneville gives us a chance to develop the northwest if properly handled. This will not be aided by bickering about how it should be done or becoming too greatly divided in our aims. Politics has already done much damage to the development of our power and should be shoved into the background while the problem is settled on an economic basis.

DANGEROUS INTERSECTION

No one likes to correct their mistakes. That is an unfortunate part of the human make-up, but it often has to be done.

When the engineers of the highway commission designed the new bridge at the intersection of the Sherman and Columbia River highways they failed to take into consideration the danger to those who turn west onto the river highway from the Sherman highway and instead of making the turn safer for traffic they made it much worse.

The curve of the bridge is such that one must drive onto the main highway before he is able to see a car going east and it is surprising that no one has been killed since the bridge has been completed. The railing is so high that it completely hides approaching cars from the driver on the Sherman highway.

Some change will have to be made. It is for the commission to decide whether it shall be made now or after a string of fatalities arouse public opinion to its necessity. A widening of the east end of the bridge would make it safe and this should be done as soon as possible.

FOR BRAVERY

Next Saturday the pioneers of old Wasco county will erect a marker along the highway to note the place where the first travelers forded the DesChutes river before a bridge spanned that stream. This is an outgrowth of a movement started by C. W. Barzee in a series of articles, written for this newspaper.

It is a proper, although somewhat belated, recognition of those men and women who were not deterred by swift streams or high mountains in their quest for the new lands of the west. Few of those who watch the ceremony will be able to appreciate the difficulties of crossing the stream sixty and seventy years ago when there was nothing on either side of the river but a few dim wagon tracks, to mark the crossing. Now the cross country tourist may catch a fleeting glimpse of the DesChutes in the brief minute he spends on the bridge and note the rough water. That is an entirely different point of view than one would have obtained in the days of the pioneers when one approached the river and wondered from its roar if it would be possible to pass it at all or not.

The white water coming swiftly down the gorge was then a source of danger and not an object of mere curiosity or beauty. Few there will be who will express a desire to ford the stream in the pioneer fashion and this in itself is praise for our intrepid forebears.

The appointment of C. A. Howard as president of the Eastern Oregon Normal school is a worthy recognition of a man who has served the state well as administrator of public schools. Being acquainted with the problems of teaching school he should be an excellent choice to teach those who do the teaching.

STATEHOUSE GOSSIP

(Continued from page one) Capitol has it that Uncle Sam is willing to help Oregon finance its new state buildings up to 45 percent of the total cost. The information, however, is not exactly clear as to just how liberal the federal government proposes to be in its assistance on the new program. If the offer means an outright grant of 45 percent on the same basis as the grant made in connection with the capitol building the state will have a total of \$1,000,000—\$550,000 of state money and \$450,000 of federal money—for building purposes. This will make possible the construction of two buildings, one for the state library and the other for general office purposes. If, however, the grant will be limited to the payment of labor taken from relief rolls up to a maximum of 45 percent the offer will not provide a great deal of help unless relief officials are willing to manipulate the relief rolls by listing thereon skilled laborers who are not now on relief.

Revising the House and Senate journals of the recent legislative session cost the state in excess of \$3,000 according to claims filed with the state department. Four persons were employed in revising the senate journals while seven were employed on the House journal, most of them claiming compensation for the full 40 days allowed for completion of the task.

Oregon farmers are warned by Solon T. White, state director of agriculture, to beware of alfalfa seed being shipped in from the middle west and sold at a very low price. White says that the seed is not only of inferior quality but has a high percentage of weed seed, some of which are of noxious varieties.

The state may exchange its school lands for federal lands in the public domain but it cannot give them to Uncle Sam without getting something in return. Attorney General Van Winkle ruled this week in holding that a proposal to cede 11,500 acres of state owned lands in the Hart Mountain district of eastern Oregon district to the national government for a game preserve was in violation of the state constitution.

More than 30 "rookies" of the state police force were put through a course of schooling here last week in preparation for their duties as members of the force. Instructors were veteran members of the state force. The recruits were housed in the armory during their stay in Salem.

Stewart Weiss of Portland who recently assumed the duties of assistant to the attorney general does not intend to resign as chairman of the Multnomah county republican central committee until he has completed an organization program which he now has under way. Weiss says there is no law to prevent his holding the two positions although certain republicans in Multnomah county are clamoring for his resignation.

Legionaires Meet At Justeson Home

A delightful evening was spent by the American Legion and Auxiliary at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Justeson on Wednesday, April 21st.

Eleven auxiliary members and one visitor were present. Plans were made for a Poppy Dance on May 29. Poppies will also be sold on Commencement night in order to contact those who wish to buy but do not attend dances.

Six suits of pajamas for boys from 12 to 16 years old, one girls dress and two slips were sent in to child welfare department.

The Poppy Posters were sent in to The Dalles Art Instructor to be judged and winners will be announced and prizes given at the High School play May 7th.

Four tables of cards were enjoyed. Mae Hoskinson and Theodore Justesen receiving high score and Millie von Borstel and J. E. Norton low scores.

At midnight a handkerchief shower was given Mrs. Justeson in honor of her birthday. A table was decorated with fresh flowers, candles and a nicely decorated birthday cake. Then Mrs. Justeson, who was preparing coffee in the kitchen, was invited in. She was surprised and overjoyed when the ladies started singing "Happy Birthday."

On May 5th the members of Geo. Bell unit are invited to be guests at a tea given by the unit at Wasco. Mrs. Blanche Jones, department manager will be present.

Our next regular meeting will be held at Mrs. Laura Sathers on Wednesday afternoon May 12th.

Mother—Hayton, how dare you kick your little brother in the stomach?

Hayton—Geo, I'm sorry. Mon. but it was his own fault. He turned around.

Bus Safety Award Winner Says "Drive as if Other Guy Crazy"

In 21 years of bus driving, covering 1,850,000 miles, Interstate Driver Haselwood never has had an accident.



In Other Days

From the Observer May 1, 1908. This weather brings the Cornus to bloom, and the Indian potato has a bulb like a spud, which shows moisture laid away under the surface.

Miss Lillian Stanley is the guest of Mrs. Edna Strahl-Coolidge, at Athens, this week and next.

Tommy Douma has his hand in a sling. Too much meat saw.

Grandpa Mowly is here on a visit from California.

L. L. Peetz and A. H. Barnum took 85 head of fat hogs to Portland market, Tuesday that averaged 300 lbs. each.

From the Observer May 3, 1918. A most pleasing announcement to friends of the family last week was that Master John Conyngham Hosford had come to Attorney and Mrs. J. B. Hosford on April 27th, to make their home his future residence.

R. C. Atwood broke the front wheel of his auto Saturday evening in making the turn at the four corners west of Rosebush.

H. M. Bryant, who has been recently making his home with his daughter at Moro, died in The Dalles Saturday morning. He leaves a daughter, Mrs. L. W. Ross, of Moro, and a son, A. M. Bryant, of Grass Valley.

Hulery Bros. have installed a large gasoline pump in front of their garage on First Street.

Dumm—Well, what do you think of the situation in Spain?

Dummer—I don't think much about it. I can't decide which side is right. You know there is two sides to every question.

Dumm—Yes, that is true—just as there are two sides to a sheet of fly paper. But it does make a big difference which side the fly lights on.

Try Journal advertising, it pays

Slogan Helps Veteran to Near 2,000,000-Mile No-Accident Mark

His own traffic safety slogan, "Drive like the other guy was crazy", supplementing his company's manual of safe driving rules, is the reason that Ernest R. "Pop" Haselwood has won the "Nation's Safest Bus Driver" award, he declares.

In 21 years of bus driving, the last eight of which have been with the Interstate Transit-Union Pacific Stages lines, which operates through this territory, Haselwood has covered more than 1,850,000 miles without causing the slightest accident.

He began his unusual career on his own one-man bus line in the Pacific Northwest in 1916.

The magazine, West Transportation, sponsored the contest, and awarded Haselwood a 17-jewel watch.

His work has won national recognition even before this contest, and his driving practices considered a model.

Haselwood's customary run is from Cheyenne, Wyo., where he lives, to North Platte, Nebr., a distance of 219 miles. Forty-four years old, he intends to continue driving buses for a long time, and he is certain he can maintain his non-accident record by application of the principle he coined, "Drive like the other guy was crazy".

PLANTING POPPIES

I'm planting poppies in a row, I want to see just how they grow I want to see them break the mold And grow until the buds unfold.

I had a son—a tall brave son. His life had only just begun. His country called—he gladly went— And all my heart with him I sent.

In Flanders Field my tall boy lies Beneath the blue of foreign skies And I have heard that poppies red Sprinkle petals o'er his head.

I cannot watch those poppies grow Beside the crosses, row on row— But in my garden they will shine And I can tend them all the time.

Mayhap my heart will know less pain; I'll have my boy in dreams again; For this I'll watch my poppies grow And so I plant them—row on row.

Anonymous

The memorial poppies, made in replica of the wild poppies of France and Belgium, which grew in such profusion on the World War battle fields, will be offered throughout the county during the week immediately preceding Memorial Day. The flowers have been made by disabled war veterans in honor of their fallen comrades and contributions for aid of the disabled men and dependent families will be received in exchange for them. Honor the war dead and aid the "war's living victims," will be the Auxiliary's Poppy Day appeal.

New Lights Prove Solution

Washington State replied to inquiring Oregon State Motor association traffic safety examiners that the sodium-vapor lights were installed in the northern state had cut the rate of automobile accidents in half.

SIX-CITY CONFERENCES BY TELEPHONE. Advertisement for a telephone service for business consultations and family gatherings.

HERE is an important new telephone service for business consultations and family gatherings. A number of people in from two to six places can talk back and forth with each other, hear all the others and participate just as if in one room together. Matters can be summarized, explained, discussed and settled in a way that would otherwise take days. To arrange such a conference, simply call Long Distance; or for further information about it, please call THE PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY

TELLS HOW NOT TO LIVE "Brakes are put on cars for a purpose. But any convenient tree, telephone pole, fence, ditch, or almost anything else will do as well," notes Dr. E. B. McDaniel, president of the Oregon State Motor association.

You are not so likely to be injured on Oregon's highway curves—only four per cent of automobile injuries take place there—you are more likely to be killed there. There are three times more deaths per accident on highway curves than at other locations.

Liza—Ah got one of dem cookery books once, but I nebber could do nothin' wid it.

Mandy—What was de matter, Honey Child, too much fancy wurk in it?

Liza—Yo' said it! Ebbery one of dem recipees begin de same way: "Take a clean dish", and dat settled me.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All persons having claims against the estate of Orren A. Ramsey, deceased, are hereby notified to present them in proper form to the undersigned, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Administrator of the estate of Orren A. Ramsey, deceased, at the office of Geo. G. Updegraff, Moro, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice, to wit: April 30th, 1937.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All persons having claims against the estate of Ralph M. Smith, deceased, are required to present them with vouchers to the undersigned, at Klondike, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice.

Summary of Annual Statement of the OHIO CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY of Hamilton, in the state of Ohio on the thirty-first day of December, 1936, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the state of Oregon, pursuant to law.

Summary of Assets and Liabilities. Assets: Amount of capital stock paid up, \$600,000.00; Net premiums received during the year, \$4,822,934.93; Dividends and rebates received during the year, \$1,736.23; Income from other sources received during the year, \$1,617.85.

Summary of Liabilities. Gross claims for losses unpaid, \$1,231,373.04; Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding policies, \$1,316,643.97; Due for commission and brokerage, None; All other liabilities, \$19,780.73.

THE OHIO CASUALTY INSURANCE CO. Name of president, R. D. COCKLER. Name of secretary, HOWARD SLOMKEK. Attorney resident at place of service, Insurance Commissioner of Oregon. MEIZGER PARKER General Agents Woodlark Bldg. Portland Oregon

Notice. The date of the first publication of this notice, is April 30th, 1937. Alta Smith Administratrix of the Estate of Ralph M. Smith, Deceased. Frank G. Dick, Attorney. The Dalles, Oregon

Estate of Alexander Davis NOTICE TO CREDITORS No. 360 In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Sherman.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator, with the will annexed of the Estate of Alexander Davis, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Sherman, and has qualified. All persons having claims against said Estate, are hereby notified to present the same, duly verified, as by law required, to the undersigned, at 314 Davis Building, Portland, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.

Dated and first published April 16, 1937. Last Publication May 7, 1937. Neoma Smith, Administratrix Oren R. Richards, Attorney.

Lupine Rebecca Lodge No. 116 Moro, Oregon Meets 2d and 4th Tuesdays of each month Visiting members welcome.

Hazel Truitt, N. G. Lila Bell, Secretary

Bethlehem Chapter, No. 78. O. E. S. Moro, Oregon Meets Every Second Fourth Thursdays in each Month. Visiting members invited.

Ruth Sparring, Secretary.

Eureka Lodge No. 121 A-F & A-M Moro, Oregon Meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday evenings of each month. Visiting members cordially invited to meet with us.

Roy Powell, W. M. C. V. Belknap, Secy.

Moro Lodge No. 113, I. O. O. F. Moro, Oregon Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays in the I. O. O. F. hall. Transient and visiting brothers are cordially invited to meet with us.

Lewis McKee, N. G. Joe Truitt, Secretary

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