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OF EXPENSES

Senator Byrd of Virginia spoke a few days ago in New York before a group of political scientists, the subject of his speech being the expenditures of the federal government in which he has always shown an interest. When governor of his state he established economy in the state government and has advocated economy in the federal government without effect, heretofore.

He criticized the costs of the numerous housing ventures and other large expenditures of theoretical reforms that directed his principal criticism against the growing costs of government itself. Unlike the man quoted by Roosevelt in his remarks at Fort Peck last summer who would have saved money by putting relief cases on the dole, Senator Byrd has an older and surer plan of reducing expenses.

"As I conclude, I anticipate some may say, 'Well what would you do about it?' The only constructive thing to do is to stop writing checks. Talk neither pays debts nor reduces expenses. We have talked economy, but nothing has been done. As one who has devoted months of study to government spending, assisted by competent experts, I declare advisedly that we have the most costly and wasteful bureaucracy at Washington in the history of the United States of America. We have created, in 4 years, over 50 new agencies and many more bureaus and subdivisions. We have more than doubled in 4 years the federal employees in the city of Washington and the best report shows we are still adding new employees."

As for taxing the extremely rich to derive income for government the senator says, "Last year 43 citizens had incomes of over one million and the aggregate of these incomes was 73 millions. If we confiscated all of this income of these millionaires the money obtained would operate the National Government for only about three days."

The usual assumption that the increase in federal expenses has been caused by measures taken to relieve those pinched by the depression is only partly so because the ordinary expenses of government has risen to dizzy heights and is still growing. It grows like a tumor until the body can barely support it.

UTILITY INVESTMENT

Public utilities and the government have been wrangling about the method of determining the value of equipment ever since there has been government control over the rate structure. During war time the government insisted that the railroads be valued at cost plus improvements instead of the cost of rebuilding and the railroads took the opposite view. The cost plus improvements was the lowest valuation at that time. At other times the sides have been changed on the matter. The utilities, railroads and power and light companies want a high valuation, of course, and the government want a low one.

The president now wants a different valuation on utility plants and lines, but it is not expected that the difference will be settled for a longer period than conditions remain stable. Sherman county farms that were worth \$20,000 are now quoted at half that and will be worth \$20,000 again if prices and crop conditions become better. Even dollars fluctuate in value.

The state bureau of animal husbandry reports the "larceny" of a home. Ernest Haycock, Bob Case et al. should do something about this. It's boss thevin', gentlemen, and not larceny if we are to maintain our state's reputation as a locale for western stories.

NO, NO, WALTER

Mrs. Walter Pierce by writing a letter to her congressman—and husband—against the farm bill caused that delegate of the people to remark that the millennium cannot be reached through legislation. Now Walter, that is almost heresy in this day and age and now deal era. We have been told that a few hastily passed laws would make everyone happy, provide for the underfed, underclothed, underprivileged, under washed underdog, and lead us to a day of peace and security beyond the dream of an economic royalist. And here you come admitting that legislation cannot do everything.

Really, Walter, is it possible that the people are going to have to take a hand in preparing their own happiness, their own millennium? Back in the days of religious fervor when the reformation was new men were tortured at the stake for smaller differences of opinion.

A COMMUNITY JOB

Every now and then there is a good example of what a community can do when everyone in it wants the same thing at the same time. Almost any civic improvement can be made under such circumstances and if care is used in the choice of betterment, and lasting debt is not permitted, communities can increase the joy of living considerably by a program of improvement.

There are a number of comparatively inexpensive things that could be done in this community that would make this a better place in which to live and a source of more pride to the residents.

The Woman's club has recently purchased a club house that they are anxious to improve. They are willing to do some work to improve it and are deserving of help for who can contradict the fact that the town will be better and look better when their plans are in effect.

The Legion hall has looked like a deserted barn for some years and can be no contribution to civic pride in its present condition. Fortunately the addition is to be torn off from it, but paint and some remodeling would make it a more useful, more convenient and better looking community meeting place.

The city park might be made into a recreation spot for the youngsters of the town and country with a very few dollars and some attention. Playground equipment is rusting, unused, on abandoned school house yards and could be bought reasonably.

The idea of building a swimming tank is an old one that has succumbed for lack of ready finance several times but will not stay down permanently. It would undoubtedly be a welcome addition to any dry land community, especially this one for there is no really good place to swim for miles around.

A splashing of paint and removal of deserted and decaying buildings would be of material improvement but private ownership intervenes in most of these cases.

All of these things would add to the things we have to be thankful for and the cost would be nominal. Home made entertainment might be made to pay for a large part of the actual cost. None of it is impossible if the community wills to have it done.

Farm organizations throughout Oregon have been active against the enactment of the 70 car train bill which is now in the house where it awaits action. The horticultural group, the stockmen, the wheatmen, the Farmer's Union and the Farm Bureau of this state have all sent out resolutions opposing this bill saying that it would materially increase freight rates on farm products and place a further burden on them. Also L. J. Tabor, national grange master, had a letter enclosed in which he expressed himself and his organization opposed to the bill.

In Portland it is planned to hold a football game for the benefit of the milk fund. Then if the boys buy a bottle to keep warm with they will help the poor and every one will be happy.

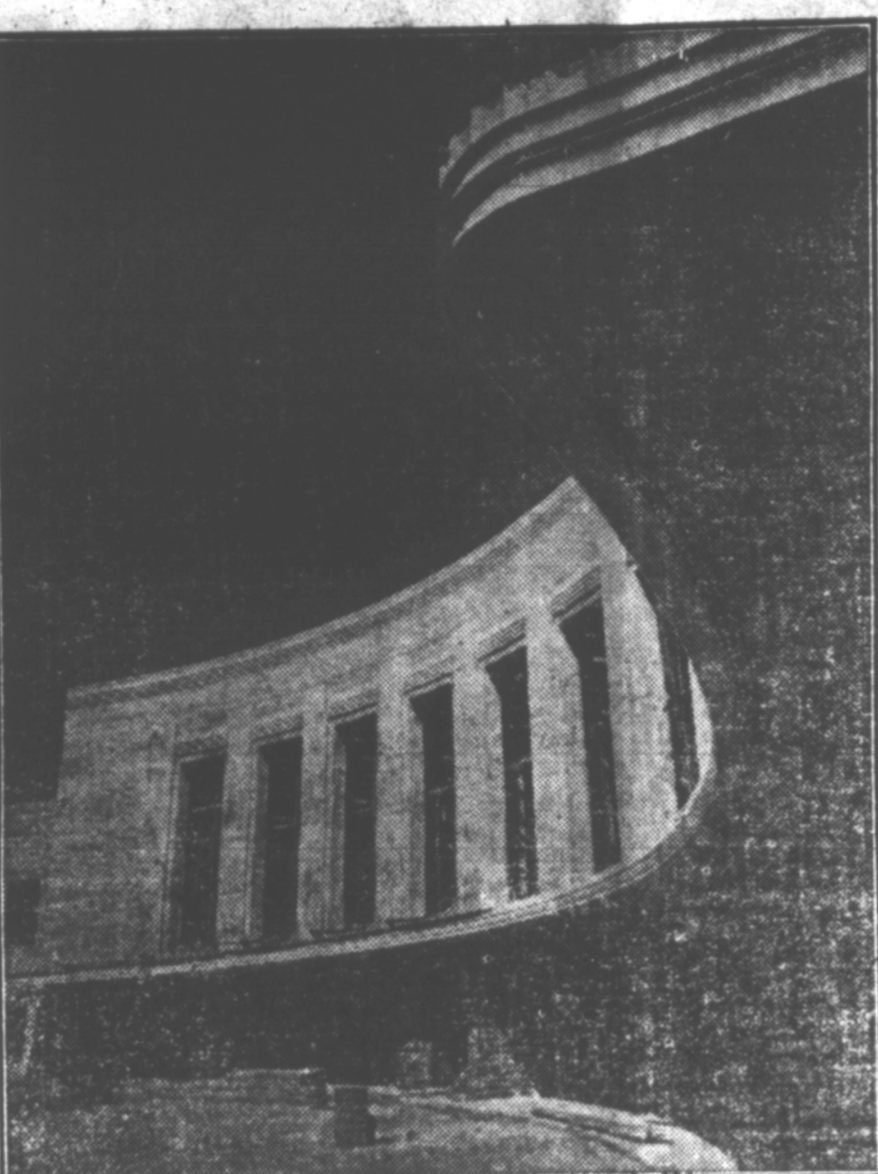
The intervention of the governor and the mayor in the labor difficulties in and around Portland may be something like the proverbial quarrel between husband and wife. The third party who tries to take sides is often attacked by both the combatants who join in squelching interference. Probably both the governor and the mayor would care less for the blame than for getting the matter settled and men at work again, however.

Threat to impeach Judge Fee, although not taken very seriously, is an example of judicial intimidation that should not be countenanced in this sort of country.

Move to permit slot machines and pinball machines in Oregon will be of some help if state owns and operates the machines itself or leases them directly.

Many football teams can be thankful the season is over.

World's Fair Curves



Unique angle photograph of the front plaza of the \$1,000,000 administration building for the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition. This World's Fair, in which every state and countless foreign nations are expected to participate, is being built on Treasure Island in San Francisco Bay.

STATEHOUSE GOSSIP

(Continued from page one)
 operation. As the man largely responsible for the creature comforts of state officials and employees Dunsford had an extensive personal acquaintance with past and present public officials in all sections of the state.

Inmates of all state institutions will fare well this Thanksgiving. Special dinners will be served at most of the institutions. More than two tons of turkeys alone, exclusive of other meats, will be required to feed the inmates and employees of the ten institutions. A ton of candies and nuts and 50 crates of oranges will also be served.

Oregon's new capitol will be ready for occupancy by August 1, according to Whitehouse & Church, architects in charge of the construction. The main building is now entirely enclosed and work is progressing rapidly on the tower and the interior finishing.

Admitting that the jury system as practiced in this country is inefficient and wasteful Hall H. Lusk associate justice of the state supreme court told the Salem chamber of commerce this week that those defects were only a part of the price that must be paid for the maintenance of democratic institutions. For the most part, Justice Lusk declared, juries are honest and fairly intelligent, and purchased verdicts are very rare.

Secretary of State Earl Snell has a new horse, but he can't ride it. The new acquisition to his sovereign collection is a miniature cow pony, fully equipped with saddle, lariat and hackamore carved out of ponderosa pine by William Waters, old-time resident of the Fossil section.

Arrest and conviction of drunk drivers is on the increase throughout Oregon. October set a new high record for this activity with 177 operators' licenses revoked or suspended for reckless or drunken driving.

John Hodgins, LaGrande attorney, has been appointed by Governor Martin as a member of the Oregon Hydro-electric commission to fill the vacancy caused by the recent death of A. J. Derby of Hood River.

Contracts for the lethal gas chamber which is to replace the gallows at the state prison, has been let to a Denver firm. Construction of the new death chamber, which was authorized by the last legislature, will cost approximately \$1800.

KENT SCHOOL NOTES

By Helen Sather.

Edward Strader left Saturday for Portland where he will spend some time, later going to LaCenter Washington to visit his parents.

The Cubs played Moro on their home floor, November 19, and were defeated by a score of 8-17. The game was well played, especially in the first half, the score being 10-12 in Moro's favor.

The Kent High School Debate team was chosen Monday by Mr. Rowe. Those chosen to represent Kent were: Helen Wilson, Dave Hoskinson, Luther Davis and Betty Justesen.

A miscellaneous shower was given Tuesday afternoon, November

In Other Days

From the Observer Nov. 27, 1908
 Abel C. Dougherty, a relative of the family of James Woods of this city, met his death yesterday while out with a tank team, hauling water for the well drillers at the Pinkerton farm.

Arthur Phillips and wife drove in from their John Day farm Friday with 100 fine turkeys, selling them all to one man.

Little Lola Moretz is getting well rapidly and all stitches have been removed from her wrist.

Mrs. Montgomery of Helix, has closed a most delightful visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Peetz and numerous other relatives and friends in Moro and vicinity.

From the Observer Nov. 29, 1918
 Mrs. May Barham was in Portland the first of the week in attendance on the state convention of county chairman Women's State Council of Defense, she being county chairman for Sherman county.

The senior class of Moro High organized last Friday by electing the following officers: John Searcy, president; Majal Blue, vice president; Callis Moore, treasurer; Richard Ginn, secretary and Orrin Urquhart, sergeant at arms.

Fred J. Krurow and family left last week for their new home at Hutchinson, Minnesota.

K. A. McPherson has resigned as county clerk to accept the position of cashier of the Bank of Moro in place of F. E. Fortner who will leave this week for his new home near Prineville.

From the Observer Nov. 25, 1899
 Sunday last was notable for the number and importance of weddings that occurred in Sherman county involving eight popular young ladies and gentlemen, whose many friends will unite in wishing them all success and happiness. Those making the vows before Rev. C. D. Nickelsen were: W. C. Williams and Miss Alma Webb, at the home of the bride's parents near Moro; John Hadley of Dufur and Miss Anna Elcock, at the home of the bride's parents near Monkland; H. E. Morrow and Miss Nora Root; Chris Andersen and Miss Sophia Rasmussen.

The Accident Restaurant, Jas. McKay proprietor, 2nd street corner between the Blue and Red barns, is nothing funny—its square business and a square meal. Call anytime.

C. W. Stokes and L. A. Crandall left in Grass Valley some substantial evidence of their skill as workmen in their brief sojourn there, in new buildings for J. D. Wilcox, Geo. Clemens, and a fine new store for Moore & Karlin.

23, in honor of Mrs. Al Beckindale nee Clarice Mitchell, a graduate of '36. She received a number of useful gifts.

The Cubs, boys and girls, will purchase suits in the new school colors, Hunter green and gold jockey satin, for basketball season.

Little Bobby had eaten unspicily of cake, candy, nuts, popcorn, fruit, etc., at the party.

"Will you have a little more cake before you go?" asked his hostess. "No, thank you, Mrs. Jones, I'm full," he replied. "Then," said the hostess, "you'll put some nuts and candies into your pockets, won't you?" "They're full too," he said regretfully.

Red Cross Observes Nursing Anniversary

1937 Marks 25th Year Of Public Health Nursing In Rural Areas

"Prior to inauguration of the Red Cross Town and Country nursing service in 1912, no national effort was made to bring nursing skill to the rural sickbed," James L. Fleser, vice chairman in charge of domestic operations for the American Red Cross, said today in commenting on the silver anniversary of Red Cross public health nursing.

In a plea for an increased membership during the coming Red Cross annual Roll Call held from November 11th to the 25th, Mr. Fleser pointed out that Red Cross rural nursing rounds out 25 years of continuous service this year. "It is essential activities such as this which the American people support through membership," he said.

In 1910 Lillian Wald, then head resident of the Henry Street Settlement in New York City, proposed that the American Red Cross pioneer in the field of rural nursing. Public health nurses were active in urban districts but no similar provision had been made to guard the health of the rural dweller. Miss Wald felt that the Red Cross was best qualified for the undertaking through its long experience in converting humanitarian ideals into practical accomplishment.

Two years later the first Red Cross rural nurse set forth upon her rounds in a county in Massachusetts. Jacob Schiff, member of the Red Cross Board of Incorporators, and Mrs. Whitelaw Reid each contributed funds to start the project. Special courses of training for nurses resulted in young women who thoroughly knew the mechanics of this new job.

By 1918 there were 100 rural nursing services conducted by Red Cross chapters; and 18 months later the number of services had skyrocketed to 2,000, as the signing of

the Armistice released a flood of war nurses for peace-time duty. "Reorganization and consolidation eventually cut the number of public health nurses serving under the Red Cross flag," Mr. Fleser stated. "But as a group their efficiency increased."

Mr. Fleser called attention to a study of Red Cross public health nursing accomplishments since the service was begun. "Statistics show that in all nearly 8,000 services were established by the Red Cross," he said. "During the past 15 years 6,800 public health nurses were assigned to chapters, and a total of 18,000,000 visits were made to or in behalf of patients."

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Kent Notes

By Helen Wilson

Among those from Kent attending the funeral of Mrs. A. J. Sharp at Grass Valley Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Matthes, Mr. and Mrs. L. Sather, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Amundson von Borstel, Mr. and Mrs. George McKay, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Norton, Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Justesen, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Schilling, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Andrews, Mrs. Max Pluemke, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank von Borstel.

Kent Grange, No. 688 will hold its next regular meeting Saturday evening, November 27.

Mrs. Richard Holdaway and daughter Doris of Sprague, Wash., are spending a few days here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Helyer.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Rowe and son and Mr. and Mrs. R. N. McGlasson were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Davis Monday evening.

Fred Haynes of Corvallis was a business visitor at Kent Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Vern Mallory and daughter La Verne were over night guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Matthes Monday en route to their home at Redmond when Condon where they had been visiting Mrs. Mallory's uncle, E. J. Barnett and family.

Sheri Helyer who has been working on the J. L. Davis ranch the past nine months, left for his home at Antelope Wednesday. David and Susanne Walters left

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 Truit, Secretary

Lupine Rebekah Lodge No. 116 Moro, Oregon Meets 2d and 4th Tuesdays of each month. Visiting members welcome. Mabel McKee, N. G. Naomi Van Gilder, Sec.

Bethlehem Chapter, No. 78, O. E. S. Moro, Oregon Meets Every Second Fourth Thursdays in each Month. Visiting members invited. Frances King W. M. Ruth Sparling, Secretary.

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Evelyn and Luther Warren Davison were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. N. McGlasson Wednesday evening.

Virginia Helyer of Grass Valley spent the week end at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Helyer.

Pilcher—All men are born equal. Peebles—Yes, it's what they are born equal to that makes the difference.

Clara Louise Thomas, Administratrix.

Wasco Methodist Church
 F. L. Cannell, Pastor
 Wasco Methodist church. Sunday school at 10:00 a. m. Classes for all ages. Preaching service at 11 a. m. Text "And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man," Luke 2:52. The pastor will preach at Grass Valley M. E. church Sunday afternoon at 2:30.

Community Presbyterian Church
 Lawrence H. Mitchell, Minister
 Community Presbyterian church. 11:00 a. m. "Something for Nothing" or "The Christian Looks at Gambling," sermon by the pastor. Special Thanksgiving musical numbers have been prepared by the choir. 10:00 a. m. Bible school under the direction of Chester Smith, supt., will observe the Thanksgiving with a prepared worship service. Offering for our claim in the Ashville Farm school will be received. 7:15. Three Christian Endeavor groups are to discuss their own topics for the first period and then join in a closing song and worship service. Junior-Intermediate C. E. meets at the manse with Mrs. Mitchell. Thursday, 7:30 p. m. Bible study at the Manse.

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF SHERMAN PROBATE DEPARTMENT

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MAUDE DAVIS, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administratrix, of the Estate of Maude Davis, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Sherman, and has qualified. All persons having claims against the 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.

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 Neoma E. Smith, Administratrix.
 Oren R. Richards, Attorney.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
 All persons having claims against the estate of E. C. Thomas, deceased, are hereby notified to present them, with the proper vouchers and duly verified, to the undersigned, the duly appointed administratrix of the estate of E. C. Thomas, deceased, at the office of T. Lester Johnson, attorney at law, Wasco, Oregon, within six months of the date of the first publication of this notice, to-wit: November 18th, 1937.

Date of last publication, December 17th, 1937.
 Clara Louise Thomas, Administratrix.

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