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"In future times, a great majority of the people will not only be without landed, but any other sort of property. These will either combine, under the influence of their common situation—in which case the rights of property and the public liberty will not be secure in their hands—or, what is more probable, they will become the tools of opulence and ambition; in which case there will be equal danger on another side."—James Madison.

OR ELSE

Speakers on the Chicago Round Table last Sunday presented a theory that is at least interesting. It is that the dictators of Europe are following the same tactics as did the gangsters of Chicago and other American cities during their more prosperous times—and undoubtedly still follow although the stories of their depredations are not so current as formerly.

Both attempt to enforce their will by force instead of by conviction and both to be successful must use force for their demands, in the main are such that no other method could be successful.

There is certainly more justification for the dictators than for the racketeers for in most cases they are but following the wishes of the people for colonial and racial supremacy. Some of their activities however, cannot be said to come from such motives, especially their repression of the people in domestic affairs.

The suppression of free assembly and freedom of the press and speech cannot be used for any purpose than the continuation of the dictatorship. It is certain that the ordinary citizen in either Germany, Italy or Russia would not favor wholesale purges of those who dared to disagree with the government. At least, an acquaintance with nationals of those countries over here, does not lean to that belief. They are no more given to murder and suppression than any other people.

Perhaps the only way to do away with the type of leader who holds power by force is to establish conditions making them impossible and the world would be a much better place to live if the simple words, "Or else" were never spoken out of the side of the mouth in a menacing tone.

SIGNS OF SPRING

One day this year the sun shown briefly between showers and the signs of spring were unmistakable. The grass, now getting out of the moisture laden earth, was bright and green under the sun and the warmth of the sunshine made the new born lambs frisk about their mothers like the lambskins in the child's story book.

Water was running out of the ground having been rejected by a soil that was too full to hold another drop. Drier days must come soon or warmer days to allow the grass to grow and use up some of the surplus. The sparrows, still the only birds that are here in any numbers, chirped and tried to sing over the pleasant day. Women and girls walked along the streets enjoying the first day warm enough to make the outdoors gratifying.

The calendar states that spring will not be with us for another three weeks but custom in this zone is to call March a spring month from the first day. Now we shall see which is correct, but the signs are distinctly with the custom instead of the calendar.

Many of those who rush to the defense of the president when he is criticized for some mistake say that the office deserves greater respect. Yet those very men are prone to criticize the governor in most immoderate terms when his actions disagree with their beliefs.

GOVERNORSHIP

The race for the democratic nomination for governor has been clarified to some extent by the decision of Howard Latourette to stay out of the race and let the announced contestants have the fight by themselves. Mr. Latourette should be congratulated on his decision for his position as national committeeman is such that he can hardly enter into party strife.

This leaves O'Leen, pension and low tax advocate from Columbia county, Hosh, power advocate from Deschutes county, and the newly announced Dr. Erwin of Multnomah county in the race with every expectancy that Governor Martin will later file for the office.

As far as this section of Oregon is concerned the other candidates than Martin will have a hard time persuading the voters to favor them for Martin is as popular as rain in June in the wheat belt.

Shrock, said to be an able man, is the only announced candidate who is well known, seeking the Republican nomination. There will not likely be many after the nomination for many Republicans are anxious to vote for Martin for reelection if the Democrats will give them a chance to do so by naming him.

POWER

J. D. Ross, speaking at The Dalles, informed his listeners that the rate for Bonneville power had been set but could not be divulged until the power commission had passed on it. Apparently we are getting nearer to complete information on which a decision about what to do with Bonneville power can be made. When we know the rate at the dam, the rate at the ends of the lines—one of which will be at The Dalles—the cost of building lines or buying them, the cost of management and upkeep we can tell whether the people can bind themselves into public power associations and save money or not.

The cost of producing the power now use in this section is 2.25 mills per kilowatt. Bonneville's rate may be half of that or even less than one mill. Management being equal Bonneville should cut the price of power by a mill or possibly a mill and a half.

The main question to be decided, perhaps, is whether the public utility districts can manage a power system as well as the companies now making a business of it. That may have to be determined by experience.

The old Methodist parsonage is being torn down by R. A. Stow who is adding a bit of house wrecking to his other, and more advertised professions. Built years ago, it was occupied by J. H. Baker and family when they came to Grass Valley to operate a small grocery store where J. S. Newcomb now lives. In later years it was bought by the Methodist church and in the capacity of parsonage it protected the village ministers, the mild and stately Smith and his rollicking boys, the argumentative and crossading Magwood, the companionable Taber and many others who wrote and practiced their sermons in its square and unbeautiful rooms. Now, with the church itself, leased to members of another order, the old parsonage is being torn down and the boards that "one time rang to the echo of sermons and prayers will be used for more utilitarian and less spiritual needs of men."

The recent appropriation for the Deschutes project near Madras assures that town of another boom period similar to the one that brought it into existence.

Latest proposal for the repair and remodeling of the Legion hall is the plan to raise money by subscription with the understanding that it will be repaid, without interest, as soon as income is derived from the hall. A grant may be obtained from the government to bring the total within reach of those in the community who wish to have a modern and convenient place to meet.

Unusual, even for Los Angeles was ten inches of rain.

The Dalles is probably all lit up over the possibility of getting a direct line to Bonneville power.

The appellation "Skunk" will be fitting for those who throw stench bombs.

A story of a new bomber that will carry a 2000 pound bomb leads to the thought that if the world spent as much for better living as for better killing this would be a nicer place in which to spend a life.

This is about the time of year the county historical essay contest is usually started and almost without exception several of the essays have contained some thing of real value. The history of our own people is the most valuable to know.

All Ready for Wildlife Week



Gov. Charles H. Martin (left) has enthusiastically approved plans for the observance of National Wildlife Restoration Week, March 29 to 26, as outlined to him by William Joy Smith (right), president of the Oregon Wildlife Federation. Frederick F. Jordan (inset), director of National Wildlife Restoration Week, with headquarters at 400 Madison Avenue, New York City, announces that organization for Wildlife Week is practically completed in every state and county.

STATEHOUSE GOSSIP

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to pay the hotel bills and transportation costs of the state's small army of travelling officials and employees. A survey just completed by Budget Director Wharton reveals that the biggest share of this cost, averaging \$36,467 a month, is paid out for transportation. Operation of state owned cars alone accounts for an expenditure of \$22,812 a month while the use of privately owned automobiles on state business costs another \$10,833 a month. The railroads get very little passenger business out of the state, train and bus fares combined amounting to only \$2,819 a month. Meals eaten by state officials and employees while away from home cost an average of \$8,913 a month while lodgings account for another \$7,620 a month. Wharton's survey shows that the state is now operating 562 of its own cars at an average cost of only 2.58 cents a mile. Use of privately owned cars costs the state an average of 3.8 cents a mile.

The mild winter weather enjoyed by Oregon this year is reflected in an increase of approximately 20 percent in gasoline sales during January as compared with sales for the same month last year. Reports to Secretary of State Snell account for the sale of 13,992,733 gallons of gasoline during January on which the state tax amounted to \$699,636.66.

Residents of Cascade Locks have petitioned the Oregon Hydro-Electric commission for the organization of a peoples' utility district to include not only the town of Cascade Locks but a strip of territory approximately ten miles long bordering on the Columbia river.

Oregon electric utilities are awaiting clarification of the Bonneville situation before planning any increase in their generating equipment according to Utilities Commissioner N. G. Wallace. Bud gets filed with the utilities commissioner by electric utilities make no provision for additional generating units during 1938.

In Other Days

From the Observer March 3, 1899
A party of prospectors from Garfield left Moro yesterday for the mines south of here.

Copious showers are welcome this week, settling the moisture question pretty effectively for this year in this region.

N. W. Thompson sent five rigs to Grass Valley Saturday evening with the Moro Young Peoples Dramatic Co., which produced the "Confederate Spy" at that place to a crowded house, giving the most perfect satisfaction.

Dr. Smith was called to attend Mrs. O. W. Richardson on the 25th she having sustained serious injury from being thrown out of a buggy by a runaway team as she was returning home from ministering to Mrs. Guinther. It was a narrow escape from death.

From the Observer March 5, 1909
J. R. Kaseberg was up from Portland this week and disposed of the balance of his 1908 crop for \$1.00 per bushel.

Howard S. Conlee and Sara Bell Toll, of Monkland, were married on the 28th at the Presbyterian manse in this city. Rev. A. J. Adams officiating.

One of the bills introduced in the late assembly required physical examination before marriage. Why not also require mental? That appears to be the weakest point in many instances.

From the Observer March 7, 1919
The concrete foundation under the east end of the bridge over the canyon at Nish is not safe. Flood waters have undermined the pier until any car hitting the bridge at more than 20 miles per hour will probably push it into the creek.

Henry Gosch and wife were up from The Dalles this week. Henry and wife are old-time settlers of Sherman county, formerly farming in the Monkland section, where they yet have farming interests. They are old time friends of Mrs. Johnson and family and were here as friends to attend the funeral of Henry Johnson, son of Mrs. Johnson.

Kent Debate Team Stuck In Muddy Road

J. M. Wilson started to Redmond Wednesday evening with the boys debate team, Luther Davis Jr., and Dave Hoskinson and C. D. Howe coach and Helen Wilson. They only got a mile beyond Shaniko where to highway was impassable. They returned home and will go at a later date.

Mr. and Mrs. R. N. McGlasson were week end visitors in Moro at the Wilford Belshe home. They also attended grange at Harland View Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson and son Kenneth and Mrs. Jake Wilson shopped in The Dalles one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Barnett of Parkdale were visiting relatives here last Monday and Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schadewitz and Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Barnett were shopping in The Dalles Friday.

Dean Guyton of Shaniko and Allen Kramer of Malin visited the Kent school last Monday.

W. C. and Dudward Helyer were business visitors at Grass Valley last Wednesday.

Vivian Fritts stayed at the J. C. Wilson home last week so as to attend school, due to the roads being impassable to the Fritts ranch.

G. L. Karns of Wasco was an overnight guests at the A. von Borstel home last Thursday night.

Rosellen Barnett spent the week end at Moro as a guest of her grandmother, Mrs. Emma Schadewitz.

Lester Wilson and Bill Jeffreys went to Oakesdale, Wn., Tuesday and returned Wednesday with the household goods of Paul Wilson who has been farming in Washington but returned to Kent where they bought the house owned by A. A. Dunlap and occupied by W. B. Wilson and family, and will make their home here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Davis and daughter Evelyn were in The Dalles Friday where Mrs. Davis received medical attention.

Read the ads in the Journal

Ethel—Of course you talked about me after I left the party?
Sibyl—No, dear; you had covered the subject completely yourself.

"Hazel, can you spare a dollar?"
"Say, what do you think I am? I have to earn my money by my wits."
"Oh! Well, give me a half dollar then."

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

On the 18th day of March, 1938, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the front door of the Court House in Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, I will sell at auction, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described real property, located in Sherman County, Oregon, to-wit:

SE1-2NE1-4 Section 10; W1-2NW1-4, W1-2SW1-4, NE1-4SE1-4 Section 11; SW1-4NW1-4, SE1-4NE1-4, Section 12; SW1-4, SW1-4SE1-4, all in Section 13; SE1-4, SW1-4, W1-2NW1-4 Section 14; SE1-4NE1-4, NE1-4NW1-4, E1-2SE1-4 Section 15; SE1-4E1-4 Section 16; E1-2NE1-4 Section 21; SE1-2NW1-4, SE1-2NE1-4, SE1-4SW1-4, SE1-4Section 22; All of Section 22, NW1-4NW1-4, SE1-2NW1-4, NE1-4NE1-4, SE1-2NE1-4, NE1-4NW1-4, NE1-4SE1-4, Section 26; NE1-4NE1-4, S W1-4NE1-4, SW1-4NW1-4 Section 27; NW1-4NE1-4 Section 28; SE1-4NW1-4, SW1-4NE1-4, E1-2SW1-4, SE1-4Sec. 33; NW1-4, NE1-2SW1-4 W1-4, SW1-4SW1-4, NW1-4SE1-4 Section 34; NE1-4SW1-4 Section 35; E1-2SE1-4 Section 9; SE1-2 Section 10; N E1-4NE1-4 W1-2NE1-4 SE1-4NW1-4, W1-2NW1-4 Section 15, all in Township 5 South Range 18 East of Willamette Meridian in Sherman County;

Also: All the portion of the NW1-4 Section 5, Township 5 South, Range 19 East of Willamette Meridian, which lies in Sherman County, Oregon; SW1-4SW1-4 Section 5; SW1-4NE1-4, SE1-4SE1-4 Section 7; NE1-4NW1-4 Section 17; NW1-4NE1-4, SW1-4SE1-4 Section 18; SE1-4NW1-4, NE1-4SW1-4, NW1-4SE1-4, Section 19; NW1-4NW1-4, NW1-4SW1-4, Section 20, all in Township 5 South, Range 19 East of the Willamette Meridian, in Sherman County, Oregon.

Said sale is to be made under execution issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for Wasco County, to me directed in the case of J. B. McCook, Receiver of The First National Bank of The Dalles, Oregon, vs. M. J. Finlayson, et al.

C. C. WILSON

Sheriff Sherman County, Oregon.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All persons having claims against the estate of J. A. Barnett, 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 J. A. Barnett, deceased, at the office of T. Lester Johnson, attorney at law, Moro, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice, to-wit: February 18, 1938.

Mary F. Smith,

Administratrix

Date of last publication March 18, 1938.

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