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CHARLEY MAC SPEAKS

Probably there are few persons reading this column who did not hear, or who have not read, the speech of Senator Charles L. McNary Tuesday when he was officially informed of his nomination for the vice presidency.

Opinions may be already formed on its content, yet the talk contained so many gems of thought from the point of view of those who hold respect for the pioneer tradition of Oregon that we must add our comment.

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Of the farm situation this master of farm problems spoke at some length saying that the reciprocal treaties had let in 537 million dollars of products each year which approximates the sum paid out to farmers by the federal government.

Gradually the issues of the campaign are being made known. Each week it is becoming clearer that this is really a crusade to awake America to its possibilities and to release the genius and courage of our people to those possibilities.

A GOOD SIGN

It is an almost unanimous experience that small town merchants and business men do not get along very well with each other. Jim don't seem to like Pete for some reason and while they most likely speak when they meet at the post office they never discuss anything more difficult than the weather.

No doubt this has done as much to keep small towns small as anything else. The same thing on a larger scale may keep some big towns from getting bigger, too.

CAN HAPPEN HERE?

The amendment proposed for the conscription bill is a public disgrace. It will give the president power to take over any business, any radio station or newspaper when he considers it necessary.

It is that is the way we have to act in this country to retain our democracy we had better invite Hitler over here in the first place and be done with it.

There can be no use in fighting for our form of government if we have to lose it. The American people would never tolerate the control of news to that extent even in war and it seems that the purpose of the move is to kill the conscription bill by this type of amendment.

Any party in power, if sufficiently ruthless and grasping, could have its cohorts in congress declare war or a state of emergency and control all news sources. Then where is democracy?

Now they are bombing the big cities over in Europe.

In a few years after this war is over we will be talking about the barbarity of it all. Now we glory in it and hope our side—whatever it is—kills the most people. Which leads to the conclusion that there is something very uncivilized about civilization.

It sure will be a happy day when all this trouble is over and some nation, most any nation, can take a little time to put the Japs in their place.

The experts say FehI is insane because he has an elevated idea of his own importance. That's almost less majesty these days.

In Other Days

From the Observer Sept. 1, 1911

Mrs. O. A. Ramsey and daughter arrived home Monday.

J. M. Parry and B. F. Peetz returned Sunday from a flying trip to Hood River.

The L. L. Peetz threshing crew finished a run of 214 days Saturday August 26 at 10 a. m. Three headers and a steam thresher were used to enable the crew to average a 113 acres per day, a total of 2,400 acres headed and threshed during the run.

The new school term will begin at Boardman Monday with Miss Denny as teacher.

Grandma Powell has returned from her summer outing.

From the Observer Sept. 2, 1927

Helen Striker from Rufus is visiting with Sheriff Chrisman and wife.

DeMoss school will begin the school year on Monday, September 12th, says R. C. Byers, district clerk, with single desks and seats for every pupil, a new dictionary and wall bracket, and oiled floors in the school room.

R. T. Morgan, wife and daughter Thelma were Tuesday visitors in Moro from Bickleton.

Because both city drilled wells were out of commission, the council this week ordered water users to observe certain hours for irrigation.

J. C. McKean has purchased lots six and seven in block D, Barnum's addition, from J. F. Belshee, expecting to build a residence there in the spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Byers are back in Sherman county again.

From the Kent items we hear: This week will see the harvest practically completed.

Mrs. O. H. Adams who was called to Centralia, Wn., by the death of a relative, came home Saturday.

School will open on September 12 and all are trying to get the work finished so that scholars will be ready to commence.

Two Fords got to racing going home Sunday night from the picture show with the usual result—new wheels to buy and a job for a mechanic. No one injured but the two Fords.

Superintendent Zevely was a brief visitor here Wednesday.

The Shaniko flyer was a few hours late Wednesday morning due to engine trouble.

Last Saturday noon the threshing on the Barnum Bros. ranch north of town was finished after a rather long run; Allie Leonard finished the same day, as also did A. E. Eslinger whose machine was moved over to the O'Leary ranch to thresh a large amount of stacked grain.

Statehouse Gossip

By A. L. Lindbeck

Salem, Ore., Aug. 29.—Plans for a sewage disposal plant to meet the needs of the several state institutions in and around Salem are being considered by the Board of Control.

For years the sewage from these institutions has been dumped into the Willamette river and other streams, polluting the waters and creating a serious menace to fish life as well as rendering the streams unfit for recreational purposes, especially in the late summer-when the water is low.

With a population of more than 6000 inmates and employees in the state institutions in the Salem district the problem of sewage disposal has reached proportions akin to that confronting several of the state's smaller cities such as Albany, The Dalles and Bend.

Two courses are open to the state. One involves the construction of separate disposal plants by the state. The other includes cooperation with the city of Salem in the construction of a plant large enough to meet the needs of both the city and the state.

The Board has designated a committee to negotiate with the city officials who are submitting a bond issue for financing a disposal plant to the voters this fall. Any plan adopted by the Board, of course, will be subject to approval by the legislature when it convenes next January.

The threat of officials of Common Sense, Inc., to recall Governor Sprague for his refusal to dismiss J. J. Hague, state liquor administrator whose outspoken opposition to proposed repeal of the Knox act offended the "Commonsenses," met with only a hearty chuckle in state house circles.

Oregon will eat its Thanksgiving turkey this year on the day which President Roosevelt chooses to designate. Governor Sprague this week said that he would follow the lead set by the president in his proclamation.

The pioneer atop Oregon's capitol was given his annual foot bath this week when workmen applied a coat of fresh paint to the pedestal on which the figure is mounted.

Oregon judges are beginning to crack down a little more severely on traffic law violators if reports compiled by Secretary of State Snell are any criterion.

Oregon's 4000 national guardsmen who returned to their homes over the week end following three weeks of intensive training at Camp Murray, Wn., will go back in to service again, this time as members of the U. S. army on September 15, according to announcement from Washington, D. C.

In addition to the troops of the 186th and 162nd infantry and 218th field artillery regiments it is also expected that the mobilization call soon to be issued by President Roosevelt will also include the newly created anti-draft and search light units of the 249th coast artillery corps.

Site for the mobilization of the guard, which will include the entire 41st division—Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Wyoming and Montana troops—will be at Camp Murray from where the troops have just returned and where temporary wooden barracks will be built at once for the accommodation of the soldiers.

Because of the fact that no enlistments will be accepted for the national guard following mobilization members with only a few months of their enlistments yet to run are being advised to ask for immediate discharges for the purpose of re-enlisting. This suggestion is of particular interest to men

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Old Times

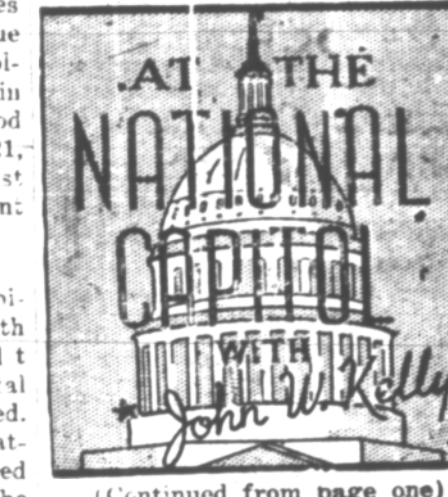
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Many of them are from the families who came to Sherman county when it was a part of Wasco, many can remember grass covered hills as seen from a homestead cabin door and any number of them can recall the days their father hooked his half broken Indian ponies to a couple of high wheeled wagons, mottled the high wheeler and set off for the interior to haul a load of wool to buy beans and flour.

State Treasurer Pearson had to borrow another \$100,000 this week to keep the relief budget on a cash basis. Liquor profits continue to lag behind relief outgo.

Oregon has its machinery all ready to set in motion if and when selective service is adopted as a national policy. A group of national guard officers under the supervision of Lieutenant-Colonel E. V. Wooten of the adjutant general's office has been busy for the past three weeks completing preparation for the registration and classification of all men in the state within the draft age limits.

Said to be the shortest municipal owned and operated railroad in the world, the City of Prineville railway is to have a new oil-burning locomotive and make a lot of improvements on its system.



Thousands of men and women who thronged state fair grounds at Salem to participate in an outstanding event in Oregon history—the notification of a native son that he is regarded as qualified to be vice president, and potential chief executive, of the United States.

The relief worker sat in the grandstand or bleachers with the businessman; the employer and the workman rubbed elbows or asked the cattleman or farmer to move over. No one cared whether the fellow beside him was a republican or a democrat—they were there to see "Charley Mac," as he is affectionately known to his fellow Oregonians.

Less than five miles from where he made his acceptance speech is the farm of McNary—Fir Cone. The fair grounds where he was greeted by the multitude has been a favorite spot with him throughout the years, for being a practical farmer (and successful one) it has been the pleasure of the senator to mingle with other farmers—hundreds he calls by their first names—and discuss the problems of agriculture. Out of these ramblings around the fair grounds at Salem have come ideas and suggestions which during McNary's career in the senate have developed into farm legislation.

Oregon state fair grounds, therefore, was a most appropriate background for this farmer candidate for vice president to receive his official notification.

It has been said of Revenge—To forget wrong is the best revenge.—ANON.

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In the late nineties the railroad was built to Shaniko with local capital furnishing much of the funds and local labor doing most of the work and the towns boomed and their citizens held great hopes of a great inland empire and the towns were incorporated with mayors, marshalls, councilmen and the ambitions of boom time city government.

Better plows, drills, disks were put into use in the first decade of the twentieth century and the combined harvester thresher, to use the full and complete term of the manufacturer, began to take the place of the whistling steam thresher with its attendant headers, boxes, straw stacks and huge crews of men.

And whereas one homesteader was able to plow and sow and reap the crop from a quarter section the farmer of later times was able to do the same work on a section and the people moved away. Most of them had plenty to move with, farms paid for the toil and sweat, stocks and bonds or else the farm was sold and the money put aside for retirement in a greener climate. Few left disappointed for there was credit for all who asked it and a man's word was good until he, himself, proved it otherwise.

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And from Sherman county went Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Powell, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Peetz, Mrs. E. E. Barnum, Charles Powell, and Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Johnson.

MANY LICENSES LIFTED The number of drivers licenses suspended and revoked during the month of July reached an all time high for the state of Oregon when suspensions and revocations totaled 177, it was announced by Earl Snell, secretary of state, today.

The July total of this year is an increase of 94 or 113 percent over the July total of 1939. The previous highest month was October, of 1937 when revocations and suspensions totaled 175.

During the first seven months of the year a total of 973 drivers lost their licenses in this state, compared to 692 for the same period last year, an increase of 40 percent.

Of the 177 cases reported for the month of July 107 were revocations and 70 were suspensions. One hundred-two of the revocations involved persons convicted of driving while intoxicated. For the year to date, revocations for driving while intoxicated total 539.

Secretary—What did you have for lunch? Bookkeeper—Three guesses. No wonder you are so hungry.

NOTICE OF FINAL HEARING Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Sherman County his Final Report and Account as Administrator of the estate of Elizabeth Christie Walton, deceased, and that Saturday, September 7, 1940, at ten o'clock a. m., of said day, at the County Courtroom, in the Courthouse, at Moro, Oregon, have been fixed by the Court as the time and place for hearing of objections to said Final Report and Account and the settlement of said estate.

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