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WHITHER GOEST THOU

Of course the Oregon legislature is going to make up its collective mind eventually and when it does we hope it adopts a consistent policy in regard to several bills.

It has a bill to require petitions for initiative and referendum elections to be signed in three congressional districts; it has a bill to partition counties into districts for the purpose of electing state representatives. Both of these bills establish, for the object at hand, new geographical units.

The states are political units endowed with certain rights and duties in the federal constitution; the counties are political units given certain rights in the state constitution. A believer in local government, we think both should be given more authority in their own fields.

Then there is the bill to restrict delegates to the national convention, who, as candidates, file by petition, by making them pledge to support the person who gets the most votes in Oregon in the presidential primary. What is representative government coming to if we can trust no one?

The bill to enforce petition signing diffusion into at least three congressional districts is a means of saying that in the minds of legislators no vote should be held on a measure unless there is general demand for it. A belief in differences among Oregonians because of geographical differences is at the base of it—and it is probably correct. If the bill said three-quarters of the counties it would be better but would make it harder to pass.

The bill to district counties for representative purposes shows the tendency toward overlooking the geographical integrity of counties. A man should at least be loyal to a county and not a mere district of one.

We hope the legislature decides these questions so wisely that its political philosophy is apparent. It can either recognize counties or disregard them. To disregard them is to approve the centralizing tendency that would make the state the smallest effective governmental unit. We, who believe in the value of local government, hope that doesn't happen.

FARM PRICES DROP

Concern is expressed especially in the middle west, about the drop in farm prices. Actually except for beef the drop is a mere continuation of a drop that began in 1950. Estimates are for a decrease in farm incomes of five percent this year, slightly smaller than in 1952.

Beef cattle were due to drop. While the United States Department of Agriculture figure of 93 million may be high there are certainly many more cattle than usual in this country and they went to market in great droves in January. Also in that month price controls were on so prices did not fall which would have stimulated demand. Now prices are down and should halt the decline.

The USDA reported the parity price of cattle at 42 percent of parity on January 15 and of wheat at 86 percent of that figure.

Wheat dropped when the new Secretary of Agriculture, Benson, failed to go into the market to support the price. Speculators may have been hurt but most farmers have taken loans and are

protected. As a policy government meddling with the market could be a very disastrous one for farmers, who are politically a minority.

Farm price changes often foretell other economic changes. If that is true this time and there is gradual reduction in other prices it should help stabilize our national economy. But farmers cannot be expected to like it if their prices are the only ones to drop.

Profits are unduly high, a usual result of inflation. And with taxes so high profits, or at least mark-ups, must be high. If taxes and profits could be reduced we might reverse the trend of inflation without danger. If things drop too fast and fear enters the picture it could be very bad, yet that is sometimes the result of inflation such as we have been having and that is one of the most dangerous things about it.

COUNTY FAIRS

Resolutions introduced in the legislature indicate that there will be an interim committee appointed to study a way to finance worthy fairs and entertainments out of the general fund while putting racing money into that fund. And furthermore there will probably be a study to see how fairs and other organizations getting public money are conducted.

Despite the two year delay the proposals are good. A lot of the money is not going to fairs and a lot of fairs are not representative of the agriculture of counties.

When it is all done it seems possible that public money will be used exclusively for premiums or maintenance and the programs will be financed entirely from the receipts. There can be little objection to that solution. In many counties the program took all the money and the exhibitors had no space for exhibits, no money (or little) for premiums and no attention.

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What happened to the price of gasoline this week when the government turned loose of the oil companies' ear undoubtedly brought on some resolutions to travel less this summer.

And that was cause for some extension of thought particularly about what to do with the time saved. Using memory for thought (an old and very human custom) led to a review of what grandpa had done when the off buggy horse came up lame, got cut in the wire or had to be sold to pay the taxes.

Grandpa cut wood, fixed fence, weeded the garden, broke a colt and read the Bible. Help is not readily apparent in the list although modern man might pull a little grass from under the rosebush and nibble a bit at the wisdom of the Bible. As a substitute for a long trip or a Sunday drive both seem inadequate.

Putting two and two together (an arithmetical exercise that is a sort of thought process) it seems that an automobile is identical with most forms of entertainment for Americans. Americans, incidentally, call entertainment relaxation as a sop thrown to heart and nerves which organs are presumed to be aided by walking five miles on Sunday or jiggling up and down in a darkened dance spot.

Still nothing satisfactory in the way of solution so the only conclusion is to holler "Mama" to the government, government having assumed the role of mother to adults lacking in virility and independence. But a reduction in sales would lower the price of gasoline again if there was just some way to do it.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

No. 567

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF

THE STATE OF OREGON FOR

THE COUNTY OF SHERMAN

IN THE MATTER OF

THE ESTATE OF

DALE EDWIN BAKER,

also known as Dale E. Baker, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that by order duly made and entered in the above entitled court in the above entitled estate on the 9th day of February, 1953, the administrators of the estate of the above named deceased have been licensed to sell, and will from and after the 23rd day of March, 1953, sell at private sale to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

Parcel No. 1:
Lot 12, Block 12, Richardson Village, Multnomah County, and

Parcel No. 2
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The United States National Bank of Portland, Oregon
V. B. Eakin
Administrators

Ben G. Fleischman
Attorney for Administrators
608 American Bank Bldg.
Portland 5, Oregon 16-19c

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Jesse Helyer, Administrator of the Estate of Barbara Helyer, deceased, has filed his First and Final Account and Petition for Distribution in said Estate and that Tuesday, the 17th day of March, 1953, at the hour of 10:00 A. M., in the County Court Room in the Court House at Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, has been fixed as the time and place for hearing of objections, if any, to said First and Final Account and Petition for Distribution, and the settlement thereof.

Jesse Helyer
Donald E. Heisler
Attorney for Estate 15-18c

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undersigned has filed in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Sherman County her final account as executrix of the Estate of Martin O. Johnson, deceased, and that Monday, the 9th day of March, 1953, at 10:00 o'clock A. M., of said day, at the courtroom, in the courthouse, in Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, have been fixed by the Court as the time and place for hearing of objections to said final account and for the settlement of said estate.

Marie Barnett Cooper
T. Lester Johnson,
Attorney for Executrix 14-17c

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New business for the year topping all Canadian companies at \$545 million and total insurance in force of more than \$5 billion are among the many outstanding figures reported in the 82nd Annual Report of the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada, just released by George W. Bourke, President. During 1953, policyholders' dividends will amount to \$22 millions, \$2 millions more than last year. The Sun Life has 47% of its assets invested in the United States.

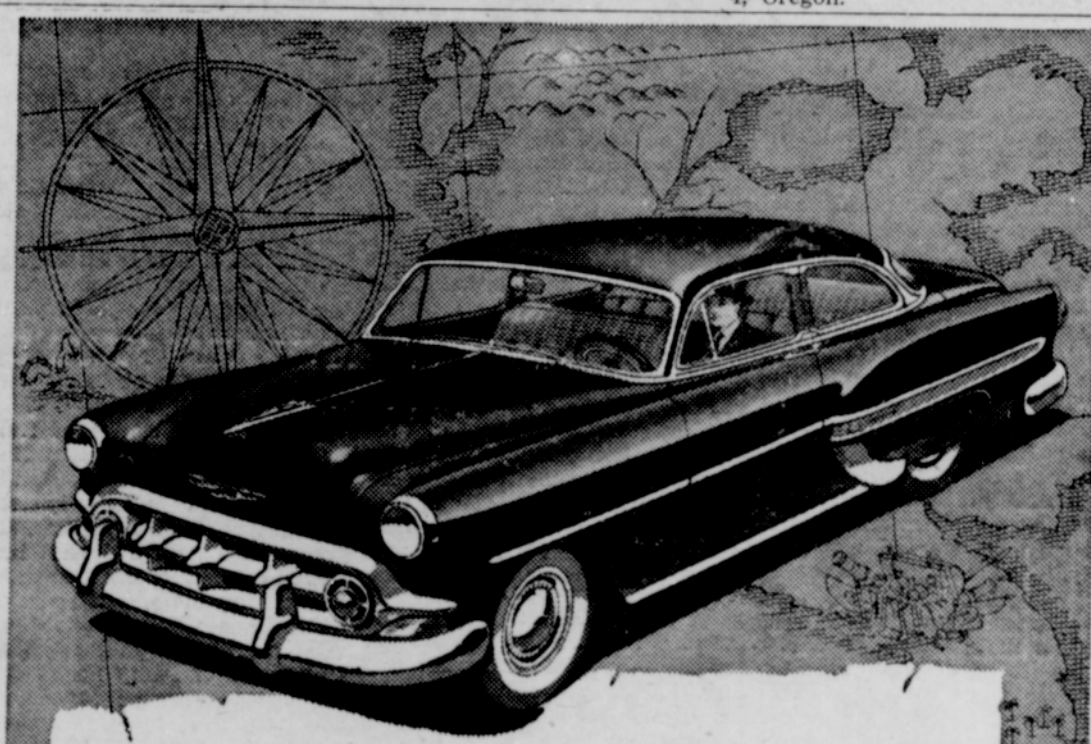
Mr. Bourke, reviewing the 1952 figures of Canada's leading life company, stated that the increase in the Company's new business over 1951 was 18%, which included group insurance amounting to \$165,487,000, a gain in group business of \$71 million for the year. The Company's total life insurance in force has grown to \$5,222,947,000, an increase of 8.8% including group insurance in force of \$1,493,501,000, up 19%. Annuity payments which the Company has undertaken to provide immediately or in the future, through individual and group contracts, amount to \$117,833,000 per annum.

The Sun Life, an international company with branch service in many leading United States cities from coast to coast, paid out in benefits during 1952 almost \$500,000 for each working day, or a total of \$118,618,000. Of this total \$81,632,000 was received by living policyholders, and nearly \$37,000,000 was paid to beneficiaries of deceased policyholders. Total benefits paid since the first Sun Life policy was issued in 1871 amount to \$2,604,604,000. The interest rate earned on the assets was 3.84%.

The Sun Life, operating in nearly 30 countries of the world, does more than 90% of its business in the United States, Canada and Great Britain.

A copy of the Sun Life's complete 1952 Annual Report, including the President's review of the year, is being sent to all policyholders.

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Anita Hooper, Manager