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SPECIAL SESSION

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over the announcement

by the governor that a special session

was called for October 28 did not

read the fine print.

If the legislature follows the

governor, which it didn't in the

regular session, it will add another

\$10,000,000 to the appropriations.

Now no one who has been

watching school expenses in Oregon

can possibly think that money

added to the basic school fund

will reduce local taxes for very

long.

The time elapsing between the

announcement of the state tax

commission and the governor's

call was so short that he could

not have conferred with many

legislative leaders. The two

months before the session is to

begin will be ample time for the

numerous asking groups to pre-

pare their demands. Which makes

us think that taxpayers are in for

another raise in state appropri-

ations instead of a decrease.

The Democrats had an excellent

opportunity to lower taxes in the

regular session which would have

put them in a pretty formidable

position in Oregon. Instead of that

they boosted the already too high

appropriation list by \$50,000,000

and raised the taxes. They did not

make full use of the surplus that

is piled up because of the excessive

Republican tax bill of 1955. Now

they want to go back and use that

immediately instead of waiting

until 1960.

The call shows the extreme

foolishness of another bill passed

at the last session; the one to pay

the full salary to legislators dur-

ing the session. No doubt legis-

lators wanted and needed the

money. Now four of them will not

serve and who or how are their

replacements to be paid?

The movement started by Sena-

tor Gill to call a meeting at which

Oregonians can express their pre-

ference in the use of the money

now to be available next July

may show so much resentment

against high spending that a size-

able bloc of legislators will vote

to refund some taxes instead of add-

ing more. That we would like to

see, but the record of this bunch

of legislators offers little hope.

Oregon is not having a very

prosperous year and the estimate

of \$70,000,000 by next July may

not materialize.

The important thing about the

call for a special session is that

it is a call for more spending

put forth in the guise of a tax

refund. In many human activities

that would be called dishonest.

orous and moral citizens. It took quite a battle, some money and a hard campaign. Some gangsters went to the penitentiary and the remainder softened their attitude. Probably one of the reasons Oregon is behind other states in industrial development is the higher wages and unexpected demands of labor in Oregon even though industrial relations are usually quiet. In many ways Oregon is a labor state. Here labor has an alliance with the Grange, which labor uses to the disadvantage of rural Grange members and the Farmers' Union is often an ally of labor. State politicians feel it desirable to have the union label on their attitudes as well as their cards.

None of this would be bad if labor represented the public as it does not. In any event Gary B would be confidence in labor. If its leaders did not borrow money without paying it back, would not associate with known gangsters, were not ex-convicts or heavy handed thugs with police records. It would be well for labor to become respectable and it has time to do so. If it does not improve that time the law will have to try to make it respectable but respectability by law is a difficult job. It would be better if labor would do its own reforming.

FOOD

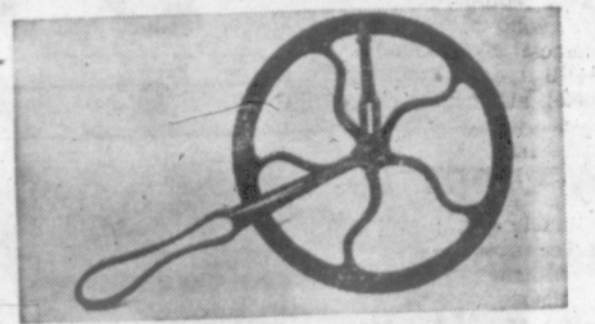
When a person begins to compare the foods of another day with those now eaten listeners universally think the speaker's appetite is gone and he is living in memory. Youthful appetites are huge and anything tastes good while aged appetites are jaded and nothing tastes like it used to taste.

Since there is no chance to compare the tastability of foods in one person, age making so great a change, we would like to test some of the old fashioned foods on a youngster of unrestrained appetite to see what he would think of it.

Would a modern youth prefer a loaf of homemade bread with a crust on it and home churned butter, or the soft punky, stuff now sold under that name? Modern salads are made with ingredients from all over the world and seldom do they beat a bowl of wilted lettuce or cole slaw. What is done to the present day chicken is for the birds. Frozen chicken with red or black bones boiled in grease can appeal to no one who has eaten fresh chicken fried in the old fashioned way.

Sometimes it seems modern cooks are motivated by ease instead of by the taste of the end product and the prevalence of money as a medium of exchange for every thing has made cooking a commercial matter. It is our opinion that a hungry youth might properly wish he had been born fifty years ago. That is, until after dinner.

This Week's HISTORY MYSTERY



Can You Identify This Tool?

CLUE: This historical tool is made entirely of metal. The revolving wheel is marked off in 24 one inch divisions and the pointer is stationary. It was used by blacksmiths in the horse and buggy days.

ANSWER: It is a wheel measurer. Beginning with the pointer at zero, the blacksmith rolled the measurer around a wagon wheel and by reading on the wheel the total number of inches traveled would be known. This historical object was loaned to Chief Othout of Woodburn, Oregon.

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Rufus Personals

Mrs. George Fox

A social event of the small fry was a party for Miss Barbara Medler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leland Medler, who celebrated her 9th birthday anniversary August 22. The guest list included Louana, Colleen, Virginia and Diane Burnett, Nancy and Kay Macnab, Barbara Miller, Linda and Janice Byrd, Douglas Medler, a brother of the honor guest. Invited but unable to come was Diane Macnab. Mothers present to help with the party were Mrs. Morris Burnett and Mrs. Robert Byrd. Games of flying dutchman and ping pong were played by the guests.

The refreshment table was set up in the basement playroom, and had a decorated birthday tablecloth with matching napkins, a basket favor filled with candy and a small gift was found at each guest's place. All sang "Happy Birthday, Barbara", a decorated cake, ice cream and pop were the refreshments served after which Barbara opened her presents.

It's lovely weather again after the three day gusty wind over the weekend. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Macnab and family left last week to get in their vacation before the start of the school year. Mr. and Mrs. Morris Burnett and daughters are moving to the James Tate place just south of Rufus. Burnett will drive the Sherman high school bus from this area. Burnett and family are well known here having worked on the Leland Medler ranch the last few years.

Karen Macnab, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Macnab, and Karen Sabota daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Sabota of Biggs were winners for this county in 4-H sewing. These girls are both from the Rufus school; there was just one other winner in the county in this class of sewing. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Watson had Mrs. Watson's mother for a house guest all of last week. Mrs. Dorothy Smith returned home after a visit with her folks who live in Seattle, Wn. Her parents recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary and all ten of their children and families were present.

The children of Rufus are enjoying the swimming hole under the railroad bridge. This spot has a nice pond since The Dalles dam raised the water line. The Home Economics club of Rufus Grange and their husbands met Sunday at the park in The Dalles for a picnic dinner. After

the dinner the group went up to see the Museum.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Jordan spent last week end visiting friends in Bend. They reported the nights are getting real chilly up there.

The ones from the Rufus area going to Wasco for the farewell picnic dinner honoring Reverend Martin Quigley, who leaves this week for Enterprise as their parish priest were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lloyd and family, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Burnett and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Medler and family, Mr. and Mrs. Don Macnab and family, Mr. and Mrs. James Fox and Mr. and Mrs. George Fox.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Weatherford of Arlington are the parents of a son born August 22 at The Dalles hospital. The little fellow weighed in at 9 lb. 6 oz. and is named Robert Mark. He has two other brothers and a sister. Mrs. Weatherford and new son came home Saturday night and both are doing fine. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Weatherford of Arlington and Mr. and Mrs. George Fox of Rufus.

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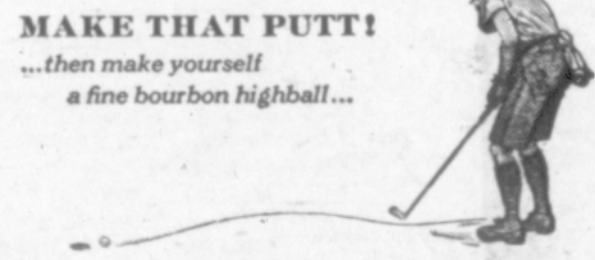
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LABOR DAY Next Monday is the day set aside as a holiday for laborers. This year that day seems an appropriate time to talk about labor. Politicians will praise for votes, labor leaders will boast for self esteem, others will be inclined to look more critically at the record. Labor has done badly during the past year and has been caught in practices that are reprehensible. The temptations of leadership have proven too much for the type of men who have fought their way to leadership of labor. Maybe it isn't very smart to choose leaders because they fight their way, even for labor. Maybe labor is going to have to consider the public. Even labor cannot succeed without public support. We feel certain that the majority of laborers feel that better men than the ex-convicts and gangster affiliates now in the leadership of labor in state and nation could be found. It is certainly not necessary that this should be so and it is not advisable. Laborers must know that labor too often enforces its demands by methods employed by gangsters. Labor leaders say "you'll use my slot machines, buy my beer, or get bombed, beat up or picketed" which isn't much different than saying "your money or your life". Business men haven't been very brave in resisting and some connive with labor to destroy adversaries. It was twenty years ago in Oregon when the public showed the labor leaders they couldn't be gangsters and stay out of jail. Then the public had the support of public officials who were vig-

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