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THE GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

The message of Governor Holmes is an illuminating document and because he probably wrote it himself it is he that illuminates. He blames Oregon's tax plight to the "careless disposition" of surpluses made in World War II.

Oregon's tax plight comes from the habit of legislators of spending too much money. This state offers services of many kinds that cost great sums of money without doing much good to the citizens or at most to a small percentage of them.

The governor also aligned himself with the inflationists who want easy money and easy credit and the eventual bust that always follows instead of curtailment of credit to stabilize the nation's economy.

TAX STUDY

Urged by apparently non-partisan groups from several parts of the state the governor has announced that plans to have some outside agency or firm make a survey of Oregon's tax situation in process of development. There are several such firms. Any of them will send men to Oregon equipped with computing machines and filled with questions to report on the state tax system.

There will be a review of Oregon's tax history and some suggestions for minor improvement. The fact that Oregon is dominated by labor that will not permit any material tax change may be stated, but there isn't anything to be done about it anyway.

When the report has been made—if it is—the argument will start about it with pro and con debate raging furiously until something else intervenes—it would probably cost \$100,000 or more. As long as the state is willing to talk about its problems and do nothing about them such a study, is a natural move for it will prolong the talking period and put off the time for action. It is a proposal of the talkers; Oregon needs action.

WILD HORSES

A story in the newspapers reports that the department of interior is unmoved by efforts of some enthusiasts to have a wild horse refuge established in western states.

The interior department is right about it. One might think from reading some of the horse journals that the wild horse was a separate animal with characteristics different from that of the tame horse which is not the case. If there was a possibility of preserving the cayuse there might be reason for it. But that extremely durable animal was eliminated by man's efforts to improve the breed which resulted in greater size and a reduction in stamina.

Preserving the ordinary horse that roams the more open spaces in the west is a useless endeavor started by romanticists who probably think that any wild horse is a direct descendant of the Spanish ponies which were the ancestors of the cayuse.

A wild horse in these times is merely one that hasn't been tamed and that is a process any experienced rider can take care of in a few minutes. Usually the horse isn't worth it.

CONSIDER THE FISH

Did you ever consider the burden that what we call development puts on the brain of a fish—a salmon. Time was in the mem-

ory of all but the very young when a salmon swimming into the Columbia river could advance upstream with no greater hazard than the nets of ambitious fishermen. His favorite spawning grounds were available to him by a natural exercise of the cosmic urge.

Now a salmon must know how to climb a fish ladder. These are on different sides of the river, of different rates of climb and we think it something of a puzzle for a fish. However, they seem to have solved the many problems and are reported in the upper Columbia river in greater numbers than usual.

The salmon seems to be very smart. Well, many a fisherman having contested with salmon through a long day and found their sense of self-preservation perfect in being unattracted by various lures has come to the same conclusion. That they have solved the several mazes man has put in their way is not surprising. But let us not train them too well.

JAY BOWERMAN

We were disappointed in the obituaries of Jay Bowerman, one-time Oregon governor and senator from this district. Mr. Bowerman died at 81 last week in Portland. It is certainly true that men who live to be 81 cannot expect a full story of their life; the men who are writing know so little about them.

Mr. Bowerman was one of the most capable men in Oregon politics with a knowledge of human nature that made him a philosopher as well as a political lawyer of wide abilities. He was always willing to give aid to any legitimate endeavor of delegates from this area and was helpful on occasions.

Obituaries mentioned Mr. Bowerman's acts as attorney for Safe-way and his authorship of the pari-mutuel racing bill that divided the returns among counties for fairs. That is an example of his wisdom regarding human nature for he countered rural morality with human avarice to the apparently lasting benefit of the gambling fraternity. He was capable of such things and in such things.

Basically he was a political practitioner who knew how to get things done and as such his advice was often sought. It was given when it aided the things in which Mr. Bowerman was interested. He did not stoop to the tactics of political manipulation and unnecessary for him. His word was good and his honor bright.

FEDERAL ROADS

The Portland Chamber of Commerce, justly we think, has protested against a ruling of the federal roads department to add 132 miles to the big system for a road running from Ellensburg to Pendleton. Portlanders feel that this will give advantage to Seattle and help by-pass the water grade down the Columbia.

Our objections are a little different although we recognize that Portland's is a valid complaint. For us, we do not see why not utilize the money involved to construct a part of Highway 97 from Ellensburg south. It would be a road that would carry much more traffic than would one running farther east and would help make the connection with the main north-south road between Seattle and southern California points.

If truck traffic is to continue, and we know of nothing to stop it, there should be provision to build truck roads for through traffic away from the congested cities. Even with a four lane road running north and south through all the biggest towns in California, Oregon and Washington as will old 99, new Federal 5, there will be traffic tie-ups that could be obviated by giving trucks a good road to travel between southern California markets and Washington producers.

But of course, if we are going to have a federal road program we are going to have federal politics mixed in with it. Roads were enough of a problem when they were managed by the county. Now look at it.

The Dalles dam is getting into production at a rapid rate and before we know it all of the first fourteen generators will be putting juice into the lines and there will be less need for talk about brown-outs.

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This Week's HISTORY MYSTERY



Identify The Use Made Of This Rock And The Person Associated With It.

CLUE: In 1845 a well known Oregon personage gathered chips of flint left by Indians at Willamette Falls after making arrowheads and spear tips. From the subsequent use of these bits of flint is said to have come the expression "pocketful of rocks."

ANSWER: A shortage of metal coins in Oregon caused George Abernethy to gather flint chips. This flint money was honored locally because of its name and the amount of money represented on it. Abernethy's high standing in the same year, 1845, caused him to become the first and only Provisional Governor of Oregon.

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REMAINDER OF SCOUT STORY

When we published the story of Ron Roberts, who made the Boy Scout tour to Europe for the Jamboree the copy was not complete. Here is the rest of the article.

In Munich, called Muechen by the Germans, we ran into some of our German scout friends we had made at the Jubilee, while standing on the street corner watching the famous giant Glockenspiel, mechanical clock, with its many moving figures. At one

Eureka Lodge No. 121 A.P.A.M. Meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday evenings each month. Visiting members welcome.

Clyde Gilkron, Secretary

Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month. Visiting members welcome. L. Grabenhorst, NG Vada DeMoss, Sec. Lapsine Rebekah, Lodge No. 116

HARLANDVIEW GRANGE Meets first and third Saturdays each month at 8 p. m.

Orlow Martin, Master Agnes Benson, Secretary

Moro Lodge No. 113 I.O.O.F. Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays in I.O.O.F. hall. Transient and visiting brothers are cordially invited.

Orlow-Martin, N. G. Leo Watkins, Secretary

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Wasco News

By Doris Nisbet

BORN: To Mr. and Mrs. David Richelderfer in The Dalles October 27, a son.

Mrs. Keith McDonald, as chairman of the Cancer Society in Wasco spent two days at a training conference at the Multnomah Hotel in Portland recently. Accompanied by Mrs. Estrella Halley, Mrs. McDonald, as district 5 president of the American Legion Auxiliary made an official visit to the U. S. Veterans' hospital at Roseburg, and also visited her brother in law, Harry McDonald. She recently installed the unit of the auxiliary at Mosier and last Saturday went to Bonneville as an honored guest.

At Grants Pass, accompanied by Mrs. Estrella Halley, Mrs. McDonald attended a reception for Carlotta Wiseman, past grand matron and chairman of Appeals and Grievances committee, and also Marjorie Williams, grand representative to the state of Michigan, in Oregon. Mrs. McDonald also recently attended the 60th anniversary of the Newburg chapter of OES with past grand matron, Lelia Wimberly.

Mr. and Mrs. James Maddox of The Dalles and Mr. and Mrs. Al Terp (Carol Akers) of Portland were Sunday evening dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Andrews.

Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Engberg were Andy Engberg and Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Funk.

Robert Nisbet and Tony made a trip to Kennewick, Wn., last Saturday.

Houseguests Friday and Saturday at the Jerry Barnett home were Mr. and Mrs. Leo Hackman of Jefferson City, Mo.

Mrs. Adeline Hull of Michigan spent Wednesday night and Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Funk.

The Wasco home extension unit met last week at the home of Mrs. Leo Watkins with Mrs. Art Watkins as co-hostess. It was voted to have dues of fifty cents for the coming year. Fourteen members enjoyed a lesson on plaids and stripes. The next meeting will be November 26 at 1:30 at the home of Mrs. L. P. Haven with Mrs. Lee Pierson as co-hostess, and the theme will be Christmas decorations.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Tuggie attended the party.

Contrast Noted After leaving the fertile valleys and beautiful countryside of Germany and Austria, we entered an area of great contrast—the backwardness and poverty of the people and their tiny farms in Italy and France was very noticeable. However, along the sunny shores of the Mediterranean we had our first real summer weather. The fellows made the most of swimming and sunning along the Riviera. Of course, we had to see Grace Kelly's abode at Monaco and visit some of the casinos.

Our final three days on the continent before catching our ship, the Fairsea, at LeHavre. We visited all the usual tourist attractions, but one of the most unusual experiences for me was a visit to a wax museum. Besides all the characters of French history they had life size figures of most of our modern notables, including even our own president. We scouts could each write a book on "A Scout in Paris".

We left LeHavre on August 28 for the trip back to the States. Our eight day crossing was kept from being too boring by seeing several passenger liners which included the U.S.S. America on its way to Europe. The ships crew spent considerable time showing us the workings of a modern ocean liner (using the term loosely as our ship was rather small).

We had one day in New York before boarding the train that brought us into Portland, a most wonderful city, and without a doubt the most beautiful people we had seen any place in the world, our parents and families.

tended the associated patrons reception at Burns Saturday night. Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Shull were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Shull.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Van Gilder of Nunda, New York, returned home after spending several weeks visiting relatives here. Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Sargent entertained them at dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Harry VanGilder and Mrs. Charles Everett as guests.

The Thursday-evening bridge club met at the home of Mrs. Gerald Nisbet with Mrs. Elton Medler and Mrs. John Hilderbrand as guests. Prizes were won by Mrs. Ira Fridley and Mrs. Pat Macnab.

The young people of the Methodist church and their guests collected for UNICEF during their Halloween hayride. There was a Halloween party for the church school later. Laymen's Sunday at the Methodist church was observed and Clyde Fridley led the worship service and spoke October 20.

The MYF and WSCS are actively working toward preparations for the sub-district rally to be held Sunday evening November 24. Over one hundred young people and adults are expected from the nine churches in the district. The annual loyalty dinner will begin at 7 p. m. The Commission of Finance is preparing a budget for presentation at this time. The Rev. James Shapland, minister of Laurelwood Methodist church in Portland will be the speaker. There will be special music, and the MYF will be presenting a program about their activities. A great evening of fellowship and fun and pledge night is promised.

Sunday, November 17, the first quarterly conference will be held in the Methodist church. The district superintendent, Rev. Edward Terry will preach at the morning services which will be followed by a pot-luck dinner. Official board meeting will be held at 7:30.

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T. Lester Johnson Administrator, with the Will Annexed. 52-2c

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Emma Dutton, Executrix of the Estate of Harley Dutton, deceased, has filed her First and Final Account and Petition for Distribution in said Estate and that Monday, the 25th day of November, 1937, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock 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.

EMMA DUTTON Executrix of the Estate of Harley Dutton, Deceased Donald E. Heisler Attorney for Estate 51-2c

CALL FOR BIDS Sherman County School District No. 17 and Sherman High School District request combined bids be submitted on approximately 35,000 gallons of light fuel oil (PS-300) and approximately 5000 gallons of gasoline (regular). Bids are to be presented to the boards at the office of District No. 17 before eight o'clock, Tuesday, November 12.

Clara E. Houston, Clerk School Dist. No. 17 Marjorie K. Marvin, Clerk Sherman High School Dist.



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