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**THE PROBLEM OF
THE MAJORITY**

Whoever is sitting on top of the world is in a dangerous spot. Whether the top spot is filled by a dictator, an aristocracy of one sort or another, or a majority makes no difference. A majority is an American style dictator and can be just as cruel and unthinking as any other kind.

What we want to say is that the boss has to be good to stay the boss. He has to work at his job and treat minorities pretty well. History from Castro back to Moses are proof enough. A minority doesn't have to be so good. It has nothing to lose but its life or its chains and that may be a toss-up.

The above thoughts came in a sequence started a few weeks ago by an editorial entitled "We Were Shanghaied" in this newspaper. It told of the ineffectual efforts of C. R. Meigs, lone delegate from Wasco county in the 1857 constitutional convention, to establish the eastern boundary of Oregon at the crest of the Cascade range. The Salem Capital Journal opined that a state of Wasco might well be easier to get along with than a state of Portland. The Pendleton East Oregonian gave some interpretation of its own. Now comes the Oregon Journal to wonder whether this editor is talking through his hat or his teeth.

The problem of Portland is a problem that all majorities face. Bosses, dictators, rulers, majorities are under constant criticism for their decisions (even democracy does not make a majority loveable). Some of this can be obviated by acquiring knowledge about the problems of the minority and developing a sympathetic interest in them. In other words if Portland wants to remain indefinitely as boss of Oregon it will have to make the whole state of Oregon its primary interest.

As far as eastern Oregon is concerned that means Portlanders must learn about wheat, cattle, irrigation, Indians, pine timber, grass, sheep, trout, dams and 100 years of history if it is going to make decisions about our welfare. If it isn't going to do the work necessary for that it can go away and leave us alone with power to make our own decisions. In the absence of a dividing line atop the mountains laws permitting and encouraging county autonomy would help.

Portland is the economic ruler because of its location. It never had to compete for business and is like any spoiled child for that reason.

Portland is the political boss because it is the biggest and because it insists on an eye for an eye and a vote for a vote with the result that the 424 square miles of Multnomah county has more representation than all the 60,000 plus square miles of eastern Oregon. Not many of its legislators get east of 82nd street. The result is that we are ruled by persons with no knowledge of our conditions or interests. Any group holding more than a quarter of the votes in a legislative assembly that denies its power is pleading ignorance as a defense.

Portland is a labor town. It is

generally for high taxes and narrow base and extensive services. These often come out of our pockets.

It isn't at all necessary for Portland to pay any attention to us. We are only the voice of the minority, a captious critic, a howler, maybe not even a Castro in a little forest camp or a Moses daubing the lintels of the doors.

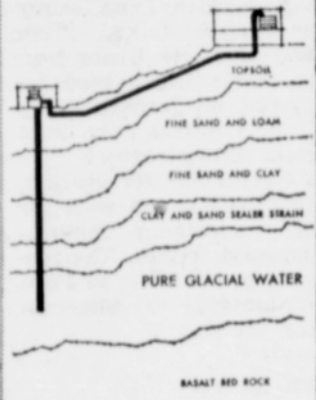
IS A CHANGE COMING

There is a bill in the legislature to bond the state for \$60,000,000 and build a bridge across the Columbia at Astoria and—for political purposes to connect it with a road to Winnemucca, Nevada. Such schemes are not rare.

But the important event is that the state highway commission refused to endorse the bill. For very good reasons, it seems to us. First, Washington should pay for a part of any such an expensive bridge; second, Oregon doesn't want a bond issue of such a size.

It just appears to an optimist that perhaps Oregon officialdom is starting to consider the taxpayer and if so it will be a very welcome change and we are happy over this indication of political realism after so many years in which imagination was allowed full play without let or hindrance.

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NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Sherman County, his Final Account as Administrator of the Estate of Jennie Zutter Dick, deceased, and that Monday, the 13th day of April, 1959, at the hour of ten o'clock A. M. of said day in the court room of the County Court in Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, have been fixed by the Court as the time and place for hearing objections to said Final Account and for the settlement of said estate.

Raymond Van Gilder
Administrator

T. Lester Johnson
Attorney for Administrator 20-3c

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All persons having claims against the Estate of Arvid Anderson, deceased, are hereby notified to present them in proper form to the undersigned, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Executor of the Last Will and Testament of Arvid Anderson, deceased, at the office of T. Lester Johnson, Attorney at Law, Moro, Oregon, within six months from the date of this Notice, to-wit: February 20, 1959.

Frederick Anderson
Executor

T. Lester Johnson
Attorney for Executor 16-19c

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids will be received by the Clerk of Sherman County

High School District, Sherman County, Oregon, at the Sherman County High School, Moro, Oregon, on or before 8:00 o'clock P. M. (Pacific Standard Time), Tuesday, April 7, 1959, for the construction of an Addition to the Sherman County High School, and will then and there be opened and publicly read aloud. Each bid will be in accordance with the Plans and Specifications prepared by Annand, Boone & Lei, Archi-

tect's, 1530 S. W. Taylor Street, Portland 5, Oregon, and shall be accompanied by certified check, cashier's check, or satisfactory bid bond made out to the order of Sherman County High School District, Sherman County, Oregon, in an amount equal to 5% of the bid. Each bid shall have attached thereto the list of Subcontractors the bidder proposes to use and any bid not having this attached list will be disqualified from bid-

ding. The Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and waive any informalities. Plans and Specifications will be available from the office of the Architect upon deposit of \$25.00. No bidder may withdraw his bid after the hours set for opening thereof unless awarding of the contract is delayed exceeding thirty (30) days.

Marjorie K. Marvin, Clerk 15-7c

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