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Musings--

By an Innocent Bystander

Will Steel is gone. The man who, more than any other, was responsible for our own Crater Lake National Park, has at last handed on the torch and laid himself down to rest. Ever since the writer came to Southern Oregon more than a quarter of a century ago we have heard the name of Will G. Steel. We came to know this quiet, kindly old man, who dreamed a great dream and lived to see that dream realized. His was a full life and we shall miss his friendly smile and welcoming hand when next we visit the lake.

We want to see a statue of William Gladstone Steel placed on some prominent point overlooking the lake he loved, that the countless thousands who visit there each year may think of this man and his dream. The story of his lifetime on behalf of Crater Lake National park should be graven on tables of stone for all to read.

We wonder how many of those who take the great Rainbows from the blue waters of Crater Lake know that but for Will Steel there would be no fish life in the lake. Do they picture, as we have done, the wagon laboriously making its way up the valley of the Rogue, stopping every few miles to renew the water in the cans of trout fry under the watchful eyes of a slim man of middle age. Can they see that man taking a pail of fish fry and walking up the dim trail from the road's end and then down those perilous cliffs to finally stand at the water's edge, where the fish were liberated, to form the ancestors of the present generation?

The first boat to float on the calm waters there was let down the rim walls with ropes by Mr. Steel and the first soundings to find the depth of the lake were made by him. In fact, Will Steel's name is linked with every bit of the early history of this great wonder of nature.

Kindly, generous, tenacious, brave old man. Your labors are finished. May we to whom you have thrown the torch, "Carry on" with the great work you loved so well.

The time is short now until the "great grand jury" will meet to decide who shall serve in the various offices. It has been a quiet campaign. And as we look over the field we believe we can see a definite turn away from General Martin for governor. It seems to us that more and more people have realized that friendship with Roosevelt and the big bugs in the cabinet doesn't mean he will make a good governor for Oregon.

What we need, and what we believe we have in Joe Dunne, is a man of plain common sense who knows our own problems and whose slogan of "pay as we go," sounds good to us. A careful reading of Dunne's platform in another column should convince anyone that he has a very level head and a definite plan which is worthy of consideration.

We urge the re-election of Howard for state Superintendent of Public Instruction; Gram for Labor Commissioner and Snell for Secretary of State. In the county, we want to see Earl B. Day win for County Judge, Nealon for Commissioner and Olschheid for sheriff.

Judge Day has well earned the gratitude of every peace-loving citizen and his true fitness should insure his election. Nealon was the stormy petrel of the Fehl regime. He calmly kept his head during that turmoil and never for a moment forgot that he was representing the people in a big job. He should be given another term.

Walter Olschheid took hold of the sheriff's office at a time when all was confusion. His calm, clear mind and courteous way has made him many friends who hope to see him retained.

In the city election we shall refrain from taking any stand. As a candidate for councilman we ask your support but our only promise is that if elected we shall do the best we know for the city's welfare.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Brenner of Medford enjoyed Sunday dinner with his brother, Mr. Truman Brenner and family.

REPUBLICANS HAVE STRONG TICKET FOR COUNTY OFFICES

The Republican ticket for county offices this year is a specially strong one. The candidates are all men of experience in the offices they seek and have made exceptionally good records.

For State Senator, George W. Dunn of Ashland has spent many years in the state senate and has a reputation of being one of the most influential men in that body. His work for Jackson county is well known and his defeat would be a distinct loss to the county.

For Representatives, A. E. Brockway and Glenn O. Taylor both served in the last legislature and made good records there. Mr. Brockway is a practical farmer and knows at first hand the problems confronting the rural districts. He is especially well equipped to serve a district such as this. Mr. Taylor was for many years justice of the peace in the Medford district. His experience there makes him especially fit to pass on laws which affect the common people. Both Mr. Brockway and Mr. Taylor made enviable records in the last session of the legislature.

For County Judge, Earl B. Day is seeking election to the post he has held under appointment of the Governor for the past year and a half. Mr. Day took hold of the office at a most trying time and has established a wonderful record for fairness, common sense and careful attention to the needs of the county. During his administration the county has been restored to peace and orderly conduct of its affairs and his election will insure a continuation of such careful methods.

For County Commissioner R. E. Nealon is a candidate for the full term. He was appointed to the office two years ago upon the resignation of John Barneburg. It was this appointment that stirred up much of the trouble during the early part of Fehl's administration. In the face of lies, threats and intimidation, Mr. Nealon kept calmly on attending strictly to business. As a practical farmer he understands farm problems relating to roads, etc., and his work since assuming office proves him a very competent man for the position.

For Sheriff, Walter J. Olschheid was also appointed to fill a vacancy caused by the disqualification of Gordon Schermerhorn. A quiet, reserved young man, Mr. Olschheid has applied business methods in the conduct of the sheriff's office, and his record has been very good. A change in this office would be of no benefit whatever at this time.

Paul B. Rynning has no opposition for re-election as County Surveyor. His long experience makes him a very valuable man in this office and his election is assured.

Turkey Dinner Held At Gleason Home

Sunday, Oct. 21 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Gleason, a turkey dinner was held in honor of Mrs. Lu Ellis Boden of Medford and her father Mr. Gleason's birthdays which occurred on Oct. 20 and 22. The invited guests were Mrs. Mervyn Gleason, Jimmy and Mervyn, Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Bodin and Bobby Hoagland, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Gleason.

Alice Irene Corkery Funeral Held Today

Funeral services were conducted this afternoon at 2 o'clock for Alice Irene Corkery, wife of John W. Corkery of Klamath Falls, and sister of Mrs. Jesse Richardson of this city, and also of Mr. Tom Wilson of Rogue River, who passed away Tuesday evening at 9:15 o'clock at the Klamath Valley hospital. Interment will be in the Central Point cemetery. The services are to be conducted at the Perl Funeral parlors.

WATCH THIS SPACE!
If you're lucky and see your name here you will receive a ticket to some picture show in Medford. Names will be drawn from our paid up subscription list.

L. H. Root

Directory Shows Full Names of Federal Bureaus

In these days when news dispatches from Washington are full of sign language what-nots the average citizen is at sea to determine just where his tax dollars are going. As a sort of ready reference New Deal "A. B. C." guide we present herewith a list of alphabetical boards and what they stand for:

- AAA—Agricultural Adjustment Administration.
- CSB—Central Statistical Board
- CCC—Commodity Credit Corporation & Civilian Conservation Corps.
- ECW—Emergency Conservation Work.
- EC—Executive Council
- FCA—Farm Credit Administration
- FACA—Federal Alcohol Control Administration.
- FAC—Federal Aviation Commission.
- FCC—Federal Communications Commission
- FCT—Federal Coordinator of Transportation.
- FDIC—Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.
- FEAPW—(PWA) Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works.
- FEA—Federal Emergency Relief Administration.
- FSRC—Federal Surplus Relief Corporation.
- PHLBB—Federal Home Loan Bank Board.
- HOLC—Home Owners' Loan Corporation.
- FHA—Federal Housing Administration.
- PSLIC—Federal Savings & Loan Insurance Corp.
- FSHC—Federal Subsistence Home-Steeds Corporation.
- PTZB—Foreign Trade Zone Board.
- IEC—Industrial Emergency Committee.
- NEC—National Emergency Council.
- NHA—National Housing Administration.
- NLRB—National Labor Relations Board.
- NMB—National Mediation Board.
- NPPC—National Power Policy Commission.

New Migratory Bird Law Demands Stamp

Under the terms of a new migratory bird law all hunters of ducks, geese and other water fowl are required to procure stamps from some designated post office and have same affixed to their hunting license. The price of the stamp is \$1.00.

The object of the new regulation is to raise funds for improving bird refuges and shelters where the birds will be unmolested during their migrations north and south each year. The stamp is required of all hunters excepting property owners or occupants in cases where the birds are causing property damage.

It is felt that the new method of raising funds will be of advantage on account of the fact that here will be no cost attached to the collecting of the money, on account of it being done through the post office department at no increased cost.

All duck hunters are warned to procure their stamp before going into the fields. Stamps may be purchased at the local postoffice, according to a statement made today by Postmaster Pankey.

Estimate 42,000 Turkeys in Valley

County Agent Robert G. Fowler estimates the turkey crop of Jackson county at 42,000 birds. He says the turkeys are well scattered throughout the county, with the largest flock on the Hamlin ranch, in the Reese creek district. The turkeys are above the average in quality and size.

To date no price has been announced, but according to the county agent, it is expected to be higher than last year. First sales of Rogue River valley turkeys are due the first week of November.

The valley turkeys escaped the usual ailments, and ideal weather conditions aided their early growth, according to the county agent.

NRS—National Reemployment Service.

NRA—National Recovery Administration.

NRB—National Resources Board.

PA—Petroleum Administration.

RFC—Reconstruction Finance Corp.

SAB—Science Advisory Board.

SEC—Securities & Exchange Commission.

SES—Soil Erosion Service.

TVA—Tennessee Valley Authority.

TVAC—Tennessee Valley Associated Cooperatives, Inc.

Washington D. C. is the one city in the United States that has not felt the depression. Everyone is on the payroll. When one alphabetical board or commission completes its work, another is organized so that the faithful may be assured continuous employment. It is a common thing now days to pick up a newspaper and see "The ZYC will spend \$50,000,000 within the next few months". All you are supposed to do is to pay your share of the necessary taxes and then utter a prayer that at least part of the money is not wasted.

When the day of reckoning comes who must pay the bill? You, your son, your son's son. Recovery cannot come through the reckless expenditure of government money. Boards and commissions, manned by theorists and visionaries can best help business by disbanding and going home. What we need now is just one more board—the QEB—quick, which translated means "Quack Elimination Board".

The country has been tax bled until it is sick. Governmental "shots in the arm" at \$25,000,000 a shot may make Uncle Sam feel Good temporarily, but if continued the patient will wind up with a severe case of "jitters".

P. S. One board seems to be missing from the A. B. C. list. We tried to find out how much each of the various bureaus have spent, but as yet have failed to locate the commission employed to compile that information.

Sheep Suffering From Dog Raids

Complaint has been filed by sheep raisers with the county court, that dogs—mostly unlicensed, and running wild over the countryside—are killing sheep in large numbers. The sheepmen request that the county court take action to curb the dogs.

Commissioner Ralph Billings reports that a week does not pass when a bill is not presented to the county for sheep killed by dogs. This amounts to a considerable sum over a year, and under Oregon law must be paid for by the county court.

Sheepmen report that after raids on their flocks, they have kept a watch and slain the marauders. The dogs travel in bands of two or three. All of the dogs killed were unlicensed. Quite a few have been police dogs that went "wild" it is reported.

According to county authorities some of the sheepmen threaten legal action against dog owners, as a means of redress.

Some owners of dogs claim that the sheep killing is the work of coyotes. The sheepmen claim that most of the marauding has been in sections on the floor of the valley where coyotes seldom if ever venture.

Ayers Family Enjoys Visit from Friends

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mitchell of Long Beach, Calif., surprised the A. W. Ayers family by dropping in on them Monday evening and remaining over night.

They are returning home from a trip north to Vancouver and other northern points.

Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Ayers were employed in the ship yards during the World War and have visited several times together since that time.

Mr. Mitchell is interested at present in fruit raising also the developing of new oil fields. They left Tuesday morning for their home in the south.

Rain Aids Farms and Orchards

Rain of the past few days has been highly beneficial to all cover crops according to County Horticulturist, Lyle P. Wilcox. The moisture has penetrated from 10 to 12 inches.

Continuation of the rain would be of high value to the orchards. According to reports considerable snow has fallen in the higher levels, with heavy falls at Diamond Lake, Union Creek, and in the Dead Indian country. Snow also fell in the Siskiyou. It has started to melt, causing a slight rise in irrigation storage reservoirs.

Eastern Star Honors 26th Anniversary

At a regular meeting of Nevada Chapter, O. E. S. held Tuesday evening, the 26th anniversary was celebrated.

It was just a jolly time, with the Past Matron's and Past Parlor's as honor guests.

Many speeches were made; each member endeavoring to leave the impression that they had done the most for the Chapter and closing with a regular bragging contest of merriment.

The rooms and tables were beautifully decorated with blossoms; mostly from the garden of Mrs. Olive Dean. Delicious refreshments were served and three beautifully decorated cakes were cut, one by Mrs. Lela Kyle, Worthy Matron, another by Mrs. Sadie B. Koehler, Junior Worthy Matron, and the other by Mrs. Hattie B. Hatfield, Senior Worthy Matron.

The following committee served in the dining room and they deserve great credit: Mesdames Edith Scott, Anna Mears, Bertha Bonney, Beulah Faber, and the Messrs Vincent, and Mears.

Mrs. Ethel Freeman, Associate Matron was chairman for the entertainment.

Salade Buys Largest Shropshire Ram on Exhibition at Fair

Louis Salade of Seven Oaks, reports the purchase at the Pacific International Livestock Exposition in Portland, of the largest Shropshire ram on exhibit there.

Mr. Salade has a large flock of purebred Shropshire sheep and the recent purchase was made to improve his flock. He makes sales of purebred sheep all over the coast.

The market for Shropshire wool has been very good this year, Mr. Salade reports, and also the demand for lambs of that breed.

Isaacsons Enjoy Vacation at Beach

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Isaacson returned recently from a very pleasant vacation spent at the beaches.

They report having seen the ocean at Bandon when the unusually ground swells were dashing high over the rocks, a most beautiful sight when viewed from the Queen Ann Cottages.

The Cranberry bogs near Bandon were quite interesting. The only building activities seen were at the Bandon Beaches where two nice residences are in the course of construction.

Bank Office Not To Be Moved

Mr. Dickinson, Deputy Superintendent of Banks wishes to announce to the public that the office of the State Banking Department in Central Point, will continue to be in the Bank Building even though the building has been sold to the City of Central Point.

The banking department office will be open Tuesday of each week and Mr. Dickinson will be glad to meet any one interested in the bank liquidation.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Richardson and Mrs. Richardson's brother Tom Wilson of Rogue River motored to Klamath Falls Sunday to visit Mrs. Richardson's sister Mrs. Corkey, who was seriously ill. Mrs. Corkey passed away Tuesday night.

FINAL RESPECTS PAID WILL STEEL IN SIMPLE RITES

MEDFORD, Oct. 24—Last respects of scores of sorrowing friends were paid to Judge William Gladstone Steel, "Father of Crater Lake," at funeral services yesterday afternoon at the Perl Funeral Home, following his death last Sunday as a result of a lingering illness. The services were simple in keeping with the simplicity with which he had lived.

Verbal tribute was voiced by Father William Black to Judge Steel, 49 years of whose life was so closely connected with the establishment and development of Crater Lake national park into one of the outstanding units of the national park service. Sixteen park officials and rangers were in attendance at the services as active and honorary pallbearers.

The death of Judge Steel, who had served as park commissioner since 1917, brings to a close a life fraught with endeavour, energy and accomplishment the results of which will continue through years to come to perpetuate his memory. Next to his family, Crater Lake claimed his greatest devotion and caused his greatest sacrifices to make this scenic spot available to the people.

When other years found him more blessed with health, no summer passed by without seeing him in the region of the lake of blue mysteries which he first beheld as a young man in 1885, beginning his ceaseless efforts in its behalf. He became known as one of the outstanding figures of the national park service and was always a friend of the great and humble with a loyalty undimmed by passing years.

Short services were held at the graveside in Siskiyou Memorial cemetery with Father Black and members of the Elks lodge officiating.

Senator Dunne to Speak over KEX Tonight at 9:15

PORTLAND, Oct., 24—(Sp1)—Senator Joe Dunne, republican nominee for governor, will go on the air over station KEX, Portland, Thursday night, (Oct. 25) at 9:15 o'clock, for the third state-wide broadcast in his campaign for the November 6th election.

His topic, as yet unannounced, is expected to deal specifically with another of Oregon's vital problems as did his previous two addresses which dealt extensively with the power and tax questions respectively.

Hundreds of congratulatory messages have been received by the republican candidate from all parts of the state following advancement of his two proposals for the development of the Bonneville power project in his first radio speech, and his policies relative to tax reduction in the second.

Dunne's power talk outlined two definite plans for insuring Oregon the maximum benefit from Bonneville power without incurring further indebtedness to the state. These since have been endorsed by Charles L. McNary, Oregon's senior United States senator and republican leader in the senate.

With their practical possibility of bringing \$15,000,000 annually to Oregon, or more than enough to pay the entire school tax Senator Dunne's proposals are optimistically looked to as bona fide relief for the overburdened taxpayers of the state.

Supt. Bowman to Speak to P. T. A.

The Central Point Parent-Teacher Association will hold the November meeting at the high school, Friday November 2 at 3 o'clock.

The grades will give a program and the speaker of the afternoon will be County Superintendent, C. R. Bowman, speaking on the 20 mill tax limitation bill.

This is a very important bill that is coming up at the next election. The P-T. A. would like every one who is old enough to vote to hear what Mr. Bowman has to say about this bill. You are invited and urged to attend this meeting whether you have children in school or not.

The 8th grade mothers will serve tea at the social hour after the business meeting.