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EDITORIALS

IN THE HOUSE OF THE ENEMY

The people of the United States have been behaving like good soldiers in the face of a severe attack by a supposedly overwhelming enemy. They have stood by their guns in following leaders who were employed by the people to guide them out of a seeming wilderness. Our citizens have listened to the reports of many political scouts who have advised them to follow this course or that course to circumvent the enemy of depression. Time has dragged by and our people have held back the enemy. But they are awakening to the fact that scouts in whom they placed confidence and generals on whom

they relied for leadership, have, knowingly or unknowingly, played into the hands of the enemy by discouraging and weakening the initiative and financial resources of the citizens of the country, through legislation, restrictions and experiments which actually discourage investment and employment, and encourage confiscatory taxation.

The enemy of depression thrives and gains strength under plans and legislative acts which destroy private initiative and enterprise in the United States.

Our citizens who have been good soldiers, are beginning to see this. More and more they are beginning to realize that they will have to pay all the bills for all the schemes proposed by all the scouts and all the generals whom they have followed.

They are beginning to realize that they will have to work and produce new wealth in order to destroy the foe, depression. They are also beginning to realize that they cannot spend their way into prosperity, because every dollar comes out of their own pockets. Experience furnishes an object lesson that is never forgotten by those affected.

MAKE EVERY WEEK FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

Fire Prevention Week, which began as an annual event during the Wilson administration, has been productive of much good. It has lessened the toll of lives that fire takes each year. It has saved millions of

dollars worth of property from destruction. But, in spite of this splendid record, the results obtained have been far less imposing than they should have been.

It is the common experience for the national fire loss to fall during the week, and for a relatively brief period immediately following. They again rises to "normal" levels. In brief, while the lessons of the week are fresh in their minds, citizens are careful—when time has dimmed the enthusiasm the week gave them, they again return to their old careless habits.

There is but one solution for that unfortunate state of affairs—a solution that, if it is to be the success it deserves to be, must be applied by every property-owner and citizen. Figuratively speaking, we must make every week Fire Prevention Week. We must remember what we learn, and apply it throughout the year. We must realize that the fire demon never sleeps—and that it is of little use to eliminate hazards and take protective measures one year, and then allow that good work to go undone for the balance of the twelve months.

This year, Fire Prevention Week offered the motto, "Fire destroys life, property, progress, prosperity". That minimizes the consequences of fire, rather than exaggerating them. Fire is the enemy of our homes, of our industries, of our communities, of the lives of our loved ones. Fire prevention is their friend and protector. Don't forget—make each week Fire Prevention Week so far as you are concerned.

THE FARM OUTLOOK

The farm outlook has greatly changed in the last three years. When the bottom of depression was reached in the summer of 1932, it looked as if agriculture faced nothing save more foreclosures, more farm failures, more profitless years. Slow improvement set in then, and the pace of betterment gradually accelerated. Recent surveys indicate that agricultural income is climbing, and that black ink is taking the place of red in farm ledgers. The farmer is not out of the woods—but he can see the sunny meadows beyond.

At meeting of the Communist International which was recently held in Moscow the speakers frankly proclaimed as the purpose of the organization the overthrow of the American government. When the United States protested the meeting and called the attention of the Soviet government that such meetings and pronouncements were in violation of the treaty between the Russian government and the United States, the Soviet government refused to accept the note of protest and stated that it had no jurisdiction over the Communist International. Our opinion is that if the avowed intention of the Communist International had been the overthrow of the Russian government the Soviet authorities would have found some way to establish jurisdiction in short order. All of which but emphasizes the fact that this country serves its own interests best when it keeps foreign nations at a good arm's length.

TABLE ROCK

V. A. DAVIS
 Proud monarch of the lovely plain!
 I salute thee, with reverent mein,
 As morning beams
 Thy summit gleams,
 And shadows, with clutching fingers
 Climb thy steeps, while twilight lingers
 Soft, o'er thy top,
 Bold, Table Rock!

In the dim and distant ages,
 Ere were turned history's pages,
 Thy form appeared,
 All bleak and seared,
 Above the ocean's broken floor.
 Amid the crash and awful roar
 Of earthquake's shock,
 Grim, Table Rock!

Like some ruin, old and hoary,
 Silent, though crowned with glory,
 Thy tongue could tell,
 Of what befell
 Since order first from chaos sprung,
 And around thee man's reign begun
 That ne'er shall stop,
 Rare, Table Rock!

From thy summit, in days gone by
 The savage viewed, with bodeful eye,
 His setting sun;
 Thy course shall run
 Embalmed in story, old and stable,
 Historic page, old and fable,
 And battle shock,
 Stern, Table Rock!

When spring's green witchery, like
 a loom,
 Weaves the valley, in bud and bloom
 And birds and bees,
 Sweet harmonies
 Charm the scene and entrance the
 skies,
 Visions open of Paradise,
 Around thy top,
 Grand, Table Rock!

The swallows come and swallows
 go,
 Ever the river's crystal flow
 Still seaward sweeps;
 Thy reign yet keeps
 Unchanged, amid our turbid life,
 The ebbs and flows of human strife
 Concern thee not,
 Strong, Table Rock!

Noble mountain! so should we,
 Adrift on life's unresting sea,
 With love ignored,
 Ambition lowered
 Take heart, and brave the battling
 fates,
 Grip hands with Hope, until the
 gates
 Of life unlock
 O, Table Rock!

PILOT ROCK

V. A. DAVIS
 Behold! I stand here alone,
 My head high above the pines;
 Guarding a realm all my own,
 Since the dim and misty times.
 I've seen the moving story,
 That unfolded long ago—
 The earth reveal her glory,
 As the cycles come and go.

I've seen old Shasta spouting fire,
 And Mazama all complete;
 I've seen those wonders all expire,
 And the ocean bathe my feet.
 I'm first to greet the rising sun,
 And the last to see him set;
 I'm first to hear the wild bees hum,
 And wear old Winter's coronet.

I knew the stirring days of old,
 When the Argonauts of fame,
 Chased the rainbow's pot of gold,
 Before they bestowed my name,
 I've stood like a pillar by day,
 And a cloud of fire by night—
 Guiding the weary pilgrims way,
 Into promised lands aright.

Like a sentry, helmed and tall,
 I'll keep the charge set for me—
 To guard this realm, free for all,
 Through the ages yet to be.

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PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF CENTRAL POINT, OREGON FOR THE YEAR 1936

The following is a budget of the estimated expenditures of the City of Central Point, Oregon, for the year 1936, together with the estimated receipts from all sources and the levy of taxes required to raise the necessary revenue:

| Department | SUMMARY For the Year 1936 | | Budget |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|------------|
| | Levy | Estimated Receipts | |
| Recorder | \$1,240.00 | \$ 100.00 | \$1,340.00 |
| Treasurer | 125.00 | 125.00 | 125.00 |
| Police | 925.00 | 50.00 | 975.00 |
| Library | 132.00 | 132.00 | 132.00 |
| Fire | 175.00 | 175.00 | 175.00 |
| Streets, Labor and Material | 400.00 | 400.00 | 400.00 |
| Park | 30.00 | 30.00 | 30.00 |
| Fire Hydrants | 1,320.00 | 1,320.00 | 1,320.00 |
| Light and Globes | 200.00 | 200.00 | 200.00 |
| Taxes, Legal & Audit | 130.00 | 130.00 | 130.00 |
| Maintenance & Repair | 268.00 | 268.00 | 268.00 |
| Emergency | 300.00 | 300.00 | 300.00 |
| General Fund | \$5,245.00 | \$ 150.00 | \$5,395.00 |
| Redemption of Bonds | 2,500.00 | 2,500.00 | 2,500.00 |
| Interest on Bonds | 2,050.00 | 2,050.00 | 2,050.00 |
| Total Levy | \$9,795.00 | Est. Ex. | \$9,945.00 |

| DEPARTMENT BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR YEAR 1936 | | |
|-------------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Recorder—salary | \$1,200.00 | |
| Office Supplies | 20.00 | |
| Stamps and Printing | 20.00 | \$1,240.00 |
| Treasurer—Salary | \$ 120.00 | |
| Stamps and Exchange | 5.00 | \$ 125.00 |
| Marshal—Salary | \$ 900.00 | |
| Special Police | 20.00 | |
| Traffic Tags and Notices | 5.00 | \$ 925.00 |
| Library Support | \$ 120.00 | |
| Lights | 12.00 | \$ 132.00 |
| Fire Truck | \$ 75.00 | |
| Hose | 100.00 | \$ 175.00 |
| Streets—Labor | \$ 300.00 | |
| Material | 100.00 | \$ 400.00 |
| Park | \$ 30.00 | \$ 30.00 |
| Fire Hydrants | \$1,320.00 | \$1,320.00 |
| Street Lights | \$ 141.60 | |
| Globes | 58.40 | \$ 200.00 |
| Taxes | \$ 40.00 | |
| Legal | 60.00 | |
| Audit | 30.00 | \$ 130.00 |
| Maintenance and Repair | | |
| City Hall—Jail | \$ 30.00 | |
| Fuel | 30.00 | |
| Trucks and Supplies | 100.00 | |
| Accident Fund | 75.00 | |
| Telephone | 8.00 | |
| Miscellaneous | 25.00 | \$ 268.00 |
| Emergency | | \$ 300.00 |
| Total General Fund | \$5,245.00 | |
| Redemption of Bonds | 2,500.00 | |
| Interest on Bonds | 2,050.00 | |
| TOTAL LEVY | \$9,795.00 | |

| Indebtedness | |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| 74 Refunding Bonds, Nos. 36 to 38 and Nos. 40 to 110, incl. in \$500.00 Denominations, 1936 to 1948. | \$37,000.00 |

| General Fund | |
|----------------------------------------|------------|
| Funds on Hand as of September 30, 1935 | |
| General Fund—Cash in Bank | \$3,125.98 |
| Sinking Fund—Cash in Bank | 118.55 |
| Interest Fund—Cash in Bank | 64.70 |
| Refunding Bond—Cash in Bank | 82.50 |
| Total | \$3,391.71 |

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true statement of the proposed budget of expenses for the year 1936, as adopted by the budget committee of the City of Central Point, Oregon, on October 3, 1935, and notice is hereby given to all persons interested therein, that the City Council will meet in the City Hall, in said City, on Wednesday, October 30, 1935, at 7:30 P. M. of said day, and then and there discuss said budget and make the levy of the City taxes for expenditures for the year 1936, and at which time and place any person interested therein may meet with the Council and make his objection to said budget, and said proposed tax levy, if any he has.

Dated this 8th day of October, 1935.
 (Signed) GUY TEX, City Recorder.

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