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**EDITORIALS**

Here is an excellent thought from the Port Umpqua, Oregon, Courier: "If the Courier man were a judge in courts dispensing sentence upon drunken auto drivers, there would only be first offenders. Regardless of race, color, creed or alleviating circumstances, the person who has so little consideration for the lives of innocent people as to drink intoxicants before or after placing himself behind the steering wheel of an automobile should never be allowed to repeat the performance. Revocation of licenses would be fatal and final. Driving a car is a privilege—not a right."

It is impossible to prove exactly what percentage of automobile accidents are caused by drunken driving, for the reason that in many cases where liquors plays a part, arresting officers and prosecutors are unable afterwards to produce sufficient evidence for a conviction. But all the best estimates say that alcohol is the definitive factor in a much higher proportion of mishaps than is generally realized. Furthermore, an accident in which a drunk is involved is more likely to be serious than one involving sober drivers. Drunken drivers are often released after paying relatively small fines. Some juries are notoriously derelict in their duty in bringing in convictions.

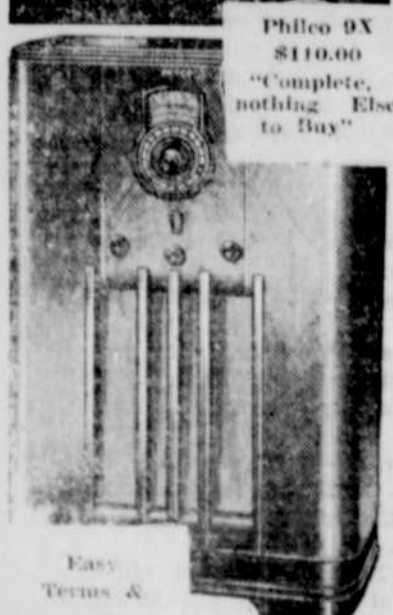
The drunken driver should never be allowed to pay a fine and he should be denied the right to use the public streets and highways. If such a program were carried out throughout the country, one of the gravest menaces to life would be greatly minimized.

**HANDWRITING ON THE WALL**

Unless labor unions and employers exercise self restraint over their respective powers and recognize the rights of the public, the government will step in and take control. Dr. Robert L. Sutherland of Bucknell University, declared recently when speaking on the long drawn out Pacific Coast ship strike and the automobile strike in the East.

Dr. Sutherland said it was "only a matter of time until any group using power without responsibility will be checked," and pointed out that as a general rule this country never curbed power until it was abused.

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When any group of leaders, no matter who, deliberately plan to win their point at all costs, regardless of suffering of workmen or the public, it is time to break their grip—that is what government is for, to protect all the people.

If the day arrives when our government can be controlled by either labor or industrial dictators, to the detriment of the people, fascism or communism will have swallowed democracy, individual rights will be wiped out and labor will become a form of slavery.

**CRAZY MONEY**

People who are interested in the effects of inflation, an ever present danger nowadays, would do well to read an article in the current magazine "Commentator" by Lowell Thomas, of radio fame.

Reciting the story of inflation as he saw it in Germany, he recounts how a million German marks at the end of the World war were worth \$10,000, how later they were worth only \$150 and how they then continued to fall and fall.

"One day I passed by a factory at about ten in the morning and saw a crowd of poorly dressed women waiting outside the gate," he continues. "I learned that these women's husbands were about to be paid their week's wages at ten-thirty and they were waiting to get the money. At the hour the women surged into the gate. Then one came rushing forth, a sheaf of money clutched in her hand, and ran, ran desperately down the street. Another came forth, clutching her money, and ran; another, another, a whole crowd of women running madly. Why? Because prices at the stores changed at noon, and these women were rushing to spend the week's wages while it still would buy something. After twelve o'clock it might buy only half, or a fifth, or a tenth, of what it would buy before twelve."

Inflation, Thomas points out, is caused by the demand for "printing press money"—a demand now made in several bills pending before Congress. And then he adds:

"Balancing the budget looks like one of the labors of Hercules. So there's a siren lure sweeter than ever in its beguiling simplicity—print money to pay."

When, and if, the government starts that system of paying its debts, Germany's experiences could easily be duplicated in America.

**HISTORY, THE REPEATER**

More than 130 years ago, the Supreme Court of the United States was subjected to a wave of criticism. Its chief was none other than the third President of the then very young nation—Thomas Jefferson. Interesting are the facts surrounding that situation.

Jefferson was an ardent "states' rights" man. He opposed extension of federal powers, and followed in to the Presidency George Washington and John Adams, both of whom favored a strong central government.

Toward the close of his term, Adams succeeded in putting through legislation which strengthened the young and weak federal government. Jefferson then took office. He hoped that with his selection, the Supreme Court would declare unconstitutional these acts which he did not like. Instead, the Court followed the Constitution and repeatedly ruled contrary to Jefferson's wishes.

Whereupon Jefferson inaugurated a campaign of criticism—because the court would not hold laws unconstitutional. Jefferson's efforts were unsuccessful.

Several other times has criticism centered on the Court. Once, in the administration of General Ulysses S. Grant, an attempt was made to "pack" the Court by increasing its size. But the new members voted with the previous majority and Grant's efforts failed.

Never has the nation let anyone hamstring the Court for any length of time. The people obviously realize that time after time it has not only saved the nation from disintegration but preserved through thick and thin man's greatest heritage—liberty.

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If your young folks drive cars, please call this announcement to their attention.

The California Oregon Power Company

**William Facklam, of Willow Springs, Dies**

William Facklam, 76, resident of southern Oregon for the past 36 years, passed away at his home in the Willow Springs district at 8:30 a. m. Sunday after a brief illness. Although of advanced age, Mr. Facklam was very active and took a keen interest in the ranch up until the very last.

He has lived on his ranch during his entire residence in Oregon.

Mr. Facklam was born at Manitowoc, Wis., July 26, 1858. His four brothers—Harry, and John, Peter, and Joseph—who were all single as was William Facklam, have preceded him in death. His one sister, Mrs. Mary Gudmanson, passed away in 1916.

He was a neighborly man, and had a fine sense of humor, even when ill; he would always have a cheery smile and humorous word. He leaves very many friends and neighbors, who will be saddened to learn of his death.

He leaves to mourn his departure two nieces, Mrs. C. M. Taylor Jr., of Central Point and Mrs. L. E. Larsen of Milwaukee, Wis.; two nephews, Victor Gudmanson of Cadot, Wis., and Harold Gudmanson of Weslaco, Texas.

Funeral services were conducted from the Perl funeral home Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev.

Sherman L. Divine officiating. Interment was postponed until the snow recedes in the Jacksonville district.

**William F. Bonney, of Bonney's Grill, Dies**

William F. Bonney, proprietor of Bonney's Grill on the Pacific highway beyond Gold Hill, died at 9:30 Friday night in a local hospital after a lingering illness. He was 62 years old.

As owner of the poular inn, Mr. Bonney was widely known through out southern Oregon. He was known also by many patrons from other parts of Oregon and other western states. He was a resident of southern Oregon for the past 17 years, during the last 12 of which he operated the inn.

Mr. Bonney was born in Monmouth on October 20, 1874, and spent most of his life in this state. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Bonney, Oregon pioneers.

Surviving Mr. Bonney are a son by a first marriage, Luckey Bonney of Coquille; a brother, P. A. Bonney of Central Point; two sisters, Mrs. Maude Scott and Mrs. Laura Woodward of Woodburn; and two brothers, Henry Bonney of Klamath Falls and Ralph Bonney of The Dalles.

Funeral services will be held at Perl chapel at 3:30 Sunday after-

noon. The body will be taken to Portland for cremation.

**ROXY**

New Prices, Matinees 20c  
Evenings 25c. Kids 10c

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Prices Quoted Below Good at Central Point & Both Medford Stores Sat. & Mon.

<b>Flour</b>		
Sunset Gold	49-lb. Bag	98 <sup>C</sup>
Kitchen Craft	49-lb. Bag	\$1.79
Harvest Blossom	49-lb. Bag	\$1.59
Pride of West	49-lb. Bag	\$1.49
<b>Vanilla</b>	Schillings	19 <sup>C</sup>
	2-oz. Bottle	
<b>Pepper</b>	Schillings	10 <sup>C</sup>
	4-oz. Can	
<b>Tomato Sauce</b>	8-oz. Tins	3 <sup>C</sup>
<b>PEANUT BUTTER</b>	In Bulk	10 <sup>C</sup>
	LB.	
<b>MACARONI</b>	Rose City	17 <sup>C</sup>
	3 lbs.	
<b>RAISINS</b>	Del Monte Seedless	5 <sup>C</sup>
	15-oz. Pkg.	
<b>TOILET TISSUE</b>	Silk, 600-sheet Rolls	15 <sup>C</sup>
	6 Rolls	
<b>PEAS</b>	Rayercroft	10 <sup>C</sup>
	No. 2 Tins	
<b>SALT</b>	Maximum	5 <sup>C</sup>
	20-oz. Shaker	
<b>Airway Coffee</b>	3 lbs.	49 <sup>C</sup>
<b>Nob Hill Coffee</b>	2 lbs.	49 <sup>C</sup>
<b>BROOMS</b>	Topsy	23 <sup>C</sup>
	4 Sew	
<b>O. K. SOAP</b>	Yellow Bar	3 <sup>C</sup>
	Each	
<b>SNOWDRIFT</b>	Shortening	59 <sup>C</sup>
	3-lb. Tins	
<b>BROWN SUGAR</b>		17 <sup>C</sup>
	3 lbs.	
<b>SHREADED WHEAT</b>	N. B. C.	10 <sup>C</sup>
	Pkg.	
<b>BAKING POWDER</b>	Clabber Girl	17 <sup>C</sup>
	2-lb. Tin	
<b>Lettuce</b>	Solid Crisp	9 <sup>C</sup>
	Heads—2 for	
<b>Bananas</b>	Golden Ripe	19 <sup>C</sup>
	3 lbs.	
<b>Avocados</b>	Large Size	5 <sup>C</sup>
	Each	
<b>Broccoli</b>	Fresh Grown	25 <sup>C</sup>
	Italian—3 lbs.	
<b>Carrots</b>		
<b>Rutabagas</b>		
<b>Parsnips</b>	4 lbs	15 <sup>C</sup>

**SAFEGWAY**