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## EDITORIALS

### SANE INDEPENDENCE

Americans will commemorate American independence next week, but chances are that too many of them won't even give a thought to the occasion they are celebrating. To those, it will be just another July 4—just another holiday. As we approach this holiday, therefore, it might be well for the citizenry to remind itself that independence is well worth fighting and dying for, but that self-annihilation and injury through carelessness is not the prescribed methods for celebrating July 4.

Dying for American independence was the tragic role played by our fore fathers. They died that their descendants might have freedom from oppressive government, but they had no desire that the descendants should continue the role simply as a part of the celebration.

This Fourth of July will be safer and saner if everybody will slow down a bit and give pause for a little thinking about what Independence Day really means.

### OBJECT LESSON

"Take a drive up the river highway," says the Peoria, Illinois, Star, "and you can get an object lesson of the reasons why railroads are being driven into bankruptcy. The railway has a small army of men engaged in laying new steel. . . . These men draw wages. This steel costs money and gives employment in the mills. The railroad owns this right of way and whenever a rail wears out must replace it, at its own expense.

"This right of way is taxed for the benefit of the country, for the city, for its schools and for town government.

"Enroute you pass a bus or monster truck. . . . It travels over a right of way owned by the state and built with money of motorists. This right of way contributes no taxes. When trucks wear it out the state replaces it at public expense.

"Come into the city again. The railroad has a depot, and tracks leading to it. It owns both and it pays taxes on them. The bus company on the contrary rents a room and the city furnishes parking facilities on pavement paid for by the residents.

"This same situation could be multiplied a thousand times. It shows one of the handicaps under

which the railroads are operating."

As the Peoria Star also observes, we need buses and trucks, even as we do railroads. No one advocates legislation which would put the motor carriers out of business, or unfairly burden them in any way. But every student of the transportation problem realizes the need of laws which will treat all carriers equitably, favoring one and penalizing none. If one carrier is to be subsidized, directly or indirectly, all should be. Or all should be forced to stand on their own economic feet, and pay all their costs of operation, honestly computed.

Every citizen is interested in the taxes railroads pay and the jobs and orders they create. Present inequitable transportation regulation and taxation harms us all.

### HAVE THEY FORGOTTEN?

What, by the way, has happened to the proposed Wagner Act revision that was supposed to be considered by this Congress?

Have the lawmakers forgotten that standard polls indicate thinking citizens feel that unsound labor laws are a major handicap to recovery?

Have they forgotten that the Wagner Act, conceived and advocated as an instrument of industrial warfare?

Have they forgotten that the honest laboring man and the honest farmer are ultimately the worst sufferers from laws that encourage labor racketeering?

### The Soul Spark

A contributing factor to long life and love,  
That sets us apart and above boasts and things,  
Is an infinitesimal Spark from above,  
Alighting within us as the God gave it wings.

The Source of this Spark never ends—never dies;  
God's love for us humans keeps the Spark Source alive.

So there's always more Sparks falling down from the skies  
To settle so gently, when babies arrive.

So you see 'tis quite plain as good thoughts may discern,  
God gives a small part of this Source to each one.

All he asks in return is that each one shall earn  
(By using this Spark) his own "place in the sun."

Don't let that Spark lie! Fan it up to a Flame!

Then 'twill shine thru your eyes and give strength to your hand,  
As you give of that strength, you'll receive a good name.

As a soul-spark who works for the good of the Land.

If you leave that Spark lie (God forbid!) it won't die!

Be just spark! Make it flame! (God will help you, you know.)

Then the sparklets from your flame will fly

And may kindle some other, like the seeds that you sow.

—Plesant Herbert Lawton  
Central Point, Oregon

## OUR FELLOW DRIVERS

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Travelers Safety Service

Mrs. Wilda Carr and Miss Iola Carr called at the Doris Coleman home Monday afternoon. Miss Margaret Sullivan of Medford spent the week end with her grandmother Mrs. Painter.

## Legal Notices

**SUMMONS**  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR JACKSON COUNTY

**FARMERS & FRUITGROWERS BANK**, an Oregon banking corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Oregon, Plaintiff,

vs.  
**JOHN T. HACKETT AND LINDA HARDING HACKETT**, his wife, **FELIX WINFIELD HACKETT AND EVA RYAN HACKETT**, his wife, **ALBERT K. SHOREY, ARMANDE MARGUERITE STEPHENSON SHOREY GORDON AND HUNTLEY GORDON**, her husband; **MARY GRIFFIN HACKETT**; **SYBIL ROSE HACKETT PARSONS**; **C. A. MARSHALL**, Administrator of the estate of **C. A. Knight**, Deceased; **C. A. MARSHALL**, Administrator of the estate of **Cora L. Knight**, Deceased; **L. A. MOULLE COUNTY SAVINGS BANK & TRUST COMPANY**, a corporation of Hyde Park, Vermont; **H. L. EKERSON**; also the unknown heirs of the foregoing defendants and all other persons and parties unknown claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in the real property described in the complaint, Defendants.

To the above named defendants, IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON, You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed herein within four (4) weeks from the date of the first publication of summons, which date of first publication is June 22nd, 1939, the date of the last publication for your appearance is July 20th, 1939. Unless you appear and answer, the plaintiff will take a decree for the foreclosure of mortgages executed by C. A. Knight on the following described property:

Lots 3, 4 and 10, in Block 33, of the City of Medford, Oregon, and all the personal property thereon.

This summons is published by Order of the Honorable H. D. Norton, Circuit Judge of Jackson County, Oregon, dated June 16th, 1939.

**W. J. LOOKER**  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
Postoffice Address:  
211 Farmers & Fruitgrowers Bank Building,  
Medford, Oregon  
65—June 22, 29, July 6, 13

### NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an execution and order of sale issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Jackson County, the 26th day of May, 1939, upon and pursuant to a decree duly given and made by said Court the 26th day of May, 1939, in a suit pending therein in which Maxine Morse is plaintiff and J. C. Barnes and Flora E. Barnes, husband and wife, and Medford Production Credit Association, a corporation, are defendants which execution and order of sale was to me directed and commanded me to sell the real property hereinafter described to satisfy certain liens and charges in said decree specified, I will on the 8th day of July, 1939 at the hour of 10:00 o'clock A.M. at the front door of the County Court House in Medford, Jackson County, Oregon, offer for sale and sell at public auction for cash, subject to redemption as provided by law all of the right, title, and interest of the defendants in said suit and of all parties claiming by, through or under them or any of them since the 25th day of September, 1936, in or to the following described real property situated in Jackson County, Oregon, to-wit:

Beginning at a point in the County Road which point bears South 42 degrees and 40 minutes West 14 ft., and North 47 degrees West 2769 ft., from the N.W. Corner of D.L.C. No. 72; thence North 47 degrees West along center of County Road 833 ft.; thence North 53 de-

grees 10 minutes west 495 ft.; thence South 47 degrees West 700 ft.; thence South 2 degrees and 40 minutes East 549.5 ft. to the North line of the Railroad right of way; thence North along said right-of-way approximately South 40 degrees and 45 minutes East 1587.7 feet; thence North 22 degrees East 1228 ft. to County Road; thence North 46 degrees and 40 min-

utes West 87 ft. to the place of beginning containing 44.68 acres of land in Twp. 38 S. of Range 1 W. of W. M. in Oregon. Together with tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining. Dated this 8th day of June, 1939. **SYD I. BROWN**, Sheriff  
67—June 8, 15, 22, 29

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