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Musings

By the Editor

It isn't any too often that this writer, as a dyed-in-the-wool republican, can agree with our Democratic friend, Moore Hamilton. But what he had to say last week in the Medford News regarding the holding of two offices at the same time by several of the brethren is right down our alley. We agree with Moore that it smells bad, if nothing worse, for any man, no matter how capable, to hold one office under the legislative branch of our government, while at the same time accepting an appointive office under the executive branch.

The founders of the American plan of government believed that the affairs of the nation, (or of the states, for that matter) would be best handled through three separate and distinct branches of government—the legislative, which makes the laws; the judicial, which interprets them; and the executive, which puts them into action. For over 150 years, or until the coming of the Roosevelt New Deal, this system worked wonderfully. But for the past twelve years we have seen an insidious encroachment by the executive branch upon both of the other two. Today we find in our own state, members of the state legislature, elected by the people to make, remodel and revise the laws of the state, holding office under appointment of the governor, who is the head of the executive department.

Take the case of Merle Chessman, senator from Clatsop county, who refused to resign that office when appointed by Governor Snell as a member of the state highway commission, and is holding down both jobs. Now we have nothing against Mr. Chessman, nor his ability to hold either job, but we don't like the idea of his holding both jobs. As we said above—it stinks. Too much opportunity of using his influence as highway commissioner to get laws made to suit that body, without regard for other considerations. The same is true of the two other men who are holding appointive jobs under the governor, while at the same time holding onto their legislative jobs.

And while we are agreeing with other editors, we might as well confess to being sulted right down to the ground with Bob Ruhl's correspondence from Boston in Tuesday's paper in which he takes organized labor to task for their "arrogant, public-be-damned," attitude in the present strife. Some of these days, they are going to find that they only represent a minority of the great American public and that said public is getting mighty tired of their actions. And to judge from what we have heard from a number of returned veterans, these boys are beginning to get worked up right now and may be heard from in no certain terms one of these days. Let Mr. Murray, et al, bear in mind how many of those young men there are and beware their anger. THEY WANT JOBS and THEY WANT NEW HOMES and lots of other things and they don't want to wait too darned long either, while the unions wrangle over jurisdictional matters.

We heard a man in Medford make a remark the other day which sounded mighty true. He said it would take Medford and Jackson county ten years to get over Camp White and all the tribulations which have come into our midst since it came into existence. Rent control, high wages, scarcity of labor, and all the rest. He called attention to the difficulty of getting anyone to do any work unless they received enormous wages. And what the future effect of paying mere boys higher wages than their dads ever got, even after they had families to support. But one thing the gentleman forgot to mention—and that was the answer to it all. Who knows?

Here's one for the book: Choir Leader, (directing choir)—Now the altos will sing until they come to "the gates of hell"—then we'll all come in!

Mr. Petty, who has been visiting his niece, Mrs. Edward Jones, has left for McMinnville, where he will spend the winter with his daughter. He expects to return here for another visit before returning to his home in Canada.

TELLS INTERESTING STORY OF TRIP TO BRING BUS

Mr. and Mrs. Smith recently returned from a trip to Lima, Ohio, where they went to take delivery of a new school bus for the Willow Springs district. They went east by plane and drove the big bus back to Oregon. Following is an interesting story of their trip:

By Frieda Smith
We left Medford airport Monday afternoon Oct. 29, cold windy day. The flight to Portland was beautiful. There was a little mist in the air but we could see the mountains and streams real well. Arrived in Portland about 5:30 where we stayed until 11:28 P.M. when the United Airlines plane left for Chicago. As we flew through the darkness I watched the beacon lights blink to light the way. We landed at Pendleton and Boise then up we flew over the Rocky mts. I don't know how high we flew but it was quite rough and the air so light and cold. The Stewardess brought us each a woolen lap robe. We flew high all night then about 7:00 Tuesday dawn we came into Cheyenne, Wyoming. A 50 mile an hour gale was blowing there and we were tossed around like a leaf in the breeze. Delmar and I experienced airsickness as we landed in Cheyenne. Fifteen minutes there then off again for Omaha and Chicago. Soon after the take off the stewardess served breakfast. It looked so good, but I could only drink a cup of coffee. I decided I wanted to eat the next meal served, so started recuperating by taking a little nap. All the way I had a seat right by a window and looked out most every minute of the trip. Over Wyoming there didn't seem to be anything of interest to look at so I thought this was the time for a short nap. When I awoke we were flying over western Nebraska and we could see the farms below. At Omaha dinner was put aboard in a steam compartment. By this time I was feeling better and enjoyed the dinner as we flew over Des Moines, Iowa. Such a nice meal served in a deep tray with little compartments so the food wouldn't spill. By this time we were flying over the corn belt and it was wonderful to look down on the well kept farm buildings and huge fields of corn. I realize now what is meant by the corn belt.

We were flying in and out of the clouds as we neared Chicago. We landed at Chicago Municipal airport at 1:35; 1/2 hour ahead of schedule because of a tail wind. What a busy place crowded with all types of people. I heard one person say Sonja Heine had been there that day. A limousine which carried about a dozen passengers whisked us off to the Baltimore and Ohio Grand Central Station. Luckily we were the last ones off so got to see the Stevens Hotel and several other buildings of interest. Delmar's cousin met us at the station then we went shopping in Marshall Field's grand department store. We were there until closing time but had only a glance at the many interesting items. We then walked back to the B. and O. station, window shopping all the way. We left Chicago by train 8:45 P.M.; arrived at our cousin's home in Willard, Ohio 4:30 A.M. Wednesday fine but travel worn.

We visited Delmar's people in Ohio the rest of the week; were the first of his family to visit there since his grand parents came to Oregon in 1899. We were in Sandusky and went across Lake Erie toll bridge. Ohio is a rich farming country. The following Monday morning we went on a stream lined train to Lima, Ohio where we got the Willow Springs School bus. There was a light shift of snow on the ground when we left Willard. Trains there really travel fast. Delmar asked if a certain train stopped at a small town for connections to Lima and was told it didn't even honk for that place.

It made us feel a little closer home when we got in the big yellow bus with Willow Springs Dist 14 painted along the side. We were 10 days on the road traveling from 10 to 12 hours a day; were fortunate to get a hotel room each night. Had zero weather in Nebraska, and snow in Wyoming, Idaho, and eastern Oregon. Had in-

Home Extension Unit To Meet Wednesday

The Home Extension Unit will meet December 19, at the home of Eudora Bohnert instead of at Evelyn Skymann's as previously announced. Miss Farrell will begin her talk at 9:30 sharp on the topic 'Making Kitchens More Livable.' This earlier hour was set in order to close the meeting in time to enable those who so desire to attend the grade school Christmas program.

All regular members are urged to attend, and anyone who is interested in homemaking is cordially invited to attend these meetings either as guests or as regular members.

Donations for the rummage sale which is being planned may be taken to the meeting at Mrs. Bohnert's. The time and place for the sale will be announced later.

Livestock Markets Still Firm in U.S.

A firmer tone prevailed in livestock markets generally in the United States during the week ending December 6. Continued light marketings of cattle generally led to active trading and higher prices where ceilings permitted. Salable receipts at North Portland Monday through Wednesday totaled 2350 head and were slightly below a week earlier and considerably below a year previous. Better grades of slaughter cattle were in especially strong position. Steers at Portland reached the ceiling of \$18 for the first time since June. At Chicago heavy heifers as well as steers made the ceilings of \$18. At San Francisco, good steers sold at a top of \$17 while heifers went to a new recent high of \$16.50.

Although marketings of sheep and lambs continue fairly heavy, prices on the Pacific coast were firm and recent gains maintained. Sales at North Portland this week have been on a basis of \$14 to \$14.50 for good and choice lambs. That is 50 cents higher than a week previous and about \$1.50 higher than a year ago. At San Francisco, lambs were top at \$15.25. In the midwest, offerings of fed lambs were quite heavy and prices inclined lower.

Hog markets in the midwest have mostly regained the losses reported a week ago but here on the Pacific coast there continues to be an atmosphere of indifference, particularly on sows and heavy hutchers. At Portland, barrows and gilts weighing up to 300 pounds held to the ceiling of \$15.50 but sows and stags were under pressure and lost price ground. Salable receipts Monday through Wednesday totaled only 585. This was about 100 head more than the same period a week earlier and compares with over 3000 head a year earlier. Marketings in the midwest continue to show a seasonal increase but offerings Monday through Wednesday were well below the sharply increased supply of the same period last week. Offerings at some interior markets in late November were the largest since December of 1942.

BOY BORN—

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. (Bill) Houston of Medford at the Community hospital Dec. 11, a boy, weighing 8 1/2 lbs. The young man is the first grandchild on either side of the family and the first boy on the mother's Mrs. Houston (nee Margaret Finley) mother's side for three generations. Congratulations to the parents of the new boy, the Houston, Seniors, and to the Clem Finleys.

NOTICE

The Golden Link class will meet Friday, Dec. 14 for their Christmas party at the Dora Jones home. Every one is to bring a covered dish and a present for their pal. Their secret pal will be discovered at this time. Dinner will be served at noon.

tended to come by McKenzie pass but finding it closed came Santiam. Snow there was 5 and 6 feet deep. Snow plows were working but we traveled on packed snow many miles in the states mentioned above.

We especially missed the mountains in the east. Didn't see any fine timber or clear tumbling streams, until we reached the Oregon Cascades. "There's no place like home." Rogue River Valley really looked good to us and we appreciate the forests and streams more than ever before.

EASTERN STAR HOLDS ANNUAL XMAS PARTY

Nevita Chapter No. 93, O.E.S. met for the annual Christmas Party and election of Officers on Tuesday evening, Dec. 10 at the Masonic Temple in Central Point, with seventy members and four visitors present. The meeting was presided over by Mrs. Lloyd Stimson, Worthy Matron and Orville Hamilton, Worthy Patron.

Those elected to serve as officers for the coming year are: Mrs. Orville Hamilton, Worthy Matron; C. W. Abbott, Worthy Patron; Mrs. Truman Brenner, Assoc. Matron; Marshall Day, Assoc. Patron; Mrs. Gladys Beebe, Secretary; Mrs. Ed Vincent, Treasurer; Mrs. Edwin Andren, Cond.; and Mrs. Juanita McKibbin, Associate Conductress.

Following the business session the 1945 Officers under the leadership of the Associate Matron, Mrs. Hamilton, presented a Farewell Degree for Mrs. Stimson and Mr. Hamilton. Mrs. Lloyd Morris sang a specially arranged 'Thank You' song. Gifts were presented to them and responses were made by the honorees. The Associate Matron thanked Mrs. Stimson in behalf of the Officers for the pleasant associations of the year and for the gifts received from her.

Christmas music and carol singing was directed by Mrs. Morris, accompanied by Mrs. Sam Koehler. After the usual gift exchange around the beautifully decorated Christmas tree, members and guests adjourned to the dining room. Small Christmas trees, red candles in star holders and clever pine needle nut cups made a very delightful setting. Miniature White Bible Book Marks, a gift of the Worthy Matron, marked each place.

The chairman of the dining room committee was Mrs. E. E. Scott, assisted by Mrs. W. H. Bishop, Mrs. Lloyd Hamilton, Mrs. Bert Langston and Mrs. C. W. Abbott. Mrs. Hamilton made the nut cups for the tables.

Mrs. Lloyd Morris and Mrs. Stimson decorated the Christmas tree in the Chapter room.

The next regular meeting of the Chapter will be Jan. 8, 1946 at which time the Installation Ceremonies will be held. There will be no meeting on Tuesday December 25, a legal holiday.

Egg Production Shows Increase

Egg production is showing a seasonal increase both on the Pacific coast and in the midwest, but supplies are still far below trade demand. All principal consuming centers continued with from prices at ceiling levels, though undergrades had been in somewhat slower demand so far this week.

At Portland today December 5, U.S. grade AA large eggs sold to retailers at 61 cents while grade A large were 59, mediums 54, and smalls 46 cents. Except for a 2-cent gain on smalls, those prices are the same as a month ago and a year ago.

Demand is now dependent almost entirely on current production as storage reserves are very low. Pacific coast storage holdings of shell eggs on December 1, totaled only a little over 88,000 cases compared with nearly 142,000 cases a year earlier. Of the 88,000 cases on the coast, about 12,000 cases were held at Portland. This was practically the same as a year previous. The greatest shortage of storage reserves as compared with a year ago appears at Los Angeles and at Seattle.

A slightly weaker tone developed in the poultry markets of the Pacific coast during the week ending December 5. Marketings of broilers and fryers were liberal resulting in a larger proportion of sales at the lower end of recent price ranges.

A firm situation prevailed on turkeys with toms showing more strength than a week earlier. Dressing plants were working to capacity and a sizable volume of turkeys moved to freezers. Prices today at Portland were 41 cents for dressed young hens, loose pack, and 36 cents for young toms.

VISIT IN VALLEY—

Robert W. Sage and wife arrived in Medford Tuesday. Sage, who served overseas has been discharged from the army. Mrs. Sage was employed for several years as a secretary for the Watch and Ward Society of Boston, her former home. At present they are visiting Mr. Sage's father, C. W. Sage of Table Rock.

Wiring at New Legion Building Completed Sun.

Fourteen members of The Medford Local 659 Electrical Workers Union AFL under the supervision of Ivan Waddell last Sunday, reported to the new American Legion Memorial Building in Central Point and volunteered to put in the wiring for the new building. Needless to say, this generous offer on the part of the Union was gratefully accepted.

The men immediately got busy and in eight hours the building was completely wired except the main line from the cut-in to the master switch panel.

The Myers-Holland Post No. 129 is grateful for this co-operation from the Union and wish to publicly thank the following workers who so freely gave their Sunday to help the American Legion: Harold Wilkin, Perry A. Thomas, H. G. Maot, Frank Smith, C. E. Ettinger, Robert LaRoeque, O. O. Wynore, Wayne Major, Roland Birkholz, R. A. Ritchey, Wm. Underwood, Craig Menches, and Harry Gideon.

NEW DINING HALL—

A new dining hall, scheduled for completion within a month, is being constructed by L. R. Rupp.

The new dining room will be just in front of the present garages from the one housing the present dining room on the Pacific highway. In the new building will be a short-order counter and a private room in addition to the public dining room.

The old structure will house apartments.

EASTERN STAR—

A special meeting of Nevita Chapter No. 93, O.E.S. of Central Point has been called for Monday evening, Dec. 17, at 8 p.m. at the Masonic Temple by the Worthy Matron, Mrs. Lloyd Stimson for the purpose of initiation. New Members for the year are requested to be present as a part of the meeting will be devoted to honor them. All members of the Chapter and visiting members of the Order are cordially invited to attend.

Churches

CHURCH OF CHRIST

E. Gilbert Cays, Minister

SUNDAY: 9:45 A.M.—Bible School. Classes for all ages. Please notice the change in time. Bible school will begin at 9:45 from now on.

11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship. Observation of the Lord's Supper. Special music. Sermon, "Seeking A Treasure."

8:45 P.M.—Junior Bible Club. All boys and girls 8 to 12 years old are invited.

7:30 P.M.—Evangelistic Service. Singing, Special music. Sermon, "What Jesus Teaches About the New Birth."

TUESDAY & THURSDAY: 8:00 A.M.—"Gospel Meditations" broadcast over KMED.

WEDNESDAY: 7:45 P.M.—Bible Study and Prayer Meeting.

PENTECOST CHURCH OF GOD

E. L. Bradhurst, Pastor

5th and Pine

Invites you to attend these services:

SUNDAY: Sunday School—9:45 A.M.

Sermon—11:00 A.M.

Evangelistic Service—7:45 P.M.

MID-WEEK SERVICES: Tuesday—7:45 P.M.

Friday—7:45 P.M.

THE FEDERATED CHURCH

Rolf H. Hansen, Pastor

"The Neighborhood Church"

SUNDAY: 9:45 A.M. Sunday School. One hundred and fifty present last Sunday. Everybody welcome who has no other church "home".

11:00 A.M. Morning Worship. The pastor will speak. Special music. You're invited!

6:30 p.m. Young People's Meeting.

7:30 p.m. Evening Service. An informal Gospel meeting that will bless your soul.

MONDAY: 7:30 p.m. Men's Prayer Meeting.

WEDNESDAY: 7:30 p.m. Everybody's Prayer Meeting.

HOLINESS CHURCH

(Wesleyan)

Rev. Harvey L. Williams, Pastor

Sunday 9:45 A.M.—Sunday School. Classes for all age groups. More classroom space is being provided for the growing beginners class.

11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship. Sermon topic, "Divine Comfort To God's People."

7:30 P.M.—Evangelistic Service. Wednesday 7:45 P.M.—Old fashioned Prayer meeting and informal discussion on the scripture presented.

Friday, December 21st at 7:30 P.M., the church presents a Christmas program. Everyone invited.

OPEN HOUSE TO BE HELD AT CLARK HOME

Mr. and Mrs. John Clark will hold open house, at their home, 111 S. 2nd St., Sunday, December 16, honoring Mr. and Mrs. Lorne A. Webster, whose wedding was an event of Nov. 29 at Vancouver B.C. Mr. Webster, or Loren, as he is known by his many friends, has been recently discharged from the Royal Canadian Air Force. Mrs. Webster is a Canadian girl and until her marriage was in Nurses Training at Essondale B.C.

They will be at home at 401 E. 12th St., Medford. Mr. Webster is entering the "Refrigeration and Oil Burner Service" owned and operated by his brother-in-law, Mr. John Clark.

Friends are invited to call during the hours of 2 to 6 P.M.

Butter Shortage Still Prevails

Creameries are still unable to compete with other users of butterfat so that supplies of butter became increasingly short the first week in December, despite a record high production of milk on farms. Extremely firm markets prevailed for all types of dairy products. Sweet cream and plastic cream prices advanced again, ranging now from 70 to 90 cents a pound compared with 56 cents as the limit that creameries can pay.

With current receipts from creameries running 40 to 50 percent below prewar levels, more of the trade became entirely dependent on storage reserves released by the government. This was particularly true on the Pacific coast where butter production is a third below last year and two-thirds below the 10-year average. In excess of 55,000,000 pounds of government butter have already been released in civilian trade channels. With storage reserves thus being rapidly the trade anticipates even shorter supplies after the turn of the year. Better prices everywhere continue firmly at ceiling levels.

Dry milk markets turned stronger under declining current production and sharply reduced storage reserves. The midwest is now the main production as Pacific coast and eastern output have been curtailed by diversions of milk to other purposes. A heat markets on the Pacific coast continued firm under a strong demand and moderate current offerings. In line with national trends, considerable tendency appeared for growers to wait until after the first of the year before disposing of remaining supplies. This led to an increase of one-half cent in prices offered by buyers. At Portland at the close of the week bids were \$1.64 a bushel for No. 1 soft white, western red, and ordinary, hard red winter, delivered.

Puget Sound and Columbia River terminals received 1100 cars, of which Portland had 610 cars. These mostly applied on earlier sales for which cars had been ordered for some time. The car situation remained tight. At San Francisco, trading was light although prices of all qualities were at or near ceilings. The 1945 California is mostly out of growers' hands and remaining supplies are are firmly held. Buyers reported difficulty getting supplies from other states because of the scarcity of box cars. Oregon and Washington No. 1 white and No. 1 red wheat were quoted at San Francisco at \$3.00 to \$3.02 1/2 a hundredweight in bulk.

Mr. E. Gilbert Cays this week handed in his resignation to the board of the Central Point Church of Christ to take effect Feb. 24. They are going back into evangelistic work.

So what?—

Why don't some one hand in some So Whats. Surely some of you have some jokes on your pal or best girl.

Here one poor little one: Mrs. V. E. P. seeing Mr. Petty sitting in car waiting for his niece, Mrs. Jones, climbed into the car. When Mrs. Jones arrived, she inquired, "Where do you folks think you going, this is Bohnert's car."