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EDITORIALS

The writer attended the local Lions Club meeting as a visitor last Friday night and was much impressed by the type of men present. We were very proud to be there and meet with this group of men. We believe that this organization is really going to accomplish something for our city. We liked the attitude and spirit of this service club.—C. W. P.

Times sure change. We remember one summer as a boy of sixteen we worked for Uncle Sam for a short time, helping to build the rim road up at Crater Lake. Maybe some one will remember when the rim road was built and how long it took to finish it. Anyway all the dirt was moved with horses and fresnos and one old steam shovel and we mean steam shovel that was run by steam. And it didn't have any trucks. Just iron wheels and moved forward on planks. And it was quite an operation just to move it ahead.

Now things are done differently. Just drive out west of town and take a look at the work that is being done there. Out there a creek is being moved. Just picked up bodily and moved over to another part of the field. And all the work is being done with just a few men and some big iron machines. The creek is being moved over and straightened out and made large enough to carry the flood waters that some times come. Flood control carried out by men to keep the waters from washing away their land and to protect one of our county roads. And the old creek will be filled up and made into fields to replace the land that is being used for the new creek. Yes, times and things and machines and methods sure change.—C.W.P.

The Black Dahlia? We're not going to write about her. We're just going to write about those that write about her. We don't know who she was. Don't know her name yet. It no doubt was sorry sordid affair and her killer should be found. But why should it be headline news week after week. Column after column. What is the reason that this type of news is printed in our daily

papers day after day and carried through to the bitter end. And all the details of this awful crime. Is it necessary to print all of them? We wonder if the editors of the daily papers and we include the editors of our leading daily papers in this valley, do not feel their responsibility to the younger generation, who are going to make our country and be its leading citizens in just a few more years. Do they have to feed and fill their minds week after week with this kind of trash? Don't they realize how many young lives are influenced by the kind of news they print?

We believe a paper should print all of the news all of the time without fear or favor. But we do not believe it is necessary to play up such a crime week after week. It soon loses its news value and becomes sickening to the strong minded and perhaps fire to the weak.—C. W. P.

"So you deceived your husband?" said the judge gravely.
"On the contrary, Your Honor, he deceived me. He said he was going out of town and he didn't go."

Parents Warned to Care for Children

Parents are being warned to keep young children under close scrutiny during auto trips. Secretary of State Robert S. Farrell Jr. has just announced a new study showing 3000 Oregon children under the age of 14 have been killed or injured during the last three years.

"Of course, some of these accidents involved all the occupants of the car," said Farrell, "but hundreds of young bodies have been broken

through such foolish practices as dangling arms and legs out car windows."

A recently reported incident involved children standing in the back of a pick-up, snow-balling following motorists. Insurance company records detail many cases of youngsters falling off and out of moving cars.

Safety men remind parents that children are not to blame for these tragedies. Pointing up one of the main dangers, Farrell said, "It is hard to understand how a mother who keeps matches from her youngsters will let them play freely in the back seat of a car with unlocked doors."

Funeral Services Held For Mrs. Hiatt, 58

Funeral services for Mrs. Charlotte Otilla Hiatt, 58, who passed away Sunday, will be held in the Conger-Morris chapel this afternoon at 3 p.m. Interment will be in Medford I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Mrs. Hiatt was a native of Sweden, coming to the United States in 1896 and to Medford four years ago. Surviving are two sons, Harold at home, and Amos, Medford; six daughters, Mrs. Alice Dalbec, Mrs. Marie Kerr and Mrs. Ethel Ziemann, Bottineau, N. Dak.; Mrs. Gladys Smith, Central Point; Mrs. Lillie Welch and Betty at home; two sisters, Mrs. Amos Hiatt, Central Point, and Mrs. Halvor Salmonson, Seattle, Wash., 15 grandchildren.

Sympathy is extended to the sorrowing family.

STATE TAX AGENT TO BE IN MEDFORD

A state income tax agent will be in Medford at the court house from March 17 to 21 incl. to assist taxpayers in preparing their income tax returns.

Tru-Mix Concrete company were successful bidder for 24 lots of construction machinery from the Portland War Assets administration. Among the lot, was a motor driven portable mixer.

5 & 10 Years Ago---

FIVE YEARS AGO

Feb. 12, 1942

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Judge H. D. Norton dies at home of son in Grants Pass.

Phoenix defeats Póinters 27 to 17.

TEN YEARS AGO

Feb. 11, 1937

Central Point Grange won first place in county dramatic contest and will go to Corvallis to represent Jackson county in the annual Home Interest conference.

Real winter is experienced by Miss Marjorie Jones in California where she was snowed in for four weeks and the snow was four feet deep on the level. The temperature at times as low as forty degrees below. One man was frozen to death.

(Guess what town.)
Miss Vivian Tharp and brother Vestal who have been staying with their grandmother, are at their new home here.

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