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EDITORIALS

FIGHTING FOR YOU

"Safety is hard to advertise," says the New York Times. "Most people think they have it, like common sense. Many hazards become contemptible because they are as familiar as the loose wire in the kitchen. . . . Who sees the build-up of static electricity in the dress you clean with gasoline? Even the shock of a big hotel fire wears off and false security exerts its age-old drug."

That is why fire prevention work must never slow down—and why every medium of communication must constantly be employed to keep the menace of fire before the American people. Today fire is costing us some \$700,000,000 a year in direct waste alone—and the indirect waste is two to three times as great. Worse still, it is taking more than 10,000 lives. And fire is the cause of about one-fourth of all accidental deaths to children.

According to the best authorities, about 90 per cent of all fires are preventable. They are the product of human carelessness, ignorance or forgetfulness. That goes for the run-down heating plant which sets a home afire—or for the cigarette butt thrown from a car which leads to the ravage of millions of acres of fine timber and the destruction of wild life. The fire which can not be prevented is rare indeed.

The war against fire is being fought for you—and for everyone else.

PART OF THE AMERICAN SPIRIT

The railroad holds a special place in the imagination of the American people. The whole history of this continent is bound up in the steel rails that span it in all directions. The iron horse brought civilization to great areas and made possible our social and economic unification.

To millions of small boys, their first trip on a railroad train was a great adventure. And few of us are not stirred by the lonely cry of a locomotive whistle in the night. To the people in little towns and on isolated farms the railroad is the connecting link with the great cities, with the seacoasts, and with lands beyond our own borders. It is the railroad that takes our crops to market, and brings us in return the produce of other regions. It is the railroad that can always be de-

pendent upon to do whatever job is given it—and to do it with swift efficiency.

No history of the nation can fail to give the railroads a brilliant chapter, and to tell the colorful story of how the lines were built, in the face of almost incredible obstacles, across the plains and deserts and mountains. Then, as time moved on, it was the railroads that made our industrial and agricultural development possible. Finally, when the country became involved in the great tragedy of war, it was the railroads that contributed enormously to the ultimate victory.

The railroads are more than an industry, more than a vast commercial undertaking. They are part and parcel of the American spirit.

IT'S A LONG WAY TO ARABIA

It's a long way to Arabia, and relatively few Americans have ever been there. But American capital and productive genius are taking the lead in developing Arabia's most essential resource—oil.

As everyone knows, oil is the key to world rehabilitation and stability. The American standard of living in itself is largely based on the widespread use of petroleum for a multitude of jobs. Until now, the American domestic oil industry has been able to meet our own great needs and to supply requirements of other countries. But demand has outrun all expectations. Last year, for instance, though the industry did a remarkably fine job in increasing production, our consumption was just about equal to the supply. In the future, it is probable that we will import a part of our own oil. And Europe will not be able to depend upon this hemisphere for its oil.

That is why a number of American oil companies have pioneered in Arabia. The results so far have been spectacular. Although the development is still in an early stage, it has been found that the Middle East's recoverable reserves are larger than those of the Western hemisphere. By 1951, it is expected that the region will produce 1,620,000 barrels of oil a day. The job is an enormous one—the gap between crude oil in the ground and finished oil products in the hands of users can be bridged only by wells, tanks, pipelines, refineries and ships. But the outlook is that it will be finished on schedule, unless unavoidable delays are caused by material shortages. Once again, Americans are capturing a great industrial team whose work will be of lasting benefit to the entire world.

A man is rated by his accomplishments—not by his dreams.

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given to the legal voters of the City of Central Point, Jackson County, Oregon, that a Regular Election in and for The City of Central Point will be held on the Second day of November, 1948, between the hours of Eight (8:00) O'clock A.M. and Eight (8:00) O'clock P.M. for the purpose of electing the following officials for the said City:

ONE MAYOR
ONE RECORDER
ONE TREASURER
SIX COUNCILMEN
The same places have been designated as election polling places, within the said City, as those places selected for each precinct polling place for State, County and National Elections.

The same persons have been designated as Election Officials for each Precinct as those selected for State, County and National Elections.

ARDEN R. PINKHAM,
Recorder of The City of
Central Point, Oregon.
30—Oct. 7 & 21

STATEMENT OF THE OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT, CIRCULATION, ETC., REQUIRED BY THE ACT OF CONGRESS OF AUGUST 24, 1912, AS AMENDED BY THE ACTS OF MARCH 3, 1933, AND JULY 2, 1946

Of Central Point American, published weekly at Central Point, Oregon for October 1948, State of Oregon, County of Jackson.

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and county aforesaid, personally appeared Kenneth Powell, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says:

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that he is the business manager of the Central Point American and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management (and if a daily weekly, semiweekly newspaper, the circulation), etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the act of August 24, 1912, as amended by the acts of March 3, 1933, and July 2, 1946 (section 537, Postal Laws and Regulations), printed on the reverse of this form, to wit:

1. That the names and addresses of the publisher, editor, managing editors, and business managers are: Publisher A. E. POWELL, Central Point, Oregon.

Editor A. E. Powell, Central Point, Oregon.
Business Manager KENNETH POWELL, Central Point, Oregon.

2. That the owner is: AMERICAN PUBLISHING COMPANY, Central Point, Oregon.
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3. That the known bondholders, mortgagees, and other security holders owning or holding 1 percent or more of total amount of bonds, mortgages, or other securities are: (If there are none, so state.) NONE.

4. That the two paragraphs next above, giving the names of the owners, stockholders, and security hold-

ers, if any, contain not only the list of stockholders and security holders as they appear upon the books of the company but also, in cases where the stockholder or security holder appears upon the books of the company as trustee or in any other fiduciary relation, the name of the person or corporation for whom such trustee is acting, is given; also that the said two paragraphs contain statements embracing affiant's full knowledge and beliefs as to the circumstances and conditions under which stockholders and security holders who do not appear upon the books of the company as trustees, hold stock and securities in a capacity other than that of a bona-fide owner; and this affiant has no reason to believe that any other person, association, or corporation has any interest direct or indirect in the said stock, bonds or other securities than as so stated by him.

5. That the average number of copies of each issue of this publication sold or distributed, through

the mails or otherwise, to paid subscribers during the twelve months preceding the date shown above is 580.

KENNETH POWELL,
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 24th day of September, 1948.
GUY TEX,
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If you can buy it by-the-bottle... why can't you buy it by-the-glass?

A bottle is a container for liquids. In the old days, jugs or jugs were used for the same purpose.

When thrown from a speeding car, a bottle is a menace to traffic. Even when placed against a building along a city street, a bottle is far from ornamental.

A bottle has no magic power to change human nature, for better or worse. Of itself, a bottle cannot make a man righteous or dissolute.

Why then do so many well-meaning folks in Oregon place so much stock in the virtues of the bottle?

To some, the bottle has become a symbol of temperance, to be defended at all cost and against all comers.

In the name of temperance we force a man to buy more than he needs or wants. In our state today a man can buy an unlimited quantity of liquor as long as he buys it by the bottle!

To some of the older folks, mention of liquor-by-the-glass brings up visions of old-time saloons, complete with swinging doors, brass rails, and cuspidors.

Sorry, but we can't offer you that! In those

"good old days" of free enterprise and open competition there was no supervision, no restriction of any kind.

The Oregon Liquor Dispensing Licensing Act—upon which the people of the state will vote November 2—provides for licensing hotels, restaurants, clubs and common carriers (railroads, etc.), to "permit mixing, serving and selling of alcoholic liquor with or without food or meals on such conditions as prescribed by the commission".

All dispensing licensees would buy exclusively through state liquor stores and would pay an annual license fee of \$500, post a performance bond of \$5,000, and, in addition to the purchase price of the liquor, a tax of 25 cents per container of 32 ounces and 1 cent per ounce for each ounce over 32.

The proposed system would give the public the choice of purchasing liquor by-the-bottle in state liquor stores, as at present, or liquor by-the-glass in state licensed and supervised establishments. In granting licenses, the State Liquor Commission is specifically instructed to "take into consideration all members of the public".



VOTE 314 X YES

Liquor Dispensing Licensing Act

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