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SO WE NEED ANOTHER LAW.....

It has long been our contention that there are
too many laws.

Like taxes, they kinda grow on you and you
become accustomed to them. And old laws and
old taxes hatch out new ones.

If we could just pass a law and forget it. That
wouldn't be so bad but we don't and we can't.

Take this new suggestion that we have a law
to control the people who would control the we-
ather.

One group is strongly in favor of a law to lic-
ense those who would control the weather, to
make them put up surety bonds to pay for any
damages they might do, and to tell in advance
their intentions.

We think it all wrong to even consider such a
law for it would lead to this - establishment of
another bureau, adding more men and women to
the public payroll and a burden to the taxpayers.
We would have to police the air above us and
as yet neither the state nor the counties have
air police.

If there must be a law, let us do it the easiest
way possible. Let's make it illegal for anyone
in anyway - short of prayer - to monkey with
the weather.

Let us give the power of policing to our regu-
lar, established police who are already on the
payroll.

Let's make it illegal to interfere or attempt
to interfere with "an act of God" and certainly
weather as it used to come was straight from
Heaven.

We sat in the Senate Interim Committee meet-
ing last Saturday and we heard the weather dis-
cussed but what one man - a cattleman said
impressed us the most.

These may not be his exact words but in sub-
stance, this is what he said:

"We cattlemen would like to see it rain in
late August or early September. We could kick
in a few dollars and hire ourselves some pilots
and maybe make it rain then. But my next door
neighbor raises seed. If we manufactured rain
and it hurt our neighbors, we wouldn't be much.

"I think we ought to take the weather The
Lord gives us."

The tenor of the complaints directed at the
pear industry were along this line and, faced
with the hard-working, honest men of the soil
and the range, pear growers by comparison
look like a group of selfish vultures.

And pear growers won't change, so there just
seems to be no way about it but to have another
law.

But let's make the law a simple one. Let's
say in words that are easy to understand that
it shall be illegal to tamper with or attempt to
tamper with the weather. That anyone found
guilty shall be penalized in a fitting manner and
that it shall be up to the sheriff or the state pol-
ice to see that the guilty are caught and punish-
ed.

Let's get down to earth like the people who
want this law. Let's make it easy to understand
easy to enforce too!

THE TIMES TO MOVE INTO NEW QUARTERS

The Times on or be-
fore April 1 will move
into larger quarters on
Depot street, in the bul-
ding one-time occupied
by The White Distribut-
ing Company.

This does not mean
that a local bank will not
come to Rogue River.

A property owner has
offered to construct a
special building for the
bank with office space
on the second floor for
a dentist and a doctor.

Absentee Ballots Available Mar. 17

Rogue River and Gold
Hill residents who plan
to be away during the
May primary may ob-
tain absentee ballots
after March 17th, fill
them out, and return
them to the county cl-
erk before May 5th.

Family Back From Japan, Entertain*

Mrs. Gilbert Lentz,
and three daughters,
will spend sometime in
Gold Hill with Gilbert's
mother, Mrs. Ivy Lentz
until Mr. Lentz gets set-
tled in California.

The family returned
to the United States af-
ter three years in Tok-
io, Japan.

The two older girls
are attending Gold Hill
grade school, one in the
second grade and one in
the third, and entertain
fellow students with the
songs and games learn-
ed in Japan.

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