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## Work Hard—Think Hard

It is now feared that there will be another wheat shortage, due to the dust storms which have caused damage in the mid-west comparable to that done by last year's drought. Farmers producing other products likewise face new and difficult problems, which have been caused largely by the failure of the government's farm relief program to produce the results that were anticipated by the overly optimistic.

All of this emphasizes the fact that the American farmer if he is to work his way out of depression, is going to have to work hard—and think hard. He cannot depend on outside agency for his economic salvation. The whims of nature, and the ancient laws of supply and demand cannot be controlled by fiat. The farmer's best weapon lies in the agricultural cooperatives—cooperatives which are owned and controlled by their members, and which enlist the abilities and energies of thousands of producers in order to work toward a common goal. One farmer, faced with disorganized distributing machinery, profitless prices and chaotic markets is hopeless—ten thousand farmers, joined together in one organization, can fight a winning battle.

The old saying that self-help is the only worthwhile kind of help, was never truer than in the case of modern agriculture.

## Work Relief Bill Passed

The tumult and shouting have died at last, so far as the work relief bill is concerned. After more than two months of acrimonious debate it has passed both houses. Save for relatively minor provisions, it has passed in the form the President asked.

The President will have the say in spending the money, with the exception of highway funds which are to be specifically allocated. He will also have the authority to fix wage scales. According to the relief administration, it will be possible to create 3,500,000 jobs with the money.

## Silver Grows Scarce

Silver is growing increasingly scarce.

The American government's silver program whereby thousands of ounces of the metal are purchased in the world market from time to time, has absorbed much of the available supply.

In addition foreign governments which hold large quantities of silver

such as China, are showing disinclination to sell, for fear that their banking and currency systems might be disrupted as a result.

The inevitable consequences of this trend will be gradual appreciation in the value of silver—and the more demand outruns supply, the higher the price will become. That means much to the future of the mining industry, both here and abroad.

## It Must Be Done

Mechanically speaking, the automobile of today is infinitely safer than that of ten years ago. Brakes reach perfection. Lights have been vastly improved. Steering mechanisms are fool-proof. Car bodies can stand terrific punishment.

Similar progress has taken place in road building. The modern highway, with traffic lanes, banked turns and "skidless" surfaces, is a tribute to engineering science, which has done wonders in seeking to make driving safe and pleasant.

Yet automobile accidents continue to rise—both in number and severity. The motorist has no alibi. He can't blame the car or the road for misadventure, save in an infinitesimal percentage of instances. The human element—and the human element alone—is at fault in ninety-odd accidents out of a hundred.

Most drivers are competent. Most are careful. Most realize that an automobile is a potential killer. But that minority of motorists which is either careless, incompetent, or plain reckless, menaces us all. Perhaps ten per cent of drivers fall into one of those categories—and the lives, health and property of the other ninety per cent is placed in peril because of them.

Last year saw 36,000 people killed unnecessarily—in auto accidents. It is the duty of every citizen and every unit of government to see that a different record is made this year. Traffic laws must be modernized and enforced with the utmost strictness. The dangerous driver has been given every chance. He has been urged to change his ways, and has refused. Now he must be forced to drive safely—or be deprived of the right to drive on public streets and highways.

Disciples of Dr. Coue may begin chanting "winter is gone."

What is so rare as a public address that has some results?

Good times will not return to any individual without some hard work. Prosperity doesn't come out of the air like a rabbit from a magician's hat.

## State House Gossip

BY ERNEST L. GRAY  
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come out onto the surface in one way or another. This feeling indicated factional groups were being developed, and further that an attempt will be made to clean out the state house of all republicans and replace them with democrats.

In fact a survey was being made by young democrats to ascertain the politics of every worker in the state, no matter what other qualifications he may have. They even went so far as to have worked a day in the secretary of state's office before they realized the Governor could not name workers in this department, and that Earl Snell is a republican. The situation promises to be interesting. We fear they will have their first great obstacle in this pretty picture in Governor Martin himself. Indications are he will put the league in its place very soon, if more ambition along the line of dictating his program is evidenced.

While actual events at the capitol the past week have not created much publicity, there have been rumblings heard continually of several good "stories" soon to break in at least two particulars. One already has been started—that in the land board. Conditions of this department during the past 20 years look anything but hopeful.

Surveys already made show that loans made on property very much over-valued by appraisals. The big trouble it appears, is in having local attorneys making the appraisals. These appraisals proved too optimistic. Also the method of repayments had not been satisfactory. Delinquencies reveal an astounding condition. This department will be a thoroughly renovated and an attempt be made to bring order out of chaos.

The other rumblings emanate in Portland, that concerning the liquor control commission. Several political writers in Portland state they have a lot of inside information which may be brought out at any time and would "blow the picture wide open." The exact nature of these reports could not be divulged at that time, they said, but the recent unexplained changes in the department give indications that where there is "smoke there must be fire."

Harry F. Cabell of Portland, who presided at his first highway session last week as its chairman, won the admiration and confidence of the other members, the engineers of the highway department and the public in general by his immediate grasping of the situation and his willingness to make decisions "intelligently and without delay." It appears that Cab-

bell, who is declared the richest man in the state, will be placed along with the best highway chieftains the state has known.

One of the moves taken under advisement by the highway commission is the advertising of the state's highway, its historic spots, the scenic points and the facts concerning the various parts of the state. This move will be enhanced by plans for celebrations on the opening of the five Oregon coast bridges, beginning next summer. Governor Martin has expressed himself favorable to a good advertising campaign for Oregon.

Briefs about the capitol: The additional doors to permit more privacy for Secretary to the Governor, W. L. Gosselin, have been installed. They were taken out by Patterson who wished to have his offices more open to the public. Governor Martin spends more than two hours daily going over his mail with his staff. The tax commission soon will issue a statement showing Oregon's financial condition most encouraging.

## To Use Own Codling Moth Bands

LA GRANDE—So impressed is W. H. Weatherspoon of Union county with the effectiveness of bands for codling moth control that he plans to band every tree in his orchard this year, says E. L. Woods, emergency agricultural assistant. Mr. Weatherspoon will make his own bands this year by chemically treating corrugated paper.

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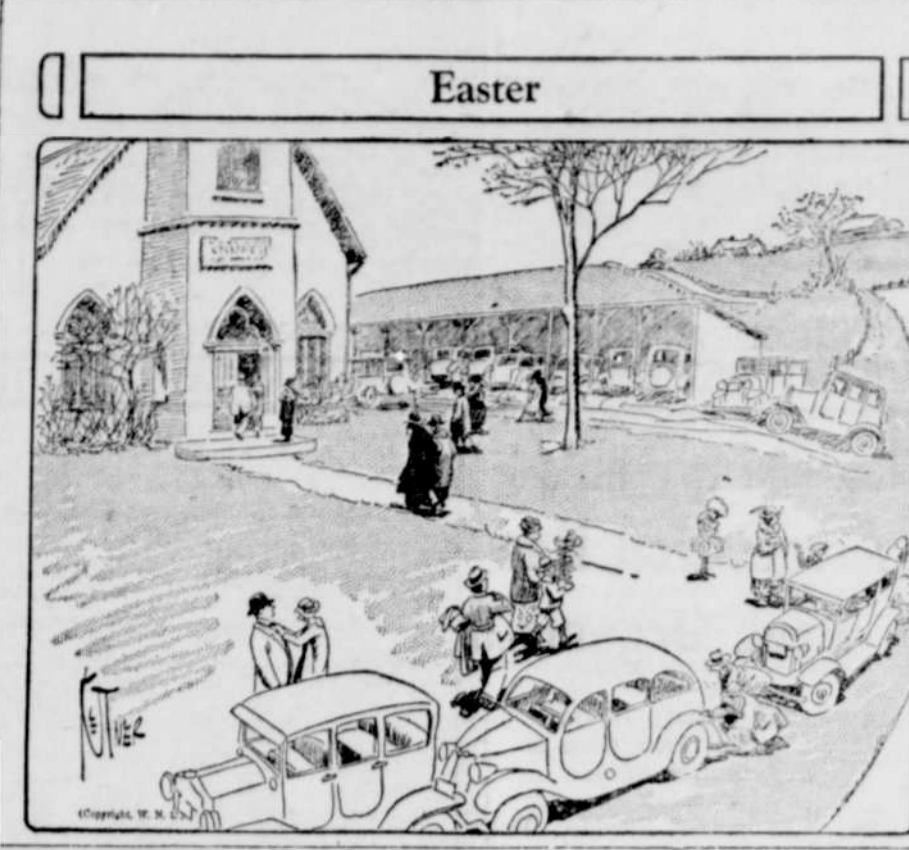
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## Washington Snap Shots

It would be almost impossible to exaggerate the high-tension and unrelenting hostility that exists today between the Legislative and Executive departments of the government. Speaking more plainly, Congress and the Administration—both Democratic—are in a fighting mood. The situation has been brewing for months and the result is likely to be far-reaching.

At the end of four months, the present session of Congress, with its heavy Democratic majority, had not sent to the White House a single piece of legislation. The relief bill, sought quickly by the White House and offering "pork" to Congress, could not even be put through without more than two months of haggling. In this the whole subject of policy was involved. There is a large and growing group in Congress opposed to the theory of lavish Governmental expenditures as a method of restoring prosperity. They believe they have a growing support from the country. This group has the better of the argument today, for the simple reason that while the ceaseless outpouring of billions of dollars has gone on, with new experiments coming month after month, the number on relief has mounted steadily. In other words, attempts to "buy-off" the depression, while counteracting the effects with un-sound experiments, has failed.

Indicative of the sentiment in Congress is statements by five Democratic senators from along the Atlantic seaboard. While Republicans have been quiescent, Senators Tydings of Maryland, Byrd and Glass of Virginia, Bailey of North Carolina, and George of Georgia have lambasted various sections of the new Deal. There are growing signs that the early summer will see President Roosevelt throwing overboard a number of proposed social reforms, such as unemployment insurance, and seeking to get Congress out of the city as was the case last year.

Possibly nothing has hit the New Deal as hard as its refusal to permit the Supreme Court to test the N. I. R. A. The Justice Department had selected a case which it believed strong. Then when the Supreme Court was ready to hear arguments, the Government withdrew the appeal and C. L. Bardo, president of the National Association of Manufacturers:

"Let the voice of the court be heard in the land and our people will obey. If the Government believes it possesses the authority which is questioned, it ought to seek vindication in the court or else it ought not merely to withdraw its appeal but abandon the attempt to obtain the enactment or execution of authority which it hesitates to submit to the scrutiny of our highest tribunal."

Settlement of difficulties which made a coal strike possible has

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## Prune Thrip Appears in Forest Grove District

Prune thrip have been emerging rapidly the past few days in the Forest Grove section. S. C. Jones, entomologist of the Oregon experiment station has been conducting experimental spray work in one prune orchard on Davids Hill. Cages have been established there to observe the emergence of this insect in order to accurately time the application of control sprays.

In prune orchards where thrips are numerous applications of spray for control should be made immediately. Once thrip are inside the bud it is practically useless to attempt control by spraying. Under the most favorable conditions spraying will not prove 100

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