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JUST FOOLISHNESS

(From the London Sphere)

The United States contains 6 percent of the world's area and 7 percent of its population. It normally consumes 48 percent of the world's coffee, 53 percent of its tin, 56 percent of its sugar, 72 percent of its silk, 36 percent of its coal, 42 percent of its pig iron, 47 percent of its copper, and 69 percent of its crude petroleum.

The United States operates 60 percent of the world's telephone and telegraph facilities, owns 80 percent of the motor cars in use, operates 33 percent of the railroads. It produces 70 percent of the oil, 60 percent of the wheat, and cotton, 50 percent of the copper and pig iron, and 40 percent of the lead and coal output of the globe.

The United States possesses almost \$11,000,000,000 in gold, or nearly half of the world's monetary metal. It has two-thirds of civilization's banking resources. The purchasing power of the population is greater than that of 500,000,000 people in Europe and much larger than that of the more than a billion Asiatics.

Responsible leadership which cannot translate such a bulging economy into assured prosperity is destitute of capacity. But pompous statesmen, looking over the estate, solemnly declare that the methods by which it was created are all wrong, ought to be abandoned, must be discarded, that the time has come to substitute political management for individual initiative and supervision.

There is only one way to characterize that proposal: it is just damn foolishness.

Notice of Candidacy For County Job Filled

Walter W. Whitbeck, democrat, Wednesday filed with James W. Gleason chief registrar at the county clerk's office, his candidacy for the nomination of county commissioner at the May primary election.

Whitbeck is the first of several expected aspirants to file for the nomination.

New Manager Named

E. R. Hannibal, vice-president and general manager of the West Coast Telephone Company at Everett, Wash., announces the appointment of L. A. Gritten as district manager of the company with headquarters in Forest Grove, Oregon, succeeding Geo. A. Bauman whose tragic death recently occurred following injuries received in an automobile accident.

Mr. Gritten has many years of telephone experience as a background for this position.

Mr. Gritten is married and will establish his residence at Forest Grove immediately.

Maplewood News

The petition in circulation in the preliminary work of effecting an organization in Multnomah county to be known as "Multnomah People's Utility District" has quite a large number of signers so far and without much explanation people in general seem to "sign up" when the word "monopoly" is mentioned by the petition carriers as something adverse to the interests of the general public, more as a popular idea than as a matter of prior study on the subject. The idea is to market Bonneville power direct to and by the people—the public at large, and signers of these petitions are impressed with the supposed "inevitable" lowering of rates on electricity, which as now, they claim, are too high.

They draw attention to Linn county, where the same project for that county is under way, according to a multigraphed pamphlet issued, in which is stated the average family would save \$21.75 per year on electric bills IF THEY FORM THEIR OWN UTILITY DISTRICT and distribute power from Bonneville dam at Eugene's rates. They claim merchants using from 50 to 1500 kilowatt hours per month will save from \$20.40 to \$409.20 a year at Eugene rate schedules. There seems to be in the minds of quite a number of people the question of "whether the rates would actually be less, indicating that there is a chance of people finally having to pay more than the prevailing rates of today." There will be a meeting Thursday evening, February 24th at the Multnomah school, according to information from petitioners who claim their petitions are being signed up with considerable expedition, there being some who prefer to deliberate a while longer before signing. Whenever there is a word passed about cutting rates down it seems quite natural for people to be ready to stand on the popular side as all are hoping for the chance to pay less money for electricity. There is no doubt that both sides will be represented at the meeting the 24th setting the matter straight in the minds of the people as to the possibility of any change in rates in benefit to the petition signers and general public and many are hoping, if this proposed organization does become a reality the rates for "juice" will not go any higher than now.

Men of the WPA are covering ditches in Maplewood which have been left open several days after water piping has been finished. Monday about 35 men were working along SW Nevada Court between SW 53rd and 54th avenues near the Potter Store. About 130 men in about four crews are on this Maplewood Water District job under WPA and there still is nearly three months work to do.

Roberta Jacquelynne Holliday, 3 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Holliday of SW 54th avenue, south of Maplewood, has been suffering from a severe burn on her right leg below the knee, caused by a heater side door flying open when she was playing near it, burning her leg badly and the injury is giving her mother much concern but it is hoped healing will be satisfactory.

J. A. Romane, who is connected with the L. H. Pierce Auto Service in Portland, selling automatic safety switches for motor vehicles, resides with Mrs. Romane in a neat little cottage along Garden Home road in south Maplewood. Mr. and Mrs. Romane are optimistic in view of the spring and summer business possibilities.

Edward Mitchell of Garden Home road in south Maplewood who was hurt seven weeks ago by a piece of steel which flew from a wedge while he was splitting wood at his home place, lodging in his right leg is still under the care of a physician and the leg has been X-rayed twice without locating the piece of steel, which has been causing a great deal of trouble. He is now able to be about some but cannot work.

Jeanie McMichael, 2 1/2 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence McMichael of Garden Home road is very ill with broncho-pneumonia at her home and a day as well as night nurse is employed in caring for the little lady. She is the granddaughter of Mrs. E. King, past worthy matron of Orsmond Lodge chapter at Multnomah.

Howard Talley young man who was slugged by beat-up thugs Wednesday evening, February 2, near his home in Maplewood is holding his own at Multnomah County hospital where he was taken by his father and Dr. McMurray of Multnomah as soon as he was found unconscious at a sharp corner SW Nevada Court and 53rd avenue by a friend who was out riding with his lady friend. Had this young man not found the boy at that time in all probability a bus or truck would have run over him as it would be almost impossible to see the form of a person lying prone on the street at that particular point in time to stop a heavy vehicle. It no doubt was the intention of the thugs to have it appear that the boy had been run down. Robbery was not the motive in the crime as his wallet, while not containing much money was untouched in his pocket. His father is a driver for a large trucking and transfer company in Portland and is a union man. The boy was on his way to the home of a near neighbor to pass a few minutes but never got as far as the yard gate, and has no remembrance of how many were present or who struck him, but no cars were in sight. His jaw is broken in three places, his right ear drum punctured, upper lip badly cut, all front teeth knocked out and his skull fractured. Officers are still working on the case but have as yet lacked a worthwhile clue in the case. Many of the neighbors have made trips to see the boy at the hospital and say they believe he will pull thru.

IT LOOKS DIFFERENT FROM THE OTHER SIDE OF THE FENCE



Mr. Talley of Maplewood was called recently to Powder River, eastern Oregon, by the death of his sister.

Mrs. E. Mitchell and Harry Mattison of Garden Home road made a trip to Portland a few days ago and visited Howard Talley at Multnomah hospital. Mrs. Mitchell has known the boy since he first started attending school.

The H. Wilson family are to move to Portland a few days after their pretty little home at 8029 SW 5th avenue south of Garden Home road, in south Maplewood.

Raymond Jennings, 15 months old son of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Jennings of Maplewood who was taken to Doernbecher hospital nearly three weeks ago suffering a serious attack of pneumonia is reported as in a very critical condition despite his apparently husky constitution. He has been in an oxygen tent several days and two blood transfusions have been given. His trouble started from severe cold that his mother could not break up, but she says this is his first spell of illness in his life.

There was a benefit card party held at Maplewood school house at 7:45 Tuesday evening for the school cafeteria. Mrs. Labhart, P. T. A. president, Mrs. Mary Hall and Mrs. A. Hohnstein sold about 130 tickets for the occasion at 25 cents each in a remarkably short time, three days, working only in their spare time. Wonderful co-operation is manifest in this vicinity on such a civic idea.

A Silver Tea was given at three o'clock Thursday afternoon at the Maplewood school, honoring past presidents of the Maplewood P. T. A. and a fine program, in charge of program chairman Mrs. Balk was held and cake and tea served to a good sized assembly of people.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Rogers of SW 56th avenue at Nevada Court have moved to a place near Canyon road between Beaverton and Portland. He has a position with a Portland typewriter concern.

Mrs. M. Lindemann of SW 53 avenue, Maplewood, has been quite ill at her home. Jackie Lindemann, her young son, has about recovered from an attack of blood poisoning.

A. M. Hyatt, postmaster of Maplewood, who also owns and operates a store, has added considerable display space for merchandise by a remodeling job just finished and the interior of the store has a decidedly attractive appearance. Hyatt has been postmaster there over 19 years, having been appointed when Woodrow Wilson was president of the United States. He has the certificate of appointment signed by the Postmaster-General Albert S. Burleson. He has handled a lot of mail at that office over the period of 19 years and records show that there has been a small increase in receipts here each of the last 18 years. His postage sales over 1937 were very good for a small postoffice.

William Denley dealer in hides, wool and tallow who has made his business headquarters at the home place in Maplewood is to open a new buying office and store on Front avenue near Alder in a few days, but will continue to handle business from the home location. He has been in this business more than 20 years and was born and raised in the Multnomah vicinity and is very well known throughout his part of the state.

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The city council has authorized the Portland Traction company to extend its S. W. Harbor Boulevard bus line to the south city limits but the company has not determined when it will start the additional service.

The service would go from the present terminus at S. W. 11th avenue and Taylors Ferry road to SW 14 avenue and Spring Garden road. This is outside the city limits so the council permitted the company to go as far as the city limits. The company can operate beyond that point as far as it wishes.

Residents of the district affected by the additional service said there is no service for them now since their old bus service, operated by another company discontinued this week.

RALPH KRAUSE

Ralph Krause, 23 son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Krause, and half-brother of Helen Krause, passed away at his home between Tigard and Sherwood after a short and sudden illness Wednesday, February 9. His funeral was held at Newberg, Oregon, Saturday, Feb. 12 at 2 o'clock with interment at the German Lutheran cemetery at Six Corners. He also was a very dear friend of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Nash and family of Metzger.

Putting in New Tennis Courts at Maplewood

Quite a crew of WPA workers are engaged at the grounds of Maplewood school, putting in the new tennis court, to the east of the school building, the cost to the district will be only \$500 for material needed. This tennis court will be very up-to-date and it is expected the job will be completed by the middle of April.

Cooking Demonstration Held

The Merry Cookers of the 4-H club represented by Geraldine and Carol Schlip, held a demonstration for the Hillsdale Community club on Friday, February 11. Their subject was sandwich making. The next meeting will be held on Friday, February 18. Quick breads will be discussed and two of the members will bake muffins for demonstration.

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