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### ARE WE GOING TO HAVE ECONOMY . . .

With the end of the term for the 81st Congress coming into sight, probably some time in August, and with a tendency of some congressmen to apply economy in allowing of appropriation bills, it would seem wise to us to have Congress really get down to brass tacks in considering the Hoover report for streamlining and economizing the government.

Along this line, there seems to be some movement in adjoining areas to form committees to arouse public interest in the Hoover recommendations, and to bring out some of the things needed to be done to get some action.

Senator Wayne Morris, in a speech at Medford recently is reported to have said that congressmen are being deluged with mail from persons urging the adoption of the recommendations, but nearly always wanting some item excepted in which they were particularly interested. This, we might point out, has been one of the faults of the American people—wanting to economize in every department except that in which they were interested . . . always at the expense of the other fellow. Congressmen, we think are willing to cut expenses, except in matters that will affect their particular state or area.

We think the Hoover recommendations should be adopted completely, and then if portions are found to be unworkable, change them to fit conditions.

There is no doubt that there is a real need for economy and an overhauling of the federal government with so many duplications and overlapping of services.

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### CLEAN UP YOUR PICNICS . . .

Now that summer and the picnic time of year is here, it might be a good time to ask that those persons using the state and national parks, picnic areas and camp grounds use a little bit of carefulness in cleaning up their camps. One has only to drive into the public picnic areas of Oregon and California to see how utterly careless people can be in the matter of garbage disposal. Scattered cans and empty beer bottles, paper plates, potato chip bags and bread wrappers certainly don't enhance the beauty of any picnic spot.

In spite of state laws which prohibit dumping of garbage on or near highways or upon private property, men and women who should know better and most of them certainly were raised to know better, think little of leaving a litter of the above mentioned garbage when they leave after a picnic. Most of them certainly would not think of doing that way at home or on their front or back lawns.

In most of the public camp grounds and picnic areas, state or national parks service maintain adequate garbage disposal pits or containers, but these seem to be overlooked in the hurry to get home.

Neatness is just as attractive away from home as it is in your own yard. It only takes a few minutes to clean up that camp, this summer when you are on an outing. And we are sure that you will feel better with the world and yourself if you will keep the outdoors clean and wholesome.

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### A HORATIO ALGER STORY . . .

The death of A. P. Giannini, who headed the huge chain of banks on the west coast, brings out into the limelight the story of his life, which has all the details of one of Horatio Alger's stories, so popular during the early part of the century.

Starting out as the son of an immigrant Italian in San Francisco, by determined efforts he picked himself up by the bootstraps, as our saying goes, and during his life time, built one of the largest banking chains in the country.

Perhaps even better known for his kindness and understanding of the so-called "small people" made him beloved in the California areas where he was known personally.

Starting in the retail vegetable business, Mr. Giannini spread out until he was a dominant factor in the produce business around San Francisco. He became interested in banking and enlarged his holdings, spreading into Oregon with an interest in the First National strings of First National banks and other states and systems as well.

F. N. Belgrano, Jr., president of the First National Bank of Portland, wrote of him this week:

"News of the sudden passing of Mr. A. P. Giannini, which has just reached me, has shocked me greatly. Mr. Giannini was one of the most human and understanding men it has ever been my privilege to know. His conception of the service which should be rendered by a banking institution resulted in the branch banking system which has so contributed to the development of the entire Pacific Coast and has enabled the small businessman to obtain the complete benefit of the service which before had been reserved to the few in the metropolitan areas.

"His career is one of the finest examples of democracy in action and of the opportunities available for all under our free enterprise system which has made this country great. Starting with little schooling and no advantages but with a dynamic personality and a determined purpose to serve his fellowmen, he has inspired and contributed greatly to the development of the banking system which today stands as a monument to him.

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Every now and again some joke or quotation makes the rounds of newspapers, that seem to find the right spot in our sense of fitness or humor. This week we ran on to the following one, and is taken from the Grants Pass Bulletin:

Having dabble-dabbled around in journalistic circles for nigh on to so many years, we usually keep our typewriter eye peeled for such stuff as news is made of. The old standard test was "If dog bites man, that's not news; but if man bites dog, that is news."

Well, the Redmond Spokesman's sharp-eyed (eared) news gatherer came up last week with on that tickles our ticklish spot. It seems that the city last week was flushing out a new water main. Just as a dog came up to investigate a hydrant, the thing cut loose with a flood, sending the startled pooch tearing off down the street all a-drip.

### Traffic Deaths on Decrease in Oregon

Oregon's sharp decrease in 1949 traffic deaths gained momentum during May with a tentative total of 25 fatalities compared to 44 in the same month last year, Secretary of State Earl T. Newbry reported today.

The year's death toll to date stands at 96, a reduction of 35 per cent from 149 at the same time last year. This figure is the lowest since 1944, when traffic volumes were less than half their present level, Newbry said.

Only three of the May fatalities occurred in cities, two in Pendleton and one in Medford. Portland and Multnomah county were free of traffic deaths for the second consecutive month.

"Although the drop in deaths is most spectacular, it is equally gratifying to see that the number of accidents and injuries has also declined," the secretary said. "Too often this side of the picture is overlooked in concentrating on a temporary reduction in fatalities.

He said Oregon is leading the nation in reducing traffic deaths, and called for continued effort from motorists and enforcement agencies to prevent a recurrence of last year's experience, when 219 persons lost their lives in the five heavily-traveled summer months.

### Exams for Packer Listed by U. S. Civil Service

The field board of the U. S. Civil Service Examiners for the Department of Agriculture announces that applications will be accepted until June 27 for provisional appointment to the positions of packer for pack horse train and smoke jumper.

These positions are located at various points in the states of Washington, Idaho, Oregon and Montana, in the employment of the U. S. Forest Service and other regional federal agencies.

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Interested persons may obtain information and necessary application forms from the commission's representative in the post office.

### Jackson Hot Springs Popular For Picnics

The fine weather that Ashland has enjoyed the past two weeks has made people conscious of the fact that summer has really arrived with the result that vacation spots and swimming pools become more popular each day.

Hans Lassen of Jackson Hot Springs, was in town yesterday and states that many churches, lodges and other organizations have made park reservations for their picnics and swimming parties. The picnic park is well equipped with fireplaces and tables that will seat three hundred persons. Mr. Lassen states that those wishing reservations should contact him well in advance to avail themselves of the recreational facilities provided.

### Junior Legion Team Slates Local Games

The 1949 American Legion Junior baseball season will get underway Saturday afternoon, June 18, at 2 o'clock, when the local boys meet the Grants Pass team on Ashland's Fuller field.

Medford's team will also play Ashland on Fuller Field, June 25 and 26. Other games will be scheduled later.

Busch Motor company is co-sponsor with the American Legion post. Ken Miller acts as coach and manager.

Practices are held each Tuesday and Thursday afternoon from 5 to 7:30 in the evening. Any boy who has not attained his 17th birthday before January 1, 1949, is eligible to play.

Boys who have signed up thus far are Vernon Tenney, Wayne Johnson, Gerald Davis, Charles Rettman, Jerry Elliott, Ted Tenney, Ted McVenna, Joe Taylor, Ingram Montgomery, John Austin, Mere Deets, Henry Metz, all of Ashland and Keith Thompson of Talent.

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### Stat. Promotes Adult Drive School

A series of adult driver training schools will be held in several localities throughout Oregon this summer, Secretary of State Earl T. Newbry has announced.

Jim Glenn, president of the local Jaycees, announced this week that Paul Gardner, from the Secretary of State's office in Salem, will be here June 23 to arrange schools for adult drivers in this vicinity.

The schools, to consist of short courses in safe driving fundamentals for adults, will be conducted by the state department's traffic safety division in cooperation with local Junior Chamber of Commerce. Court direction will be under Paul G. Warren, state supervisor of driver education and training.

Warren will make preliminary arrangements with the Redmond, Prineville and John Day Chamber groups this week, followed by conferences with Roseburg, Medford and Ashland during the following week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Freeman, their grandson, Lynn Sedlack, and nephew, Roger Bullis, St. Helens, spent a three day week end at their cabin, at Fish Lake. They reported the fishing was good. Tuesday, their son in law, Fred Gardner and daughter Theresa arrived and are their house guests for the remainder of the week.

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