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A Serious Matter

Oregon residents have heard little else this summer but continual requests by all the various forest agencies, the Keep Oregon Green association and others to watch their step and their actions when traveling or vacationing in the forests.

There can be no doubt that everyone is more aware of the serious fire danger this year, than in most previous years, but still another warning is not out of place. Though it may be fall, and time for rains, no rain has yet fallen and forest service officials are literally "scared to death" of a blow up in the timbered areas.

Morrow county, and the Umatilla national forest as a whole, has been extremely fortunate in having so few fires, but a look at any newspaper during recent weeks with the many stories of serious or potentially serious forest fires throughout the state emphasizes the need for extreme care by everyone. While Eastern Oregon forests are unusually dry, the timber lands of the western part of the state are in the most critical condition because of heavier underbrush that is now tinderdry.

With the weather remaining as warm as it has, there is still much temptation to take a Sunday picnic trip into the mountains. If you do, take every precaution against starting a fire . . . and particularly, watch that cigarette!

September and October are notorious in Oregon for being the worst fire months. This, coupled with the extremely hot and dry three months just past, calls for even more fire caution than has ever been exercised by Oregonians.

We need our trees . . . and we need them green!

Capital Parade

By Murray Wade

Highway Bonds Sold

The state of Oregon sold $15,000,000 of highway bonds this week that will draw a very low rate of interest, all conditions considered.

If the low interest rate of 1.615 per cent the state will pay a criterion, the financial wizards of the country must figure that inflation will continue to spiral—and up.

Attractive to the bankers is the fact that the bonds are tax-free, also that Oregon has maintained a stable credit over the years, particularly during the 1951 legislature when pressure groups were in record high form.

At the 1950 general election the people authorized $50,000,000 for payment of a veterans' bonus. The 1951 legislature authorized $40,000,000 of highway bonds to be paid by motor vehicle drivers fees, motor carriers fees, motor vehicle fuels taxes and fines.

The money will be used to accelerate highway construction and the bonds will be retired at the rate of $750,000 a year.

The highway commission announced that a contract will be awarded in November for grading and rock filling the Wilsonville cutoff between Portland and Salem.

The ready sale of the highway bonds with the low interest indicates that the predicted difficulty in selling the veterans' bonds may not develop.

Pay Hike For Pen Guards

Salaries of state pen guards will have to be increased if competent men are to be obtained and trained for the job.

That ten guard positions now are vacant is proof that few like this kind of work.

The state board of control this week agreed on a $50 increase over the present range of $210 to $250 a month.

As the biennial budget does not provide for salary increases for guards the board of control will ask the emergency board to ask the governor to ask the civil service commission to ask itself if it can approve the increase.

The result will echo through this routine back to the governor.

Praise Oregon Flax

Two international flax experts who visited in Salem this week rated Oregon flax as "tops".

The visitors, Adolph Beril, New York, who has operated flax mills in Europe and America and William B. M. Fawcett, Boston flax importer, said the Oregon Flax Textiles mill at Salem is one of the most up to date plants in the United States.

More Lawyers

Oregon has 90 more lawyers than it had last week.

The Oregon supreme court announced this week that only 90 of the 135 applicants passed the state bar examination this year. Willamette University maintained its record of leading Oregon schools in percentage of its graduates successful in the tests. Twenty-two of the Willamette alumni, or 95.2 per cent, passed; other schools' percentages were 80.7 for University of Oregon and 77.47 for Northwestern. Law Dean Stewart P. Reese said Willamette had the lowest elimination rate (from freshman to senior years) in the west.

Soil Conservation Meet

A convention of officials of soil conservation districts in Oregon will be held in Salem, November 8-9.

Salem Chamber of Commerce convention committee leaders are planning the meeting for some 100 soil district men and their wives with headquarters at the Marion hotel.

Capital Shorts

Musn't say "picnic ham". The state department of agriculture says it is misleading and its use in advertising is illegal . . . Betting increased 20 per cent this year at the greyhound races at Portland and at the horse races at the State Fair at Salem. Means more money for county fairs and agricultural shows.

. . . Oregon employers owed the State Industrial Accident commission $408,375 at the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 1951 . . . Oregon's hop yield will exceed the 16,650,000 pound estimate made in August. This is 2.2 per cent over last years yield . . . Milk grade labeling by distributors has been abated until November 2 . . . Average earnings of Oregon workers has reached a record high of $3,347, a gain of 150 per cent since 1940 . . . State Board of Geology and Mineral Industries is excited over drilling for oil near Roseburg.

HOLES IN HIS POCKETS !

CHURCHES

METHODIST CHURCH
J. PALMER SORLIEN, Minister
SUNDAY, September 23—

Morning Worship and Sermon at 11 am. Special music by the choir. Mr. Oliver Creswick, Director

Sunday Church School 9:45 a. m. A class for every age, Youth Fellowship Class and Adult Bible Class at this same hour. Mr. Oliver Creswick, Superintendent.

THURSDAY, Choir practice at 8 p.m.

Womens Society of Christian Services meets the first Wednesday of each month at 8 p.m.

Suzanna Wesley Circle of the Womens Society of Christian Service meets the third Wednesday of each month at 2:30 p.m

Rally Day is next Sunday, Sept. 30. Let everyone Rally for Church School at 9:45 a.m. Vacation time is over this is a good day to make a start going to Sunday School. Special program and Rally Day Buttons for everyone. See you at Sunday School.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH
EARL L. SOWARD, Pastor

Bible School begins at 9:45 a.m. with classes for all ages. Charles Barlow is general Superintendent.

Morning Worship at 11 o'clock. Sermon "The Fellowship".

Evening Service at 8 p.m. Sermon "A Boy in our Town".

Choir practice on Thursday evening at 7 p.m. Mid-week Bible study at 8 p.m.

Preparations are being made for Promotions throughout the whole Bible School on September 30. The parents are urged to be present for the service which will be in the main auditorium at 10:30 where the children will receive their promotion certificates.

Rally Day and Home Coming Day will be on October 7th. Guest speaker for the day will be Rev. Wendell Herbison, a former pastor.

Congregational and Christian — Church—Lexington
L. G. WETZEL, Pastor

Lord, give me not just words to say,
Tho I need right words too; But strength to live in such a way
My life will make my words come true.

Sunday, September 23, 1951
Bible Schol, 9:45 a.m.
Morning Service, 10:45 a.m.
Bible Hour, 8:00 pm.

Wednesday, September 26, 1951
Prayer and Bible Study 8:00 p. m.

We would like to greet you and shake your hand at Church this Sunday.

ALL SAINT MEMORIAL CHURCH (Episcopal)
Holy Communion 8:00 a.m.
Church School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Prayer and Sermon, 11:00 a.m.
Confirmation Instructions 7:30 p.m.
Holy Communion on Wednesday at 10:00 am.
Junior choir practices on Wednesday afternoon, boys at 2:45 to 3:45; girls 3:45 to 5:00 p.m.
Archery classes on Saturday 9 to 12.
Boy Scouts at 9
Girl Scouts at 10.
Cub Scouts at 11.

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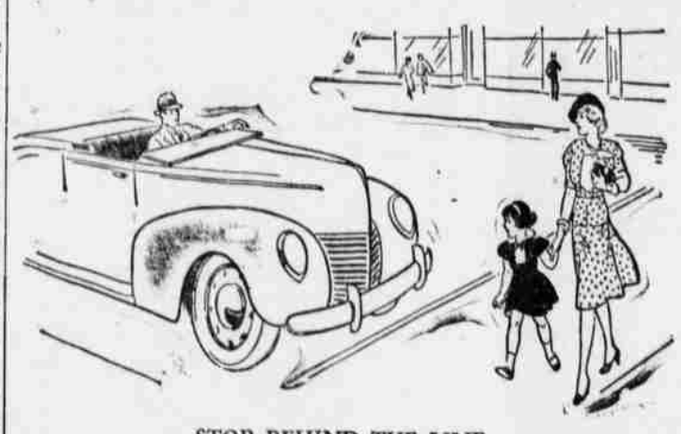
Sportsmanlike DRIVING



STOP BEHIND THE LINE

Halt! *Stop behind that line!* What line? The line at a street intersection that marks off the PEDESTRIAN CROSSWALK, says the AAA driver training book, "Sportsmanlike Driving."

Drive as though that street line were a barbed wire fence, if the yellow light flashes or the red light is on.

The line is there to mark off a clear, safe path for use of the man on foot—when his turn comes to cross the street. He deserves to take his turn on an unobstructed path.

A driver who fails to stop well behind the line is unfair. He lets his car get out of place. His poor driving sticks out of proper traffic patterns like a bad sore thumb. He deserves all the glaring he gets. He is out-of-turn.

Stop at intersections—when the yellow light flashes—as though the waiting pedestrians were your own family out there on foot. Give them a safe chance to cross.

Stop behind the line!

Oliver To Sponsor State Cattleman Of Year Award

A longtime Oregon cattleman, Herman Oliver of John Day, will sponsor an annual award to the "state cattleman of the year."

Selection will be made annually by a committee named to represent the Oregon Cattlemen's association of which Oliver is a past president. Announcement and presentation of the annual award will be made at the group's annual meeting and the winner will receive a rotating trophy.

Oliver made the award offer at the Oregon Cattlemen's association's 1951 annual meeting in Ontario where Harry Stearns, Prineville, was named president.

Although preparation of the score card to be used in making the selection will be left to the committee in charge, Oliver, in making the offer, expressed this viewpoint: The winner must be doing an outstanding job of range management, livestock improvement, be active in community affairs, and be interested in furtherance of 4-H work.

The contest, Oliver says, is intended to:

1. Make the public and stockmen recognize their responsibilities toward land, the livestock industry, and their community.

2. Create a better working relationship in conservation propects between state and federal agencies.

3. Create a better working relationship on conservation projects between local organizations.

4. Acquaint the public with the activities and problems of stock raising.

For many years, the Oliver ranch at John Day has been a good management model for other western stockmen. Oliver has been a staunch advocate of 4-H club work as a method of developing improved livestock and range managemtnt. For this reason he emphasized that an award contestant would strengthen his chances by showing an active interest in the youth program.

THIRTY YEARS AGO

September 15, 1921

Earl Ward, who was a graduate from Lexington high school last spring is taking post graduate work in Heppner high school this season. He will assist in the drug store of Humphreys Drug Co., when not occupied by his school work. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Ward of Blackhorse.

County Agent Calkins has purchased the residence lot of Miss Lulu Hager on the upper end of Chase street. The material for his new residence is on the way and the bungalow will be erected immediately. It is gratifying to see some new residences in process of construction and we shall welcome the day when the greater portion of Heppner's "burnt district" is again rehabilitated with modern residences.

Secretary Smead this week completed arrangements with the OW.R. and N. Company for a special train to be run to Heppnerr on Friday and Saturday. The train will leave Ione for Heppner immediately after the branch train has passed and returning will leave Heppner at 11:00 p.m.

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