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THE UNEMPLOYMENT PROBLEM IN MEDFORD

ALTHOUGH the census of Medford was taken in the quiet period as far as orchard work is concerned, the official figures show unemployment here was less than 2 per cent of the population.

But this favorable situation should not blind us to the fact that in the late fall, when the fruit crop has been harvested, conditions will undoubtedly be very different.

THE lumber business, as everyone knows, is bad, and when the summer building season is over, further retrenchment may be carried out.

Such a program might well tide Medford and Jackson county over what might otherwise be a very critical period.

Medford and Jackson county have been very fortunate thus far. With a little foresight and intelligent planning now, this good fortune can be continued, merely by advancing all contemplated construction work a few months ahead.

HARD ON THE FISH BILL

APPARENTLY few people realize a very old friend is on the referendum ballot this fall. None other than the single tax, which demonstrates that this pet scheme to solve the troubles of the universe, has as many lives as the proverbial alley cat.

Yes, the single tax is with us again, as well as another anti-cigarette bill, and other measures of a like kind.

TOO bad. With so many half-baked and impossible measures on the ballot, the people of Oregon, we fear, will go back to the time-honored custom of voting "no" all down the line—better to defeat them all than take the chance of one freak bill slipping through.

But there is one measure on the ballot in which the people of Southern Oregon are particularly interested—this is the proposal to close Rogue River to commercial fishing.

Every time the initiative is abused, it becomes more difficult to have it constructively used. The only escape we can see, is to have the initiative methods changed, as they should have been many years ago.

SUMMER AIRPORT DEDICATION ASSURED

IT is welcome news that the Northwest Pacific air tour will be carried out after all. A few weeks ago it was announced the original plan had been abandoned.

But yesterday Russell Lawson, aeronautical governor for Oregon, announced that the tour would be conducted in mid-summer as planned.

This means there will be a dedication of the Medford airport this August, under the auspices of the Medford Legion. The Legion, with characteristic enterprise and public spirit, will assume all financial responsibility.

It is probable the Legion, in order to raise expense money, will put on some sort of public entertainment, before the circus arrives. It seems hardly necessary to urge the people of Medford to give this entertainment their enthusiastic and whole-hearted support.

The man who sings his own praises is quite likely to be a soloist.

And doubtless the Chicago undertakers make special rates, like the old-fashioned photographer, to gangsters killed in family groups.

The man who tries to be the life of the party is usually the death of it.

A minister declared yesterday that good things live forever, and bad things don't live long. There is some hope then that the Kings Highway detour will pass away, sooner than appearances indicate.

All classes still respect Santa Claus. He hasn't yet expressed an opinion on Prohibition.

Historical note for Mussolini: Those who hit the ball hardest strike out most.

A naughty church man makes news because he's like a pair of white shoes. A very small spot looks big by contrast.

We agree with Will Rogers, we are tired of listening to all Prohibition arguments, whether for or against.

A prominent dairyman says the country should become more cow-minded. True, and less bull-minded.

Premonition: The uneasy feeling at sight of a homely talkie hero, that he is going to sing in a few minutes.

Smuggled immigration is the sincerest form of flattery.

Fifteen Years Ago This Week

(From the files of The Mail Tribune)

Monday

Reprieve granted Charles Becker, former New York police official, under sentence of death, in connection with gang slaying of Herman Rosenthal, gambler.

Tuesday

Attorney Gus Newbury visited his ranch on the Applegate, and meddled with the irrigation system to the great annoyance of his hired man.

Wednesday

Diaz, long dictator of Mexico, dead. Former residents of Kansas in valley decide to hold a picnic.

Thursday

Seasonal rainfall shy 12.4 inches, with the driest June in years. Medford to celebrate the Fourth of July with music, baseball, and horse races.

Friday

Seely Hall drives an auto to the Crater Lake rim, 12 days earlier than ever before known. Herbert E. Hannah of Jacksonville reports that a road streak of gold has been struck by the Jacksonville Mining and Milling company.

Saturday

City serves notice unuzzled dogs will be shot. Rain cools the air, and extinguishes several forest fires. W. H. Gore loses \$1500 worth of hay in fire.

FLYERS WIN NEW LAURELS



LOS ANGELES, June 28—The aeronautical speed team of "William S. Brock & Edward F. Schlee", famous around-the-world fliers, have added new laurels to their crown of fame by grabbing off two American transcontinental marks—the Atlantic - to - Pacific and the transcontinental round trip record.

The hot weather has acted as a damper on the perambulators of the Grizzlies, the well known hiking organization of which Cole Holmes is president.

BE READY FOR YOUR JULY 4th TRIP

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Smudge Smoke

Glizo Shimoda, 7, is now wearing his brother's pants, and they fit him not, and hit no place.

The eagle and the victims of drunken and reckless driving will scream next Fri. in celebration of the 4th.

It is still rather cool for people shades of orange. "Glorified orange" is the rage of the hr, and will soon be as thick as hot dog stands and gas pipes.

Edward W. Carlton wielded the gavel at the meeting Tues. of the horticulturists, and did a neat and artistic job of it, without injury to self or innocent bystander.

Mr. Carlton is developing nonchalance in his oratory, and aboed with his legs crossed, in a serious manner, while awaiting himself on the open palm with the gavel. The words flow from him, trippingly, and he never has to hunt for one.

All the local boys have returned safe and sound from the play war.

F. Bybee, the J'ville seaf towned Thurs., taking a much needed rest for his hay hands.

Every known method, except religion has been employed to engage the community in friendly combat, with itself.

Will Coleman sowed a beard the first of the wk, but slashed it off, when it came out gray and scraggly.

Hay fever is being enjoyed by several of the townspeople.

The Older Girls are complaining because the weather is not hot enough for them. They just love to suffer, and tell each other how they detest the hot weather.

C. Wig Ashpole is feeling rolicky, and eating away from home.

A young daredevil knew more than his pay last Sunday, and made a fizzle of diving 15 feet, into a foot of the Applegate river.

A delegation of Republican biguns will be here in August.

Hobias Deuel, who is standing as a candidate for the legislature, was a visitor in the metropolis the first of the wk, and got his name in the Oregonian.

Dick Sherwood, of W. Main stem is in a Los Angeles hospital, and will be home in a month. He rode down south in a 4d driven by his middle boy.

Postal workers are busy taking their unearned vacations.

An Espee section crew was mobilized south of the depot Wed., and with great deliberation drove a spike.

H. Flewber, H. Strang, and D. Welsh have returned from Pendleton, where they had motor trouble, and failed to cut the expected swath.

The great issue before the people at the polls in November will be the banishing by law of the cigarette, and it is to be hoped this form of nicotine iniquity will be eradicated once and for all.

The last time a safe was cracked in this city, the safecracker, left at least a dozen cigarette stubs lying around, and might have set the place afire.

For once, in all history, a Cannon went off without making a report. (Tulsa World)

A tall-end city is one where two victories in succession are referred to as a winning streak. (Nashville Banner)

Domestic servants are becoming taller, we read. But this does not necessarily mean that they will stay longer. (The Humorist, London)

Press Comment

Picking Up the Torch Following the embalming of the memory of the late George Joseph in a nauseating pickle of crocodile tears and goose grease eulogy, comes the strident demand from the Portland press for a candidate to carry out the "Joseph policies" as Republican party platform endorsed in "no uncertain terms" at the primaries.

Says the Portland Telegram: No man is worthy to be governor who will not pick up the torch which fell at Clatsop. The people of this state in stentorian tones indorced his platform. Who is to audaciously say that these principles of progress missed with his passing?

Mr. Joseph's nomination was by a minority vote. He received a plurality of 400 over the runner up, securing approximately a third of the votes cast and about 16 per cent of the registered party vote. The platform on which he ran was a repudiation of accepted Republican policies.

Briefly his platform consisted of free speech—which is assured by the Constitution, and has never existed in Oregon and has never been censured; of state ownership of hydro-electric power plants on the Columbia, an impossible project because the Columbia is an interstate stream and can only be developed by the federal government; and abolition of the Public Service Commission, which was created by the Republican party. All of these plans were simply demagogic appeals to popular prejudices against utility

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