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Highway Retrenchment

THE coming legislature, it may be conceded as certain, will make a revision of motor vehicle license schedules downward. It will not be a nominal nor even a moderate cut, but a cut that will go deeply.

That being true, the highway commission is wise in starting now to cut its pattern according to its cloth. It cannot hope to have funds for major construction projects.

FULFILLMENT under this program is going to carry with it disappointments to communities and districts desiring new roads. Communities and districts whose projects have been definitely mapped and for which the commission has made commitments, are likely not only to feel disappointment but anger or resentment also.

SISKIYOU represents an important improvement in the Pacific highway, but the present project is but a link which, to come into usefulness, would have to be supplemented by further extensive and expensive work for which no funds are in sight.

THE highway commissioners know how far they were committed to Siskiyou, Wolf creek and Wilson river beginnings. Apparently they felt that the commission was not obligated to any of the projects beyond recall in the face of new necessities.

We are in an era of necessary, not optional retrenchment. The highways will have to take their share of it.—Oregonian.

Personal Health Service

By William Brady, M. D.

Signed letters pertaining to personal health and hygiene, not to disease diagnosis or treatment, will be answered by Dr. Brady if a stamped, self-addressed envelope is enclosed. Letters should be brief and written in ink.

BORIC ACID AS HOUSEHOLD ANTISEPTIC

A correspondent says he has been using ear drops as suggested in this column (a few drops of a solution of boric acid to the ounce of pure grain alcohol, put in the ear once or twice daily for chronic running ear) and he derives much benefit from it.

The correspondent says that lately he has been using boric acid solution, in the proportion of a tablespoonful of boric acid to the pint of water, to syringe his throat and nose, whatever that may mean.

Oh, no, of course the man didn't use the term or. I just indicated that for propaganda purposes. What he actually said is that he uses boric acid solution in the belief that it may serve as a preventive against catching diseases that enter via the nose and throat.

Whether the use of a nose spray, or gargle, or mouthwash, or irrigation of boric acid solution is of any value in preventing respiratory infections I don't know, but if any antiseptic medication is effective in

'Diamond Dick' Today

balls, and presents for all, followed by refreshments. Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Richardson and daughter, Charlotte, spent Christmas at Hugo, Ore. As dinner guests of Mrs. Richardson's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. McIntyre and family have moved from the Howard district to town.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Musty entertained with a family gathering at dinner Christmas. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lewis of Gold Hill, Mrs. Belle Davis, Eunice Musty, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Grigsby, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling E. Richmond of Medford and Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Musty of Grants Pass.

Mr. Nolte has purchased the Cooksey place and will open up a wrecking yard on the highway north of town.

Mr. Levida Culbertson is receiving treatment for flu at the Community hospital. Many of the flu cases this winter seem more severe than last year but do not leave the patient with a severe cough.

Dr. Richard J. Tanner—once famous as "Diamond Dick" of the plains and now a physician in Norfolk, Neb.—dons his picturesque costume of years ago for old time's sake. (Associated Press Photo)

Flight 'o Tim

(Medford and Jackson County History from the Files of the Mail Tribune of 20 and 30 years ago)

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY December 29, 1922. (It was Friday) Peace looms in the Near East.

District Attorney Rawles under quarantine, because child have mild diphtheria. Business in November shows big increase. Report new find at the War mine.

Strangler Lewis may grapple next month. Gold Hill votes a new water rate. TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY December 29, 1912. (It was Sunday) Epidemic of scarletina in city. Parents warned to keep their children at home. City tax levy for year will be mills.

Thirty-six mine workers union leaders found guilty of dynamite conspiracy plot. Postoffice in this city and the entered and robbed of small sums of cash and stamps. Valley swept by heavy downpour rain. Mike Spason, convicted of murder taken to state prison.

Markets

Livestock. PORTLAND, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Cattle: 75 calves 10; generally steady. Hogs 250; fully steady. Sheep and lambs 100; generally steady.

Portland Wheat

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 29.—(AP)—Wheat: Open High Low Close Dec. 29.—39 39 39 39 May 42 1/2 42 1/2 42 1/2 42 1/2 July 43 1/2 43 1/2 43 1/2 43 1/2

Portland Produce

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 29.—(AP)—BUTTER—Prims, 92 score or better: 24c; standards 23c. COUNTRY MEATS—Selling price to retailers: Country-killed hogs, best butchers, under 150 lbs., 5-5 1/2c; vealers, 80-100 lbs., 7 1/2-8c lb.; lambs, 8-9c; yearlings 5c lb.; heavy ewes 3-4c lb.; canner cows, 2-3c lb.; bulls, 4-4 1/2c lb.

Wall St. Report

STOCK SALE AVERAGES (Copyright, 1932, Standard Statistics Company) Dec. 29: Today 50 20 20 90 Ind's RR's U's Total Today 50.5 25.8 99.8 53.6

Central Point

CENTRAL POINT, Dec. 29.—(Spl)—W. E. Alexander was injured in an automobile accident Saturday when his car overturned near Eagle Point while returning from Butte Falls. He is reported improving.

Frank Cochran, who has been in the hospital for several days with flu, is not yet able to return home.

Prof. D. F. Amick, eighth grade instructor, is spending the Yuletide vacation with relatives in Fresno, Cal.

Mrs. Fern Dow of San Francisco is a holiday guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Beebe, at their ranch home east of Central Point.

Carnival dance will be held at the Grange hall on New Year's eve. A good attendance is expected.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Hurd and family of the Griffin Creek district were dinner guests at the L. H. Smith home Christmas.

John Powell is spending the holiday week at Gold Beach.

Guardian Angel of Cats Happy Though Alone, Ill

Mrs. Frances Everett, friend of all living things, who has welcomed into her little brown house at the end of King street, where the weeds grow high, a great family of cats, for which she has become famous throughout the town, is ill this week and alone, but happy, although she was unable to decorate a Christmas tree for her cats this year, she told a caller at her cottage yesterday.

With her very familiar market basket and umbrella, she has been absent from the street since December 8 and wants her friends to know that it was not the zero weather which kept her from church, but illness.

Cold weather doesn't bother her, Mrs. Everett explained yesterday, shifting her body to give "Lily White" her favorite cat, cuddled in her arms, a more comfortable position.

When the thermometers were registering 25 below zero, she went to her church each Sunday morning from her old home in the east and being sick in bed was the only thing that kept her from church Christmas morning.

She hopes to be able to go New Year's day if some one will just drive by for her, as she was sitting up in bed yesterday.

Although she was unable to give them a Christmas tree this year, the cats gathered about her bed appeared to be in a very friendly mood. "Black Oscar" was purring in front of the stove, while "Jaaper," a blue-gray, rested peacefully in the rocking chair and "Lily White" in Miss Everett's arms. "Ruffies," who is a bit temperamental, fled from the room to join other cats on the doorstep, when the guest arrived.

Many friends have been kind to Mrs. Everett during her illness, she stated, carrying wood and water to her bedside and bringing her gifts for Christmas and her birthday, the day after Christmas, on which she was 79 years old.

of Ashland called on friends in the valley Monday. Mrs. L. H. Hughes has been ill with the flu for the past few days.

Don Wheeler of Beagle was a visitor of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Hughes Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Hughes. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Marshall and Joyce and Patricia, Mrs. Verna Duane and Bobby Duane. Mr. and Mrs. Beer returned at noon to Medford to have dinner with Mr. Beer's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. George Alfred and Miss Echo Alfred spent Christmas eve with Mr. and Mrs. Lester Carr and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kantor Jr. and children, Josephine and Dorothea, spent Christmas with Mrs. Kantor's sisters, Verna Duane and Bobby Duane. Mr. and Mrs. Beer returned at noon to Medford to have dinner with Mr. Beer's parents.

Mr. Williams and Ed Lewis Williams were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Getting in Ashland Christmas. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. R. Newby and family and Jake Rolstrom.

Mr. and Mrs. John Potter of Ashland were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Alfred and Miss Echo Alfred.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Ferns and family, Mr. and Mrs. Henry and family and Mr. Larson were guests of Mrs. Ferns and Mrs. Henry's aunt, Mrs. C. O. Potter, in Ashland for Christmas day.

Mrs. A. B. Ferns and Charles Ferns and children were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. Fensler and family, Mrs. Verna Duane and son, Bobby, of Medford were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall over the week end. Other guests of the Marshalls Christmas night were Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Beer, Misses Crawford, Lola Gilmore and Maxine Pittinger; Messrs. Frank Roberts, Willard Ruffman and Guy Corliss.

Phoenix

PHOENIX, Dec. 29.—(Spl.)—Mr. and Mrs. Ed White and family were dinner guests of Mrs. White's mother, Mrs. Coffin, on Christmas day.

Mrs. Charles McClain was hostess at a Christmas dinner for Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Oliver and family, Mr. and Mrs. George McClain and Mrs. Mollie Witcher. During the afternoon other guests called, including Mrs. John Roberts, Mrs. Mackie Wright and Miss Lula Roberts.

Miss Nancy Johnson called at the Jeff Eldridge home Christmas day.

Mrs. Matthew Barkley entertained at dinner Christmas day for Mr. and Mrs. Ray Moran and family, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Thornton, Mr. and Mrs. Nate Thornton, Burl Thornton and Miss Mildred Piek, the latter is spending the holidays here visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. Mackie Wright, M. Harvey, Mr. and Mrs. John Roberts and Miss Lula Roberts were dinner guests of Mr. A. H. Huson Christmas day.

Mrs. Tom Caster and family called at the Jim McCabe home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Maust will accompany their son, Ray, to Santa Rosa, when he returns to enter school there after spending his Christmas vacation here with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. Maust will leave here Friday and return Sunday.

Regular semi-monthly meeting of the Phoenix Grange was held Tuesday night, at which time work for the year was brought to a close and reports of some of the committees for the year given.

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Busby spent Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Busby, in Medford.

Dr. Bishop of Medford was called here last week to see Mrs. Julia Griffiths, who is suffering from the after effects of the flu.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ripper and daughters, Nellie and Wilma, were Medford shoppers Saturday.

Mrs. Lowden, Ivan, Zola and Viola Lowden were in Medford Saturday. Mrs. Ray Ward was in Medford the last of the week having dental work done.

Sardine Creek

SARDINE CREEK, Dec. 29.—(Spl.)—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Starna and children, who have been visiting relatives here and in Grants Pass for the past three months, left last week for their home in Pacific Grove, Cal., where Mr. Starna is employed by the American Can company.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Dusenberry, December 18, an 8 1/2-pound girl, who has been named Ida Pearl. Mrs. Dusenberry is in Gold Hill at the home of her sister, Mrs. Ida Wharton, who is caring for her.

Mrs. J. D. Starns of Grants Pass, who has been visiting relatives here and in Gold Hill for a week, left Thursday for her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Simpson of California spent Christmas week here with his mother, Mrs. E. C. Fiene, leaving Monday for their home.

R. W. Dusenberry and children, Alice, Iris and Raymond, and Jesse Starna, spent Christmas day at Mrs. Ida Wharton's in Gold Hill, where Mrs. Dusenberry has been for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. John Smith and children, Jean and Roberta, were Christmas guests of Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. Ella Bingham, on Thompson creek.

Alderbrook school closed Friday afternoon for a week's vacation, with a program in Christmas tree, enjoyed by the children and patrons of the school. The teacher, Mary Adairson, left Friday afternoon to spend the vacation with her parents in Medford.

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County relief work crew has been working the past week on the road here. Miss Fern Reed and brother, Fred,

Ye Smudge Pot

The decorum at the country dances is reported as a trifle rough, due, no doubt to the guests leaving the "mule" tied outside.

One of the Older Girls is celebrating her 78th birthday today.

Research reveals that with the so-called "mild flu," it's the victim, not the flu, that is "mild."

A picturesque prospector, grimly wrestling wealth from the hills, struck the Mother Baking Powder Can lode, on the Old Henhouse claim Tuesday, and panned out \$2330 in gold that had already been to the U. S. mint.

It is now predicted that more people will start 1933 on the verge, than ever before, due to strong drink not mixing with gasoline, pistols, butcher-knives, poisons, clubs and locomotives at the crossing.

By oratorically cutting the taxes in two, in Jackson county, they were only increased .7 of a mill.

WINTER LAKE, Fla., Dec. 27.—(UP)—A course in the use of leisure time is planned for students at Rollins College here.—(Press Dispatch)—With work so plentiful.

ERRORS. We made a mistake in last week's issue. A good subscriber told us about it. The same day there was a letter in our postoffice box that didn't belong to us. We called for 98 over the phone and got 198. We asked for a spool of No. 50 thread and when we got home we found it was No. 60. The train was reported 30 minutes late. We arrived at the depot 20 minutes late after the train had gone. We got our mail bill and there was a mistake of ten cents in our favor. We felt sick and the doctor said we were eating too much meat. We hadn't tasted meat for two months. The garage man said the jitney was missing because it needed a new timer. We cleaned a spark plug and it's run fine ever since. Yet we made a mistake in last week's issue of the paper.—(Sparta (Mo.) Times).

The 1934 pageant is coming along fine, to celebrate the 78th birthday of Oregon. Only 18 months before the fateful date, and not a committee active.

It was so cold in the Bates tonorial parlors this morning, that a No-Hat enthusiast, who came in for a shave, had to go home and get his hat.

We suppose some Portlander will start the New Year by swimming in the Willamette river at dawn. The three-day Christmas holiday was marred by no Portland citizen getting lost on the south side of Mt. Hood.

G. Thorndyke was seen stepping out of the bank yesterday p. m., wearing the tired look that comes from counting money.

A shindig that will make the males wear their claw-hammer coats is rumored as a pre-Lent social hurrah.

PERILS OF BREACHING. (Santahola (Miss.) Press) The Rev. William McCarty, now 96 years old, was called upon two weeks ago to preach at the funeral of a notorious sinner, a relative of Mrs. Levy Laird. The Rev. Mr. McCarty preached frankly on the sins of the deceased man and, instead of assuring the mourners that he was going to Heaven, boldly stated that he would go to a much hotter place. He exhorted the younger people to live righteously lest they go there too. The staff that the Rev. Mr. McCarty was putting on her dead relative grew too hot for Mrs. Laird. She reached out and snatched at the preacher. When he ducked, she pursued him, and finally was successful in tearing most of his clothes, smashing his hat, and scratching him up so viciously that he had to see a physician. He had Mrs. Laird arrested. She was fined and sentenced to a term in the workhouse for disturbing public worship.

When visiting supplanting sales books, flat-packs or ten-fold cash register forms, order sheets for bookkeeping machines or any other kind of printing order from out-of-town firms and pay more. Phone 75 one and our representatives will call.

Head-ache, cold, cough—Leave it to Jones. Phone 790.

Lake Creek

LAKE CREEK, Dec. 29.—(Spl.)—Mr. and Mrs. William Hoefft and family spent Christmas with Mrs. Hoefft's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Van Dorly on Griffin Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Pech were shopping in Medford Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Meyer motored to Red Bluff Thursday to spend the holidays with Mrs. Meyer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Coult. They expect to return about the first of the year.

Dinner guests at the Tomm home Christmas were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Grigsby and children and Ted Hoefft.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bush of Eugene arrived at the C. R. Moore home Christmas morning to spend a few days. Miss Thelma Moore of Medford, and Evelyn and Billie Abbott of Eagle Point also had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Wyant and family ate Christmas dinner with the Gene Bellows family of Eagle Point. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Farlow enjoyed their Christmas dinner Saturday. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Gold Zindel, Mr. and Mrs. Loren Farlow, Mrs. Eva Nichols, Miss Gladys Nichols and Marjorie Nichols.

H. E. Pech was the Christmas guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. De Haas of Eagle Point.

Mrs. Ted Hoefft and children are spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Jennie Meenan, near Medford.

Miss Frances Wilson of Sams Valley was a guest at the Tomm home Sunday night. Everyone is invited to attend the dance for Christmas at the Grange hall. The Christmas party is being given at the Grange hall.

Fern Valley

FERN VALLEY, Dec. 29.—(Spl.)—Christmas proved a happy occasion here. December 23 Santa made a call on the children at Fern Valley school. An interesting program was presented by the children, then Santa

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TRI-STATE SALES TAX PLAN AGREED UPON BY EXPERTS

SALEM, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Representatives of Idaho and Washington in attendance at the tri-state tax conference held here yesterday, left for their homes in Boise and Olympia last night with the intention of having introduced in their legislatures similar sales tax measures, as will be introduced at the special session in Oregon next week.

While no definite conclusion or uniform tax proposal was reached at the conference, it was announced after the all-day session that sales tax bills, alike in the major essentials, would be given to the legislatures of the three states for consideration. Views on various revenue-raising measures, featuring sales taxes and income taxes, were exchanged at the conference.

Since Oregon must act first because of the special session starting January 3 for the purpose of enacting some measure to relieve the real property tax, its plan was given the most consideration. What the legislature does will be another matter, it was pointed out, but further exchange of views and legislative proposals will follow by correspondence, it was announced.

The Oregon plan would call for a 2 per cent tax on retail sales and expenditure for labor for a period of 26 months. No exemptions are provided in the proposal, nor would there be an increase in the tax on selective goods. This proposal will be one of several, it was declared, which will be presented to the special session of the Oregon legislature.

His brother, JOHN G. GORE, Junction City, Ore., Dec. 28, 1932.

Jenkins' Comment

It in two days and two rides, says.

ECONOMICAL, on the face of it, and economy is the big political watchword this year.

But don't get Challenged on it back to ENTHUSIASTICALLY use you see whether or not he turns his mileage expense at the full rate. You can't always tell in these days.

Old Time Actress Hears Final Call

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Word was received here today that Mrs. Marjorie Bloomfield, 73, who "sang out" with John Drew, E. H. Sothern and other noted actors of a former day. She was one of the first actresses to appear in Alaska after the discovery of the gold fields.

To Portland Pastorate DENVER, Colo., Dec. 29.—(AP)—Resignation of the Rev. William E. Everson as pastor of the First Baptist church here, effective January 1, was announced by the church trustees today. Dr. Everson has accepted a call from the First Baptist church of Portland, Ore.

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