

JACKSON COUNTY JOBLESS RELIEF PROBLEM BARED

Tengwald, Secretary County General Relief Committee Tells History of Efforts —Dole Is Recent

Due to numerous and increasing inquiries relative to the manner in which emergency employment and relief problems were handled during the years 1930, 1931 and 1932, through the Jackson county court, I feel that the citizens and taxpayers of Jackson county are entitled to an explanation, particularly by reason of conditions in Jackson county at this time.

The writer served as secretary of the Jackson county court from December 5, 1930, to January 1, 1933. During that period of time, all matters of a clerical nature, and a great number of administrative matters were handled by the secretary.

In 1930, the state highway commission instituted a system of relief work known as "emergency employment," funds for which were appropriated by the state highway commission, being derived principally from the gasoline road tax, and the counties' share of the automobile license tax.

The office end of said plan was handled without expense, either to the taxpayers of the state or of the county, the court having merely directed same along with its regular and statutory duties. The placing and assignment of men was handled through the court.

No appropriation was made from any source for office or overhead expense. The manner in which the placing and assignment of men was handled, was to advise the applicants after they had registered, and if they met the residence requirements, to report at a definite future date at the court, and also to report periodically, and after thorough consideration of the circumstances involved in each particular case, they were issued "authorization slips," authorizing them to report at a definite time and place for one week's work. The previous week's crews were replaced every Monday by an entirely new crew.

No married man nor single man with dependents received a week's work often than once every third week. Single men with no dependents received no consideration under this arrangement. Only legal residents of this county were eligible, and no man was assigned to work otherwise than through the court.

Authorized lists of men assigned to work were mailed to the state highway commission office no later than Friday of each week, bearing the names of the men who had been authorized to report for work the following Monday. Through direct cooperation with the American Red Cross and other relief organizations, duplication was absolutely avoided.

Later the government, through the forest service, allocated approximately \$35,000 to this county for emergency employment purposes. The direction of this work was also handled through the county court on the same basis as state work was handled. The men received their checks direct through the state highway commission office, and the forest service office.

In 1932, no federal assistance was available, hence the county, through the budget committee, appropriated funds to augment the funds allocated to this county by the state highway commission, which latter funds aggregated a very small sum. Approximately \$30,000 was budgeted by the county for emergency employment, which sum was put into direct general circulation among the merchants and taxpayers of Jackson county through work on the county roads and woodlot.

Toward the close of the winter of 1932, the need for a county commissary was obvious, and said commissary was accordingly established. The commissary was stocked by wholesale purchase of foodstuffs, exchange with other counties, donations by women volunteer workers, etc. Nothing was distributed through the commissary at any time on a "dole" basis, and regulations were granted only after investigation by the Red Cross, through the county court, on a balanced ration basis. Only those who were physically or mentally incapacitated received foodstuffs through the commissary without giving labor in exchange.

Labor was the only medium of exchange for foodstuffs, payroll deductions being taken wherever possible, and where not possible, the recipient

of foodstuffs were required to do some work of a public nature, immediately, in exchange for food.

Through the system known as the "Local Labor Card System," all qualified laborers were furnished with a "Jackson County Local Labor Card," which card they were required to keep in their possession at all times, same having been signed by two taxpayers, certifying that the information contained on the face of said card was correct.

Any misrepresentation resulted in revocation of said card. Some 8,000 unemployed men and women obtained these cards, duplicate records of which were retained on file with the county court.

A record of work done was kept in ink on the reverse side of these cards, and every man with dependents had an equal chance to secure work on the basis of presentation of these cards, either through direct contact with contractors or private employers, or through the court on regular authorization days, depending on the number of dependents in his family, and the particular circumstances in each individual case.

The money that was budgeted by the county was budgeted for the fiscal year for this particular purpose, and every care was taken through direct contact with charitable organizations to avoid duplication of relief granted.

Through the general relief committee, members of which were appointed by Governor Meier, and who served without compensation, all relief and public work problems were discussed currently, and steps taken to meet existing conditions, as far as humanly possible so to do.

It is to be noted that the policy of the general relief committee to avoid the "dole system" wherever possible so to do, and the "dole" was unknown in Jackson county as a result of this policy, up to January 1, 1933. Families were placed and kept on a self-respecting basis, and through the commissary credit system, a credit was established for deserving unemployed heads of families, so that they would feel free to use that privilege until they could secure a week's work, at which time a payroll deduction would be taken, and the amount deducted, based on lowest market value, on a basis of labor performed, credited back to the revolving fund of the commissary, for use in replenishing commissary stocks, and without using emergency funds any more than necessary to operate the commissary.

In this manner, the commissary was kept largely replenished and stocked through the medium of an exchange of labor.

I feel that the public should be enlightened relative to this matter, and that much unjust criticism has been directed to past officials and those who so generously volunteered their services to meet the emergencies that the people are confronted with. Therefore, this article is, I feel, very timely, and I hope will explain to some extent the problems that the county has been confronted with in the past, and the problem it is now facing, and lead to some solution of the most serious matter that confronts the people of this county, state and nation at this time.

It was the purpose of the court and the general relief committee, and all charitable organizations to handle this problem without it becoming a constant source of worry to every citizen and taxpayer of Jackson county. Toward this objective, considerable work has been done in the past two years and more, to keep the direction of this problem centralized, to the end that economic and industrial recovery might be hastened, and that business might return to normal.

I submit this summarization to the citizens and taxpayers of this county for their serious consideration, and so that they may have the necessary facts to enable them to determine the true status of this problem at present. VICTOR A. TENGWALD, Secretary Jackson County General Relief Committee.

PAYLESS DRUGS OPENS SATURDAY

Offering the people of the Rogue River valley staple drug merchandise at remarkably low prices, "Payless Drugs" will be opened at 33 North Central avenue in the Medford Center building Saturday morning, Feb. 18. Emmet G. Hendricks, manager, announced today.

Mr. Hendricks is a capable druggist, having been associated with the drug and stationery department in Meier and Frank company's store in Portland for some time previous to coming to Medford. He was also merchandise manager for the Broadway-Columbia Markets drug sections.

An interesting new system of merchandising will be introduced to the local public by Payless Drugs Saturday, and a special invitation is issued by Manager Hendricks for everyone to attend the grand opening.

Society and Clubs

Edited by Eva Nealon Hamilton

Bible Class Has Pleasant Meeting

The Weekly Bible class meeting last evening at the Y. W. C. A. was attended by 35 persons and the study of the book of Genesis, led by Mrs. E. N. Warner, was completed. The instructor brought out the truths in types in the lives of Isaac, Jacob and Joseph.

Types Brought Out in the Sacrificial Offering of Isaac

Joseph's life was brought out in the type of Christ at almost every point in the most interesting meeting in the women's club rooms in the city hall Tuesday, February 21. An outline of dispensations covered in the Bible, will be the subject of the lesson.

Elks Dance Pleasure

Last night was a gala one for many Medford folk, who gathered at the Elks' temple for the Valentine dance, sponsored by the Lady Elks with the assistance of the lodge members. In a holiday setting, bringing promise of spring's early arrival, the guests danced to music by Reginald Pifer's orchestra.

Many Special Features Added Interest to the evening, success of which was due to the work of the committee, headed by Mrs. Larry Schade, assisted by Mrs. Charles Gilbert, Mrs. J. C. Thompson, Mrs. Bob Strang and Mrs. Cole Holmes. On the men's committee, aiding the women in arranging the party, were Bob Strang, Charles Gilbert and Grover Corum.

B. P. W. Club to Hear Miss Carlton Speak

Miss Mildred Carlton, president of the Jackson County Public Health association, will be speaker tomorrow noon at the luncheon of the Business and Professional Women's club to be held in the club rooms in the city hall. She will give an interesting review of health work in the east as she viewed it on a recent trip to New York city and other centers.

Knights Templar Going to Ashland

Knights Templar of this city will motor to Ashland this evening for covered dish supper with Ashland members at the Masonic temple in the Lithia city. Each member is asked to bring a covered dish, and an invitation has been extended all visiting Knights Templar.

Supper will be followed by a social evening. The committee for the evening is composed of Dr. R. L. Burdick, J. H. Hardy, A. J. McCallen, Ralph Sweeney, A. H. Willetts and Harvey Fields.

Group of Ladies Invites Mrs. Clark to Luncheon

Mrs. Donald Clark is one of the local hostesses entertaining for the benefit of the Welfare Exchange in the long chain of events, started a short time ago at the home of Mrs. Leonard Carpenter. She has invited four guests to luncheon tomorrow.

Party This Evening at Parish Hall

A large crowd is expected at parish hall this evening for the party being sponsored by the women of the Catholic church. Card playing will begin at 8 o'clock and a special invitation is extended to members of the younger set of the city. Mrs. Brophy is chairman of arrangements for the evening and will be assisted by Miss Lucille Barrett, who will supervise playing. Mrs. E. Barnea, Mrs. Althouse and Mrs. Blechhoff.

Pythian Sisters Plan Social for Tonight

The Pythian Sisters will hold a short temple session this evening at 8 o'clock in the E. P. hall, to be followed by cards and refreshments. All Knights Sisters and their families are invited to attend.

Alpha Delta Class To Meet Thursday

The Alpha Delta class of the first Christian church Bible school will hold its regular monthly business meeting and social Thursday afternoon, February 17, at the home of Mrs. George Eads, 28 South Orange street. Assisting the hostess will be Mrs. A. D. Curry and committee. All members and friends are cordially invited to attend.

Methodist Bible Class to Meet

The Women's Bible class of the First Methodist Episcopal church will meet with Mrs. Hitzler, 338 West Holly street on Thursday afternoon. All members and friends are invited and instructed to bring their thimbles.

Denman to Visit in College Town

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Denman will leave Friday by motor for Corvallis, accompanied by Miss Margaret Arnold, to spend the week-end visiting friends in the college town.

Larsen Plan Trip to Portland

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Larsen will leave tomorrow by motor for Portland to spend the week-end as guests of friends in the Rose City.

Carnation Club To Meet Thursday

The Carnation club will meet at the home of Mrs. Thomas Bryant, 106 South Gray street Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

W. R. C. Meets at Army Thursday

The Women's Relief Corps will meet Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Medford Army.

Miss Stone Guest of Bend Friends

Miss Thelma Stone left Monday for Bend, where she will be guest of friends for a week.

Meteorological Report

February 15, 1933.
Forecasts:
Medford and vicinity: Rain tonight and Wednesday. No change in temperature.
Oregon: Rain west and snow east portion tonight and Thursday. Warmer east portion tonight.

Local Data

Lowest temperature this morning, 56 degrees.
Temperature a year ago today: Highest, 38; lowest, 22.
Total precipitation since September 1, 1932, 10.93 inches.
Relative humidity at 5 p. m. yesterday, 52 degrees; 5 a. m. today, 84 per cent.
Sunset today, 5:44 p. m.
Tomorrow: Sunrise, 7:06; sunset, 6:45 p. m.

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MAGGIE BUCKLEY, BELOVED PIONEER, PASSES AT RUCH

Maggie T. Buckley, beloved pioneer of southern Oregon, and a resident of the Ruch district for over 62 years, passed away at her residence at that place at 12:20 a. m. Wednesday. Although she was 78 years of age, and had been ill for the past six months, her death from a heart ailment, was unexpected, and came as a great and sudden shock upon her family and numerous friends.

Mrs. Buckley was born at Trenton, New Jersey, June 5, 1854, and in 1864 she came with her grandmother Riley to Oregon, settling at Jacksonville. She received her early education at St. Mary's Academy, Jacksonville, and in the year 1871 was united in marriage to James D. Buckley, who passed away in 1908.

Surviving her are seven children, two daughters and five sons, Rose A. and M. Catherine Buckley both of Ruch, John D. James T., David P., George Buckley all of Ruch, Frank J. Buckley (deceased). Two grand-children, Louis T. and Lawrence Buckley.

Mrs. Buckley was a devout Christian character, and member of the Catholic church, and member of the Sacred Heart church, Friday at 10 a. m. Father Francis Black officiating. Interment will take place in the Jacksonville cemetery. Prayers will be held at the Per Funeral home Thursday at 7:30 p. m.

MRS. SLEETER WINNER IN FIRST TOURNEY OF WOMENS GOLF SEASON

Mrs. R. W. Sleeter was winner yesterday in the first play of the season by local women golfers at the Rogue River Valley course. Fourteen participated in the blind bogey tournament and 18 attended the luncheon at the club house, which preceded play.

Other placings were: Mrs. Moose Muirhead, number two; Mrs. E. B. Smith, number three; Mrs. T. Slater Johnston, number four; Mrs. Aletha Vawter, number five; Mrs. Alice Getchell, number six; Mrs. J. C. Boyle, number seven; Mrs. C. J. Semon, number eight; Mrs. Homer Marx, number nine; Mrs. Reames, number 10; Mrs. George Coddling, number 11; Miss Donna Solinsky, number 12 and Mrs. Larry Schade, number 13.

Play at the course will be an "every Tuesday event" for the women as long as the weather permits.

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K M E D Broadcast Schedule

Thursday
8:00—Breakfast news, Mail Tribune.
8:05—Musical clock.
8:15—A Peerless Parade.
8:30—Shopping Guide.
9:00—Friendship Circle.
9:30—Today.
9:45—The Pet program.
10:00—U. S. weather forecast.
10:05—Fashion Parade.
10:15—Morning melody.
10:30—Morning comments.
10:45—Popular vocalists.
11:00—Quartets parade.
11:15—Musical music.
11:30—Song and comedy.
12:00—Mid-day review.
12:15—Populartia.
12:30—News flash, Mail Tribune.
12:30—Garden of Melody.
1:00—Varieties.
2:00—Dance matinee.
3:00—Songs for Everyday.
3:30—KMED program review.
3:35—Music from Yesterday.
4:00—Judge Rutherford, lecturer.
4:15—Across the Seas to Hawaii.
4:30—Masterworks.
5:00—Popular parade.
5:45—News digest, Mail Tribune.
6:00—Medford Theatre Guide.
6:05—Dinner Dance Music.
6:30—Vignettes.
6:45—Chandu the Magician.
7:00—Labor Exchange program.
7:15—Memories.
7:30—Populartia.
8:00 to 8:30—Eventide.

LIONS RELIEF KITCHEN NEEDS FUNDS TO FEED CROWD HUNGRY MEN

The Lions Community Relief kitchen, described yesterday in a burst of enthusiasm, on the part of some of its sponsors, as "in splendid condition" is still greatly in need of funds, it was pointed out today by the club president, L. Pennington. The report submitted at yesterday's luncheon showed that all bills for January have been paid, which is a splendid record, in consideration of the great amount of service extended the needy by the kitchen and shelter. There are other months to come, however, and the demands upon the kitchen are not subsiding, but increasing.

Needs of the future are therefore piling up before the workers, who are wondering just where the money is coming from. Many donations have been made in the past by citizens, who realize what the project is accomplishing and the members of the club were expressing gratitude yesterday.

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KELLY WOULD TALK TO BANKS PARTY AT NEXT MASS MEETING

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If this offer was made in good faith, it does credit to your organization. Tolerance, fairness and a desire to know the truth, are all concomitants of good government.

Now, if the gentlemen whom you have so generously invited to share your platform time do not feel in the mood to accept your offer, may I respectfully urge that you offer their time to me in a defense of the legal profession and the judiciary, also in a discussion as to the constitutional way in which objectionable officials may be removed from office.

Very truly yours,
E. E. KELLY.

HOW COME YOU AREN'T SEEING FAY TONIGHT?

WE HAD A DATE, JIM BUT FAY CALLED IT OFF. SOMETIMES I WONDER IF SHE REALLY CARES FOR ME

GREAT SCOTT, THERE'S FAY NOW AND WITH ANOTHER MAN—HOW FICKLE!

FICKLE NOTHING! FAY THINKS THE WORLD OF YOU BUT I KNOW ONE WAY YOU MAY HAVE OFFENDED HER

NO "B.O." NOW—THANKS TO JIM'S TOP ABOUT LIFEBOUY SOAP! SUCH LATHER!

FAY'S "ONE AND ONLY" — since he ended "B.O."

TOO LATE, BILL, FAY'S DATED UP WITH ME!

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