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The President's selection for the supreme court bench of a former Alabama police judge seems to have pleased no one but the president.

No complete check has been made as yet, but there seems to be as many "Switzerlanders of America" in Oregon, as there are "Gateway Cities to Crater Lake."

The Postmaster-General and National Chairman of the Democratic party, predicts Sen. Vandenberg of Michigan will be the Republican nominee for President in 1940.

"A scientist says insects' nerves quiver when they hear music. Well, if they've been listening to some recent radio programs the bugs have nothing on us."

NOTHING MUCH WRONG. (Atlanta Georgian)

"He is wrong, of course. He is wrong because obviously he is acting like a stiff-necked, incorrigible, bigoted, credulous, provincial, uninformative, arrogant, disconcerting, pompous, fomenting, politicking, preening, puffing, magisterial, pharisaical, officious, ostentatious, opinionated, dogmatic, churlish, contumacious, disingenuous, dissembling, calculating, humorless, a n-1 social holler-than-thou-Yankee."

Safety experts proclaim "a 12-year old boy lacks the mental qualifications to drive an auto."

The CoCo. roof caught afire last night. It is not known whether it was caused by lightning, a carelessly tossed cigarette, or a red-hot speech aimed the wrong direction.

The esteemed Klamath Falls Herald editorially wonders where the politicians get their money for continental jaunts and expenses to Orange and Townsend club picnics.

A LADY STRIKES OUT. (Town and Country)

"On the afternoon of the fourth day a message came inviting her to visit her host that evening. She went about nine o'clock. He received her in a long room overlooking the gardens. Candles were lit in the room. He began to talk. He talked with extraordinary force and imagery, about politics, poetry, religion, love, the human soul. The candles burned down. The night grew pale outside. The sun rose over the gardens. He talked until seven in the morning, then, with grace and courtesy, he bade her goodbye. When she got back to her rooms, the maid was packing for her. She left."

An Alabama Townsend club has a president, who is only nine years old, and a boy orator besides. By the time he is 65, he should know how to take up a collection.

The esteemed Corvallis Gazette-Times is editorially mildly agog, at the news scientists in Maryland are endeavoring to produce a red clover that will leave the bumble-bee without his traditional job of pollinating.

With all due respect to scientists, who can tell a split second when a comet will be visible from the earth seven years before it is, there is no grounds for alarm that Nature will not continue to do a good job, and continue as boss.

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Editorial Correspondence

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 13.—The dominant note of President Roosevelt is still a smart alertness. He doesn't look as fit as when we last saw him,—it may be this unspeakable Washington climate, or the way things have been going politically or a combination of both. His color is not as good, his eyes not as bright. But that alertness—one might term it almost a startled alertness is still there,—head in the air, chin high,—the winged-victory,—sort of thing hasn't diminished in the slightest. Outwardly at least he is still the "Happy Warrior."

Thanks to Carl Smith of the Journal we were introduced to Davidson, of the White House press bureau, and admitted to the President's press conference this morning. Because of the Claude McCulloch hearing before the senate judiciary committee neither Smith nor Johnny Kelly of the Oregonian were on hand at the White House, so Davidson took us in charge. We had no intention of meeting the President,—for our theory has always been, that the President's time is too valuable to be taken up by hand-shaking, and chit-chat,—moreover we have never been greatly interested in that sort of thing.

But when the conference adjourned Davidson picked us out of the crowd and without a word took us up to the President's table, and introduced us to Steve Early, one of the President's secretaries. We had met Early at Grants Pass a few years ago when he came west with the late Secretary Howe, and he was smart enough to remember it. He was slightly non-plussed however when Davidson introduced us as the EDITOR of the Portland Journal of Portland, Oregon, so were we. This broke the ice so-to-speak as we explained our exact status, and we were properly handed over to F. D. R., as a country editor of Southern Oregon.

The President was very nice of course—he is nice to everyone,—and we passed a few pleasantries about the ancient past, and a few mutual friends in the Webfoot state, including one in Medford. But what struck us so forcibly was that mental alertness. A portly gentleman had preceded us, some foreign newspaper man spending a few days in Washington, and had engaged the President in some discussion of the Greek language. The President showed a keen interest, and talked for several minutes on technical linguistic problems which were entirely over the country editor's head. Then we came up,—and one might have excused the President for spending a few seconds in adjusting himself to such a different spectacle and environment,—a somewhat weather-beaten country editor from far off Oregon, whom he hadn't seen for 35 years and didn't know intimately then—but not at all. Presto changeo—Greece was out, Oregon was in—and that was that.

Perhaps this is an important factor in the well-known Roosevelt charm. But it isn't personal charm to which we refer. It is his remarkable memory, a genuine personal interest in people, and a superlatively alert and active mind. It must be a strain on his vital forces—this constant tension. We have an idea the President will never grow old, never slow up as most people do, and gradually fade away, but when he goes will go at once and entirely,—not sick or wounded, but in FULL FLIGHT quickly brought down.

President Roosevelt intends to visit Oregon sometime in the Fall to turn on the juice at Bonneville. The exact date is not known and won't be until everything is arranged. Trips here to be managed this way. If they weren't the White House would be flooded with Chamber of Commerce messages requesting the chief executive not to overlook this place or that. The same old army game,—local pride and injured feelings.

Thanks to the President's appointment of Senator Black to the Supreme Court yesterday, a large crowd of newspaper men—and women—were on hand when the conference opened. The procedure in such things has changed since we last attended a President's press conference in Washington. In the Harding administration the newspaper boys were seated, there were both written and oral questions, the President was some distance from the reporters. But now, the President sits at a long oval desk, and the newspaper crowd marches in, like a mob scene in a movie only the fittest of foot, get up against the table and thus have a view of the chief executive. They are near enough to tap him over the head with a pencil if such a pleasantry should be desired. The President's secret service body guard stands near him, Charley Michelson is directly behind him (or at least was today) son James, his new personal secretary at the end of the table, Seey, McIntyre, between him and his father, and on the other side Steve Early, and a husky young man we failed to identify.

All the conversation in the ante room had been regarding the Black appointment—and all we heard was extremely critical,—so naturally the first question concerned that. The President smiled, cocked his cigarette at an angle and had nothing to say, other than that he had taken every precaution to not have the news leak out, had therefore written the order in his own hand and sent it to the senate by a special messenger.

Fifteen minutes before this action, the newspaper boys at the White House had been told by Steve Early that so many names were being considered for the Supreme Court place, that it would be some time before any appointment would be announced. Therefore another question was pertinent—"Did Steve Early know of the Black appointment?" Still smiling, and flicking a cigarette ash, the President said he had been apologizing to Steve and Steve to him ever since the announcement,—obviously this was one appointment he had been able to make without Mr. Early's assistance, etc. etc. This caused considerable laughter.

The general atmosphere of the conference was genial and friendly enough on the surface, but the present writer thought he detected a certain tension and absence of any real comradeship underneath. This was not suggested by the President so much as by his associates, Son James, Michelson and McIntyre. They all looked extremely solemn,—funeral in fact. We have an idea the popular reaction to the Black appointment had not pleased them.

The conference didn't last more than 15 minutes. It was ended by one of the big shots in the front row saying "Thank you, Mr. President" and starting out. The crowd—there must have been 75 or 80 in all,—followed him.

We hurried over to the Senate judiciary committee room—over a mile away—just in time to hear Senator Borah interrogate Claude McCulloch on his qualifications to be a federal judge. From a news standpoint this was as big a flop as the President's press conference. The dope had been Walter Pierce opposed the appointment and would come before the committee to present his objections. "Our Walter" was not there, and again according to grapevine, refused to accept an invitation to appear. As a result all the evidence presented was favorable to the Klamath Falls attorney and none against, Borah pushed various telegrams and letters he had read across the table, picked up his briefcase and said he was satisfied. Everyone else, including the chairman appeared to be. And certainly Mr. McCulloch was, for this means a life job for him, at an excellent salary, higher honor and security. Might add that he made a fine impression particularly his frank straightforward admission that he had been an attorney for the California Oregon Power company and for certain large lumber corporations. (A good attorney in Klamath Falls naturally would be). And Mr. Mahoney who was there also, didn't appear to be downcast by the way things turned out! Everyone congratulated the "judge" and hurried away for lunch.—R. W. R.

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OUT BEYOND THE VIOLET contains, you have to take it raw, that is, on naked skin with no screen or covering to filter out part of the radiant energy.



It was a great disappointment that we failed to run onto the celebrated Addison Sims when we visited Seattle. If Ad and the memory of training school that made him famous only a little while ago have vanished, Roy G. Biv of our high school days marches on the limited field of our ordinary sense perception are radio waves, X-ray, gamma rays from radium, for all we know perhaps telepathic and clairvoyant rays.

Wave lengths of radiant energy longer and less rapid than the longest and slowest perceptible to human senses (red light) are infra-red or radiant heat rays. Wave lengths shorter and more rapid than the shortest and most rapid perceptible to human senses are ultra-violet, actinic or chemical rays. Other wave lengths of solar energy fall outside the limited field of our ordinary sense perception are radio waves, X-ray, gamma rays from radium, for all we know perhaps telepathic and clairvoyant rays.

Too many unsophisticated customers are deceived by glib-tongued sharpers into thinking visible violet rays are the ultra-violet rays which have remedial value. There is no remedial value in violet colored light rays from any source than there is in green or blue light. Ultra-violet rays are invisible, imperceptible to human sense. For instance, plenty of sunlight and considerable of the heat of the sun will pass through ordinary window glass, but the ultra-violet rays of sunlight are almost entirely screened out by ordinary glass. Special glass may be used for windows which will permit a large part of the ultra-violet rays, not all, to pass through. If you want to get all of the ultra-violet the sunshine

collection is exhibited each year at a 5th avenue gallery and brings out the dog leashes of note. He is in constant demand by owners of prize-winning poodles to immortalize their pets, but rarely takes on a personal assignment, unless the subject is a dog that strikes his fancy.

Few so-called playboys have been as successful in business as Billy Seaman. Although a settled family man now, following his marriage to the beautiful Phyllis Haver, he was in bachelor days a generous host to Broadway. During the period Mayor Walker was on the upbeat, Seaman was his particular pal. At his penthouse parties, one might find Paul Whelan or George Gerwin leading a suddenly made-up orchestra writing up orchestra. Send 3-cent stamps during the high step at his office next day and put in eight hours hard work. He lived high and handsomely, kept fit by regular exercise and worked like a Trojan. And thus escaped the windup of the usual playboy.

The finest compliment ever paid a certain top New York restaurant came from a Texan dining with a friend. The head-waiter had been instructed to overlook nothing. Unluckily his napkin after high-step, the long-horn beamed: "Partner, that was boardin'."

Hawaii Invites Realtors. SAN FRANCISCO.—(UP)—As a result of development of real estate, aerial transportation and rising population in the Hawaiian Islands, efforts are underway to hold the 1938 convention of the National Realtors of America at Honolulu, according to Paul W. Stark, president.

Zealanders Use Telegrams. WELLINGTON, New Zealand.—(UP)—More telegrams are sent per person in New Zealand, it is said, than in any other country in the world. In the last year for which complete world figures are available, 1934, New Zealand led the way with 2.5 telegrams per capita.

Mess in China. This detachment of Japanese warriors took a lunch stop after an engagement in North China. They keep ready hands upon their guns. Feeling against the presence of the troops mounted higher after the fall of Peiping and its rich farming country.

There is also a remarkable book of information. The High Cost of Cheap Construction. It gives in a simple, understandable way, it brings you a world of valuable building knowledge. You may have it to read at your leisure.

Sound Values are Easily Financed. Because these homes have been wisely planned and properly built of standard materials, including precision-cut 4 Square Lumber in exact lengths, they can be successfully and soundly financed with surprisingly modest down payments. Come in and see them.

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Behind Washington Headlines

By H. R. Baukhage

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Comment on the Day's News

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Flight 'o Time

Medford and Jackson County history from the files of the Mail Tribune 10 and 20 years ago.

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY August 17, 1927 (It was Tuesday) Asir race to Honolulu now under way.

James A. Mott of Salem decides he will seek Congressman Hawley's seat. J. C. Penney will open local store Friday.

Gold Hill bridge over Rogus river open to travel. Copco to erect large electric sign.

Seven cars of local pears shipped to canneries today. Home building costs in city so far in August \$17,380.

Medford woman is left large sum by Wisconsin millionaire. TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY August 17, 1917 (It was Friday)

Bootlegger caught in Siskiyou escapes by drawing pistol and fleeing into brush. British continue hard offensive along the western front and force Germans back.

Uncle Sam to deal drastically with I. W. W. outbreaks to hinder war preparations. Seelye Hall of the aviation branch at San Diego arrives on a week's furlough to visit kin and friends.

Relief from car shortage on the Espee promised. Sprinkle over city rouses hopes of hunters no ban will be placed on deer hunting to protect forests.

Communications

What's Wrong With Plan?

To the Editor: In reply to the question that a transaction tax will not work. To the Chamber of Commerce, the Lions, the doctors, dentists and all business men, listen: If you were to take all the people 60 years or over that would qualify as "prosperity agents" to distribute whatever a 2 per cent transaction tax on all gross sales would bring, come into your place of business and each spend \$10 worth of new business which you would not get unless you help put these "prosperity agents" to work putting money in circulation as there are some that need medical aid, some that need new teeth, some that need new clothes and other goods and services, do you think that would hurt your comfort and well being?

One man said "His company paid in processing tax \$4,325,017 in 1935. A 2 per cent tax on that amount would be \$900,000. It is consistent that an annuity of \$900,000 would be ruinous, but that a processing tax of \$4,375,017, nearly five times that amount, could be paid without batting an eye."

Now my good friends, please think this over and tell me what is wrong with the Townsend plan. I have been trying for three years to find someone that can honestly say that H. R. 4199, the Townsend plan bill now before congress, is unfair and impracticable.

A. T. PLUMMER. Medford, Ore., Aug. 16, 1937. President Jackson in 1828 launched an attack on the Bank of the U. S. as he considered it a detriment to state banks.

Freak Accident. EUGENE, Aug. 17.—(AP)—Harry Burnham, lumber worker, was in a local hospital today suffering from a brain concussion received in a freakish logging accident. A log, falling from a truck, struck a plank which flew up and hit him under the chin, hurling him 20 feet.

Plans to Dies. EUGENE, Ore., Aug. 17.—(AP) John LaRue, born in 1852 in a log house in the Halsey area, died Saturday.

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