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*This Week's Thought*  
Politeness is to do and say  
the kindest thing in the kind-  
est way.  
—Selected.

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## Galloway Addresses Locks Group

W. Galloway of The Dalles, Democratic candidate for state senator from the sixteenth district, was chief speaker at a meeting of the Cascade Locks chamber of commerce at the Dalles Tuesday noon. Galloway discussed commercial and industrial possibilities of the Hood River basin, a subject with which he is thoroughly conversant. Among candidates who spoke were William Munroe, Democrat, running for the state legislature and Hood River port commission; J. Level, Democratic candidate for sheriff; G. A. Cobb, Independent state for district attorney; J. Hunt, Democratic candidate for county clerk; G. E. Manchester, William Keeler, running for mayor of Cascade Locks, and Mrs. J. A. Lewallen, speaking for President Roosevelt. Walter Pierce, Al P. Dobson, Willis Mahoney and J. Burt. Munroe presented a Spitzen-Hood River apple to everyone.

## ASSEMBLY OF GIANT CRANE COMMENCES

Assembly of the tremendous gantry crane which will be used for erecting the steel gates in the main spillway dam has been begun on the temporary timber trestle south of the dam, from where it will run to the dam when completed. The crane, which will have a capacity of 350 tons, the same as the big ones in the power house, is to be the largest ever built. It will be permanent, and will be used to erect the gates of the dam after they are placed.

According to the Spillway, the crane will be 120 feet high, 30 feet wide with a trolley span of 65 feet. It will have a bridge 35 feet wide and an auxiliary grapple trolley with hoists.

S. Jeffries, superintendent of Morgan Engineering company of Cincinnati, Ohio, is in charge of the erection.

## YACHTERS TO DANCE

November 28 is the date set by the Cascade Yacht club for their benefit dance, and the Columbia Gorge hotel, five miles west of Hood River is the place.

Proceeds from the dance will be used to provide a safe place for the children of the entire Bonneville area to swim next summer. A top-flight orchestra—just short of Lombardo and his gang—will be engaged for the dance. Rolf Enns promises.

## CASCADE LOCKS HIGH SCHOOL

The entire high school was dismissed Wednesday at 2:30 to watch the grade school play football at the Bonneville school on the former grounds. The freshman-sophomore basketball game is progressing rapidly. The school's attention this week has been devoted chiefly to the carnival, scheduled at the school tonight.

## CANDIDATE VISITS

Sam U. Welch, Republican candidate for assessor in Multnomah county, visited Bonneville last week and called on his friend, Eric Enns, here.

## Laber for Mayor?

A year or so ago our noted predecessor, Mr. Mark Shields, referred to Mr. William Keeler, running for mayor of Cascade Locks at Tuesday's election, as "Laber's man Friday."

While the reference is apt, Mr. Shields might as well have gone the whole way and called Mr. Keeler Mr. Laber's man Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday as well.

Mr. Keeler has made his campaign on the basis of pledges to give the city a progressive administration, to keep the city in line for any of the benefits that might accrue from the Bonneville dam, to be a booster and salesman for the entire area.

If Mr. Keeler gets into office he actually will have little to say about what he thinks, does, says.

Mr. Keeler's thoughts, actions and words will be dictated by Mr. Laber, who employs him as a sort of local factotum to see that rents are paid and property properly cared for.

Why humbug? Why not run Mr. Laber for mayor on a write-in ticket?

There are a number of good reasons for not doing so.

Mr. Laber's interests are not necessarily the interests of the rest of the city's people.

The county assessor says Mr. Laber owns more than \$47,000 worth of property within the city limits. Mr. Laber is interested in rising property values and in little else. Already most of the property within the city is assessed at fictitious figures because of high-price transactions made during the artificial stimulus of dam construction. You taxpayers are paying for the fiction which is bound to reveal itself in eventual deflation.

The high assessments don't bother Mr. Laber a lot. He has already unloaded much of his property, and not for nominal sums. These very sales have been partly responsible for the high level at which Locks real estate is pegged.

Industries and payrolls aren't going to be attracted to areas of high real estate values, high assessments and high taxes.

And industries and payrolls are the very things the Locks wants—the very things Mr. Keeler says he will pull for—the very things Mr. Laber might like to sell out to eventually, at the proper figure.

It doesn't make sense.

A number of citizens of Cascade Locks recently saw their signatures attached to an advertisement boosting Mr. Keeler for mayor. Some of these citizens had not authorized this use of their names. They had signed the petition to put his name on the ballot, as we might have done ourselves, to give the city's voters a chance to express themselves on the Laber situation. Mr. Keeler broke trust with them.

Mr. Keeler's opponent in the election, Ernie Manchester is an independent business man who took the office of mayor at a difficult time, when the city council was in the throes of its struggle over the water system, and kept things shipshape until the mess was straightened out.

Manchester is just as much interested in the development of Cascade Locks and the dam area as anybody.

That's natural.

He operates the city's largest local industry and stands to gain from increased population and increased payrolls.

He is level-headed, honest, experienced. He has done nothing which should cause the citizens to want to kick him out.

Mr. Keeler is a gladhander. He emanates sweetness and light, and promises of a new dispensation. Personally he is a well-met, likeable chap who speaks convincingly.

Where will these qualities get him when he is mayor?

Mr. Laber will snap his fingers, and Mr. Keeler will jump.

Go to the polls and write in Joe E. Brown for president of the U. S. A., if you want to, but in this city's mayoralty contest, put your little "X" before the name of Ernie Manchester.

## LOCKS HIGH SCHOOL CARNIVAL IS TONIGHT

Cascade Locks high school will hold its long-awaited and much-advertised Halloween carnival tonight at the high school, with booths, games of skill, stage show, dancing, and all the traditional trimmings in evidence.

Miss Theodora Gustafson, Marguerite McKinnon and Ted McGarrigle made a flying trip to Hood River Wednesday to advertise the affair, and later Miss Gustafson, Geraldine Rankin, student body president, and Henry Brink, carnival manager, went to Portland to purchase carnival goods.

A skit ballyhooing the carnival was presented at Bonneville school Thursday afternoon.

## Hearings Set On Dalles Dam

Army engineers will hold a hearing at The Dalles December 15, in which the Inland Empire will be given an opportunity to justify improvement of the Columbia river to the mouth of the Snake by means of a series of dams.

Word to this effect has been received by The Dalles dam committee of the chamber of commerce from Colonel Thomas M. Robins, division army engineer. This committee has been working for some time for another dam in the Columbia river at The Dalles, and a survey along these lines now is nearing completion.

Colonel Robins has informed the committee, however, that future Columbia river development cannot be on a sectional basis, but must be along lines that will do the most good for the entire area. As a result of this decision The Dalles committee's name has been changed to "Columbia river development committee," and the objective altered.

The committee henceforth will work for full development of the upper Columbia river, without regard to location of potential dam sites, which will be left entirely to army engineers, it was decided. An attempt will be made to obtain support of the Inland Empire Waterways association for this program at the annual meeting of the association at Walla Walla this week.

The local committee also has announced approval of a PWA grant totaling 45 per cent of the cost of a new oil dock at The Dalles, for use in connection with the main terminal. This money will be forthcoming from the unexpended portion of the \$164,000 PWA allotment originally made for The Dalles port project.

Still another port development for The Dalles is approval by army engineers of a revetment that will protect the city from flood water of the Bonneville dam, and at the same time reclaim approximately 20 acres of waterfront land.

## TO CELEBRATE HALLOWE'EN

Lots of noise, fun-makers, confetti, serpentine, horns and good music will be thrown together in the biggest Halloween celebration in the history of the gorge Saturday night when Johnny Walker and his boys put on a special witch-night entertainment for their patrons.

The dance, to be held at the Columbia Gardens in Cascade Locks, will begin at 9 P.M. sharp, and will be featured by as many novelties as Walker can think of and get his fingers on.

## Columbia Sets Record For Concrete

With nearly 30,000 cubic yards more concrete poured this month than in their best month last year, Columbia Construction company will mark down October as the top-volume month for the entire job, as it is unlikely November can touch the present month for yardage, with bad weather around the corner and the big mass pours becoming fewer in number.

Up to Wednesday night 98,810 cubic yards had been poured since October 1, with prospects that about 106,000 yards would be in by Halloween.

Pier 5 continued to lead the parade of piers toward the skies, having reached the plus-seven-foot mark. All pier foundations have been poured as high as the pier-foot except 1 and 7; all baffle sections have reached at least the minus 16-foot mark except the narrow zero section next to the abutment, and all downstream apron sections are complete except the zero section, which is ready to pour.

The abutment turning wall has reached plus four feet and is ready to go to plus 14.

Cats are still backfilling in the entire abutment area, including the space back of the fishway entrance bay and cutoff wall.

The downstream end of the fishlock block has reached minus 20 feet and reinforcing steel has been placed and forms begun to carry it up to minus 10. The upstream end has been poured to minus three feet at the axis.

The upstream revetment slab footing is complete.

On the south side, the center girder span between piers 16 and 17 has been poured and forms have been placed for the two outside spans, which are waiting upon highline time for pouring.

Only work on the south side being rushed is the structural steel grouting in the gate guides, some of which has reached plus 60 feet already.

## LEGION DANCE WILL HELP KIDS' AFFAIR

Every ticket purchased for the American Legion-sponsored Halloween dance in the Bonneville auditorium Saturday night will help promote the annual "Children's Christmas party" staged each year by Bonneville post, No. 88, American Legion, for local children.

While masquerading for the party is optional, those who do come in costume will be eligible for prizes, both for the best and worst costumes worn. A top-flight orchestra will be engaged for the affair, according to those in charge. Lee Summerville is chairman of the dance committee, assisted by Charlie Black, George Barker, George Alden and Al Jubie.

## BALLOT SECRET

Oregon's ballot law provides the nearest possible approach to an absolutely secret ballot, a Cascade Locks citizen pointed out this week.

Stubs are numbered for convenience of election officials only, and cannot be traced to the ballot to which they were attached after they are torn off. The voter is thus given protection against political pressure, and can vote exactly as he pleases.