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Why Join the Chamber?

ON Wednesday, the Klamath County Chamber of Commerce will stage a one-day drive for 100 new members.

Drives by the chamber of commerce are not frequent. Its custom is to do its work, taking its support as it comes. Ballyhoo has had little to do with its activities.

But every organization of the kind sometimes finds itself in a position where it needs a publicized campaign to direct attention to the work it does and the support it deserves. The chamber of commerce has come to that place, and it is basing an appeal for wider membership on irrefutable evidences of effective service.

Membership in the chamber of commerce is a badge of community loyalty. The chamber is an organization of business and professional people, pledged to work for the progress and welfare of this community and the whole Klamath country. Those who are able and qualified to belong, and refuse to join, are selfishly accepting benefits from an agency that others support and finance.

Occasionally, some one is heard to say they're against the chamber because they don't like the crowd there, or they don't like the chamber's policies, or they don't like a stand it has taken on some issue.

None of these, of course, is a valid reason for refusing to support the chamber of commerce. In the first place, there is a lot of misinformation spread around about chamber policies, and the critic in fairness ought to be sure he knows what they are before he attacks them.

But regardless of the chance of a mistaken idea about the chamber, this fact is as plain as day:

The way to change the chamber "crowd," the way to influence its policies and its stand on important issues, is to JOIN it.
Surely, its general purposes are worthy enough to enlist one's membership. Once inside, he has the voice and influence of a member and supporter in good standing, which should have a far more potent effect on chamber policies than the carping criticisms of an outsider.

No Negligence

IN AN editorial discussing the Mardelle-Sparks tragedy, the Albany Democrat-Herald says that in winter time there should be a sign at the East Entrance junction with the Dalles-California highway containing the warning that the road is closed. "Such a precaution would have saved the lives of these two young women," says the Albany paper.

Least an injustice be done Crater Lake park authorities in the minds of Democrat-Herald readers, the paper should correct that statement. There was a sign, in the very center of the highway, bearing this warning: "ROAD CLOSED, SNOW."

The only unsolved mystery factor in this tragic incident lies in the fact that the young women drove around this sign and toward Crater Lake. Possibly some one farther up the line had misinformed them to the effect the road could be traveled in spite of the sign. Perhaps they merely drove in to see what the road looked like at the snow line as a diverting side-trip adventure.

At any rate, they were coming back toward The Dalles-California highway when their machine began skidding. It skidded in the loose gravelly surface of the highway for 150 feet before tumbling down the canyon-side. The accident could have happened in mid-summer, although under such circumstances it probably would not have gone so long undiscovered.

The facts fail to point to any negligence on the part of Crater Lake, or Klamath county authorities, in this tragic incident. That should be thoroughly understood, particularly in view of the creditable manner in which they carried on the search for the missing women through the winter and later discharged the unpleasant responsibility of recovering their bodies from the canyon.

Editorials on News

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ing it can be done wisely and well.

MUNICIPAL bankruptcy bill—what's that?

Patting it with brutal frankness, it means taking over by the federal government of the debts of the municipalities.

That's the long and short of it.

HOW did the municipalities get so deeply into debt?

They SPENT TOO RECKLESSLY in the days when borrowing was easy and everybody was saying: "Let posterity pay."

Now, WE'RE posterity, and the paying is hard.

We'd like to have Uncle Sam take over our debts.

STILL, if Uncle Sam DOES take over our debts, they'll have to be paid, and PAID BY TAXATION.

Either that or they'll have to be repudiated.

STOCK exchange control. What is meant by that?

What SHOULD be meant is regulating the stock exchange in such a way that honest, legitimate business can use it to secure financing needed for legitimate expansion while at the same time preventing the ham-

stringing of sound business by RECKLESS GAMBLING.

It ought to be possible to do that, but it will take brains. Brains and STATESMANSHIP—not peanut politics.

Christian Science Church

"Are Sin, Disease, and Death Real?" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, April 15.

The Golden Text was, "I will restore health unto thee, and I will heal thee of thy wounds, saith the Lord" (Jer. 30:17).

Among the citations which comprised the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible: "The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death" (1 Cor. 15: 26).

The Lesson-Sermon also included the following correlative passages from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy:

"Death is but another phase of the dream that existence can be material. Nothing can interfere with the harmony of being nor end the existence of man in Science. . . . If man is never to overcome death, why do the Scriptures say, 'The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death'? The tenor of the Word shows that we shall obtain the victory over death in proportion as we overcome sin" (p. 427).

The South Pacific island of Yap uses stone coins, some of which weigh more than 100 pounds.

Holland had its last war more than 100 years ago.

WASHINGTON

News Behind the News

The Inside Story From The Capital

By PAUL MALLON
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WASHINGTON, April 16.—The two weeks' riot staged in the senate on the tax bill was really only a harmless little game of whacking the taxpayer with barrel staves. The sting will not be commensurate with the noise.

Judging from the headlines, you would think next year's taxes are going to be something terrific. First, the senate soaked the rich with extreme estates and surtaxes, and then lambasted everyone with a general 10 per cent increase for good measure.

Administration Manipulator Pat Harrison has welts on his body from the beatings he has taken, but there is a strange, unworried look in his eye. He knows what will happen.

He will take the senate bill into a little room, where he will meet the administration leaders from the house. They will sit down and write a tax bill which will be just as far away from the senate's wishes as the administration dares to go.

Preliminary arrangements for that conclusion already have been made quietly on the inside.

Play—The senate liberals started the game.

The administration was not asking for more taxes, but the liberals always want more. They come from rural sections where few people pay income taxes. Ordinarily, they would not have had a chance to overthrow the administration, but President Roosevelt's veto message on the veterans' pay restoration played right into their hands.

Mr. Roosevelt said congress had endangered the budget by giving the veterans and government employees \$225,000,000 more than the budget allowed. He probably did not really mean that, but it was a good argument for his veto.

The liberals took him as his word and began proposing every kind of tax they could think of, knowing he could not object. Some of them were sincere, but many just wanted to get on record as soaking the rich because they are running for re-election this year.

PROSPECTS

What will happen in the end is that the 10 per cent flat general increase will be dropped gently out of the window by the conference committee.

The strong senate estates and surtax rates will be moderated, if not completely abandoned. In the end, the rich will suffer, but not as much as the senate liberals wanted them to suffer.

As for the average taxpayer, the new bill probably will mean a reduction in the end, instead of an increase. For all married men whose incomes are less than \$11,500, the bill will provide a reduction. The rates will be the same as existing rates, but new deductions are going to be allowed for earned income. They will affect every one who does not make a living clipping coupons.

For incomes above \$11,500, and for coupon clippers, the ultimate bill probably will provide a moderate increase.

FIGURES

That Mr. Roosevelt's \$225,000,000 veto estimate was much too high is now quite evident.

The difference between him and congress on the world war veterans' restoration probably will amount to no more than \$30,000,000 a year. He agreed to the restoration of everything congress wanted, except the presumptive cases. He even promised to put 75 per cent of those back on the rolls temporarily by executive order. His concessions were not included in his original budget, but he agreed to make them, so it is fair to say that congress exceeded his expectations.

SIDE GLANCES—by George Clark



"Darling, these are my parents. You're going to love them."

tions on world war veterans by no more than \$30,000,000 a year.

A more definite estimate can be made on the employees' pay restoration. This fiscal year they will cost \$26,000,000 more than the budget; next year, \$43,000,000 more.

Any way you figure the totals, they fall far below \$225,000,000. It proves no general increase in taxation is necessary.

REFORM

As matters now stand, Mr. Roosevelt appears to have broken up about half of the veterans' rackets, perhaps more.

Certain non-partisans in closest touch with veterans' affairs say the total of government expense for veterans now will be about \$250,000,000 a year less than when Mr. Roosevelt started to economize. That is about one-fourth the former cost.

The reforms have eliminated those who got on the rolls through their own misconduct, fraud or mistake, as well as those who enlisted after actual fighting was over. Hospitalization allowances have been cut. Whatever improper cases there were among the presumptive are now back on the rolls, as well as those able-bodied, working citizens with minor scars who are getting an allowance for disabilities which do not exist.

AUTHOR

The bright idea about congress meeting the president with a band on his return is supposed to have come from the brain of Representative Woodrum of Virginia.

At least, house leaders whisper he was the original inside promoter of the scheme. It seems also to have received some underground encouragement from the White House.

The congressional leaders went along with it, although they privately thought it uncalled for.

NOTES

You never saw a more sheepish looking crowd than the congressmen at the station to greet Mr. Roosevelt. They looked as if they had just been caught in the jam jar and knew they were going to get a lecture.

All those ill health stories during Mr. Roosevelt's absence were false. He did not feel well the first few days on the Normahal, but recuperated fast thereafter.

FRUIT PROSPECTS FOR COAST HIGH

CORVALLIS, Ore., April 16. (AP)—A keen demand coupled with unusually heavy crop prospects, is expected to put much cash in the pockets of Pacific northwest fruit growers this season. Producers of pears and peaches, especially, are expected to benefit.

As a result of extreme damage to fruit trees throughout the east and middlewest by exceptionally cold winter weather, fruit prospects in the east are the poorest in years, according to information gained by the office of the extension economists at Oregon State college.

In the east buds were killed and even trees were injured by the extreme low temperatures, whereas in the Pacific northwest a heavy crop is in prospect for all northwest fruits, the result of the unprecedented mildness of the winter season.

H. H. White, assistant extension economist, said "the greatest shortage of fruit is expected to occur in August and September when peaches and pears would normally ripen. These have been worst hit, with peaches in New England, New York and New Jersey reported to be a total loss. The commercial crop also is reported gone in Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland and West Virginia. In the middle west the peach crop in the important producing states of Ohio, Indiana and Michigan appears to be a total failure where normally millions of bushels are produced."

Modoc Pioneer Buried Friday

ADIN, Calif.—Robert A. Harper, 34, a pioneer stockraiser of this section, who died Wednesday at his home in Adin, was buried here Friday. A son-in-law, Rev. Westwood Wallace of Adin, conducted the funeral service.

Harper, a native of Missouri, made the journey overland by ox team to California when he was 19 and settled in this vicinity, which continued to be his home for the rest of his life. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Margaret Harper; two daughters, Mrs. Alta Wallace of Adin and Mrs. Daisy Smith of Klamath Falls; three sons, George, Leslie and Elmer, all of Adin; two brothers and a sister residing in Oregon.

Society

The Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor of the First Presbyterian church will meet at 8:00 o'clock at the home of Miss Helen Schwartz, 2012 Main street, apartment D, Tuesday evening for a regular business meeting. Following the meeting refreshments will be served by the social chairman.

The Happy Dozen club met at the home of Myrtle Donelson, in St. Francis Park on Thursday, April 12, at 2:00 o'clock. Lunch was served, and three tables of pinocle were in play. High score went to Cora Connie and low to Georgia Collins.

A special guest of the afternoon was Lucille Neely of Los Angeles, who presented several entertaining accordion numbers. The next meeting will be held at the home of Ethel Hamilton on Summers Lane, Thursday, April 26.

Two Elected to Alturas Posts

ALTURAS, Calif.—At a city election George T. Cline, engineer, and O. D. Morgan, realtor, were elected as city councilmen, beating their opponents, W. L. Keene and George W. Fitzpatrick, incumbents for years. Mrs. Etta Tillman Taylor retained her position as city treasurer, a post which she has held for several years past. Opposing her were Mrs. Elizabeth Callaghan and Mrs. Florence Beardsley.

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ALTURAS, Calif.—Dean Wilson, prominent farmer of this section, one day recently decided to get an endro to the depredations of a jay-bird in his chicken yard. He picked his 22 rifle from the gun rack in the house, seized it by the end of the barrel. The gun accidentally exploded, taking off the second finger on his right hand.

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HILDEBRAND

HILDEBRAND — The Easter program that was given at the Hildebrand grange hall, April 1, was attended by 80 people. First on the program was an egg hunt for the children, then a picnic dinner and then church services by the minister and choir of the First Baptist church of Klamath Falls. The Home Economics club of the grange sponsored the affair.

Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Hartzer entertained with a birthday dinner, Sunday April 1, in honor of their son, John.

Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Emile Egert, Roy Drow, Beanie Hartzer, the host and hostess and the honor guest.

Ray Wilson of Squaw Flat, was a business visitor in Hildebrand, Thursday.

Frank W. Leebbin of Klamath Falls, was canvassing the valley on Wednesday.

James Vierira, who is working in Bly, spent the week-end at his home in Hildebrand.

T. P. Michael has been seriously ill and was taken to Klamath Falls, Sunday, for medical attention.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Cowley of Langel Valley, visited with Mrs. Cowley's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Candsted of Hildebrand on Wednesday.

Karl Zinsinger and Ernest Pitter were transacting business in Klamath Falls, Monday.

Mrs. Leonard Ritter and son Erwin, and Mrs. Karlene Ritter visited on Thursday with Mrs. S. K. Hartzer and daughter Beanie.

Charles Carlson was transacting business in Klamath Falls, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Colahan of Bly spent the week-end with Mrs. Colahan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Colahan of Hildebrand.

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AMUSEMENTS

AT THE PELICAN



Pelican—Now playing, "Convention City." Tomorrow, "Wild Cargo." With Frank Buck.

Pine Tree—Now playing, "The Wrecker." Tomorrow, "Paddy, the Next Best Thing." With Janet Gaynor and Warner Baxter.

Rainbow—Now playing, "She Made Her Bed." Tomorrow, "You Made Me Love You." With Stanley Lupino and Thelma Todd.

Vox—Now playing, "Sons of the Desert." With Laurel and Hardy and Charley Chase.

AT THE PELICAN

Received with cheers comes the announcement of the opening tomorrow at the Pelican theatre of Frank Buck's new film record of the wild terrors of the Malayan jungles. Thrills that nature seems to save for this foremost wild animal hunter are carefully arranged into a picture that ably picks up where "Bring 'Em Back Alive" left off and carries on the threat of exciting adventure.

Such events as an actual fight between Buck and an 18-foot cobra; a fight with the dreaded hooded python; roping a rhino, and many others, may be termed highlights.

Because of its educational value a special students matinee has been arranged for Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

AT THE PINE TREE

From peaceful and romantic Ireland comes the story of "Paddy, the Next Best Thing," perfectly set for the popular star combination, Janet Gaynor and Warner Baxter, which did so remarkably well in the lead roles of "Daddy Longlegs." This picture, having been played once in Klamath Falls, has been repeatedly asked for in a return engagement. Now comes the announcement of its second showing, opening tomorrow at the Pine Tree theatre.

AT THE RAINBOW
A riotous farce concerning a happy-go-lucky young son-writer's tribulations in endeavoring to win the love of his ravishing but turbulent wife, provides at the Rainbow theatre from Tuesday to Thursday a brilliant opportunity for exploiting the talents of two such well-known stars as Stanley Lupino and Thelma Todd.

These two players, stars in their own right, make a perfect combination in Majestic's "You Made Me Love You," and Director Monty Banks may be congratulated.

State officials who accompanied Meier were Frank Longman, republican candidate for governor; Charles C. Bradley, O. L. McDonald, F. D. McMillan and Dr. Goble, exalted ruler of the Klamath Falls lodge.

Following the luncheon several cars of local members accompanied Meier on his trip to Ashland, where he held special lodge sessions during the evening.

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