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WASHINGTON

News Behind the News
 The Inside Story From The Capital
 By PAUL MALLON
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WASHINGTON, May 16—All you skeptics who berate the intelligence of congress have not heard about S 3317.

It is no wonder that you have not, because that seems to be a little secret among congressmen themselves. They are shy about it. Bills are like babies. Their modesty to the extent of concealing the authorship of the measure. That may not sound unusual to outsiders, but it is really amazing. Bills are like babies. Their fathers are always proud of them, no matter how puny the offspring may seem to the outside world.

Not so with S 3317. It is the first nameless waif to be found in the bill hopper in congress.

SIDE GLANCES—by George Clark



"I know how to get even. Let's organize a girls' club and leave her out."

VICTORY FORECAST FOR CARL ABRAMS

"Carl Abrams will win out in his candidacy for Secretary of State, with a substantial majority," said Major Henry Miller, who is in the city in the interests of Mr. Abrams. "I have been in practically every section of western Oregon during the past three weeks, from the Cascade mountains to all parts of the coast, and I have yet to find any evidence that his opponent will carry a single county," said Major Miller.

Major Miller stated that he conferred with Mr. Abrams over the week-end at Salem, following the latter's completion of a whirlwind campaign of Eastern and Central Oregon, and Mr. Abrams is certain that he will carry several of the far-eastern and southeastern counties and will run his competitor a very close race in a few of the other counties where the question of sectionalism has unfortunately been made the issue to the exclusion of fitness and qualifications, based upon experience and training, which is the paramount issue from the standpoint of the interests of the people and the taxpayers, in the selection of a man for this highly important administrative position.

Carl Abrams is spending the closing days of the campaign in Multnomah county, where the campaign is waxing warm and where he feels certain, in spite of wild claims to the contrary, that he will win by a safe margin. He predicts, also, that he will not lose a single county in all of western Oregon.

Telling the Editor

C. KIRK ON INDIAN BILL
 Harper Letter Inspires Answer By Klamath Indians; Letter in Installments

CHILCOQUIN, Ore.—(To The Editor)—An article written by Allan G. Harper (executive secretary American Indian Defense Association) of Washington, D. C., appeared in your columns on May 12, 1934, which tries to discredit some statements made by the writer in a previous article written in response to one published, which was signed by Wade Crawford, superintendent Klamath Indian Reservation, Oregon.

Mr. Harper does not say whether or not he is an Indian or not, but signs himself as an executive secretary, Indian Defense Association. Now what is the Indian association to defend the Indian against? If the defense association is to work to defend Indians from evils, then it is the association's duty to try and point out the weak points in the so-called "Indian Self Government Bill," rather than to attack Indians who are opposing the loose jointed proposal to enable the Indian to come into the white citizenry in a constitutional basis, which is also without parallel in the United States.

The Indians have sworn allegiance to the U. S. when Dr. Joseph K. Dixon toured the United States a few years ago. Mr. Dixon was sent out by the Indian Rights association to extend to the Indians an invitation to join in a hearty fellowship with the white citizenry to be co-workers and co-partners in great work of maintaining the federal government, to carry out the principles of a "Government for the People and by the People" and not to be fighting and snarling against their white neighbors as Mr. Harper advocates. Mr. Harper says he has "examined all of the stenographic records of the Chemawa congress." No doubt he has, but he did not hear Superintendent Crawford when Mr. Crawford (an Indian bureau official) said to the Indians in general, after the Indian convention at Chemawa, Oregon, "that congress was to extend to the Indians the proposed 'Wheeler-Howard bill' in some form whether the Indians liked it or not." "That what the Indians done in general council would have no effect on the passage of the so-called 'Self Government Bill'."

Mr. Harper states that he was here on the Klamath Indian reservation, Oregon, long enough to be familiar with the problems of the Klamath Indians. At least he says "the Wheeler-Howard Bill" has in it so much of real value and benefit to the Indians there. Now if Mr. Harper had been here he should have at least made himself acquainted. The name does not sound familiar.

Mr. Harper says the writer would win first prize for foolish statements. He also says there are land grabbers here, and the writer calls them co-partners in life, while who are the land grabbers? Superintendent Crawford calls the people who buy land "buzards" and "land grabbers," now who is this meant for he does not say, neither does Mr. Harper. Because Indians who are fortunate in having money buy land, California Oregon Power Co. purchased several thousands of acres of land most of it swamp land. In this connection, Superintendent Crawford in his explanation of the Wheeler-Howard bill, said that perhaps this swamp land could be bought back for the Indians from the power company, under the provisions of the Wheeler-Howard

bill. Now, if so, this land has got to be reclaimed. Perhaps Mr. Harper knows about this too.

Mr. Harper says the writer makes an inferential statement about the Oageas and the five civilized tribes of Oklahoma as opposed to the Wheeler-Howard bill, made no such statement. The Wheeler-Howard bill provides that the Oageas and the five civilized tribes of Oklahoma would not be included in the provisions of the Wheeler-Howard bill. Mr. Harper should read the bill more carefully, so that he can readily understand what is meant. When the writer stated that if the Oageas and the five civilized tribes are to be exempted from the provisions of the Wheeler-Howard bill, then the Klamaths want to be exempted, as we are civilized too.

CLAYTON KIRK.
 (To Be Continued)

The Mahoney Candidacy

EARLY in the campaign this newspaper came reluctantly but definitely to the conclusion that Mayor Willis E. Mahoney should not be chosen governor of Oregon.

That Mr. Mahoney is running for governor as the mayor of Klamath Falls has its attractions for the Klamath Falls voter, but that is not enough. The citizen, conscious of his duties to the state as a whole, zealous for its welfare, must base his support of a candidate on more important considerations than the fact that the candidate happens to live in some particular place.

The governorship is the highest state office, carrying with it the greatest honor and responsibility. Across the face of the Mahoney picture are too many question marks to make it advisable for the people of Oregon to delegate this high office to Willis Mahoney. There is cumulative evidence there that Mr. Mahoney, before asking the people to give him such an honor and responsibility, should at least have the patience to build the solid foundations of residence and career in this state that would answer these questions.

The brevity of the mayor's residence in Oregon is against him. Whatever the technical situation may be, it is plain that he is not only a newcomer to Oregon, but that he has actually sunk no roots in this state. The court never settled whether he had met the charter residence requirements for mayor of this city. Mr. Mahoney himself did not claim at that time to have lived here two years. The contest of his election was dropped, not because of doubt of the sound grounds of the action, but because of unwillingness to keep the city in turmoil and strife in the midst of the depression. Incidentally, no such attitude was displayed by Mr. Mahoney, who indicated he intended to keep the fight going in spite of everything.

Mr. Mahoney's stake in Oregon is what it can give him, politically. In this campaign he has been labeled a carpet-bagger. There is reason to doubt that he knows Oregon, its people, its institutions and its problems.

TILL TAPPING

There is a reason for that. The bill has been all dressed up in legal verbiage so that it looks like a thousand other unintelligible and meaningless laws passed every session.

Its text is brief. It says: "Be it enacted, etc., that the act entitled an act relating to contracts and agreements under the agricultural adjustment act, approved January 25, 1934, is amended by inserting before the period at the end thereof a comma and the following: 'The federal farm loan act, as amended, and the home owners loan act of 1933.'"

That sounds as if the unpruned fathers of the bill were not eager to make their purpose clear to the average congressional observer. At least that has been the effect.

No one has said a word except Senator Fletcher of Florida, in his customary inaudible voice, he explained the measure to Senator Fess when the senate passed the bill unanimously April 25.

Fletcher's explanation was that it would amend the law so congressmen could borrow money from the government on their own farms and homes.

And yet people say congressmen are not smart.

EASY MONEY

The bill is now pending in the house. If it can be slipped through there as quietly as it was pushed through the senate unanimously, some think President Roosevelt might sign it.

He will not. The congressmen are doomed to disappointment. The president has been forewarned.

It has been pointed out to him that congressmen who get \$9,000 a year salary, plus mileage, from the government are not exactly in dire need of relief loans. But that is not the most important point.

The farm credit administration is lending now about 75 per cent of the appraised value on farm properties. That is all most farm properties are worth. Appraisals are liberal. They have recently been made more liberal because congressmen raised so much Cain about harsh appraisals.

The appraisers are appointed by the AAA and HOLC, many on the recommendation of congressmen. When so appointed, they serve in the districts from which the congressmen come. Under such circumstances, appraisers are very apt to have hallucinations about the value they place on the property of congressmen from whom they get their jobs.

Congressmen could easily unload their private farms and homes on the government through such a system.

At least, that is what earlier lawmakers had in mind when they wrote the criminal code.

The truth seems to be that 99 per cent of the congressmen probably heard of the bill, which now is on the verge of final passage.

Apparently, it was written by three or four who put their heads together and decided they needed AAA or HOLC loans.

Thus far, it has been given only routine consideration, but

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the way of voting, he is keeping strangely silent.

This writer, for one, doesn't recall a year in which people were saying less about how they expected to vote than this.

This silence may indicate either utter lack of interest in the outcome or a grim determination to go to the polls and do SOMETHING.

IF YOU WANT some advice, here it is: Determine grimly to go to the polls and vote, according to the very best convictions you have, for the BEST MAN for every job, permitting no other considerations than fitness for the job to sway your vote.

If you will do that, you will be doing your duty as a citizen about as fully as it can be done on election day.

WE TALK A LOT about good government and how to get it. After all, the only way to get good government is to put good men into office.

That's the only way good government ever has been got, and about the only way it ever will be.

Some People Say

France does not wish an inch of ground belonging to anyone else and never will engage in aggressive war.—Premier Chamberlain, of France.

I've had my ups and downs. Right now I'm down. I'm hoping the breaks soon will come my way.—Frankie Bailey, former "baller" queen.

We can't learn much about whiskey until we smell it. Whiskey making is more of an art than a science.—C. F. Byer, chemist of the U. S. Treasury Department.

MERRILL NEWS

MERRILL, Ore.—The upper grades of the Merrill grade school presented "The Ghost of Lollypop Bay," an operetta in two acts. The characters were: Miss Jimma Steel, principal of the school. Mary, a leading spirit among the students. Midge, Mary's chum—Martha Robinson. Molly, another chum, Maxine Haverly. Dinah, a colored maid, Francilla Loomis. Professor Alvin Flint, principal of a similar boys school, Eugene Beasley. Dick, a leader among the boys of this school—Edward Buerman. Harry, Dick's pal—Junior Bremlinger. Tom, another pal—Eldon Storvick. Marcus Adam Johnson, a middle aged negro—Dale Moore. Chorus—The boys and girls of both schools.

Those attending the Past Noble Grand's club in Klamath Falls were Mesdames Geo. Offield, Frank Hunicutt, R. H. and Mae Anderson, C. and M. A. Bowman, H. P. Blanton, L. Kandra, E. C. Stukel and J. B. Kidwell.

Mrs. Burr Dudenhoff of Malin spent a day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Moore, recently.

Mrs. J. S. Wilson attended a meeting of the graduate nurses of Klamath county at Klamath Falls.

The Merrill Library club held its meeting at the library recently. A pot luck luncheon was served. The business meeting was held in the afternoon.

Members present were Mesdames Alice and R. H. Anderson, W. C. Bailey, N. H. Bogus, L. and M. A. Bowman, H. O. Cox, H. J. Hendrickson, M. O. Hartlerode, J. S. Johnson, L. Laird, R. Merrill, Scott McVidair, H. O'Conner, E. C. Stukel, Wm. Walker, J. S. Wilson and Miss Ellen McVeigh.

Mrs. J. S. Wilson, who spent several weeks at Richardson Springs for his health is home and very much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Irwin and little daughter spent a day with Mrs. Irwin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Moore.

Friends attending the funeral of Mrs. Wolfe in Ashland from Merrill were Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Haskins, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Haskins, Miss Dorothy Haskins, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Carleton, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Turnbaugh, Mrs. John W. Taylor, Mr. C. Bowman, Mrs. Burr Westbrock and Mrs. Lester Turnbaugh of Keno.

Mrs. Tom Barry visited with Mrs. Lind in Klamath Falls last week.

Mrs. Jerry Edwards was called to Lakeview last week by the death of her brother, Joe Witham who died from tick fever.

The baccalaureate sermon for the Merrill high school was held at the First Presbyterian church. Rev. S. H. Jewell preached the sermon. There were several special musical selections.

There has been some trouble around Merrill with sheep-killing dogs recently. C. Bowman and Mrs. Walter Turnbaugh, John W. Taylor and several others, Mr. H. F. Tolle had some killed and H. C. Parker found the dogs in his band after killing two. He got in his car to find the dogs but one went down the river towards Merrill and he lost track of it.

More rice is consumed in the world than any other food.

Wise Cracks

A Philadelphia man, without a job, finds himself legally married to two women, when his first divorce was annulled. Now he has a job he didn't look for.

Our new legislature, says a professor, will be used in thinking and running for public office. But you can't do both at the same time.

While Admiral Byrd keeps his lone vigil observing the weather, he might also try to figure out why people talk about it when they have nothing to say.

The Soviet embassy at Washington has rugs that contain 60 shades of red. That's rubbing it in a little too much.

Klamath Falls, Ore.

While browsing through the columns of your paper I noticed an article under the heading of "Telling the Editor," purportedly written by Frank J. Harousek, of Malin, Oregon, and, apparently, concurred in by M. L. Moore, of Merrill, Oregon, regarding the efficiency of Bill Lee, our present tax assessor.

Quoting from that column they state, "We have observed Harousek's work for several years and have been impressed with the fact that he has never overvalued the poor man's property."

I, too, hear a lot of talk about how the re-valuation of Klamath county property has resulted in a great saving to the taxpayer. I wish to call the democratic voters' attention to one little piece of work of our tax assessor that he would do well to explain. Not so long ago the property owners of Stewart Addition signed a petition to have Bill Lee move his hog ranch from the vicinity of that suburb. The following year the tax payers of that addition suffered a considerable increase in their taxes. Then there is the case of another taxpayer, who owns a small acreage on Ashland Route. For years past her taxes have been a little over \$50.00 per annum, and last year, under Mr. Lee's re-valuation program, effecting a great saving to the taxpayers of this county, her taxes suddenly took a jump, and the grand total now exceeds \$100.00, without a new coat of paint on the little back house in the way of improvements. There is another little piece of property, so situated as to be the first view offered the new-comer, or tourist, to the city of Klamath Falls, the city dump yard, and Mr. Voter, the record of the many transfers to that piece of property, and it's present management, is as interesting as any bad-time story ever told the voting public.

It is my sincere conviction, that when a public employee loses sight of the interest of the public which he serves, we, the voters of Klamath county, should see to it that he looks for another job, and a voter for Charles Mack, Jr., will accomplish this purpose.

CLAIRA MYERS,
 Box 329, Klamath Falls, Ore.
 A property owner.

Sprague River

J. C. Early, I. C. S. representative of Klamath Falls, was in Sprague River last week on business.

The Crater Lake Lumber company is operating a 48-hour week at the mill and a 10-hour week at the planer. The Sprague River Box is also operating on full schedule.

AMUSEMENTS

Pelican—Now playing, "Wonder Bar," with Al Johnson, Kay Francis, Ricardo Cortez, Dolores Del Rio, Dick Powell, and others.

Pine Tree—Now playing, "Cradle Song," with Dorothea Wieck.

Rainbow—Now playing, Maurice Chevalier in "A Bedtime Story," with Helen Twelvetrees and Edward Everett Horton.

Vox—Now playing, "Eskimo," with a cast of native actors.

AT THE PELICAN
 The world's most complete music libraries were searched to provide a perfect total background for "Dorothea Wieck's picture, "Cradle Song," which comes to the Pine Tree theatre today.

In the fiesta scenes, a resplendent orchestra is used to play the period music some of which was arranged by Francisco Vallejo, notably the "Cantos Hanoucos." These come from the script collection of original Spanish gypsy themes belonging to Irving Brown, professor at Columbia university.

AT THE RAINBOW
 Maurice Chevalier's latest picture, "A Bedtime Story," plays at the Rainbow theatre today. Helen Twelvetrees, Edward Everett Horton, Adrienne Ames and Baby Leroy, the year-old youngster chosen from among thousands of other babes his own age for the honor, heads the cast which supports the French stat in a new type of characterization.

AT THE VOX
 Mighty epic of the Arctic; a saga of love and passion that flamed in sub-zero temperatures; the greatest film record ever made of a native people who defy death in order to live—these are a few of the elements that distinguish "Eskimo," now at the Vox theatre.

Col. W. S. Van Dyke has again proven that he is the most capable of all "traveling directors." His film record of the North will live as the most notable of all expeditions with sound and camera.

Natives who are featured in the picture with Mala include such names as Philip Nnanoruk, Erbulick, Rook, Oklwinia, Kikking-yak, Kikuk, Ialukuk, Oklwin, Dortuk, Dianan, Kameuk, Okup-pereka, Pleanana, Cawuk, Kik-aruk, Okerok and hundreds of other Eskimos.

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If Anyone Has Tears to Shed for the Farmer



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