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Our Weather Situation

As they look with sympathetic concern upon the evils of the drought in the Middle West, people of the Klamath country have reason for gratification at their own lot in the weather situation this year.
 The winter was one of the mildest experienced here since the white men came. It was virtually without snow or severe cold.
 In spite of that fact, the water situation is not serious. An adequate supply for the reclamation project is assured. The inflow from the hills is much better than was expected earlier in the season.
 While the midwest has suffered under the worst spring drought in its history, this and Lake county have enjoyed spring rains more frequently than usual. Stockmen tell us the range is in much better shape than is customary at this time of year.
 It is hardly a pleasant, but nevertheless true, that drought and crop ruin mean higher prices for those parts of the country able to supply the deficiency.
 An unfavorable local factor which seems attributable in part, at least to mild weather this year is the presence of many insects, particularly grasshoppers against which a control program has been organized by private and public agencies.
 But by and large, we are making out fine down here. June is here with unusually cool days. There is still green in the hills. Press reports tell of a death toll in the United States of 150 after a week of stifling temperatures and drought. When you read such items you realize that it's good to live in Oregon and in the Klamath country.

Socialistic Utopia

(From The Dalles Chronicle)
 IT LOOKS AS THOUGH petition peddlers in Oregon are due for prosperous times this summer. Already a large number of initiative measures and constitutional amendments have been submitted to Attorney General Van Winkle for ballot titles, and now comes the proposal of a Portland group to have the state take over operation of virtually all public utilities.
 This constitutional amendment, which will be on the ballot this fall if 26,667 signatures are obtained, would authorize the state to take over all electric, gas and water utilities through condemnation proceedings. Rates and service charges would be fixed by law.
 Another section of the amendment provides that all existing banks in Oregon would be superseded by a state bank, which would issue general bonds. All state employees would be placed under civil service, following an examination, and would be retired at the age of 45 with pensions.
 Oregon has voted on a lot of crack-brained initiative proposals, but this is the worst yet considered. Of course there is the possibility that the amendment may not get to a vote. The sponsors—a Portland group—may not intend that it shall, for such movements have a way of dying when circumstances are right. Also, any citizen who would sign such a petition would be eligible for a sanity test.
 In the first place, the cost of taking over the public utilities provided in the amendment would be so stupendous that it would bankrupt the state. Real property, deprived of the taxes paid by these utilities, and faced with the additional burden of retiring bonds issued for state purchase, simply would fold up and quit.
 The state would then own virtually all of the property, would operate the utilities and banks—with customary public ownership efficiency—and the Utopia of socialism would have arrived.
 Of course this Utopia might be marred somewhat by the fact that most of Oregon's population would move out. This would not deter the sponsors, however, for they then could have a grand time splitting things up among themselves, on the good old socialistic theory that people who have nothing should share it with everybody else.

Klamath Falls Kiwanians and their wives, numbering more than 50, went to Medford Tuesday night for a joint meeting with the Medford club and to get a glimpse of some of the jubilee doings. Speaker at the Kiwanis dinner was Dr. D. J. Ferguson, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Astoria, a thinker and orator of great ability. It occurs to us that the next time the chamber of commerce wants a forum speaker, it ought to try to induce Dr. Ferguson to do the job. He would fill the bill.

We are told that Sacramento sent a special train and 400 men to the Shriners' event at Medford Saturday. Portland came through with a rousing delegation of 32. And still they wonder up at Portland why Southern Oregon seems to have a California complex.

A look at the losing candidates' expense accounts, on file at the county clerk's office and at Salem, is enough to turn the thrifty away from politics. And the winners, you know, still have the fall election hurdle ahead of them.

Some People Say

I had an adventurous trip; the weather was frightful throughout—where can I get a cup of tea?—Miss Jean Batten, arriving after a 16,000-mile flight from London to Australia.

I can tell you what happened. We just shot the devil out of them.—Frank Hamer, leader of the ambushers who killed Clyde Barrow and Bonnie Parker.

Timid pacifism and lazy pacifism are not enough. We have got to be in a hurry about peace.—Miss Dorothy Detzer, secretary

of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom.

Dictatorships teach us the glory of dying for the fatherland, but democracies teach that it is for better to live and work for the fatherland.—President Thomas G. Masaryk of Czechoslovakia.

All I know is that I lost a hunk of money.—Constance Talmadge, referring to her losses in the Harrison bank crash.

This price system has been a wonderful racket as long as it was on the up and up. A racket remains a racket as long as you have the payoff. And when the payoff stops, you have a national washout.—Howard Scott, technician.

WASHINGTON

News Behind the News

The Inside Story From The Capital
 By PAUL MALLON
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WASHINGTON, June 5.—The reason why the administration's plans for congress have been so much up in the air is that President Roosevelt purposely keeps them that way.

It causes a lot of grumbling among the somewhat bewildered democratic leaders and some talk that Mr. Roosevelt does not know what he wants. The same thing happened last year when he closed congress up in a similar state of uncertainty.

But it worked out rather well then, from his standpoint, and it probably will again.

If Mr. Roosevelt came out openly with a fixed program he would play directly into the hands of his opposition. His opponents could talk his plans to death. They could filibuster until his adjournment date and be completely victorious.

There would also be a howl about dictatorship. All that is avoided by the fact that Mr. Roosevelt lets few people know entirely what he has in mind.

PLAN

Those who are in the confidence of the president expect passage of the Wagner labor board bill, home mortgage financing, oil control, AAA, silver and the tariff. And adjournment by June 23.

If any of that heavy cargo is jettisoned, it will be oil and AAA. There has recently been a decision of a Louisiana court reopening the oil control case, so that measure may not be needed. The AAA amendments are wanted, but the AAA can get along without them.

Mr. Roosevelt has made some personal plans which show how he really feels. Private arrangements have been started for him to sail on his Hawaiian cruise about June 25.

ADVICE

The best comment on the uncertainty of congressional adjournment was offered by Nicholas Longworth when he was speaker. A constituent asked him when congress would quit, and he replied: "You had better see the chaplain of the house. He is nearer to God than I am, and God only knows."

SECURITIES

There is so much wire pulling of the personnel of the new stock exchange regulation commission that you cannot walk around the White House these days without stumbling over half a dozen wire manipulators.

Both the liberals and the financial men want "the right kind of men" appointed, but they have different ideas about what kind of men are right.

The only thing considered certain by both sides is that James Landis, of the federal trade commission, will be chairman. If you guess that Landis brings a few men over from the federal trade commission you will not be far wrong. Commissioner Matthews and Counsel Healey are both good men. In addition, there is strong support behind Benjamin Cohen, who knows more about the legislation than anyone else.

Cohen is being subjected to rather strong objections from downtown New Yorkers. Even some persons he measured as friends there have been passing out poison against him, using fairly strong, and not altogether polite tactics.

That may help to make his appointment certain.

COMMUNICATIONS

The new head of the federal communications commission would be Interstate Commerce Commissioner Walter Splawn if it were not for the fact that his eyes have failed recently. He has spent some time at Johns Hopkins. Physicians are yet doubtful as to whether he can continue his government labors.

Splawn is, by all means, the best man for the post, and if he is unable to serve, no one knows who will get it.

The job will be a big one. Communications systems are being revolutionized by modern inventions such as the multiplex system of wire transmission and the transmission of photographs.

FARM PLAN

Senator Byrd was rather mild in his criticism of the farm program in a recent national broadcast. Since then, letters and telegrams have been coming in fast to him, patting him on the back for his opposition. Apparently they came from many democratic sources.

That word has gone around the democratic cloakrooms, and it will not help the Tugwell nomination.

DROUGHT

The AAA is trying to make a virtue out of the drought plague by getting drought-stricken farmers to sign up for the allotment plan. In that way the farmers are paid for reducing their production, which has already been reduced by an act of nature.

What worries the AAA master minds is that the increase in prices will eventually disorganize the processing taxes.

NOTES

The White House is apparently strong against passing out any patronage to appease the Tugwell opposition in the senate. It is convinced he can be confirmed by direct pressure.

A number of administration spokesmen lately have been stressing the dangers of the good old-fashioned "communist menace." It is a shrewd answer to those who have been criticizing the administration for commun-

SIDE GLANCES—by George Clark



"I can't help worrying about Willie; he always catches cold when he goes out in the rain like this."

istic tendencies, and is so intended.

Opposing factions have been arguing and fighting so much in the house oil hearings that there was little opportunity for constructive testimony. That subject brings on warmer arguments now than religion used to.

The best authorities believe there will not be a steel strike. They are doubtful about the strength of the Amalgamated Union, but are convinced that a number of steel workers secretly belong to the Amalgamated union and the company unions as well.

Poisoned whisky was discovered mailed to persons in California. No one died, since people are more cautious these days than they were before repeal.

Examinations For Teachers To Open

Regular examinations of applicants for state teachers' certificates will be held at the county courthouse from June 13 to 15, according to announcement of Superintendent Fred Peterson.

On Wednesday, June 13, examinations will be given in U. S. history, penmanship, geometry, botany, physiology, reading, composition, general history. Thursday's examinations will be in arithmetic, history of education, psychology, grammar, geography, American literature and physics. Friday's examinations will be in theory and practice, orthography, physical geography, English literature, school law, algebra, geology, civil government and book keeping.

Editorials on News

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the face of conditions that as yet are anything but favorable.

THIS column the other day, lacking anything better in the way of material, dealt briefly with the subject of snakes. As a result thereof, a new crop of snake stories is rolling in.

Here is a sample—the sample, incidentally, being offered to this writer by an Irishman, if that means anything.

THIS particular Irishman was fishing one day, but unfortunately his bait didn't seem to be what the doctor ordered for that particular bunch, or school, or whatever one calls a flock of fish. So he started casting around for something better.

At that moment his eye lighted upon a frog, and he felt upon the frog and captured it, and impaled it upon his hook and cast the hook into the water. It was immediately and ravenously seized by a fish of monstrously beautiful size, and he landed this beauty.

Whereupon he started looking for more frogs. But there seemed to be no more.

JUST then he noted a rattlesnake, and not far behind the snake's jaws he noted a bulge. The bulge was a frog that the snake had just swallowed.

So this Irishman—he says—took the snake down, took the frog away from it, put it on his hook and caught another fish. Then he looked at the snake, and the snake looked so disconsolate—he says—that he took out his flask and gave it a good stiff drink. And went on fishing.

NOW get this: After he had been fishing a little while, he heard a rustling at his feet, and looked down and there was the rattlesnake—he says—and it was laying another frog at his feet and casting wish-

ful eyes at the hip pocket in which he carried his flask.

TAKE it or leave it. But that is the way it was given to us.

Lincoln Sawmill May Start Soon

The sawmill at Lincoln, on the Greensprings highway between here and Ashland, may start operations in a few weeks, according to word received here.
 J. H. Henry of Pasadena, builder and owner of the plant, has been at Lincoln for some time making plans for possible operation.

29 Register For Summer School

Twenty-nine registered at Klamath Union high school Monday for the summer school courses. Classes began Monday, and will continue until July 13. Most high school subjects are offered, with the exception of laboratory sciences.

Christian Science Church

"Ancient and Modern Necromancy, Alchemy, Mesmerism and Hypnotism, Denounced" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, June 3.

The Golden Text was, "Or let the wickedness of the wicked come to an end; but establish the just; for the righteous God trieth the hearts and reins" (Ps. 7:9).

Among the citations which comprised the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible: "Surely there is no enchantment against Jacob, neither is there any divination against Israel" (Num. 23:23).

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: "That evil or matter has neither intelligence nor power, is the doctrine of absolute Christian Science, and this is the great truth which strips all disguise from error. . . . In Science, you can have no power opposed to God, and the physical senses must give up their false testimony. . . . The good you do and embody gives you the only power obtainable" (pp. 454, 192).

Well-to-do Chinese make soup from shark fins.

Society

McCOLLUM-MOAK WEDDING SOLEMNIZED JUNE FIRST

Miss Gladys McCollum and Mr. Walter Moak were united in marriage Friday evening, June first, at the home of the bride's parents. Reverend Fred Hornshuh performed the ceremony before a small group of relatives and close friends.

The bride was gowned in a frock of pale green and carried roses and sweet peas. Rooms of the house were prettily decorated with spring flowers and greens. A wedding dinner was served following the ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Moak will make their home in Stewart addition.

Mrs. Ira Sherman was a guest last Thursday at the home of Mrs. Short in Macdonell.

Mrs. Short was hostess at a bridge luncheon in the afternoon. The Theta Theta Rho Girls club, Number 8, will meet at the I. O. O. F. hall, Wednesday evening, June 6, at 7:30 o'clock. All members are requested to be present.

The Zion Lutheran Ladies' Aid society will hold a silver tea on Wednesday afternoon, June sixth, at the parsonage, 1025 High street.

Tea will be served between the hours of 2 and 5 o'clock. All members of the society and its friends are cordially invited to call during the afternoon.

Miss Helen Cofer will entertain members of the Roycroft Junior this (Tuesday) evening at 8 o'clock at her home on High street. Reading and discussion of "The Olympians" will be continued.

Joe Dunne Files Campaign Expense

Joe E. Dunne and his campaign committee spent \$12,651.44 in the race for the republican nomination for governor, according to his report filed with the secretary of state. A total of \$2,221.65 was spent by U. G. McAlexander, also republican gubernatorial candidate.

William A. Dezell, former Klamath Falls man who campaigned for the democratic nomination for congress in the first district, spent \$412.50.

Detroit police, orders their chief, may chew tobacco while on duty, but not gum. Gum chewing is unbecoming an officer.

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