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Tragedy Season

SNOW on the streets of Klamath Falls. Slick, icy pavements that afford little traction to wheels locked by brakes. Children crossing the streets on their way to school. Pedestrians precariously sliding into safety zones as autos slither by within a few feet of them.

Those were the conditions in Klamath Falls Tuesday morning, and there will be many another such morning in the next six months.

Those who take chances under such conditions are going to come to grief, sooner or later. There will come a moment when tragedy suddenly looms before them, when their agonized efforts to avert it come to naught.

The terrible details of what can happen in an automobile accident were brought out in the two-death mishap near Lorella Saturday night. Two young people, their lives before them, were suddenly and unexpectedly hurled from a careening automobile. Their heads were bashed open, their brains strewn over the rocks of a lonely hillside. Klamath officers, answering a frantic midnight telephone call, came upon a scene of gory horror when they arrived at Lorella.

This county has had many such accidents. Last fall six persons were drowned in the icy waters of canals along the Weed-Klamath highway, all in the space of two weeks.

It is in the fall and winter that driving hazards increase. There has been many a lesson in the terrible consequences of carelessness under such conditions. Those who disregard those lessons will provide the shocking accident stories of the coming bad weather months.

He Captured Skiens

A FORMER Klamath Falls man, C. L. Jamison, was one of the two state livestock inspectors who captured Toby Skiens, desperate rangeland character, at a lonely Owyhee river ranch house Sunday night. Mr. Jamison lived here until a year or so ago. He was livestock adjuster for the American and First National banks, and field man for the Production Credit association. He moved from here to Canyon City, and has been serving with the state livestock inspection department and as secretary of the Oregon Cattle and Horse Raisers' association.

Mr. Jamison and Eldon Madden were eating dinner at the ranch house Sunday night when Skiens, admitted horse thief and sought as an alleged murderer, rode into the yard. Jamison held a gun on Skiens while Madden "frisked" the fugitive, removing his revolver. Thus ended a ten-weeks' hunt through the rugged southeastern Oregon country.

This was not a new experience to C. L. Jamison. He could tell many a similar hair-raising story of incidents in his many years spent in the Oregon cattle country. Probably no man in Oregon is more seasoned in exactly this type of work than Jamison. When Jamison started on the trail of Toby Skiens, the horse-thief's chance of escape was lessened by many degrees.

Jamison's many friends here will read the story of Skiens' capture with particular interest.

Douglas and Realities

(Coos Bay Times)

ONE of the actual, although not expressed, objections of fiscal liberals to the presence of Lewis W. Douglas in the office of director of the budget, was his insistence upon looking upon the nation's finances with the eye of realism. Mr. Douglas customarily saw things as they were and not as some of his highly imaginative associates envisioned them. Consequently there came the conflict which resulted in his retirement from a key post in the administration. His loss has been felt seriously ever since.

Solely from the viewpoint of national interest, and not through rancor or resentment of his rejection by the administration, Mr. Douglas is now subjecting the financial policies of the government to critical analysis. In the pursuit of his purpose he finds it necessary to challenge the declaration of President Roosevelt that receipts will exceed the original budget estimates by \$479,000,000, that expenditures will be lower by \$768,000,000, and that, in consequence, the deficit will be down \$1,247,000,000 from the total expected last January.

Mr. Douglas, who speaks with the authority of one familiar with his subject, says that the president promises the impossible. In support of his pessimistic belief he cites that fact that "up to the fourth day of October (which means one-fourth of the fiscal year), revenues collected were actually but \$25,000,000 greater than those collected during the same period for the fiscal year 1935." And how, he questions, can expenditures be decreased when, with the exception of the treasury department, operating costs are increasing?

MODOC POINT

MODOC POINT, Ore.—Bud Jensen, who was injured in an auto accident a week ago, is now out of the hospital and expects to return to work Monday.
 Mrs. W. E. Lamm, Mrs. U. S. Ragland and Mrs. William Heid returned from Medford Friday evening where they attended the convention of the State P. T. A. Mrs. William Hickman, Mrs. N. Y. Stoddard, Mrs. W. B. Bickers and Mrs. G. Hetherington motored to Medford Thursday to attend the afternoon session of the convention and the banquet honoring the new and old officers, Thursday evening.
 Mrs. Ray Warner and son Kenneth are moving to the home of Mrs. Warner's parents at Grants Pass, Ore., this week.

WASHINGTON

NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

The Inside Story From The Capital

By PAUL MALLON

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WASHINGTON, Oct. 29.—The day before the farmers voted to continue the corn-hog program for another year, President Roosevelt was able to announce that it would be permanent. He announced that the AAA program would be simplified and perfected for an indefinite period.

No direct mention was made of the corn-hog program, of course. The president himself said his announcement had no connection whatever with the vote to be held 24 hours later. His assurance to the farmers had been in the process of formation for a long time, and it just happened to be given out by him the night before the farmers went to the polls. You know how those things are. Statements are always coming out at the right time, although, of course, they are never planned that way. It was just fate, that's all, a hand-made happy fate.

FORESIGHT

The AAA administrator, Mr. Davis, whose lack of political acumen is advertised far and wide, has verified this interpretation. His statement has all but closed the matter as far as the super-suspicious observers here were concerned. They would be willing to read politics into reports from the weather bureau or the supreme court itself, but never into one prepared by Mr. Davis.

The result, therefore, can only be another high tribute to the daring foresight of the AAA boys. They may have had a little linking as to how the vote would come out, inasmuch as they campaigned for it, conducted it and counted it. But even so, you will have to hand them something, if it is only a laugh, for preparing and getting the president to issue such a confident pre-election pronouncement on the eve of the balloting.

RAGE

This official inside tale about the innocent conspiracies of fate might hold together better, if it were not for one point. There was no need for the AAA crowd to dash over to the White House with a pre-election statement for the president's signature if they were going to win by such a big margin.

You might be able to get the real inside story if you could look into the confidential reports received by AAA headquarters from out in the farm fields prior to the voting. You might find there a more credible explanation, in a few suggestions that some of the farmers were raging, not against Mr. Roosevelt or particularly against the corn-hog program, but decidedly against some of the men chosen by the AAA to administer it.

Also, you might find there a mite of farm rage about favoritism and unfairness in the complex local administration. Such reports would explain adequately why the AAA boys would want the president to issue a personal statement indirectly disavowing such things and promising simplification of administration, as he did.

REPORT

If the AAA field reports are frank, they will contain something along the line of a confidential survey recently made by a Roosevelt investigator from a Rocky Mountain state. It was his conclusion that if Mr. Roosevelt was slipping any in the farm regions, it was solely because of "the greedy, selfish, arrogant misuse of money by those entrusted with the administration of committees and commissions set up by the national administration at Washington."

Following are excerpts reflecting his studied analysis:
 "In this state the director of the extension service is an active

SIDE GLANCES—by George Clark



"You know, mother, I think we should get away from each other for a while."

candidate for the nomination for governor.

"The farm organization was once under the leadership of a real master farmer. . . . Today the picture presented is that of a dead local, dying county and a top-heavy state organization, receiving substance from the co-operative disposal organization of the state. This latter is the only helpful organization the farmers have, and it deducts enough from the income of farm members to keep alive a state agricultural organization.

"There are meetings of farmers, called by the farm organization, at which few farmers are to be found and none is permitted to speak. The few who do attend are crowded into the back seats and listen to the presidents of banded banks, extension workers, college professors from home and abroad, home demonstrators, music masters and piano tuners, who head farm relief agencies.

"The farm agencies have been taken over by men who have never raised anything but their hats."

CONCLUSIONS

The political conclusions of this admirer of the president were:
 "In the election of 1934 any candidate with a democratic label who promised to uphold the president was elected automatically. This will not be true in 1936. The voters in the farming section and the small towns will thresh the wheat from the chaff."

"To say that the farmers of the west may be with the president does not mean that they are with the new dealers whose only interest in state and national politics is that it leads them to the political pie counter. Neither is it meant to imply that they can be won over by any such slogan as: 'Save the Constitution.'"

All of which would seem to cast a more understanding light behind the president's latest farm assurances and the corn-hog vote than anything yet offered by the new dealers.
 NOTES
 Someone looking very much like Mrs. Hoover was out horsebacking on the Potomac bridge the other day. The former first lady frequently comes to Washington to visit friends, but her visits never get into the papers.

The treasury daily balance sheet shows that the subsistence homesteads division has received

from the treasury this month \$245.70. That should be enough to build a porch on one.

Interior Secretary Ickes had a very bad sea trip with the president. He was leaning over the rail most of the time. To make him feel worse, his adversary, Harry Hopkins, was always smiling and seaworthy. But the last day out, Hopkins also reached for the rail, which virtually makes them bosom companions now.

The treasury is waiting in fear and trepidation for the processing tax decision from the supreme court. An adverse decision will prevent it from receiving impounded taxes, and it already has spent the money.

When Mr. Roosevelt was asked to comment on gold imports from Europe recently, he replied that gold was "like certain other things, you can't eat it." His associates wondered if he could possibly have had the constitution in mind.

Adolph's Observations

PERHAPS it's a fact, as one author has pointed out recently, that the American people who shun religion are satisfying their consciences by the near worship of great men. In this, he points out, Abraham Lincoln comes in for a great share of the multitude's affections. It is brought to our attention further that so humble a soul as he was would be greatly embarrassed by this devotion. Nothing would more disturb the great man if he were living than the experience of being worshipped.

But Lincoln would have other troubles too if he were to come back to us today. Imagine him with one of these new Alpine hats with a feather on one side and standing in front of a gas station pondering over the sign, "Free Air."

Granting of patents on plants was not authorized by congress until 1930, when the Townsend-Purnell bill was enacted.

King Christian of Denmark is the world's tallest monarch. His height is 6 feet 6 inches.

Telling the Editor

FOR HILL SITE

PORTLAND, (To the Editor) Our state's authority is in session to make a decision which seriously affects the future of Oregon.

A new capitol will be built of necessity. Now the important thing is, where will it be located? Some are anxious to see it built on the old site and want to build just large enough to care for the present needs of our state government referring to the idea that if the old capitol had not burned it would have lasted for many years. However, anyone who knows what a crowded inadequate condition we were enduring in the old building has seen justification for a new building for many years.

The logical progressive thing to do, most people will admit, is to build a building of modern design large enough for present and future needs and natural expansion and growth of our state.

Now as to its location. I wish every citizen of our state could go over the proposed locations and make their own comparisons, getting a first hand picture of the logical, scenic, natural beauty of Catalina Heights. A beautiful knoll rising far above any other part of the surrounding grounds, less than two miles from the old capitol site comprising 96 acres, which can be landscaped at a nominal cost, owing to its trees and natural beauty. This tract can be purchased so reasonably that it would be a colossal mistake to start a state capitol building program elsewhere.

Civic pride is natural with the progressive citizen so why not build our capitol on a hill so that it can be seen for miles in every direction and be the outstanding spot of our great state? Much opposition was brought to bear against building our hospitals on the tops of hills west of Portland but the vision of the promoters who planned this work are lauded now for their vision and good judgment.

The same feeling will be realized by the people of our state when our capitol has been built on the most natural and most beautiful site that a kind Providence could provide.

Let's put our light on a hill where it can shine and be seen and not hide it under a bushel.

Capitol on Catalina Heights the pride of future generations to come.

A colossal mistake criticized and regretted by coming generations.

R. B. HANXER.

ABOUT TOWNSEND PLAN
 KLAMATH FALLS, Ore.—To the Editor—I read in the editorials in the Klamath News, dated October 26, your comments on the Townsend plan, now, you like most men in your profession, and the politicians, are presuming on the ignorance of the people."

Well, in the past they have given you plenty of reason to think you can make them swallow any kind of bait. You ask the ordinary voter why he is a Republican, or a Democrat, and about all the answer he would give you would be, my Dad is, or was a Democrat, or Republican. So, you can see, for years and years the common voter has been voting blind. The last election was the first time he opened his eyes to take stock of what was going on, and use his brain in his own interest. Let us hope he will continue in that line. Forget about party lines, vote for good men wherever you find them.

It is no wonder you think they can't see the difference between spending money on the present system, and that of the Townsend plan. Our present system is going in debt to spend. That is the kind of spending you have in mind, when you say spending will bankrupt the country, but there is no such spending in the Townsend plan.

The government won't have to borrow a single dime. All it is required to do is to put the 2 per cent transaction tax in operation, and let it raise what money it would under the present turnover, and distribute it to the pensioners as far as it would go, and as the turn over increased it would be paid out to the pensioners until they were all taken up. And, mind you this would be a revolving fund, that would be continually in circulation, with no chance of hoarding and no danger of bankrupting the country.

So, Mr. Editor, I am afraid you do not understand the Townsend plan, or if you do, you are presuming on the ignorance of the people, or, you are purposely intending your comments to be misleading.

T. J. LINVILLE.

Embezzlement Charges Face State Cashier

PORT WORTH, Texas, Oct. 29. (UP)—William Shearer, defaulting California state cashier, said Monday that he may plead guilty to charges of embezzlement of \$24,000 in state funds.

After admitting that he knew of the shortage, the state official hesitated when asked outright if he would plead guilty and smiled slowly.

"I might," he admitted. Shearer was taken to the county jail after a fugitive from justice complaint was filed against him. He parried questions, for the most part, maintaining his quiet smile.

"I'd rather not talk," he insisted, "I've got enough talking to do when I get back."

Famous Westerner

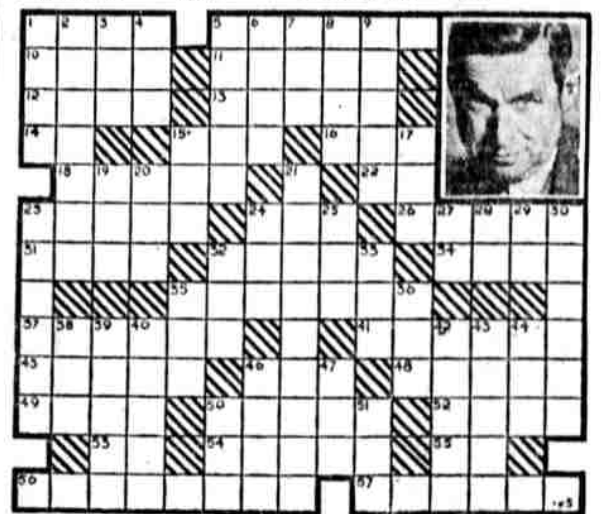
HORIZONTAL

1. Who is the man in the picture?
- 10 Melody.
- 11 To dwell.
- 12 Vicious.
- 13 Wakeful attention.
- 14 Half an em.
- 15 Wager.
- 16 Spigot.
- 17 Morning prayer service.
- 22 You.
- 23 Felt solicitude.
- 24 To be sick.
- 26 Scythe handle.
- 31 At one time.
- 32 Valuable property.
- 34 Hedgepodge.
- 35 Wrong distribution.
- 37 To sell.
- 41 Ere.
- 45 Sea.
- 46 God of war.
- 48 Presiding officer's mallet.

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

VERTICAL

- 1 Goods.
- 2 Iron worker.
- 3 Part of mouth.
- 4 To deposit.
- 5 Blackbird.
- 6 Death notice.
- 7 Light carriage.
- 8 To prepare for publication.
- 9 To re-broadcast.
- 10 He was a pop-15 offer.
- 17 Foollike part.
- 19 Part of circle.
- 20 Golf device.
- 32 Ozon.
- 33 Slight flap.
- 35 Males.
- 36 Limb.
- 38 War flyer.
- 39 To arm anew.
- 40 Slow.
- 42 Diamond surface.
- 43 Molding.
- 44 Corded cloth.
- 46 Part of eye.
- 47 Dined.
- 50 Cuckoo.
- 51 Age.



Ten Years Ago

In Klamath

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP)—Reports originating from some unknown quarter that a form of bird cholera is responsible for the killing of thousands of wild ducks in the Tule lake country near the Oregon border, are discredited at the office of George Tonkin, U. S. game warden here.

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—The state highway commission today awarded contracts for road work in eastern and central Oregon, including the last section of including the Dallas-California highway.

This is the LaPine-Corral Springs section in Klamath and Deschutes counties, and includes 28.2 miles of surfacing. The contract was let to Carl Nyberg of Spokane, for \$293,000.

REND—Rain was falling this morning on the Cascade divide with prospects that it might turn to snow, according to advices received by the forestry officials. Any form of moisture is welcome because of the unusually dry condition of the forests.

Forest fires are raging on a 10 mile front on the Umpqua divide, and the forest fire situation is as dangerous as in summer, officials said today. Rain and snow are badly needed.

About the Bible

AS we saw yesterday the King James version is a favorite for home reading and for worship. For study purposes and to make up to date the changes in some English words and their meanings, also to make use of later discovered old Greek and Latin and Hebrew manuscripts, various revised versions have come out, e.g. the English Revision finished in 1885; the American Revised of 1901. In more recent years there has been a movement, largely for students' purposes, to put the Bible

Mrs. Helen Paxon Spiker, secretary, Board U. S. Civil Service Examiners, U. S. Post Office, Klamath Falls, Ore., or The Manager, Eleventh U. S. Civil Service District, 450 Federal Office Building, Seattle, Washington.

Men have codes of behavior that prevent them from stealing and murdering, but nations have none.—President R. E. Galbreath, Westminster College.

New York pharmacist tries suicide by swallowing drugs, it would be interesting to know where he procured them.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



THE WORLD'S LARGEST RODENT

JUNE BUG IS KNOWN ALSO AS A MAY BEETLE!

THE CAPYBARA OF SO. AMERICA.
 IT WEIGHS 120 LBS. AND REACHES A LENGTH OF MORE THAN 4 FEET.