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A Washout

THE public, which took no interest in Friday's election and saw every measure go down to defeat, regards the whole affair as an expensive washout.

Calling the election was done, according to public announcement at the time, for the purpose of bringing about a decision on the sales tax as an old age assistance revenue plan. Funds were to be transferred from old age pension to relief, the federal social security act required matching if Oregon was to participate, and it was held the voters should decide early in the year if they wanted to go into this program through a sales tax.

There is a sneaking hunch among some observers that, in addition to this, the primary change had something to do with it, although legislators deny it. If the primary change had been enacted, it would have instituted the fall primary this year, thus avoiding the necessity of a May primary.

Whatever the purpose, it does seem that the decision on the measures might have been delayed until May. Then they could have been put on the primary ballot at little or no additional expense. To say it wouldn't be possible to get along without some of these measures is idle talk, for we are going to have to get along without all of them.

Hall Case Again

GEORGE HALL, the Yreka killer, has been sentenced to hang at Folsom prison on Friday, March 27.

Reports from Yreka, where there is overwhelming belief that Hall should have paid long ago for his crime, indicate that residents there are highly skeptical of the possibility that he will hang on the date set. Even though attorneys say Hall has reached the end of the legal rope, it is doubtful if one could get even money that he will be executed March 27.

They are skeptical because they have seen Hall evade the noose time and again. He has the cash, apparently, to hire lawyers who have taken advantage of every loophole the law affords. The Hall case has become celebrated as a horrible example of legal delay in the case of a cold-blooded murderer.

It was the Hall case that caused the patience of Siskiyou county citizens to break in the case of C. L. Johnson, admitted slayer of a Dunsuir police chief. Another delay for Hall will be a blow to orderly justice and an encouragement to mob violence in California.

A Fine Lot

OCCASIONALLY individuals who do not know what they are talking about make slighting remarks about the type of working man we have in Klamath Falls. When in another city, we have heard this talk about the hot-beds of something or other that we have down here. It is a false idea that seems to have been spread abroad.

A stout defender of our working people, who knows far more about them than most of these critics, is H. L. Watkins. Mr. Watkins came here to put through a wooden box promotion campaign, a project that was to belong to the employees on the correct theory that if wooden box use is increased and production upped, the employees will benefit.

Since he began this campaign, Mr. Watkins has talked to several hundred workers in the mills and box factories of this community. He makes the unqualified statement that the lumber employees of this community are as fine a lot as one can find anywhere. They are intelligent, co-operative and progressive. And he knows.

Langell Valley

LANGELL VALLEY, Ore.—Dick Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith, was badly bruised and shaken up Sunday when he was accidentally dragged by a colt. His foot caught in the rope. He escaped serious injury due to the fact that the ground was muddy instead of frozen.

Mrs. John Bunn and Mrs. Bill Navotny visited with Mrs. Silcott House on Tuesday.

Mrs. Leora Turner is very ill in a hospital at Klamath Falls. She was taken sick on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Tear entertained the following dinner guests on Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Monroe, Louis and Peggy, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Jackson and Malcolm, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Leidy, Mr. and Mrs. Schooler and Leonard, and the Misses Thelma and Mildred Tear.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Johnson and Audrey returned to Bly on Tuesday. Mrs. Burton Brown accompanied them home.

Klamath Falls shoppers on Tuesday included: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pepple, Lloyd Pepple, Mrs. Amos Powers, Ralph Powers, Oscar and Laurence Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Marchant, Ray Marchant, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Dearborn, Mrs. Burton Brown and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. House.

Teddy Pepple is able to be up and around after his serious illness.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Tear entertained with a turkey dinner on Thursday evening, January 30, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Leidy of Bishop, Calif., and to celebrate the birthday anniversary of Mrs. Wes Dearborn. Guests present were: Mr. and Mrs. Louis Leidy, Mr. and Mrs. Wes Dearborn, Mary Dearborn, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dearborn, LaRue House, Mr. and

PELICANS RECEIVE AUTO SHOW CHECK

The Pelicans, outstanding charity organization, received checks amounting to \$161.50 as donations from proceeds of the annual Auto Show. It was announced by officials of the Klamath Dealers association. The dealers donated 20 percent of the Auto Show gate receipts, which came to \$125.65 for the Pelicans, and \$35.85 was donated as net proceeds from a concession operated by Christine Farmer, Babe Derby and Bryant Williams.

In announcing the donations to the Pelicans the dealers expressed their appreciation to the Klamath public for their fine patronage to the affair.

WASHINGTON

NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

The Inside Story From The Capital

By PAUL MALLON

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—It is customary for the president to recommend a legislative program at the beginning of a congressional session. A solid month passed this year before President Roosevelt presented a single legislative recommendation. Then it was a pointed suggestion that congress find a way to pay that bonus which it was so anxious to pass over his veto.

No important legislation has been enacted except the bonus; none considered except the substitute farm program.

The senate has not even taken the trouble to meet, except upon nine days during the month. The house has been meeting daily, but mainly to permit congressmen to make political speeches for the record, so that they may be pranked free to the voters back home.

So far this has not been a session of congress, but largely a bi-partisan political rally—at government expense.

BUCK-PASSING

A leather medal for withdrawal of the marine band from that patriotic women's banquet here is being pinned by admirals upon Assistant Navy Secretary Roosevelt. They have passed the word around that neither they nor Navy Secretary Swanson knew anything about it until the following day.

Whether or not this is true, the navy and marine corps set a new fleet record for buck-passing of responsibility. Mr. Swanson told all inquirers to see Major General Russell, marine commandant, General Russell has always maintained the open door policy at his office, but this time he rushed into seclusion with his aides, announcing he was too busy. Questioners were shied off to his assistant, Major General Little. General Little just did not know anything about it, although his office was supposed to have made arrangements for the band to attend the banquet.

At last reports, the buck had been run down to the last buck private in the marine corps. When interviewed, he suggested that the marines, renowned for their discipline, must have decided they did not like the reflection passed upon their commander-in-chief and combusted spontaneously.

TESSON

In all the ensuing row, no one thought to inquire what the marine band was doing at a private unofficial dinner party in the first place. In this connection, it may be notable that Assistant Navy Secretary Roosevelt's secretary was one of the leading delegates to the women's conference.

Also significant but unnoted was the fact that when the band folded its instruments and walked out, it went over to the White House to play for an official function.

And the worst of it was that the withdrawal orders not only included the band but prevented Capt. Edward Duff, navy chaplain, from delivering the invocation.

Thus the ladies were left prayerless, speechless and without a song.

The incident is important only as an illustration of the exorbitant but not entirely humorless tension which has completely absorbed the capital city.

OIL

Here is the reason why Mussolini has suddenly become important about the threatened oil embargo: He has been able to store up enough oil to keep his Italian war machine going in Ethiopia for 18 months. At least, that is information which has

SIDE GLANCES—by George Clark



reached the charmed circle here.

If Mussolini cannot conquer Ethiopia in 18 months, he can never conquer it, as he well knows.

CROOKING

Those published comments about the Landon radio speech did not mean much. Most were made for political effect. More impressive was the off-the-record decision of the political experts.

About 24 out of 25 top political writers privately expressed disappointment, not in the speech, but in Landon's radio style.

Accustomed to the radio personalities of Mr. Roosevelt, Al Smith, Senator Borah, the new Hoover, et al, the cracker box jury was too surprised to return a definite verdict. They did not know whether the lack of a Major Bowes' voice would help or hurt Landon politically. Some thought that any style different from the many expert ones would be a relief. Others thought that the voice of the Kansas Coolidge would be lost in the existing radio melee.

Mr. Roosevelt's political advisers are saying he will never answer Al Smith or Hoover by name, or at all, if he can help it. His next speech at Temple University (Feb. 22) will be purely a thank-you address for the degree.

That does not mean Mr. Roosevelt's hearing is bad. It was not given out, but he listened on the radio to Smith, Landon and Senator Robinson.

The Robinson reply to Smith must have sounded faintly familiar to him. He is supposed to have had a very important hand in its preparation.

Bureau Assists Many Veterans

In its first day of activity, the American Legion's bonus bureau at Legion hall gave assistance Friday to 257 veterans in filling out their bonus applications.

The bureau, staffed by five Legionnaires, continued to operate Saturday and was to remain open until 9 o'clock Saturday night. The free service will be available again Sunday from 10 a. m. to 9 p. m. and on subsequent days if demand warrants.

Adolph's Observations

YESTERDAY a bum came to the door for food and we got big hearted and took him in. The Mrs. fixed him up with a large platter of meat, vegetables and plenty of mashed potatoes.

I watched this bum eat and I almost became a nervous wreck. He didn't seem to need a fork at all but did everything with the knife. He patted his potatoes to a certain thickness and cut them into strips. It was remarkable how he slipped his knife under these and stripped it through his mouth. The motion was from one side to the other and in spite of my Christian spirit I couldn't help from hoping he would cut his throat.

I don't know if everyone that eats with his knife is naturally dumb but this one certainly was. I asked him to go out and chop some wood and he fixed me a nice little pile of kindling out of my chopping block.

Four-H News

The "Five Jolly Cooks" is a division of Cooking 11, in the Chiloquin school, made up of sixth grade boys. Since our club was organized the first of last November and this is our first news report, we feel that Mr. Jenkins is justified in thinking that we are not up and coming. From now on we hope to prove that we are just the opposite.

Each member of our club is working hard to get his lessons completed as soon as possible. We are anxious to try our skill at other tasty dishes not found in our book. At our last club meeting we had a fine demonstration put on by Charles Hale and Lewis Paul. We all enjoyed some of the salad they made. We like best to give these demonstrations but when it is not possible to do so, we plan some other sort of program. Many of us have benefited by the reports which were given on some of the foodstuffs and their sources.

Because we are a group of boys we are planning to give a luncheon instead of a tea at the

ETHIOPIA'S GREATEST GENERAL



close of our course. We will each invite one friend. We decided in favor of the luncheon as we are all fond of much food.

Charles Hale, Reporter.

Telling the Editor

CIRCULATION OF MONEY NOT INCREASED

ALGOMA, Ore. (To the Editor)—If the pensions were actually paid with money now lying idle, it is possible that the Townsendites exaggerated promises could be partly kept, but therein lies the fallacy of their arguments. This is their basic error. They tell you they will put idle money into the channels of trade, that they will take from the rich to feed the poor, but they will do neither. We don't begrudge the elderly the luxuries that \$200 monthly pensions will buy, but we do object to taking necessities from children to give luxuries to the elderly, and that is just what the Townsend plan will do. Consider the source from which the money is to come with which to pay the pensions—a 2 per cent transaction tax, therefore, a 2 per cent tax taken from money now in circulation, the tax to be imposed every time the money turns over. There is no transaction of money not in circulation, therefore the money to pay the pensions will be taken out of money now in circulation, out of your pocket and mine, and we ask you will money circulate any faster, turn over any oftener, create any more business by being spent by elderly people instead of by us? God knows, we spend our money for necessities as fast as we get it, and we'd like to know how the elderly people can spend it any faster. We tell you that the Townsend promise of increasing the circulation of money is only a myth, a fairy story told to attract your quarters and your dollars and there is not one iota of truth or sound reasoning in their statements.

But, you say that the rich man will pay more taxes than the poor man. The rich man will pay, even as you and I, on what he buys for consumption or personal use, and no more. True the rich man will pay more per capita, but because the poor man far, far outnumbers the rich man, the aggregate consumption of goods among the poor far exceeds the aggregate consumption of the rich, and therefore, the real burden of the transaction tax will rest on the poor. The man of limited income pays 20 per cent of the taxes, according to statistics.

The Townsendites' latest claim is that competition will force business to absorb the transaction tax. Has past or present experience given us reason to think this true? If competition would force business to absorb the multiple transaction tax why doesn't competition force business to absorb the sales tax? We know that the consumers in California and Washington pay the sales tax, and there is no difference in the sales tax, except that the transaction tax is more inclusive, makes the ultimate cost to the consumer higher. Kiefer says the cost to the consumer will be 20 to 25 per cent higher.

The Brookings' Institute states that even in 1929 85 per cent of those employed earned less than \$2400 yearly, yet these people with families to support will be forced by the Townsend plan to give of their earnings to pay the allegedly \$2400 yearly. This is not increasing circulation of money. This is taking from those who have earned and will spend their money to give to those who have not earned it.

Sincerely,
 Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Lewis.

LEGION TO STAGE ESSAY CONTEST

TULELAKE, Feb. 1.—An annual Americanization essay contest sponsored by the Tulelake American Legion auxiliary and the Parent-Teacher association is drawing interest of students in both the high school and the elementary grades.

Children of the first to the sixth grades inclusive will write on "Our Flag of the United States" and will limit their papers to 150 words.

Seventh and eighth grades may write on "What Constitutes Good American Citizenship," and have more space allotted with a limit of 250 words.

The subject "Duties of American Citizenship" has been allotted to high school students with a 500 word limit on entries.

The contests close on Washington's birthday, February 22, and prize winning essays will receive \$3 as a first prize and \$2 as second prize in each division.

FALLS TO DEATH

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1. (P)—Eugene R. Woodson, 46, vice president of the Railroad Credit corporation, plunged to death early today from his eighth floor office in the Transportation building.

To indicate to eligible men their domestic qualities, unmarried women of Victorian England wore chaperones, or brooches, from which were suspended scissors, tape-measure, thimble, pin cushion and other trinkets.

In Europe and Asia, varieties of flowers are utilized for food purposes. It is not rare to hear of granular soup, shrub cakes, boiled lily, violet preserves, candied jasmine, or rose dessert in these parts of the world.

Pictorial Highlights

He Said He Would—And He Did!



True to his campaign promise that he would "jump off a dock," Stephen I. Cullen, Seattle majority candidate, leaped, not once, but five times, into the chilly waters of Elliott Bay while a crowd of 2000 cheered. Part of Cullen's campaign was parading the streets with a mop and broom, heralding the promise that "I'll clean up when I'm mayor."

They're Going in for High Flying



The sun may shine on the earth or the rain may pour far below, but it's all the same to these three Army flyers stationed at Grassy Field, San Francisco. Even in their "sub-stratobus" they shiver as they cruise about 18,000 feet up, testing practicability of extreme heights for observation purposes. Left to right: Lieut. John Schweiter, Lieut. H. D. Bernard, Lieut. John Preston.

Noted Novelist

HORIZONTAL		Answer to Previous Puzzle	
1. Famous woman who used a man's name.	CLEMENCEAU	20. Baking dishes.	40. Salmon.
9. Melody.	HALE EARNED	21. Inspire.	43. Wren.
10. Tree.	ADIT WROTE	22. Long.	44. Mildew.
12. Hand parts.	FEEDERS	23. Upright shafts.	45. Supreme Norse deity.
14. Beverage.	PROPER E SO	27. Cavern.	47. Wrath.
16. Blue grass.	ROPED ANA SNAITH	28. Wine vessel.	48. Deep cut.
18. Grief.	EVER ALTER OLIO	29. Guided.	49. Teo.
19. Proper.	MEN RIA SOT PEN	30. Short silk fibers.	51. Yek.
21. Draggid.	I LAR A BIS O	32. To slide.	52. Kettle.
24. Fence bar.	ESSAY AGO CEDAR	33. Anxiety.	53. Road.
26. Two.	READY AROMA RIGS	34. Printing mistakes.	54. Measure of area.
27. Young cow.	AVE SUPER ANS	35. Grayish green color.	
31. Vessels for heating.	FRENCHMAN TIGER		
33. Tree.			
34. Desert animal.			
35. Cuddled.			
37. Bravery.			
39. Courtesy title.			
41. Before.			
42. Skirt edge.			
45. To pledge.			
48. Fuel.			
50. Rattle bird.			
52. To worship.			

