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Brief Comment

IN his Washington column in the Oregonian Saturday, John Kelly gives some interesting observations on the so-called soil conservation legislation. This scheme, he says, has been rushed through congress for the purpose of holding the farm vote for the November election. In principle, the soil conservation bill is identical with AAA, and therefore it probably would not stand a constitutional test. But it can't be tested before the election, and in the meantime it will start payments to farmers, and that should keep the votes in line. After the election, a test may invalidate the program, but what new dealer will care, once the administration has another four-year cinch?

A New York educator, Dr. George J. Ryan, makes the striking suggestion that candidates for teaching posts be rated on their character and personality rather than on mere book knowledge. The idea is well worth consideration. The ability to develop a sound outlook on life, and the capacity to adjust himself to the world in which he lives, are but two of the salient benefits a teacher with real character and personality can pass on to his students. A child is influenced more by one genuine personality than by hundreds of books. The idea, of course, should not be carried to extremes. Books contribute the finest backgrounds to both personality and character. A happy combination of the two approaches the educational ideal.

Driving while intoxicated was the reason for revoking 232 operators' licenses in Oregon between July 1, 1935, and the first of this month. One autoist was arrested for driving after his license had been revoked. One wonders if there isn't a lot of that sort of thing. There being only an infrequent check on motorists to see if they have driving licenses, it's fairly easy to continue driving despite the fact a license has been taken away because of a drunken driving conviction. A few outstanding examples of punishment for this sort of thing would probably do a lot of good.

One of the year's funniest stories is that about a WPA federal theatre project play that got mixed up. Scheduled to appear before a high school student audience in New York, the players were to present play No. 3-A, entitled "School Days." Somehow, a mistake was made, and they put on No. 4-A instead. This drama was entitled "Parisian Nights" and obviously was intended for a hard-boiled audience, and certainly not for one composed of high school students. It was filled with racy dialogue which proved highly entertaining to the high school students and promoted faculty headaches.

An important traffic artery that still has some bad spots on it is the Dalles-California highway south. Connecting Klamath Falls with the heavily settled and busy south-end district, this road is carrying an increasingly heavy volume of traffic. The cork-screw at Lost River north of Merrill, the narrow passage under the flume near Henley, and a narrow bridge or two, are danger points that should be eliminated as soon as state highway funds can be obtained for the purpose.

To run or not to run is the question that has been bothering Sheriff Low. He says he'll make known his decision definitely Monday. Our hunch is that Sheriff Low will be in there when the campaign gets going.

Grade School Hoop Contest Cancelled

The Pelican-Roosevelt grade school basketball game, previously scheduled as a preliminary to the Klamath high-Mt. Shasta contest to be played here tonight, has been cancelled. It was announced Friday night by Joe Peak, director of grade school athletics.

Klamath high Wildcats will meet Lost River of the City league in a substitute curtain-raiser.

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WASHINGTON

NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

The Inside Story From The Capital
 By PAUL MALLON
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WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—The all-revealing inside of the London naval conference funny-business lately is that the conference lasted too long. At least that is the polite way the diplomats would describe it. The sailors have a better word for what happened. They know the United States, as usual, got gyped.

The state department will never say so, but certain statesmen in that department wanted our delegation to come home when the Japanese withdrew. The navy, however, wanted to hang around. The admirals desired to see what the other powers (Britain, France and Italy) would do.

The diplomats knew very well what they would do; namely, drag concessions out of us and then tangle the conference up in European politics. That is what they always have done. That is just what they did this time.

This may explain to the perplexed reader why both President Roosevelt and Secretary Hull found themselves extremely busy with other matters when the French ambassador brought his 35,000-ton battleship troubles to them the other day.

It also explains as nothing else could, that international conference history always repeats itself.

TONNAGE
 No official statement will ever be made about what happened on the inside at London, but you may accept the following as approximately correct:

The pet U. S. cruiser is the 10,000-ton ship. Our seadogs refused to concede the British demand for a limitation on this type at the 1927 conference. It wrecked the conference, but saved the cruiser.

Nevertheless, the British got us this time into a five-year limitation on construction of that type of vessel, and strongly against our will.

The bait was a promise to forego their insistence on reducing the size of battleships from 35,000 tons. That looked good to us, because the 35,000-ton ship suits our navy. We wanted particularly to avoid the proposed British reduction to a 25,000-ton limit. The deal looked like give-and-take on a fair basis.

But as soon as the take was accomplished, lo and behold, the French suddenly began to pine and howl for—of all ships on the seas—a 27,000-ton battleship limit, which was just about the thing the British had given up.

SUSPICIONS
 Now, no one will ever be able to prove that the French took up the old evacuated British position because of some secret understanding they had with the British. Nor will anyone be able to disprove it to the satisfaction of some of our diplomats.

They have a deep suspicion, whether true or not, that the British got the cruiser concession out of us and then induced the French to fight the battleship issue for them.

On top of it all, the French started dragging in European political disputes to such a flagrant extent that our Mr. Davis had to object. Even Mr. Hull found it necessary at a press conference to say that the United States went into the conference to discuss naval matters and nothing else.

DEBT TALK
 Among 130,000,000 people, only Senator Vandenberg is talking out loud about the lost issue of war debts. However, the subject has lately aroused new unobserved interest among officials,

SIDE GLANCES—by George Clark



"I'm giving you just one week to pay those claims and you know I never stand for any monkey business."

Telling the Editor

AGAINST WATER LIMIT
 MERRILL, Ore. (To The Editor)—The undersigned represents 50 water users with land in the so-called main division.

We know that Hayden's pretended friendship for the down-trodden pump irrigator who virtually had to beg for his water is all a ruse. Same old stall, trying to "play both ends against the middle." Why does he want to raise the pump duty to 2.5 feet and hold the gravity lands to 2.5 under the pretext of saving water from going into the "Tule lake swamp"? Trying to get sympathy from the pump grain growers against the main land and spud growers and at the same time make a hit with pump irrigators thereby getting support from these groups against the original and prior water rights. Especially if he can enlist the influence of other editors as such in the chamber of commerce who evidently have seen through the thin film of pretext offered by Hayden.

Hayden has always tried to hamper the irrigator with rigid curtailment of water use which is a great handicap to the growth of the present line of crops and the only reason why our locality has attained the present desirable state of production is simply because the growers have resisted his absurd rules, and watered plentifully at all times. If Hayden's system of rotation of water use were put into effect farmers would suffer heavy expense and loss of efficiency in night irrigating resulting in damage to quality and yield, and the impossibility of judging your work in the dark, makes for water waste.

Hayden can't tell the farmers how to irrigate potatoes. You may bank all your chips that the farmers are dead right and that he can't show us how. We hereby challenge him or any of his "master farmer" assistants to show us how to apply 24 hour service to potato culture under local conditions and according to his mysterious "water saving" rotation system which is in reality "water starving" program, and at the same time wasteful, un-economic in that less production from a given amount of water is accomplished, and against all rules of soil conservation on account of washing furrows and ditch banks because of lack of perfect daylight control. Dum water service makes knotty spuds and less of them and if liberal use of water is curtailed further, Klamath is in danger of losing her potato market maintained to the present on account of superior quality.

It is our theory and proposition that handicaps of climate in the Klamath project are in a measure overcome by nature's plentiful supply of water and any interference with this will make this country undesirable to live in. Being as Hayden has trapped himself into admitting that two feet is insufficient for pump lands and that money reverting to K. I. D. from excess pump water fees is an imposition, let us agree and advocate three feet or "beneficial use" clause for both pump and gravity land. And if pump farmers are wasteful of water it will merely mean more electricity revenue for the power company for pumping extra water. Hayden forgets to tell you that there is no provision for drainage on pump lands and that excess water eventually returns to the level of the gravity canal.

Fort Klamath

FORT KLAMATH, Ore.—

Charles Brisco, proprietor of the Crater Lake Cafe in Fort Klamath, was host to over two hundred people Wednesday night at his restaurant at an open house party intended to honor the arrival of his son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth C. Brisco of Merrill, Wisconsin. Late in the evening Brisco received a telegram from his son, at Miles City, Montana, explaining that he could not get there that night, and his train had been delayed 21 hours in North Dakota en route west, when a terrific blizzard was encountered, with a temperature of 38 below zero, accompanied by a 75-mile gale, tying up the train on which he and his wife were passengers.

Notwithstanding his disappointment at the non-arrival of the intended honor guests, Brisco proceeded with plans for the reception and party, as a large crowd of guests had already assembled at the cafe. A wonderful time was enjoyed by the large crowd, supper being served free to all present by the host, following which dancing was enjoyed until a late hour. Music for dancing was furnished by a group of musicians from other points, and featured accordion and banjo music.

Represented among the guests who attended the affair from outside towns were people from Keno, Klamath Falls, Chiloquin, Pine Ridge, Bly, Modoc Point, and Crater Lake park.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Brisco arrived in Fort Klamath Friday morning, and will make their home in Fort Klamath, where they will assist Brisco's father, C. J. Brisco, in the management of the Crater Lake Cafe.

Tulsa's fond of roast crow. Another idea is fur-lined sackcloth and powdered ashes.

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where it is picked up from surface drains and returned to the growing crops. You see there is little chance for loss. On account of these natural conditions of topography on the pump lands there is an automatic control of the use of water and there is no reason for not setting water duty at the amount sufficient for "beneficial use." (Under gravity some other provision for the disposal of drain water must be provided other than curtailment of necessary use).

Let us all go on record as opposing setting water duty at 2.5 feet or any other fixed figure.
 HENRY L. MARTIN,
 and his group for the "Maintenance of Superior Water Service."

News of Oregon

OREGON CITY, Feb. 22. (AP)—Strike up the band, Salem, here comes Mr. Finegan, the playful sealion.

Like Bruce and the Spider, Mr. Finegan made a last effort yesterday to surround the Oregon City falls in the Willamette river and went over the top.

Then he gleefully—at least so it seemed—headed southward.

"He hunched himself over the rocks alongside the ladder and worked himself into the upper pools," J. A. Roake, a foundry worker, said. "The last we saw of him he was straining toward the capital at Salem."

The sealion splashed and cavorted in the river below the falls for several days to the great amusement of hundreds of spectators.

PORTLAND, Feb. 22. (AP)—An Oregonian reporter donned old clothes and acquired a battered car in an effort to test the Los Angeles "border patrol."

His comment: "Those yarns about honest folk getting snafed off autos and buses and their teeth knocked out are nothing but gas that moonshiners spring on victims to play them for suckers." He had no trouble entering California.

OREGON CITY, Feb. 22. (AP)—E. W. Kirkpatrick of Milwaukee announced he will be a candidate for the democratic nomination for congressman from the First Oregon district. He said he opposed the Townsend plan. He is an attorney.

COVALLIS, Feb. 22. (AP)—O. S. Chapman, forester for a large timber concern, told visitors at a forestry club banquet at Oregon State college that the so-called omnibus forestry bill "has joined the type of the forgotten."

man who is not slated for the more abundant life." He deplored alleged federal disregard of the measure. Chapman also said that of timber shortage has no place in the present-day picture.

PORTLAND, Feb. 22. (AP)—Oregon and Washington war veterans will meet here tonight for the fourth annual "wreck" of the 40 & 8 society of the American Legion.

ASTORIA, Feb. 22. (AP)—A circuit court jury here awarded Lucile Anderson of Portland \$8,320 as a result of an auto accident south of here last April. Defendant was Edward Fenlon of Portland. The plaintiff alleged she incurred injuries.

PORTLAND, Feb. 22. (AP)—A skull and crossbones will be painted on a warning to others at every spot where a fatal automobile accident occurs in Portland, the city council voted. The 20-30 club members will do the painting.

PORTLAND, Feb. 22. (AP)—The city council passed an anti-noise ordinance but agreed to overlook some of the lesser noise makers.

Large operators must muffle air drills and such equipment.

Also on the tabu list will be honking a car horn to call a friend from an office or house; cow bells; obstreperous roosters, and parrots that broadcast to the neighborhood.

Four-H News

HENLEY
 The cooking club 2 gave the mothers' tea February 11 at the Henley school.

The chairman of the committee was Maxine Mayfield.

Head server—Carol Jean Mayfield. Assistant servers—Dorothy Dixon, Helen Durant, Ruth Durant, Vern Berry, Bobby Norris and Louise Bailey.

Mr. Jenkins was present and gave a brief talk to the P-T. A. about furnishing a scholarship for some fortunate boy or girl who could win one.

After the tea a P-T. A. meeting was held at the Henley grade school while the cooking clubs cleaned up the kitchen and cafeteria.—Louise Bailey, news reporter.

They taxed cars out of existence in England and we are traveling the same road here.—Melvin C. Bender, counsel to the New York State Automobile Association.

LAST TIMES TONIGHT

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Topped by America's most famous comedian!
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ADOLPHE MENJOU
VERREE TEASDALE
GEORGE BARBIER
WILLIAM GARGAN
DOROTHY WILSON
 A PARAMOUNT RIOT
 ALSO
"DOORMAN'S OPERA"
DEEP SEA NOVELTY
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