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Brief Comment

RESIDENTS of the Klamath country often congratulate themselves on the freedom this section enjoys from such disasters as floods, quakes and terrible storms. News from the east, where flood waters have wrought huge damage and taken nearly 200 lives, emphasizes anew the blessings we have out here. Along with this news of disaster comes a plea for financial assistance to the American Red Cross which, as it always does, is engaged in a big relief program in the flood area. Klamath's quota has been set at \$350. Certainly the fortunate people of this region can spare that much for assistance to those in the disaster-stricken areas of the east. They could do it as an offering of thanksgiving that such calamities are beyond the realm of possibility here.

In California, the liquor control problem has gotten into such a muddle that the state board of equalization is trying to shift the burden on the shoulders of a new alcoholic beverage commission. Under the proposed changes, local boards and councils would act in an advisory capacity on license issuing, as is done in Oregon. In fact, the California tendency seems to be in the direction of the Oregon state control plan, one of the best in the U. S. Meanwhile in Oregon, somebody up at Portland is circulating initiative petitions with the purpose of abolishing the state system. That's a situation that is indicative of the liquor problem. No solution is ever found to be completely satisfactory.

Klamath county residents spent an average of \$8.25 on liquor last year, according to statistics compiled by the state liquor commission. But believe it or not, this wasn't the wettest county in the state. Malheur, with a per capita consumption was \$17.20, claimed that doubtful honor. Clatsop was second with \$10.43; Hood River third with \$10.34, and then came Klamath. That's not far from the top of the headache column, at that. Wonder how we ranked on consumption of aspirin and other morning-after remedies?

This newspaper, which is frankly critical of Mayor Willis Mahoney on certain points, is glad to give him credit on others. When he went into office, the mayor declared he wouldn't play politics with public health, and he appointed a citizens board of health that has given this community a food inspection program of outstanding value. Chairman of that board is E. B. Hall. In view of Mr. Hall's experience with the city problem, it is encouraging that he heads the new committee named to investigate the county public health program and bring in recommendations for improvements.

Clyde Dehlinger, the Klamath county lad who won The Herald-News potato growing contest last fall, has received a lot of favorable publicity in far places. Not long ago the Christian Science Monitor ran Clyde's picture, with a story of the contest. On Saturday a copy of the Reclamation Era, official publication of the federal bureau of reclamation, came to the editorial desk, and in it was to be found a story of Clyde's remarkable spud-growing feat.

Mayor Willis Mahoney, in his political ramblings about the state, apparently has decided he had better explain the fact that newspapers aren't strong for him. So the mayor tells his listeners that the newspapers have "sold out" to somebody. He is resorting to an old bluff that was called, with memorable results, when he tried it here.

The death of George Ford is a shock to this and the south-end communities, where he was widely known and well liked. It brought an end to a long, busy career. His deeds of friendship and philanthropy were multitude.

Less than ten days remain for candidates to file for the primary election. A lot of self-starting can be done in the remaining period, however.

It's going to be a dirty campaign, we are told. But you can count on the politicians furnishing plenty of soft soap, too.

A Smithsonian authority says age makes the nose longer, the mouth broader; but since life is short, there may never be a rival for Durante or Joe E. Brown.

Pre-summer advice is to eat salt too escape heat prostration. Pre-campaign advice is to take a grain with every political statement.

With Herald-News cameramen doing their stuff through the community, local folks are becoming adept at turning on the old smile.

Fellowship of Prayer

SATURDAY, March 21: "A new commandment I gave unto you."
 Democracy is here to stay. It has arrived only as an idea, not anywhere as a fact. It is the lesson of unrest. Democracy is an attempt to translate the idealism of Jesus into political and economic and social relations. The true democrat seeks for a society in which every man will have opportunity to do and be his best, an order in which artificial hindrances will be removed. It calls for mutual respect and the recognition of mutual services. It means the spirit of an unbreakable and an unbreakable good will. It does not mean the surrender of control to the incompetent. It rather seeks for the freedom through which each individual can make his contribution to the common good. Democracy stands for tolerance, sympathy, understanding.
 Prayer: Oh God, we pray that we as a people may be delivered from malice and from bitterness, from greed of gain and self-indulgent habits. Teach us to keep step with the steady onward march toward the Kingdom of God. Strengthen within us the sense of justice and the regard for the equal rights of other men and other races. Amen.
 Read Luke 10:25-37.
 To show prospective wives, who provide the food, that they will be good, economical "catches," Papan men of New Guinea bind their waists tightly and never remove the binding.
 Uncle Sam is arming his infantrymen with a new rifle that does not kick. Now to perfect a self-aligning major general.
 Electric furnaces in Switzerland and France annually are making thousands of synthetic rubles and sapphires.

WASHINGTON

NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS
 The Inside Story From The Capital
 By PAUL MALLON
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 WASHINGTON, March 21—President Roosevelt said he had high hopes that his housing advisers would soon have a plan ready. This was merely a polite cover-up for the fact, which will be evident shortly, that the housing plan has blown up.
 What Mr. Roosevelt would have said, if he had spoken his mind, is something like this:
 The inability of any two of his housing experts to agree on anything has convinced him that nothing important can be attempted along that line. Furthermore, he has wasted so much time on the subject that he hopes that no one will mention it to him soon again. And as for the experts—

SUSPICIONS

The experts cannot even agree on why they cannot agree. They seem to think it is a matter of personalities. Each one suspects all the others of working for subversive influences. That is, they suspect each other of working for mortgage bankers trying to block the program, or for certain building groups with political influence trying to promote certain phases of it selfishly.
 They are probably just a little bit right in their suspicions of each other. But the basic reason for the futility of the idea, although they will deny it, seems to be this:
 All schemes which have been analyzed and considered contain such rank discriminations against property holders that they are economically hazardous.

DANGERS

The foremost effect of any kind of housing, public or private, is the shifting of real estate values. These cannot be avoided. If you build homes, you take tenants away from localities where they are now paying rent. You deprive property owners and mortgage holders there of their values. By your choice of a new housing locality, you may boost the value of property owners there.

HI-COST PROMOTION

One good campaign ballyhoo which did not fail is the A. T. and T. investigation. The smattering of news which you have heard from it so far is only the beginning. Investigators are arranging with feature writers to play it up and hit it hard.
 The idea behind the inquiry is only to expose the ramifications of the gigantic monopoly in control of telephones. Investigators do not tell their friends that A. T. and T. has done anything scandalous. Neither do they have any concrete intentions of trying to cut off the octopus' tentacles in the end.
 Their job is to fish and expose the results of their fishing in order to promote public sentiment against bigness. That, of course, will please everyone except the A. T. and T.

EFFECT

What they will probably do now is this: Continue the existing law with reference to renovations for six months with some liberalization. Continue the government guaranteed mortgage system indefinitely without any further liberalization.
 Some renewed effort may be made in reference to low cost housing and slums clearance, but the jig has been up, as far as

SIDE GLANCES—by George Clark



"But if I wait until I know him better I might not want to marry him."

News of Oregon

OREGON CITY, March 21. (AP) W. W. Everhart, Clackamas county treasurer, said current tax collections since Feb. 10 total more than \$90,000—a new record. Sheriff E. T. Mass said he turned over \$585,279 to the county treasurer yesterday, the largest one-day total in history.

NEWBERG, March 21. (AP)—C. R. Boatwright, WPA resident engineer, said the rock crushers at Etawler, employing 30 men, will be shut down unless a requested allotment of \$2335 is made available immediately.

PORTLAND, March 21. (AP)—Thomas Beauchamp, PWA worker, died as a result of injuries incurred when his head struck a timber as he fell 24 feet from a dock into the Willamette river. Workmen rescued him from the water. He did not recover consciousness.

PORTLAND, March 21. (AP)—Jameson Parker, state federal housing director, said today "we are encouraged to believe the

Strange Disease Creeps Through Desolate Ruins Of Battered Johnstown

HARRISBURG, March 21. (UP)—Flood waters in Pennsylvania receded Friday, revealing horrible devastation. Death and destruction mounted to appalling figures. Disease threatened the entire flood area.

At Johnstown, health authorities urgently appealed for gas gangrene vaccine to combat a strange disease, carried by flood debris, that inflates the human body like a balloon.
 Relief expeditions expected to reach all communities during the night with food, vaccine, medical supplies, water and milk.
 Governor Earl seeks Aid
 The death list grew in Huntingdon, Sunbury, Milton, Williamsport and Kingston, bringing the state total well above 100. An additional 300 were missing. Authorities believed bodies of some of the missing will be found, while many will never be heard of again. Others are expected to turn up alive after confusion subsides.
 Governor George H. Earle, assuring refugees that no labor or coats will be spared in caring for them, twisted legal strings in an effort to borrow millions for relief. He asked the justice department for a ruling on technicalities preventing him from borrowing the money without a referendum.

Cranes Crush Houses
 Red Cross officials estimated 20,000 were homeless, many of whom will have no homes to go to when rivers return to their banks. Since flood waters smashed down through the center of the state early this week, homes have been carried away and crushed against bridges.
 At Harrisburg, for example, so many homes were pounding against a railway bridge in the

operations of our organization will be greatly accelerated during the year by increasing demand for home mortgages under the complete home financing plan of the FHA. Authority to grant insurance of loans for modernization expires April 1.

PENDLETON, March 21. (AP)—D. D. Hobart, chairman of the Umatilla County Red Cross, said Pendleton's donation of \$350 to aid eastern flood sufferers was one of the first responses to appeals for aid on the west coast.

MADRAS, March 21. (AP)—Tax receipts in Jefferson county are larger than any year since the beginning of the depression, Sheriff Henry A. Dussault announced. A call was issued for county warrants of prior to June, 1934.

There are 88 clubs in the Football League of England, giving work to 3000 professional players.

TOMORROW
They'll Slug Their Way Into Your Hearts

HOLD 'EM YALE!
 PATRICIA ELLIS
 CESAR ROMERO
 LARRY CRABBE
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 ANDY DEVINE
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 WARREN HYMER
 GEORGE E. STONE
 Also
BING CROSBY
 "One More Chance"
BETTY BOOP
CARTOON
 Tom Howard Comedy
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 ANY SEAT **15c** ANY TIME
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ENDS TODAY
DICK FORAN
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 But a softy for women!
HERE'S DRAMA THAT STRIKES LIKE A TYPHOON!
GEORGE BANCROFT ANN SOTHERN
"Hell-Ship MORGAN"
 with VICTOR JORY
 MUSICAL COMEDY - NEWS SONG HIT - ACT
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New VOX
 Answers your most pressing questions! SOLVES YOUR MOST IMPORTANT PROBLEMS!
DETONATION

NOW PLAYING!
 THE FIRST PICTURE TO TOP SHIRLEY TEMPLE'S BIGGEST BOX OFFICE HIT!

All had!
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 JEAN HERSHOLT
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ALANO DASS
 GREAT HINDU MENTALIST
 Answers your most pressing questions! SOLVES YOUR MOST IMPORTANT PROBLEMS!

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Fred Astaire Ginger Rogers
Follow the Fleet
 BIG HITS PLAYING THE PINE TREE NEVER RETURN!

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 Directed by CLARENCE BROWN
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 TECHNOLOR BREVITY **PINE TREE** LATEST NEWS FLASHES