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Chance for Road

THERE appears to be some hope for jarring loose an appropriation for the improvement of the Sprague River road on the Klamath Indian reservation.

For several years, patient Sprague River residents have sent delegates to highway commission meetings, county court budget sessions, and similar conferences, urging consideration for that road, which has a sort of orphan status.

This year, it is understood, \$4,000,000 is being set aside in the public roads bill for Indian roads. The county court and the county chamber of commerce are hopeful that enough of this fund can be obtained to build the Sprague River road up to secondary highway standards. If that is done, it is hoped the state highway commission will be willing to take it over and maintain it as part of the state secondary system.

The Sprague road performs an important traffic-carrying service. It links the two sides of the Klamath Indian reservation. It serves important industries at Sprague River and Chiloquin.

It is our understanding that out of recent appropriations for Indian roads, the Klamath reservation has received very little. In view of that fact, it looks like the time to make an emphatic plea for help on the Sprague River road, which is a deserving project.

Fools in Washington

THIS fellow Zioncheck is not only making a fool of himself, but his activities in Puerto Rico, where he called the people beasts, are embarrassing to the American government. Word is that his silly pranks have given the administration a bad case of the jitters.

Here's something to think about: While Zioncheck plays the clown in Washington, in Puerto Rico, in Cuba and elsewhere, the taxpayers of America pay him \$10,000 a year of their hard-earned money.

One begins to wonder whether Zioncheck is any bigger fool than those neighbors of ours in the state of Washington who voted for him. They must be blushing with humiliation now.

Their best hope of restoring some measure of their self-respect is to throw Zioncheck out of office at the coming elections. It will be interesting to see what they do about it.

A Vast Shifting Army

IF you've been wondering just how much the activities of government have expanded in recent years, consider the fact that one job in every 10 is a government position.

In no other "industry" has there been such activity, says the Civil Service Reform League. From the lowest units of government upward, the trend in the last decade or so definitely has been toward more and more public administration.

But the trend is significant, too, for its shifting character and immense turnover. For politics makes and un-makes most of these jobs. There still is a large mass of government employees who labor under the shadow of the spoils system, with the result that efficiency and economy are thrown out the window.

It is time that the electorate became smart and plugged harder for wholesale adoption of the merit system.

VOTERS of Portland last week re-elected Mayor Joe Carson. Carson has shown many evidences of soundness, and that has turned the wild men against him. When a group of outsiders was called in here a year ago to help foist an enormous water bond issue on this city, Carson was one of them. But it was quickly evident that he sensed the situation, he exercised proper restraint and made no effort to tell Klamath voters what they ought to do. His remarks were in sharp contrast to those of the leather-lunged ex-mayor of Bend, who proceeded to attack local institutions, about which he was manifestly ignorant, in such fashion that he proved a boomerang to the whole scheme.

McNARY WINS POWER BATTLE

(Salem Statesman)

While the Oregon electors were giving Senator Charles L. McNary an inspiring vote of confidence, the senator himself, and his colleague, Senator Steiwer, have been laboring to preserve for Oregon the benefits of Bonneville dam. Battling Seattle interests which threatened to cripple the project by linking it with the expensive Conlee dam, they have apparently succeeded in drafting a bill which insures to the Bonneville power zone the advantages which geographically entitles it to. There will be no "blanket rates" over the whole northwest, and no barring of industries from application for power service.

The rights of public power districts are fully protected by reservation of 50 per cent of the power until 1938 for such use. Contracts for other users will be for ten year terms with preference rights on renewal. Industries may buy power at the switchboard, and thus the lower Columbia may become industrialized.

The big battle over control of the property has been won by Senator McNary and the Oregon interests. No super-authority will be created. Instead the dam will be operated by the army engineers, the same efficient agency which built the dam. The rates will be determined by the federal power commission, on a basis to amortize the investment in a 50-year term.

In view of the prestige of Senator McNary this bill will probably be passed at this session. If so, the federal agencies may proceed to fix rates and offer the power for sale. Then Oregon will have something definite to assure industries interested in low-cost power.

The battle in Washington has been a strenuous one. Senator McNary, with the able help of Col. Thomas M. Robins, division engineer, and in spite of the meddling of Marshall Dana's blueprint group, has won it for Oregon.

Hoover Pilots Streamline Train

LOS ANGELES, May 20. (AP)—Former President Herbert Hoover arrived today on the new streamlined train on which he acted as engine pilot for a few miles.
 Mr. Hoover is en route home

to Palo Alto, after filling speaking engagements in the east.

He said he did not know how long he would remain in Los Angeles adding that his visit here had no political significance.

Mr. Hoover took the throttle of the streamlined train as it left Cheyenne, yesterday

WASHINGTON

NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

The Inside Story From The Capital

By PAUL MALLON
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WASHINGTON, May 20.—Legal seers around the supreme court bet a few lightly used copies of the revised statutes a month ago that the Guffey coal decision would not come down until the Pennsylvania primaries were over.

They were right about the time, but wholly wrong about any connection between the coal case and party elections in the big coal state.

What caused the court to spend sixty-seven days considering the coal law was the fact that the nine justices wanted to write about nine separate opinions. It was a difficult task to get them to condense their viewpoints into the three different opinions which were finally rendered. That is, they split sharply and clearly on some major points, but the same justices did not split the same way on other major points.

At least that is the studied opinion of those who know something of the inner workings of the court.

CONFUSION

Eavesdropping is not considered good taste around the court council room. It has never been attempted. Yet if a dictaphone had been placed in chambers during the interesting discussions, it would have recorded the inside background of the coal decision as something like this:

A majority of the court easily made up its mind that the labor provisions of coal act are unconstitutional. In fact, there are reasons for suspecting the decision might have been unanimous if that were the only point involved.

But when it came down to the price fixing provision, the majority became a minority. That is, six members of the court or more might have held that provision constitutional if it were the only point at issue. A decision along those two lines would have made an extra fine legal mix-up. It would have permitted the coal operators to get away with price fixing while the union would have been denied its half of the code bargain, namely more wages and shorter hours. No one wanted to do that.

The wonder of it all is that only sixty-seven days were required in the search for words which would enable five justices to sign the same majority opinion.

AUTHORS

The way it worked out, they say, is that Justice Sutherland was designated first to write a majority opinion. He enabled price-fixing justices to sign his opinion by disposing of that issue "without coming to the question of its constitutionality." That is he enabled all except one, Chief Justice Hughes. Mr. Hughes insisted on writing a separate opinion upholding the marketing agreement.

Sutherland first went through the throes of writing and re-writing to fit the judgment of his five. Then Hughes and Cardozo began and Cardozo had to revise to fit the views of his three. All that consumed the usually long time.

Looking back on it, some of the best lawyers believe the lone hand Hughes opinion probably represents the soundest law, but they are glad the majority of the court did not accept it.

RESIGNATION

There was more than legal respect behind Senator Guffey's voice when he accepted the court decision as that of an umpire in the ball game.

The truth is the most astute politicians within the New Deal have come to the private conclusion that the only practical thing to be done about the supreme court is—nothing. The constitutional amendment escape is all right for congressmen to talk about as a long range ideal. However, it has come to be recognized as wholly impractical for New Deal purposes now. Far more inviting to them now is the idea of congress enlarging the court, but even that is considered to be almost as impractical as trying to swing a constitutional amendment.

As one of the wisest of them said after the decision: "There is no use agitating against the supreme court when three or four justices on it represent your viewpoint. The only thing to do is to wait until some of the opposing justices die."

They all looked healthy last Monday.

QUIETUDE

This may be one reason why there was less ado than usual following this New Deal reversal. Another is that nearly everyone here expected the decision.

Few lawyers or politicians thought the Guffey act was constitutional. President Roosevelt himself intimated as much when he asked congress to pass the act regardless of doubts about its constitutionality.

A third reason is that coal is not a burning national issue.

FIXED

Those who know John L. Lewis' United Mine Workers organization from the inside say he will probably be able to get along satisfactorily without the Guffey act. He has just signed up a new contract for another year.

SIDE GLANCES—by George Clark



"I've told you time and again not to hang our hotel towels out where all the neighbors can see them."

a certain man whose name is known (not Karpis) and released him. Later postal inspectors took him in and got information which is supposed to have led to the capture of Karpis.

P-T-A. Notes

The Fairview P-T-A. executive board met for a social evening at the home of Mrs. George A. Cunningham Monday, May 18. Three tables of bridge were enjoyed by the guests. High score was won by Mrs. Freda Wheeler and low score by Mrs. Leslie Wright. Refreshments were served, after which the president, Mrs. R. E. Thompson, was the recipient of a handkerchief shower in appreciation for her work of the past year and with good wishes for her success for the coming year. The members present and their guests were Mrs. R. E. Thompson, Mrs. Leslie Wright, Mrs. Elizabeth Holloway, Miss Nina Kitts, Mrs. Frank Peyton, Mrs. R. A. LaLonde, Mrs. Ellen Patterson, Mrs. Frank Hamm, Mrs. Charles Perry, Mrs. J. P. Wells, Mrs. Robert Odell, Mrs. C. W. Stanley, Mrs. Oliver Larson, and the hostess, Mrs. Cunningham.

Fairview P-T-A. held its last regular meeting for the school year on Thursday, May 14. The fifth grade, under the direction of Miss Nina Kitts, presented a minstrel show. The jokes were new, the repartee witty, and the music had a genuine wholesome "darker" flavor.

Mrs. Bert Schultz, vice-president of the Oregon Congress of Parents and Teachers installed the new officers and gave an instructive talk to the members on the P-T-A. program. First grade mothers of Miss Callahan's room served star-berry shortcake as coffee during the social hour. A pretty feature of the meeting was an introduction of the members of the executive board and each one was presented with a corsage by the president, Mrs. R. E. Thompson.

Fairview eighth grade graduation exercises will be held at the school Thursday evening, May 29, at 7:30 o'clock. The class will present the play, "Patty Saves the Day" by Lindsey Barber. This play is being prepared by two casts from the eighth grade class. The first performance will be given Thursday, May 21, at 3:30 p. m., at which time eighth grade pupils from Fremont, Millis, Roosevelt, Riverside, and Pelican schools will be special guests.

The grade school orchestra, under the direction of Miss Lillie Darby will furnish the music for the matinee and the seventh grade chorus, under the direction of Miss Barbara Powers will sing for the evening performance. Mrs. Ellen Patterson is directing the play. The Fairview P-T-A. presented the class with copies from which to study their parts. Programs are being furnished by the G. A. A. Girls. There are thirty-three graduates.

PINE GROVE

PINE GROVE.—The Burrell Short family spent last week-end at Ashland.

The recent dust storms, high winds and no water in this district have about played havoc with early gardens and berries.

Mrs. R. S. Bunnell entertained the Jinx Bridge club last Thursday afternoon with a bridge luncheon. This club is so named because of its 13 members. There were three tables in play with the following members present: Mrs. Orin Campbell, Mrs. Curt Gebhart, Mrs. L. Burke, Mrs. R. S. Hopkins, Mrs. Roy LaPrairie, Mrs. Ira Orem, Mrs. I. J. Dixon, Mrs. Carey, Mrs. Vern McClellan, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. W. G. Bell and Mrs. Otto Wabbes.

First and traveling prizes were won by Mrs. Ira Orem, with second going to Mrs. Orin Campbell. One member, Mrs. Jess Johnson, was absent on account of illness.

Mr. and Mrs. John Richerson, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Richerson, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wilson of Laki, Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Bean, and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Riese, members of Modoc Point, enjoyed an outing on the Klamath river above Keno last Sunday.

Miss Leah Dixon, Irving Dixon and Lela and Eldon Bean

Telling the Editor

Cassel on Election Returns
 Klamath Falls, Ore. (To the Editor)—Your editorial of recent date in which you taunt the Townsends with having been defeated in the primaries. Now really do you express your actual inner thoughts, or are you just trying to discourage us? It is true that certain candidates were defeated, but are you aware of the fact that we have at least one Townsend candidate running for every key office? This will save a lot of work for the endorsing convention when it convenes, and possibly some embarrassment of candidates. The matter is all settled for them. Of course if Townsends were married to old parties, we would be defeated, but this is not the case in the Fall elections, as it was in the Primaries. We can scratch the ballot any old way we want to, and that is just what we will do.

You will find the solid Townsend vote lined up for those candidates who stand for the plan, even though we may not in all cases like the individual who may be carrying the banner. As the old parties expected their followers to stand by the party, so Townsends will stand by the plan regardless of individuals. You will find for instance that partially all the votes received by Mr. Nelson, Sam Brown, Judge Jeffrey, and his own following will be lined up behind Willis Mahoney as the standard bearer for Townsendism. This will give him a majority beyond any question of a doubt. Likewise, we will stand solidly behind Walter Pierce. The same thing will happen in District No. 3. Don't think for a minute that because Ekwall is as good as elected. On the contrary he is just being prepared for the slaughter in November. Mott is unopposed in District No. 1 so we will have a 100 per cent Townsend representation in Congress next session.

C. B. Cassel, D. C.

Editor's Note:—Dr. Cassel tries to make a devil out of him who disagrees with him. Contrary to his first sentence, we did not taunt Townsends. Our editorial merely discussed election results as we saw them.

May we suggest that the doctor look sharper at election returns? Anti-Townsendite Ekwall's opponent in the fall is to be anti-Townsendite Nanny Wood Honeyman. Who is the Townsend man nominated for that key office?

Dr. Cassel erroneously says Mott is unopposed for first district congressman in the fall. Mott is a republican and a kind of Townsendite. But he is opposed by E. W. Kirkpatrick, the democratic nominee, who is anti-Townsend.

We are pleased to print Dr. Cassel's opinions, even though they disagree with our own. But we do feel that a correction as to facts is in order.

News of Oregon

PORTLAND, Ore., May 20. (AP)—Portland officialdom and a large share of Chinatown welcomed General Fang Chen-Wu on his arrival here by plane from San Francisco.

The general formerly was governor of Anhui Province and commanded troops in the historic defense of Shanghai in 1933.

He will address a mass meeting of Portland Chinese today.

Mrs. F. D. Swendenburg, president of the Southern Oregon Normal School Alumni association, has announced plans for the annual SONS alumni luncheon to be held in Ashland June 1. It will be a picnic luncheon on the grounds of the Swendenburg home at 990 Boulevard.

Mrs. Swendenburg announces that replies received from invitations sent to all alumni indicate one of the largest alumni groups will meet June 1, that have yet convened in Ashland.

Immediately preceding the luncheon a short business meeting will be held at 12:00 o'clock.

A new medical kit on the market includes a small pencil that contains 100 drops of iodine.

Coming Friday

Yippee!

Packed with thrills!

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PINE TREE

PHICKS

and tonight will be the guest of the Chinese Benevolent association.

Through interpreters, General Fang said the purpose of his visit was two-fold—to urge all countries to fulfill obligations relative to halting Japanese aggression and to unite Chinese in foreign nations.

DALLAS, Ore., May 20. (AP)—Splinters in the Little Luckiamute river attracted something this week which sportsmen have sworn were not in the west side branches of the Willamette river—steelhead. The run was attributed to recent extensive plantings of trout. The steelhead weighed from 6 to 8 pounds.

LA GRANDE, Ore., May 20. (AP)—A seven-week search for Beulah Kendall, 20-year-old Eastern Oregon normal school student from Ontario, Ore., has yielded no trace of the girl, state police said today. She was reported missing March 29. It was believed she had left for her home.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 20. (AP)—Leading writers from all parts of the northwest will hold classes in the Writers' Institute at the Portland summer school of the University of Oregon, June 22 to 26. Teachers will include Palmer Hoyt and Don Sterling, Portland newspapermen, and Ernest Haycox and Robert Ormond Case, well known authors.

BONNEVILLE, Ore., May 20. (AP)—Engineers took advantage of a lull in the Columbia river torrent today to load rock ballast along the upstream wall of the main dam of the Bonneville Power and Navigation project to forestall serious undercutting of the Bradford Island bank. The river began dropping Monday and was expected to slip to 41 feet, nearly four feet below the peak, sometime today.

ENTERPRISE, Ore., May 20. (AP)—Death ended an excursion through Hurricane Creek canyon for Charles E. Benjamin, 21-year-old CCC enrollee from Wakefield, Mass. He was believed to have fallen from a cliff. His body, the skull fractured, was found in the stream a few hours after he became separated from companions.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 20. (AP)—Two black pygmy kangaroos from Australia stole the limelight at Jantzen beach today. Harvey Wells, park president, said the pair were wallabies and that their color was quite unusual, even in Australia. They arrived yesterday after a six-weeks' journey.

MT. ANGEL, Ore., May 20. (AP)—Charles C. Talbot, president of the North Dakota Farmers' union, told 400 members of the Oregon division of the organization that the co-operative movement was the American Farmers' major hope. He deplored tendencies to exploit soil.

George L. Koehn, state commander of the American Legion, was to address the group today.

Ten Years Ago

In Klamath

JAMES CARR, transient logger, was drowned yesterday afternoon in the U. S. irrigation canal between the railroad bridge and Esplanade bridge. His body has not been recovered.

Carr, unsteady from excessive drinking, tumbled into the canal while trying to fish out a hat owned by William Shannon. He did not come to the surface after plunging into the water. His companions rushing to the brink of the canal, saw bubbles and the tail of his coat, and that was all.

Klamath Falls' banks, weather vane of business conditions in Klamath, reflect a decided upward trend, it became known today. Monday deposits in the First National and American National banks together totaled approximately one million dollars in checks.

"Here's an idea of how the banks are growing," stated Leslie Rogers, cashier of the First National bank, this afternoon. "Since our deposits have increased \$174,000. Deposits in this bank now total \$2,048,000."

Dancer Absolved Of Blame in Fatal Night Club Blaze

SAN FRANCISCO, May 20. (UP)—After viewing a scene of death in the grim setting of an inquiry chamber, a coroner's jury decided Tuesday that laxity of city officials was as much responsible as blonde Betty Blossom's flaming torches for the fire which caused four deaths in the Club Shamrock last week. The jury decided that the victims died of carbon monoxide poisoning after they had been trampled to the night club floor in a mad rush for exits when flimsy draperies which formed the setting for Betty's dance burst into flame.

The verdict held that Miss Blossom's torches, used in her fire eating dance, "accidentally set fire to inflammable decorative materials on the ceilings and walls." Such material was a fire hazard, the jury said, as it "viewed with astonishment and alarm the apparent lack of coordination between various departments having to do with the administration of the laws respecting the safety of the people."

There was no criticism in the report of Miss Blossom, who, quaking with nervousness, told the jury how the draperies caught fire during her act.

Last Times Thursday!

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