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## City Measures

KLAMATH Falls voters should not forget that there are three city measures to be decided upon at the general election next Tuesday. It is unfortunate that these proposals have received little public discussion, making it probable that a great many people will go to the polls without giving them advance consideration.

First measure on the special city measure ballot calls for a one-mill levy for one year for storm sewers. This will bring in about \$8500, with the possibility that work to a considerably higher value can be obtained through use of WPA labor. City Engineer E. A. Thomas has stated that storm sewers, now obviously inadequate to carry off waste water in periods of high precipitation, can be repaired and extended to do a much better job if the levy passes. Inasmuch as this is a single year levy, we recommend a Yes vote on the measure.

Second measure on the ballot, would change the terms of city officers, so that eventually all of these terms would be four years long, instead of two years as at present. The measure also provides for "staggering" terms of councilman and other elective city officials, assuring hold-over officials in election years, as is the case in the county and with most other governmental units. We believe this suggestion is a good one and recommend a Yes vote.

The other city measure provides for repealing the present .4 of a mill levy for the city band, and adding .4 of a mill to the city recreation fund levy. The latter levy is now .5 of a mill and if this measure passes the recreation levy will be .9 of a mill. Passage of the measure would mean abandonment of the band. The measure stops short of consolidating all band, recreation and park levies, as was originally proposed, and something we favor, but it may be a step in that direction. We make no definite recommendation, but urge that the voters study the proposal thoroughly. If they believe the money can be used more wisely for recreation than band, their vote should be Yes. If they think we should keep the band, their vote should be No.

## Re-Districting Needed

THROUGH the efforts of State Representative Henry Semon, a resolution was passed at the last legislature calling for a study of re-districting Oregon as to its legislative representation. If properly done, this step would remove the inequality that exists in Klamath county's senatorial representation.

Klamath is part of a five-counties district, the seventeenth. A number of other counties, much smaller in population than Klamath, comprise one senatorial district each. A number of counties lie in more than one senatorial district. Umatilla county, which is much smaller than Klamath, has one state senator for itself exclusively, and shares another with Morrow and Union counties. Lane has one senator to itself and shares another with Linn county. Josephine county, much smaller than Klamath, has one senator for its own.

These examples are sufficient to show the inequality that exists. The time for re-districting is in the year following the census. That is the coming year. The study called for by the last legislature, so far as we have heard, has not been made, but there is downstate talk that re-districting is in the wind. Let's see to it that this is done in the next year.

## Stop It at Hallowe'en

HALLOWE'EN pranks should be confined to Hallowe'en night and they should be confined to harmless pranks—not malicious vandalism.

It is disturbing that in recent years there has developed a tendency to make a whole month out of Hallowe'en. The mischief begins about two weeks before the night of the ghosts, and continues for about two weeks afterwards.

Already, serious damage has been done to greens at the Reames Golf and Country club course—damage that cannot be repaired this year and possibly not even next year. Already large numbers of newspaper boxes in the suburban district have been torn down. There have been other incidents of a similar nature.

The responsibility for preventing this sort of thing, and for preventing a protracted Hallowe'en period, rests with parents. After Thursday night, the whole Hallowe'en business should be forgotten. Youngsters who can't forget it might well be helped into forgetfulness by application of the time-honored paddle.

## ACCIDENT VICTIM'S PET FOUND SAFE

Marion Yonce Jr., 5, seriously injured in an automobile wreck on the Lakeview highway Monday afternoon, cried in his bed at Klamath Valley hospital for his pet dog, "Pat," a little fox terrier.

"Pat" is safe with Marion's uncle in Burns. He was found at the scene of the accident, shivering in the rain, after standing guard for a day and a night waiting for his master's return.

## WHO'S DRUNK, NOW?

WINSTON-SALEM, N. C. (AP) Patrolman's report on an automobile accident upset precedent. He said evidence at the scene indicated that a drunken driver

# News Behind THE NEWS

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31—The diplomatic trade winds from Europe recently brought wisps of official intimations that Hitler was leading up to another peace move. The wisps were allowed to lie where they fell here.

A few politicians in the White House entourage have been discussing and inwardly urging some sort of a grand peace exploitation by Mr. Roosevelt for last-minute campaign purposes. They reason it would stop the war talk and push Mr. R. over in a breeze. Higher diplomats, including State Secretary Hull, were forcefully opposed to peace action by this government. Their sound reasoning probably was that any peace effort now would be purely a move to consummate a German victory. The peace would have to be on the basis of the status quo which would leave Hitler in control of the whole of Europe.

Even the better democratic politicians could see that such a peace blow would break two ways in the domestic balloting. It would injure Mr. Roosevelt's standing with the British sympathizers in this country who are in the overwhelming majority, and its placating effect upon draftees would be highly doubtful.

## MERELY GESTURE

Mr. Hitler, therefore, may have to work either directly with Britain or through the Vatican. Britain is nowhere near the verge of surrender and will naturally reject the offer. In the end it seems likely to amount to nothing more than a diplomatic gesture, which is a good and sufficient reason why few here have been interested.

There is utterly no connection between Hitler's plan as it is understood here and the American election. No one in all officialdom, except those politicians now on the stump shouting for Mr. Roosevelt's reelection, have believed Hitler and Mussolini had much of an interest in the American campaign. Their time is too much occupied with more pressing problems and the election outcome cannot effect their interests materially as American resources will go to Britain no matter who wins.

The administration vice presidential candidate, Wallace, is believed by all his diplomatic colleagues here to have gone completely off his trolley in his efforts to whip up votes with this subject.

## TELL-TALE

The fact that Mussolini withheld from his people for thirty-six hours the sensational news of his invasion of Greece was a tell-tale exposure of Italian war morale.

The plain truth is the Italian people have been so doubtful as to the wisdom of the war that they have acted as a drag rather than a wheel on the axis. Their minds have to be electrified by propaganda each time Il Duce feels the need of committing himself more deeply. During the thirty-six hour delay and for a day or two previously the Italian press had been gradually whooping up the public spirit against Greece to the necessary pitch.

The big duce also had reason to hope the Greeks would not resist and he would be able to announce a victory in the first news.

Here again it is shown that Italy is the weakest point in the German defense. More than one military and news authority recently returned from Europe confirms the impression that a concentrated air, bombing and fleet attack upon Italy offers the best immediate opportunity for a telling British blow.

## JAP WEAKNESS

Behind the Chinese reoccupation of Nanking and Lungchow is a similarly revealing tale of Japanese weakness.

The Japanese have been massing military forces for the vital attack on Siam and the Burma road. These could not be taken

## SIDE GLANCES



"Do you mind if I join your party? I can't get any sleep in the apartment below."

from the homeland which has been stripped to the last corporal. The only place where the Japanese could find the necessary troops was in China and these have been gradually withdrawn. As the Japanese depleted their forces, the Chinese attack and move in.

Here again the Japs are appreciating the proof of the old phrase that China is a pillow which, when punched in one spot, is bound to break out in another.

## From Other Editors

### THE PIERCE RECORD

(Pendleton East Oregonian)  
 In a letter to this paper yesterday W. H. Perkins of Ontario, Oregon, called attention to the fact that Walter Pierce, while governor, vetoed the appropriation for the Pendleton Field Station. The measure was passed by the Oregon legislature at the instance of Umatilla county people who considered the step necessary to the establishment of a federal and state supported dry land experiment station in this county.

We had support and advice from influential men connected with the department of agriculture and they told us that valuable work of this nature was carried on in the Great Plains region but no station of this character existed west of the Rocky mountains. Since the Pacific northwest is a surplus wheat region it was logical that research work be done here with a view to ascertaining rotation possibilities. The legislature acted again, under the administration of Governor Paterson, as we recall it, and the station was established, some 10 years ago.

From Walter Pierce we received hostility, not support. Furthermore in recent years federal support for the Pendleton Field Station work has been endangered repeatedly and the same thing has been true of the Hermiston station and the station at Moro. Where the trouble comes from we do not know. The money involved is an infinitesimal part of the federal budget and it goes for a legitimate

federal expense. Such work cannot be done individually.

While Mr. Pierce's record is under discussion it seems appropriate to reprint the following from a Carl Smith story in the Oregon Journal on Sunday, October 27:

TO EXTEND TIME OF THE DIES COMMITTEE ON UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES FOR ANOTHER YEAR—ANGELL AND MOTT, YEA; PIERCE, NAY.

RESOLUTION TO DEPORT HARRY R. BRIDGES—ANGELL, YEA; PIERCE, NAY; MOTT, GENERAL PAIR.

Two Oregon congressmen voted to continue the Dies committee which has done timely and invaluable work for the protection of the American people. Congressman Angell who represents a district where there is a large radical element voted to deport Harry Bridges. Mr. Pierce who represents Eastern Oregon voted "No."

The record speaks for itself.

## Courthouse Records

### WEDNESDAY

#### Marriage Applications

BROOKS - HANNIGAN, Ogden E. Brooks, 49, scaler, Resident of Bly, Ore., native of Wisconsin. Gertrude Hannigan, 40, housewife, Resident of Hoquiam, Wash., native of Washington.

#### Complaints Filed

Klamath Valley Hospital, Incorporated, versus Charles J. Hess Sr. and Valda M. Hess. Suit for \$269 with interest and costs. D. E. Van Vactor, attorney for plaintiff.

Myrtle Frieda Tedrick versus Merle R. Tedrick. Suit for divorce. Charge, cruel and inhuman treatment. Couple married Medford, July 5, 1936. Plaintiff asks return of maiden name. D. F. Hamlin, attorney for plaintiff.

Clarence P. Nelson versus Margaret S. Nelson. Suit for divorce. Charge, cruel and inhuman treatment. Couple married Klamath Falls, November 11, 1928. Plaintiff asks custody of minor child. D. E. Van Vactor, attorney for plaintiff.

Justice Court

Warren Dale Blagdon. Overloading truck and trailer. Fined \$16.20.

## Telling The Editor

Letters printed here must not be more than 200 words in length, must be written legibly on ONE SIDE of the paper only, and must be signed. Contributions, following these rules, are warmly welcome.

### TICKNOR VS. WILLKIE

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore. (To the Editor)—Regarding a few of the statements by Mr. Willkie which are very hard to swallow: In his speech October 27 in New York, he said: "I stand before you tonight as the only candidate for president in 1940 who can unite all elements of American life in one common cause." This statement, it seems, brands him with his own words as another indispensable man.

This new Messiah for whom the people of this country have had no chance to vote for even in many of the primaries. This man foisted on the convention at Philadelphia by Thomas La Mont and the Wall Street crowd. This man who claims to be a business man but has never proven the fact but has been a front man for Commonwealth & Southern, a holding company against which specific legislation was enacted to curb such parasites on business. This man who eulogized the Samuel Insull who fled the country to escape the wrath of thousands of our people whom he placed on the relief rolls by manipulations of his holding company. This man who promises every man a job. This man who places conscription of wealth in the must-not column but has no scruples in sending young men to wars. This man who talks and talks about dictators, who for the first period in his campaign would listen to no council. This fact, I believe, is known by more than some of the state's republican leaders who were brushed aside like flies when they attempted to advise him of conditions while on his flying trip through the state. This man who has been left practically alone until the eleventh hour in his mad race. This lone wolf who does not hesitate to blacken character or play fast and loose with the truth. This man who while in control of the Commonwealth & Southern employed spies upon his workers or allowed it to be done. (Quoting New Republic last issue which gives dates to substantiate). This man who was so hard for the rank and file of the republican party to swallow. This man who with his Wall Street crowd are spending a sum of money never equalled in any previous campaign. Where does this immense sum come from? Quite naturally from the Wall Street crowd. Still he asks the great mass of our people to follow his advice—advice which would eventually lead to high interest rates which means everything to Wall Street.

A Farmer's View.  
 H. J. TICKNOR.

### OUR FIFTH COLUMN

PORTLAND, Ore. (To the Editor)—The fifth column has been defined as any subtle attempt to undermine national unity. It is being employed in every conceivable manner in our weary Europe today and it has been employed in this country for the past seven years.

By this, I mean that the activities of the present administration have done more to undermine our national unity than all other forces put together. I

LAST DAY \* "If I Had My Way"

TOMORROW

The Thrills That Keep Them Flying... Will Keep You Spellbound!

FLIGHT ANGELS

VIRGINIA BRUCE DENNIS MORGAN WAYNE MORRIS RALPH BELLAMY JANE WYMAN

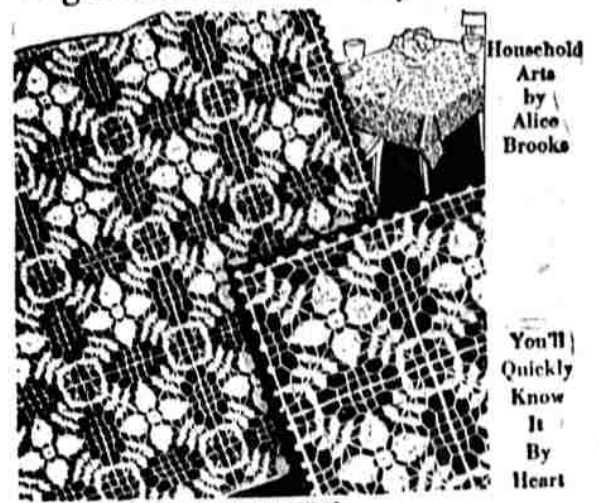
COMPANION HIT

Clarence E. Mulford's "THE SHOWDOWN"

WILLIAM BOYD

RAINBOW

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say this because the new deal has come to us disguised as the savior of America, when in reality it is the destroyer of democracy. It flies the banner of the legitimate democratic party and vests all of its power in one man and a horde of boards. It preaches unity and teaches class hatred. It urges economy and plunges us deeper and deeper into debt. It collects money from employer and employee for social security and spends it for other purposes. It has destroyed initiative and discouraged and often rendered impossible private business activities. It is converting us into a nation of softies. It has failed to give us a businesslike administration in peace and now claims to be able to guide us in time of national danger.

The new deal has so neatly fooled so many people that its leaders have grown bold. Today only the blind can fail to see that our fifth column rides on a third term vehicle.

E. B. BIRKENBEUL.

### CRITICAL OF POLICE

BLY, Ore. (To the Editor)—I would like to know where all the state cops go when anybody needs help. I came into Bly Tuesday morning to ship some cattle. When I got in town I heard that Jim Watts had a horse in a well in Bly.

As I went over to help get the animal out I stopped in the liquor store and saw five cops there while the citizens of the town were trying to get the horse from the well. I always thought the duties of a state policeman included being a humane officer, but because of lack of help the horse died before she could be taken from the well.

Last winter I killed a doe for meat and nine cops were on hand before I got her dressed out so it seems funny that when a state cop is really needed he is so conspicuous by his absence.

When I talk about cops being careful to be out of sight when there is something to be done I want to make the exception of Willis Pankey, who arrived on the scene as soon as he was notified and did all he could to save the horse.

BUSTER GRIFFIN.

## A Jug of Wine, A Loaf of Bread and Thirty Days

MERRILL — O. V. Johnson, transient caught last weekend by City Marshal Ed Davis pouring the contents of a quart bottle of wine below to quench the thirst of a number of his buddies inside, was charged with disorderly conduct and will spend the next thirty days in the county jail.

Inmates of the local jail were catching the fluid in tin cups.

## Lindbergh Sees War Participation as "Disaster"

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Oct. 31 (UP)—American involvement in the European war would be "a disaster for both our country and for Europe," Charles A. Lindbergh said last night in an address sponsored by the Yale university America-first committee.

"I say it would be a disaster for America," he told an audience of 2500 persons in Woolsey hall, "because it would confuse and aggravate our international problems, which are critical enough without war."

"I say that it would be a disaster for Europe because I am convinced that the relationship of European countries cannot be solved through American interference in their affairs."

## Hay, Grain Lost as Farm Burns on Merrill Highway

A sweeping fire about 6 o'clock Wednesday night leveled a barn adjoining the Mount Laki store on the Merrill highway, completely destroying several hundred sacks of grain and a quantity of baled hay.

The barn was the property of Tom Jackson, well-known basin farmer.

Only quick work on the part of neighbors in plastering wet sacks against a machine shop and bunkhouse nearby saved those two structures from being gutted.

LAST DAY \* "STREET OF MEMORIES" and "MARKED MEN" VOX

TOMORROW! ★★★★★★

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