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Despicable Offense

THERE is need for renewed public attention to the drunken driver. For a year or two after repeal of the prohibition law, drunken driving was the subject of widespread discussion and condemnation, but as time has gone on the public has come to consider this offense much as it does such traffic violations as illegal parking and failure to procure driver's licenses. Newspapers, which once made considerable play of drunken driving cases, have started treating them as routine news.

The drunken driver is just as much a menace on the highways today as he was for the first few years after prohibition was repealed. His conduct is just as despicable and as deserving of condemnation now as it was then.

According to a statistical survey just completed, there has been no marked decrease in the number of drunken driving cases. In Oregon, more than half the motorists who are convicted of traffic violation are drunken drivers. In the first four months of the year, there were 637 suspensions and revocations of drivers' licenses in the state. Of these, 335 were guilty of drunken driving and 302 were for the 64 other causes of license suspension.

In Klamath county, many recent traffic deaths were undoubtedly attributed to drunken driving, including probably the five persons who died in the main canal when their car plunged in near the Main street bridge. There appears to be no decrease in the amount of drunken driving in this county, despite the efforts of police and the courts.

A strong factor in the fight against drunken driving is public opinion. If it is a disgrace to be charged with this offense, that will serve as a deterrent. Public opinion can make it a disgrace.

Important Civic Event

YEARLY civic event of interesting importance is the annual meeting of the Klamath County Chamber of Commerce.

This year's meeting is scheduled for Tuesday evening at the Willard hotel, with the principal speaker to be William Tugman, managing editor of the Eugene Register-Guard.

Mr. Tugman is one of the state's outstanding journalists, a man with a background of education in the east, metropolitan newspaper work in Ohio, and many years of activity and interest in Oregon's public affairs.

The annual chamber meeting is open to the public. Membership in the chamber is not necessary for those who wish to attend. It affords an opportunity to hear an interesting speaker and to be present when a milestone of civic progress is passed.

The Willard dining room should be filled to capacity Tuesday evening.

What is so rare this year as a decently warm day in June?

Going to the dentist would be much sweeter for kids if fillings were made of chocolate candy.

Bicycle Travelers Visit Crater Lake Over Weekend

CRATER LAKE—The beauty and wonder of Crater lake have lured even bicyclists to travel hundreds of miles to see it. Dauntless of rain and snow, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Wedel of 1836 48th avenue, San Francisco, arrived here on bicycles Friday.

From San Francisco they came via the Redwood highway to Crater lake and will return home via Klamath Falls and the Pacific highway. Their complete trip will total around 1200 miles and they plan to be gone two weeks.

On leaving the park June 7 they remarked that they hadn't walked as yet and that their only casualties were three flat tires and seven broken spokes.

Their best day of travel so far was San Rafael to Ukiah, Calif. Even though they were soaking wet from the rain on arriving here, they continued on up to the rim to see the lake before resting. The couple mentioned that the lake was well worth the 7000 feet elevation climb on bicycles, and that they were enjoying themselves immensely.

Three high school boys from Oregon City also visited the park on bicycles. They had left Oregon City on June 1, and from here were going to Crescent City, California, then up the Oregon coast to home. They plan to be gone a month.

Telling The Editor

Letters to the editor 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.

ANSWERS WOMACK
 KLAMATH FALLS, Ore. (To the Editor) — Please permit me to answer the letter from O. O. Womack, printed in the issue of June 7 of The Herald and News.

When Mr. Womack wishes to say something which he please name names, state facts and come directly to the point, instead of talking in riddles, running in circles and avoiding the issue?

Please remember, not many people are mind readers enough to accurately guess the correct intent of such wordings as that found in your letter to the editor under date of June 7.

Respectfully yours,
 BILL DOWNS.
 900 Owens street.

Tulelake

TULELAKE — Boys of Tulelake chapter, Future Farmers of America, with their instructor, Clarence Holst will attend sessions of the California state FFA congress at San Luis Obispo, June 18.

A Mr. Henstret, recently of Santa Marie, Utah, where he was Smith-Hughes instructor in the high school, has signed a contract with the Siskiyou Union high school board and will be employed by the Tulelake high school as agricultural teacher here next term. The announcement was made this week by George Reiben, principal of the high school. Clarence Holst who completed three years work this year with the high school is being transferred elsewhere under the California teacher's tenure law.

A bottle containing a message, dropped into the ocean in 1937, has just been found. A man mailing a letter for his wife can beat that.

NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, June 8—One big reason the president must have his "all powers" bill, says War Secretary Stimson, is because shortage of aluminum and other raw materials "is holding up vital elements of aircraft production." He was quite sharp about it.

Yet while he was speaking, congressmen were handing around a current copy of the U. S. Government Advertiser indicating the chief culprit concerning aluminum was Mr. Stimson's own army quartermaster. The Advertiser listed contracts announced by Mr. Stimson's subordinate bureau only a few days before, May 31, including these:

For \$67,500 of aluminum inserts for food containers, to the Aluminum Products Co., La Grange, Ill.

A second contract with the same concern for \$61,373 of aluminum water pitchers.

A contract purchase of \$380,438 aluminum coffee pots and drips from the Aluminum Cooking Utensils Co., New Kensington, Pa.

Some days earlier, Mr. Stimson's quartermaster had announced purchase of 100,000 aluminum syrup pitchers for \$42,000 from the Aluminum Goods Manufacturing company, Manitowoc, Wis.

Apparently the power Mr. Stimson needs first is the power of speech to inform his quartermaster division to stop "holding up vital elements of aircraft production."

TOO BUSY
 How this could happen in a well-regulated department is hard to ascertain satisfactorily. The war department explanation is that the quartermaster corps did not know there was an aluminum shortage holding up plane manufacturing, until mid-May when OPM Adviser W. L. Bratt told congress. They are too busy to read the papers, apparently. By that time all the contracts had been let, they say.

Bids were asked March 19, opened April 7, contracts awarded April 22, but not announced for six weeks. That is their story. The OPM says when it discovered what happened on food master general to reconsider inserts, it asked the quartermaster (meaning cancel) the contracts and try steel instead. The war department replied steel would make the containers too heavy to be carried from food kitchens up to the front lines. Anyway the contracts could not be cancelled entirely because over half of the utensils had then been delivered.

The only change made was the insertion of an amendment into all the contracts. This specified only aluminum on hand, or utensils already in stock could be used by the manufacturers. No priorities would be granted to take aluminum directly away from planes, and none were.

How much good this accomplished is questioned by OPM where skeptics doubt that any manufacturer has 60,000 water pitchers lying around on his shelf, or could afford to store that much metal. And the army claims most of the utensils had then been delivered.

The army concluded that inasmuch as glass or tin utensils would cost more, and the evil had been done, it would stick to its course and is still stuck with it.

This makes it plain that when the government comes shortly to going around knocking on doors and asking housewives for aluminum pot and pan contributions, the first door that should be approached is that of the quartermaster general. He certainly has more of those things than anyone else.

Note: The door-to-door collection campaign will start early in July on a nationwide scale. The

SIDE GLANCES



"C'mon, let's go—we can read Dad's letter after we spend the check!"

ALTURAS HAS HOT SCHOOL ELECTION

ALTURAS — In the most hotly contested school election ever held in the Modoc Union high school district, P. C. Weber and W. D. Bishop, incumbents, were returned to office over Mrs. A. L. Campbell and Dr. Waldo Pate, contestants.

More votes were cast in the Alturas precinct in the election Friday than had been cast in the county as a whole in a school election heretofore.

Mismanagement of the local high school, claimed by the contestants, was the bone of contention. A house to house canvass for votes had been made by those seeking the office.

Langell Valley

LANGELL VALLEY — Mr. and Mrs. Claude Murray of the Lorella store and Mrs. Florence Botkins and Mrs. Claudin Musick spent Thursday and Friday of last week at Grants Pass and Rogue River.

Mrs. Joe Zick spent Wednesday in Klamath Falls with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Turner.

Mrs. Lloyd Pepple is seriously ill at Klamath Valley hospital. Sincere sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Pepple in the loss of their infant son.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Frazier and Ola and Mrs. Mary Dearborn were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Les Leavitt and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Dearborn entertained Mrs. Ruby Brown and Mrs. Mary Dearborn at dinner on Wednesday, in honor of their daughter Catherine's fifth birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. David McConnell of Los Angeles, arrived Sunday to spend a week with his sisters, Mrs. Elliott House and Mrs. Bill Sullivan and his brother, Harry Boyd.

Mrs. Lela Murray and Mrs. Claudin Musick visited on Wednesday with Mrs. Viola Dearborn and Mrs. Cora Leavitt.

Mrs. Madge Monroe and Carolyn were also afternoon callers at the Leavitt home.

Mrs. Mary Dearborn and Mrs. Lester Leavitt and children, enjoyed luncheon on Tuesday with Mrs. Alice Peatross.

experiments conducted in Richmond, Va., and Madison, Wis., last week were great successes, indicating citizens were glad to make this contribution to the defense of the nation and considerable aluminum for planes could thus be raised for planes this time, not for pitchers.

Christian Science

"GOD THE ONLY CAUSE AND CREATOR" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, June 8.

The Golden Text was, "Great and marvellous are thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are thy ways, thou King of saints" (Rev. 15:3).

Among the citations which comprised the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible: "For the word of the Lord is right; and all his works are done in truth. For he spake, and it was done; he commanded, and it stood fast" (Ps. 33:4,9).

The Lesson-Sermon also included the following correlative passages from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "In the material world, thought has brought to light with great rapidity many useful wonders. . . . Belief in a material basis, from which may be deduced all rationality, is slowly yielding to the idea of a metaphysical basis, looking away from matter to Mind as the cause of every effect" (p. 269).

Elderly Man Dies At Alturas

ALTURAS—Funeral services were held here Friday for John A. Householder, a resident of the city for 40 years.

He was born in Virginia City, Nev., 71 years ago, and came here to work as a stage driver. Later he was appointed a policeman by the city council, a position which he held until forced to retire owing to ill health.

A wife, Mrs. Edna Householder of Alturas, and a sister, Mrs. Edward Bell of Wallawa, Ore., and a number of nieces and nephews, survive. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias, Pythian Sisters, and the Eagles lodge.

PROFESSIONAL DRAWBACK

NEW YORK, (P) — Falling eyesight brought 57-year-old Joseph Martino to the police lineup on the same old charge that has been plaguing him since 1918—picking pockets.

Two policemen collared him in a department store after they said he deftly opened a woman shopper's purse, closed it, put on his glasses the better to see its contents, opened it again and then closed it once more when he saw the haul would be too small.

DEALER SEES SCARCITY OF CARS FOR '42

American motor cars face a cut of approximately 21 per cent within the next year to make way for the needs of national defense, Earl Smith, owner of the local Earl Smith Pontiac company predicted Thursday during a brief visit to Klamath Falls.

Smith, who lives at Sacramento and spends most of his time traveling on business, has had opportunity to view business trends throughout the country. He is especially interested in the effect defense expansion will have on the automobile industry.

"The main thing you'll see is a shortage of deliveries of cars," Smith maintained. "I doubt very much if anyone has much to fear as to their getting an inferior car in 1942 because of curtailment of certain alloys vital to defense. The 1942 cars may not have the same amount of some metals as those of this year, but the dies are already cast, and I don't think there will be much difference. If they do have to develop substitutes, it is safe to assume the substitutes will be pretty good."

The Pontiac dealer stopped over here to inspect remodeling of the local sales and service rooms. Space which was vacated recently by the Greyhound company is being utilized for a larger show room, offices and parts department, and the service department is being increased about 40 per cent. A lot for used car sales is being graded on Main street west of the Crater Lake creamery, Smith said.

The dealer expressed enthusiasm for businesses of all kinds on the Pacific coast. He said that agriculture and timber industries were just coming into their own when the defense program started, and the emergency is merely causing development of the west's vast resources. He expects western states to continue industrial expansion even after the emergency passes.

Smith said used cars will soon be at a premium, both because new cars may not be readily available and because higher down payments will be required on new cars. Used automobiles are already selling especially well up and down the coast, he said.

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sure to write plainly your NAME, ADDRESS and PAT-
 TERN NUMBER.

Three Klamath Youngsters Enter New York Exhibition

Three Klamath youngsters have pictures in the sixth annual "Young America Paints" exhibition which opened June 7 at the American Museum of Natural history in New York city.

They are Betty Westlin, Billy Wilson and Malcolm Epley, Jr., all of Fremont school.

Theme of this year's exhibition is what the young artists love best in America.

Many of the children wrote on the backs of their paintings comment on their feelings about America. A seven-year-old girl in California sent in a composite painting with this on the back:

"First I love our flag. Then, I love the mountains, the flowers, the little girls and boys, the cows, the cowboys, the dolls, the snakes, swimming, lying in the tall grass, eggs, bridges, butterflies, books, horses, boats, barns, cars, trees, fish, the sun, ducks, bushes, trucks, mother, kittens, birds, dogs, and my father."

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