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Weekend Roundup

THIS writer had the pleasure Friday afternoon of looking a little while on the Poe valley ranch of Liskey brothers, one of the several brother combinations that are doing big things agriculturally in the Klamath country.

Poe valley ranch is just a part of the Liskey operations, but there Dave and Dan have had the time of their lives turning a virgin area into a highly productive baby farm empire. And right along with the hay, potatoes, Hereford cattle, and so on, they are raising an amazing crop of wildlife — pheasants, quail, migratory fowl — which they carefully protect.

In their far-flung operations, Dave and Dan have the able assistance of their wives, Maude and Mabel. What these two couples have done to develop a big, successful agricultural operation is a striking example of what vision, hard work and enterprise could do with opportunities that have presented themselves in the Klamath country.

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Well, Klamath's Pelicans won another football game Friday night and our observation was that the fans went home rather disappointed.

It wasn't that they didn't want Klamath to win. It seems they wanted Ashland to give Buck Hammer and his lads more competition. With the exception of the Grant game, and possibly the Chico opener, there hasn't been a game this year in which the Pelicans were pressed to do their best.

But perhaps, on this coming Friday night, they will have more formidable competition. And we anticipate they'll come through in fine shape.

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Reports trickle in from the farm area that migrant labor this year, while fairly sufficient in volume, is not of high quality. There are, of course, many good workers, but there are farmer complaints of laziness, unwillingness and general inefficiency among a large number of the visiting job-seekers.

One farm woman, who thinks the government's migratory labor camps are noble enough in purpose and efficiently operated, nevertheless sees them as an unfavorable influence on character and attitude of the migrant workers.

For obvious reasons, we do not quote her directly, because she wasn't talking for publication. But she said:

"These folks who come here know if they land broke money is advanced for grub, and if they need clothes the communities clothe them. (I've donated almost everything but my husband's Sunday shirt.) They know the government won't let them starve. Today, just try to pick up a crew in an emergency. They'll look you over, quizz about hours, wages and accommodations and end up by telling you they'd not leave camp for such. This has become a headache to the grower who has to cope with increasing demands for higher and higher wages (that farm crop prices still do not warrant) small riots, indifferent workers and a few minor troubles."

It's another side, anyway.

OBITUARY

MARIA ZARAGOZA RODRIQUEZ

Maria Zaragoza Rodriquez, a resident of Klamath county for the past 16 years, passed away in this city on Friday, October 10. Deceased was a native of Panindicuaro Michoocan, Mexico, and was aged 57 years, 5 years and 6 days when called. She is survived by one daughter Epifania Narez Rodriquez, of Klamath county, Oregon; one brother, Tranidad Zaragoza of Aguaniaato, Mich.; two sisters, Eliodora Zaragoza of San Fernando, Calif., and Gracia Zaragoza of Aguaniaato, Mich.; also six grandchildren. The remains rest in Ward's Klamath Funeral Home, 925 High street, where friends may call after 6 p. m. Saturday. The notice of the funeral arrangements will be announced later.

SOME SIGN

It took a 25-pound keg of white lead to paint one letter in a large sign which covers the back of a race track grandstand at Ceredo, W. Va. The sign easily can be read from the neighboring state of Ohio.

Johnson's Comment On The News

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 11

There is a good deal of cock-eyed stuff still floating over the price-control declarations. Representative Vinson wants to limit profits to seven per cent of manufacturing cost on defense contracts whether or not with the United States. Mr. Vinson has conducted and will continue to conduct an investigation into all defense costs and profits. Thus far he has found some perfectly outrageous percentages of profit —274 per cent in one case.

What he is doing in the way of investigation is one of the healthiest and most necessary moves we could make. Reports of our defense effort have been made mostly in dollars, and while it can't be said that they don't mean a thing, it can be said that they are very deceptive.

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OUT OF LINE

We already know that in the case of building cantonments costs mounted far out of line with any precedent or reason. There is a good reason to believe that we are getting pitifully little per ton of munitions for the dollars that we spend, and that Hitler probably gets three to four times as much for his armament money as we get for ours.

This of itself is one of our greatest inflationary threats — not to mention the fact that there must be some bottom to Uncle Sam's sock and that we could defeat ourselves on this front alone if somebody doesn't pay some attention to what we are getting for our money.

Vinson apparently proposes to pay a great deal of attention. Let us thank heaven for that.

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"DEADLY" FORMULA

But this business of "cost plus a percentage of profit" is old and deadly stuff. It was our curse in World War I. As a result we adopted a little less vicious formula — "cost plus a fixed fee."

Here is the difference. If your profit depends, as it does in ordinary competitive commercial life, on costs as low as you get them, you are not apt to go out like a drunken sailor and spend as much as you can to produce an article. You will try to produce it as cheaply as competitive conditions will permit. But, if you are relieved from al care and responsibility about that and because of a fixed percentage based on costs as the measure of your profits. You not only have no incentive to reduce costs, you have a powerful incentive to push them up because the higher they go, the greater is your profit.

This is not merely theoretical. It stands to reason in human nature and it was amply demonstrated by experience in 1917 and 1918.

The "cost plus a fixed fee" alternative now more generally used didn't altogether remove these evils because it still left the contractor with small responsibility for rising costs but, at least, it did not encourage him to boost costs as does the "cost plus a percentage of cost" rule.

It is a difficult and complex problem. But as types and manufacturing costs become more standardized and especially if we can get price and wage control legislation, so that a manufacturer can plan his costs with intelligence and the government can pass on them with equal intelligence, perhaps we can go back to the old competitive system in awarding contracts and then go in with some kind of intelligent corporation tax bill and eliminate all exhorbitant profits due to war. But let's not go back to the proved failure of cost plus a percentage of profit.

SIDE GLANCES

"Don't look now, but I think we're not being followed."

From Other Editors

WHY A WILLAMETTE HIGHWAY ASSOCIATION
(Oak-Fir Lookout)

Klamath Falls and Eugene Chamber of Commerce say that they are working for our interests—that they are doing all they can to promote travel over the new Willamette highway and are trying to get state highway funds spent here to eliminate the Lowell to Goshen bottleneck.

That is very fine—we appreciate it—BUT, we are not their only interest. Eugene has the McKenzie highway, the Pacific highway, Route F and other interests that do not concern us directly. Klamath Falls also has other roads and localities to think about.

Eugenians say they will cooperate with us on our ski area project, but they can't show us any partiality over Bohemia, White Branch or even Santiam. It is less than a year ago when at a meeting at Oakridge high school, Mr. Ed Turnbull of the Eugene Chamber of Commerce urged us to drop the idea of a ski area on the Willamette because it would be too expensive, not enough demand for it, and that the time was not ripe. His council was to wait until another depression when it would be made a WPA project.

They have the same attitude toward our organizing a Willamette Highway association. They offer their cooperation but council us, not to butt in on their dealings with the state highway department. They hope we will not put up any signs, in fact, they hope we will sit back and let them do everything for us.

"Let George do it," is a very good plan. We will just sit back and let the big brothers to our north and south do everything. Oh, yeah! It appears to me the better plan is to organize and then accept their kind offer of cooperation. They are older organizations, we can learn a lot from them and by adding our small support to their efforts in our behalf, we will undoubtedly accomplish more than we could ever hope to by ourselves.

Klamath Couples Licensed in Reno

RENO, Oct. 11 (AP)—Oregon residents marriage licensed here included: George E. Ward, 29, Tulelake, Calif., and Alice S. Kuhn, 27, Klamath Falls; Heskett J. Baker Jr., 21, Redding, Calif., and Virginia M. Crouch, 19, Roseburg; George C. Cook, 24, Medford, and Eva J. Freel, 19, Grants Pass.

MIGRATORY SALMON

Tagged and released in Nova Scotia, a salmon was captured 42 days later at Moise River, Quebec, 800 miles distant by the most direct route.

Telling The Editor

Letters printed here must not be more than 300 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.

ABOUT ARMY CAMPAIGN

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., (To The Editor)—Another year has passed and we are again on the threshold of a Salvation Army drive for funds for the ensuing year. When this drive was started last year the Salvation Army was housed in a small building on Walnut street with inadequate facilities and under a very serious handicap on account of location and housing facilities.

The people of Klamath county responded generously and in the meantime the Army has been able to liquidate its holdings on Walnut street and is now housed in a building at Fourth and Klamath, which is a credit to any community and the people of Klamath county should be and are proud of their Salvation Army home. There still remains an indebtedness against this building amounting to about $4500 and the advisory board is making a supreme effort to clear this building during the coming drive. This can only be done through the cooperation of every individual in the county.

There is no need for me as chairman of the advisory board to tell the public what the Salvation Army does in a community. I believe every person knows of its activities and I believe that every one is sympathetic with its work.

John C. Johnston is again directing the drive with a corps of busy business men and is ably assisted by Mrs. Dean Osborn, chairman of the women's division. If the people of Klamath Falls and Klamath county respond promptly the drive will be of short duration and a very slight burden upon all, while if we adopt a dilatory attitude it may take weeks to finish the drive. We hope and trust that the good citizens of Klamath county will see fit to get behind this drive with all their power and put it over without delay. The goal has been set at $6500 and that amount should be raised in Klamath county in one day. Any sum in excess of that amount is to be applied to the payment of the balance on the mortgage on the Salvation Army building.

The members of the advisory board hope that everyone will constitute himself a committee of one to assist in completing this worthwhile work and in behalf of the advisory board, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the good people of Klamath Falls and Klamath county in advance for their hearty cooperation.

A. W. SCHAUPP,
Chairman, Advisory Board.

UNDERGROUND WATER

Below London is a natural underground reservoir of water stretching about 30 miles north and south of the city, and about the same distance east and west.

Courthouse Records

FRIDAY

Complaints Filed

Russell H. Cotter versus Hazel Irene Cotter. Suit for divorce. Couple married at Vancouver, Wash., October 5, 1935. Plaintiff charges desertion. Maynard Wilson, attorney for plaintiff.

Justice Court

Roger Dillinger Fritts, no rear view mirror. Fined $5.50, suspended.

Stephen John Takacs, no motor vehicle license. Fined $5.50, suspended.

Decrees

Doris Drazil versus James Drazil. Divorce granted plaintiff on grounds of cruel and inhuman treatment. U. S. Balentine, attorney for plaintiff. Plaintiff's maiden name, Doris Johnson, restored.

Wilma Bowers versus George A. Bowers. Plaintiff granted divorce and custody of six minor children on grounds of desertion. J. C. O'Neill, attorney for plaintiff.

Marriage Licenses

WRIGHT-TAYLOR. Earl E Wright, 37, Klamath Falls, lumber business, native of Iowa. Ruth Janet Taylor, 32, Klamath Falls, native of Iowa.

Sentence

State of Oregon versus James Gerald Hatcher, contributing to the delinquency of a minor. Sentenced to three years in state penitentiary. Paroled to district attorney.

WAR AND ICEBERGS

War increases the menace of icebergs in the Atlantic since the ships of belligerent nations, wishing to keep their whereabouts secret, do not co-operate with the ice patrol in reporting icebergs.

SIX CHILDREN DIE IN CRASH

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Oct. 11 (UP)—A Memphis-bound Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis passenger train crashed into a school bus near Eads, Tenn., 21 miles east of here, yesterday, killing six children and the driver.

The sheriff's office said ten others were injured, four of them critically. The dead and injured were brought to Memphis by ambulances.

Clear View

The dead: **Guy Anderson, 12; Austin Williams, 8; Jean Seward, 12; Tommy, 14 and Finish Richmond, 12, brothers; Alma Shirley, 10, and Bennie Priddy, bus driver.**

The steel school bus was carrying the children from the George R. James school to their homes in the Eads community.

The highway parallels the railroad for some distance and witnesses said there was a clear view where it crosses the track, 11 miles from Eads.

The train struck the bus in the middle, shoved it 50 yards down the track before tossing it aside. None of the passengers was thrown from the bus. Mary Ann Baxter, 6, was the only child in the bus who escaped injury.

The cow-catcher was driven back under the locomotive and the train's air compressor was put out of commission. The train usually passes through Eads about 40 miles per hour and possibly had picked up speed on its run toward Memphis.

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