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Stop Here and Avoid Danger

OUR accident statistics expert, News Editor Art Bremer, has just handed us an analysis of this year's fatal crashes that tells a startling story. His report:

Klamath county's traffic death toll today stands at 18, three more than the figure on the same date last year when an all-time record of 29 was chalked up.

Disregarding the five who drowned when their car plunged into the canal here April 30 and the two pedestrians killed on South Sixth street and the man killed in a railroad crossing crash, there remain 10 persons who were killed in actual automobile accidents. And here's the point:

Of these 10 highway crash victims, only two were Klamath people.

And at least six of the other eight deaths followed long drives. Maurice Cannalunga and a companion became No. 9 and 10 on our 1941 list and an occupant of the other car became No. 11 in a crash at Barclay springs following an all night trip from San Francisco. Three remarkably similar accidents within a few miles of each other near Sand Creek in the space of less than two weeks took the three other lives. No. 15 was a San Francisco girl whose husband was asleep in the back seat when the car upset on a trip to Ellensburg, Wash. No. 16 was an elderly Olympia man whose pickup truck upset while a hitchhiker companion was asleep. No. 17 was a Hollywood girl whose companion was asleep on a long drive to Pendleton.

In these three cases, the sleeping companion was only slightly injured.

From this analysis, it becomes evident that Klamath's fine highways are encouraging coast-wise travelers to attempt "non-stop" trips from the northwest to California points, or vice versa, despite the warnings of medical men that three hours' continuous driving is the limit for safe traveling.

Klamath county is roughly the mid-point in the San Francisco-Portland journey. Klamath Falls and the nearby communities in this area have excellent accommodations for travelers. This is a hospitable area and we invite these people not only to use the fine route through here, but to put up for the night in one of our good hotels or tourist camps and avoid the dangers of over-long driving.

The Army's Service

WITH the Salvation Army opening its annual campaign for funds to carry on, a number of people the past few days have asked the wholly justified question: "Just what does the Salvation Army do?" The army's campaign quota is \$6500, of which \$4200 is for maintenance of its regular program, and \$2300 is for building and equipment, the latter being a special item in the budget.

The Salvation Army last year gave aid to 29 unmarried mothers. The army actually cared for 24 unwed mothers and their babies at the time of birth. Figuring \$100 as a conservative estimate of the cost of "having a baby" this item alone was a heavy burden on the army budget last year and represented a substantial contribution to the aid of those in distress.

Here are some other statistics showing the army's work for the last year, which may be regarded as indicative of what will be expected of it this year:

Local families—Food, clothing and medical attention for 405.

Transients—Lodging, meals, clothing for 1768.

Christmas—Food, clothing and gifts for 1442.

Employment—608 applications received, 369 placed.

The army also carried on an active youth training program with music classes, summer camps and gymnasium privileges. Much of its work, of course, is predicated on its religious program.

Established in new and adequate quarters at Klamath avenue and Fourth street, the Salvation Army next year will be in a position to give more effective service than ever before.

Yes, this writer was fortunate enough to be in the stands at Bell field at Corvallis Saturday when Oregon State's fine football team brought down mighty Stanford. And as the game ended, he heard the happy news that Oregon's Webfoot had humbled Southern California. It was the best day Oregon football has had against California since this scribe became an enthusiastic follower of college football in this state.

Johnson's Comment On The News

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 13 "Sudden" is the word for SPAB. Cracking down on non-war construction was clearly in the cards. It was the object of a major division of the 1918 war industries board which planned its work along in advance with ample notice of its intentions.

The creation of such a unit and the beginning of such an effort has been long suggested by Mr. B. M. Baruch and others to our present war industries administration but, through months of indifference, there was no action or even any intimation of action.

Then, suddenly and without warning, the whole civilian building trades industry is given a sentence of economic death. It seems to be becoming a habit. It is just like the old administration overnight decree to cut down 10 per cent on gasoline.

HOUSING BIDS "Arbitrary" is also the word for SPAB. There are few parallels of Mr. Sydney Hillman's action in compelling the rejection of a bid for defense housing of \$979,000 and acceptance of a bid 44 per cent higher.

Why? So far as is known only because Mr. Hillman wanted a contractor who uses A. F. of L. labor instead of one (such as this low bidder) who uses CIO labor. Another angle was that A. F. of L. objected to this contractor because his houses are, in part, fabricated on modern mass-production methods.

On this latter question the whole world of students of our housing problem has been waiting for the sunrise—the day when modern American methods could be used to produce a decent house at a price low enough for a poor man to pay. Here it came at last and Mr. Hillman slammed the door in its face. To hell with the cost to the government and the prospective poor tenants, presumably or likely to be labor union people themselves.

Mr. Hillman was playing some kind of union politics which, a cryptic remark of John Carmody suggests, was in part due to a possibility of widespread strikes by A. F. of L. in other parts of the country against the defense housing effort.

LABOR POLICY Mr. Hillman has announced and so has Mr. Leon Henderson that Mr. Hillman is the boss of labor policy of this government and what he says sticks. Very apparently that is no exaggeration. But who is Mr. Hillman?

He is the head of one of the most powerful labor unions in this country, from which he even now draws pay and is a leader of one wing of the CIO itself. That's all right. He is one of the ablest, shrewdest and most intelligent of labor leaders. But the head of such a union and a leading spirit in such a federation of unions has no business in charge of labor policy in the United States. That job is a seat of judgment. Four conflicting interests are constantly involved—that of government, that of the civilian population, that of labor and that of management. Mr. Hillman can't be an impartial judge. He is dealing with himself.

NOT POLITICAL As has frequently been pointed out here and as is becoming more apparent daily the unplaned priorities effort has been botched and bungled and complaints of sufferers throughout the country are rising like a tide.

How long can this kind of confusion, high-handed fumbling, deadly terror and smirking hypocrisy go on in this democracy without somebody being called to account by the people through their congress? I don't know, but it is a cinch it can't go on forever.

It is not a political question at all. It is not a question of aiding or blocking our war effort. It is a question of getting some efficiency into that effort and it is not political, because every patriotic citizen is for that.

The known facts are so few and so closely guarded as "military secrets" that it is only these more glaring errors that can't be hid. The need is for searching and constant congressional investigation.

SIDE GLANCES



"Bonfire? Well, don't tell your father—he would just take the imps some potatoes!"

Gems of Thought

GRACE What we most need is the prayer of fervent desire for growth in grace, expressed in patience, meekness, love, and good deeds.—Mary Baker Eddy

The Christian graces are like perfumes, the more they are pressed, the sweeter they smell; like stars that shine brightest in the dark; like trees which, the more they are shaken, the deeper root they take, and the more fruit they bear.—Beaumont

The being of grace must go before the increase of it; for there is no growth without life, and no building without a foundation.—Lavington

As grace is first from God, so it is continually from Him, as much as light is all day long from the sun, as well as at first dawn or at sun-rising.—Jonathan Edwards

Grace comes into the soul, as the morning sun into the world; first a dawning; then a light; and at last the sun in his full and excellent brightness.—Thomas Adams

There is no such way to attain to greater measure as for a man to live up to the little grace he has.—James Gordon Brooks

Defense Bond Quiz

Q. If the many Americans who are sharing in the present greater national income spend all their increased earnings, how do they lose?

A. Such spending tends to push up the prices of products available in limited quantity. Thus, all, or almost all, of the expanded income would be absorbed by higher prices, leaving little or nothing to show for greater earnings. By restricting our spending, and investing in defense savings bonds and stamps, increase in total spending will be prevented and we can buy the goods which are scarce without a rise in prices.

Q. Can the treasury call defense savings bonds for redemption prior to maturity?

A. No. But a defense savings bond may be redeemed by the owner at his option in accordance with treasury regulations.

Note.—To buy defense bonds and stamps, go to the nearest post office, bank, or savings and loan association; or write to the treasurer of the United States, Washington, D. C. Also stamps are now available at retail stores.

Oregon College Rolls Decline

EUGENE, Oct. 13 (AP)—Oregon's schools of higher education enrolled 8962 students for the fall term, a decline of 8 per cent from last year, Chancellor F. M. Hunter said Saturday.

The decline in the three colleges of education was 13 per cent, while at the University of Oregon, medical school and Oregon State College it was slightly more than 7 per cent.

Hunter pointed out that enrollment still is 62 per cent more than in the fall term of 1933.

YOUTHFUL ENTERPRISE

CHICAGO (AP)—Seven year old Bobby Davey told Police Sergeant Fred Koehler that he was discouraged because he never got paid for finding lost children in his neighborhood and suggested that he should have a salary for his work. He recommended that for every lost child he found he would be paid "5 cents a kid or an ice cream soda." Koehler told Bobby that only his lack of experience disqualified him for the proposed role of juvenile officer.

Some natives of South America, when they journey at night, carry luminous beetles.

F. R. Hails New World Unity In Columbus Day Statement

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13 (UP) President Roosevelt, acclaiming the solidarity and unity of the new world in a Columbus day statement, Saturday said that the republics of the western hemisphere are firmly resolved to preserve and defend democracy.

His statement was issued on the 450th year since the discovery of America by Columbus.

The text of the statement: "The rounding out of each century and each half-century following a landmark in human progress recalls to our minds the vision and the sacrifice and the achievement of all those benefactors of the race who have striven to advance the cultural or material frontiers of civilization. The year commencing October 12, 1491, is the four hundred and fiftieth year after the discovery of America by Christopher Columbus. In these four and a half centuries, the western hemisphere has received and enjoyed the gifts of old world culture, religion, science, and philosophy, and has evolved and nurtured a precious contribution of its own, new marvels of science, lasting creations of literature and art, political forms of benefit to all the world.

"Based on the premise that all of the children of men are equal in their natural right to the pursuit of happiness, the governments of the western hemisphere republics, now in their second century of existence, have advanced through periods of stress to a present-day solidarity and unity of purpose never before known on the American continents on so wide a scale and with such unanimity of consent. These American nations are firmly resolved to preserve and defend the principles and the institutions of representative government, liberty of conscience, and social responsibility.

"Columbus acted according to the ideal of science. On the basis of assembled data, he arrived at a hypothesis; and he bent every effort to test his theory by actual experiment. The sighting of dim outlines of land in the distance, on the morning of the epochal twelfth of October, proved beyond contradiction his doctrine that dry land lay beyond the ocean; and he thereby opened new avenues of human history.

"Neither Columbus nor any other man of science nor any statesman or colonizer could foresee the progress destined to be made by the lands discovered in the west. Nor can we of the present day foresee what further advances will be achieved in the coming years toward the goal of a world permanently at peace, permanently prosperous, permanently free. But we do know that the common striving of all of the countries of the Americas can be a powerful force in the interest of stability, peace and freedom."

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Alturas Lad Ruled Sane at Board Hearing

ALTURAS, Calif., Oct. 13 (UP) Charles (Bobby) McCain, 13, who killed his father and critically wounded his mother because he was a tired of doing household chores, Saturday was ruled sane by an examining board of the juvenile court.

The youth will be brought to trial next Wednesday.

The slaying occurred September 23 at the home of the father, R. C. McCain, near Adin, 53 miles south of Alturas, where he was employed by a lumber company. The youth shot his father to death with a .22 caliber rifle and wounded his mother, who managed to lock herself in the house. After the shooting, he took the family car and gave himself up to police.

Youth Admits Fib After Reporting \$3000 Holdup Loss

SPOKANE, Wash., Oct. 13 (UP)—Robert Jacoy, 19-year-old youth who reported to police earlier today he had been robbed of \$3000 he was carrying from a bank to his father's cigar store, admitted Saturday the "holdup" was a hoax, police said.

Acting Captain of Detectives George Sexsmith said the youth had been placed in the custody of his father, Peter M. Jacoy, and would report to the prosecutor's office Tuesday for action.

Sexsmith said the money, which Jacoy hid in an undisclosed place, had been returned and that, as yet, no accomplices had been implicated.

Young Jacoy reported the "robbery" to police shortly after noon today. He alleged a man had accosted him on busy Riverside avenue and had demanded, at the point of a gun, the money he was taking to the store for use in cashing paychecks.

Klamath Man Drops Dead on Doorstep

Edwin V. Anderson, about 55, dropped dead on the doorstep of his home at 1127 North Eighth street last night, apparently from a heart attack or from natural causes, according to Willard Ward, deputy coroner. Anderson, an edgerman employed by the Ewauna Box company, was apparently about to unlock the door when death came, officers said, for the key was in his hand when he was discovered.

"Patty," an old bulldog which police said always accompanied her master, stood guard over Mr. Anderson's body while police investigated. The Klamath Humane society was called to take the dog away before the body was moved to Ward's funeral home.

Ward said death probably came between 6 and 7 p. m. A son, Archie Anderson, the dead man's only known relative, is serving in the national guard at Fort Stevens near Astoria. Archie visited here last week when national guardsmen were in Klamath Falls on leave. Ward notified him last night of his father's death.

OSES Schedules Examinations Here For Office Jobs

SALEM, Oct. 13 (AP)—New examinations for office workers will be conducted within a few weeks by the state unemployment compensation commission to refill merit lists exhausted by defense industries' demands, William Griffith, supervisor of the board of examiners, announced today.

Nine cities in which the examinations will be held if there is a sufficient number of applicants in each instance, were listed by Griffith. They are Portland, Salem, Klamath Falls, Eugene, Medford, Ontario, Pendleton and Marshfield.

The tests will cover \$80 to \$120 a month classifications for junior and senior clerk-typists, clerk-stenographers, key punch and junior tabulating machine operators.

Local state employment offices accept applications for these examinations, Griffith said.

FAIR TRIAL

SALEM, Ore. (AP)—Charles P. Pray bought a uniform when he was named Oregon state police superintendent eight years ago. He gave it away the other day, confiding: "I just couldn't adjust myself to wearing it."

Free Home Aid Grant Approved For Oregon WPA

WASHINGTON, Oct. 13 (AP) The work projects administration has notified Senator McNary (R-Ore.) that the president has approved an allocation of \$181,410 for state-wide free home assistance in Oregon for inclusion in the state's WPA program.

The program will provide aid in general housework, care of children, simple home care of the sick, aged and chronically ill in homes of the needy. The free aid will be given in homes only where the home maker is totally or partially incapacitated, where the homes are motherless or where assistance is needed because of old age or chronic illness.

The state WPA administrator will decide when the program will start.

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