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Guest Editorial

By MARGARET SANTO Secretary, Klamath Basin Rates Bureau

HEAR a lot of pros and cons in my jaunts up and down Main street. Most of the business people I talk to are very much interested in Klamath county and its future—and why not?—it's their future, too. It is the consensus of opinion that something must be done to offset the decreased payroll, and the only solution, they agree, is "new industries."

Mr. Burness of Burness Motor company says he pays more freight on his cars than does the Portland dealer. Why? Because his cars go straight through from Los Angeles to Portland and then back to Klamath Falls. Look at the unnecessary freight he has to pay—or somebody else has to pay—unless of course, they decide to go to Portland and drive the new car home—spending the savings in Portland.

That new "pool or package" car from the East (less than car load), should help a great many merchants in the basin area—both in time and money. Some of the articles that receive cheaper rates are: agricultural implements, auto parts, glass and glassware, electrical supplies and appliances, advertising displays, baskets, brass, bronze and copper articles, brooms, clothing, cooling and freezing machines, all kinds of dessert preparations, spices, drugs and medicines, chemicals, dry-goods, carpets, cabinets, kitchen cabinets, store displays, racks, desks, ladders, iron and steel chairs and tables, heating and cooking stoves, fireplace fixtures, broilers, griddles, muflet irons, dutch ovens, hose and rubber goods, staturary, paste, insecticides, toys, lamps, shades, smoking stands, leather and leather goods, pumps and pump parts, machinery, parking meters, meters of all kinds, motorcycles, nursery stock, paints and paint materials, paper and paper articles, pottery and chinaware, sewing machines and parts, sheet steel ware (pots and pans), poultry brooders, etc., all kinds of signs and advertising boards, traffic signs—and nuts. And don't forget these rates apply to the whole basin area—Malin, Merrill, Tulelake, Dorris and Chiloquin and any other place in the basin.

J. Koenig of Firestone tells me he wants to make his store a distribution center for northern California and southern Oregon. That would mean at least six to 10 new employees. There are probably many other stores that will do the same thing.

A letter from the B. F. Nelson Manufacturing company of Minneapolis—a roofing concern, states that there are very few roofing plants on the Pacific coast. Wonder why we couldn't have one here. Will someone please tell me? Seems as though the freight rates on roofing are almost as much as the cost of the roofing itself. Maybe it would be cheaper to manufacture it here.

Earl Isaacs of Your Store, Inc., says he ships all his glassware by Western Freight association. He thinks the rates are much cheaper that way. He says, however, that it costs him almost as much freight from Portland down to Klamath Falls as it does from back east to Portland. If anyone is interested in knowing how to go about getting this service, call the Rates Bureau, 4608.

Splinters off all the lumber we have piled around here would make an awful lot of toothpicks. After all, everybody picks their teeth sometime or other—cept me, and I have to use a good stiff bristled brush or a thread to get under that bridge of mine.

THERE'S a house bill 362 in congress right now to get \$50,000 appropriated to investigate agricultural freight rates. We're backing that bill, and so is the grange. The only thing

I'm sorry about is that it doesn't include a lot of other things. I paid \$30 the other day to ship a carload of stuff from here to Medford. And do you know it only cost my Aunt Emmy \$16 to ship the same thing from Weed to Medford. Wish I had the difference in price of freight—would I ever go to town on buying a new dress!

P. S.—Just got back from the Lion's luncheon, where Mr. George Davis gave a little talk on the Rates Bureau, and introduced yours truly. It all makes sense to me and I hope all those at the luncheon today feel the same way. I'll run along now and call on—who knows—it may be you.

The austere upper chamber of parliament has little legislative power these days but it is a highly important sounding-board for considered opinion. So when a great dignitary like the bishop of London who declared in the house of lords during a debate on the zooming divorce rate that adultery needn't constitute grounds for divorce. He recommended forgiveness and reconciliation.

"It is extraordinary," he asserted, "that at a time when adultery is thought less of than it has been for centuries in this country, and when living in sin is considered as a musical joke, adultery is considered sufficient excuse for breaking up a marriage and a home."

Divorce Rate Jumps THE origin of this debate lies in the fact that the divorce rate has jumped from 6332 in 1939 (the year the war began) to 50,000 currently—a shocking state of affairs in the minds of a host of Britons who still maintain their Victorian reserve along with the cherished China dogs and Aspidochelona plants.

One hastens to add that this increase in divorces doesn't mean that John Bull is racing headlong to the devil. It does mean that the separations due to war have resulted in a good deal of infidelity on both sides of the house. And the atomic age has revealed what the Victorian age used to conceal.

I investigated this divorce problem when in England a year ago and it was clear that the increase in divorces represented the opening of the floodgates to an accumulation of grievances between the soldier overseas and his missus back home. As remarked before, there was a lot of infidelity on both sides of the house, and both sides were pretty sore.

Wild Oats Sown SO far as Tommy Atkins is concerned, he has precedent for sowing a few wild oats. When I first went to Britain as a reporter in 1916 the law conceded an Englishman the right to have a mistress if he so chose. He could divorce his wife for infidelity, but she couldn't divorce him on that ground. She had to prove actual physical cruelty in addition to adultery.

During the war and since it ended, welfare societies have been doing yeomen's work in ironing out the differences between soldiers and the wives they left behind them. The "forgiveness" and "reconciliation" which the bishop of London advocates has been achieved in innumerable cases.

Still, England is shocked and bewildered by such a flood, as witness the fact that the British government is studying ways and means of further relieving the situation, and the reserved house of lords is taking a hand.

SAVED BY THE BELLS CHICAGO, March 29 (AP)—A tall youth, dressed like a cowboy and carrying a big pistol, last night stopped Miss Mary Bernard, 35, and tiny, and said, "this is a stickup."

SIDE GLANCES



"Easter doesn't mean much to me—my parents are always buying me clothes to grow into!"

Boyle's Column

Warm Sun Proves Drawing Point In St. Petersburg

cheap tie hung limply against his rumpled shirt. The flesh had begun to sag in his chubby face, but laughter had ironed nice lines around his eyes and mouth. "Good morning," he said. "Can you tell me where I can pick up a newspaper?"

Flashes Of Life

WHO'S WHO IN ZOO CHICAGO, March 29 (AP)—Because nearly every visitor to the Lincoln park zoo asks questions of busy animal keepers, Director R. Marlin Perkins has established a zoo answer shop.

STRATEGY

CHICAGO, March 29 (AP)—Irving Drell, owner of a currency exchange, told Stanton avenue police his strategy to protect his office safe from burglars worked out all right—but at a cost of \$700.

New Malin Store Opens

MALIN, March 29—A large crowd was on hand Thursday for the grand opening of a new store in Malin, "Emma's Shoppe," operated by Mrs. Emma Wilde.

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PTA Notes

Fairview The Fairview PTA met Thursday, March 27, at 8:30 p. m. in the school auditorium.

Shasta Shasta PTA meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Clifford Golden, on Wednesday, March 26, at 2 p. m.

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Merrill Grange Advocates Railroad Warning Signal

MERRILL, March 29—Merrill grange at its regular meeting Monday evening, March 24, drafted a resolution on behalf of the community's safety, requesting the Great Northern Railway company to install a warning device or signal at its crossing in Merrill where the view of this crossing is obscured by the Pacific Cooperative warehouse, Shuck Brothers warehouse and the Sharp Grain company warehouse.

Grange members who were present from Merrill for the ceremony were Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Icenbice, Mr. and Mrs. John Giacomini, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Murray, Mr. and Mrs. J. Leland Pope, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Reeder, Mr. and Mrs. Pete McNeill, Mrs. Homer Fields, Mrs. John McNeill and Frank Hadley.

Fourth Graders Tour Herald Plant

Friday afternoon a bevy of 25 fourth grade pupils from Mills schools—with their instructor toured the Herald and News and KFLW plants in conjunction with their course of study on communications systems.

New Chris-Craft Cruiser Here

Dick Fiedler, local boating enthusiast, has just received a trim new Chris-Craft cruiser, one of the first post war models the company has produced. The cruiser is 27 feet long, has ample headroom, sleeping accommodations for four persons, and is completely equipped for overnight cruising.

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