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How the Road Appropriations Will Be Spent

THE highway commission for Oregon will find more than six million dollars a sum particularly applicable to the road systems of the state, but such an appropriation from the government does not come unreservedly. There are a number of interesting requirements governing the expenditure of this fund on construction of projects already mapped out and in readiness for completion.

The administration, of course, will demand the working hours conform with the legislation of the special session of congress. It has been advised the program be conducted on a 30-hour week basis with no workmen permitted to labor more than 40 hours each week. The wage-scale has been left to the judgment of the commission.

Other requirements include these:

No convict labor on projects or materials can be used.

All projects must be initiated and supervised by the state highway commission.

Not more than 50 per cent of the state's allotment can be expended on the approved federal aid system outside the corporate limits of municipalities.

Not more than 25 per cent is to be expended upon secondary or feeder roads.

Not less than 25 per cent of the available funds shall be applied to projects on extensions of the federal highway system into and through municipalities.

Municipalities must provide rights-of-way for projects therein, else the secretary of agriculture may revise the percentage distribution of funds.

Reconstruction of existing adequate facilities within municipalities will not be considered.

Detailed plans and listings by counties and other information must be submitted for approval to the secretary of agriculture by the commission.

Ex-service men with dependents and citizens of the United States and aliens, who have declared their intentions of becoming citizens, will be given

preference for the work where they are qualified.

Contractors will secure labor, so far as available, from agencies designated by the United States employment system.

These are the major considerations outlined by the administrators of the public works program. So, with the combined interests of the highway commission and Washington watching over the expenditure of a vast sum, there should be very little waste, little discrimination and an abundance of admirable results.

Providence Inflates the Commodities

PROVIDENCE has taken a hand in the reconstruction of commodity prices. The country has observed, with some degree of jubilation, the sensational rise of the grain markets. It has seen the wildest day on the exchange since the war, and it has seen wheat reach and pass the dollar mark. This is not inflation; this is not the result of carefully fostered plans of the administration. This is the work of nature.

June drouth—parching dryness—has reduced the crops in the wheat belt. The production this year probably will be the smallest in the history of a generation. The supply is low; the price is high. So here we have not an act of economics and politics, but an act of God.

The Wonderland Filmed in Color and Sound

THE task of promoting the natural spectacles of southern and central Oregon and northern California has been accepted by the Shasta-Cascade Wonderland association, an organization more active than the few years of its existence would normally warrant. The Shasta-Cascade association, built up by men who have a deep personal and public interest in a region more or less obscured in the past, had quickly taken a leading part in promoting the west.

A pictorial account of the wonders of six counties in northern California and three more—Jackson, Klamath and Lake—in Oregon will be brought before all America in the near future. The films have been taken in color and sound and will reproduce the natural life and scenery of every section.

The men who have directed this work, have scrambled over mountain roads, slept on the ground, gone hungry and without sleep. But they have the pictures and the world will soon know the magnificence of a correctly named Wonderland.

Bill Hanley says he's going to get a lot of senators out in this country to look at Hart mountain and turn it into a national park. It's a good idea, but some of those easterners, after traveling a few miles through the wilds, are apt to decide Hart mountain isn't in the United States.

It's not long ago since a lot of people were worrying about the dangers of Mr. Roosevelt's airplane trips. No one appears to be getting grey hairs over his jaunt along the Atlantic coast in a 45-foot boat.

It takes a psychology book to help parents understand their children. But children seem to see through their parents without the aid of books.

SIDE GLANCES—by George Clark



"Well, let's not stand here and argue. Do I get a kiss or don't I?"

The National Whirligig Inside Story of Washington The News Behind the News

By PAUL MALLON

Balance The whole inside story of this administration can be told in one paragraph: Mr. Roosevelt keeps the liberal, nationalist and theorist Prof. Moley on one knee. He keeps the conservative, financial-minded Low Douglas on the other. He lets them argue every issue while he listens, and puts them on the back. When they are exhausted he decides what should be done.

The system has worked very well politically and economically. No one knows what is coming. No one is ever completely satisfied with what is done. As a result such strange bedfellows as Carter Glass and George Norris sleep more or less serenely under the same tent.

The economic result is: we wink at the anti-trust laws and propose better working conditions; we put the radical bank guarantee into a most conservative banking measure; we have an inflation and a quasi-balanced budget at the same time.

Press The administration has the highest powered publicity setup any government ever had. Top-notch men who know their business have recently been installed at the Industrial Control headquarters and the Interior Department. They match the calibre of other publicity experts in other governmental departments.

The result is a minimum of friction and a maximum of favorable administration news.

Customs You will not hear much about it, but the Roosevelt economy program failed in one particular. They planned to abolish some twenty-seven customs collectors' offices in inland cities. These jobs are political sinecures. They go to the boys who turn out the votes. You can imagine how much customs are collected each year in some midwestern cities.

The political pressure for keeping the jobs was strong. Local civic pressure was even stronger. Chambers of commerce wrote hot protests. They considered it was a matter of government service to local importers.

They won. Most of the jobs will not be abolished.

Pork A nice little surprise awaits municipalities planning to send delegations down here to grab off public works money. It will be

a waste of train fare if they come. The men in charge of that section here are hard-boiled. They are the same ones who administered the self-liquidating loans of the R. F. C. Nobody gets any money away from them without good sales talk.

Towns will not be permitted to build beyond their means. Reasonable amortization of waterworks and sewerage projects will be required.

Debt You might say Bernard Baruch was ex-officio president of the United States the last few days. With Mr. Roosevelt out of town Baruch sat at Moley's desk. He had his man Johnson supposedly running the Industrial Control setup (Johnson always calls Baruch "Boss"). Another Baruch man, Peek, was running what Wallace left him of the agricultural setup.

It was a complete Baruch picture on its face—but not exactly that underneath.

Debts The administration really has no idea what it is going to do on war debts. Those who handle the policy whisper they will just let the debtors come in and make offers. If they are much like the offers received on the June 15th payments, the discussions will last a long time.

Any agreement must be submitted to congress. It is doubtful whether the administration will throw energetic support to any settlement. It will probably act only as an agent of congress. That means the debt problem will be with us for many months and probably years.

Session This talk about recalling congress in the fall is pure speculation. The republicans started it. They believe the New Deal bills will be so full of holes by then that Mr. Roosevelt will have to call congress back to plug them. The democrats are not saying a thing. They are the ones who will do the calling.

You can bet Mr. Roosevelt will keep congress out of town as long as he can.

Notes One town of 2,000 population wanted to build a \$400,000 waterworks and asked the R. F. C. for self-liquidating funds to do it. . . . The R. F. C. turned it down. . . . The new public works administrators mean it when they say they are going to be hard-boiled. . . . They probably will adopt a rule requiring amortization of projects within 25 years. . . . Mr. Roosevelt's opponents are helping to circulate stories by a well-known inconceivable picturing the president as "King Roosevelt." . . . Louis Howe is called Field Marshal Howe. . . . He is supposed to be in charge of kits. . . . The stories are really very funny and may offer the opposition a new mode of attack. . . . For the present there is little opposition and no attacking.

A Georgia woman who has lived to be over 100 years old says she has never seen an automobile. Probably that explains it.

Telling the Editor

KLAMATH FALLS—(To the Editor)—The following statement of my beer ordinance veto has been sent the police judge:

I am returning herewith within the five days period allowed by the charter, the enrolled copy of an ordinance adopted by the common council on June 26, 1933, unsigned.

My reasons for returning this ordinance without my approving signature are as follows: Upon legalizing the sale of 3.2% by volume of fermented, malt, and vinous liquors by congress the common council of the city of Klamath Falls, and its mayor determined their policy, in reference to the handling and distribution of the sale of such products within the limits of the city of Klamath Falls.

That policy so determined upon is reflected in an ordinance adopted by the common council on the 26th day of June, 1933, commonly known as the beer ordinance.

In all the discussions of the policy of the city in reference to the sale and consumption of 3.2% by volume of fermented and malt and vinous liquors within the city limits it was the unanimous opinion of the common council and the mayor that the sale and service of 3.2% by volume of malt and fermented liquors should not be licensed in pool halls within the city, and the ordinance passed and adopted by the council reflected fully that determination.

The present amending ordinance adding thereto a section to be known and designated as section 144 if approved by the mayor would operate to nullify completely the policies determined upon.

This amendment would permit the sale of beer within pool halls and card rooms without any restriction whatsoever. It would aggravate all the more the problem of congestion of traffic on Main street.

It already has created a condition whereby women and children find it almost impossible to find their way past such places of business.

It is our duty as public officials to legislate in the interest of all the people, and not in the interest of any special group or class.

In my opinion the sale of beer with pool halls or card rooms would be inimical to the best interests of the youth of our city, and detrimental to the welfare of our people as a whole.

I have been my conviction from the very first, and I believe the same conviction was indulged by the majority of the common council of this city, that in drafting our regulations for the handling and disposition of fermented, malt and vinous liquors within the city limits the administration should avoid as far as possible the creating of conditions that would in any way indicate that they would favor a return of the old saloon conditions.

Having, as public officials, exercised our best judgment in the first instance in framing the regulations governing the sale of fermented, malt and vinous liquors, and believing that such regulations merit the continuing support of the common council and the mayor, I am returning this amending ordinance, unsigned and with this, my veto message.

W. E. MAHONEY Mayor of the City of Klamath Falls, Oregon.

KLAMATH FALLS—(To the Editor)—I see by the paper in the issue that one Joseph Fitzgerald has written about outside roofers coming in and taking work away from the local roofers.

I, myself, am a roofer (an outsider, if you wish to call me that, as it has been five years since living here). I used to be a taxpayer, but not now. Perhaps will be a little later. I can truthfully say that no one has ever caught me with my feet coked on the stove waiting for the phone to ring.

Tell me this, Joe, what would Klamath Falls be today if it were not for the outsider coming in here, building his home, and spending his money. This is not only means roofers, but any other craftsman, from the ditch-digger to the banker, so cheer up, old timer. Laugh, and the world laughs with you; cry, and you cry alone.

If you see an outsider working, just say more power to you, old top; you are a better man than I am. I tried for that job and lost. For, after all is said and done, competition is the spice of life.

Get your feet off the stove and hustle; there is lots of work here for you and me. If you will only get out and look for it. But if you do get a job, turn out good work, same as I, for one good job calls for another.

RALPH BENNETT.

Some People Say

I will continue to sing until nobody will listen, and then go out into the desert and yodel.—Mme Ernestine Schumann-Heink, on her 72nd birthday.

Homeless young men roving about the country are becoming a menace to legitimate hobbies; they don't live up to the rules and regulations of the road.—Morris Lazarowitz, self-styled "King of the Hoboes."

One of the chief reasons for better health among women is the change in women's styles from the tight-fitting wasp waists to sensible loose-fitting clothes.—Dr. W. W. Bauer, director of the American Medical Association.

It is significant that since the depression began one out of every six banks has failed, one out of every 45 hospitals has closed, one out of every 22 business and industrial concerns has become bankrupt, but only one out of every 2,344 churches has closed its doors.—Dr. George Jan Kieffer, in the Christian Herald.

In 1894 the Bible had been translated into 72 languages; today it has been translated into 935.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD



Earlier Days

From Files of The Klamath Republican, June, 1909. The belief is gradually gaining ground that the school board was mistaken in its construction of the law relative to the holding of a special election for the selection of a school site.

It is not likely that the site designated in the last election will be chosen because of the enormous cost connected therewith. The offer of free sites by the Buena Vista company and C. S. and R. S. Moore has caused the board seriously to consider the proposition of placing the new building on one of these sites, or, as some have suggested on each of the sites in order to have an extra school available when it will be needed in the not very distant future.

Mrs. Helen D. Harford, national organizer for the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, closed a week of temperance meetings held in various churches of the city with an L. T. L. rally in the courthouse park on Friday afternoon.

Ladies of the W. C. T. U. served ice cream and cake, children marched, sang and gave their rally cries. The yell "Oregon dry in 1910" attracted the attention of people passing on the street more than anything else.

"Oregon! Oregon! My, my, my! Oregon! Oregon! Dry, dry, dry! Oregon! Oregon! When, when, when? Oregon dry in 1910!"

Fifty Foresters Taken To Medford

Fifty of the final quota civilian conservation camp workers were taken to Medford Wednesday morning, and will be distributed to camps from the district headquarters.

Twelve of the men will be taken to Lake O' the Woods and 12 more to the Elk Creek camp in Jackson county. The remainder of those taken over will be distributed to other camps not definitely known here.

The remainder of the final call list will be taken to other camps in Klamath county Thursday morning.

University of Chicago graduate says an editorial set a world record by skipping the rope 29,610 times, which leads one to suspect that he got his training by skipping classes.

Maori warriors tattoo their faces to mask any expression of fear.

Editorials on News

(Continued From Page One) over the country? Heaven forbid! We have evils enough as it is without adding widespread drunkenness to the list.

Excessive drinking never did anything but harm, and it NEVER WILL.

IT SEEMS to be apparent on the face of what has happened already, that the sale of hard liquors will be legalized in the not distant future, just as sale of beer has been legalized.

All sensible, tolerant people must join in hoping that when that time comes we may be fortunate enough to avoid a lot of the crying evils that accompanied the sale of hard liquor in the old days.

Some understanding of the importance of temperance, as a personal habit, will help in that direction.

WHEAT passes the dollar mark on Chicago board of trade! If anyone had suggested a few months ago that such a thing would happen, he would have been laughed out of countenance, and might have been examined as to his sanity.

Yet that is what HAS happened, as you know. If you read the papers.

MARK this: It WASN'T inflation that sent wheat past the dollar mark, although, of course, inflation had something to do with it. But only indirectly.

Directly, it was supply and demand that sent the price of wheat up so spectacularly.

THIS dispatch went out from Chicago on Tuesday: "Millions of acres of grain shriveled under a scorching sun as a series of June heat waves assumed the proportions of a national catastrophe."

"Traders awakened suddenly to the fact that upwards of 200,000,000 acres of grain was burning in the fields."

MORE heat, less grain. Less grain, smaller supply in proportion to demand. More buyers and fewer sellers.

With more buyers and fewer sellers, the price goes up.

INFLATION, what little of it we have had, is a stimulant. But remember that it is only a stimulant—nothing more. Prices that rise as a result of inflation rise from an artificial cause, whereas prices that rise in response to changed conditions of supply and demand are rising from natural causes.

LUMBER prospects improve, and immediately an increase in lumber wages is announced. Remember, it is only PROSPECTS that have improved so far. Present prices and demand do not justify the increased wages that have been announced.

But the lumber industry believes that PROSPECTS justify the increase, and so raises wages at once.

THAT is an encouraging symptom. It indicates that one great industry, at least, has accepted the principle of increasing wages as soon as prospects of better business appear.

Returning explorer says cannibals don't relish white men because smoking makes them taste strong. That's one sales appeal that the cigaret advertisers seem to have overlooked.

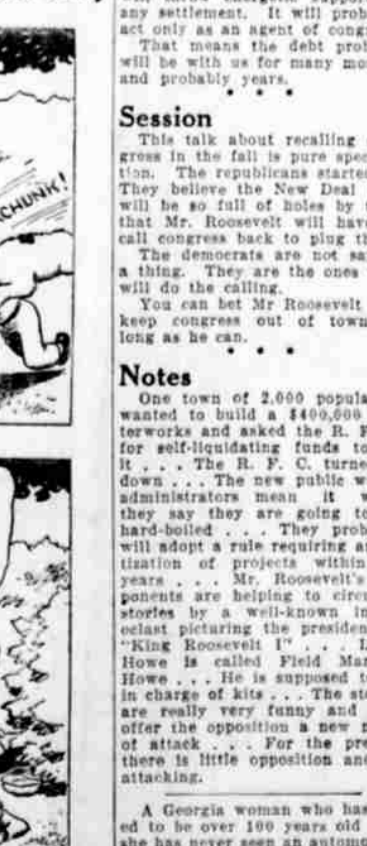
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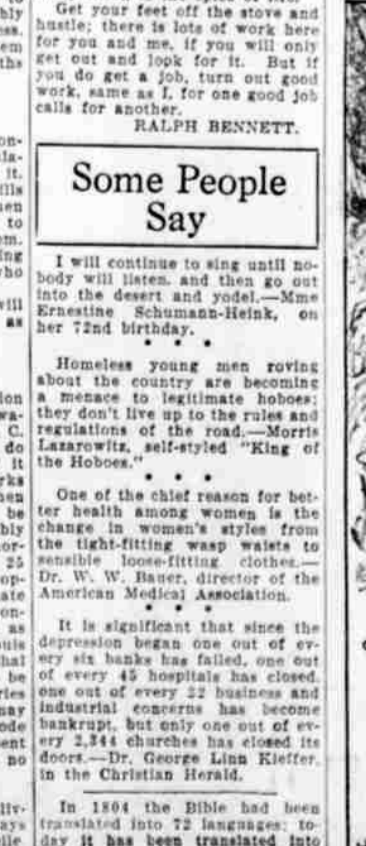
By Harold Gray



Hurrah—The Market Is Up!



Some People Say



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