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### The Snake Takes His Toll



### Traffic Problems

WITH a state convention underway here and travel generally showing the effects of the spring upturn, traffic problems of the next few days are going to be more serious than usual. There will be an unusually heavy volume of pedestrian traffic, while vehicle traffic in the downtown area in busy periods seems each weekend to be setting a new record.

All of this places a burden of unusual responsibility upon local motorists and the city police department. Only through patience and courtesy can orderliness be maintained, and the need for traffic direction by the authorities may require some special measures.

There is need for avoidance of the congested areas by motorists who do not have to go there. We have observed over a period of years that people seem determined to drive into jammed Main street intersections, even though they could nicely go around them. Why not, on this weekend, experiment with the possibility of keeping the family car off the main stem, and walking there to do business?

It is possible that much good could be accomplished by placing policemen in the centers of the busiest intersections in rush periods, to direct traffic in lieu of stop and go signals. We know that the police department has none too many men for regular assignments, but the traffic situation has become a problem that demands special attention at certain periods and no other directional method presents itself now.

### Welcome, CE

TIPIFYING Christian Endeavor is the youthful enthusiasm that has successfully undertaken the big rock insignia project on the hill east of town in greeting to the hundreds of young people expected this weekend for the state CE convention.

A state CE convention is quite an undertaking. It requires careful advance organization and months of preparation. It necessitates recruiting widespread community cooperation in housing and entertaining the delegates. All of this has been efficiently done, and now the time has arrived for the convention itself. We are sure it will prove to be all our Christian Endeavorers have been hoping it will be—a period of constructive work in behalf of the Christian faith and of wholesome entertainment.

We believe Klamath people will like the eager young people who will be here for the convention, many of them to stay in local homes. And all signs point to glorious spring weather for the convention period, and warm hospitality on the part of Klamath people.

Convention visitors, we hope, will have time to see the interesting sights hereabouts, such as Crater Lake and the Lava Beds, and they carry home with them as convention closes a favorable impression of the Klamath country and its people.

### All Quiet Along the Seine?

WE can only guess at what goes on in the countries which lie beneath the German yoke; we are not allowed to find out the whole truth. Little scraps of information must be pieced together to form the best picture we can draw.

Here is such a scrap: From Vichy comes word that Paris police have issued warrants against 6200 house owners, business men, and janitors because the walls of their buildings have been placarded with anti-German and pro-French slogans and propaganda.

First, note the severity of the measures. If you have anything to do with control of a house, you are held responsible for what somebody comes and paints on it in the night. Second, 6200 houses is a lot of houses. Somebody, a lot of somebodies, must still be active in Paris for the cause of Free France.

### Marmaduke, Unhappy Octopus, Fails to Survive Frozen Sleep

SEATTLE, April 24 (AP) — Marmaduke, the Waterfront Aquarium's prize octopus, has passed on.

Innocently a victim of a frozen sleep treatment, his remains have been consigned to Puget Sound. Ivar Haglund, aquarium proprietor, explains it this way: Marmaduke was pinning away several months ago nearly dead, the unlucky one in one of those triangles with two other octopi. Haglund and his waterfront friends decided there was a "bare chance" frozen sleep might revive him. He was frozen in a 500-pound block of ice.

As a last-minute thought, a hose was inserted to see that Marmaduke got some air. A tentacle was left hanging out "so we could give him a hand-shake of sympathy occasionally to show he wasn't forgotten."

"That was my idea," Haglund asserted.

Last weekend Marmaduke and his frozen couch got in the way and the fisheries people thought he should be revived by now, any way, so they hauled him down to the aquarium and left him on Ivar's doorstep. Hundreds of people came to see him.

"The hot sun of the past couple of days melted the ice," Hag-

lund went on. "I had hopes the real Marmaduke would appear in all his former beauty and vigor. But we must have over-estimated the time needed for frozen sleep."

"We returned him to Puget Sound with simple wet impressive ceremonies. All that's left is a poignant memory."

### Five Volunteers Leave Wednesday For Army Service

Five men, all volunteers, left Klamath Falls Wednesday night for induction into the U. S. Army at Portland. All were sent to fill Call 7 under the Selective Service act.

Following are the men from Board 1:

Raymond G. O'Rourke, 1756 Fargo street; George B. Hanson, 833 Walnut street.

Board 2 men:

Robert P. Martin Fort Klamath; John E. Williams, Klamath Falls; Edwin D. Fox, 521 Oak street, Klamath Falls.

All we hope is that the German troops in North Africa get a good kick in the panzers one of these days.

### Telling The Editor

Letters printed here 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.

### SOMETHING WRONG

CHILQUIN, Ore. (To the Editor) — That something is wrong with our world is clear to everybody. Our great and wonderful civilization—the greatest and most wonderful that has ever been—is afflicted with frightened, apparently incurable maladies.

We used to talk of progress; who talks of it now? We used to predict a golden age; but who predicts it now?

Ask certain high authorities what the reason is for this strange decline and weakness and they will tell you that the cause lies in nationalism. The nations are angry. Each seeks to overawe and bully the others.

Dictators who have arisen to power by promising their people impossible victories and achievements fan the flame of hatred. We live in an era of ill will. Armies and navies are larger than ever before and will be even larger by the time 1943 has rolled to its restless close.

A strange expectancy prevails—an expectancy of the second world war. How the nations will be aligned, what part submarine and aerial warfare will play, to what extent gas will be effective against civilian populations, and who will come out victor from the carnage, few profess to know.

Yet if we ask others, they will tell us it is not nationalism which is wrecking our world, but the economic crisis; for bitter as is the hatred between the great nations of the earth today, it is equaled by the bitterness between classes. We have the poor and the rich. There is no harmony between them and their outlooks are as different as their backgrounds. Capital denounces labor as radical and destructive, and labor denounces capital as intolerant and oppressive. Scanning the columns of the papers we sometimes think that there may be something of truth and of justice in each charge. But, regardless of that, the hates and have-nots are locked in a great struggle. Socialism and communism are becoming wide-spread, and so, at the other end of the scale, is fascism.

Men have lost sight of the distinction between right and wrong. The home—how little it means today! Immorality abounds, and only goodness is scorned, and because home and the family are disregarded and men and women everywhere seek only their own pleasure and their own lust, our world is plunging downward. Yet there is an even deeper significance—the strange events in the world around us, the rising tide of armaments, the death struggle in our social order, the waning influence of morality and the oncoming flood of vice and crime in our towns and cities, small and large.

It was not always thus. There was a time when it seemed as though humanity was treading a broad path that led onward and upward. Civilization had produced its fairest fruits. Science and invention were making our world safer and more agreeable

for all who were in it. Education and sociology were laboring to destroy ignorance and eradicate unfair economic distinctions. And that was very long ago. In the period immediately following the World War it seemed as though progress to higher levels was inevitable.

But the glory faded. Our world sank back into the comfortable mire of selfishness. There are men and women trying to gain an easy living in the life of crime. They do not hesitate to shoot down our police officers in cold blood to gain their point.

I sometimes wonder if human wisdom has failed and we may be drifting into the Dark Ages of the 15th century.

H. HINMAN MARSH,  
Box 11, Chilquin, Ore.

### CANAL DANGER

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore. (To the Editor) — The recent narrow escapes of two youngsters by drowning in the canal only shows the need for it to be fenced in, through town at least. Is there any reason why this hasn't been done by the government, or has this question ever been discussed?

We live fairly close, and it is a source of constant worry to me, as well as I know, to many other mothers. Children just will venture near it despite warnings. Why, I don't know, except perhaps, because they have been told not to.

I would like to hear others on this as well as an editorial from you.

MRS. C. A. LARSON,  
624 Mitchell Street, City

Editor's Note: Both fencing and covering the canal through the city have been frequently discussed through the years. Covering was given up as impractical, but fencing still remains as a possible solution to the safety problem.

### TOWNSEND NEWS

LAKEVIEW, Ore. (To the Editor) — Lakeview Townsend club meeting place has been changed from the Women's clubhouse in Bullard canyon to Araner hall, where the first meeting will be held on May 1.

We will have a basket social and invite old and young to unite with us in promoting the only definite economic salvation proposed for both, since \$200 a month as a maximum any aged person over 60 years could receive and must circulate monthly from proceeds of 2 per cent gross income tax.

Oregon's last legislature refused to memorialize congress for its enactment into law. But did pass and act to pay poor old circuit judges who had served 17 years at \$8000 per year, \$200 per month, as well as those becoming incapacitated after six years. Too bad the governor vetoed it.

California legislature raised pensions for aged and blind which would effect 18,000 aged and maimed \$15.00 per month. Federal social security board definitely informed California the act must be stricter from records and conform to federal laws.

Some 450,000 Indianans demanded boost in retirement compensation. Legislature raised pensions to \$40.00 per month, federal social security board notified Indians they would with-

draw eight million a year unless the act was rescinded also.  
Lakeview Townsend Club.

### Klamath Sends 411 To Ashland Festival

Klamath Falls is well represented at the annual Southern Oregon music festival under way Thursday in Ashland. More than 1300 grade school students from Jackson, Josephine and Klamath counties took part in competitions during the day. Ten teachers with 411 students made the trip from Klamath. Physical education and music supervisors also attended.

### HE AIMS TO PLEASE

CHICAGO, (AP) — Service is John Servas' middle name. Manager of a house and garden exposition, he got up at 7 a. m. to show a Texas woman through the exposition because she had to board a plane and couldn't make the usual 1 p. m. opening time.

### Christian Science

"Doctrine of Atonement" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ Scientist on Sunday, April 20.

The Golden Text was, "All things are of God who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation" (II Cor. 5:18).

Among the citations which comprised the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible: "Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah. And they shall teach no more every man his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord; for they shall all know me, from the least of them, saith the Lord, for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more." (Jer. 31:34).

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: "Every pang of repentance and suffering, every effort for reform, every good thought and deed, will help us to understand Jesus' atonement for sin and aid its efficacy; but if the sinner continues to pray and repent, sin and be sorry, he has little part in the atonement,—in the atonement with God,—for he lacks the practical repentance which reforms the heart and enables man to do the will of wisdom." (p. 19).

Young Englishmen once wore handkerchiefs, edged with gold, in their hats as gifts from young women.

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## NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, April 23 — Battered doors could not conceal the shock of house ways and means committee members at the secretly submitted new treasury tax program. Chairman Doughton actually stamped up and down the floor talking to himself while the Morgenthau aides were telling congress what rates to impose on whom. Other members of the committee were similarly upset and worried.

Only a few days before, they (including republicans) had all promised to restrain their personal viewpoints for amicable cooperation to raise \$3,500,000, 000 more by a general one-third increase in taxes.

What floored them was the failure of Mr. Morgenthau's new dealers to stick to the general figure. The one-third increase turned out to be a sevenfold increase in one instance at least. (A committeeman worked out one rate, claiming it would increase certain income taxpayers from \$11 to \$77). One hundred per cent increases in excise taxes were frequent, including the tax on automobiles. A 66 per cent increase on gasoline was suggested.

There was even some suggestion of more reforming. A crack-down on banks and insurance companies, to make them pay taxes on their tax exempt bonds, seemed to be offered in a complicated way that all committeemen could not fully understand at first hearing.

Mr. Doughton's official excuse for barring the doors was that he did not want to stir up and frighten the taxpayers because the treasury program was only tentative.

Fact is Doughton had in his sleeve another plan devised by the non-partisan experts of the joint congressional committee on taxation. These experts have been working with Mr. Morgenthau's new dealers, apparently seeking an agreement on a program both could support. When agreement was found impossible, the alternatives had to be presented to the committee.

But the democrats under Mr. Doughton's wise leadership voted to keep the doors closed apparently in hopes the treasury new dealers would see their mistakes and revise their plan before presenting it in public.

### OFFENDER

First serious offender against

## SIDE GLANCES



"If we are down to the money you keep in your shoe, maybe we should cut our trip short and go home."

Leon Henderson's new edict barring further increase in prices is the treasury department. Mr. Morgenthau's proposed hikes up to 100 per cent in excise taxes will increase the cost of gasoline, cigarettes, liquor, automobiles and many other daily consumed products. But Mr. Morgenthau is not likely to be indicted by the defense commission or even receive a letter from Mr. Henderson. The new deal economists explain it this way:

The increased taxes are on what the government calls luxury goods. The government itself is, therefore, only the worst price increasing offender, in lines upon which the economists want to hold down consumption in war-defensive times.

The moderate one-third increase in corporation taxes should not increase prices (this is still the new deal economists talking) because the corporations will merely pay the increase out of net earnings, as they are paying the recent union wage increases. It is officially doubted that profits of corporations will be decreased by the tax increase because of expanded operations.

These taxes are not the end. The treasury economists devised them as expedients for the interim period until the country reaches full production and employment. At that time, they say, it will become economically necessary to levy taxes at the source of income or impose a system of forced savings. This will be done not only to finance the war but to keep the increased national income out of the buying market in which it would compete with government defense buying.

The talk runs toward figures of 10 to 20 per cent as a tax on payrolls or a payroll seizure in forced savings. It will probably be necessary next winter if the world situation runs along as at present.

Under no conditions will a sales tax be countenanced. The only word Mr. Roosevelt passed to the congressional tax makers was that he did not want the new money raised by that means. The administration considers a sales tax (except on luxuries like cigarettes and gasoline) inequitable, although it would accomplish with one stroke their two purposes, first to restrain buying, and also to raise money.

The bullfinch, an European bird, is a member of the family to which the English sparrow belongs.

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