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## ONCE MORE REGARDING MARSHALS

"There is nothing for two marshals to do," is an argument that was heard considerably ever since the matter of laying off one of them was discussed.

Indeed, it must be admitted that the town got along very nicely for more than a month with only one man on the job. Nobody disturbed the peace at unseasonable hours, nobody was held up on the streets, no safe-cracker invaded our precincts with a supply of "soup." Business was dull in the law-breaking line, and one marshal attended to all of it.

Sunday night, however, there was a demonstration of the need for more adequate police protection, as there was bound to be sooner or later.

One marshal, however efficient, cannot serve 24 hours a day. Theoretically, under the present arrangement, he is supposed to rest during the day and be on duty at night. In practice this does not work out, for so many day-time demands are made upon him that in reality we have only a day marshal who puts in extra hours evenings. Crooks of the variety of those who helped themselves to S. P. and S. cash wait till all good citizens, including the day marshal, are in bed.

Plenty for two marshals to do? Yes, if nothing else to act as a warning that somebody is on the job here all the time, and Vernonia is a good place for burglars and stick-up artists to stay away from.

## CONCERNING WAR

Field Marshal Sir William Robertson, no pacifist but a soldier of long experience, declared Saturday at a disarmament meeting in London, "War hurts everybody, benefits only the profiteers, and settles nothing."

The sooner the world comes to realize the truth of the field marshal's assertion, the less will be the danger of a catastrophe even more destructive and disastrous than the last.

The selection of E. E. Wist as president of the newly organized county chamber of commerce is an auspicious beginning for the enterprise. Mr. Wist has achieved conspicuous success in developing a large-scale poultry industry in his community, Scappoose, and his energy and talents applied to all of Columbia county will be of inestimable benefit.

## What Other Editors . . . Think . . .

County Chamber of Commerce  
Right in line with the general modern trend toward group organization of a Columbia County Chamber of Commerce whose primary object seems to be to put Columbia county "on the map" both at home and abroad—in the county itself, in the state and in the whole United States.

The county organization will not come amiss here. We have thousands of acres of land to farm—in a climate that is most excellently suited to crops of the most desirable varieties. It is true that our land will take effort to prepare, and that, too, will prove a benefit to the county. Settlers will not come in and take a thousand acres at a time and sow it to wheat, thus controlling large areas with a scant population. On the contrary one man has his work before him when he starts clearing a small acreage, and the rich soil he has for planting as a result of his labors, plus the climatic conditions, opens before him a wide range of profitable possibilities.

Then there are the acres of "overflow" lands which are yet to be made paying farms and gardens.

Columbia county has in the past (and will probably continue to do so in the distant future) turned its attentions and yearnings toward industrial plants,

lumber mills, paper mills, and wood products generally. More recently, canning and preserving plants have found our sites desirable, and fish canneries have fitted into our industrial landscape nicely.

All these, and other industries will hear of us through the concerted county advertising possible by means of a county chamber. But, even more important from the standpoint of general county-wide prosperity—people who have no wish to start mills or even work in them will hear of Columbia county, its cut-over lands, its dyke-lands, its climate, its rainfall, its scenery, its general desirability as a home site, and that will bring in the small farmers, the great "back-bone" of the nation.

Columbia county, and Oregon in general, from the standpoint of the statistician, must have a

constant inflow of new people if the present population is to be kept at average. One of the jobs of the county chamber is to advertise the county, with the correct appeal to the type of people we want.

—St. Helens Sentinel.

## Taxpayers Must Work

Governor Meier's dramatic leadership is performing a stupendous public service in concentrating public attention on local taxes. The success of his great move for local tax reduction will depend upon two developments:

1.—The amount of hard labor taxpayers are willing to put into helping manage the affairs of each of some 2,700 local taxing units over which, under present law, neither the governor nor any other state department has any managerial jurisdiction.

2.—Constitutional amendments and laws to create the state controls recommended by the governor in his message. Early adoption of these controls will involve a special session of the legislature, a special election, possibly a constitutional convention. Risks attend attempts to make rapid changes in form of government, especially with public opinion emotional as it now is under stress of depression and tax burden. Yet, as the governor so aptly said, if we do not "strike while the iron is hot" the great opportunity may be lost in delays.

## Noise Not Enough

Resolutions demanding that local taxes be reduced 20 per cent by each of the 2,700 taxing units will have some effect. Something like the blowing of horns in the winning of battles. The real fighting, however, must be done in each of the 2,700 districts by taxpayers willing to sacrifice their time and devote their energies to detail work. If taxpayers content themselves with applauding, cheering, passing resolutions, they are likely to get little real relief. Great hopes aroused by the governor's leadership may be sadly disappointed unless those who cheer are willing to engage in trench warfare, where weariness is unrelieved by band music and fortitude is put to the test.

If calling for 20 per cent off will bring a 2 per cent off; the 2 per cent will be welcomed. More than 2 per cent can be shaved off if taxpayers will real-

ly do their share of work. The resolutions and the excitement are necessary, but of themselves accomplish little without being backed up by real work. By work we mean work.

—Oregon Voter.

## Among Our Neighbors . .

Three Columbia county children were killed accidentally last week. Arnold Kynsi, 12, and his sister Verna, 10, children of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Kynsi of Clatskanie, were drowned in Westport slough July 6 while in swimming, and Davis Svoboda, 6, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Svoboda of the Florence Auto park, was struck by an automobile July 8.

Petitions are being circulated in West St. Helens protesting against the proposed discontinuance of Houlton post office.

The home of Van Prichard, janitor of the Rainier high school, was completely destroyed by fire July 5. Nothing was saved from the house.

The Longview Rolleo association had to institute a suit against Harold Hooper, Rolleo champion log roller in 1930, to recover the belt which each champion holds for the succeeding year, so that it could be presented to Bob Craig, Kelso, who won in the 1931 trials.

The Clatskanie city council has granted the West Coast Telephone company a franchise for 25 years. The right is reserved for the people to vote the franchise null and void.

## Old Planks to be Used

Planks taken from the Jewell-Birkenfeld road, now being rocked by Clatsop county, will be placed on the Northrup creek road, according to the court which estimates that by using this plan, a \$5,000 rocking job can be put off for a number of years.

—Clatskanie Chief.

## RAIN SPOILED HAY NOT TOTAL LOSS, SAYS O.S.C.

Although practically all of the hay cut in Oregon previously to the recent rains is now unfit for livestock feed, it is not necessarily a total loss, says C. V. Ruzek, associate soil scientist of the Oregon Experiment station. It can be turned to good account for "food" for the soil.

If this partially rotted hay is stacked or composted and then applied to the soil previous to the next seeding, more organic matter will go back into the soil than if the hay had been saved and fed to livestock, Ruzek says. In addition to the organic matter, hay and other bulky residues contain all of the essential plant nutrients which are ordinarily replaced in the soils by the use of commercial fertilizer.

The commercial fertilizer value of a ton of alfalfa hay, for instance, is about \$8.25 per ton, and

Ruzek figures. A mixture of oats and vetch will run slightly less, but is equal to red clover hay in nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium. In some sections of the state, orchardists are using alfalfa hay and discing it in their orchard soils for its organic matter and fertilizer value.

## OREGON PEARS DELICIOUS BAKED SAYS COLICUE

Oregon grown pears of either the Bosc, D'Anjou or Comice varieties can be baked so as to obtain a delicious, attractive food that may be used as a breakfast fruit, a salad, a meat accompaniment or a dessert, according to a new Oregon Experiment station bulletin 283, "Baking of Pears," plant nutrients which are ordinarily replaced in the soils by the use of commercial fertilizer.

Although as a result of extensive studies on the production and handling of Oregon pears

made under the direction of the experiment station, pears of excellent quality are now available over a comparatively long season in both local and eastern markets, available information for cooking pears, particularly baking them, has been both meager and contradictory. To give the homemaker reliable directions for obtaining the best product with the greatest ease Miss Kolshorn has made a careful investigation to determine factors influencing color, flavor and texture of baked pears. In addition to furnishing the minerals, vitamins and bulk which constitute primary value of most fruits in the diet, pears have been found to compare favorably with such fruits as apples, grapes, lemons and oranges in alkalinity, which aids in maintaining a desirable acid base relation in the diet.

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Vernonia, Oregon

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