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IT'S A GRAND COUNTRY

Last week Malheur county people saw the products of the farm on dress parade at the county fair in Ontario. They saw a fine display exhibited by the Nyssa Improvement Association, Oregon Slope, Bend, Vale and Boulevard granges and the Vale-Owyhee association as well as many farmers.

It was a fine show, with onions as large as melons, apples as red as berries and the best of all crops on every hand. In the exhibits the sunshine of Malheur county was



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on parade, our wonderful soil, our irrigation systems, our farmers whose brawn and brains bring production to such heights. They were all inclosed in the matchless picture. None was more artistic than the booth of Big Bend grange which carried the sunflower motif.

Such exhibits of fine specimens from the fields do much to stimulate the growing of crops and development of our projects. Such enterprises not only encourage other producers to make an effort to better yields and enlarge profits, but they show the people of the towns—and new settlers—what a grand country this really is.

PWA FUTURE

What is the future of the PWA? We believe the public works program has a definite future but it lies with the president and congress to say what it shall be. The president has already indicated that he favors a policy of continuity and advance planning, projects to take up the gap in unemployment when private work lags. It is a way to maintain a more even plane of employment and progress.

We believe the planning of a permanent system of public works is of utmost importance, that federal money can be expended to more advantage along this line than in many others that have taken quite as much in the past.

The public works program devised for the emergency of unemployment into which we found ourselves plunged the last two years, is now in full swing but when first ordered much delay was necessitated for scrutiny of projects and undoubtedly some necessary red tape. The permanent system should be organized in such a manner as will permit it to move quickly into operation. Much has been learned in pioneering.

PWA projects are a form of employment insurance more certain in productive values than other forms of relief.

THE DINOSAUR'S FATE

On a lovely afternoon, a visitor in a city park quietly watched a band of deer and found much to enjoy. These reflections came to him.

The lovely deer is graceful and polite in a natural way not the forced manner we sometimes see at tea parties. They are gentle and from the smallest fawn to the great antlered buck demean themselves with a grave dignity which is delightful. In their eyes, composed and mild, is an idyllic quality and peace which one rarely finds in men.

Every species of animal, to a degree, has these qualities. Observers of the animals in their native forests have brought reports of their admirable cleanliness and simple economy of their lives. I wonder which the Almighty thinks more of—his men or his beasts.

Perhaps the human race is too prone to regard itself as the very flower of animal evolution in this planet. We think of ourselves as something which will go on endlessly and dominant over all. To the selfish and cruel elements in mankind it might be well to point out that man once never existed and that now he is privileged to live but once.

Samuel Butler wrote: "All of the animals, excepting man, know that the principal business of life is to calmly enjoy it." Let us individually bend our efforts to the end that the human race be more humane and rational. Remember the fate of the big dinosaurs.

Laughter is advocated for the Soviet citizenry by Michael Koltzov, one of Russia's outstanding humorists. Well, there is something distinctly collectivist about laughter. Weep, as the old saying goes, and you're a haggard individualist.

EDITORIAL COMMENTS BY CLARK WOOD

Perhaps Herr Hitler is extending an olive branch because he's now out on a limb.

We read that dog-race revenue enables Oregon fairs to continue despite "economic distress." We suppose the distress is shifted to those who bet on the wrong dog.

Road hog brings home the bacon for the doctor, the repair man and the tombstone maker.

It being more blessed to give than to receive, Uncle Sam ought surely to be favored of Providence.

Members of the Byrd party are reported to have caught cold, when we'd suppose that in Little America it came without catching.

Bananas are to be sold in the form of powder. First they threw us down, and now they'll blow us up.

The striker's idea of fair play is that the job he quits is still his, to be held by violence.

When the movie people clean up their films they seem to have a better chance of cleaning up with them.

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speakin about korn, i time i razed 2 hundred bushuls of korn to the aker, but at the sam time i hed a korn on my toe that wuz the biggest aker on my hull gol dern farm.

while at the fare i snuck away frum marthie and tuk in the hoss races. i bet on a nag to win, investin a dollar and when my nag wun i got bak my dollar and 2 cents tew. that wuz awl the bettin i dun, bekuz jist then marthie found me. she hawled me out back of the kow barn and give me hel jist bekuz i wuz sittin betwun don gram and sum grass widdier. i sorter thot i wuz doin a good stunt but you jist kaint understan these wimmen.

a nise lookin nyssa yung woman tuk her kid sister down town i day, and lost her sum whare; when she got hoam and tole her muther, her muther ast her why she didn't speak to a poliseman. the yung woman sez, sez she "that jist what i was doin." an ole art can shure tawk to em.

i am tole thare be a krime kalled big-am which means a man has got i wief tew manlie. but in my kase i hev got

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