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Every state, county and city official or board that handles public money should publish at regular intervals an accounting of it, showing where and how each dollar is spent. This is a fundamental principle of democratic government.

THE world has seen, during the past two years, many strange and scarcely believable things. It is of little use to look at the swirling events of today with the eyes of the past. It is hard enough to comprehend the present.

New alignments are in the making. No matter which side wins the colossal super-war now shaking Europe, can anyone believe that the world which will emerge will be like that of 1919, that of 1929, or even that of 1939? Most certainly it will not. What it will be like, we do not know. We only know it will be vastly different.

Holland's queen rules her colonial empire now from London, and Netherlands corporations are rushing to transfer their main offices to Batavia, Java. Much of the Dutch fleet has already gone there. Are not some of these changes permanent, no matter what the outcome of the war? Do they not suggest other possibilities?

Suppose that establishment of German bombing bases on the channel makes London a besieged city, in danger even of invasion and occupation. Prime Minister Churchill himself has said that once the situation in France is stabilized, the United Kingdom may expect concentrated air attacks from the new Nazi bases only 100 miles distant. Is it not reasonable to suppose that administration of the British Empire might then largely transfer to Canada? George VI is king in Ottawa exactly as he is king in London. Not a legal page would be rattled by a royal decision to govern the empire from Ottawa during the emergency. If the British navy should prove at length to be no match for the Nazi bombers, it might well accompany him, to remain a bulwark of the far-flung empire though no longer effective in protecting the British Isles.

Such a suggestion implies no defeatism. It might well be the best way to win a long-drawn-out war. It might be the best way to face post-war reorganization. Such a change in administration of the empire as a whole would not directly affect the British military effort in Europe. In fact, it might even facilitate it by freeing the government machinery from details of empire administration, leaving the way clear for single-minded military effort.

It is a speculation, but it is the sort of speculation to which we might as well get accustomed.

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and hesitated and hesitated on the fence while you bludgeoned your hard-pressed neighbor to give you half his farm in return for helping him defend it and at the same time propositioned the hands for a 50-50 split of the loot if you helped them.

By every standard of private morality you would be a cad, a sneak, a double-crosser, a person not fit for decent people to associate with.

That is exactly what Mussolini is doing.

BUT don't forget this: You would be judged by standards of private morality. Mussolini

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lini is judged by the standards of EUROPEAN INTERNATIONAL MORALITY.

According to these standards, Mussolini is pure. He is doing only what ANY EUROPEAN NATION would do if in his place. He is playing the game according to the rules.

The British and the French empires have been built in this manner. ALL EMPIRES throughout history have been built in this manner.

It is in this way that the game of empire is played.

YET there are Americans who profess to believe that their country should plunge into the double-dealing, double-crossing, hi-jacking game of world empire!

Make Trip to Coast—Walter Wilson, of this city, spent Sunday at Reedsport, Newport and other coast points.

Enjoy Sunday at Florence—Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Kohlbaum and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Huffman, of this city, spent Sunday at Florence.

Enjoy Day at Coast—Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Gilbert, of this city, enjoyed Sunday at coast points. Mr. Gilbert is manager of the local Woolworth store.

Returns to Coast—Maynard Croxall, of Haddon, has returned home, following the week-end visiting at the Paul Duseau home on West Douglas street.

Back From Eugene—Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Watts have returned to their home in Laurelsburg, following the week-end visiting relatives and friends at Eugene.

Enjoy Orchestra—Jerry Watson and Ralph Ohman, of this city, attended the Benny Goodman orchestra concert at McArthur court in Eugene Saturday evening.

Back From Bandon—Miss Margaret Lange and Miss Lois Brown, local teachers, accompanied by Miss Jeanie Lind Knight, of Marshfield, enjoyed the week-end visiting in Bandon.

Leave For Eugene—Mr. and Mrs. K. K. Kohlbaum, who have been teaching at the Tumble school the last year, have returned to their home in Eugene to spend the summer months.

Arrives For Visit—Mrs. Lillian Takke, teacher at Astoria, has arrived here to visit at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Williams, in Laurelsburg.

Art and Embroidery Club to Meet—The Roseburg Art and Embroidery club will meet the afternoon of June 5th at the home of Mrs. Effie Stahlfield instead of Wednesday of this week, as previously announced.

Spend Day at Coast—Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Judd and their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Chapman, Jr., and small son, Fritz, of this city, enjoyed Sunday at Reedsport and Yachats.

Job's Daughters to Meet—Roseburg Bethel No. 8, of Job's Daughters will hold an important meeting and election of officers to-night, May 28, at 7:30 o'clock at the Masonic temple.

Arrive From California—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Pargeter and family, of Oakland, Calif., have arrived here to visit the former's father, R. E. Pargeter, and with Mrs. Pargeter's relatives at Melrose. Mr. Pargeter is employed by the Oregon-California Fast Freight line.

Will Deliver Address—Dr. Charles A. Edwards, of this city, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon for the Days Creek high school graduating class Sunday evening, June 2nd. Dr. Edwards has completed the high school course. Dr. Edwards will speak on "Lost Horizons."

Visiting Here—Mrs. E. G. Randolph and daughter, Barbara, of Medford, are spending several days here visiting at the Leonard Riley home in Laurelsburg and also visiting Mrs. Randolph's two sisters, Mrs. E. H. Hall and Mrs. J. L. Marsters. They formerly made their home here.

Stop Here—Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McManis and small daughter, of Medford, stopped over here Monday to visit Attorney and Mrs. Daniel Keohane on Overlook, en route home from a trip to Portland, where they visited Mrs. McManis' family. They formerly made their home here.

Daughter Is Born—According to announcements received here by friends, a daughter, Carolyn Elizabeth, weighing seven and a half pounds, was born Thursday, May 23, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Carr, of Medford. Mr. Carr was formerly in the local Copco office before being transferred to the Medford office.

Country Club Ladies to Meet—Instead of meeting Thursday, the ladies of the Country club will meet Wednesday, May 29th, to begin the qualifying rounds of the summer handicap golf tournament with first flighters teeing off at 8:15; second flighters at 9:00 and third flighters at 9:15. Potluck luncheon will be served at 12:30 and the summer contract bridge tournament will be resumed at 1:30.

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SAV, IS THAT GONN' AROUND ER GONN' THROUGH? GINSE YOU CAN'T AFFORD TO LOSE OUT GOT!

Here From Portland—Sherwood Kreftinger, of Portland, spent Monday in this city attending to business.

Enjoy Coast Trip—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mode, of this city, spent Sunday enjoying an outing at coast points.

M. O. A. Club to Meet—The M. O. A. club will meet Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. C. T. Tipton in Oaks addition.

Reported Ill—Miss Cornelia Newland, Douglas National bank employee, is reported to be ill at her home in West Roseburg.

Moves to Roseburg—Mrs. L. P. Rapp, of Oakland, has moved to Roseburg to make her home indefinitely while receiving medical attention.

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