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ONE-SIDED OUTLOOK

By Charles V. Stanton

The current issue of Tax Foundation's monthly bulletin contains a lead article concerning the federal government's farm fund.

According to this article, the federal government paid some \$44 million to 2,422 firms or individual farmers participating in the government's acreage reserve program. The money was paid "for not planting crops" on some 1.6 million acres. Each received \$10,000 or more.

According to the bulletin, a Kansas concern got \$322,000 for not planting wheat, while a neighboring outfit in the same state was paid \$278,187. An Arizona firm received \$209,701 because it didn't grow cotton. Eight firms were paid between \$100,000 and \$200,000 each for participation in the acreage reserve.

But the \$44 million paid out of acreage reserve funds, the bulletin reports, was only a small part of the money doled out by the federal government. It was estimated that more than \$600 million of taxpayer money went to the agricultural industry in the form of subsidies in 1957. It is estimated in the bulletin that around \$700 million will be needed for the present year.

Big Companies Paid

Information in the bulletin indicates that a great portion of the money paid for benefits is going to big companies. These companies, according to other reports, were formed all too often only for the purpose of making profit from federal policies.

Secretary Benson of the Department of Agriculture has been urging a reduction in government aid. He has been roundly assailed because he wants to put agriculture back on a free and competitive basis.

The Democratic Party has made itself strong by a coalition between the labor and the farm vote. It has thus brought together two widely divergent forces with large numbers of voters concerned. The party has maintained the favor of these two groups by giving each preferential treatment.

The Democratic Party has been most kind to organized labor. As a result organized labor has been using its influence for the Democratic Party and Democratic candidates. The Republican Party meekly surrendered the labor vote and has failed utterly, in my opinion, to give protection to its members within the labor ranks.

At the same time, the Democratic Party has advocated more and more money for farmers. It has roundly attacked the Benson theory. It has promised all kinds of price supports. It pays farmers for not growing crops, and spends freely from tax dollars to support agriculture, and particularly the big concerns which can make liberal contributions to the party campaign chest.

All Should Benefit

There has been much publicity lately showing that while all people must pay for farm subsidies, only a few people benefit. The Tax Foundation bulletin says that the \$44 million paid out for acreage reserve is equivalent to the federal income taxes taken from more than 130,000 wage earners with incomes of \$4,500 per year.

The money paid out for acreage reserve is only a little less than the federal money originally appropriated for yearly use in construction of the federal road program. The \$50 million first set aside for roads now isn't enough for the contemplated mileage because wages and materials have increased in price.

But if the \$44 million could be transferred from the acreage reserve fund and put into the building of new and better highways all over the nation, everyone would benefit. Better roads would help the farmer, both big and little, as well as the average individual who must pay the taxes.

If the Republicans will stress this fact during the next two years: if they will make sure that people see the situation in its true light, it is my opinion that Democratic efforts to help its friends by preferential treatment during the next two years will put the 1960 elections in much less of a one-sided light than at present.

IN THE DAY'S NEWS

By FRANK JENKINS

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 that the Far West has been American.
 And it hasn't hurt anybody yet.

There is Redding, for example. It started out as a mining gold camp, a source of supply for the miners all around it. It was only a hop, a skip and a jump from Old Shasta, and Old Shasta was one of the Big Camps. It's now a ghost town—a REAL ghost town, where the tourists come to look nostalgically at the deserted old buildings and to dream of the days of old, the days of gold.

The change in Redding since then has been startling. Redding is now a modern, bustling, growing town where industry is EVERYTHING and gold is nothing.

There have been other changes

1-Year Contract With Rose City Transit OK'd

PORTLAND (AP)—A one-year contract with the Rose City Transit Co. was approved here this week by the Streetcarmen's Union.

The company had said earlier that unless what it called a favorable contract agreement was reached, bus service in the city might end by Jan. 1.

Mel Lienhard, union business representative, said the new contract provides raises of 6 cents an hour for employees in transportation departments, 10 cents for mechanics, and 2 cents for mechanics' helpers. About 600 workers are affected.

in these parts. Portland, for example. When U.S. Reclamation came along and provided the irrigation along with water an orange boom followed. It was held then that the sweetest and tastiest and altogether most delicious oranges in all of California would be grown in the NORTH. Orange groves were put out in every direction. Oregon thought of itself as the orange center of all of California's north.

It didn't seem to work out that way. The frost came oftener than it was expected to come. The orange crops weren't as dependable as it had been expected they would be. So, in the natural course of events, orange growing began to fall into disfavor, and the orange area began to turn to cattle—DAIRY cattle. Now it is one of the richest dairy regions in the entire Sacramento Valley. Some of the orange groves remain, but most of them are gone. In their place are fields of alfalfa and irrigated pastures, and wherever you look there are dairy cows.

U. S. Nationalist China Sign Papers For Dam Loan

WASHINGTON (AP)—The United States and Nationalist China have signed final papers for a previously announced U.S. loan of 21½ million dollars for a dam on Formosa.

The loan is repayable in Chinese currency over 25 years at 3½ percent. Previously the United States had made an outright grant of eight million dollars for the dam.

The dam, now under construction, will produce power, as well as provide flood control and added water supply.

SCHOOL LUNCH FUNDS

SALEM (AP)—Oregon's schools bought \$3,350,000 worth of food last year, and got \$865,700 worth of federal surplus foods for nothing.

The state Department of Education reported the lunch program serves 120,000 children in 730 public and private schools in the state.

—Hal Boyle—

NEW YORK — Married people rarely argue about which year they were together they were the happiest. But they will fight like tigers about which year of matrimony was the worst.

This is a favorite subject of battle-scarred survivors of matrimony. Each member of the family corporation remembers a favorite year in which he—or she—feels that the other partner let him—or her—down.

Each remembers a Gettysburg of marriage, the hinge of supreme effort, the committal, the poised indecision, and Gen. Longstreet, the friend of the family, arriving late.

The main guns of marriage are fired early. The artillery bombardment is at the first. Then the slow and steady infantry of love and responsibility and duty moves in and holds the ground, high and low.

I can well recall when my wife Frances and I were discussing the difficulties of marriage with a bunch of young fellow veterans, and we all had pretty well agreed that the seventh or eighth month was the most terrible period of mutual adjustment.

"Elderly Lady" Speaks
 "Then I reared the head of an elderly lady of about 30. 'You kids don't know what you are talking about. My husband and I have been married five years. And I'll tell you what's the worst. It's the sixth year!' she said.

Well, naturally this was a shocker to us comparative newbies. But this was an honest girl, and all she meant to say was that the next year of a marriage can always hold a more golden worst than any you have ever known before.

It is so true. I was thinking of this only the

—James Marlow—

Associated Press News Analyst
 WASHINGTON (AP)—When some men stumble on the stairs to fame, fortune or influence, they bow out quietly, convinced they've had it. Not Harold Stassen. He just changes to a new pair of climbing shoes.

He did it again Wednesday when—with his influence in the Republican party apparently at an all-time low—he came out of political oblivion to talk with President Eisenhower at the White House.

This gave him a chance to use the White House as a sounding board. After leaving Eisenhower, he told newsmen his views on Republican presidential candidates in 1960.

What's he looking for: the presidential nomination himself? Probably not. He looks washed up in that department. He made three tries for the Republican nomination between 1944 and 1952.

His four choices were: Nelson Rockefeller, recently elected governor of New York; Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., Ambassador to the United Nations; Secretary of the Treasury Robert B. Anderson; and Secretary of the Interior Fred Seaton.

His omission of Nixon as the man for the White House was so obvious newsmen asked him if he was going to try to "dump" Nixon all over again. He said: "I don't think it should be expressed in those terms."

But before Stassen can dump anybody he has to show he has more power in the Republican party than he's been able to display in recent years.

He even lost influence in the Eisenhower administration. After running the foreign aid program, Stassen became Eisenhower's special adviser on disarmament, working directly under the President in the White House.

But he ran afoul of Secretary of State Dulles. They didn't see eye to eye on foreign policy. Dulles won. Eisenhower shifted Stassen, putting him under Dulles, which meant under the thumb.

Early this year Stassen quit to seek the Pennsylvania governorship, lost out there, and nationally had become only a political memory.

2 Oregon Counties Decline Part In Big Centennial

PORTLAND (AP)—Two Oregon counties have declined to participate in Oregon's centennial celebration next year and Multnomah County still lacks a chairman for its centennial committee.

The centennial Commission got the reports this week that Malheur and Grant counties have turned down exposition space. Moreover, several other counties are undecided.

When the commission was told that not only had Multnomah County failed to find a chairman but seemed unlikely to do so shortly, it directed its coordinator, Ted Hallock, to take another staff member and serve as Multnomah County aides for three weeks. If a chairman isn't located by then, a steering committee will take over, commission members said.

Hallock said Mayor Terry Schunk and County Commissioner Jack Bain told him they had approached four civic leaders in their quest for a Multnomah County chairman and had been turned down by each.

Edwin Cone Selected As New Mayor Of Eugene

EUGENE (AP)—Edwin E. Cone, 41, was selected by the City Council here this week as Eugene's new mayor.

Cone, former city councilman and veteran of two terms at the state Legislature, won five of the eight council votes. Two other candidates were also considered. He will serve out the remaining two years and two months of the term to which John J. McGinty was elected. The council removed McGinty from office two weeks ago because of his prolonged absence from the city.

Reader Opinions

Dog Measure Very Clear, Says Dillard Resident

I just finished reading Saturday's News Review. I'm a little behind, but I like to do my reading when I have plenty of time to sit down, relax and understand what I am reading. This might be good advice for the people who wrote in to say they didn't understand the wording of the "dog control measure" on the recent ballot. I certainly hope they studied the rest of the ballot more carefully. I, and the persons with whom I have discussed this issue, thought it was quite plain: either you wanted dogs running loose (YES), or you did not want them running loose (NO). What could be simpler than that?

I have a dog; as healthy and happy as any other dog, but I would never depend upon her, or any other beast, as a baby-sitter or guardian for my children, which I infer from one reader's letter is a duty of the family dog. I'll keep that job for myself.

Somebody was riding hard for Eagle Pass on the television screen. And Tracy mumbled that 64 and 64 make 128 and fell asleep. Then Eartha went home and the room was loud with silence. I listened to arthritis, and knew I would be it again by myself. I felt the penalty all things feel who feel alone.

Well, then, in bounced my wife and the Whiteheads, still rich with the magic that only the theater confers, and they cooked hamburgers and fed them into the morning and talked of old times and new times.

After so long a time I suddenly realized what the girl who had been married five years really meant when she said the sixth year was the worst.

The first year of any marriage is the one you haven't yet shared.

My other complaint against dogs is that they are a nuisance. They gather in packs at night and "make the rounds," barking, growling, fighting and destroying. They continually break down my neighbor's fence and kill his chickens. I believe dogs belong to the same "family" as wolves, and if allowed to run loose at night, they seem to resort to the ways of their "kin."

In my opinion, a compromise with dog owners would be to train their dogs to use an out-of-the-way corner of their owner's yard as a "rest area," and to keep them muzzled at night.

Mrs. F. Volkman Dillard, Oregon

Bumper Strips Lose Value After Elections

Bumper strips seem to have become a part of election campaigns. But after election they have served their purpose, and should be removed.

It might be permissible to leave a favorite candidate's name on a bumper a few days, provided he was successful, just for the sake of boasting. But if a favorite lost, he probably would much prefer that it be removed immediately after election day.

One can drive all over town and find cars plastered with from one to four or five strips, and we even noted one the other day with Dan Dillard's strip, a hangover from more than two years. And Dan didn't even run this year.

Win or lose, let's get them off our bumpers and the bill boards, fence posts and tree stumps.

Glen Wellman
 1086 NE Walnut St.,
 Roseburg, Ore.

Women Have Night To Play Volleyball

Lady readers should know that we have a night to play volleyball together. The YMCA is our sponsor at Central Junior high every Tuesday at 8 p.m.

Women who have been playing lately have been receiving lots of exercise and fun. So why not come out and join us?

You don't have to be an all-American player to play with this group either!

June Thompson
 3017 W. Filbert
 Roseburg, Ore.

Neuberger's Wife Says Anti-Billboards Issue

PORTLAND (AP)—The wife of Sen. Richard L. Neuberger (D-Ore.) said this week billboard control legislation will be among the top issues at the next Oregon Legislature.

It is wrong to litter the national highway systems, Mrs. Neuberger told a Women's Overseas Service League meeting.

"Oregon's natural beauty is unparalleled, and it would indeed be a shame to permit destruction of our scenery in Oregon's centennial year when thousands of visitors from throughout the world are expected to visit our state," she said.

"The battle to control billboards and roadside advertising along our federal interstate highway system is far from over, and the Oregon and other state legislatures must adopt effective controls to implement federal legislation."

RETURNS FROM TOUR

WARSAW (AP)—Wladyslaw Gomułka, Poland's Communist chief, returned from a "friendship tour" of the Soviet Union today.

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