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Maybe Support Program Is Dying

The surprising result of the nationwide wheat referendum Tuesday may have implications of real significance.

The vote on the 1964 wheat program is described as "surprising" not only because it was expected that the program would be approved, as it has been in previous referendums, but more because of the nature of the results.

Only six states — none of them considered major wheat producers — approved the program. While Kansas, North Dakota, Minnesota and Texas, for example, found farmers either rejecting the proposal by more than 50 per cent or failing to gain the two-thirds majority for approval.

The political aspects of the vote and resulting actions of congress aren't clear in the immediate wake of the major farm policy defeat suffered by the administration. President Kennedy had personally supported the program and this newspaper had endorsed it — not because of favoring any type of controlled economy — but because of a promise to reduce the staggering wheat surplus.

Congressional Democrats, in commenting on the election, were nearly unanimous in predicting no new wheat legislation but many leading Republicans were of the opinion that the administration would make sure wheat prices weren't on the skids before the 1964 elections.

Whether wheat prices will slide to \$1.00 per bushel in 1964 or not is highly speculative now. Opponents of the wheat program have maintained for years that non-supported farm commodities have fared reasonably well in the past couple of decades and wheat will do the same when farmers have the freedom to plant as much wheat as they please.

The significance of Tuesday's election can be found in the fact that a substantial segment of the nation's agricultural community has, apparently, arrived at the point where they are determined to reject government control — even if it means a substantial pinch in the pocket-book.

There is speculation today that farmers have determined to throw off the shackles of government control and red tape, believing either that the so-called security of the programs isn't worth their sacrifice of freedom to operate their business as they wish or that they can do as well without "protection" from Washington.

Possibly a majority of farmers have decided that a controlled farm economy has had its chance and hasn't produced as expected — that the whole price-fixing, production-controlling business should be allocated to the junk heap. Could be.

Hire Him, Mr. Caplin

Joe Saunders, 29-year-old Peace Corpsman stationed in Tunisia, is a fellow of the Internal Revenue Service should latch on to, quick, when he returns to the United States. As a writer, to re-do the foggy phraseology of the simplified (?) income tax forms.

Joe found himself in Tunisia with the required W-2 income statements from a former employer and from the Peace Corps. Missing: Income tax forms. Joe solved the dilemma and slashed yards of red tape by making his own form, with three entries:

Russian See, Russian Do

News pictures of Cuba's Fidel Castro parading through chilly Moscow stir many thoughts.

It must have been a comfort to Fidel to ride in a car for which spare parts and tires with tread could be had. On his somewhat tattered island, the predominantly American vehicles are in generally sad shape.

One wonders if The Beard bothered to notice how close a copy of the modern U.S. car was his shiny Russian convey-

"I GOT" (listing his 1962 earnings). "YOU GOT" (listing taxes withheld). "I SHOULD GET" (with an arrow pointing to the return he felt due him).

Other basic information was complete. And the final fillip was a "Thank you" at the end of his "African short form 1040."

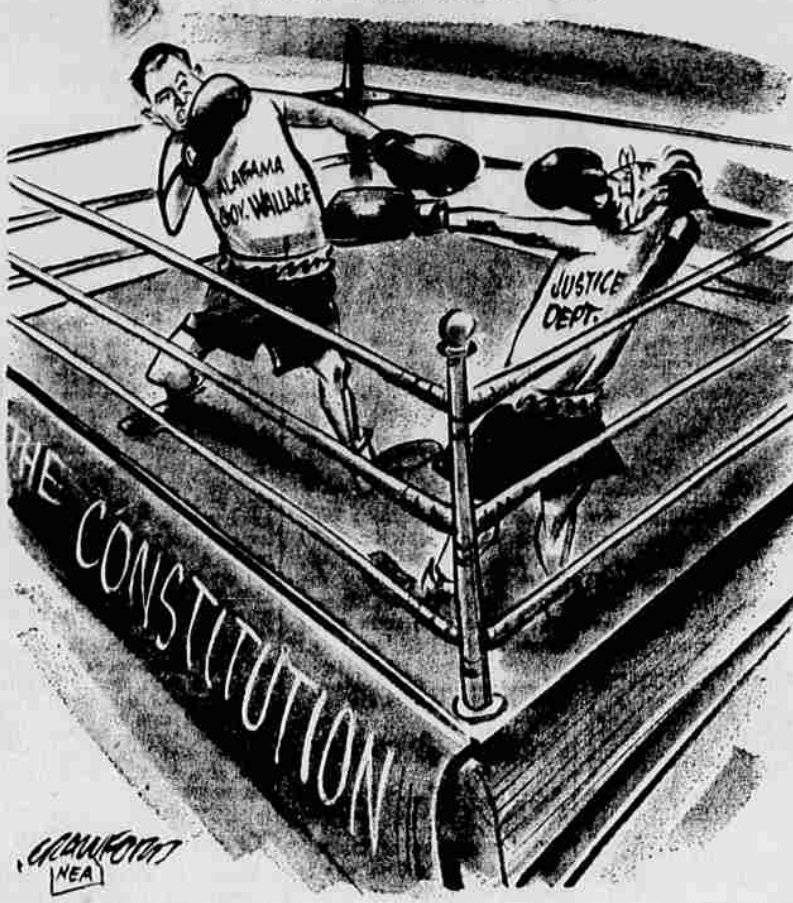
Little Rock, Ark., office of IRS accepted the return. Perhaps it was the "thank you" that really rocked 'em. Thank you's are few and far between at Internal Revenue offices!

ance. It is all there — the stainless steel trim, the extra banks of lights, even the V-shaped monogram which has become a U. S. status symbol.

If Castro will dig a little, he will learn, in fact, that the Russians have become the great copyists in the postwar era.

Russia's imitations are a form of flattery we would be happy to do without, but we have no choice but to accept this unwelcome praise.

"I Stand on My Constitutional Right To Knock Your Block Off!"



News Analysis



Turkey Is Split By Two Factions

By PHIL NEWSOM

Turkey, the United States' friend and ally serving as anchor man for both the NATO and CENTO alliances, went through its second military revolt in little more than a year this week.

As a revolt, it was a short-lived affair quickly crushed by the forces loyal to President Cemal Gursel.

It made its leader, former Col. Talat Aydemir, a two-time loser not likely now to receive from the government the same light slap on the wrist he received after his first attempt on Feb. 22 of last year.

But it did serve as a reminder of the deep split which has existed within this important member of the Western alliance ever since the execution of former Premier Adnan Menderes on Sept. 15, 1961.

Young Turks Angry

On the one side are the "Young Turks" of the army who consider that the government of Gursel and aged Premier Ismet Inonu has betrayed the revolution which overthrew the 10-year-old Menderes regime.

They long for a return of a military rule which would be socialist along the lines of President Gamal Abdel Nasser's United Arab Republic.

They have the support of part of Turkey's intelligentsia and the labor unions.

They consider Inonu a chief supporter of a do-nothing policy which has failed to carry out promised social reforms.

On the other hand are Turkey's peasantry, who make up the bulk of Turkey's population and re-

main loyal to Menderes, conservative businessmen and high-ranking but aging generals who would eliminate those responsible for the 1960 revolution.

Deep in Debt

Menderes' costly but uncoordinated program of industrialization had left the country with a foreign debt which cost \$100 million a year just to finance. The cost of living had gone up around 250 per cent in 10 years.

But it had kept men working.

The peasants paid no taxes and business men paid taxes more or less as they pleased. Both were time-honored rights of Turkish free enterprise.

The young colonels who came in with the 1960 revolution curbed inflation and cut public spending.

But they did nothing to supply new jobs and they neglected agriculture, with the result that in Turkey's population of around 26 million some four million were unemployed.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

In Salem, as this is written, the Oregon Senate has just voted by an overwhelming margin to control milk prices at the consumer level and to give unemployed workers increased pay.

In Washington, Oregon's Sen. Morse has just stated in a speech on the floor of the U.S. Senate that the foreign policy of the Democratic administration "is shot full of the holes of expediency."

He added: "The United States has made a mistake in trying to export political ideology to the Latin American nations. Hungry people couldn't care less. It is time we started to export BREAD and not BULLETS to Latin America."

"I will not now vote for a grant of one dime, although in the past I have supported foreign aid, to any country that can afford to repay a loan."

Well, both are tough and controversial problems. For example:

If, here on the home front, we try to make conditions better for Oregon dairymen by establishing a milk price that will yield them a satisfactory profit under existing economic conditions, we will in effect invite out of state producers to start pouring their milk over the border into Oregon in order to take advantage of the higher prices established in Oregon by law.

So, in order to prevent this from happening, we will presumably have to pass some kind of law to

prevent Washington, Idaho and California milk from pouring in over our state's borders in order to take advantage of the higher prices in Oregon.

And— If we give unemployed workers higher standby pay, we will increase the temptation to take it easy on rocking chair money instead of getting out and hustling to find other employment.

All of which is to say: When we get away from the law of supply and demand, we are inviting a lot of problems to come along and trouble us.

And— If we go along with Sen. Morse's suggestion that hereafter we make no loans to any foreign state that can REPAY a loan, we shall be encouraging foreign states that have no thought of ever repaying us for help we have extended to them in time of need and DISCOURAGING foreign states that seek loans from us for the purpose of establishing industries that will provide employment for their people who are presently unemployed but are eager to work if jobs can be created to provide employment for them.

So that doesn't seem like a very good idea.

What to do about it all. It's a tough problem. But it's hard for thoughtful people to believe that just passing laws and shelling out money will provide the kind of solution that is needed.

In Days Gone By

Taken from the files of The News-Review

40 YEARS AGO
May 24, 1923
Five shots were fired by Sheriff's Deputy and Game Wardens Ed Walker and H. G. Hastings last night at fishermen who with a large net were endeavoring to take salmon from directly under the Winchester Dam. The fishermen refused to halt their operations when ordered to do so by the officers, and even with bullets thudding into the water beside them they continued to haul in their net until finally the shots became too close for comfort and they cut lose their boat and floated down stream and out of reach of the guns, abandoning their net which was confiscated and will be sent to the state game commission.

25 YEARS AGO
May 25, 1938
Construction of the Dixonville section of the North Umpqua High-



The Editor's Corner

By Charles V. Stanton

Campaign To Get Hospital Brought Show Of Unanimity

A small item in a newspaper Mar. 12, 1929, reported that the Veterans Administration was planning to locate a Soldiers Home in the Pacific Northwest.

Roseburg, despondent because of the loss of its principal source of revenue, the Southern Pacific Co. terminal, grasped at a proverbial straw and, with an unequalled show of unanimity, entered into a campaign to secure this institution.

The campaign was long, often bitter, was fraught with politics, pressures, and occasionally vigorous "infighting." The long struggle was climaxed Sept. 8, 1931, when announcement was made that Roseburg had finally been selected as a site for the planned soldiers home.

Few of the old-timers will forget that day.

There were no radios in the city then. The News-Review had been prepared for days to issue an "extra." When it became known that the decision was imminent, arrangements were made for residents to be advised by three blasts of the city's fire siren.

Within a few moments from the time the signal came in the late afternoon of Sept. 8, the News-Review press was rolling and the "extra" appeared on the street within a very short time.

The sound of the siren unleashed a spontaneous celebration which wasn't far behind the wild rejoicing of Armistice Day in 1918.

Douglas County at that time had a two story jail apart from the old courthouse. On the upper floor of the jail was a large quantity of "evidence" taken from moonshiners of those days of prohibition.

When the sheriff's back was turned, a considerable quantity of this "evidence" suddenly vanished from its spot of safety and soon appeared in the hands of a delegation which went down the main streets, seizing almost anyone in sight, pinning them on their backs to the floor, inserting a funnel in their mouths, then pouring from a

"jug" until the victim choked.

That was, however, only preliminary.

Within a short time impromptu parades began to form. Musical organizations appeared on foot and in trucks. Individuals went about with guitars, "fiddles," harmonicas, and what-have-you. There was music, dancing, celebration everywhere.

It seemed the city's whole population, which wasn't too much at the time, was on the streets. People poured in from surrounding areas. Later in the evening the various impromptu parades got together into one procession in which it seemed everyone joined.

Roseburg's despondency had been so great for so long that the victory unleashed a vast enthusiasm.

A more formal celebration was set for Sept. 16. Roseburg adopted "Prosperity Garch." The entire State of Oregon joined in a huge program. The event was given nationwide attention.

But Roseburg had more serious business. It immediately started action to acquire land needed for the reservation. It authorized bonds to be used in buying the land.

The State of Oregon bought the first issue of bonds, \$105,000.

Bids for construction were opened in Washington D.C., April 2, 1932. The construction contract was awarded to Murch Bros. St. Louis.

Actual work started only 10 days later. Construction continued through the winter of 1932 and into the year 1933.

In May 1933, the Veterans Administration occupied the quarters, with Col. E. F. Tandy the first manager.

That was just 30 years ago.

This year the hospital is celebrating its 30th anniversary with much activity and public interest.

But it is more than just a hospital to a good many Roseburg people.

It is a monument to the power of community unity. It is a source of revenue which saved Roseburg from becoming a ghost town. It is a place where Roseburg's "heart" — its liking and compassion for veterans — going back many years in the city's history, has had opportunity of expression.

The desperate and often hectic fight waged by Roseburg has been more than justified in the years that have passed.

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Opinions From Readers

Farmer's Independence Preserved, Says Reader

To The Editor:

Thank God for the independence of the American farmer!

The wheat referendum showed conclusively that farmers would rather take \$1 wheat than lose completely their individual American rights — including the right to run their own businesses the way they want to run them, instead of the way bureaucracy orders.

I wonder if the rest of the American citizens have the same feeling of individual independence? I wonder if they really believe in the old-fashioned free enterprise system, the American way of life? Or, have we really become too complacent, too soft, too lazy to really accept individual responsibility?

If the rest of the citizens of our land really believe in this American principle, they should study the proposed Liberty Amendment; not just read the socialistic criticism and sneers so prevalent in our newspapers and magazines, but study it with a positive, really, honestly, "no help me God" determination to understand it and what it would do. That is not a lazy man's job. It will take work.

Then, if they really believe in the American way of life, had the courage of their convictions, as have the farmers, believed in the John Birch Society's objective of less government and more individual responsibility, they would pass the Liberty Amendment. Then we would have communism whipped at home and, in fact, in this hemisphere.

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Welfare Program Should Be Set Up By Individual

To The Editor:

In his letter of May 14, 1963, Mr. Frank Liening ended with this paragraph:

"What is wrong with welfare programs? Conservatives are opposed to everything. What positive proposals do the conservatives advance for the welfare of the elderly? They offer no alternatives."

"Thank God for Social Security."

First of all, welfare programs put the responsibility of the aged, the invalid, and the disabled in the wrong place. Individuals are, or should be, responsible for their own welfare.

There are many fine ways this can be accomplished by any responsible individual.

Insurance companies have pro-

grams that already provide for the same necessities that the welfare programs do. The best feature being, that you can choose the programs you want. You can exercise your right of choosing something that government programs don't allow.

Another nice thing about insurance programs are, you pay the premium you sign up for. It does not start climbing after a few years, as Social Security taxes are doing right now.

By supporting private concerns, free enterprise is supported, and not strangling socialism.

The welfare programs that are absolutely necessary and cannot be handled by the individual, should be handled by state and county governments. The Federal Government has no business in these programs.

At state levels your vote is not completely diluted by vast numbers and you have at least a voice in these affairs. The local management has a better understanding of local people and problems. Within our own state is the natural place to settle our problems.

Many people say that nothing is ever done at state levels. This could easily indicate that it is against the will of the people, or they just don't care.

If the people don't care, then I say it is time to teach them to care. We cannot settle personal welfare problems by handing them to the Federal Government. When you give a job to someone else, you have to pay them to do it. In this case we pay with our personal rights and liberties, along with our taxes.

The movement in recent years has been to shift responsibilities to the Federal Government. Now the Federal Government is operating on a financial basis that is absolutely ridiculous. It is trying to support so many programs it shouldn't, it can't even realistically support the necessary programs it should.

It is time to start shifting the responsibility of these welfare programs back where they belong. Our

people are going to realize or be taught that the individual is responsible for his own life and welfare. There is no way that a responsible society and nation can be made of irresponsible people.

The alternatives that conservatives offer is not more big government legislation, but a return of state and individual responsibility back to where they belong. Conservatives do not say the problems aren't there. They propose handling them in the intended way and not by turning our great republic into a Socialist or a Welfare State.

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LITTLE LIZ

The fellow who frequently gets picked should expect to get canned eventually.