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It's easy enough to say that the assessed valuation of all taxable property should be readjusted, but accomplishing it on an equitable basis will not be a snap for the new tax commission. It will require a tremendous amount of work, should mean a comprehensive survey in every county. No one can safely anticipate quick results. Improvement must be gradual and state-wide if it is to be real and permanent.

One of the happiest results of the legislative session at Salem is that no legislation were passed to interfere with the judgment and experience of the state highway commission. The law-makers refused to turn the highway revenue into a pork barrel with every section of the state crying for the fattest bit of pork. The Oregon highway commission and its policies have gained a nation-wide reputation, chiefly because they are hampered as little by considerations of politics. The result is that we get more in highways per dollar expended than practically any other state. The present road system is, of course, not perfect, and every section has certain things it would like to see the commission do outside the existing program, but the state as a whole is making rapid and efficient progress and the original system will be completed in another four years.

NOT A PROSPERITY WIZARD

The Hoover administration has started off with the moral support and general confidence of the great majority of republicans and democrats alike. Party preferences, so marked during the campaign last year, are largely forgotten. Most people who voted otherwise are willing to admit that the country won't go to the dogs under Hoover just as others who voted for the new president are frank in saying that it wouldn't have been much worse under Smith.

As the new executive gets under way, however, there are a few who will be disillusioned because they believed Hoover would be a wonder president. These visionary people thought that he would be able to lower taxes, bring about permanent world peace, enforce prohibition or eliminate it and generally serve the country as an alternate dictator with the power of a wizard. Writing of the probable effect of Hoover's administration on business and of this very disillusionment, a prominent eastern democrat says this in the New York Times:

> "We have, as always, a proportion of men who are failing in business and would like to blame their lack of success on some one or something other than themselves. They think that Washington can aid them by some tariff or price-fixing plan, or at least do something. Also there are certain other men who are putting together combinations of small business enterprises and selling them off to the public as big business enterprises. Their idea of a good administration would be one that would let them do as they please without fear of prosecution. Both of these classes are bound to be disappointed—and they should be. For it is no part of government to protect inefficiency at the expense of the public or to encourage promotions that come near to the wildcat line."

The efficient, energetic citizen, however, can safely expect some actual benefits during the course of the new administration. He can expect practical, not visionary, protection and aid. He can be sure of no government interference with legitimate operations. He can anticipate the application of research information available through federal sources to the end that conditions are better stabilized and individual opportunities more constant. A successful federal government can not be expected to do more.

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Syrup — Snowshoe—a blend of cane and maple 5-lb. can 63c

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