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WHAT KIND OF A COMMUNITY DO YOU REPRESENT?
 Recently a U.S. Bureau of Mines representative landed here for the purpose of obtaining some historical data on the Bohemia mining section. Perhaps his mission was mistaken by many of those whom he contacted and some might have been under the impression that he was just another promoter. To say the least his reception here could not be classed as cordial, and he went away wondering just what kind of a community Cottage Grove was anyway.

In fact he asked a business man here what was wrong with Cottage Grove and went on to relate a little incident which caused him to raise the question. In his search for historical background relating to the activity of the Bohemia mines, he must have talked with a number of people and in conversation with a number of people and in conversation with a number of people was informed by the operator that he the operator hoped the mining would never be revived because it messed up the labor market. And further the lumber operator said to have remarked that he would do his best to see to it personally that the mines never opened up.

This kind of talk sounded strangely familiar to us. We have heard rumors of the same kind of reactionary logic before in connection with the talk of establishing a plywood plant here. To us diversification means more prosperity for the common masses. Diversification offers a chance for a section to help itself when times get tight. Clinging to one industry is the same old story of putting all the eggs in one basket. When there is a rise in our unemployment and industry can't supply the jobs, then government will step in as it did in 1932. Yet most everybody agrees that government subsidy is a poor substitute for private enterprise and there are definitely more opportunities for private enterprise where diversification is practiced.

The chances are that the fellows who are opposed to any new industries starting up on the grounds that such industries create labor troubles are also opposed to extending any government aid or subsidy as was done some twelve or fourteen years ago when jobs were scarce. They don't offer any remedy or any aid of any sort, just grumble. Perhaps they are living a 100 years too late and should have lived in the era of slavery.

DEFEND ALL — OR LOSE ALL

In a new book entitled "Collectivism Challenges Christianity," published by the Light and Life Press of Winona Lake, Indiana, Verne Paul Kaub says: "There can be no political liberty without economic liberty—and neither can exist except through religious freedom which has its highest expression in Christianity."

"Destroy one—the others are imperiled. Foster all, and all grow and prosper, grow toward larger freedom, larger liberty, a more nearly perfect social system."

This idea of the indivisibility of all liberties is thoroughly supported by the lessons of world history. We have certainly had abundant proof of it in the late, tragic years. The technique of the dictator states has always been the same. First, political liberty is abrogated. Then economic liberty is destroyed. Finally and inevitably, the state moves in on the church, and the final and most basic liberty dies. And only war or revolution can bring these liberties back.

The principle is simple—there can be no halfway freedom. We will defend all freedoms—or we will lose them all.

WHICH WAY?

There is no point in arguing whether or not this country can afford a \$300,000,000 debt. We've got it. The real point is what we are going to do about it. Only two courses are open to us.

We can keep up public spending at the present rate, let the budget remain unbalanced and further depreciate the dollar. This will make a future depression inevitable and imperil the war bonds, savings accounts, and insurance policies of all the people.

Or we can tighten our belts, cut government costs to the limit, start regular debt retirement procedures—and eventually pull out with a sound dollar and a solvent nation.

The choice rests with the people themselves.

How to keep the storm sewers open and at the same time enrich your garden spot which should be of particular interest to the residents of Cottage Grove is contained in an article written by W. B. Parker, assistant county agent. It appears in this issue. Read it.

"Excuse me," said the mild little man in the crowded cafeteria, who had returned with a cup of coffee, "but you have my seat."

"Oh, yeah," growled the big man. "Can you prove it?"

"I think so, Sir," the little man murmured timidly. "I left my pie and ice cream in the chair."

It has not been so long ago that we read an article on "You can't do business with Hitler". Now John L. Lewis seems to be in the same category.

WHO'S THE COOK AT YOUR PLACE?

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Leathernecks' Birthplace



Constructed exactly as the original, the above replica of Tun Tavern, birthplace of the United States Marine Corps, was part of the Sesqui-Centennial exhibit at Philadelphia in 1924.

TRI-COUNTY LEAGUE MAY BE DISSOLVED

The Tri-County football league of which the Grove is a member, may be dissolved, H. S. Corrin, superintendent of the local high school said today. The dissolution may result from the fact that some of the present members want to affiliate with other leagues, while some of the smaller schools want to affiliate with a league for smaller schools. This leaves Cottage Grove in a rather precarious position of being in the middle of a situation where both ends may be lost.

Trim Trees Near Wire
 Where outside electric wiring is used, trees should be trimmed back from it.

SPARE TIRES DUE ON LATEST CARS

WASHINGTON — New automobiles delivered after December 16 may be equipped with spare tires for the first time since 1942, the civilian production administration announced Wednesday. The decision to allow manufacturers to sell fifth tires and tubes with new cars, CPA said, is based on estimated production of 16,000,000 passenger tires during the fourth quarter of this year.

THANKSGIVING DINNER BY EAGLES AUXILIARY

The members of the Eagles Auxiliary entertained their husbands and families at a Thanksgiving dinner Tuesday night in the Eagles hall.

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THOUGHTLETS
 By Earl B. Balch

Senator Ferguson of Michigan says that he will introduce in the new congress a measure that will establish labor courts in major labor disputes. If such legislation should pass it would be the most constructive legislation enacted by congress in many decades.

When the new congress convenes, do not get the idea that you will find the republicans of one mind. They still vary from the ultra conservative and near isolationist Senator Taft of Ohio and the moderate liberal Senator Morse of Oregon.

William Jeffers, retired president of the Union Pacific, said in a recent speech in Los Angeles, "John Q. Public is tired of being kicked in the face by labor."

A man has a right not to work if he does not want to, but he does not have a right to prevent another man from working if the other man wishes to do so.

A local pastor recently said that the matter with some people is that they think God was made in the image of man instead of man in the image of God.

It may be a paradox, but when one helps others he sometimes helps himself.

THE NAVY WANTS MUSICIANS

The recruiter-in-charge of the navy recruiting station at Eugene, Leonard Reinholz, announced this morning that the Navy has started a program for training musicians who will serve in various units of the fleet and at shore stations as members of Navy bands and orchestras. Qualified men will attend the Navy School of Music at Washington, D. C., whose present period of instruction is six months.

Men will not be enlisted for this duty unless they pass examinations given at the school in Washington. At that time, if they are not found qualified to be musicians, they may enlist for general service or they may return home. In either event transportation and subsistence will be furnished from the main navy recruiting station in the area to Washington, and in the latter event transportation and subsistence will be furnished from Washington to the mans original point of departure.

Battery Truck Use Gains
 A 230 per cent increase since 1925 in the number of battery-powered trucks used in industry is reported.

Good music is something that cannot be confined to national boundaries. It can be and is appreciated in any language.

No one is so obscure that he has no influence. Two people can not be closely associated for any length of time without influencing each other.

REDS AGREE TO LIST TROOPS

LAKE SUCCESS, New York.—Vyacheslav M. Molotov, Russian foreign minister, accepted Wednesday a United States proposal for a full accounting of allied troops on former enemy territories, but shied away temporarily from a United States demand that the Soviet Union make a complete report on all red forces, at home and abroad.

Lifeboat Radar Device
 A tiny radar device on drifting lifeboats helped save thousands of lives during the war. It reflected signals sent by searching craft.

Fire-Flash Tile
 Interesting color variations in ceramic tile are obtained through "fire-flashing" or suddenly increasing heat during the firing process.

Arable Land
 The population per square mile of arable land in Japan is 2,430; in Germany, 867; in Italy, 500; in the United States, 102; and in Russia, only 68.

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The benefits of farming with steel are the result of teamwork between farmers and industry. The farmer knows what he needs; industry knows how to supply it at a price he can afford. This teamwork must continue if America is to remain a land of abundance.

Farmers need still more power. The country needs still more food. Uninterrupted industrial production will permit industry to catch up with the pent-up need for more farm power.

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