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OUR FUNDAMENTAL WEAKNESS

Recent statistics of automobile production draw a fairly clear picture of one of the fundamental weaknesses of the present economic situation—inefficient production. It has contributed perhaps more to smaller company profits and to higher prices for the things we buy than have higher wages. In a comparison of wages, employment and production for January, 1941, and July, 1946, the Automobile Manufacturers Association reports weekly wages for the 1946 month as 76 per cent higher and the number of workers 25 per cent greater than five years ago. However, the incentive of higher wages and the advantage of a substantially larger working force were accompanied by a decrease of more than 40 per cent in production. That is a condition which cannot continue to exist without affecting the whole national economy, which includes jobs, the income and the standard of living of all. Work creates wealth and conversely the less work we do the less wealth we have. Carried to its ultimate, we would all quit work entirely and eventually we would all have nothing.

SALES TAX LAST RESORT

A sales tax rejected by the Oregon voters on several occasions may be the last resort as a revenue raiser, if real estate taxes become any steeper and it seems as though real estate taxes must bear an increasing burden unless we find some means of reducing the number of exemptions now granted both individuals and organizations. This isn't a quarrel with the present method of granting exemptions on any real estate property, but to call attention to the fact that if our schools are properly supported, new revenues must be found or else real estate will become such an expensive luxury that few of us can afford to own any.

It is our understanding that the same exemption will be granted the servicemen of world war two as world war one, which means that less and less real estate will produce tax revenue as young veterans acquire property and while we have seen no official figures on the percentage of tax exemptions as compared with that on which taxes are collected we venture the assertion that the percentage must be approaching twenty-five per cent.

All of this adds up to the fact that the state, county, city and school must get less revenue or else the taxes must be increased on the real estate property which is taxed. Sales taxes are a nuisance in a good many ways, but the tax has been forced on a number of states.

States having sales pass the bulk of the revenue on to the schools. And unless schools do get more they will be undermanned or in the case of a good many, our rural schools may close altogether.

Sales taxes are not painless. No tax is painless, although some politicians will tell you their pet proposal won't hurt. Right now the public is faced with increased expenses in practically every department of tax supported enterprises. Increases must be made or the public officials will desert office for a better paying job as they have done in a good many instances.

Pacific National Bank, Seattle, is said to have first drive-in teller's window in the Northwest. Bank of California plans drive-in arrangement when it builds on its Liberty Theater site. Drive-in windows are said to be quite popular with big commercial and industrial concerns—Exchange.

BOY SCOUT OFFICIALS ELECTED

Boy Scout Troop No. 60 recently elected the following men to serve in the executive committee. H. L. Wolford, chairman; J. L. Stokes, contact man; Lester Brisbane and James Spears, advancement men; W. C. Martin, finance man; A. W. Shofstall, out-of-door man.

Troop No. 60 meets in the First Baptist Church, Monday evenings at 7:30 p. m. Any boys twelve years of age or older, who are interested in scouting are invited to work with this troop. Lester Blackmore is scout master, and Elmer Fleming is the assistant scout master.

THANKSGIVING DINNER

Gathering at the home of Milton Ross on River Road for Thanksgiving dinner were 19 members of his family. Covers were laid for 19 at a beautifully decorated table. Those enjoying the dinner and day were Mr. and Mrs.

A. G. Sprankle and son Eugene of Portland; Mr. and Mrs. John Ross and son Jack and daughter Mary Jane, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Ross and daughters Kay and Donna and son Jimmy, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Haynes and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ross, all of Cottage Grove, and his brother, George Ross of Portland and Miss Hazel Albro of Eugene.

When a beneficiary is not named, National Service Life Insurance is paid to the insured's estate, thus loses its identity and is subject to claims of creditors, administrators' fees and court expenses.

The question for each man to settle is not what he would do if he had means, time, influence, and educational advantages, but what he will do with the things he has.—Hamilton Wright Mabie.

CRESWELL

Miss Pettijohn, assistant county demonstration agent, was guest speaker at the Civic Club meeting Tuesday afternoon. Her topic was "Charm of Manner" and was greatly enjoyed by everyone present. Group singing followed, also a duet by Mrs. G. R. Miller and Mrs. C. I. Kent, and a solo by Mrs. Miller. Officers for the new year were elected as follows: president, Mrs. E. C. Coombs; 1st vice-pres., Mrs. Minnie Henriksen; 2nd vice-pres., Mrs. E. L. Reynolds; 3rd vice-pres., Mrs. L. H. Brown; recording secretary, Mrs. C. I. Kent; treasurer, Mrs. J. R. Miller; corresponding secretary, Mrs. E. A. Schwing; auditor, Mrs. E. W. Hoagland. Old and new officers are asked to meet at the home of Mrs. J. M. Walkup December 11 to make an outline for the year book. The librarian reported 128 books loaned to adults in the last month and 63 to children. Mrs. Walkup of the flower and garden committee had a clever display of decorated fir cones. The music and art committee announced the young folks of the three churches would present a musical pageant the evening of December 22. Officers will be installed at the next meeting and the public health committee will be hostesses. Guests for the afternoon were Mrs. Carl Anderson, Mrs. A. H. Holmes, Mrs. W. L. Scott, and Mrs. G. R. Miller. Refreshments were served by Mrs. C. H. Harrold, Mrs. F. P. Clack, and Mrs. V. E. Groubeck. Miss Catherine Moberg was the local delegate to the district conference of the FHA held at Cottage Grove Saturday, November 23. Miss Moberg is the president of the local club.

As a correction Miss Myrtle Smith instead of Mrs. Minnie Smith will serve on the fellowship committee of the WSCS of the Methodist church for the coming year.

Mrs. Minnie Henriksen left Wednesday afternoon for Portland to spend the Thanksgiving holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Rodrick Kennedy and family.

At the regular meeting of Honoree Lodge on Wednesday evening, Mrs. Elita Hockett was elected to membership by dismissal certificate. Mrs. V. W. Johnston and Mrs. Kenneth McCoy reported on the meeting of representatives of the different lodges that they attended in Eugene November 22. This meeting was held to make plans for the District Installation to be held in Eugene, January 14 at McArthur Court. All reservations for the banquet, to be held at the Osburn Hotel the same evening, must be in by December 30, and a list of all appointive officers must be sent in by January 10. Mrs. L. H. Brown, Mrs. Dale Pitcher, and Mrs. McCoy were appointed to purchase corsages for the event. Officers for the coming year were elected as follows: Noble Grand, Mrs. R. M. Carpenter; Vice Grand, Mrs. McCoy; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Dale Pitcher; financial secretary, Mrs. L. A. Whitney; treasurer, Henrietta Allen. An invitation to the annual Christmas party was read from Giffry Lodge IOOF, Mrs. Chas. Ellis, Mrs. Whitney, Mrs. Norman Skaggs, and Mrs. Johnston will plan the Rebekahs share of the program. Entertainment for the next meeting will be furnished by Mrs. McCoy, Mrs. Sidney Cooke, Miss Lola Ringsdorf, and Mrs. Louise Finch. Refreshments will be served by Mrs. Skaggs, Mrs. M. C. Redding, Mrs. R. F. Scott, and Mrs. Minnie Riddle.

Thanksgiving guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Ross were Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Kent and Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Ogram.

Green's Hardware and Supply Store is a wonderland of toys and gifts these days. There is a large selection of gifts for everyone and a variety of toys. The grocery stores in town also have a festive air with turkeys, cranberries and other delicacies in stock.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Clark and Mrs. L. Clark of Salem, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Groubeck and daughter Gayle, Mr. and Mrs. Van Groubeck and Clarence Berry were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Groubeck and son Danny Thanksgiving day.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Storey of Coquille are visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Trumbly. Roy R. Trumbly of Oklahoma

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Schmitt spent Thanksgiving day at the home of their son, J. E. Schmitt and family, at Cottage Grove.

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This Is No \$64 Question



This is no \$64.00 question for we would not give this sum for the identification of the principal character in this picture. He recently made a 30 state trip, got stranded while traveling across Mississippi and decided he would stop and pick cotton awhile to re-

plete his finances, but quit after working only a half day at cotton picking which produced 25 pounds. He thought his dark skinned companions got that way from being sunburned by the hot sun. (Official Sentinel photo.)

City, Okla., is also a guest at the Trumbly home.

About 70 Grange members and friends enjoyed a dinner at the Grange Hall Thursday evening before the regular business meeting. Election of officers was held and resulted as follows: Worthy Master, Ralph Rogers; overseer, E. E. Allen; lecturer, Mrs. E. C. Coombs; steward, E. W. Malone; assistant steward, Delbert Walkley; chaplain, Mrs. E. F. Malone; treasurer, H. S. Joslin; secretary, Mrs. Ralph Rogers; gate keeper, E. L. Reynolds; Ceres, Mrs. Barney Doyle; Pomona, Helen Vick; Flora, Mrs. E. E. Allen; lady assistant steward, Mrs. Delbert Walkley; executive committee, Clarence Jackson, Elmer Tohlen, Ray Vincent; musician, Mrs. C. I. Kent; juvenile matron, Mrs. F. L. DeBerry. Mr. and Mrs. John H. Ray were elected to membership by initiation, and J. E. Schofield by reinstatement. The next meeting will be December 12 and the birthdays of November and December will be observed. The committee in charge will be: Mr. and Mrs. Ray Vincent, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Overhauser, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. St. Clair, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Vick, Helen Vick, Mr. and Mrs. Miles Wicks, Glenn Wicks, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Smith, Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Kent, and Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Partney. A display of useful and decorative goods and dolls was enjoyed by everyone. The display table for the next meeting will feature a variety of articles. Hebron and Dorena Grange will unite with Creswell for installation at Creswell with the date to be announced later.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Brownell and family have gone on a trip to Louisiana. Mrs. Daisy May Perkins and family have moved into the house vacated by the Brownells.

Final plans are being made for the annual bazaar and chicken-pie supper sponsored by the Presbyterian Ladies Aid to be held at the Grange Hall Friday December 6. The bazaar will open at 2:00 p. m. and will feature aprons, pillow cases, tea towels, lunch cloths, and a variety of miscellaneous articles. Serving will start at 6:00 p. m.

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LONDON

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Gilham have moved to a house at the Cascade mill.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Rhoads have sold their place and moved back to California.

The Merry-makers Card club re-organized at the home of Mrs. Elvis Kelley Nov. 21. Mrs. Wm. Perini held high score, Mrs. Arlie Sugg second and Mrs. Julian Small low. The next meeting will be Dec. 12 at Mrs. Claris Abeene's.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hansen and two sons and Mrs. Henry Hess of Portland and Mrs. Nancy Ewing of Cottage Grove visited at the Roy Ewing home Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Hansen have sold their home in Portland and are moving back to Rodeo, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Elvis Kelley and sons and Mrs. Emma Kelley spent Thanksgiving and Friday at the Wm. Perini home at Anlauf.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hess, Mr. and Mrs. Elvis Kelley, Dean and Dick and Bill Barkeneyer attended a party at the Dave Hite home in Delight Valley Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Chet entertained with a dance at their home last Saturday. Over 50 people attended. Sandwiches, cake and coffee were served.

Nan Freeman is staying with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ewing, while her mother is at the Butler maternity home with a baby girl.

DELIGHT VALLEY

Thanksgiving week end guests at the Malcolm Horn home were Mrs. C. Croxton and son Kenneth, and Mr. and Mrs. Jestersten of Bremerton, Wash., Mr. and Mrs. Fred Norris and sons Ivan and Will, and Mrs. Mary Smith of Walker.

Guests for Thanksgiving dinner at the Mary Flaten home were Mr. and Mrs. Mert Foltz of Eugene. Mrs. Flaten took her daughter Robirda back to Marylhurst College on Sunday.

Max Sears made a business trip to Portland Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hemenway entertained the following guests at Thanksgiving dinner: Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hemenway and Margaret Hemenway, Mr. and Mrs. W. Norris and son, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Holiday, all of Cottage Grove; Mrs. Read of Eugene, and Mrs. Ruth Holiday of Walker.

The Max Sears family and their house guest, Mrs. Viva Lindamood of Beaverton, were Thanksgiving dinner guests at the Ernest Sears home in Cottage Grove.

A routine business meeting was held by the school board Monday evening.

DORENA

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Siegnton of Magalia, Calif. made a short visit at the U. S. Bales home last week. Mrs. Siegnton and Mrs. Bales are cousins.

Guy Kamel and Oren Land are moving their portable sawmill from the south bank of Row River to the north side where it will be close to the main road. During the high water the bridge over the river went out.

Thanksgiving guests at the Sidney Bales home were Mrs. Flora Doolittle and two sons, Denny and Roger of Eugene, Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn Bales and two children of Delight Valley and Mr. and Mrs. U. S. Bales. Denny Doolittle has just returned from military service.

chairman of the Community Chest Drive in Creswell and has a group of workers canvassing the town and surrounding country.

A pot-luck luncheon was enjoyed by the Youth Society of the three churches at the Methodist Church annex Sunday evening.

Announcing the Opening of MENDELL'S WEST SIDE GROCERY FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6TH

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