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THE TEN ISSUES

If you have read the official voters pamphlet as you should if you are a good citizen and wish to vote intelligently, you must have found a great many of the ten measures referred to the people by the legislative assembly a bit confusing. So confusing in fact that the average voter will not bother to read through all of them. And even though the measures of merit are approved, there is always a question as to how they will operate or whether they are constitutional.

The first measure listed would amend the six per cent limitation for two successive years. Unless cost of governments continue to rise, most municipalities and school districts have already established a new tax base and will not find it necessary to vote on the issue another year, since in most instances they have voted on this question for the past three years. Opponents of the measure argue that to try to establish a new tax base under the amendment would only add to the confusion and believe there is nothing wrong in submitting the question of raising the taxes to the voters. This seems logical.

The constitutional amendment authorizing an indebtedness for state reforestation not to exceed 3/4 of 1 per cent of all taxable property. This measure undoubtedly has its merits and we could pass on the measure more intelligently if we knew the needs of the state forestry department, which we don't.

The bill which would authorize the state boys camp near Timber, Oregon, is worthy particularly in caring for boys who might otherwise have to go to the reform school. If properly administered it could be the means of setting the wayward boy on the right path.

The measure for licensing and acquisition provisions of the hydroelectric commission act is really a bill which should be passed on by the people of eastern Oregon. If the people who endorsed the measure are sincere, there is nothing wrong with approving the measure so far as we can see.

The bill which would fix the qualifications of the voters in the various school districts would simply permit a non property owner to vote or hold office. Proponents of the measure call attention to the fact that about forty per cent of the school revenue is furnished by the proceeds from the state income tax and therefore any legal voter should be able to participate. There is nothing wrong with the measure.

The Oregon old age pension act, which would provide care for each needy female 60 years and over and each needy male 65 years and over, would undoubtedly create an additional welfare burden on the people. In Lane county last year more money was spent on relief than on roads. Still we have the highest employment in the history of the nation with over 60,000,000 people employed. What will our relief load be when and if we have a recession or a leveling off period. This measure under the circumstances would be unsound at this time, it seems to us.

The bill increasing personal income tax exemptions is a meritorious one, especially in view of the fact that we are continuing to pile up a surplus in this department. The cut in exemptions and the withholding tax was a club held over the voters heads to make them vote the sales tax.

The Oregon liquor dispensing act, which would amend the present law is just another foothold toward the open saloon. The history of the fight against the liquor interests in the past 100 years proves that the liquor forces want to open the door a little wider; that they won't be satisfied with any regulation which would in any way restrict the sale of liquor.

The World War II veterans bonus amendment which would pay veterans up to \$500.00 in bonus is ill timed and we are told was advocated by a candidate to get votes. It leaves men who enlisted in the army prior to Pearl Harbor out of the picture as well as men of the 41st division. It does not have the support of the veterans organizations and should not have the support of the voters.

The measure which would prohibit salmon fishing in the Columbia river with fixed appliances deserves the support of the voter so far as we can see.

PRICES, LIKE WATER, FIND THEIR LEVEL

An authority on the marketing of meat recently observed that "meat and livestock prices move together—what meat packers pay for livestock matching what consumers pay for meat."

In other words, meat is governed by the law of supply and demand. There are more than 4,000 meat packers in this country. They are competing for the available supply of livestock at all times—each must get a share of it if he is to keep his plant in operation. And meat packing is one of the most efficient enterprises in existence. Almost nothing is wasted—hides, horns, hair, hoofs and other inedible parts of animals are used in a lengthy list of products ranging from soap to medicines. Last year, the profits of packers averaged about 2/3 of one cent per pound—a sum which had only a microscopic influence on the price paid by the ultimate consumer.

We hear much of the enormous total income of the farmers and ranchers who produce our livestock. But today the cost of labor, feed and everything else the farmer must buy to keep in business is also at record levels. It takes around two years to grow cattle to weights suitable for marketing, and about a year in the case of hogs. So the investment the producer has in his livestock is heavy by the time he can sell it, and this must be included in wholesale and retail prices.

It cannot be repeated too often that in a competitive, free enterprise economy prices find their own level. This is true of a steer or a suit of clothes or a house and lot. Prices are an accurate reflection of the economic forces of the day.

DON'T GET SCARED YET

Every individual operating a store or small business is conscious of the fact that the current boom can't last forever. However, there is no need for him to believe implicitly in any "Gloomy Gus" economist who finds it easy to prove that manufacturers and retailers are "pricing themselves out of the market."

Such grim oversimplification is belied from time to time by surveys that disclose the enormity of current purchasing power, savings, and reserves. For instance, a Wall Street brokerage house, Baker, Weeks & Harden, has just completed a report on liquid savings. This shows that people and unincorporated businesses had currency and bank reserves of \$132.3 billion at the beginning of 1948.

This is a rise of \$86.2 billion or 187 per cent from the holdings of \$46.1 billion recorded at the beginning of 1940.

Perhaps this rise of 187 per cent in liquid savings, which is the sheerest kind of purchasing power, explains why the automobile industry has such a backlog; why the travel business was so good this summer, and why sales in retail stores have held up surprisingly well.

Until figures begin to show that consumers are draining on their reserves in order to meet their demands, it is probably premature to state that a recession of any kind is inevitable in the next six months or so.

"COME HOME WITH ME NOW!"



IT'S UP TO THE PEOPLE

While a newspaper is, by its nature, a medium of information, it is also in a position to exert an influence on the thoughts of its readers. Such seems to be the belief of a powerful Oregon daily newspaper in giving strong, editorial sanction to the political efforts of Thomas E. Dewey, Republican aspirant to the Presidency of the United States.

This action, to some, seems to have one of two purposes. Either the daily paper feels that the political theories of the New York governor are so irresistible to the welfare of the country that unanimous support of the populace is imperative or it feels the time has come to climb aboard an inevitable winner's bandwagon.

According to reports from Dewey's appearances in his cross-country junket in quest of popular support, 1948 will stand out as the year of the Elephant's Return. Optimism has given way to firm conviction by the eminent presidential candidate and his "team" of political cohorts that the White House is in the bag. Only the mere mechanics of a general election stands between the title of "Governor" and "President", by their conclusion.

We do not wish to attempt the role of a political prophet. Neither do we question the probability that Dewey will win. But we hardly feel justified in tying the policy of this newspaper to the political soothsaying of any one man and "his team" of vote-seekers.

Comparing the pre-election statements and promises of so many public men with the way they meet issues, once in office, we have learned a healthy respect for enthusiasm controls. In short, the great American pastime of Politics inspires candidates for any public office to great heights of oratory and dream-castle building. And campaign vows, so often, should be taken with half a bushel of salt, at least.

There have been many inept men at the head of our nation, during its little more than 1 1/2 centuries of existence. Many of them have slowed down potential development, by some degree. But the nation has grown and overcome obstacles until now it stands, for all the world to see and admire, an unique institution of fairly well ordered Democracy.

As President of the United States, Dewey would doubtlessly be efficient, as his background experience would indicate. But the nation certainly will continue, regardless of his election or defeat.

In respect to the intellectual integrity of our readers, therefore, this newspaper does not declare itself editorially or otherwise either for Thomas E. Dewey, Harry S. Truman, Henry A. Wallace or the southern states' rights hopeful. We urge an individual study of all candidates; prescribe an investigation into backgrounds as well as promises; beseech a strong, responsive vote by the majority of qualified citizens, on November 2.

But as to the choice of candidates, that's up to the people! —Beaverton Enterprise.

Letters to the Editor

Open Letter to Game Commission

October 8, 1948 Oregon State Game Commission Portland, Oregon Dear Sir:

I am very much against the Doe season you people advocate. And am going to advertise to the effect and give my reasons why. I really don't believe the game commission knows too much about the preservation of our game.

We have had reports of deer starving to death, and on enacting with rangers, find that is false. Besides I have hunted around Prester Butte for the past five seasons, and the deer are getting more scarce each year, both bucks and does, and feed getting more plentiful.

The does we see are quite tame and if allowed to be slaughtered like cattle, then we sure will not have any hunting left.

DO NOT KILL OFF OUR GAME BY KILLING DOES. Leon C. Godard.

U. N. Gets Ready to Celebrate Its Day

NEW YORK—October 24, the General Assembly of the United Nations has decided, it is to be known as "United Nations Day." On that day throughout the world will be commemorated the coming into force of the United Nations Charter.

The Charter was signed on June 26, 1945, and until last year that date was observed as "United Nations Charter Day." However, the General Assembly proposed to combine both dates into one observance day. By the terms of the corresponding resolution, "United Nations Day" is the celebration of the anniversary of the coming into force of the Charter of the United Nations, in 1945.

"United Nations Day" will be observed all over the world and public attention will be focussed on the work of the organization whose General Assembly is presently meeting in Paris.

Men are not hanged for stealing horses, but that horses may not be stolen. —Lord Halifax

U N REVIEW

After adopting for its agenda, by a vote of 9 to 2, the case concerning the charge that the Soviet Union's Berlin blockade of Berlin was a threat to international peace, the Security Council adjourned after hearing the accusations of the French, United Kingdom and United States representatives, although present, did not take part in the debate because they consider that the Council has no jurisdiction in this case.

In the General Assembly's First Committee (Political and Security Affairs) Australia, France and Belgium proposed the establishment of a special subcommittee charged with the task of reaching a compromise or agreement between the USSR and the majority opinion of the Committee on the subject of international control of atomic energy.

The Economic Commission for Europe's Special Committee on Industrial Development and Trade, meeting in Geneva, recommended the creation of a new committee to work on the expansion of intra-European trade. Byelorussia, Czechoslovakia, Poland, the Ukraine, the USSR and Yugoslavia abstained from voting in favor of the proposal because they considered that the terms of reference of the projected committee did not go far enough in the desired direction.

The USSR has applied for U.N. aid to help nourish German children in the Soviet Union's zone of Germany, following the announcement of a \$1,000,000 four-month program of the United Nations Children's Emergency Fund.

If living in disobedience to Him, we ought to feel no security, although God is good. —Mary Baker Eddy

Penalties may be delayed, but they are sure to come. —H. W. Beecher

UNITED NATIONS IN ACTION

Indonesia As the tropical sun beat down on Batavia, Java, last January, the United States ship Renville lay at anchor in the harbor, serving as a peace ship. In its cabin, an agreement was being signed to help settle the problems of governing some 70,000,000 people who live on the islands of Java, Sumatra and Madura, which had been controlled by the Netherlands for 300 years.

The Renville agreement represented six months of work by the United Nations, first by its Security Council and later by a Committee of Good Offices which the Council had set up. In the background of the agreement was the Japanese occupation during the war, the efforts of the Indonesians to set up their own independent state and the desire of the Netherlands to retain a stake in the archipelago.

The United Nations was first brought into the picture in July 1947 when Australia and India, near neighbors of Indonesia, asked the Security Council to act to end the fighting in the islands. Early in August, 1947, the Council ordered both the Netherlands and the Indonesian Republic to cease fire. The Committee of Good Offices, consisting of representatives of Australia, Belgium, and the United States, was organized and began working toward the agreement which was finally signed on the Renville. In the long run, the islands would be organized under a defeated United States of Indonesia, which would be affiliated with the Netherlands. All would be handled under democratic and self-determination of the peoples.

Although the pattern of negotiations is well established, complete agreement has not yet been reached by the Indonesian Republic and the Netherlands and many obstacles have arisen. The Security Council found it necessary to call on both parties again this summer to enforce the truce agreements and to carry out the principles of the Renville pact.

Despite the long period of time involved in the negotiations, however, there has been no resumption of large-scale fighting in Indonesia. The watchful eye of the United Nations still observes the work toward final settlement and, meanwhile, the conflict which disturbed the entire southeast Asian area is under control.

Runs Red Show



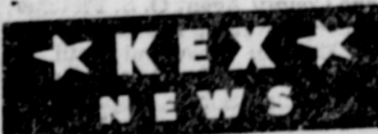
A MEMBER of Marshal Vassily Sokolovsky's policy committee in Berlin, Herlin R. Schdarnov (above) is reported to be the man the Russians selected to drive the Western Powers from Berlin. Held to be the person who engineered the Berlin blockade, Schdarnov is declared the real power behind Sokolovsky. In recent weeks he has not been seen in Berlin. (International)

Caponizing Hormone

A hormone is now available for caponizing cockerels. When injected under the skin below the comb, the male organs cease to function, the head develops feminine characteristics, and additional fat is deposited over the body. Each treatment lasts six to eight weeks. Therefore, cockerels should be treated about two months before they are to be sold for market purposes.

Crime and punishment grow out of one stem.

Punishment is a fruit that unsuspected ripens within the flower of the pleasure which concealed it. —Emerson



WEEK DAYS!

LAWSON McCALL... 7 AM Northwest Coverage

Martin AGRONSKY 7:15 AM Direct from Washington

NOON NEWS... 12

KEEPING UP WITH SPORTS 6 PM With Barney Keep

HOME EDITION... 6:15 PM With Sherman Washburn

AND

THE RICHFIELD REPORTER HAS SWITCHED TO KEX

NEWS FLASHES... 10 P.M.

★ Here are their Evening News Programs

Town Meeting Tuesday 8:00

Monitor News Tuesday 9:30

Water Watch Sunday 6:00

Interviews Sunday 7:45

View Point Sunday 8:00

Monday

Headlines Sunday 5:15

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Heavyweights in the Making

Steel plate, rails and structural shapes are rolled from slabs and blooms. Heaviest of all finished products, they need little or no processing after they have cooled. When shipped to consumer, whether as plate for ships, rails for transportation, or structural steel shapes for building, they are applied on the job with a minimum of fabrication and delay. Their strength and stability is built into them before they leave the mill. Together they accounted for over 13 million tons of finished steel last year, about 20 per cent of total shipments.

Boxing Contest Rules

Standard "ring" for boxing contests must be elevated five feet above the floor level of the arena. Generally, the maximum measurement of the ring is not standard for professional fights. Its size is determined by boxing commission rules. The ring can be from 16 feet square up to 24 square feet, which is roped off and constitutes the fighting zone. Another three and one-half feet on the four sides outside the roped area, called an "apron", usually prevents a fall to the floor of the arena proper in case a fighter is pushed through the ropes.

Howdy Folks!

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Flattery is like perfume.

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Hatcherymen to Hear of Outlook At Fall Meeting

Results of a survey now being conducted on chick and hatching egg prices, including anticipated production for the coming season, will be present at the forthcoming annual fall meeting of the Oregon Baby Chick association, announced Noel Bennion, extension poultryman at Oregon State College.

Bennion will discuss the chick outlook for 1949 at the meeting to be held in the Mallory hotel in Portland Friday, October 22.

The program, starting at 10 o'clock, will include both forenoon and afternoon sessions, announces Ross Hart, Beaverton, president of the association. Final event of the all-day program will be the annual evening banquet. As banquet speaker, John S. Carver, head of the poultry department, Washington State College, will discuss 25 years in poultry husbandry. Fred Cockell, Milwaukie, will serve as toastmaster.

Program arrangements for the annual meeting this year are under the direction of Barry Brownell, Milwaukie. He announced that Noel Shaver, Crawfordsville, Indiana, president of the International Baby Chick association will be present. Shaver's part in the meeting will be a discussion of the I.B.C.A. program.

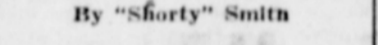
Richard Hansen, Corvallis, has also been announced program speaker. He will discuss his recent trip to Copenhagen, Denmark, when he attended the World's Poultry congress.

Outlook for feeds, eggs and chicks will occupy a prominent place in the discussions. Brownell has announced, G. C. Keeney, Portland, manager of the Pacific Cooperative Poultry Producers, will discuss feed and egg outlook, with Bennion's discussion following.

Isaiah Thomas, founder of the Massachusetts Spy in 1770, wrote the first historical account of American newspapers.

Mostly Static

By "Shorty" Smith



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SILK CREEK

Miss Betty Aaugard of Cottage Grove was a visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George McMurrick the past week.

Mrs. George Moxley was a visitor at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Pallese, in Eugene, last week. Mr. and Mrs. Redgroves and daughter Alma, of Eugene, were visitors Sunday at the Oren Skaggs home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Carlson are proud parents of a son, Kenneth Ray, weighing seven pounds, born Thursday, October 7, 1948. Neighborhood Friendship club will hold the regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. A. O. Downie next Thursday, October 21st. All members are reminded that at this meeting club officers will be elected to serve the ensuing six months. Also that members will exchange flower bulbs; each one to bring bulbs, wrapped, for exchange with another member.

Also at this meeting each member will bring an individual dish of dessert to be sold for fifteen cents each, proceeds to go into the gift fund.

Mrs. M. E. Pallese and daughter Jo Ann, and Ed and Frank Kirchoff, of Eugene, were visitors Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Moxley.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Clark of Cottage Grove, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Stewart, of Dorena, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Jones, of London, and Oren Skaggs were guests Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Downie at a cooking demonstration and dinner.

George Kentner, who is in a hospital at Eugene, and recently underwent operations for amputation of a leg and foot, is reported convalescing nicely and well on the way to recovery.

SON OF MYRTLE CREEK DEER HUNTER DROWNS

A 17-month-old boy drowned Saturday while his father was on a deer hunting expedition in the Sister County.

The boy, James D. Wooden, drowned in a creek above Leaburg. He was there with his mother, Mrs. W. B. Wooden Jr., Myrtle Creek, visiting friends while the father went hunting.



by GENE WARE

For years radio has tried to get the nation interested in educational programs. Nobody ever listened. Mutual's Elsie Dick, director of educational programs came up with what looks like the answer. Its called "Split the Atom". Plugged as a give-away show, you learn while you earn. Something like giving a child orange juice with castor oil. It might be a razzle-dazzle approach to a serious problem, but it looks as if it will go over with a bang. Wonder what radio will come up with next?

A worthwhile event we should all attend the latter part of next month is the huge bazaar the Catholic Church is sponsoring for their new school. It will be held in the Armory and I'll let you know the exact date and all the wonderful things in store for you later. It is to be the biggest all day affair of this kind to be held in Cottage Grove and one you won't want to miss.

West Coast sardine packers are spending \$95,000 to try and find out what's happened to this finny fugitive. Ask any fisherman, he'll tell you they're playing "hooky". And ask any fisherman what cigarette lighter he prefers. He'll say Ronson, because it's dependable in any kind of weather. Get your Ronson at COMMUNITY JEWELERS, 612 Main Street. Phone: 351.

Advertisement for Fireman's Ball on Sat., Oct. 23, 1948, 9:30 P.M. to 12:30 A.M. Johnny Lusk's 7-piece Orchestra with Vocalist. Admission \$1.00 Per Head. Get your tickets from any fireman. You benefit from a well equipped fire department.