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## GIVE THE HIGH SCHOOL BAND A HAND

You will soon know, if you have not heard of the campaign to raise upwards of \$2,800 for new uniforms for the high school band. It isn't possible for the school board to pay for all of the school activities out of the tax budget set up, so a campaign is underway to raise the funds necessary to supply the needed uniforms and a good start has already been made. The American Legion and Auxiliary are sponsoring a concert by the high school band and glee club; the B. & P. W. Club has already turned in over \$100.00 from the University Band concert given about three weeks ago and the Lions club will sponsor a fund raising campaign thru the sale of buttons and by direct appeal.

We would like to express a fervent hope that the campaign will be short and successful. Nothing will boost the morale of the members any more than new uniforms. These will do the same for the band members as new clothes for the individual and under the capable direction of Elwood Rickman, the band can be made into a real community asset—an asset not only to the city of Cottage Grove, but to the territory embracing the entire high school district.

The Roseburg high school band is a fine example of how a capable band can create good will for an institution and the locality it serves. When the band accompanied the Roseburg football team to Cottage Grove last fall, the average football fan promptly forgot the results of the football game or how the team played but what stuck with him is how the Roseburg high school band played and paraded.

A good uniformed band such as the high school band will be once members are uniformed, will add pep and zest to a lot of community activities.

Let's get behind the campaign.

## BOUQUETS VS. KICKS IN THE PANTS

Perhaps you have heard of the time worn expression that the average individual gets his or her name in print only three times in a life time, when he is born, when he marries and when he dies. None of us live up to our opportunities, and we never develop into the man or woman we might be, but in our struggle for existence our worthwhile accomplishments are never given recognition, but we often get a kick in the pants for our mistakes.

Possibly nobody is as conscious of this human failing as newspaper folks. Our best efforts as well as the most expensive features we run in the paper with the hope they'll be liked are taken as a matter of course and we rarely hear comment one way or another unless we make an error, then often the roof raises.

One reason we are here is to assist in giving recognition to the worthwhile accomplishments of our people, provided of course that such accomplishments are not kept a secret. It's just human nature to work at the job harder when a little praise is passed out. If we work harder we can do a better job and are therefore worth more to the community in which we live and when this is done we can naturally expect the community to be a better place in which to live.

## GOVERNMENTALISM

The world is experiencing a great surge of governmentalism. Governmentalists are found working everywhere to destroy individual freedom. They operate under different labels: socialism, communism, collectivism, but their goal remains the same.

The most evident signs of it in the United States are efforts to nationalize basic industries. Nationalization or government operation of industry eliminates the incentive to produce. Ultimately it eliminates the right to protest, the right to worship, the right to private property, the right to organize labor unions and other freedoms that we take for granted. And then you have the final extremity of governmentalism—dictatorship. What it is called makes little difference.

This country is due for a change of heart, or the individual is going to become the victim of government.

## IF YOU STILL BELIEVE THE GOVERNMENT IS SANTA CLAUS

If you still believe that whatever you get from the government doesn't cost you anything, you might take a squint at the amount of federal taxes taken from Oregon during 1948 as quoted in the Oregon Voter. A gigantic total of \$324,584,434 was collected during the calendar year of 1948 from Oregon corporations and individuals by the federal government. This sum surpasses the peak year of 1945. Oregon led all Pacific coast states in the percentage of increase in the internal revenue of 1948 over 1947 with an increase of 10.2 per cent. The payroll tax increase of 1948 over 1947 was 12.6 per cent. Income taxes over 1948 as compared with 1947 in Oregon was 19.4 per cent.

When the white man discovered this country the Indians were running it. There were no taxes; no debt, and the women did all the work.

"There are only one-way streets leading to the collectivist society called 'socialism'—the philosophy that rejects the dignities and the freedom of man, surrenders the individual to the will of the state." . . . P. L. Smith, Pres., Nat'l Assn. of Electric Companies.

Liberty has never come from the government. Liberty has always come from the subjects of it. The history of liberty is a history of resistance. The history of liberty is a history of limitations of governmental power, not the increase of it.—Woodrow Wilson.

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## AFTER US THE DELUGE!



## Washington Letter

By Harris Ellsworth, Rep. in Congress from Oregon

There is a marked tendency on the part of the Administration forces, both in the Executive Department and in Congress, to overlook the fact that the present "cold" war is an economic war. In a shooting or "hot" war, the power which succeeds in destroying the effective fighting force of its enemy is the victor. In the cold war, the power which succeeds in staying relatively strong, while its opposition goes bankrupt, is the victor.

Our allies in Europe, I mean our post-war allies, were about to go down to defeat in the "cold" or economic war with Russia. Had they collapsed economically, the Russian Communist government would have quickly controlled them through the disciplined Communist party members in the various countries who would head the several "conquered" governments.

We recognized the nature of the problem and sent aid to Europe for the purpose of strengthening the economy there, and the "cold" war invaders are held back. Temporarily, at least, the war is at a stalemate. The countries on our side of the conflict are gaining in strength. The Russians are suffering severe drain on their resources because they are keeping millions of men under arms and because they, like us, are helping support their half of the European economic system. The fact that normal trade does not exist between Eastern and Western Europe is nearly as damaging to Russia's iron curtain satellites as it is to the Western European countries.

The only genuine hope Russia can have of winning this desperate conflict is that we will spend ourselves into bankruptcy and that we must sometime soon cease economic aid to Europe. With this result, which the Russians hope for, would come trouble in the United States, inviting more controls over the people and setting the stage for a complete Socialist government and eventual take-over by the Communists—controlled from Moscow.

Meanwhile the President and his party majority in Congress are (unwittingly, I hope) bent on doing the things which will help Russia most. They are insisting on strengthening and continuing the wartime controls we still have. The President, in his "program," asks for more controls including price fixing and rationing. The President and his followers are about to enact a program involving an enormous future increase in expenditures. The proposed program would require the spending, in coming years, of some 25% more than the high budget figure this year. This program of vote-getting benefactions would continue its annual tax drain into the long future. Taxes will be increased to pay for it.

Our country is strong now, but it surely cannot long withstand the impact of such a program and remain strong and free.

In Oregon in 1948 we paid taxes to the federal government amounting to an average of \$100 per month per family. The yearly tax drain to the federal government treasury from the people in the years 1933 and 1934. We cannot bear much more. But the President and his fellow party members in this session of Congress are determined to increase the burdens—both cost and controls.

The Russian Politburo must be very pleased with developments here!

## ADULT STAMP COLLECTOR CLUB BEING FORMED

A new stamp collectors' club is being formed in Cottage Grove for adult collectors with the first meeting to be held Thursday evening, March 24, at 7:30 at Woody's Glass Shop in the building formerly occupied by Radio Ray, across the Main street bridge.

Any interested collectors are invited to attend the meetings, and for further information call 818.

## Bohemia Nuggets

Of historical importance, locally, was the discovery the past week of one of the old paper-mache relief maps of the Bohemia District.

These were prepared under the direction of F. J. Hard of the Vesuvius Mines Co., some 50 years ago, and show in detail, not only the mountains and creeks, but also the exact location of all major mines of that day.

The map was found by Miss Franc L. Hard of San Jose, Calif., the present head of the Vesuvius Mines Co., and was sent by her to Ray Nelson, secretary of the Bohemia Mine owners Assoc., for study and display.

(50 years ago, from the Bohemia Nugget)  
Pat Jennings has purchased, for \$1000, the claim formerly owned by Green Pitcher and Bob Martin.

## County Affairs

(Roger T. Tetlow)

Marriage Licenses: Don Buckley, Box 107, Drain, and Gloria May Gordon, Saginaw. March 8, 1949.

Bounties: Gene Burns, Loran, two bounties, \$5.00; Ennis Nestle, Vida, three bounties, \$7.50.

Lane county residents should take advantage of the present wet forest condition for doing any burning of trash or brush. The State Farm Forester is reminding county residents that they can do this any time before May 15. After that date, it is necessary to obtain a fire permit before doing any clearing by fire.

4-H. Contrary to popular rumor, the county offices of the 4-H are still located in the basement of the court house. No definite plans have been made as to when or where they will move.

Project work will be discussed at a Forestry and Woodworking committee meeting to be held in the 4-H offices. The meeting, which will be held March 19th, will be attended by Mrs. V. T. Randall, the committee member from Cottage Grove.

A meeting will be held at the Latham school, March 19, for the purpose of organizing new clubs in that district. Miss A. Hiede, county extension agent (4-H) will be the featured speaker.

## THOUGHTLETS

By Earl B. Balch

Harry Lauder writes: "What the world needs is not battleships but friendships."

Those whose memories run back that far, will recall that President Harry Truman is facing the same conditions that President Herbert Hoover faced when he was president—an unsympathetic and non-cooperative congress.

It will take something more than a long junket around the nation and the spending of a lot of the taxpayer's money to sway the votes of an unfriendly congress.

Perhaps the friends of Drew Pearson are correct when they say that eighty per cent of the columnist's predictions are correct. It seems to us that Mr. Pearson is letting his imagination run away with itself, when he predicted that Doctor Ralph Bunche would be made an ambassador to Russia. Would the senators from the deep South vote for his confirmation if the President would name him for the post?

If John L. Lewis really wishes to prevent the confirmation by the senate of the President's man to be head of the bureau of mines as he asserts, he is taking the wrong method to accomplish this purpose. In all probability, Mr. Lewis' order for a vacation of two weeks for the coal miners, east of the Mississippi, looks like intimidation. And no red blooded honorable United States senator will stand for that.

A woman scientist who worked among the natives of Netherlands New Guinea, wrote about the natives being dressed only in loin cloth. "They may be naked but they do not look undressed."

# United Nations Faced By Worldwide Housing Boom

LAKE SUCCESS, New York—Five years ago, the average value of a new one-family house in the United States was \$3,089. At the end of 1947, in the midst of a housing boom, the cost of building that same house had more than doubled.

At the same time, a similar housing boom was going on all over the world. Statistics made public here by the International Labor Organization (ILO) show that costs have advanced from 80 to 85 per cent in Australia; from 110 to 125 per cent in Canada; 130 per cent in Great Britain; 153 per cent in Sweden; and 350 per cent in the Netherlands.

Those high cost figures, which really reflect the trouble that millions of ordinary citizens have in finding moderate-priced housing, have brought forth a warning from ILO against a repetition of the housing boom which brought disastrous results after World War I.

In a study of employment instability in the world construction industries, now being considered by the second session of ILO's Building Civil Engineering and Public Works Committee meeting in Rome, ILO asserts that one of the first aims of governments should be to stabilize the industry which has fluctuated so extravagantly in the past.

Pointing out the necessity of stabilizing the construction industry, the report stresses the following points:

In the United States alone 2,300,000 workers and their families depend on the building industry for their livelihood.

In 20 other countries, from five to 10 per cent of the population are employed in construction.

Since no other industry soars more quickly to boom heights during good times or falls more rapidly to slump depths when demand slackens, it is the responsibility of governments, employers and workers to ensure that the 1950's do not repeat the economically and socially disastrous events of the 30's, which sprang directly from the last post-war boom.

The ILO study urges that governments, employers and unions concentrate their combined efforts to reduce costs in the construction industries through stabilization of output.

The ILO report makes the following proposals:

1. Governments should continue cheap money policies and should seek to maintain low interest rates, particularly on mortgages.

2. Public works reserves from which projects can be drawn as needed to offset fluctuations in private investment should be built up.

3. A high degree of labor mobility is required.

4. The present high demand for housing should be used in order to perfect planning for any future decline.

5. Governments might subsidize certain types of private investment and provide housing subsidies to those whose income is considered to be inadequate.

6. Output stability could be attained in part if governments used their powers to condemn substandard dwelling and to promote house-building.

7. State or local government programs should be coordinated with those of national governments.

8. If forecasts are to be made in time to start public works when they are needed, improvements will be necessary in statistical analyses and collection.

"Never was an industry in more urgent need of cost reduction than the housing industry," the ILO report states. "Already in some countries a potential housing boom is tending to be choked off by the high and rising level of costs. The other construction industries are in the same state."

"Probably the greatest single contribution to a reorganization of construction costs will be made if the output of the industries is successfully established. Then, for the first time, it will become economical to undertake large-scale methods of production involving heavy overhead expenses and to reduce and eventually to abandon monopolistic and restrictive practices."

"Many interesting and significant experiments are being made, and should be encouraged both by governments and by the trades and industries concerned, with developments such as standardization of materials and of sections of houses and the introduction of factory processes and assembly-line technique."

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Famed as sociologist, writer and educator, Mrs. Alva Myrdal, new principal director of the U.N. Department of Social Affairs, is better than well prepared to direct, plan and coordinate the multiple activities of the United Nations department concerned with improving the lot of human beings all over the world.

The highest ranking woman member of the U.N. Secretariat is the author of many books on social problems. Mrs. Myrdal also brings to her new position a broad background of experience in social affairs and her pioneer work in developing a theory of social policy with emphasis on the family is reflected in her native Sweden's advanced social service program, considered one of the best in the world.

Married to the renowned Swedish economist, Dr. Gunnar Myrdal, Executive Secretary to the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, Mrs. Myrdal founded the Training College for Pre-School Teachers organized by the Swedish Cooperative Housing Society and served as its director from 1936 to 1948. She has served on numerous public enquiries on child care, population questions, training of the handicapped and

educational reform.

She also participated in refugee work and was active in civic affairs, representing the Swedish government in several international conferences.

Asked once how one could be the perfect wife and mother as well as a public figure, Mrs. Myrdal's reply was, "One has to find one's balance, because the problem is different for everybody. My experience as a mother and wife has been very useful in guiding my scientific and social work."

As a leader in woman's organizations, Mrs. Myrdal served during many years with women's labor groups of Sweden, and with university women associations, as well as with the International Federation of Business and Professional Women of which she was vice-president for nine years.

An admirer of Rousseau and Voltaire, the distinguished woman now director of the U.N. department responsible for programs concerning human rights, freedom of information and of the press, the status of women, migration and population, penal questions and the control of narcotic drugs, graduated from the University of Stockholm in 1924 and studied at American universities in 1929 and 1930 as a fellow of the Rockefeller Foundation and in Geneva, Switzerland.

Among Mrs. Myrdal's publications are: "Nation and Family," "Woman's Work," "Cross Section of Great Britain," "Post War Planning," and "Crisis in the Population Question," the latter written in collaboration with her husband.

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## News Views

by GENE WARE

A hosiery manufacturer is finding that it pays off to hit a woman in the nose. He has scented his hosiery boxes with perfume and sales have zoomed! Experts say nose appeal is so strong that many companies are using scented ink in their ads . . . turn to a picture of a baked ham and you actually smell the delicious aroma. Of course, this new trend could go too far . . . in fact one outfit thinks it already has. One of the scents they used in newspaper advertising appealed to dogs and cats . . . almost every paper in the neighborhood was pawed and scratched. For a moment it looked as if this new medium was going to the dogs.

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