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IT MAY BE A WOMAN'S WORLD

The traditional lament from the so-called "hen pecked male" is growing louder as more and more women are invading the employment field and infiltrating where it hurts the more, in the nation's job markets. The employment of women says a recent survey, which suffered a two year post war slump, has come back with a bang as 18,000,000 of them now collect regular pay checks and now account for 29 per cent of the nation's work force.

According to a Wall Street Journal survey the number of women job holders and job seekers has jumped 24 per cent in the past ten years, while the number of men workers has crept up a scant 7.7 per cent.

The trend may be a worry to a lot of men, but to the nation's shopkeepers it may mean good news and ring a lot of cash registers as it shifts more purchasing power from men to women.

GETTING INTO POLITICS; A NEW HEADACHE

This community has never enjoyed the distinction of being a county seat town, which partly explains the apparent lack of interest in politics so far as county politics goes and perhaps the lack of interest may even extend into state and national fields. At any rate we have missed a lot of headaches.

But occasionally we do have a candidate for a county or state office and we have to have candidates for city office, although the candidate is more often given a sort of a back hand push to get him in the latter job, since a city job carries a lot of responsibility, but little or no pay. An active candidate usually finds the job carries an unusual amount of headaches, for those who may give him or her the most encouragement to start with often desert his camp. Or he finds a lot of voters who may be free with promises, but seldom make these promises good. The majority like to vote for the winner if they can judge who the winner might be and have no scruples against breaking a promise to support a certain candidate, if they think the candidate may fail to be the winner.

As a community institution which is supposed to be the mouthpiece of the section it serves, a newspaper does not always escape the unpleasant situations which may arise out of the campaign. We either don't support the candidate vigorously enough or recite his abilities and sing his praises enough to suit his friends or it might be that we have failed to assume the attitude of a dictator and tell the people how to vote which incurs the displeasure of the candidate or his friends.

Over the years of our newspaper connection we recall one or two instances where we were foolish enough to open the columns of our newspaper for the prospective candidate to discuss the issues involved and after donating several columns of space, wound up by making an enemy of the candidate. Now we know better, but these same instances show how easy it is to get excited over trivial matters and perhaps hold a grudge for years.

All of which leads us to the conclusion that when a campaign ends, forget it.

MORE THAN ONE ALARMED AT FEDERAL SPENDING

More than one organization and individual are alarmed at the current rate of federal spending. Under the title of "Federal Spending Facts", the Council of State Chambers of Commerce deplors the fact that new taxes would hit the low income groups and says in part:

"If all personal incomes in excess of \$10,000 a year were confiscated by Uncle Sam, it would barely give him the additional money needed to wipe out the \$5½ billion deficit and finance the \$1 billion first year's cost of the new Federal spending programs proposed in the 1951 budget.

"Since the nation faces a choice of submitting to higher taxes or reducing federal spending if Uncle Sam is to live within his income, the Council of State Chambers of Commerce today pointed up some of the difficulties in increasing federal revenues.

"This study revealed that if, for instance, the federal government set \$50,000 as the maximum income that could be retained by individuals and took outright all income above \$50,000, it would get only about \$843 million more than it gets now from present taxes on those incomes. This \$843 million would be enough to run the federal government only one week.

"Or suppose Uncle Sam called \$25,000 the most anyone could have and took everything made above that figure. That would give the government a little over \$2 billion in additional revenue. This is just a little less than the government intends to spend on agricultural activities and subsidies alone in 1951.

But, of course, Uncle Sam would never think of taking such a big tax bite because he knows he would destroy all personal incentives to earn that much again.

"The survey showed further that in spite of the high taxes on incomes of \$100,000 and over, Uncle Sam collected only \$1.2 billion from 10,844 persons with such incomes in 1947 which is the latest year for which complete statistics are available. This total was only 6½ per cent of all income taxes paid that year. And tax rates on incomes over \$100,000 that year ranged from 67 per cent to as high as 91 per cent.

"On the other hand, 51 million taxpayers reporting incomes of less than \$5,000 in 1947 paid \$8½ billion which is 48 per cent or almost half of the income taxes collected that year.

"The Council said, 'There is no getting around the fact that any additional burden of taxes must fall on the lower income groups. They have only two choices: submitting to more taxes or demanding cuts in present spending with a halt to new spending.'

CLAFLIN, KANSAS, CLARION: "Payments of Social Security old age benefits . . . are not being paid out of the money that was paid into the government treasury in payroll taxes. That money is gone—used up by the federal spenders, social security money which the government has borrowed. All that represents it is government bonds issued for the interest on these bonds is used to pay social security benefits and this interest is paid by taxpayers, in addition to the money they have already paid in as a payroll tax."

"We have talked entirely too much about 'security'. There has been too much emphasis on 'riskless savings' and a 'safe future'. We should do more talking about people becoming owners of business."—Emil Schram.

THE BOTTOMLESS PIT



MILTON, ORE.: The recent "Why I Should Trade at Home" contest sponsored by the Milton-Free-water Chamber of Commerce, drew a big response with eight local high school students writing prize-winning essays.

Such sentiments as "People do not realize that the business houses in their district are required to pay a tax that goes for wages of local high school teachers" and "If everyone would trade in his own home town the quality of goods would increase, and the price would decrease" were applauded by the local merchants sponsoring the "trade at home" essay contest.

OREGON - AT - LARGE: For some mysterious reason the female still excels the male in scholastic accomplishment—at least on the high school level.

In nearly every Oregon high school, it's the girls who give the valedictory and salutatory addresses at commencement. In Athena, Marita Carlson and Connie Harris tied for top honors; Reedsport Union high school's salutatorians are Patricia Ann Taylor and Ruth Inez Miller, and valedictorian, Florence Rookard; at Ashland, Joanne Downing and Kay Beck will do the honors, and in Ontario it's Lola Margaret Brooke.

Since science has not revealed any superior intelligence on the part of either the male or the female, it is probably safe to assume that this apparent female superiority among high school students may be attributed to philosophy among the boys that it just isn't 'smart' to get good grades.



Potter's Patter

There's only one thing a person gets in life for nothing; a bad name. A person should not think they're smart. Let others think you are smart and you show them.

In Washington's Time

In the days of Washington and Lincoln most people raised their own grain and either ground it themselves or had it ground at a nearby gristmill. The housewife used fresh whole-grain flour to bake the bread and rolls for her family. In this way, practically all the vitamins and minerals of the grain were present in the homemade bread.

Washington Letter

The annual shortage of box cars on the railroad system which serves the Oregon country has begun earlier than usual this year. The best estimate is that shippers are now receiving only 70 per cent of the cars they need. The principal commodity affected is lumber. Unless this condition is improved soon employment in the lumber and logging industry will be reduced accordingly.

Ordinarily there is a seasonal shortage of cars which occurs in the fall when the grain crop must be moved. Usually the condition, though serious and costly, does not last more than a couple of months. But this year is different. The car shortage began to be felt in May and shows no signs of diminishing as the peak grain loading weeks approach. What is the reason for the car shortage now? The basic trouble is that the railroads own box cars enough to handle the rail transportation needs of a population of 130,000,000 people but not enough cars to serve our present population of 150,000,000. However, the off-season appearance of a shortage is said to be due, first, to the upset in our rail network caused by the recent strike on a number of roads. Secondly, the prolonged coal strike caused the railroads considerable trouble the effects of which are still felt.

I have spent considerable time discussing the problem with officials of the Interstate Commerce Commission here. They state frankly that they cannot figure out a solution that will give any immediate relief. Cars cannot be produced by passing a law or issuing an order. Apparently the railroad officials are just going to have to pull off their coats and step up their operating efficiency.

Lately I have made appearances before the Committee for Reciprocity Information on behalf of the bulb and plywood industries. The committee with that fancy name is not much more than a "wailing wall" at which people may recite their troubles. The troubles are caused by the way in which the state department is reducing tariffs under the reciprocal trade agreements law. The bulb growers and plywood workers are in the unfortunate position of sending their tax money to help build up foreign industries which then ship goods produced by low paid labor to this country. They can and do sell their products for less

than our labor cost alone. U. S. plywood, for example, costs 43 per cent more to produce than plywood produced in Canada. Since 1947 foreign flower bulbs have flooded the market here at such low prices that our growers are driven out of business. But up to now, at least, our State department officials who set tariff rates have turged their backs on United States producers and appear to think only in terms of aiding foreign industry.

I have not heard of any case wherein local producers are asking an advantage over foreign goods. All that our people are asking is that tariff rates be so fixed that foreign produce will sell at prices that are reasonably near competitive with domestic prices based upon costs in the United States.

Shortly after the end of the war our benevolent government went into the business of financing prefabricated houses via a privately owned corporation known as Lustron. The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, which poured \$37,500,000 into the Lustron Corporation, has bid in the firm for \$5,000,000. At the sale of the Lustron assets the RFC offered the only bid, announcing it was acting to "protect" its interests. Lustron repaid the government only \$1,000,000 on the huge loan made to the firm. The RFC says that the Lustron plant will remain closed while it tries to resell to private interests.

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Mrs. Ruby Reaston, Reporter
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The women of the Friendly Neighbors club will sponsor a benefit dance at Walker Saturday night, June 17. The proceeds will go to the school district for the playshed fund. Lunch will be sold in the old high school building.

Around \$90.00 was cleared from the benefit dance given by the Saginaw-Walker Community club at the hall Saturday night.

Mrs. George Getty spent three days in Bend last week attending a postmasters convention.

Mr. and Mrs. George Drinkwater moved to Eugene last week, where Mr. Drinkwater is employed.

Hal Callantine left for Montana Sunday, where he will spend the summer with relatives.

Bobbie Copp of Cottage Grove is visiting his father Sam Copp.

Ada Mae Ketcherside of Mount View spent a couple of days last week with Linda Bash.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Lane, newlyweds, left for their home at Santa Rosa, California, Monday after spending a week at the H. O. Laird home.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Smith and children, Marleen and Gordon of Riddle stopped on their way home from the Rose Festival in Portland to visit at the home of Mr. Smith's sister, Mrs. Lottie Kirkendall. Marleen and Gordon played in the Riddle band in the parade at Portland. Mrs. Kirkendall's mother, Mrs. Ella Smith and a niece, Marie Mecum of Portland who accompanied the Smiths to Riddle, were also guests at the Kirkendall home. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Maugh of Sutherlin.

Ted Thompson who is employed in Eugene, spent the week end at his home here.

W. G. McAtee, Wayne Hilton, R. P. Bash and Johnny Bash spent the week end on a fishing trip into eastern Oregon.

George Conley is proudly displaying a gold nugget which he found at his mine on Sharp's Creek.

SUNNYSIDE GREENHOUSES ENLARGES, MODERNIZES

The office and display room of the Sunnyside Greenhouses at 1704 West Main is undergoing enlargement and is being modernized. The floor space in the building will be enlarged to about twice its size and when completed will be 40 by 22 feet. A modernistic touch is being added to the interior which is being finished in knotty hemlock. Face brick will be used along the front of the building. The remodeling is being done by Russell Wolcott.

SEAVERS BUY JERSEY FROM HAROLD CLARK

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Seaver of Cottage Grove have purchased the registered Jersey, Viscount Lucile, from Harold Clark of Creswell, it was announced this week by the American Jersey Cattle club.

Jerseys are registered at the national office of the club in Columbus, Ohio. Complete records on all registered Jerseys have been kept by the organization since 1868.

Everybody reads the Classified.

"Fuel for Man or Car"

June 13, 11:30 A. M. Joshua Time

Goodness! Can't somebody do something? This cloudy weather has shortened our daylight hours. I turned the clock hands ahead some more—didn't help a bit—then I turned them back—still cloudy. Maybe if we could turn one hand backwards and the other forward it would help.

Well next Sunday we will have to depart from our 16 hour a day open policy and close up for a three hour period. 2:00 P. M. to 5:00 P. M. we will be closed—three hours—Why? Well, Bill is getting married so we want to see the knot tied. Boy, do you remember back to those days of "Will you", "I will", and "Do you", "I do". Ah! those were the days.

You took her by the hand, finally got up courage and blurted out "Will you marry me?" Her hand tightened around yours—you thought it was love, well she probably was holding on afraid you would get away. Her voice quavered as she answered—"Yes, I will". You thought that was caused by timidity—probably eagerness.

anyhow now you can look back and see why papa let them feed you good company meals and showed just enough opposition to you as a prospective son-in-law to make you more determined to get the girl. In fact you may be doing the same thing to some young fellow.

Well it is great to remember back when you felt that you could lick the world bare handed and the girl believed you could give it two rounds to start—but more comforting to know that although you failed to give the world a proper trouncing, the same girl now thinks it makes no difference whether you did or not as you gave it a good battle—all you had to give.

Now she is more interested in how you feel and what you would like to eat.

Well, that is where we came in to the picture. She can chase over here most anytime between 7 A. M. and 11 P. M. and get the proper ingredients for a proper meal. Still have a few fresh fryers.

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