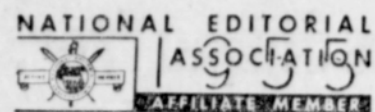


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Dictatorship the Price of Security

It was rather by coincidence that we should read of dictatorship in the name of security on the state and national level both at about the same time. Alsop Brothers, veteran Washington reporters, assert that official Washington is not telling the American public the truth, because these officials are able to hide behind security regulations.

In connection with security the house of representatives by two dissenting votes passed HB 174, which would make the governor of the state a virtual dictator in times of emergency. It was sponsored we understand by the State Civil Defense Center and a companion bill is supposed to be introduced in several state legislatures, so that the little dictators would have a sort of a push over in times of stress.

In looking back over the actions of some of the civil defense centers, it seems to us that they have done their share along with some officials in Washington in promoting fear among the public and in crying, "Wolf" where none existed. According to the interpretation of HB 174 outlined in the Sunday Oregonian, the bill would give whoever happened to be governor full control over the movements of the people of the state. He could stop normal commerce, stop people from traveling to nearby communities, regulate the food supply and take any piece of property he saw fit and would be the judge as to the seriousness of the emergency if any existed.

The security curtain in Washington has been pretty well clamped down since the start of World War II. Some of the politicians lived in the hope of creating a new crisis, if the present one faded and were rather handy in creating a new one to fit the occasion.

In most cases official Washington has told the American public only what it chose to tell in the past fifteen years. It seems they are afraid the people can't take the truth. They have failed to realize that in a democracy, people are intelligent enough to take the bad with the good.

Another Business in Town

A recent editorial praised C. L. Davidson and Elliott Voegel, partners in the DaVoe Corp., for manufacturing their new product in Cottage Grove and buying parts and constructing the machinery for it locally. It wouldn't be fair to pass by mentioning another local businessman responsible for bringing to town another business and added payroll.

Floyd Githens is now remodeling his new Lincoln-Mercury building on the highway and plans, upon completion, to lease it to Mel Gans and two associates, who will operate a large super market in the building.

Not only will the new concern employ 10 or more people, adding more to Cottage Grove's payroll, it SHOULD help stem the tide of local residents who travel to Eugene and Springfield to take advantage of the lower grocery prices there, and possibly bring in a small influx of business from nearby towns.

While the contractor awarded the bid for Githens' remodeling project, Gale Roberts, isn't a resident of Cottage Grove, he does own a few buildings on Main Street and pays taxes on them. He also did a very fine job constructing the new addition to the local high school. Mr. Roberts has also purchased many of his materials in town and states an intention to continue local purchasing.

It might be briefly mentioned that Githens' 40 employees represent Cottage Grove's largest single payroll and more than 50 percent of his auto business comes from communities other than Cottage Grove. Our town is growing.

A. M.

Fairs in Disfavor With Some People

The old country fair, as many of us knew it, has grown into disfavor with a good many people, despite the fact that events of this sort are supposed to be helpful in stimulating agriculture. This does not mean that youth fairs, FFA and 4-H club events have lost the public interest; on the other hand some features of the old time fair have ceased to be attractive to many.

As an example, an exhibitor brings in a huge squash, pulled from a vine grown under the most favorable conditions and not representative of the squash patch. Or an exhibitor may show a large ear of corn, picked from the biggest stalk in a back yard patch. In neither case is the exhibit grown by a farmer nor is the sample exhibit representative of the field or fields.

Exhibits of this sort would certainly be worthy of more attention if they represented better farming or a departure from the approved methods of farming. As probably the case in the ordinary exhibit, the produce is usually grown in a well fertilized spot, well watered in a back yard.

Displays of livestock, poultry and farm animals do attract comment and if they are worthy of their class can lead to better livestock farming. After all this should be the prime purpose of any fair.

In many cases the amateur and not the farmer carries away the premiums, which is not very encouraging. When exhibits are encouraged which result from better farming, then the fair can be made to pay off.

We Favor Resolution No. 8

Maybe we are a little late in adding our approval to House Resolution No. 8, introduced February 1 by Rep. John D. Hare of Hillsboro, which would limit appropriations to the anticipated revenues under the existing laws.

Demand upon the legislative assembly to increase taxes has already exceeded the ability for the average property owner to pay, if the suggested method of raising this revenue is not changed the increased burden is piled on the sore backs of the property owners.

Even with all the economies worked out by the state budget director, and the total revenues anticipated, it becomes evident that without a sales tax it will be necessary to levy a state tax on property. Property already is overburdened with taxes. The farmer, who is hardest hit by property taxes, needs relief. Property and income taxes are so high they are discouraging business and industry. We depend on business and industry for jobs. If we permit a tax structure driving business and industry to more favorable tax climates, we suffer a loss of potential jobs which local and state economy depend.—Roseburg News-Review

Speeding on U. S. streets and highways injured nearly 700,000 men, women and children.

Letter From Washington

Selective Service Bill Passes House

By Congressman Harris Ellsworth

By a vote of 394 to 4 the bill to continue Selective Service for four more years was passed by the House. This bill, if it is not greatly changed when passed by the Senate, represents many improvements over the present draft law. The changes and improvements are too many to discuss fully in this letter. As soon as the bill becomes law, so that we know the complete and exact text of it, I shall be glad to send a copy of it with a summary and explanation to anyone who would like to have it.

Young men and their parents may also be interested in another type of service which is provided by an excellent educational opportunity provided by the government. Educated and qualified men are needed in our Merchant Marine. The United States Merchant Marine Academy located at Kings Point, New York, prepares men to become officers in the U. S. Merchant Marine and in the Naval Reserve. It is similar in character to the Army, Navy and Coast Guard Academies in that it is a military school. It is an accredited four-year, degree-granting college like other federal academies.

Qualifying examinations of candidates for appointment to the Merchant Marine Academy will be held April 11 at Eugene, Medford, Roseburg and Coos Bay. Applicants must have high school education or its equivalent and must be at least 16½ years of age but not yet 21.

Those who are interested should make application promptly to the Maritime Training Officer, Maritime Administration, Department of Commerce, Washington, D. C. Information and blank forms are

available by writing to my office.

Based upon information furnished by the states that there is a present need for 300,000 school classrooms and a requirement of 50,000 rooms annually in addition to replacements, the President has suggested to Congress a three-year program of federal assistance for this problem.

The program outlined calls for the expenditure of seven billion dollars on a federal-state basis with federal appropriations of more than a billion.

Three types of federal help are included in the plan: (1) Federal purchase of local school bonds; (2) aid to statewide school building agencies which would build and rent buildings to local districts; (3) grants in aid to school districts which are unable to pay interest and principal charges on loans, or which have reached their legal bonding limit and are unable to pay the rent required by a state lease-purchase agency.

A few states have set up special statewide school building agencies. The President's program obviously wishes to encourage that approach to school construction for in his message to Congress he said, "I propose, therefore, that the federal government furnish one-half of the administrative costs of state programs which are designed to overcome obstacles to local financing or to provide additional state aid to local school districts."

With the newly suggested school building program, the super-highway building plan and the health program, the President has given Congress quite a load of work to do.

'Twas Ever Thus!



History's Lesson

When primitive man, observing a rolling stone, seized upon an idea and perfected the first crude wheel, he started civilization really rolling. But he caused some consternation, too.

Others of our ancient ancestors who had been getting things from here to there by laboriously carrying them by hand, envisaged a wheeled contraption that would "throw men out of work."

We know, of course, that it didn't — and that the primordial wheel made jobs instead of destroying them.

So it is today, as we progress further into the age of "automation"—the automatic operation of productive machinery. The fear of "workerless factories," being spread in some quarters, is entirely and historically groundless.

We can have wonderful and more efficient machines—and jobs in increasing numbers at the same time. The history of industry says we can—and the practice of industry says we will!

INCOME TAX FACTS No. 3— Not All Your Income Goes In Your Tax Form

(This is one of a series of articles on income tax changes. The articles are based on information provided by the American Institute of Accountants and the Oregon Society of Certified Public Accountants.)

Taxpayers make more mistakes in listing their income than any other type of error, according to a survey made by the Internal Revenue Service. It is important to know what to include and what NOT to include. Look at this list and see if you can tell which should be listed as income on your federal income tax return:

Dividends from an insurance policy.
 Pay of armed forces enlisted men while in combat or while hospitalized from combat service.
 Social Security benefits.
 Gifts.
 Payments received under Workmen's Compensation laws.
 The answer is that none of the above should be listed as taxable income! There are other forms of exempt income, too, which you will find listed in the official tax instructions. Some of them are:

Other Exempt Income
 Inheritances and bequests (the estate may be taxed but not the recipient).
 First \$200 of monthly pay of armed forces officers while serving or hospitalized from active service in a combat zone.
 Railroad Retirement Act benefits.
 Certain health and accident benefits.
 Damages awarded by a court or paid out of court for personal injuries.
 Government payments and benefits to veterans and their families, except nondisability retirement pay and interest on

terminal leave bonds.
 Interest on state and municipal bonds.
Parsons and Prizes
 The rental value of a parsonage furnished to a minister of the gospel is not taxable income; the law now adds that a rental allowance paid to him for this purpose is also exempt.
 If you won a prize, watch this fine distinction: the prize is taxable if you were required to exert even the slightest effort to earn it; on the other hand, if it was made in recognition of scientific, literary or other achievement and you were selected without any action on your part the prize is considered a gift and you are not taxed on it.
 Most scholarships and fellowships are exempt, unless they are paid as compensation for services, such as teaching and research.
Additional Information
 Be sure to read the official instructions. You can also get help from the Internal Revenue Service, which urges you to consult only qualified advisers.
 Next article: *Get All the Exemptions for Yourself and Dependents.*

Disston Ball Club Defeats D. Valley, National Guard

By Mrs. James Northcutt
 Phone 6-8643

DISSTON—Mrs. Olga Hall of Eugene visited for two days at the Gus Janisch home.

The Disston mens basketball game with the National Guard score was 47-31 in favor of Disston. The Delight Valley games were also won by the Disston men. There will be a game at Disston this Thursday night between the Disston men and the Delight Valley men. There will be no admission.

Those going to the March of Dimes Square Dance at the Cottage Grove Armory Saturday night were Messrs. and Mmes. T. Carr, J. Carr, M. Orum, and R. Tuhmans from Disston.

Claude Carr made a business trip to Los Angeles over the weekend. While there he visited with the O. Mortons. In Redding, Calif. he called at the Larry Owens home.

Scouts Roller Skate
 The Cub Scouts went roller skating Saturday afternoon. They were accompanied by Mrs. B. Coughlan and Mrs. R. Tuhman.

Mr. and Mrs. Clair Hogate attended the Dinner club at the B. Laving home Saturday night.

Those attending the training school at Wolf Creek from the Laying Creek Ranger Station were Messrs. M. Orum, H. McCormack, T. Carr, B. Coughlan, C. Hogate, D. Tuhman and L. Lemon.

Mrs. D. T. Spellman from Fairview, Mont., spent two days at the Ray Spellman home en route to San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Woody and children visited with Mrs. Woody's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Jones Sunday.

Mrs. J. A. Hunt of Tacoma, Wash., spent several days with her daughter, Mrs. Lewis Hass.

Mrs. Lois Hathaway and brother called on Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Carr last Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry McCormack and daughters visited at Tiller over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cooley of Portland and son William, and family visited Mrs. Cooley's brother, Boyd Chittester and family Sunday.

At Veneta

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Rexroad and family spent the weekend with Mrs. Rexroad's parents, Joe Thompsons at Veneta.

L. C. Rexroad took Merle Potter to the doctor in Eugene Wednesday.

Bert Olson from the University of Oregon in Eugene spent the weekend with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Hammett and family of Eugene visited Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Philip Nelson.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Kephart and family visited in the Claude Marus home in Creswell last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kimsey Cordin and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Kephart and Vincent visited last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Luther Cardin at Pleasant Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Bolt and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Kephart. In the afternoon Mrs. Bolt and Mrs. Kephart called on Mrs. M. Northcutt, Mrs. Barbara Goodell and Allen also visited in the afternoon.

Lane Co. Receives 60% of Collected Liquor License \$

Licensing operations of the Oregon liquor control commission during 1954 resulted in allocation of this month of \$601,665.50 to cities, counties and the general fund of the state. The commission reports that warrants totaling \$360,093.90, representing 60 percent of license fees collected, are being allocated to localities. Lane county and incorporated cities therein will receive \$18,604.99.

Forty percent of the earned license revenue, or \$240,662.60, is being channeled to the general fund, plus revenue from out of state licenses and sale of lists, bringing the total distribution to the general fund to \$241,571.60.

Distributions are made in accordance with the liquor control act which specifies that 60 percent of license fees return to the locality in which the licensed outlet is located, and the remainder go to the general fund.

Lane county will receive \$7,517.53; Coquille \$18,500; Cottage Grove \$929.48; Creswell \$123.31; Eugene \$6,901.73; Florence \$739.88; Junction City \$271.29; Oakridge \$736.80; Springfield \$1,366.47.

"As a girl gets older, her taste in men changes from bulging muscles to bulging wallets," —Jimmy Kormack

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