

Sense And Some NONSENSE -



By Dewey

State legislature about wound the business of this session last week with passage of a 3% sales tax, to be submitted to the voters sometime this fall. This is the third attempt, since I came to Oregon seven years ago, that the legislators, in their effort to raise more tax money, has passed this measure. Heretofore voters have said an emphatic "No."

Representative Fred Adams, of Ophir, was one of the 22 voting against the measure, and is one



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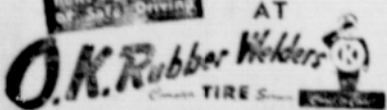
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of the group of legislators coming home, who can face their constituents with a clear conscience.

A sales tax, while it raises a big sum of money for the state government, does not place the tax burden where it belongs. It hits the "little man" who is less able to pay this burden. However, since food items were left off the 1947 version of the measure, the tax still catches the little man on necessities of life, such as clothing, and home necessities.

It is not likely that the people will sanction the tax this fall at the election. Too many organizations, such as the Grange, etc., will make an active fight to defeat this nuisance tax.

Prospects for fabulous lily fade with the passing days. Explanation of this seems to pass by the average grower, who does not realize that the seller's market has past, and today the buyer dictates his purchases.

People, too, forget that current rising prices of living expenses do not help the future sales of lilies, or any flowers, for that matter. A depression has hit a good many places in the east already, with unemployment at a new post-war high.

These columns, for the past year has been devoted quite a bit to adding new crops for this area, especially food crops. Sooner this comes about, the quicker people will realize it doesn't pay "to put all their eggs in one basket." Competition, since the war has become greater, too.

The flower business will always be good, provided that the list of flowers grown by this community is inclusive of all the varieties. Please do not blame any one group, individual, or any group of individuals for this condition—it's an after-math of the war, and unavoidable.

Along this same line, to illustrate how times have changed. In the Willamette valley, where farmers, heretofore have made considerable on contracted crops at canneries, this year finds a number of these contracts cancelled. Broccoli, califlower and a few crops which had been cened during the war, will not be raised on the old terms. Corn, another profitable crops, will not be reduced, but the price will be about 12 per cent less this year.

It is only natural that this should happen. Inflation must be stopped somewhere, and rising food prices certainly must be one of the first to come down. Labor, too, must be reduced to match these prices. In fact, all along the line, prices must come down from inflation levels.

Already, in the countries of Europe where living is exceedingly difficult, prices will be about as low as can be. These goods will be put on the world market—and naturally will have certain depressing effects on prices here. Certainly thing, at present, are all out of reason.

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Dated this 25th day of February, 1947. IDA MAY BUNNELL
J. C. O'Neill, attorney,
Klamath Falls, Ore.

Local News Items

Mrs. Roy McLean and son, Edward were here from Medford last week, visiting friends. Mrs. McLean is moving to Portland, and Edward is going back to Alaska, where he has been employed.

Attorney Ed F. Ackley returned early Sunday from San Francisco, where he had been for three weeks, in cases before the U. S. tax courts. He brought a quantity of mint back with him, to plant, with belief that this crop should be introduced in this area as a profitable crop.

Due to breakdown of the presses, it was reported, no Sunday Oregonians reached Brookings Sunday. Other newspapers, besides the Pilot, has troubles in reaching the mails, occasionally.

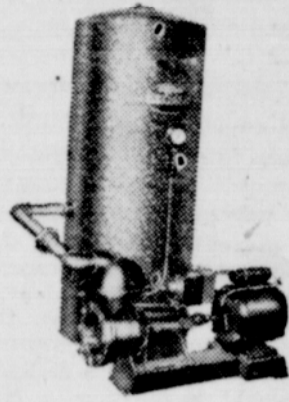
Mrs. C. I. Patrick and grandson, left Saturday for the weekend, spent with her brother, at Ashland.

Jimmy "Snazzle" Durante, famous radio and movie star, was a brief caller in this area last week, en route south.

Don Bryan, district representative of Belltone hearing aids, was a brief caller in this area Sunday. A resident of Medford, he holds hearing clinics at Crescent City once a month, and was in the area, surveying possibilities of hold a clinic here.

Too late to be published last week was the news that F. H. Sandstrom had broken his leg, in a fall. He is recovering well, it is reported.

A Chetco Grange dance, set for April 5, has been postponed so as not to conflict with the Azalea Festival association Easter dance. Exact date will be announced later.



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