

A Letter From Washington

Rep. Harris Ellsworth

A comment I made last week to the effect that many members of Congress have lost confidence in our governments executive departments and agencies seemed to stir up quite a little interest in the Press Gallery here. I was surprised at that. It does not seem to me there is news in that comment. I thought everyone knew it. However, since the subject appears to be interesting, I will amplify it a bit further.

Consider, for example, the absurd and devastating action of some bureaucrat in turning over the plates for our invasion currency to the Russians. It is common knowledge that the Russians are printing currency which we are redeeming with dollars. Nearly 800 million of our dollars have been squandered in this way. When you realize that one of the objectives of the Russian government is to weaken us economically, so that we will not have the strength to be a superior power in the world, the enormity of the crime of "loaning" our currency plates can be understood.

Consider also the fact that one of our greatest internal difficulties, not only now but for many months past, is a shortage of railroad cars. This problem will plague us for nearly a year to come. Meanwhile, we will have been exporting 5,000 new railroad cars per month, but have been building only 4,000 cars per month for domestic use. This country has a car-building capacity of 18,000 cars per month, but car factories are operating at only half capacity, largely because we are exporting too much steel. Lack of proper coordination and balance in the executive departments is to blame for this and numerous other damaging situations.

Speaking of lack of coordination, the attention of most people, when government agencies and departments are mentioned, is focused on the major government departments - those headed by Cabinet officers. The fact is the so-called independent offices make up a major portion of

the administration. In total, there are 1,141 such agencies - 620 more than there were in 1943. Nearly all of these agencies are responsible only to the President. A member of the Appropriations Committee told me recently that the revelations of unsound operations and outright squandering of federal funds by these agencies are so great as to be almost unbelievable.

One of the most amazing pieces of testimony in the record of the Appropriations Committee hearings for these agencies is that of the General Accounting Office, itself one of the "independent offices", indicating that almost nowhere in the government is there any semblance of cost counting, and that billions of dollars have been spent which can never be accounted for. In the case of the Maritime Commission alone, were so bad the committee had to hire a private firm to audit its budget; more than 8 billion dollars were idiosped of in the past ten years for which there is no explanation.

There will be no personal income tax reduction this year. In vetoing the tax bill, the President used many words, but the truth of the matter is the President wants tax reduction to take place next year when he is running for re-election.

When the tax reduction bill was on the floor of the House, the basic figures indicated that, if Republican appropriations cuts would total only 3 billion dollars, taxes could be reduced by nearly 4 billion, 2 1/2 billion could be paid on the public debt, and the budget would still be in balance. Representative John Taber, Chairman of the House Committee on Appropriations, told the House on June 18th that the House has already approved measures to save \$4,483,916,796. He further said indications are "this large total will be increased substantially before Congress adjourns" All of this simply means that the Republican program has been, and is being carried out as promised, but that you will have to pay from 20% to 30% more income taxes next year because the President vetoed the tax reduction bill for purely political reasons.

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Coming Events

Set Your Calendar By These—
Meeting of Board of Directors of Dist. No. 17 is the first Tuesday of each month.

Every Monday evening, 7:30 Boy Scout meeting at Odd Fellows hall. Scouts urged to be present at all meetings.

Every first and third Wednesday of month, Post 966, Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliary Sidney Croft Lodge, A. F. & A. M. meets each second and fourth Friday of the month at the Odd Fellows hall. Visiting Masons are welcome.

Every Wednesday night at 7:30 Mutual Improvement Association, Harbor School. Old and young are invited to come.

Every Thursday evening, I. O. O. F. meets at the Odd Fellows Hall. Visiting Odd Fellows are welcomed.

Cub Scouts meet every Monday at 4:00 p. m. at Mrs. Widney's home on Easy Street, and at Mrs. Bob Smith's home in Harbor.

Second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, at I. O. O. F. hall, Topaz Rebekah lodge. Members urged to attend, and visitors always welcome.

With The Churches

Baptist Community

O. C. Turley, Music Director Sunday School, at 9:45 a. m. Walter S. Jones, Supt. Classes for all ages.

Rev. Delbert Loree will bring the somon to the Baptist Community church, Sunday, June 29.

The women of the church will serve pot luck dinner immediately after the morning service, in the basement of the church, to all the church and congregation. Be sure to bring your service and pot luck..

Christian Science Society

Services Sunday at 11 a. m. at the I. O. O. F. hall. The public is cordially invited to attend.

"Christian Science" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, June 29.

The Golden Text will be "Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give" (Matt. 10:8).

Among the citations which will comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "Acquaint now thyself with him, and be at peace: thereby good shall come unto thee" (Job 22:21) together with the following correlative passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "Eternal Truth is changing the universe. As mortals drop off their mental swaddling clothes, thought expands into expression. 'Let there be light,' is the perpetual demand of Truth and Love, changing chaos into order and discord into the music of the spheres" (page 255).

Seventh Day Adventist

Sabbath school at 9:30 a. m. Church service at 11 a. m.

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Gurry County Mission of the Episcopal Church

Port Orford: St. Christopher's chapel. Vicar—The Rev. Dan A Bacot, phone 341. Church school and Evening Prayer, 3:00 every Sunday. Holy Communion—first and third Sundays at 10 a. m.; Holy Communion — every Tuesday at 10 a. m.

Gold Beach: St. Matthew's Chapel. Vicar—The Rev. Luther Ison. Church school (each Sunday) at 9:45 a. m. (First Sunday a Children's Eucharist). Holy Communion—(each Sunday) 9 a. m. On second Sunday at 11 a. m. Morning prayer—fourth and fifth Sundays at 11 a. m. Evening prayer—first and third Sundays, 5 p. m.

Brookings: St. Timothy's Chapel. Vicar—The Rev. L. O. Ison. Alternate Morning and Evening services (Saint's days when announced). Holy Communion—first

and third Sundays at 10 a. m. Evening Prayer — 2nd Sundays at 5 p. m. All welcome. Father Ison contacted by phoning Gold 622.

Latter Day Saints

Sunday school every 10 a. m. at Harbor school. George Baxter, president. Brown, first counselor and Rasmussen, second counselor.

Catholic Church

Star of the Sea. First Sunday of month noon. All other Sundays at 10 a. m. Rev. Daniel Kelly, pastor.

Smith River Methodist

Sunday School at 10 a. m. Grace VanZee, supt. Morning Worship at 10 a. m. Rev. E. C. Hicks will deliver sermon.

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