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**NOT SO MUCH DUST AS THERE WAS**

WE ARE NOW ENJOYING what has long been wanted. Those that have driven on the newly-oiled streets of Brookings will perhaps have experienced a joy that comes from long wishing, long waiting and at last realization.

How happy homemakers must be, not to mention the taxpayers to actually see results accomplished. It has been most difficult for everyone—this waiting period.

The City Council is to be congratulated upon the speed and apparent ease with which this job has been maneuvered and begun. Nowhere is there an apparent "hitch." It may be that the "City Dads" have many a parental conflict among themselves and within their group, but to the onlooker all is smooth sailing, which only loyalty can accomplish. They have worked long hours and in some cases neglected their businesses to give time for this parental job. Mr. Arp, city inspector, has perhaps born the blunt of the city street program. However, he does not make final decisions until the council passes upon them.

He plays much the same role as the feminine member of the family that forages forth in Brookings for a home to rent or buy. While her "better half" is busy "bringing in the bacon" she does the leg work. (One consolation—exercise is good for the figure) and when she finds after perhaps days, weeks, or perhaps months of search, a suitable place for her brood, father then sails forth, gives his OK, signs the check and takes too much of the credit when showing off to his friends. Mr. Arp, we, as citizens, will be taking too much of the credit when showing the new Brookings off to our friends. You must forgive us.

In exchange, perhaps, we will show our appreciation to you and the City Council, who have made this program possible by taking care of that which has been provided for us.

We realize that this first application of the asphalt emulsion on the surface will not stand up if cars and trucks are driven with speed. "Oldsters" as well as youngsters, will be cautioned to please drive as though they might be expecting a hole just around the corner. True, it is a temptation to speed on streets free of chuckholes and dust, but if Brookings people are to have the streets in good condition for any length of time they must care for them.

**Letter From Washington**

HARRIS ELLSWORTH, M.C.

THE PRESIDENT'S message on expenditures and taxes will serve to clear the air a little bit on one subject. It seems to me

the Reed bill to reduce income taxes during the last six months of this year is now dead. At least it should be. There would be little point in passing such a bill when it is pretty obvious from President Eisenhower's statements on the subject that he would veto it. I am pretty much in agreement with the President on the subject of taxes. I feel that we should make every pos-

sible effort to take in more than we pay out—in other words, balance the budget. Every penny that our government runs in the red—every penny of deficit—is paid with what in plain terms amounts to printing press money. That means more inflation. Inflation means devaluation of the dollar. Devaluation of the dollar means that you can buy less with the dollars you earn or the dollars you have saved. It seems plain common sense to me that we are much better off to pay for government out of income rather than to have both our savings and our incomes devalued by deficit financing. In other words, no one, no taxpayer, will be ahead if his government borrows money

There is nothing much to be gained by ranting about the mistakes of the past. When a person is sick, however, he generally likes to know just how bad it is, about how severe the suffering may be before he recovers his health, and that the doctor in charge is taking the necessary steps to effect a cure.

Measured by nearly any standard, the Eisenhower administration took over a financially sick and ailing government on January 20. Our situation today is not the product of today's policies and decisions. We inherited it. Now the President and the new Congress must face the facts as they are. They must begin the planning and indicated activities to bring about improvement.

Our principal internal problem is financial. President Eisenhower, in his recent radio broadcast to the country, said this:

"When this Administration took office, we faced two stubborn financial facts. The first was this: under the former administration expenditures for the future were so scheduled as to reach their peak during 1954 and 1955. The second fact was this: these are precisely the years when — under existing laws — Federal revenue from taxes, under scheduled reductions, will fall sharply downward. If we do nothing about this, the results of these facts could only be: bigger deficits, greater government borrowing, ever increasing cost of living, depreciated savings, higher and higher cost of the nation's security."

The obvious way of getting out of the trap he describes is to cut government expenditures as much as possible and continue taxes until the strain is eased

This has been a record-break-

ing weather year here in Washington. Already in four and one-half months we have passed the rainfall record of Washington's wettest year — 1889. Thus far in May alone we have had nearly nine inches of rain. By the end of these first five months the total rainfall in the nation's capital will have been greater than the average rainfall in an entire year in our Fourth Congressional District of Oregon. Let some easterner ever again talk to me about being from the "Webfoot" state!

**Local News**

Mrs. Jessie Sisk and her daughter, Mrs. Shirley Johnson, plan to leave for Portland Friday evening to take up residence there. Mr. Johnson plans on remaining for a while, due to his work.

The Azalea State Park continues to draw many out-of-state

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