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ECONOMY AS A POLITICAL ISSUE

Government economy is always considered a timely and appropriate issue for candidates to dwell upon. It has won many elections. Politicians never look more honest, sincere and straightforward than when they denounce their spendthrift opponents, and promise retrenchment. Some of our aspirants for office talk so much about economy that they really believe what they say. But sometimes the economists, on being elected, immediately proceed to vote for larger appropriations.

It is one thing to promise economy, and mean it too, in the jolly informality and enthusiasm of a political meeting. But quite another to fulfill the pledge after you get into office, and are up against customs, traditions, and the clamor of conflicting interests.

Your constituents probably expect you to get some favors for their district. But in spite of the splendid merits of these propositions, you find other legislators singularly blind and indifferent to the same, unless you come across for their favorite projects. Then at once they see new light. But the total appropriation makes your economy promises look like the traditional thirty cents.

The candidate who pledges economy may not realize how badly public funds are needed for modern projects essential to community progress. It used to be easier to get millions to fight hog cholera than a few thousands for protective work for children. The cholera appropriation was perfectly good. But our statesmen were slow to see how the nation was crippled by failure to protect children. They wasted so much on unsystematic methods, that the treasury is bare when there is need of funds for community upbuilding.

The old line politicians fritter away money on inefficient government, and economize by shutting down on modern welfare projects. There'll be slow community advance until there is business government.

WHY PEOPLE SUCCEED

This is a year of beginnings. Our returning soldiers, the girls and women taking positions formerly closed to their sex, young folks just out of school, munition plant workers returning to peace-time employment—all these are making a fresh start. All are hoping for business success and looking for chances for advancement.

It is a timely topic for newspaper discussion, to inquire why it is that some people attain large business success, while so many others secure only moderate attainment, or are buffeted from failure to failure.

Many people say it is all luck. One man, they say, by no merit of his own, had fine opportunities thrust in his face. Someone opened a door in front of him. All he had to do was to walk in. Anyone could do it with the same chance.

In so far as people inherit money, or gain positions through family influence, that is true. Yet the great majority of successful men did not have wealthy parents. If they found opportunities, it was because they had the energy to force themselves into situations where opportunities open.

If a big business concern has an exceptional opportunity to offer, it does not snap up a cent to see which office boy shall have it. It does not look around among the fellows who are doing the work requiring the least intelligence. Nor does it select the man most popular in society, who can tell the best stories and play the best pool game.

But it does devote thoughtful scrutiny to the men of its force, to see who has previously shown the most initiative and power to do things, though in a small way. The fellow who gets it has earned it. The fellow who says it is all luck, thereby shows that he has no conception of the methods by which success is attained.

RALPH BOYER WRITES ABOUT XMAS IN HOSPITAL

Another interesting letter has been received by this paper from Ralph Boyer, who is stationed at the U. S. Naval hospital, Norfolk, Va. He gives many sidelights on the conduct of soldiers who are unfortunate enough to be taken to that institution. The letter follows:

U. S. Naval Hospital, Norfolk, Va., Jan. 5.—To the Editor: I will try to give you and your worthy readers a little light on how the boys in the Navy and Marine Corps spent their Christmas and New Year's at this hospital. I have spent one year and one week to the day doing duty in the hospital corps of this place. Some of my shipmates, who went through the hospital corps' training school at Goat Island, California, were more fortunate to get on transports, battleships and over-seas duty with the Marines. Lots of those who went across with the Marines will never return home or shall we meet here in this world. We all hope to meet the loved ones that we gave up during this war, on the other side, where there is peace forever, and we hope that we shall have the same here.

While we boys here tried to get to the other side we were unable to do so, as someone had to stay and take care of the sick in the Navy, so all we can say now is that we tried to do our bit here, which, some of the boys who were sick, said was a big bit.

The Marines started to come back here the first of last November—some with legs gone, others with arms, and very few blind. They were all a cheery lot of men, and they always wore a smile and said they were sorry that they did not get another Hun before he got them. Two days before Christmas we got close to 200 Marines in from France and on Christmas Eve 150 more. They were singing and having a grand time.

They had all the wards decorated with holly, cedar boughs and crepe paper streamers. The lights were covered with red paper and each ward had a Christmas tree, all trimmed the same as we had been used to having at home. On Christmas Eve the people of Portsmouth gave a play "Christmas Eve in Old England," which was very good, and the Marines who were from the other side, assisted by a few from the barracks, gave a sword dance, which was fine. They gave it in the Red Cross recreation building for convalescent patients, which was built in the summer for the boys who were convalescing, and wounded Marines from the other side. They have a fine building.

It has a large stage for plays, barber shop, smoking room, pool room, Chaplain's office, large library and one large assembly room. They have moving pictures two nights a week and at times players come from the "Liberty" and put on plays for the boys. They have two large roomy fireplaces and they had logs burning in them Christmas Eve, and with their tree the place was decorated splendidly.

You people at home may wonder how the Red Cross spends their money. They put up such buildings as I have just described to you, and do 100 other things to make your boys comfortable. I am proud to say that I am a 100 per cent member of it.

On Christmas morning the Red Circle club, composed of the people of Norfolk and Portsmouth, gave out 2460 stockings. In those were 1 lb. of candy, 2 hand-fuls of mixed nuts, bunch of dried raisins, 1 apple, 1 orange and 1 package of cigarettes. Every patient and man or woman stationed here received one each. Church services were held early in the morning, the chaplain presiding. The boys who arrived the evening before were a happy bunch to be home again in the good old U. S. A. The band played through the day. Marines on crutches were waiting around and wearing that smile that

will not come off. The band is composed of 15 pieces, and is one of the best in the Navy. They play every day except Sunday for the patients, on the grounds or in one of the buildings. We will have the largest hospital in the U. S. as soon as they get the new wards completed—50 buildings all told, each 2-storied, with sun porches on the south side.

Here is "all" that we had to eat for dinner and supper Christmas, the same menu for both meals and all that you could eat:—

* MENU—Cream Victoria soup, celery, peach pickles, roast young Blue Ridge turkey, giblet dressing, cranberry sauce, rice cakes, mashed potatoes, escalloped oysters, wheat bread, butter, head lettuce with Russian dressing, English plum pudding, hard sauce, Neapolitan ice cream, pound cake, fruit, nuts and raisins, candies, crackers, cheese, coffee, cigarettes.

Some transports had us beat, even with all this. For New Year's we had—Turkey, sweet pickles, mashed potatoes, pudding, cake and ice cream—a dinner that no one could complain about.

We had a splendid day for Christmas, the sun shone and it was warm. New Year's day was cloudy, with light mist and very warm. Today is cold and freezing considerably. It has been real cold for four days now. We have had splendid weather so far, though.

I hope to see this in print in your worthy paper. Wishing you a prosperous and successful New Year, I remain, sincerely yours,

RALPH E. BOYER,
Pbm. 3, U. S. N. Hospital, Norfolk, Virginia.

COUNTY AND CITY LOCALS

Miss Irene Carter, of Portland, a former resident of this city, was here Tuesday on her way to Los Angeles, Cal., where she is to spend several months for the benefit of her health.

R. G. Scott, county agricultural agent, is home from the convention of county agents held at the Oregon Agricultural College at Corvallis.

FOR SALE—9-year-old mare; weighs 1150 lbs.; \$65. Inquire at Smith Tire Shop, Oregon City.

Ray Morris, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Morris, has returned to Oregon City, having received his release from the army. He has been in New York for the last few months, his company arriving there ready for overseas duty when the armistice was signed.

Visitors in Oregon City during the week were: L. P. Punk, Redland; A. N. Bogen, Colton; Robert Ginter, Hoff; Guy R. Hobbs, Clackamas; Harry Morehouse, Beaver Creek; August Delkar, Stafford; George Gray, Aurora; Mrs. E. L. Sharp, Stafford; Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood, Logan; C. V. Sunday, Redland; R. E. Cherrick, Hometown; Mr. and Mrs. Fallert, Logan; Harry Brenner, Hometown; L. P. Spangle, Aurora; W. P. Kirchem, Logan.

West Linn now on the map. When you come to town visit West Linn Inn dining room between 12:00 and 1:00, and 5:30 and 6:30. Try the 50c meal made from county produce bought from Clackamas County farmers. See Mr. F. T. Barlow and arrange with him to buy your farm products, your yearling calf, your pig, and be paid cash on delivery at best market rates. West Linn is just across the bridge from 7th and Main, Oregon City. West Linn Inn barber shop best work, cleanest shop. Haircut 35c, shave 20c. Try it also and save money. Have you any good apples left? Tell Mr. Barlow. (Adv.)

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Rayle, of this city, have received word from their son, John, that he has arrived at Camp Dix, Pennsylvania, from France. He has been with the 65th Coast Artillery.

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Andrew Oval, son of Rev. John Oval, formerly of this city, was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Myers, of Falls View, last week. He has just received his discharge from the service and has gone to Salem to resume his position at the state house.

Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Derry, of Jamaica, Iowa, who have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Burke, of this city, have gone to Kalama, Wash. Mrs. Derry is a sister of Mr. Burke.

Miss Pauline and Miss Irene Hastings, of Vancouver, Wash., are visiting their aunt, Mrs. F. S. Baker, here. Harry Gosser, son of Fred Gosser, of Stafford, has received his discharge from the service, and has returned home. He has been stationed with a spruce division at Port Townsend.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Anderson and son, Lloyd, former residents of this city, have gone to Three Sisters, Oregon, where they have purchased a large stock and wheat ranch.

Mrs. J. R. Parker, of Philomath, is the guest of her son, W. M. Parker, and his family, at Canemah.

Gilbert Morris spent the week-end in Oregon City visiting his wife and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Morris. He is stationed at Keyport, Wash., with the marine corps.

Mr. and Mrs. Townsend Hickman, who have been residents of this city, while the former was government inspector at the Oregon City Woolen mills, have gone to Boston to make their future home.

Representatives of a party of French Canadians, who desire to secure farming land and locate in this section of the state the past few days looking for desirable tracts. These people now reside in Saskatchewan, Canada, and are desirous of securing the advantages of Oregon climate and resources.—Albany Democrat.

WEALTH OF OREGON RESTS ON HER SOIL FERTILITY

"The wealth of Oregon rests largely in the soil, and our permanent prosperity depends upon maintaining or improving the fertility of the fields and at the same time obtaining the maximum net profit per acre," says the report of Dr. A. B. Cordley, director of the Oregon agricultural experiment station.

Detailed soil surveys are under way and should be extended to cover every agricultural section of the state. The maps made in connection with the survey serve as a basis of fertility and water investigations, and inform the farmer of the character of his soil and the best means of maintaining its fertility while at the same time getting maximum profits from his crops.

Almost three million acres of land have been included in approved irrigation projects in Eastern Oregon. Available water for all this land is scarce, and investigations are needed to determine the most profitable amount of water in each district and how the farms should be cropped and managed.

More than three million acres of wet lands in Oregon need drainage. Much of this area consists of the most fertile lands in the state, and their reclamation would add at least \$30,000,000 to the wealth of Oregon. A careful investigation by the experiment station is urgently needed to determine the best means of drainage.

Burnt over and logged off lands in Oregon are only a third of a million acres short of three million. Much of the land is good farming land, and investigations are needed to indicate the best means of bringing them into crop use.

21 COUNTY AGENTS ATTEND CONFERENCE

The annual conference of county agents was held at Corvallis during the last week in January and was attended by 21 county agents from as many counties. It was an occasion for discussion of the many problems which are common to most of the counties in the state. The heads of the departments at the O. A. C. participated in the conference, and the best ways of accomplishing improvement along the lines of better livestock, better seed, and better soil by the use of fertilizers were brought out by open discussion. The county agent from Clackamas county feels that he received a lot of valuable information as to the most successful methods of attacking his local problems.

Previous to the conference eight of the agents took an intensive three-days course in drainage under Prof. Powers. Drainage lines were run about the campus, and blue prints made of them; drainage systems already in operation were studied, and the procedure of forming drainage districts was carefully gone over. A number of fields were viewed, which previous to drainage were mud flats covered with rosebushes, but since draining, at a cost of about \$40.00 per acre, were now producing splendid crops. Prof. Powers made this offer to the county agents, that where there was an interest in drainage, any man who had a field that he wanted mapped out, could get the services of one of the O. A. C. men by arranging to have a meeting held on the farm so that a large number of farmers could get the advantage of the demonstration.

SAFETY CONTEST BETWEEN CAMAS AND C. W. MILLS

The management of the Crown Willamette Paper Co. offers a Safety First banner to be contested for between the West Linn mill and the Camas mill. This banner will be awarded each month to the mill making the best showing in accident prevention work; that is, the mill having the smallest number of disabling accident per thousand man days worked during the previous month.

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W. C. T. U. Holds Meeting
The weekly meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held at the Liberty Temple Tuesday afternoon, with Mrs. Lulu Horning, of Portland, state superintendent of moral education, as the principal speaker. The meetings are open to the public.

Telegram and Courier, \$4.25.

CAUFIELD & HENDERSON BUY INTEREST IN FIRM

A deal of passing notice has just been consummated whereby Chas. H. Caufield, and L. A. Henderson, formerly captain in the U. S. A. Engineers, and just home from France, have become stockholders and officers in the Oregon City Abstract company. D. F. Skene, secretary of the company, and well known abstractor in the county, upon being interviewed about the business of the company, said, "My work has increased to such an extent that it was necessary to have additional technical help."

Mr. Henderson before the war was manager of the Hood River Abstract & Investment company, and has been engaged in the title, engineering and insurance business for many years. The Oregon City Abstract company will add to its present business general insurance, surveying, engineering, loans and brokerage. It has already outgrown its present quarters in the Weinhardt building, and as soon as opportunity offers will move to more spacious quarters.

Grade Bulls Discarded
The Garfield County (Colo.) Farm Bureau saved the farmers of the county \$10,000 last year through cooperative buying of pure-bred bulls. The live-stock committee late in the summer of 1917 surveyed the county

and found many grade bulls were being used on the range. During the winter of 1917-18 several meetings of the live-stock committee and the farm bureau as a body were held, and it was decided that only the best of bulls should be used on the range. A committee of nine was appointed to obtain orders and purchase the bulls, and through the county agent got in touch with large breeders throughout the United States. As a result 103 registered Shorthorn and Hereford bulls were shipped into the county.

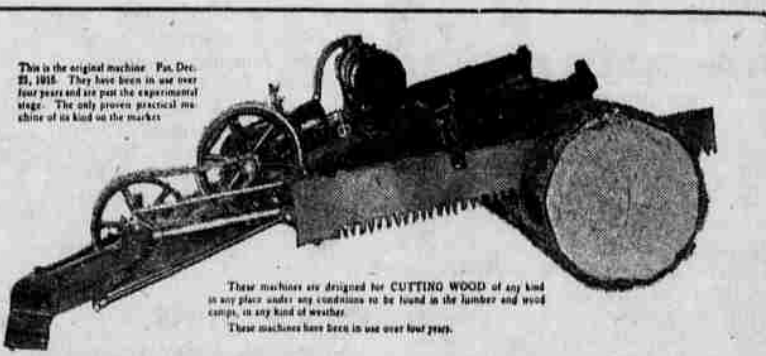


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