

ROGER BABSON CLAIMS INCOME TAX KILLING PROSPERITY IN U. S.

Roger W. Babson, the statistician and advisor to 16,000 of America's ablest executives, issues the following statement from his office at Wellesley Hills: "People little realize what the income and other Federal taxes are doing to kill prosperity and enterprise." The bank clearings, building permits and other figures now coming out for the two weeks preceding March 15th (when the Federal Tax Statements were due) indicate that the time which 5,000,000 people have given simply to preparing these reports resulted in a loss of about \$1,000,000,000 in sales, \$550,000,000 in other lines. If we add to these figures the time of bookkeepers, accountants, government tax officials, collectors, and inspectors whose work is wholly unproductive and who—from the economists point of view—are simply parasites on the country, we have far greater losses. "But some say: "Think of the \$1,000,000,000 which the government will be able to spend this year." This is where we are all being fooled. If the making out of these returns and the collecting of the money did not cost one cent, the country would not be any better off. The whole process is simply the "robbing of Peter to pay Paul," and the "robbing" costs the American people about \$2,000,000,000 a year in actual cash. Add to this the psychological effect upon men of enterprise (I refer to the retarding, the dampening effect of this whole tax business on the ambitions and efforts of the men who pay and promote great enterprises—the men who really make prosperity and the losses above indicated must be multiplied many fold. "I believe in an income tax and know that Commissioner of Internal Revenue Williams and his entire staff have handled a most difficult problem in a most efficient and impartial manner. The American people, however, should not fool themselves as to what a drag our present tax system is on prosperity."

Prune Association Withdraws Quotation From N. Y. Market

In an effort to strengthen the New York prune market, the Oregon Growers' Cooperative association recently withdrew quotations in that city on prunes according to R. C. Paulus, sales manager. Prunes of the 40-50 sizes, which about three weeks ago were quoted at 9 1/2 cents a pound in 25 pound boxes f. o. b. the coast, declined in price to 9 cents and later to 8 1/2 cents a pound. On the 18th of this month there was another decline to 8 1/2 cents a pound and on the 19th, one or two packers in New York were soliciting business at 8 cents a pound for the 40-50 sizes of prunes in 25 pound boxes packed, f. o. b. coast. Continued activity in the interior markets of the country are reported by Mr. Paulus, although sales are being interfered with by a continual lowering of prices by independent packers. Last week the Association sold car lot shipments for Holland, Liverpool and London.

What Is Better Than the Royal Chinook Salmon?

Pink and chum salmon are among the most wholesome and least expensive foods it is possible to procure at the present time. These two varieties by reason of their greater abundance but not from lack of quality are the cheapest. Although they differ in color and flavor so that each is specially suited to certain dishes they are alike in their high food value.

PINK SALMON COCKTAIL—Flake one-pound can of pink salmon and remove bones and skin. Place in 8 cocktail glasses pour over each one tablespoonful of following dressing. Serve with slice of lemon and wafer. Dressing: 1 tablespoon horseradish. 1 tablespoon vinegar. 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce. 2 tablespoons tomato catsup. 2 tablespoons lemon juice. 1 dash of tabasco. 1/2 teaspoon salt. Very appetizing. Will serve 8 persons.

"You Save Money" says the Good Judge And get more genuine chewing satisfaction, when you use this class of tobacco. This is because the full, rich, real tobacco taste lasts so long, you don't need a fresh chew nearly as often. And a small chew gives more real satisfaction than a big chew of the ordinary kind ever did. Any man who uses the Real Tobacco Chew will tell you that. Put up in two styles W-B CUT is a long fine-cut tobacco RIGHT CUT is a short-cut tobacco Weyman-Briston Company, 1107 Broadway, New York City

WHAT EXPERTS SAY

Because of their high protein content and their body-building value, pink and chum salmon are both highly recommended by food experts. Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, for 30 years chief of the U. S. Bureau of Chemistry, says: "The light meat varieties of salmon are just as palatable and nutritious as the more highly colored species but people should be informed more definitely about them, for many when they open a can and find the meat is not pink, think it is some other kind of meat or is inferior." Prof. John N. Cobb, of the U. S. Bureau of Fisheries, the recognized authority on fish, states that personally he prefers the pink salmon to any other variety and that most of the fishermen when selecting fish for their own use, choose it. Others give preference to the chum because its meat bears a close resemblance in color to that of the trout and is less oily than other varieties.

SALMON AU GRATIN: Remove skin and bones from one-pound can of chum salmon, add two eggs, two ounces butter, stock from salmon can, season with salt and pepper. Mix and beat in bowl, add one cup soft, stale bread and enough milk to soften. Bake in buttered deep dish until top is nice brown.

BIG EXPLOSION RUINS ARMOUR GRAIN ELEVATOR

CHICAGO, March 19.—An explosion which was felt over most of the South Side, destroyed the Armour grain elevator on the Calumet river early Saturday night. Fire followed the explosion. The night watchman, who was seriously injured, said that seven persons might be trapped in the ruins. Two hours after the explosion the police reported a careful survey showed that one man was dead, four were injured and four missing. All of the victims were workmen. The elevator was one of the largest in the world, having a capacity of 10,000,000 bushels. It stood in an isolated spot on the southern outskirt of the city, the nearest dwelling being more than a block away. The force of the explosion, which occurred shortly after 6 o'clock, was so great that it was felt miles away and shattered every window within a radius of eight blocks. The elevator, made up of a number of concrete towers, one of which was rent asunder, releasing the grain which took fire, hampered the search for persons believed to have been in the structure.

Every Man, Woman, in Washington Must Pay \$5 Poll Tax

OLYMPIA, Wash., March 22.—Governor Hart Monday signed the poll tax bill passed by the last legislature. The bill became effective at once and under it every man and woman in Washington between the ages of 21-50 years must pay a poll tax of \$5 before May 1 of each year. The first year's tax is due before May 1 next. The law requires that county assessors make up a list of persons liable for the tax, and the department of labor shall furnish to county treasurers a list of all employers of the state. No employer shall pay his workmen after May 1 until the latter shall have paid their poll tax. The law gives to county sheriffs the right to seize personal or real property until the poll tax is paid. It is expected that the poll tax will raise about \$2,000,000 a year. It will be used to retire the \$11,000,000 in bonds issued to pay the state bonus to world war veterans.

Doughty Pleads Not Guilty before Toronto Court

TORONTO, Ont., March 22.—John Doughty, charged with having stolen bonds worth \$105,000 from his former employer, Ambrose Small, theatrical magnate, who has been missing more than a year, today pleaded not guilty on arraignment here. Doughty, who was arrested in Oregon City subsequently revealed to police the hiding place of the missing bonds.

MARRIED Ed. Ullisse, 23, and Doris Barbagelata, 18, both of Milwaukee, route No. 2, secured a marriage license from County Clerk Miller Thursday afternoon.

ONE CHARGE AGAINST MORRIS STOPPED-MAY FACE INDICTMENT

PORTLAND, March 22.—Prosecution of Fred S. Morris in the federal court on charges of unlawfully aiding John L. Etheridge to obtain United States citizenship was ended abruptly Monday when Judge Bean handed down a ruling sustaining a demurrer to the Morris indictment. The ruling of the district judge effectually stopped all prosecution of Morris in connection with the naturalization charges. It did not, however, affect any of the charges brought against both Morris and Etheridge in connection with the wrecking of the bond house of Morris Bros., Inc. Etheridge, who was formerly head of the defunct concern, obtained American citizenship in 1918. He was a native of England. At the time Etheridge was admitted to citizenship, Morris appeared as his witness and signed various documents relative to his admission.

In answer to a question as to whether Etheridge had ever been convicted of a felony, Morris replied that he had not since he had known him. Inasmuch as Etheridge was twice convicted of felonies in the states of New Jersey in 1905 and 1907, Lester W. Humphreys, United States attorney, contended that Morris' answer was a direct evasion and under the circumstances unlawful. "It does not follow as a matter of law that because a man has been convicted of a felony he may not thereafter reform and so conduct himself as to satisfy a court that he had behaved as a man of good moral character a sufficient length of time to entitle him to admission," Judge Bean declared in delivering his opinion.

The indictment was based on section 23 of the naturalization act, which provides that any person who "knowingly aids, advises or encourages any person not entitled thereto to apply for or secure naturalization" shall be guilty of a crime. Morris was mildly censured by the judge for not disclosing on the witness stand in the naturalization proceedings that Etheridge had been convicted of a felony, although he was not directly mentioned by name in that connection. "It is, of course, the duty of an applicant who had been convicted of a felony to disclose that fact to the court, and of witnesses to make like disclosures if within their knowledge and a failure to do so may be sufficient ground for setting aside and annulling the certificate," the judge declared. "But it does not follow as a matter of law that because a man has been convicted of a felony he may not thereafter reform and so conduct himself as to satisfy a court that he had behaved as a man of good moral character a sufficient length of time to entitle him to admission."

NEW FIRE TRUCK DEMONSTRATED ON MAIN STREET

The new Oregon City fire truck made its appearance on Main street Thursday, and with the engine pumping two great streams of water down the center of the main thoroughfare, spectators were given a glimpse of what the powerful engine can accomplish under all conditions. Friday the truck was again driven to this city from Portland, and after the driver had put the truck through a few stunts, such as climbing Singer hill and Seventh street to the top, drove to the Willamette river and with plenty of water for the purpose, the engine was given a real test by pumping over 1000 gallons per minute. The truck will be held in Portland until the cement floor in Fire House No. 3 is set, and then the machine will be installed temporarily at that station just off Seventh street on John Quincy Adams. The truck, however, will be driven to this city each day and put on exhibition.

SEED STRAINS IMPORTANT.

Seed strains are attracting much attention at present. Growers are realizing that any variety is no better than the seed strain of that variety. There may be a considerable difference in the tonnage of two lots of winter cabbage of the same variety. One lot may produce 10 tons an acre and another 15 tons an acre, grown under the same conditions. Just as in poultry husbandry, so in vegetable gardening, these high yielding strains affect the crop more than the mere variety selected. The O. A. C. experiment station is endeavoring to collect the higher yielding strains of many different vegetables in order that these may form the basis of future breeding of seed.

MEAT WORKERS VOTE STRIKE BY HUGE MAJORITY

William Schatz, of Stafford, well known farmer of that section of the county, was in this city on business Tuesday. CHICAGO, March 18.—By a vote of 21,482 to 207 union workers in Chicago packing plants went on record Friday in favor of a strike if they are "unable to induce the packers to maintain the eight-hour work day." Telegraphic reports at union headquarters were said to indicate similar strike majorities in other packing houses throughout the country. Some of the returns were: St. Paul—For 2183, against 115. Oklahoma City, Okla.—For 896, against 5. Austin, Minn.—For 624, against 10. Cedar Rapids, Ia.—For 800 against 1. Alberta Lea Minn.—For 337 against 3. So. Louis, Mo.—For 1479, against 17. Milwaukee—For \$59, against 29. Official returns had not been received from Omaha, Neb.; East St. Louis, Ill.; Kansas City or St. Joseph, Mo., but incomplete returns showed a majority for a strike, Secretary Lane said. The exact wording of the ballots on which the men voted follows: "Do you favor and authorize a strike in the event that the government or our organization is unable to induce the packers to maintain the eight-hour work day and compliance with the agreement entered into with the United States department of labor?"

LANDLORD IS "RENT-HOG"

CHICAGO, March 18.—Petition for a temporary injunction restraining tenants from displaying placards in their windows denouncing their landlords as "rent hogs and profiteers," was withdrawn today in the superior court after Judge Foell has ruled that the law did not empower him to restrain tenants. The judge told tenants they were morally in the wrong, but that he had no power to restrain them.

He Lacked Something Yet, He Had More Scattering Sunshine

Fred had a man down our way that some folks called "short" in his upper story. We never looked for him to say a sensible thing or do one. He couldn't if he tried with all his might. He was the neighborhood fool. But one thing that never made me mad was that God never did know it rained or snowed or blew or shone. It was a fine day with him. Meet him anywhere and you would never catch him without a smile on his face and a cheery, "Nice day!" on his lips. And this man who was short in the upper story did more to make folks feel good inside of them and to inspire them to look on the bright side of life than any other farmer in the neighborhood. We all went on after we had met him in the road with a warmer feeling in our hearts, thinking, "Now, maybe it really is a better day than I had thought it was."

No man could have spoken a greater truth than our good friend of the cheery smile and the optimistic thought. Edward Everett, the great orator, went far across the country to speak the dedication of a great public institution. It was a stormy day and people did not look very happy as they stood around under their dripping umbrellas. Watching the expression on their faces, Mr. Everett said with a big smile all over his face, "This is a fine day. God made it, and he never made a day that was not just the best he could make it." Sometimes it seems to us that things in this old world of ours are pretty badly mixed up these days. It is quite fashionable to say, "We never saw anything like this." We are wrong, fellow farmers. Things might be a great deal worse with us than they are. And everything is coming out right, but you and I must bring them out right, or they will never be right.

CRANE TIPS OVER, FIVE MEN ARE INJURED

PORTLAND, March 18.—Five men were injured, three of them gravely when a steam crane toppled from an O.W. R. & N. trestle at the Portland Flouring mill plant, foot of Skidmore street at 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

AUTOS COLLIDE ON MAIN; ONE WOMAN HURT

A Studebaker automobile driven by G. F. Randall, of California, crashed into the Buick car owned by W. P. Kirchem of route No. 2, on Main street Friday afternoon and about \$100 damage to both cars resulted. Kirchem, who was accompanied by his wife, was just driving onto Main street off Fourteenth, when the California car traveling north, hit his machine square in the center, throwing Mrs. Kirchem forward, her head striking on the windshield and cutting her face just above the eye. She was taken to the office of Dr. Mount where she received medical attention. Officer Long appeared on the scene shortly after the accident, and after taking a statement from both drivers, allowed the California driver to proceed on his journey, as the smash was purely accidental and the damage was settled between both car owners.

CANNON BUYS PROPERTY NEAR MAIN STREET

The property owned by George A. Harding and Mrs. Clara Morey, located between Seventh and Eighth on Railroad avenue, occupied by Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Cannon as a residence, was sold to the Cannon family Friday, the consideration being \$1600. The land consists of 33x70 feet, with a two story dwelling thereon. The Cannon family has occupied the house for many years. The land was taken in on part payment on property sold to Mr. Blakeley, who erected a laundry at Fifth and Water streets, when that deal was closed about five years ago.

500 Students To Be Guests Of Reed College

PORTLAND, Ore., March 21.—Several hundred high school seniors will invade the Reed campus May 6 if plans of the junior class materialize. Supplanting the traditional junior-week-end, "Reed Day" promises to become an annual institution. Collegiate departments will arrange exhibits for the day in laboratory and class room, and entertainment will include a tug-of-war across Crystal Springs lake, the Reed-British Columbia debate, a drama club play, dinner on the lawn, a cone-tipping contest, a dance and canoe-carnival. The student body has expressed its approval of the junior plans to the extent of \$150 of student funds. It is expected that 500 high school students will be guests of the college.

A Friend of the Family

Over fifty years ago a young physician practiced widely in Pennsylvania and became famous for his uniform success in the curing of disease. This was Dr. R. V. Pierce who afterwards established himself in Buffalo, N. Y., and placed one of his prescriptions, which he called his "Golden Medical Discovery," in the drug stores of the United States so that the public could easily obtain this very remarkable tonic, corrective, and blood-maker. Dr. Pierce manufactured this "Discovery" from roots and barks without alcohol—a corrective remedy, the ingredients of which nature had put in the fields and forests, for keeping you healthy. Introduce pure red blood into the system, and health is assured. When you feel run-down, out of sorts, blue and despondent try the energizing influence of this reliable tonic. You can obtain Golden Medical Discovery in tablet or liquid form at all drug stores, or send 10c for a trial package to Dr. Pierce's Laboratory in Buffalo, N. Y.

CLARA HAMON ACQUITTED; JURY OUT 40 MINUTES

ARDMORE, Okla., March 17.—Clara Smith Hamon late Thursday was acquitted on a charge of having murdered Jake L. Hamon, republican national committee man from Oklahoma and millionaire railroad and coal promoter.

The case went to the jury at 4:30 p. m. and returned to the courtroom 40 minutes later. B. F. Laughridge 73 years old, foreman, said only one ballot was taken, a secret one, confirmed by a rising vote. Clara Hamon obtained the information fully seven minutes before the verdict was given in open court and sat, surrounded by her family, half smiling, half afraid to believe the odds or assurance that were bent toward her.

When Judge Champion mounted the bench and received a affirmative response to his question, "Gentlemen, have you reached a verdict?" her eyes intently followed the bailiff as he received the verdict from Mr. Laughridge and handed it to the clerk, who read in a nervous, falsetto voice. Clara Hamon gasped audibly in the tensely silent courtroom, drooped forward in her seat, only to be seized from behind by her younger brother "Jimmie," squeezed violently and kissed. Tears came to her eyes and other members of her family cried with her as she crossed to the standing jurors and haltingly thanked them.

CONTRACT LET FOR AURORA-CANBY ROUTE

With the letting of the contract for the grading and graveling of the two-mile strip of road between Aurora and Canby, immediate improvement of the last remaining stretch of the Pacific Highway between Albany and Portland is assured. The contract for this work was let to the V. R. Dennis construction company at a cost of \$10,000.

KELSO BANK CASHIER JUMPS FROM LAUNCH

KELSO, Wash., March 18.—E. L. Stewart, cashier of the Kelso State bank, which was taken in charge and closed by the Washington state banking department Thursday noon, disappeared on the Launch Queen of the Reld Transportation company Thursday night about 9:45 o'clock while on his way across the Columbia from Goble to Rainier.

TWO WIVES FILE DIVORCE COMPLAINTS

Two divorce suits were filed in the circuit court here Friday, involving local couples. Marguerite M. Albee asks a divorce from Lewis Albee on the grounds of cruel and inhuman treatment. Two minor children of the couple are asked to be awarded to the plaintiff and \$50 from the husband for their maintenance and support. They were married at Portland March 23, 1905.

WEAN THE CALF EARLY.

The cow owner who neglects to wean his calf because it is too much trouble is making ten times the trouble for himself by letting it suck its mother. It is surprising how soon a calf can be taught to drink from a bucket, if you determine enough. And the freedom from bothering with a hungry young bull a few weeks later, charging down, trampling one's feet and insisting upon having his way, is worth a lot.—Farm Life.

Immense Tract Of Alaskan Timber Sold for Pulpwood

The sale of what it is to be the largest body of government timber ever advertised has just been approved, according to District Forester Geo. H. Cecil, of the Portland office of the forest service. This sale is for 335 million cubic feet, or approximately two billion board feet, known as the West Admiralty Island unit, and located on the Tongass national forest in southeast Alaska.

Mr. Cecil emphasized that the efforts of the forest service to utilize the timber resources of the national forests of Alaska are beginning to bear fruit. He stated that the consummation of the sale of this large unit of timber would mean much to Alaska since it would bring to the territory a permanent industry, as the timber of the national forests of the north cut under forestry principles would mean raw material for several pulp mills indefinitely. In this connection he also called attention to the fact that within the past six weeks the first pulp ever manufactured in Alaska was shipped out from the Speel River plant, a pulp mill located on the Tongass national forest and cutting government stumpage.

CLOTHES LINE THIEF BOBS UP AGAIN

The clothes line thief is busy again, after taking a two weeks' vacation. This time the line of the Misses Goldsmith at Fourteenth and Main streets was visited and a selection of several pairs of stockings were taken. The articles hung nearest the house, affording the thief shelter from being seen by the light of a nearby electric light. There were other clothes on the line, and no doubt the thief or thieves would have taken more had the clothes been hung in a more secluded spot.

MANY HURT AS AUTO HITS STREET CAR

SPOKANE, Wash., March 18.—One woman was killed, another perhaps fatally injured, two other persons seriously injured and two less seriously when an automobile containing seven men and women returning from a dance at a roadhouse near here crashed into a street car early today.

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