Bonus Moneys Will Be Spent

Most Will Reach Channels of Trade Soon After Received, Shown

Tomorrow the United States senate is expected to vote the veterans' bonus over the President's veto and thereby release to ex-soldiers funds aggregating $1,988,391,000.

By June these moneys will be available for the veterans and most of the sum, despite the fact it will be paid in government bonds, will go into the channels of trade according to studies made by the American Legion national organization.

How will it be spent?

This question, according to Jerrold Owen, secretary of the state veterans' commission here and a member of the publications board of the American Legion Monthly, has already been thoroughly studied by the Legion. A careful survey was made of 42,000 typical veterans and here is some of the data obtained:

Payment of Bills Takes Big Amount

Thirty-one per cent of the total bonus payment or $623,615,000, will go to retire bills and funded debts—items already incurred by veterans who will be enabled to catch up on their obligations through the bonus moneys. This item of debt payment will take by far the largest percentage of the moneys received from the bonus.

When the veteran has cleaned up his old accounts—54 per cent of the bonus recipients have outstanding accounts — the next charge on his bonus will be his house. A careful survey shows that the estimated amount of expenditures in repair of houses runs to $133,000,000 and far exceeds the outlay contemplated for cars. Nineteen per cent of the veterans who receive bonus paymnts plan to spend a portion of their nest egg repairing the "old home". New houses will take a sizeable chunk of bonus payments: estimated expenditures for this item are $92,451,000 while the task of painting existing houses is going to claim $34,200,000.

Next to fixing up the present residence or building a new one, the veteran is most interested in acquiring real property, the survey shows. Based on a test of 42,000 veterans, it is estimated that $129,000,000 of bonus payments will go for the purchase of homes and slightly more than half of this amount—$66,733,000—will be paid out towards the purchase of a farm. Lots call for an outlay of $31,000,000.

Autos, Furniture Will Be Purchased

However, not all the veterans' money will go for substantial purchases such as lots and farms and houses. A sizeable amount will be laid out for the newest and most attractive auto models. The survey shows that $122,716,000 of the total bonus paid will go for cars, new and old, with new car purchases emphasized.

But the housewife will receive almost as much money for her purchases as will the car dealer. Furniture purchases will total $61,000,000 the estimate declares, while $45,000,000 will go for interior furnishings of house, apart from furniture. The electric or gas refrigerator people are in for a sizeable chunk of business; the survey indicates they will get $21,000,000 in purchases and the radio dealers will have a $9,000,000 stimulus.

And clothing—no small outlay will be the investment of Mr. Veteran for wearing togs; suits and overcoats will receive $34,000,000 in expenditure.

No estimates were made on the amount of savings to be set aside from the nearly two billion dollars coming to veterans. They will be very much a minority of the dollars given the veterans. Not more than 20 per cent of the recipients of the bonus are expected to hold onto the bonds which the government hands them. By June of this year the lineup at the postoffice will be long and the payment on bonds almost continuous—it's a busy season in prospect for the merchants, the realtor and the bill collector, when the bonus is paid.

According to Mr. Owens, Oregon's share in the bonus will be $29,679,034. Marion county's share will be $1,312,589 and Lane county's share will be $1,181,462. Largest outgo will be in Multnomah county where the veteran is to receive an aggregate of $7,333,403.

Butter and Eggs Trend Unchanged

PORTLAND, Jan. 25—(AP)—There were no changes in egg, butter or butterfat quotations.

General chicken trade showed improvement.

There was no change in the country killed meat situation.

Potato trade was stagnant, with lower prices ruling generally.

Slow trading continued in the hothouse rhubarb market with prices shaded.

Onion market remained unchanged with growers holding for $1.15 net generally for their supplies.

Brakes All Found In Good Condition

State police staged a brake checkup on State street near the penitentiary yesterday afternoon but found none of the 30 automobiles inspected with brakes in a condition prohibited by the state motor vehicle act. Five of the 30 motorists, however, were warned that their brakes should be adjusted.

The only arrest made was of Rhinehart Smith, Shaw, on a charge of driving an automobile without an operator's license. He was cited to appear in Salem justice court Monday.

Safety Valve

ANSWER TO MR. DILLER

Editor Statesman:

I am thanking you for space in The Statesman to answer Mr. Diller in some of the statements he recently made in the "Safety Valve."

In the first place, Mr. Diller, you ask "who has the right to compare Dr. Townsend to Moses, or any other men of the bible?" I answer, I do not think it either unholy or unlawful to compare any good man to a bible character, if they are comparable, as all students of the Townsend plan sees that Washington and Lincoln did lead, the one, a people from tyranny, the other a people from slavery; and I now repeat, Dr. Townsend is leading a people out of poverty.

It has been a long established belief that these men were Divinely chosen to fulfill the mission which they did; so if Moses delivered 2,000,000 slaves from bondage, Washington about 2,000,000 from the bondage of tyranny, and Lincoln 4,000,000 from slavery, why think it impossible that Dr. Townsend is chosen for the same purpose? any more than that he will deliver more than 100,000,000 from the bondage of poverty! In a speech in Colonial days, John Adams said in regard to fighting for liberty, "Divinity shapes our ends." I therefore state again I have the right to make the assertion I have, for I believe with him, and a host of others, "Divinity shapes our ends."

You say this is a "man-made plan." I would ask how you think God carries out His plans on this earth? Is it not by man? You say, "God has his own plan, and does not have to choose" mere man to lead sinful people out of a sinful condition (which the world is in) by a man-made plan." What was the last command given to the disciples? Read Matt. 28-19,20: "Go ye therefore and teach all nations: . . . . Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you, and lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." No, — "God does not HAVE to choose mere man to carry out His plans,"—BUT HE DOES DO IT, and has ever since He first spoke to man in the garden of Eden.

If man is not chosen, then I ask what agency do you think, or suggest that He uses or should use? You may answer, "the Holy Spirit." Well, the Spirit, which is God, works through man; impresses him, if he desires to be led.

If man is not the agency which God works through, what shall we look for to Christianize the world? Some great miracle? An army of angels, or God Himself, appearing to the people? No, none of these. God has always had a few chosen people to carry out His plans leading up to the "last great day."

What about Martin Luther, was he not a "mere man?" And Ridley, and Latimer, and Wesley, and a host of others, on down to today, teaching and doing His work? Were they not all "mere men." and were they not led of God? That is what I term such. And if they were not, then they were all hypocrites, and it is not the plan of God after all that sinful men should be taught the way of everlasting life, by men, after He told them to "go into all the world and teach all nations."

You quote II Chron. 7-14: But do you think God will "heal their land," or help them in any way, if they just sit down and wait for God to drop manna from heaven? I do not think so, for we are living under the new dispensation, when manna does not fall from heaven, neither does fire come down from heaven and consume water. We now have to "walk by faith, and not by sight." (II Cor. 5-7.) "If faith hath not works it is dead, being alone." (James 2-17). And "man has to work out his own salvation with fear and trembling. For it is GOD WHICH WORKETH IN YOU, BOTH TO WILL AND TO DO HIS OWN GOOD PLEASURE." (Phillipians, 2-12, 13).

So, when we have "wiped the dust off our New Testament," we find "mere man" will have to work out his own salvation, and that "it is God WORKING IN HIM TO HIS PLEASURE."

As for the "extravagant spending of money," I will say that Luke 10-7 tells us that, "the laborer is worthy of his hire," and we contend (as you do) that this is a worthy cause, for you say, "the old people should have a pension, but you want to set the amount. Dr. Townsend has set the amount. You do not think they should have enough to pay a doctor bill, or pay off a mortgage, or pay for an operation at a hospital, or live decently, let alone putting enough money into circulation to create jobs for the unemployed. In fact, you would not like to see prosperity brought to the American people.

So much for "extravagant spending." Now what does the bible say about hoarding, about those who pinch the laborer, and "graft" in their business in order to hoard? See James 5-1, 4. "Go to now ye rich men, weep and howl for your miseries that shall come upon you. Behold the hire of the laborers . . . . which is of you kept back by fraud, crieth."

You quote, "seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you." But He did not say by what method "these things" would be added. You apparently think that one having obeyed the first part of the command, the last part can be ignored, and then all one would have to do would be to just sit down and expect all the rest of life's necessities to be added. Well, my friend, you would have a long time to wait! For the Bible nowhere teaches that we will be assured of anything in this world, either morally, financially or spiritually, without working for it.

To more fully explain what this passage means: If one "first seeks the kingdom of God," he will then have a mind and will to work, so that "all these things will be added to him, even enough perchance, to help his less fortunate brother, and thus play the part of the "good Samaritan."

Next you say, "that a pension for the old people would be a Christian act." Just what amount do you think constitutes a Christian act"? Dr. Townsend and others figure that $200 per month is that amount! The government figures are about the same; $4,000 per year to the family. I think as millions of others do, that it would be a Christian act to turn over to the old people a part of what they have earned and never got, and tell them it was their job to spend it, and for their pay they could have what the money would buy. The young people would therefore have a chance to work to produce the things the old people would require.

Do try and be consistent! You say in one breath, "the old folks deserve a pension," then in the next you state that, "God's way is not the money way." If this is so, WHY ALLOW THEM ANY MONEY?

Next you quote, "the love of money is the root of all evil." I suppose there are not many more passages of scripture so much quoted, and so little understood! You will notice that it does not say, MONEY IS THE ROOT OF ALL EVIL, but it is the, "LOVE OF MONEY!" One might have a million dollars, and not love money! Again one might not have a dollar, and yet lose his soul because of the love of money.

When the time comes to get the $200, (and we are going to get it) if you think it so irreligious to accept it, just remember this: YOU WILL NOT BE COMPELLED TO TAKE IT, although in an indirect way it will help you, for your taxes will only be about half as much as now.

It is not the love of money which spurs the Townsendites on to VICTORY! It is knowing that this amount, and nothing less, put in circulation will bring recovery to our people and nation. It is not the money we want, (for we cannot keep it) but WHAT IT WILL BUY!

God has always wanted His people, (even when they were worshipping idols) and the people of this Christian nation, to prosper. Wants the cause of starvation wiped out; wants you, and a few million others to feel they "are their brother's keeper."

I see plainly you have not attended the Townsend club meetings regularly, or you could not say, "you think the Townsend plan would have a tendency to lead people away from God." You are much mistaken. Better attend a few meetings, and at least be led to God for a few minutes during the opening prayer, for I have attended hundreds of such meetings during the last year and a half, and very few have been opened without prayer.

I am willing it should be put to the test! "If it be of God ye CANNOT OVERTHROW IT." (Acts, 5-39.) So now friend Diller, just dust off the covers of the New Testament, and see what God says about directing His people! Get some Townsend literature, study the plan, and perhaps you will see as millions of others do, "that it is a gift come down from above," as James 1-17 says: "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above."

Yes, this is a gift to Dr. Townsend to show to the people of the U. S., regardless of race, sex, creed, or political affiliations, for we have all kinds in the U. S., but when they get to a Townsend meeting they are JUST TOWNSENDITES!

B. I. PLUMMER,
Salem, Ore.

FROM A TOWNSENDITE

Editor Statesman:

May I have use of the Safety Valve column in which to answer E. C. Diller's letter of January recent issue? For the purpose of easing the pressure brought about by some of his exceptions: Our Bibles are not on the shelf covered with dust. Mine is open on my table day and night—Matt.7-1.

Who has a right to judge that Dr. Townsend is not chosen by God to lead his people out of this chaos we are now in?

If you will follow the movement, know its growth and how much extravagant money has been used to further its cause, you would know God is behind this plan.

Dr. Townsend will go down in history (if the Lord delays his coming that long) as the greatest humanitarian since the time of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Take your Bible for proof that since time began, God has worked through man to bring about his work here on earth again. We are all sinners but through God's grace and through his blood we are redeemed and we are his lowly followers. Have you observed the kind and quality of people who are swelling the ranks of Townsendites? The majority are praying, God-fearing people, who have their country and brothers' welfare at heart, as genuine christians should.

Take notice that 2nd Chronicles, 7-14, was a command given to Solomon, that the leaders of our nation would do well to listen: If it was to us of this day! Then, 2nd Chro., 13-12: "Behold, God Himself is with us for our captain, and his priests with sounding trumpets cry alarm against you," etc. In case you do not know: Since Christ Jesus was born and came into the world to save you and me and all who believe in him and follow him, we are living under a new law, a new dispensation. The New Testament is the law of Christ to us of the present day; 1 Corinthians, 1-25 to 29: "Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men and the weakness of God is stronger than men. For you see your calling, brethren. How that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called; but God has chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty; and the base things of the world and things which are despised. Hath God chosen, yea, and things that are not, to bring to naught things that are."

He does not speak of money in terms of money as we, but he bid them give tithes of all they possessed, and we know they had money by the coin that was a tribute to Caesar. The money changers, the tax gatherers. God's things cannot be bought with money. But he knows we have need of other things and if we serve him first these things are added unto us and who can say by which way they come?

Since time began God has chosen men from humble walks of life to lead his people out of bondage, of one sort or another. Moses, David, Joseph and on down; Joan of Arc, who led France to victory. Do you doubt she was called by God? Our Washington, against overwhelming odds, won our independence and freedom. Our Lincoln ended human slavery and gave his life for the cause; and on down, I might mention others but space will not permit, and now Dr. Townsend, a God-fearing doctor, to lead us from this whirlpool of debt, graft, greed and dole that our country is now in. Who else has offered a plan that will see us through? Mr. Diller, have you a plan that's better? You call it a game of extravagance. What have the heads of our nation done but spend extravagantly and even now and where has it brought us? Further into vortex of this whirlpool.

It's time some one has a plan to help, or stop us, we are doomed. Else: Who are the Townsendites? Has there ever been a movement for the help of humanity that has grown in two years with as little extravagant money to carry it there? Do you attend their meetings, and know what is going on, and what they are doing? I have known doubters to find out the truth and be converted. You have never heard Dr. Townsend speak. How he holds and sways his listeners, be they a thousand or 10 thousands; or else you would know he is a man of God in purpose. No, God is not dead, nor is he asleep. The same yesterday, today and forever. No, his ways are not money's way; the past three years has proved it, and we are brought into debt, dole and starvation. Now what? So you think $200 a month is extravagant—a decent home, decent clothes and the children with full stomachs? Thank God for that, for they sure are not getting that now. In my 64 years I have helped make my country what it was when this depression hit us, banks breaking, mortgage foreclosure leaving us broke. When our president called our sons to war we sent them. They came back, some of them, to what? No jobs, dole and handed out and and how; while some have thousands a month and you say $200 is extravagant. Have you tried to live on $15 per month? I know hundreds and hundreds that don't have that much. To have a square meal, to do good to others and live like human beings.

I tell you it's not the $200 for ourselves, but it's the jobs for the thousands and thousands who have no work. Who shall say this plan will not work until it's tried? It can't any more than fail like all the rest have done. Luke 18-7-8: "And shall not God avenge his own elect, which cry night and day unto Him, tho he bare long with them?" I tell you that He will avenge them speedily. Yes, money seems to be the root of all evil, in the hands of a few. I think the way has been broad indeed the past three years. But we Townsendites plan on narrowing it down to the straight and narrow way that leads to God and eternity and peace to all men.

I am a Townsendite and proud to march under the banner they carry: "The Cause of Humanity."

IRENE MacDONALD.

THE NEW ROAD LOCATION

Sunnyside, Jan. 24.

To the Editor:

In an earnest desire and effort for fair play and truth, we wish to correct some of the false impressions which your article has made on the minds of the people in regard to the new "south of Salem" road now being pushed by the heavy truck companies. The new survey runs one mile "east" of Sunnyschool, up to the Paulus orchards where a twenty foot cut is contemplated. This present highway will not be abandoned as the men securing teh right of way assured the resident taxpayers. The full right of way has not yet been secured. Yes the new grade "south of Salem" will take one hundred and fifty thousand dollars of tax money to parallal the present highway coming back onto the old highway at the Fritz Feller place. As to the cross roads of which there are about six or seven? What about them and the Turner road. They confess they are in a mess; and how does the travel get to the pavement north or south, which is a problem which is puzzling the minds of the people.

M. C. TAYLOR.

FAVORS SALES TAX

Editor Statesman:

I notice in the issue of the 23rd one O. Henry Olsen "legislator" opposes the sales tax proposition, as it levys too heavy a premium on poor families." Well, did you ever!

Says "big business" is behind the sales tax proposition. How easy to say that. Says he favors "old age pensions" but should come from "big incomes." Yes, but O. Henry, that would come long after day after tomorrow. People, vote the sales tax.

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Prune Raisers of Umpqua Signed Up

Enthusiastic There Over New Control Program; to Be Cooperative

Put down the prune growers of Roseburg and the Umpqua valley as enthusiastic supporters of the new agreement for marketing of green and dried prunes. Frank Chapman, who served as manager of the old control board, out of business through the unfavorable state AAA decision, came back to Salem yesterday thoroughly pleased with the southern Oregon response to the new prune organization.

"Those growers down there are thoroughly sold on the new prune growers' cooperative organization," Chapman said. "They treated me royally on my trip south and I found far more than a majority of the growers would support the new corporation."

As announced last week by Chapman, the proposed new corporation would be a cooperative association of prune men. The corporation would undertake to sell prunes for its members although the actual deals could be made direct between the grower and the purchaser. Members of the co-operative would have to agree, however, not to sell for less than the minimum price set by the cooperative.

Complies With Law

Chapman says the new plan does not meet the legal hurdles that the old state AAA law provided and at the same time it does provide a reasonable means to keep prune prices up.

Chapman said he met with growers at Oakland Sutherlin, Myrtle Creek, Canyonville and Roseburg and found them uniformly for the new organization. A. C. Marsters is acting as leader of the new organization. Chapman will go on this week contacting prune growers in other parts of the state.

Temporary financing is being secured for the new organization throkgh an assignment of left-over moneys in the treasury of the Oregon Prune control board.

Tree, Small Fruit Survey Will Begin

A survey of Marion county's tree and small fruit plantings will be started Monday by 15 enumerators employed through the works progress administration, County Agent Harry L. Riches reported yesterday. L. C. Jenkins of the Oregon State college extension service has come to Salem to assist Riches in directing the survey.

Each fruitgrower in the county will be asked questions concerning his acreages in various fruit crops, the number of trees, varieties of fruit and age of trees or vines. The information will be compiled for use by the federal bureau of crop estimates and the state extension service.

Riches said he expected the survey to be finished within a month. A similar survey already has been completed in Polk county.

Wallace Hug Goes To Flying School

The war department has assigned Wallace Hug, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Hug of Salem, to Randolph Field, Texas, for a two-year training course with the flying cadets, according to notice received here. He was the only one of several Oregon applicants who passed the entrance examination.

Hug will report for duty next month. His first year will be spent in flying instruction, the second year in tactical flying with the army air corps. His enlistment will run for three years.

After graduating from Salem high school, Hug attended University of Oregon for four years where he starred with the swimming team and received R.O.T.C. training. He has served as lifeguard at Seaside during the past three summers.

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Holman to Speak Tuesday, Kiwanis

Rufus C. Holman, state treasurer of Oregon, is to be the principal speaker at the Kiwanis club luncheon at the Quelle Tuesday noon. His subject will be: "Giving an Account of My Stewardship."

Rev. George Swift, program chairman, has arranged a six-minute forum to stare the meeting. The topic for the day will be the proposed state sales tax. For the tax will be Ralph Moody; against the tax will be Allan Carson. Club singing will be led by Harry E. Collins.

Stage Play Adviser to Visit Here; Series of Conferences Planned

Miss Floyd Crutchfield, educational adviser and acting manager of the Los Angeles office of Samuel French play publishers, will be in Salem January 27 to 29 observing the work of community, high school and college dramatists, Prof. H. E. Rahe of Willamette university, announced yesterday.

Professor Rahe, who is sponsoring Miss Crutchfield's visit, will arrange conference for drama students and teachers. Samuel French company is the largest play publishing concern in the world.

DeJonge Arrives; Will Handle Fuel

Dirk DeJonge of Portland, under seven years' sentence for violation of the state criminal syndicalism law, arrived at the state penitentiary yesterday.

DeJonge was assigned to a solitary cell where he will remain until tomorrow when he will be given employment with the hog fuel crew.

DeJonge was convicted in the Multnomah county circuit court and the decree later was upheld by the state supreme court.

Attorneys for DeJonge yesterday filed a petition with the supreme court asking for a stay of judgment and recall of the mandate. The court has not yet taken any action.

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