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Business Responsibility

N the stress of the depression period folk were so busy lamenting with each other over their misfortunes that they failed to appreciate any of their blessings. On every hand were the purveyors of gloom who denounced the machine age, or the banks, or the employers of labor. To many it was the "Gotterdammerung", the twilight of the gods of the gilded age. They boldly proclaimed that capitalism was through, and some new form of social organization must be rushed in for a substitute.

As general business has improved, not only here but all over the world, the peddlers of panaceas are a bit less vocal than they formerly were. Perhaps the people may see things in a little better perspective. If there is one thing which modern business has done it has been to raise the living standards of the people. Compare the lot of the low income groups of today with the impoverished classes of a century ago in England, the first great industrial country. In this country living standards have steadily improved, broken only by occasions of depression.

Responsibilities rest with business leaders to continue to make available to more people the gadgets which contribute to modern comforts. That an increasing number of leaders in to repress them, similar tragedies the bill is really a measure for business and finance recognize this responsibility is noted in an address given by Allie S. Freed, chairman of the committee for economic recovery, a New York business man, before a group of savings bankers. Mr. Freed had this to say in his address:

"My experience with other philanthropic endeavors leads to believe that the only time great numbers of the underprivileged ever acquire higher standards of living is when the brains and ingenuity of business and financial leadership make it their job to raise these living standards.

"I give you tonight a very easy and practical way to analyze this statement. Tell me, if you can, what social worker or political demagogue is responsible for the higher standard of living in America that is expressed by the following comparison of conditions, which I read the other day? In 1900, not one family in a hundred owned a horse and buggy. Today, three out of four have automobiles. One family in 13 had a telephone; -now one family in two. In that same year, modern plumbing and central heating were luxuries; -less than five thousand homes had electricity, radio and refrigeration. Today, twenty-one hundred million homes are wired, seven million families own refrigerators, twenty-two million have radio receivers.

"Of course, all of this is fine, but it is just a beginning of what is really possible. The only way that we can protect such growth of living standards is by spreading the opportunity for more and more people to use less of their family budgets for better shelter, food and clothing. Otherwise it will be impossible for the great masses to share with their more fortunate brothers the necessities of today that were the luxuries of yester-

Such a program means reward in the way of profits to the men of business who use their opportunities for bringing their goods to more people; and it means more enjoyment of the material things that make for more comfortable living by the masses of the people.

Tensions in Europe

very interesting summary of conditions in Europe is hip to draw my pistol, but dis-A made by Thomas F. Woodlock, writing in the Wall Street Journal. Woodlock was once a member of the interstate commerce commission. His conclusions are based on reports of a competent observer who made a motor cruise through France, Germany and Italy. To summarize the sum-

The economic condition in France is "most unsatisfactory" and growing worse rather than better,-this was written before devaluation, and explains why that step was taken. A direct clash between the right and left political groups is likely unless economic conditions improve. One thing sure is that Russian communism cannot live on French soil because the great mass of the people have too strong a proprietary instinct,-the peasants are landowners and small investors. "If there is to be anything like a revolution it will be anything but bolshevik in its results. Meanwhile, France is drifting downhill from any point of view."

For Germany few signs of social tension appear, due probably to the people's acceptance of a hierarchial system. The bold moves of der Fuhrer this year have stirred public morale. "Economically the conditions are hard and getting harder." Crops not good, shortage of fats, exchange position growing tighter. Nevertheless there is no reliable sign of any let-

Italy is suffering from a letdown after the Ethiopian victory. Need for foreign money is urgent. "Economically life in Italy already very hard, grows harder steadily." Ethiopia is now a liability,-money must be found to settle and develop it. "The Corporate State, moreover, is a hybrid, neither capitalist nor collectivist and is working perkily now in one direction and now in another, with much dissatisfaction it would lead to more serious brewing underground in both owner and labor circles." Il Duce needs more white rabbits.

Other reports from Great Britain give information that the "tight little isle" is rather more prosperous than usual. A general building revival continues, and there is liberal spending for rearmament. There the social tensions are not so acute as on the continent. These internal stresses and strains are quite as important as foreign stresses, because the latter are often the escape mechanism invoked for the former.

Sport Statistics

F sports writing once was banal because of its abuses of the adjectives it is becoming more banal by becoming a statistical digest. Instead of sport for sports' sake an athletic contest appears to be a battle against records. The antagonists are not the opposing team or the competitor, but the fig-

The amazing defeat of the Giants by the Yankees Friday gave the arithmetical bloodhounds a great opportunity to follow trails. The game itself was a record-breaker in the score; but the items are seized on not so much as spectacular and thrilling performances but set down in terms of comparison with previous performances. Thus Alan Gould, noted AP sports writer, reports that Lazzeri's homer with bases full duplicated Elmer Smith of Cleveland against Brooklyn in 1920; and his fly in the seventh wiped out a mark for runs batted in, a feat which Dickey duplicated in the ninth. The total of the game according to Gould was that the "streamlined 1936 Yankees broke or tied at least nine world series marks." Very soon athletics will be just a matter of higher

Statistics have their place among devotees of sport as with accountants and government clerks. But it would appear that the thrill of the ball game was in what was happening at the moment, and not the excitation caused by thumbing back in the files to find some one else who did the same thing not quite so well.

Gen. Hugh Johnson takes a blast at George Peek for deserting Pres. Roosevelt. They were buddles in the Moline farm implement concern which cracked up so bad in 1921 they couldn't find the pieces The judgment of neither is of much value; and as political allies each

The judgment of neither is of much value, and as political allies each is a cockleburr in the saddle.

To Conduct Cevival

MARQUAM. Oct. 2.—Rev. and this is something you ought to be same when they see the Venerable farm when they see the

Bits for Breakfast

By R. J. HENDRICKS

Sheridan house still stands in its original location, at what was Fort Yamhill, and well preserved:

(Continuing from yesterday:) Still quoting from Sheridan's book, volume 1, page 110: "There were 16 men in pursuit of the doctress, and 16 gunshot wounds were found in her body when examined by the surgeon of the post. (General Sheridan no doubt meant Dr. Rodney Glisan, surgeon of the Yambill post at the time, afterward a leading Portland physician and one of the founders of that city.)

'The killing of the woman was committed in the teeth of the military authority, yet done so quick-

"This necessitated severe measures, both to allay the prevailing which will be a serious problem, recurrence of such acts.

brought about this murderous oc-curence, for it was now seen that if timely measures were not taken would surely follow.

fluently the Chinook tongue, which they all understood, I went a council with them.

up for punishment.

at the interview, and with all that income and more reasonable distalent for circumloution and dip- tribution of it. The existing bill lomacy with which the Indian is will not assist either objective. gifted, endeavored to evade my demands and delay any conclus-

hear of no compromise whatever, lation leaves completely out of and demanded that my terms be at once complied with.

"No one was with me but a Miller, who held my horse, and, as the chances of an agreement began to grow remote, I became anxious for our safety.

"The conversation waxing hot and the Indians gathering close in of my pistol holster, to be ready for any emergency.

"When the altercation became most bitter I put my hand to my hip to draw my pistol, but dis"Wot-o':, wot-on, wot-oh! "Oh, can't I! Oh, sorry, Dad. I "Maybe — perhaps," Doremus sighed, depressed at seeing a little any case, as the Governor pointed the Fancy Goods and Novelties world slide of the folks on de clarification became ment instead of penalizing it. In Mawnin', Miss Lindy. How's all ma. Cours I wouldn't have any bedy hurt have any bedy one of the rascals surrounding me. "Finding myself unarmed, I modified my tone and manner to correspond with my helpless condition, thus myself assuming the diplomatic side in the parley, in

order to gain time. "As soon as an opportunity of fered, and I could, without too much loss of self respect, and without damaging my reputation mong the Indians, I moved out to where the sergeant held my horse, mounted, AND CROSSING THE YAMHILL RIVER CLOSE BY, called back in Chinook from the farther bank that 'the 16 men who killed the woman must be delivered up, and my six-shooter (Manifestly, it was the South Yambill river he meant, or the branch of the river now there called the South Yambill,)

5 5 5 "This was responded to by conemptuous laughter, so I went back to the military post somewhat crestfallen, and made my report of the turn affairs had taken, inwardly longing for another chance to bring the rascally Rogue

Rivers to terms. When I had explained the sitthought that we could not, under defiant conduct of the Indians. since, unless summarily punished, trouble in the future.

"I heartily seconded this propsition and, gladly embracing the opportunity it offered, suggested that if he would give me another chance, and let me have the EF-FECTIVE FORCE of the garrison consisting of ABOUT 50 MEN, I would chatise the Rogue Rivers without fail, and that the next day was all the time I required to

complete arrangements. "He gave me the necessary authority, and I at once set to work to bring about a better state of discipline on the reservation, and to put an end to the practices of the medicine men (having also in view the recovery of my six-shooter and self respect), by marching to the village and taking the rebellious Indians by

5 5 5 "In that tribe was an excellent woman called Tighee Mary (Tighee in Chinook means chief), who right of inheritance was a kind

queen of the Rogue Rivers. "Fearing that the insubordinate conduct of the Indians would precipitate further trouble, she came early the following morning to see me and tell me of the sit-

"Mary informed me that she had done all in her power to bring the Indians to reason, but without avail, and that they were determined to fight rather than deliver up the 16 men who had engaged

the shooting. She also apprised me of th fact that they had taken up a position on the Yambill river, ON THE DIRECT ROAD BETWEEN THE POST AND VILLAGE. where, painted and armed for war, they were awaiting attack.

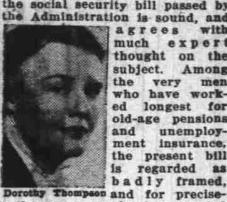
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her mother's memory and tongue more than her other resources. | next two weeks.

n the Record

By DOROTHY THOMPSON

Governor Landon and Social



ly the reason so clearly presented by the Governor. It covers only act of recognition, and as a cona flagrant and defiant outrage about one-half of the working tribution to economic stability. population; it is entirely financied by contributory taxes, levied upon ly that we could not prevent it. employees and employers equally; it will eventually result in an immense reserve, the investment of excitement and to preclude the and which will offer an almost "The body was cared for, and gressal spending. It will be exirresistible temptation to Condelivered to the relatives the next tremely complicated to adminday for burial, after which Cap-tain Russell directed me to take invariably be passed on to the pubsuch steps as would put a stop lic, in the form of increased pricto the fanatical usages that had

"Knowing ALL the men of the Rogue River tribe, and speaking long as 21 per cent of American compelling thrift is true. And that families have incomes of under DOWN to their village the fol- \$1,000 a year, even in extremely lowing day, after having sent word good times (the figures of 1929), to the tribe that I wished to have and more tha 42 per cent have incomes of over \$2,500, it is certain "The Indians all met me in that they cannot save 6 per cent council, as I had desired, and I of their incomes annually for their then told them that the men who old age or save 3 per cent tax had taken part in shooting the -without sacrificing things which woman would have to be delivered they and their children desperately and immediately need. Plainly They were very stiff with me what we need is a higher national

The Governor's objections to tax on pay rolls are well grounded, and could be even further argued. "But I was very positive, would A great deal of our social legisconsideration the fact that men today are competing with machines for jobs. It is quite possible sergeant of my company, named that in our zeal to better the condition of men we increasingly put them at a disadvantage in this competition. If we want to get men back to work and keep them at work uder the most favorable possible conditions we ought to around me, I anbutttoned the flap subsidize pay rolls rather than tax them, or remit taxes according to the size of pay rolls; in other ed on to the public; if the public pays it in higher prices it would be wiser to have the public pay it directly by taxes.

The pyramiding of a huge reserve of eventually \$47,000,000,-000 has been objected to by experts on just the grounds named by the Governor. The sum would be accumulated by the contributors-the working populationbut would never be paid out to them in pensions. Only a small part of it would return to them, actually. It would certainly be used for finacing things for which it was neither contributed nor intended, and if it were not, its investment would present a grave

Therefore, this column is in agreement with Governor Landon that the present bill provides for a very questionable method of financing and is likely to have unfavorable social results. We agree that social security-old-age pension-ought to be financed primarily out of taxation, although a combination of a contributory and taxation system is not imposuation to Captain Russell, he sible. Also we agree that it ought to be financed currently, without any circumstances, overlook this building up huge reserves. It ought to balance as the budget balances; probably not annually

> But when it comes to the counter-program offered by the Governor, this column parts company with him. Because, if we have understood him properly, what he proposes are not real old-age pensions at all, but only aid to the aged destitute. He proposes to introduce the means test, under which the pension becomes merey a public dole. This is begging whole question. For the idea of old-age pensions is not just to take care of the destitute aged. but to recognize that modern, industrial life has created conditions peculiarly unfavorable to the old, and that state pensions are a means of adjusting to that reality.

The facts about our society are, mong others, these: that it is increasingly an industrial society, in which men and women depend for their livelihoods on wages or

Ten Years Ago

October 4, 1926 The Capitol theatre will hold its grand opening tonight with valley invited to reception.

Libel threats face Aimee Semple McPherson, evangelist.

Miners in Rockwood, Tenn., are aught by gas blast, 6 known "Tst! Tst! Haven't you? Dear,

I wenty Years Ago

October 4, 1916 Third Oregon regiment will return to border within six months opinion of officer.

|salaries; that the risks that they Governor Landon's criticism of tionately greater than an agrithe social security bill passed by cultural or artisan society, where the Administration is sound, and they own to a large extent their agrees with ewn means of production; that much expert this society has resulted in much thought on the smaller families than previously, subject. Among with much less chance of elderly the very men parents being taken care of by who have work- number of children, and that this

ed longest for society throws men and women old-age pensions out of employment at an earlier and unemploy-ment insurance, in this society that they should be the present bill retired earlier and it is therefore regarded as necessary that the whole society should collaborate to make an adjustment to these facts and to make it, not as a dole, but as an

The Safety

Letters from Statesman Readers

Fence an Insult Editor of the Statesman:

Your editorial in the Statesman "Give the People a Chance" hits the nail on the head. Why that seven foot board fence around the state house is more than I can see. I think the citizens have a right to look on at the construction; we are all interested to see the work progress from time to time. If you must have a fence make it four to five feet then we can look over. If any one wanted to do any harm a seven foot fence would not stop him any way.

I well remember when the other state house was under construction there was no fence around it of any kind, and the citizens could look as long as they pleased and no trouble ever happened. I consider that fence an insult to the citizens of this city and state.

B. P. TAYLOR.



"Wot-oh, wot-on, wot-oh! erywhere I roam? Hello, Dad. No. it isn't cocktails-least, just one very small cocktail-it's youthful spirits! My God, but it's cold! Tea, Linda, my good weman-

They had tea. A thoroughly donestic circle. "Race you home, Dad," said dissy, when they were ready to "Yes-no-wait a second! Lor-

nda: lend me a flashlight." Confronts Shad As he marched out of the door, marched belligerently across the road, in Doremus seethed all the

igitated anger he had been concealing from Sissy. And part hidden behind bushes, leaning on his motorcycle, he did find Shad Le-Shad was startled; for once h looked less contemptuously mast-

erful than a Fifth Avenue traffic policeman, as Doremus snapped. ligence-but I, and I don't sup-"What you doing there?" and he stumbled in answereing: "Oh I just-something happened to my motorbike." "So! You ought to be home

ending the furnace, Shad." Well, I guess I got my ma chine fixed now. I'll hike along. "No. My daughter is to drive me home, so you can put your motorcycle in the back of my car to blush every time I looked at a and drive it back." (Somehow, he he had to talk privately to Sissy. though he was not in the least

say.) "Her?" Rats! Sissy can't drive for sour apples! Crazy's a loon! "Ledue! Miss Sissy is a highly competent driver. At least she satisfies me, and if you really feel she desen't quite satisfy your If you're going to fight 'em, standard-

damn bit of difference to me onway or th' other! G'-night!" Recrossing the road, Doremu rebuked himself, "That was childish of me. Trying to talk to him like a gent! But how I would enjoy murdering him!"

'Her driving don't make

He informed Sissy, at the door saving the failen women, save me Shad happened to come alongone'? Oh, not so good. I guess motorcycle in bad shape-let him we'll take that line right out the take my Chrysler-I'll drive with

Age and Youth "Beautiful, I know it's swell to drive carefully, but do you have to emulate the prudent snail?" said

'Snails don't skid." "Listen, Dad, do you go to Lindy's often?" "Why-why, not especially

"Why don't you-What are you two so scared of? You two wildhaired reformers—you and Lindy belong together. Why don't youyou know-kind of be lovers?" "Good God Almighty! Cecilia! I've never heard a decent girl talk that way in all my life!"

dear! So sorry!" "Well, my Lordyou've got to admit that it's slightly unusual for an apparently loyal daughter to suggest her father's deceiving her mother! Especially a fine lovely mother

"Is it? Well, maybe, Unusual to suggest it—aloud, But I wonder if cate subjects slightly embarrasses lots of young females don't some

while he was remembering the it is; I always get those two words going to be much time for coyness warning in red chalk that he had balled up. This is serious busi- and modesty, any more than there found on his front porch after the ness. I've never heard of such a is for a base-hospital nurse when election. Before he had time to preposterous sugestion as Linda they bring in the wounded. become very complicated about it, -Lorinda and I being lovers. My young ladies-they're out! It's the door vociferously banged op-en, and his daughter, Sissy, sailed flip about such final things as going to want to have around. that!" "Oh, can't I! Oh, sorry, Dad. I

> you. But, why, bless you, Venerable, she'd never even dream of such a thing. You could have your nice pie and she'd never miss one single slice. Mother's mental grooves aren't, uh, well, they aren't so very sex-conditioned, if that's how you say it-more sort of along the new-vacuum cleaner complex, if you know what I mean -page Freud! Oh, she's swell,

> but not so analytical and-"Are those your ethics, then?" "Huh? Well for cat's sake, why not? Have a swell time that'll get you full of beans again and yet not hurt anybody's feelings. Why, say, that's the entire second chap-

ter in my book on ethics!" "Sissy! Have you, by any chance, any vaguest notion of what you're talking about, or think you're talking about? course-and perhaps we ought to be ashamed of our cowardly negpose your mother, have taught you so very much about 'sex' and

"Thank heaven! You spared me the dear little flower and its simply shocking affair with that tough tomcat of a tiger lily in the next bed-excuse me-I mean in the next plot. I'm so glad you ter of the League of Forgotten did, Pete's sake! I'd certainly hate Men in the Fort, and I'm to be the "Sissy! Child! Please! You

mustn't be so beastly cute! These

certain what it was he had to are all weighty things-Penitently: "I know, Dad. I'm sorry. It's just-if you only knew how wretched I feel when I see you so wretched and so quiet and rip, League of Forgodsakers business has got you down, hasn't it? you've got to get some pep back into you—you've got to take off the lace mitts and put on the brass knuckles-and I got kind of a hunch Lorinda might do that for you, and only her Heh! Her pre tending to be so high-minded! (Remember that ald wheeze Buck

> sketch!) But anyway, our Lindy has a pretty moist and hugry "Impossible! Impossible! the way, Sissy! What do you know of my ten-year fight with them, as about all of this? Are you a vir-

Titus used to love so-'If you're

"Dad! Is that your idea of a question to-Oh, I guess I was asking for it. And the answer is: Yes. So far. But not promising one single thing about the future. Let low-livered, back-slopping, hypome tell you right now, if conditions in this country do get as bad as you've been claiming they will, and Julian Falck is threatened with having to go to war of go to prison or some rotten thing like that, I'm most certainly not going to let any maidenly modesty interfere between me and him and you just as well be prepared

"It is Julian, then, not Mal "Oh, I think so, Malcolm gives me a pain in the neck."

"I'm glad, but- Your ap parent-probably only apparent information on a variety of deli-

SINCLAIR LEWIS By SINCLAIR LEWIS sy, you simply must not be so we're headed right back to bar-And he was proud, yet all the froward—or forward, whichever barism. It's war! There's not isn't ft-isn't it-now isn't it?"

> They were coming into the Jessup driveway. Shad Ledue was

just leaving the garage. "Skip in the house, quick, will !" said Doremus to his girl. 'Sure. But do be careful, hon!' She no longer sounded like his little daughter, to be protected, adorned with pale blue ribbons. slyly laughed at when she tried to show off in grown-up ways. She was suddenly a dependable com-

rade, like Lorinda Doremus slipped resolutely out of his car and said calmly

'D'you take the car keys into the kitchen?" 'Huh? No. I guess I left 'em in the car."

"I've told you a hundred times they belong inside." "Yah? Well, how'd you like Miss Cecilia's driving? Have good visit with old Mrs. Pike?" He was derisive now, beyond oncealment.

"Ledue, I rather think you're fired-right now! "Well! Just feature that! O. K Chief! I was just going to tell you that we're forming a second chapsecretary. They don't pay muchonly about twice what you pay me pretty tight-fisted—but it'll mean something in politics. Good-

When, as League secretary, a fortnight later, Shad wrote to him ismanding a donation of two hundred dollars to the League, and Doremus refused, the Informer began to lose circulation within wenty-four hours.

CHAPTER XV Usually I'm pretty mild, in fact many of my friends are kind enough to call it "Folksy," when I'm writing or speechifying. My ambition is to "live by the side of the is un-American or that the Ameriroad and be a friend to man." But can form of government is enhope that none of the gentlemen who have honored me with their has done as yet. The existence eamity think for one single moment that when I run into a gross enough public evil or a persistent ing the constitution itself. The enough detractor, I can't get up Roosevelt administration on my hind legs and make a sound to challenge for inefficient like a two-tailed grizzly in April. so right at the start of this account private citizen, State Senator, and these real issues will be debated S. Senator, let me say that the Sangfrey River Light, Power, and Fuel Corporation are—and I invite a suit for libel—the meanest, lowest, cowardliest gang of yelcritical gun-toters, bomb-throwers ballot-stealers, ledger-fakers, givers of bribes, sub-orners of perjury, scab-hirers, and general low-forecful and direct. But it needs that ever tried to do an honest servant of the People out of an election—not but what I have al- the valid criticisms which have ways succeeded in licking them, so that my indignation at these homdeidal kleptomaniaes is not per-sonal but entirely on behalf of remedy for unemployment. The the general public.

On Wednesday, January 6, heres boldly to the doctrine of 1837, just a fortnight before his inauguration, President - Elect windrip announced his appoint- place fast, It is, as he says, no time for reaction but neither is ments of cabinet members and of time for reaction, but neither is

Secretary of the Treasury: one Webster R. Skittle, president of the properous Fur & Hide National Bank of St. Louis-Mr. Skittle had once been 1 indicted on a charge of defrauding the government on his income tax, but he had been acquitted, more or less, and during the campaign he was said to have taken a convincing way of showing his faith in Buzz Windrip as the Savior of the Forgotten Men.

Secretary of War: Colonel Osceola Luthorne, formerly editor of the Topeka (Kans.) Argus, and position on the honorary staff of Governor of Tennessee. had long been a friend and fellow

campainger of Windrip. have refused the appointment as Secretary of War, with a letter in which he called Windrip "My dear Friend and Collaborator" and asserted that he had actually meant it when he had said he desired no office, Later, it was a similar regret when Father Coughlin refused the Ambassadorshop to Mexico, with no letter at all but only a telegram cryptically stating "Just six months too late."

A new cabinet position, that of ecretary of Education and Publice Relations, was created. (To Be Continued.)

Editorial

From Other Papers THEY HAD IT COMING In his reply to those who have sought to link his administration with communism. fascism and other un-Americanisms, President Roosevelt was at his best Tuesday night. The Liberty Leaguers, the Hearsts, the McCormieks and others who have sought to build up issues of prejudice had it coming. The high command of the republican party

which has condoned and even wel-

comed this type of campaigning

laid itself wide open for Mr. Roosevelt's rebuke. There are a great many people who do not like Mr. Roo or his new deal who are unwilling to believe that Mr. Roosevelt dangered seriously by anything he of serious constitutional issues may be admitted without involv-Roosevelt administration is open waste and stupidity and lack of consistent policy but not as to motives, and it is to be hoped that from now on and the false ones dropped. The weakest part of Mr. Landon's approach to the American public has been his willingness to accept this keynote of prejudice.

Mr. Roosevelt was entitled to to be pointed that beyond that point it does not answer any of been raised against his government. It does not explain the fail-Zero Hour, Berzelius Windrip. not because Mr. Roosevelt ad-On Wednesday. January 6, heres boldly to the doctrine of

EUGENE REGISTER-GUARD