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What Goes UP Must Come Down
Prophets of international events aren't the
only ones whose calculations have gone haywire.
When the world is in turmoil even mathematical computations can go- wrong-and for an ex-
ample one needs only turn to the latest figures on the Oregon unemployment compensatio The 1941 legislature enlisted the services of
competent actuaries in order to work out a
sliding scale of contributions designed to keep the fund within certain bounds but now, in the more than $\$ 3,000,000$ and the fund may, by the
time you read this, have passed the $\$ 23,000,000$ mark. Total collections for 1942 to date excee Untortunately for the sake of satisfyin
curiosity, these figures do not accurarately reffe
on a ratio basis the increase in Oregon's tot account onl for
1938 approximately 275,000 workers we
covered; their earnings amounted to $\$ 216,816$
354 . On a ratio basis the "covered" it actually was $\$ 355,000,000$-the discrepancy
being due to the fact that experience rating
reduced some of the contributions. Likewise
because of experience rating it's impossible to
get accurate figures on this year's total ppyroll
but it's a cinch to exceed half a billion. Right Furthermore he had on his person, the neces filling station, was a tough nut to crack. "Regulations say the gas has to be served in the In vain did Henderson insist, correctly, that
though the ration book contained a statemen though the ration book contained a statement
that such was the requirement, the fuller set of regulations provided for this sort of emergency,
He even told the service station man-and this must have been embarrassing, that he, Henderson, had made those regulations and therefore
ought to know. No soap, or rather, no petrol.
So the rationing czar took a taxi to his office made other arrangements for supplying his
car, and sent an autographed copy of the res ulations to Doc White.
Hendersongot starled in his own red tapeabout it all, knowing that even the man who
makes the rules can't break them, or even
invariably win an argument when he is right. Curly Hoistetter's milk wagon team con-
ruled. We susance, Judge Hannah Hanzen has
tering "Born twenty years toing around late." mund News Behind The News


## Bits for Breakfast

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Cocktail Hour

Random Harvest

| Chapter 21 Continued "Except," added Julian, 'a cet- |  |
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| demanding cash." <br> Charies swuag round on him. What on earth do you mean by hat?" |  |
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| "Well, you sold your stuff to Chet, didn't you?" <br> "He wanted to buy-I didn't ask him to." |  |
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| "But he paid you in cash." <br> "Naturally-what else?" <br> Well, where d'you suppose |  |
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| he found the cash? In his pocket?" |  |
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| "You mean he had to borrow Charles then turned on Chet. "Is this true?" "Traid it is, Charlie. After |  |
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| 'em, old chap, but I had to take 'em." |  |
| "But-I don't see that-sure- ly I could have sold them to yomeone else?" |  |
| "Not at that price. You trydumping 60,00 on the market, and see what happens. I had to take 'em to keep the price firm. Isn't that right, Truslove?" |  |
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| Isn't that right, Truslove? the Charles peered beyond then |  |
| faces; Truslove was standing in broidery at the back of a chair; |  |
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| leaning forward he answered: "That was your motive, undoubtedly. Mr. Chetwynd. But |  |
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| I think we can hardly blame Mr. Charles for-" |  |
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| "Is it a matter of blaming anybody?" Charles interrupted, withtightening lips. "I can only say |  |
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| that $\mathrm{I}-2, \mathrm{l}$ And then he stopped. What |  |
| could he say? That he was sorry? That had he known Chetwas having to borrow he would have insisted on selling in the |  |
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| market? That if he could have |  |
| forecast a crisis, like this, he would have held on to his share,just to be one of the family in |  |
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| adversity? None of these things |  |
| was true, except the first. He said, lamely. "I feel at a disadthese things before." |  |
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| aware I took no interest in them." |  |
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| tonishment. "I-I don't know |  |
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## Radio Programs

Te fund exists to cushion the shock of any
possible employment slump. Its preservation
Intramural Sports
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## tims of mental frustration. It is true that the existence of "varsity" sports

many" but to the best of our knowledge the
blame seldom is deserved. The record of the
Salem junior and senior high schools in or-
ganizing sports for all stadents while continuing a highly successful "varsity" program, is proof
that it can be done. If any able-bodied boy or that it can be done. If any able-bodied boy or
girl in these schools fails to participate, the fault
is his own, and most likely lack of incentive. In wartime, however, there is another i
centive for physical development aside fro
hero-worship of the reigning "varsity" star. should be apparent to every boy-and if it isn't,
it can easily be made apparent-that superior
physique is an advantage to physique is an advantage to those who fight
on the batluefronts. Furthermore today's sports
contests seem tame alongside the bigger game contests seem tame alongside the bigger game
being played "over there." And yesteryear's
sports luminary is again a star-in the air force or among the commandos.
also of the dearth of qualified coaches and the
difficulty of transportation, it is a logical step
which has been decided upon ti which has been decided upon in the case of school competition and concentration upon in
tramural activity. The same policy may logical
ly be extended to the senior high schools.
But-only "for the duration.
This may appear to be a victory for the foes of organized sports. On the contrary, they never
were more thoroughly discredited than now.
Where are the star athletes of yesteryear? Yout know where they are and what they are doing.
His Own Red Tape
It is recorded in a government publication,
and thus may be accepted as authentic, that
Leon Henderson of sugar, rubber, gasoline and Washington street and, even as you and I , suda motorist that his tank is gry. which informe with a gallon container for such emergencies.


