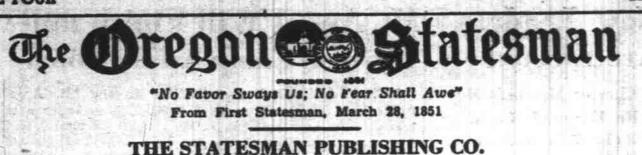
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Reduce State Income Tax

What to do with "surplus" state income tax funds seemed destined, prior to the November election, to be the No. 1 problem of the 1943 legislature. That problem the voters solved, you might say. In one sense they solved it too well by directing that not only the surplus but in excess of a million dollars more to be turned over to the public schools. Nevertheless most voters who have made a study of the entire problem, even though they voted for that diversion bill, are aware that its enactment did not provide a complete solution but did create several new problems. Of these, we intend to mention today only a few which are pertinent to the original problem-the "surplus."

Prior to the election there was strong support for the simplest and most obvious solution; reduction of the income tax rates. There was good reason to expect this would be done. Sensitive to the popular will, some legislators may hesitate in view of the voters' action to support such a movement.

Yet the voters did not say income tax rates should remain at the present level. If they were left at the present level, school districts would not be assured of any uniformity of income from that source. Next year they might receive, even in the aggregate, more from the state than they ever have raised by taxation; five years hence they might receive nothing. How much they shall receive is still an issue to be settled by fate and the legislature.

State income tax receipts this year will amount to around \$13,750,000. That will leave a "surplus"-according to the diversion bill's definition-of almost exactly six million. School districts of Oregon have raised by district levies on property in recent years about 12 million. Theoretically under the diversion bill, they would have escaped about half of that tax if the bill had been in effect this year.

Next year the income tax, if the rates are unchanged, will bring in more money than it did this year; but theoretically taxpayers will be relieved of more than half of their present district tax. In practice, it won't work out that way.

There are, as we have mentioned before, some school districts in Oregon which levy no district tax. There is one which levies about 86 mills. Here in Marion county there is one district which levies only 4.6 mills, another which levies 41 mills. The diversion bill provides that

exceptions. These new bureaucracies will in theory be easier to liquidate "after the duration." Like the good housewife who is at great pains to kill the last fly before winter ends, we know that had WPA survived the war, nothing ever could have eradicated it.

Some credit for this achievment belongs, we suspect, to the citizenry in general; to the voters who "kicked the new deal in the teeth" early in November. Yet cause and effect even here are difficult to distinguish. It may be the other way around; because WPA dependents had dwindled, the teeth-kicking became possible. No matter to whom the credit belongs, praise

be! We're rid of that!

The Last Front

If, however, the nazis are driven out of North Africa, they will then have but two principal fronts on which to fight. One of them is Russia, the other one is England. -Corvallis Gazette Times.

Wrong, Claude. There is at least one other front on which Germany may fight, and will eventually fight. The German front. If there are, let's say, three fronts now, the German front may be the fourth or fifth-what does it matter? Regardless of the numerical designation, that will be the last front.

Editorial Comment From Other Papers

FROM DONNIE ... AND ME

This is the story of a persistent small boy-a buck private in the army of scrap hunters. A boy who called at our office three times a day-before school, during school and after school-sometimes alone and sometimes with the support of a halfdozen other small fry to buoy up his courage against our rebuffs: "Too busy now to look for scrap, come around Friday"-and Friday came with its appointed hour-"Come around Saturday." we stalled him off, "Come around Sunday." Sunday passed. At last he nailed us in an unguarded moment Monday afternoon at dusk-a boy, with his tin wagon trailing across our lawn, had us. "Wanta look for scrap now, Mr. Risley?" We wilted.

"Well, Donnie," we said sheepishly, "I'm afraid I haven't got much scrap for you, but there's a couple of iron pipes under the barn. Wanta crawl under and get them? It's dark under there, and it's wet and smelly." "Sure," piped the voicea little less spirited but none-the-less determined -like a youngster eating his first raw oysterbrave enough to swallow it, but not with reli He crawled under. We held the flashlight at the single window that pierces the wall to that underworld of mysteries where rats hold councils of war before attacking our chicken feed, and where generations of gardeners, plasterers, carpenters and horsemen have tossed their abandoned tools, mortar pails, horse shoes and wagon wheels-not to mention rubbish, broken glass, vicious spirals of

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'Vital Scrap'

Bits for Breakfast By R. J. HENDRICKS

Camp Adair gets its 12-5-42 name from distinguished family that goes far back into high American history: **5 5 5**

Busied with a much different search, leading to objects that will in due time show themselves to be in a strange field that would require a good deal of time to explain-time that ought not to be spared for the immediate present - this columnist finds, from several sources, that Camp Adair gets its name far back in

northwest expedition in 1791, holding the rank of major. On Nov. 6, 1792, while encamped near Fort St. Clair, he was attacked by the Miami chief, Little Turtle, who defeated him and

forced him to retreat. N N N "He was a member of the convention which formed the state constitution of Kentucky, in June, 1792; was promoted to be lieutenant-colonel under Gen. Charles Scott, in 1793, and afterwards represented the county for

"In 1820 General Adair was elected governor of Kentucky. and for four years discharged the duties of that office with great ability.

"His term was marked by great legislative activity for the promotion of education in the state and by the abelition of imprisonment for debt.

\$ \$ \$ "The state library was founded at Frankfort in 1821.

"Governor Adair was elected to the United States senate in

10:45-McFarland Twins Orchestra. 11:00-Freddie Slack, Orchestra. 11:30-Harlan Leonard Orchestra. **EEX-NBC-SATURDAT-1196 Ec.** 5:00-Musical Clock. 7:00-The Cadets. 7:15-Mirandy of Persimmon Holler. 7:30—Hank Lawson's Knights. 8:00—Stars of Today. 8:30—Breakfast Club. 9:00—Reading Is Fun. 1:15—Christian Science Program

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-MBS-SATURDAY-1330 Kc. Good Morning Club.

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0-Canton 10-News. 45-All Star Parade. 50-American Eagle Club. 130-This is the Hour. Churchman's Saturday Night

-Louis Prime Orchestra. Halls of Montesums

9:00-News. 9:15-Harlan Leonard Orchestra.

10:30-News. 10:45-McFarland Twins Orchestra

30-Jan Garber Orchestra. 00-Bobby Sherwood Orchest 45-Francis Spanier Orchest

45_Jan Savitt Orchestra.

Messner Orchestra

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9—Secret Legion. 9—John B. Hughes. 5—Movie Parade.

Sullivan Music

Radio Programs

12:00-6 a. m .- Music & News,

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er Says. of the A ncis Hotel Orchestra St. Fra -Charles -By the Orchestra the Way, donal Barn Dance, a You Top That? Stern Sports New Powell Serenade. d Of Opry. Orch

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5-Miracles and Melodies. 0-KBS Sunday Symphony. 0-Solar Your Square Gospel 5-Modern Melody. 0-Alex. Kirilloff Trio. 10-Old Fashtoned Revival. 0-Tonight's Headlines.

5:00-Old Fashioned Revival. 5:00-Tonight's Headlines. 6:15-Anija Boyer & Tomboy 6:30-Langworth Gypsy Orches 7:00-Shepherd of the Air. 7:30-Langworth Novelty Grou 6:30-First Presbyterian Chur 6:30-Levitow's Salon Orchestra 9:00-News. 9:15-Organalities. 9:20-Back Home Hour. 10:00-News.

KALE-MBS-SUNDAY-1350 KG

8:00-Wesley Radio League. 8:30-Central Church of Christ

Bible Class

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10:00-News. 10:15-Dream Time.

30-Safety 15-Hymn

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ple's Church

es and Melodies. Sunday Symphony.

-Young People -Young People -Young String

2:15-Church of Christ. 2:15-Church of Christ.

districts' receipts from this source must offset property taxes, but it also provides that distribution of the surplus be on the basis of actual school attendance. Obviously, districts which have levied no tax will receive some of this money-and won't be able to offset property tax. Districts whose millage have been extremely low will receive more from this source than they have from property taxes. In these cases the fine record of the income tax to date-that every cent of it has served to offset property taxes-will be spoiled.

What will happen in the high-millage district will depend upon the cause of that high millage. If it is a dearth of taxable property, the district will obtain considerable relief; if it is high cost per pupil, due either to a heavy debt or to small number of pupils, the district will benefit proportionately less. In general, the high-millage districts will still be taxed rather heavily. Thus "equalization," a desirable result, will not be achieved.

Oregon educators contended in sponsoring the diversion bill that the state as a whole should bear 45 per cent of school costs-the argument being that this was the average contribution of other states. At present the state and federal governments bear about 12 per cent of the cost in Oregon, the counties about 16 per cent, the districts 72 per cent. It the state in addition to its present contribution were to offset half the districts' share, the districts would bear only 36 per cent of the costs; the state's percentage would be too high on the basis of the teachers' own figures. Districts would be tempted to spend extravagantly; and the incentive for further reorganization of districts in the interests of economy would be lost.

Meanwhile the state income tax is burdensome and will be more burdensome than ever next year because the federal income tax, tapping the same purses, has risen by geometrical leaps and bounds. State income taxpayers now deserve relief just as much as property taxpayers. The rates should come down.

Death Sentence for WPA Yippee!

Who could have imagined, just two years ago, that WPA was so near the grave? It just goes to prove that the inscrutable future holds pleasant as well as unpleasant surprises. It gives rise to hope that other major nuisances and blights are on the way out.

President Roosevelt has ordered the "liquidation" of the Works Projects Administration by February 1. How there could be anything left to liquidate may be a mystery to some. Every able-bodied person is now in demand, sought after by private employers or by public agencies which exist for the purpose of performing useful services, or by both. But there is of course something left to liquidate; for one thing, the remaining skeleton of a once huge bureaucracy. And it's a scandal to the jaybirds but there is in addition-or was within quite recent weeks -right here in Salem a remnant of the once huge army of "WPAers." On good authority we have it that within the last month some fifty persons were still fully certified for WPA work, and that a considerable number of them were able-bodied men.

It may be that our enthusiasm is unwarranted. There are hints that the remaining personnel, both administrative and administered-to, will merely be transferred to "other government agencies." And certainly before the last rolled an nd to the point

hav bail wire and rotting manure. There was a moment and tenseness and partial retreat as the young scout of the scrap army tripped o.er a rattling sheet of tin roofing and flashlight beams pierced the cobwebs of the low hung studding. But no rout! Just a yelp of triumph with discovery that it was not the lid of a coffin but glorious scrab he had found. "Here's some, Mr. Risley. Gosh, lookatit. It's everywhere." . . .

Then from the distance where a pile of rubbish hid him like a gunner in a foxhole on Bataan came the voice. "Gee, Mr. Risley, our school will win with all this."

A fifth grader-10 years old-had taught us a lesson in determination, a lesson that boys hardly te vears out of his grade are teaching the world on Guadalcanal, in the Aleutians and on the Atlantic. It's a lesson that's highly personal. Not Washington, not the generals, nor yet the Russians will win this war, but "old" fellows like me, prodded by youngsters like Donnie can win this war by ourselves. It's the guts in the individual that makes the country, its leaders, its army.

Scrap we had given the firemen-from attic, cellar and garden, the usual bushel or so that anybody can find without effort. But here under the barn in old gears, bicycle frames, horse shoes, furnace grates, copper boilers and an old sink was the kind of scrap that will lick Hitler and Hirohito.

So here's scrap to Hitler and Hirohito-a ton of it from under abarn where the Rising Sun never shines. It's from Donnie Besecker and me-and there's more tons to come from lucky pops with sons like him in school junk armies, on to Guadalcanal, and in Flying Fortresses to see that it reaches its destination Special Delivery .-- Dallas Post Dallas, Pa.

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OREGON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

L. A. McArthur's presidency of the Oregon Historical society has been marked by unusual difficulties and unusual accomplishments. Of the former the chief has been the continuance of the cut in the state appropriation first made at the beginning of the depression. This has made it impossible to provide proper compensation for the highly expert service rendered by the staff and forced reductions in the staff, as well.

In spite of these handicaps, the society has given the public extremely important service. One ser-'ce has been in connection with birth records. It is estimated that since the first of the year more than 1000 persons have called at its rooms seeking birth information and of these some 300 have had their needs met from its newspaper files, the largest collection in Oregon. Other information for historians and research students has been sought and usually found in the extensive library and collection of historical manuscripts.

One of the unusual accomplishments of Mr. Mcarthur's presidency has been the completion and publication of an index to the first 40 volumes of the society's quarterly publication. An index to 12 umes of the Oregon Spectator has also been published and one to the society's manuscript collections. These, it is obvious, are of great value in historical research.

The war, which brought the call for birth records. brought also the need to protect the society's invaluable and irreplacable collection of papers including documents of the state's provisional territorial gov-ernments. These have been microfilmed and the f'im stored in a safe place. Bombs may now destroy the originals but the copies are safe.

Most of the facts presented here have been taken from Mr. McArthur's recently delivered annual re-

high American history

It makes up a story that will be interesting to the thousands, perhaps tens and hundreds of thousands, who will come that way and go that way-and, perhaps many of the comers and goers and the casual and long staying visitors perhaps become interested in the environmentthe camp itself, its counties, its district, state and nation. Commencing at the beginning:

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One may find commencing on page 3, volume 13, National Cyclopedia of American Biography, these paragraphs:

"Adair, John, eighth governor of Kentucky, (1820-24), was born in Chester county, South Carolina, Jan. 9, 1757, son of Baron William Adair, a native of Scotland, whose wife was a Moore. He was a soldier in the revolutionary army and, being made a prisoner by the British, was subjected to many indignities and hardships. In 1786 he settled in Mercer county, Kentucky, and was with Gens. St. Clair and Wilkinson in the

Today's Garden By LILLIE L MADSEN

An interesting letter which I

received this week from S.W.E. I'll pass on for your benefit:

"An experiment I tried this will with a night blooming cereus: It's history is: the bud would begin to open about 7:30 in the evening and would be fully open about 9:30, stay open until midnight, and begin closing, being all closed up by early morning, never to open again. It bloomed only once each year.

"This year it had three blooms, one coming out each night, and many of my friends were here to watch them open, and admire their beauty. They are really marvelous flowers, measuring 7½ inches from tip to tip of the large white petals, with a lilylike fragrance.

"I cut the first blossom and sent it to sick friends, asking them to put it in the refrigerator to see if it would keep. They did this and had it on exhibition the entire following day. The second blossom, I put in the refrigerator and it was, if any difference, larger and prettier than the night before. I sent it out to the hospital to some friends. They carried it around to patients, and enjoyed it all that day. The third one I had in and out of the refrigerator for about a week. I was so thrilled to learn that they could be kept in this way that I want others to know about it. So many people have never seen them in bloom, because of their night bloom-

We thank you Mrs. S.W.E. I am sure this will help others who regret the quick wilting of the night blooming cereus. I re-

several years in the Kentucky legislature, of which he was speaker in 1802-03.

"He also served as register of the U.S. land office; and in 1805-06 was a member of the U.S. senate.

N N N "About this time he became involved in Burr's treasonable schemes, and was rendered, therefore, somewhat unpopular: but it was subsequently established that his connection with Burr's plans was founded upon

his understanding that they were sanctioned by the government and he easily retained favor in Kentucky. "He volunteered at the beginning of the war of 1812, and

at the battle of the Thames, Oct. 5, 1813, acted as aide to Gen. Shelby. In November, 1814, he was appointed brigadier general of the Kentucky state militia, and with his command distinguished himself at the battle of New Orleans, under Gen. (Andrew) Jackson.

5 5 5 "Adair county was hamed in his honor and a monument was erected to his memory over his remains in Frankfort. "He died in Harrodsburg,

Kentucky, May 19, 1840." (Continued tomorrow.)

Maj. Gen. Ralph A. Mitchell, US director of marine aviation, said in an interview yesterday that the Japanese will have to be exterminated on Guadalcanal before the United States will be able to occupy other islands to the north.

Okeh! What is he waiting for? Has any one within his hearing suggested any good reason why there should be delay enough to wink his eye?

Soon thereafter, she called out,

In twenty minutes she opened

the door of Gorse's studio and

they seemed not be photographs

of human beings but of strange

"I'm from Wolfgang's," she

"Right through there. He's

She opened the door into the

Gorse turned his head as she

ntered. "Good morning, Miss

He smiled. "You and I." he

told her, "seem to have gotten off on the frong foot."

"Does it matter?" she asked

don't have to like you to

"I dislike to be disliked," he

said. "However, I'll change my

formula. As an artist, may I say

hat you are extraordinarily

(Continued on page 9)

Old-Fashioned

decadent creatures.

studio itself.

Carfax." he said.

"Good morning."

tograph well."

told the receptionist.

ready," the sizl directed.

"I'm on my way."

Golden Lady" By CLARENCE BUDINGTON KELLAND

Chapter 14 Continued "But," protested Hixon, "how would anybody know that coat was going to be here this afternoon so he could plan to steal

stepped into a reception room so utterly different from the "He wouldn't have to know." workman-like confusion of Far-Darnley said, "if he had a man rish's place that she paused on here whose job it was to act the threshold to stare. It had an when the chance came." expensive look. The furniture Hixon grunted. "You heard was ultra-modern; the lights Farrish. Now, what about that were calculated to the last sha-

angle?" dow. "I know of no reason why On the walls were enlargeanyone wants to put me on the ments of photographs of nude skids." girls which had been skillfully "I've checked you girls," said distorted on the negative so that

Hixon. "You didn't carry anything out of here, and there's no sable coat in your flat." "I thought the Constitution

said you have to have warrants to search anyone's house," Jerry remarked.

When we're in a hurry," said. Hixon. "we try to get along as hest we can.

"If that's all," remarked Darnley, "I want some sleep." "That's all." said Hixon. "for

Darnley's telephone awakened her and Wolfgang's voice spoke to her over the wire: "Miss Carfax it iss? You should be in Lacey Gorse's studio ten o'clock, With dinner dress color black if you got it. Otherwise dark "Lacey Gorse Did he say he

wanted me?" beautiful? But you have some-thing else something elusive-something that makes for per-"Otherwise I don't send," said "I'll be there," Darnley told

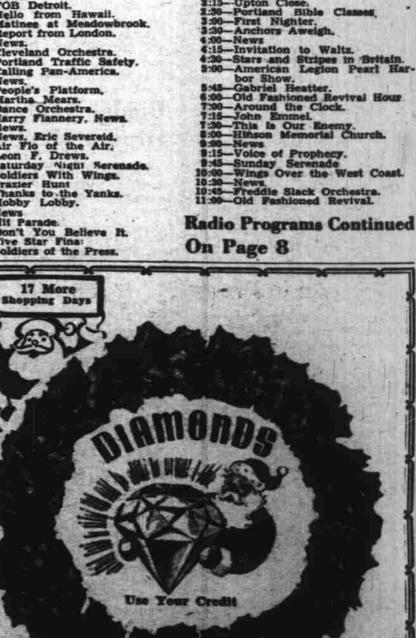
him, and, replacing the receiver.

1825 and served as a member of congress during 1831-33. He married in 1790 Katherine Palmer ,and their daughter became the wife of Judge Thomas Mon-

10:30-Washington Luncheon. 10:45-Victory Twins. 11:00-Metropolitan Opera Company. 3:30-Message of Israel. 5:00-Ambassador Hotel Orchestra. 3:30-Message of Israel. 5:00-Ambassador Hotel Orches 5:30-Little Blue Playhouse. 6:00-Hop Harrigan. 6:15-Score Board. 6:30-Spotlight Bands. 7:00-The Green Hornet. 8:00-News. 8:15-Gibbs & Finney. 8:30-Biltmore Hotel Orchestra. 6:55-News 8:55-News. 9:00-BN. THEN WHY WAIT A MINUTE?

6:00-Northwest Farm Reporter. 6:15-Breakfast Builetin. 6:20-Texas Rangers. 6:45-Koin Klock. 7:15-Wakeup News 7:30-Dick Joy, News. 7:45-Hill Billy Champions. 8:00-Consumer News. -News. -Tchaikowsky Serenade -Let's Pretend. 0-Theatre of Today. 0-Kid Critics. 9:45—Strictly Instrumen 10:00—Country Journal 10:30—Adventures in S 11:00—Melody Time. 15—Men and Books. 30—Spirit of '43. 30—News. 15—FOB Detroit. 30—Hello from Hawaii. 90—Matines at Meadow 1:00—Matines at Meadowbrod 1:45—Report from London. 2:00—News. 2:30—Cleveland Orchestra. 3:00—Portland Traffic Safety. 3:15—Calling Pan-America. 3:45—News 8:45—News, 4:00—People's Platform, 4:30—Martha_Mears. 5:00-Dance 5:30-Harry Orchestra. Flannery, News

Hunt to the Yanks. Lobby. 8:55-News 8:00-Hit Parade. 9:45-Don't You Believe It. 10:00-Five Star Fina: 10:15-Soldiers of the Press.



You Can Be Assured of Perfect Diamonds at Stevens;

9:00-BN. 9:30-News. 9:45-Hotel Penn Orchestra. 19:30-Danny Thomas Orchestra. 10:30-The Quiet Hour. 11:30-This Moving World. 11:15-Bal Tabarin Cafe Orchestra. 11:30-War News Roundup. BOIN-CBS-SATURDAY 978 E.

5:45-News, Eric Severeid, 5:45-News, Eric Severeid, 6:00-Air Flo of the Air, 6:15-Leon F. Drews, 6:45-Saturday Night Seren 7:15-Soldiers With Wings. 45—Frazier 00—Thanks 30—Hobby

