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Tariff Compromise

While republicans in congress have not indicated assent to the conditions in President Truman's recent order respecting reciprocal trade agreements, the concessions made by the president are along the line recommended by Senators Vandenberg and Millikin and probably represent as much moderation as the administration will be willing to make. Though some republicans, particularly in the house, are eager to wipe out or greatly restrict the state department's power to enter into reciprocal trade agreements the party majority is not strong enough to pass a repeal message over a possible presidential veto. The prospect is therefore that the present law will stand until its scheduled date of expiration in June, 1948.

This battle over reciprocal trade treaties has been one of the sharp but little publicized controversies of the 80th congress. Republican victory last November gave the supporters of high protective tariffs and foes of the Hull program of reciprocal trade agreements encouragement to attack the program which now is administered by Undersecretary Will Clayton. The issue became acute with notice that a meeting was set for April in Geneva when the subject of international trade would be discussed with other nations. Some 18 trade treaties are said to be in prospect. To head off possible tariff cuts (permissible up to 50 per cent of prevailing duties) representatives of many industries and producers of farm and other commodities converged on Washington to urge the claims of their industries to full protection. Congressmen and senators entered the discussion and the atmosphere in Washington became quite tense over this dispute.

Feeling that effort should be made to preserve a bipartisan approach to the economic as well as the political phase of international relations Vandenberg and Millikin, chairmen of two powerful senate committees, foreign affairs and banking and currency, proposed to the administration that the tariff commission be given greater powers in framing tariff policy and that it be permitted to report direct to the president who would take final action on proposed tariff reductions. They also urged an escape clause by which the United States could bow out of its trade agreement if in operation it proved destructive to American industry.

President Truman in his executive order did not go as far as the senators wanted. He did order inclusion of the escape clause and gave the tariff commission power to recommend to the president when it felt the escape clause should be invoked. Also an interdepartmental committee is authorized to report directly to the president on trade concessions.

These changes are all procedural. They will not satisfy those who fear the reciprocal trade agreement program, and those interested in particular articles of foreign commerce will be uneasy until they see how they fare when terms of treaties are made public. They will have, though, in the tariff commission a sort of appeal board where they can plead their case.

Undoubtedly a real battle will develop over any bill to extend the reciprocal trade treaty law in 1948. Anticipating that, the state department probably wants to close as many bargains as possible this year. After that the issue may be a factor in the 1948 campaign. The agitation to date is just a preliminary bout to the big battle.

"Local Politics"

Foreign Minister Ernest Bevin has made the statement that determination of President Truman to issue a statement on the Palestine issue to head off a gesture toward the Jews by Governor Dewey in the last campaign caused a breakdown in his negotiations with Jews and Arabs toward a solution of the Palestine question. He observed that he could not settle a question in international politics if it was to be made subject to local politics. The White House issued a lame rejoinder to the effect that Truman's statement was a reiteration of his previous stand for immediate admission of 100,000 Jews to Palestine. Bevin seems to have made his case, though the consequences may not have been as serious as he intimated.

This does show up one weakness of a democracy. With every one his own foreign minister and with grave questions of international relations dumped into the political arena even on subsidiary elections it is hard for a democratic government really to develop and maintain a foreign policy.

The episode reflects no credit on President Truman or on Governor Dewey either. This paper has commented previously on the readiness of American politicians to play football with the Palestine question. There was no good reason for Governor Dewey to bring this issue into his campaign for governor of New York, and President Truman ought to have sacrificed the advantage in beating Dewey to the draw with a publicity release when Bevin made the appeal for withholding any statement while negotiations were at a critical point.

When nerves are frayed and a whole world is jumpy, statesmen and molders of opinion might well consider the wisdom of a sedative rather than an exciting stimulant till the patient's nerves quiet down.

Dialogue

Said the Flowering Almond to the Black Locust one warm sunny day: "Ho, ho, old slowpoke! Here we are in our bright spring dress enjoying the warm spring sunshine, while you stand up there in sober winter clothes afraid to open your buds even for a peep. Why don't you throw off the blankets and let the sap flow up your old hide?"

Next morning, a sharp frosty morning, the Black Locust said to the Flowering Almond: "What are you shivering for, you pert young thing? Thought you were smart, didn't you, and that you could flirt with the first warm rays of the sun. When you have lived as long as I have you'll know how fickle Old Sol is. He can desert you and let you eat snow if he takes a notion. I've had experience. That's why I don't open up my buds till about May. I'd rather be safe than sorry."

Vegetation seems to have its liberals and conservatives.

Sen. John W. Bricker classified himself in his campaign in 1946 as a "middle-of-the-roader." Wayne Morse should start an eviction suit against the Ohioan. Morse can claim squatter's rights on the middle of the road. But maybe they are not talking about the same road. And maybe they are traveling in different directions.

Mrs. Eva Emery Dye lived to the ripe age of 91. She lived a full life as teacher, housewife and mother and as author. While her historical works on the Oregon country and its leaders are not scholarly they did much to popularize the rich history of this great region.

The department of agriculture gets double worries. One is over fears that pork will go to \$1 a pound, the other over having to start this early to buy up a surplus of 1947 crop potatoes. If pork gets that high the ham in a ham sandwich will be shaved to cellophane thickness.

The Soviet presidium approved dismissal of Georgi Miterov, minister of public health "for inability to fulfill his duties." That appears to be refreshing frankness at any rate. The big boss didn't send him a "Dear Georgi—so sorry" note.

State Opens Broadhurst Murder Case

VALE, Ore., Feb. 27.—(AP)—The prosecuting attorney charged today that Mrs. Gladys Lincoln Broadhurst plotted to murder her sixth husband, and then attempted to cast the blame on an imaginary "twin brother" of her fifth husband.

In the opening statement of Mrs. Broadhurst's first degree murder trial, assistant prosecutor Blaine Hallock charged that the 40-year-old redhead "organized the deliberate cold-blooded murder" of W. D. Broadhurst to gain his \$146,000 fortune. Hallock asserted that Mrs. Broadhurst "directed the hand" of Alvin Lee Williams, handsome 23-year-old chauffeur who is accused of "marrying" Mrs. Broadhurst last September and shooting her wealthy husband a month later.

The prosecutor said the plan involved telling Broadhurst a Caldwell, Idaho, rancher and chiropractor she'd known in girlhood—two stories:

- 1) That she had just inherited three million dollars from an aunt, which she would like to share with him.
- 2) That she was a widow, her husband, Leslie Merle Lincoln, having been killed overseas, but that her husband's "identical twin brother" was pursuing her.

Alleged Red Chief Indicted

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—(AP)—Gerhard Eisler, alleged mastermind of American communism, was indicted for contempt of congress today while further measures were drafted against him and his party.

Chairman Thomas (R-NJ) of the house committee on un-American activities announced the justice department is studying possible prosecution of the communist party on charges of violating the corrupt practices act.

Thomas introduced one committee bill which would create a "federal loyalty commission" to investigate any government worker whose loyalty it doubts. The commission could order the employee discharged immediately.

The committee on un-American activities seeks Eisler's prosecution also on charges of conspiracy to overthrow the government, perjury, income tax evasion and passport falsification.

North Howell School Has Lincoln Program

NORTH HOWELL.—The following program was presented at the North Howell school Friday afternoon: Rhythm band numbers by primary grade pupils; accordion solo, Let's Stevens; exercise, Let Freedom Ring; seventh grade; reading, Fred Lockyer; songs by the upper grade pupils; sketch of Lincoln's life, Ingrid Sika; choral reading, "Gettysburg address"; eighth grade; song, "Little George Washington"; primary grade sketch of Washington's life, Verna Pickens; reading, Patricia Beals.

Merry Go Round Club Entertained Thursday

SWEGLA.—Mrs. Glenn Larkins entertained members of the Merry-go-Round Club Thursday at her home on Hollywood drive. There were 18 present with guests Mrs. Evelyn C. Moore of Ft. Morgan, Colo. and Mrs. Florence E. Jacobsen, sister of Mrs. Oscar Forgard, Chicago, Ill. Plans for the club number on the Middle Grove Community club program were made. X-ray clinic by the Marion County Health department in Salem next month was announced.

OLD CHURCH BURNS

FOREST GROVE, Feb. 27.—(AP)—Fire of undetermined origin destroyed the 56-year-old Forest Grove Christian church here today. Only some furniture and the library of Pastor J. D. Harden were saved.

INCOME TAX ABCs for 1947



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- A. WITHHOLDING STATEMENT saves you money if your allowable deductions are less than ten per cent of total income.
- B. SHORT FORM saves you money if your work on tails out-of-town expenses, which can be listed on itemized separate sheet.
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GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"I used to insist on servants who were 100% Americans—but that was before their wages got the same way!"

Effortless Violin Artistry of Erica Morini Treats Audience

Those who heard Erica Morini play her priceless Stradivarius at the high school auditorium on Thursday night pretty well agreed that she was the finest violin player they had ever heard. Miss Morini is distinguished by her simple, direct, and completely without mannerisms, she plays with such an effortless ease that she relies on her artistry alone to put over the more impassioned phrases.

IT SEEMS TO ME

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located off the main highway, adjacent to the points of controlled access; so they can still carry on business and do so with greater safety for themselves and their patrons.

Much of the opposition centers on McLoughlin boulevard which this bill would not touch (unfortunately). We recall a few months ago of the death of Mrs. Jack Grenfell, wife of a long-time traffic officer of Clackamas county. She stopped her car along this highway, crossed it to make purchases at a store, and when she returned with her groceries was struck and killed by a passing motorist. The records are full of instances of similar fatal accidents along this boulevard. Surely the legislature has a duty to prevent the renewing of such dangerous conditions on the roads it constructs.

A similar bill passed the senate in Washington state with scarcely a dissenting vote. The Oregon legislature should do likewise.

FIRST AID CAR IN SERVICE

The Salem first aid car made its first run yesterday after being released from the city garage, where it underwent treatment Tuesday and Wednesday.

The Union of South Africa is nearly twice the size and population of Texas.

Ranch Ramblings By Rural Reporter

Whether carpentering is the main occupation and grass farming the side-line or vice versa is a question that Pat C. Gorman, Scio, route 1, has not been able to answer in his own mind. During the sunny days and while he is harvesting seed from his 20 acres of Chewing fescue, he is sure that farming is his chief aim. There are also some acres of soybean clover on his 116 acre farm in the Jordan area. Gorman says he doesn't worry too much about the grass seed embargo coming off as there will be some profit in grass seed anyway and "besides it certainly is good for the land and livestock," he adds.

E. R. Jackman, secretary of the Oregon Seed league, says that some of our crop land here in the valley is better now than when the Indians owned it. The improvement has come about through the growing of legumes and grasses, he explains.

N. M. Tibbles, former president of the Oregon Jersey Cattle club, now just a dairy farmer over near Independence, has some kind of a record. His herd has been on official test since 1924 and he has rung the bell a number of times in high tests.

E. H. Harper, father of five sons, one at home two in the service and two with discharges, has bought the 14-acre farm at Stayton from the Henry Baysingers. Harper has property at West Stayton of which he is disposing, and Baysingers are moving to Salem.

Roy Newport of Detroit has consigned Polled Herefords to the Columbia Empire Polled Hereford show and sale March 2 and 3 at Walla Walla. R. A. Ward of Halsey is the other other Willamette valley stockman consigning to the sale. A number of stockmen from the valley region plan to attend, however.

Parrish Lists 61 Students on Honor Report

The names of 61 Parrish Junior high school students are included on the school's scholastic award report for the first semester released Thursday. To receive the recognition pupils must have not less than 6 As, with all other marks not lower than "E" or "S".

The high-ranking students are: 7th Grade—Robert Danton, Esther Griffin, Fred Buchanan, William Cranor, Bea Evelyn Bromley, Shirley Glodi, Carolyn Jones, Jimmy Girod, Richard Davies, Patricia Ann McGuire, Norma Jean Stewart, Pat Penzgraft, Carol Hewitt and Barbara Jean Faris. 8th Grade—Curtis Humphrey, Dick Lewis, Bob McConville, Dick Peterson, Neil Dougherty, Rosemary Rowell, Harriet Hiday, Gar White, Beverly Beck, Beverly Benner, Margaret Book, Marcia Seeber, Mary Sundet, Dick Evans, Dorothy Dyke, Donna Bishop, Kay Egan, Carolyn Skeen, Stanley Lyman and Roger Bandy. 9th Grade—Don Tesche, Susan Perry, Leanne Ralston, Bonnie Belle Stewart, Dorothy Weston, Donald Bennett, Robert Hamblin, Bob Bean, Margaret Bowen, Leona Todd, Kent Myers, Pebble DeSart (all A); Julie Gleason, Jimmy Morgan, Ernest Steustloff, Marie Fasnacht, Susan Steed, Marilyn Power, Alice Girod, Robert Klump, Joyce Rautenstra, Kas Dempsey, Rean Fletcher, Carol McLeod, Nancy Doughton, Barbara Lange and Marilyn Myers.

Insurance Man Says Business Prospects Good

Life insurance and general business prospects are looking up for 1947, but it will take real selling efforts by business to equal or surpass the business volume of 1946.

This was the opinion expressed yesterday by B. M. Dowse, Port Land, Oregon manager of New York Life Insurance Company, in an address before the Salem Lions club.

Downie said salesmen and merchants are beginning to say "please" to customers again, refraining from selling rather than mere order-taking condition.

He said life insurance trends point to somewhat lower premium rates as companies change to more recent mortality tables. The 75-year-old American experience table, although this tends to decrease rates, he explained, an offsetting factor is appearing in increases within the rate schedule to compensate for lower than expected earning expectations of the life insurance firms. This influence, however, may not be felt to great extent if insurance volume continues high and provides additional earnings over the expectations.

Downie said. At the Lions luncheon in the Marion Hotel, Chairman J. H. Willett announced that the annual dog show sponsored by the club will be held this year at the fairgrounds, March 22 and 23.

Salem's next musical treat brought on the community concert series will be the Minneapolis symphony on April 10.

Paper Pick-up Set for Sunday

Citizens of Salem on Sunday will be able to dispose of old newspapers, magazines and cardboard boxes which have been piling up during the winter. Cherry City district scout officials said Thursday.

Another paper drive will be conducted by the Boy Scouts this Sunday with proceeds from the sale of the waste paper to be used for the council summer camp in the Cascades, as in previous pick-ups. Crews of boys and scouts using volunteer trucks will make the pick-up. Lydie Leighton, scout executive, said.

Persons with paper to contribute should have the papers bundled and stacked on the curb before noon Sunday. No definite plans have been made for West Salem, but if possible a truck and crew will work that area, officials indicated.

Camellia Planting Discussed by Club

Joe E. Johnson, Portland, past president of the Oregon Camellia and Rhododendron society, discussed the propagation, soil conditions and kindred planting favorable to camellias at last night's meeting of the Salem Camellia and Rhododendron society at the YMCA.

Johnson also presented ideas to the society for its annual show to be held at the "Y" on April 4 and 5. Rex Peffer, president, presented William McDonald, former president of the Salem society a rhododendron plant.

Wayne Smith Wins Club Speech Bid

Wayne Smith was chosen as the Capitol Toastmasters club delegate to the district speech contest at Albany March 3 after competition with other members of the Salem club at last night's meeting in the Lion's den. Elmer Amundson, who placed second in last night's contest, was named contest alternate.

Other members who competed in the final contest of the local club are Bob Batdorf, Al Lamb, Harry Moran and Stearns Cushing.

Crown-Zellerbach Declares Dividend

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 27.—(AP)—Crown-Zellerbach Corp. and subsidiaries reported today that net profit for the nine months ended Jan. 31 totaled \$9,780,540, equal to \$3.33 a share on common stock. This compared with net profit for the corresponding period last year of \$5,706,189, equal to \$1.75 per share of common.

Directors declared a dividend of 60 cents a share on the common stock, making a total of \$1.50 paid for the fiscal year ending April 30.

Two Trials Ordered by Grand Jury

The Marion county grand jury Thursday reported two true bills and four not true bills after an all-day session.

Glen Lawrence Hardman, charged with assault with intent to kill, will be held for jury trial. Hardman is alleged to have stabbed his wife, Wanda, with a knife, February 16.

A true bill also was returned on Leo E. Crang, charged with obtaining money under false pretenses. He is alleged to have mortgaged certain articles of personal property with the Capital Loan company for \$300. The loan was made April 10, 1946 and the charge states that the property was not Crang's.

Not true bills were returned on William M. Ingram, charged with larceny; Odell Ridings, charged with buying and receiving stolen property; Frank Scheeler, charged with larceny; and Robert Morgan, charged with assault with a deadly weapon.

Group Elects Carlos Houck

Carlos Houck, Salem, was elected president, Richard Wells, Corvallis, vice-president, and Tom Wilson, Dallas, secretary, for the coming year by the Willamette valley older boys conference of the YMCA before its adjournment at the Salem "Y" last night.

The 80 boys registered yesterday spent a busy day, opening with a morning meeting at which the Rev. Francis Chambers of the Salem First Presbyterian church and Dean U. G. Dubach, dean of men at Oregon State college spoke. The boys attended state senate sessions in the morning and afternoon and heard discussion on legislation by State Rep. Harvey Wells, Portland, at a luncheon meeting and Rep. F. J. Damasch, Portland, at a dinner meeting.

Justice Arthur D. Hay, Oregon supreme court, also spoke at last night's meeting. Speakers were presented by Carl Abrams, Salem, and Wayne Halseh, president.

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Byrd Broadcasts Polar Expedition 'Probed Deeply'

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—(AP)—Rear Adm. Richard E. Byrd, speaking tonight over the CBS network, declared that the U. S. navy's Antarctic expedition had "probed more deeply" into the mysteries of the Antarctic continent than "men have ever done before."

Speaking from the U. S. S. Mt. Olympus, the expedition flagship now enroute from the Antarctic to New Zealand, Byrd said: "The ships and planes of the eastern and western task groups almost have encircled the frozen continent, photographing the terrain of the unknown. In the few short days of good weather we were privileged to discover vast ranges of mountains and chart new islands. Coastline maps were drawn, and the errors of existing maps corrected."

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TRUMAN TO BROADCAST WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—(AP)—President Truman is scheduled to open the 1947 Red Cross fund campaign tomorrow night with a four-network broadcast at 7 p.m. (P. S. T.)

HEARST OVERPAYS TAX WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—(AP)—The internal revenue bureau reported today that William Randolph Hearst, the publisher, had overpaid his 1945 income tax by \$70,121.

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