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Progress in the South

In July, 1938, coincident with the publication of a report on the south by Jonathan Daniels, editor of the *Rawleigh, N. C. News and Observer*, President Roosevelt termed the south the nation's "economic problem No. 1" in a letter to 22 prominent southerners. Now, 10 years later, Editor Daniels has reappraised the south in an article reprinted in the *Christian Science Monitor* and finds that "remarkable" progress has been made in the past decade.

When he wrote his first report, the per capita income in the south was less than \$350; now the south is running forward in wages, income, bank deposits and postal receipts at a more rapid rate than the nation as a whole. Industrial development has been dramatic; there are jobs enough to go around, at least for the present. The discrimination in freight rates against the south has been improved and the old fear of joining a union has almost disappeared. Yet, while there is more money in the south, there is still not enough to pay for the increased cost of schools and hospitals and roads, and "the lag in housing for the black and the poor is today the unchanged fault most easily seen."

Oddly enough, Daniels points out, the south has probably made more progress in the very field in which it gets the least credit — race relations. In the five years before 1938 there were 75 lynchings; in the five years after 1938 there were 21. Last year there was only one and there has been none in the last 12 months. North Carolina employs more negro teachers than all other states and pays them as well as the white ones. Yet Mississippi has only 58 negro doctors for the 1,000,000 colored people, the Ku Klux Klan still terrorizes many of the black folk and even Daniels condones segregation and the promises of "separate but equal" facilities. He writes:

"The people of the south have come up an almost miraculous distance. And now they are shocked to discover that in terms of other states and regions and people, they are, after all this movement and sacrifice and struggle, almost as far behind as they ever were."

That is a realization not easy for a prosperous south, which is also a proud south, to accept. Criticism at home or from the north only stiffens southern backs — as the Dixiecrat revolt well shows. Southerners want the nation to regard the south's economic problem as a national problem, and they want federal funds but no directions from northerners who still consider Dixie "missionary territory."

Daniels hopes the south will not give up, that its spirit will not harden in the attitudes of reaction and that its courage and willingness to sacrifice will not buckle under the "contempt from observers who see the faults of the south without appreciating the efforts of the south."

Perhaps by 1960, as Daniels hopes, "the south can celebrate the centennial of secession by really getting back into the Union in terms of the full economic equality it has been denied so long." But movements like the Dixiecrats and the Klan won't help.

Hoe Your Own

The man with the hoe in everybody's back yard this year isn't "bowed by the weight of centuries," he's just trying to keep that bean patch the lovesome thing, God wot, that the poet said it was. And the National Garden Institute is doing everything it can to encourage more and more "freedom" (formerly, "victory") gardens.

The goal for this year is some 20,000,000 family-size farming ventures and so far the response is said to be good. There are more families raising their own potatoes and spinach this year than in any other peacetime year and about twice as many packets of seeds were sold this year than before World War II. The garden institute and the U. S. department of agriculture both backed the "grow your own" drive in order to release more food for export. They also point out that the average family garden can grow from \$50 to \$100 worth of vegetables in a season . . . a figure the budget-bound housewife with a knack for preserving is sure to appreciate.

Residents in this area who have not yet succumbed to the lure of the seed catalogs and who are tired of mowing the lawn should be glad to know that it is not yet too late to start that "freedom" garden. Carrots, turnips, radishes, rutabaga, mustard, Oregon dander onions and dwarf curled Scotch kale — a good "green" for the winter months — can be grown from seeds planted this month. Cabbage, brussels sprouts and valentine broccoli — which heads after January 1 and tastes like cauliflower — should be set out in plants now. If they are well-watered and protected from the hot sun by burlap or other coverings, the little seedlings should do about as well as the weeds, anyway.

Whatever the motive — patriotism, economy or just time on his hands — the untanned suburbanite who beats his lawnmower into a plowshare is sure to discover one of the infallible truths of nature. No matter how wrinkled and runty it is, the turnip you grow yourself will taste like no other in this world or out of it.

Spruce Budworm Moth

Walla Walla had a near-blackout when swarms of the spruce budworm moth descended on the city Tuesday night. The bright lights of theatre marquees and a carnival were clouded with the winged insects who responded to the instinctive attraction a moth has for light.

This spruce budworm has become a real pest, particularly in the forests of eastern Oregon. A control project on a cooperative basis has been launched in the Blue Mts., around Kinzua in Wheeler county. Joining forces are the federal and state forest services, the federal bureau of entomology and the Kinzua Pine mills. DDT is sprayed over the forests from the air, much as the insecticide was sprayed over the hemlock forests along the coast a year ago to control a local pest.

The initial test is largely experimental to see if it provides effective control. An area of over 700,000 acres of forest lands shows infestation from the budworm moth.

The Walla Walla visitation was most unusual, for never before has such an invasion occurred. It resembles the swarming of other insects, locusts, grasshoppers, crickets which descend occasionally in great numbers. A coincidence of favorable factors must account for the myriads of these flying or hopping creatures. There is no periodicity in the swarming as is implied in the old name "seven-year" locusts.

These visitations may be a nuisance as the budworm arrival at Walla Walla was; or they may be highly damaging as losses in field and garden crops due to advancing armies of grasshoppers and crickets and locusts have been in the past. Fortunately we have better control methods now: chemicals, equipment, and the experienced organization of the federal bureau of entomology.

The southern filibuster in the senate killed off the anti-poll tax bill. It served as a road-block for other legislation which may have been the real purpose of Senator Wherry in bringing the bill up.

Extra Session Fails to Change Dewey's Plans

By Joseph and Stewart Alsop
WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.—The special session of congress, now glumly simmering in its own juice, will shortly be done to a turn. This squallid legislative stew will then be removed from the stove which is Washington at the moment. Even before this happy event, meanwhile, one can already begin to measure the political effectiveness of President Truman's bold maneuver of calling congress back to undone work.

The best test, of course, is the extent to which the president's maneuver has caused Governor Thomas E. Dewey to reconsider his campaign plans. "Not at all," is the answer given on highest authority.

Extraordinary marks of confidence are, in fact, the most striking features of the Dewey campaign strategy, which has now been crudely roughed out in his retreat at Pawling, N. Y. In 1944, when Dewey had President Roosevelt to contend with, he began campaigning early and continued in slam-bang style to the finish. In the very different circumstances this year, he probably will not begin his first swing across the country until late September. What is planned is a brief, intensive effort, mainly aimed to get out the vote which Dewey feels pretty sure is his already.

The models for this campaign, moreover, are to be his two campaigns for the New York governorship. In 1942, his chief promises were to "clean the cobwebs out of the state government and to humanize the state income tax." In 1946, he contended himself with promising that the state government would be kept cobweb-free.

This sort of general appeal, calculated only to suggest that the candidate making the appeal can do a better general job than his rival, is always the privilege of the front-runner in any electoral contest. The wise front-runner avails himself of the privilege because he thus avoids coming into office with his neck festooned with irremovable albatrosses in the form of inconvenient specific commitments. The polls have just confirmed the Dewey strategists' conviction that he is out in front. He means to play it that way until there are clear signs that the position is changing.

increase its appropriations for public works, seemingly in blissful ignorance of the fact that any acceleration or increase of government spending would defeat his attempts at stopping the spiral of inflation.

Only Bob Taft had guts enough to warn against excessive government spending because of its effect on the economic structure; and he was put down as unfriendly to western development. It is not treason to the west to approve a somewhat slower pace for our needed improvements. Shortages of essential materials like steel and cement force delays such as those cited. The competition for supplies boosts prices and irregularity of deliveries increases construction costs.

What we need is a broader spread to our spending. A few years hence we may regret that we piled on so many jobs in this postwar period. Then we may run into a period when supplies will be plentiful, labor unemployed but public credit exhausted and private enterprise afraid to venture.

Anxious as we are to build this sewage disposal system the delay will not be fatal; and the state will not have to suspend business if its office building is a few months behind schedule.

Inquest Called Off in Gervais Wreck

A previously announced coroner's inquest into the train-auto deaths last Wednesday night of three Gervais residents has been called off, Marion County Coroner L. E. Barrick said Wednesday. If any information is gathered, he said, it will be turned over to the county grand jury.

The victims, all killed when

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The Oregon Territory was a mammoth area from which the states of Oregon, Washington, Idaho, and parts of Wyoming and Montana were later carved.



Monkey Business

IT SEEMS TO ME

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their car was struck by a north-bound Southern Pacific train at 9:15 p. m. in Gervais, were Robert Victor Pilcher, 40, and Joyce and Joan Rentz, 8-year-old twin daughters of Mr. Marie Rentz of Gervais. The inquest was to have been held Wednesday.

Valley Obituaries

T/Sgt. Leroy Elbert Norton
SILVERTON—Graveside services will be held at Simmons cemetery near Mt. Angel Saturday at 2 p. m. for T/Sgt. Leroy Elbert Norton, who was 31 years of age at the time of his death on Luzon, Philippines, March 21, 1945.

Norton was born near Mt. Angel, Jan. 11, 1914. He was one of the most decorated soldiers in the South Pacific, and was posthumously awarded two distinguished service crosses, one for fighting on Guadalcanal. He volunteered for service in the 161st infantry in 1940 at Ft. Lewis.

Surviving are the parents Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Norton, Silverton; brothers, Zayn and Willard, Silverton; Harvil and Weldon, Bend; Raymond, Salem; Lawrence, Valseit; and Warren of Prineville and one sister, Mrs. Florence Oster of Valseit.

Ekman funeral home is in charge of services.

North Santiam Road Work Set

Plans to improve county road 967, a mountain road lying between Gates and Elkhorn, were undertaken by Marion county Wednesday.

The four-mile stretch of road was examined Wednesday for eventual grading and other improvements by Marion County Surveyor A. D. Graham, and County Commissioner Roy Rice.

Need for an additional outlet from the Elkhorn district was cited by county officials last winter when the regular road into that area along the little north fork of the Santiam river became blocked. The Lunkum bridge had collapsed and residents above there were isolated for several weeks.

Permit Issued For 3 Houses

Enoch I. Maerz was given permits at the city engineer's office Wednesday to build three 55,000 houses with garages at 1720 and 1710 McCoy st., and at 1105 Jefferson st.

Other permits Wednesday went to Harlie Smalley to repair a porch at 2184 S. Winter st., \$25; Clarence Beaumont to erect a house at 2498 N. Commercial st., \$4,000; R. W. Pederson to erect a house and garage at 1295 N. 23rd st., \$6,800; E. T. Brown to relocate a garage at 293 S. 14th st., \$50 and to De Emmons to reroof a house at 1695 Norway st., \$200.

'Copter Pilot Home for Visit

A regular navy officer who calls Salem home is busy these days "windmilling" and "eggbeating," in the new navy vernacular appropriate to carrier-based helicopters used for rescue work at sea.

Lt. F. F. Mathewson, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Mathewson of Liberty, has in recent weeks been demonstrating helicopter rescue work in the San Francisco bay area, while serving aboard the aircraft carrier USS Princeton. Navy men refer to the relatively new air equipment as "eggbeaters."

The lieutenant, who won a distinguished flying cross in the recent war, has been in the navy since 1935. He is a brother of Mrs. Ben Meyers, 448 Marion st.

Driver Given To Grand Jury

Donald A. Heinz, Jr., 17, of 1625 N. 20th st., was bound over to Marion county grand jury Wednesday after he appeared in Woodburn justice court on charges of negligent homicide.

Heinz is charged with driving the car which struck Mrs. Mazie L. Myers, 52, on the night of July 9 in Salem. Mrs. Myers was struck at Fairgrounds road and Hunt street and died within a few hours in a local hospital. Heinz has posted \$1,000 bail.

Kaye to Head Philharmonic Association

The board of directors of the Salem Philharmonic association has elected George Kaye to head the organization for the coming year. He replaces Charles Huggins, former president.

Other new officers are: James Stone, first vice president; Mrs. Ronald Jones, second vice president; Nellie Schwab, third vice president; Mrs. Sylvia Krapps, secretary; Carl Nelson, treasurer.

A definite plan was made Tuesday to continue the organization. Whether or not it will be reactivated to sponsor music groups is dependent upon the desires of the Salem people, Kaye stated. Adult musicians with ideas for activities should contact Kaye at 2-5194, Al-crady Cray Brown at 2-1703 or Mrs. Claude Kells at 7910.

Last winter a committee from the association, under the chairmanship of Kaye, sponsored two concerts by the Portland Symphony orchestra. Plans are now under way for a series of three such concerts this winter.

Church Sponsors Chin-Up Picnic

Portland Sacred Heart church, Legion of Mary, is sponsoring an annual Chin-up club of Oregon picnic Sunday at the Grotto of Our Sorrowful Mother, Portland.

Beth Sellwood, Chin-up president announced Wednesday.

The grotto is located at N. E. 82nd avenue and Sandy boulevard, Portland, Miss Sellwood said. A no-host dinner will be served at 12:30 p. m., and all Chin-up members and friends are invited.

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