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NEW DEAL AND WAR COSTS

It is only natural that right now, almost midway through the New Deal, the people of the United States should be taking a thoughtful backward glance to see how much the surprising new things they have been doing are going to cost them.

The two-year budget for the first half of the Roosevelt administration runs to a total of approximately \$16,000,000,000, of which a little more than half has gone or is going to recovery agencies.

It is a sum to stagger the imagination, no matter how used you are to big figures. No wonder people are beginning to ask, "Is it worth it?"

There are two ways of approaching the answer. One is to see just what we are getting for our money; the other is to compare this expenditure with other extraordinary expenditures in the past. Right at this moment, the second way is quite illuminating.

Seventeen years ago this spring, the United States got into the World War. That little venture cost us \$23,400,000,000. In addition, we loaned to various European nations \$12,000,000,000 more—most of which we will never see again.

It is possible, then, to make an instructive little comparison.

For a war out of which we stood to gain nothing, and did gain nothing, we sent something like 35 billions down the chute. There is no way of putting a monetary value on the sorrow and suffering that went along with this money, but they are devastating even to think about.

For a struggle to break loose from a depression which has wrecked homes, taken lives, destroyed hope, and caused hunger, disillusionment, and great despair we have committed ourselves so far to spend 16 billions—a little less than half of what we put into the war.

Thirty-five billions for destruction—destruction of men's bodies and of property; half of that for construction.

Is this second sum out of line?
 All of this, to be sure, does not prove that we are getting the best possible results for our money, or that these reconstruction funds are being spent in the wisest possible manner. That is a question which should and will be aired thoroughly in the congressional campaign.

But it does show that the mere fact that we are spending \$16,000,000,000 to get out of the depression is not, in itself, anything to frighten us. We spent twice that much on a war that almost wrecked the world.

A REGRETTED RETIREMENT

EVERYONE in America will be sorry to read that Madame Ernestine Schumann-Heink, after finishing singing of the "Star-Spangled Banner" at the Wisconsin Tercentennial Celebration at Green Bay, quietly informed her audience that she had, with that song, closed her formal singing career.

To be sure, this beloved veteran of concert and grand opera stages is going to make an exception by two. She will sing for "her beloved boys" at the state convention of the American Legion of Wisconsin next month; and it's a safe bet that whenever any other Legion group asks her to sing, she will do it.

But, as she says, her formal singing career is over—and the news is pretty hard to take. Madame Schumann-Heink was not only blessed with a great voice; she is, all in all, one of the finest characters ever to appear in public life in America.

Her retirement to private life leaves a void that will be a long time getting filled.

WHY GET SHOCKED?

A DISPATCH from Los Angeles telling about that malodorous "extra girl" trial asserts that sordid testimony in the case has "shocked women's club representatives" as they "awaited resumption of the trial."

From what we have heard, it is easy to understand how even the most case-hardened person could have been shocked. Certainly there have been few trials in American legal history that plastered the record with any more disgusting stuff than this one.

And yet, one wonders—if these estimable ladies were so shocked, why did they go to the trial?

So far, there is no law in this country compelling anyone to be a spectator at any lawsuit. When the testimony in a case is shocking, the free American citizen has the inalienable right of staying entirely away from the courtroom. In that way he doesn't get shocked.

The newly-born sextuplets in Rumania turned out to be twins, a father's first impressions always being exaggerated.

Perfume is what wins men, a professor at Michigan State Normal college tells girls. Especially the perfume that comes from the kitchen.

Americans are said to consume 20 per cent more snuff today than they used to years ago. From the odor of some pipes, that's a conservative estimate.

WHAT OTHER EDITORS THINK

SPORTS FOR PROFIT

IT is refreshing to find a newspaper like the Eugene Register-Guard, located in the home of the university, make an appeal that educational institutions be taken out of the show business and put on an educational basis.

This appeal is made by the Eugene paper following the announcement that the big football game for the year is again to be taken to Portland on account of the "gate."

The Sentinel has sometimes feared it might be misunderstood in its criticism of football as a major activity of educational institutions, but when a newspaper in a city that depends upon the welfare of the university for its own prosperity, speaks out along the same lines as those The Sentinel has followed, we begin to feel that the position taken by The Sentinel

years ago may yet become a popular one.

What The Sentinel has said, and what the Register-Guard and a few other papers have said, has been said without any intent to criticize football in its proper place in high school and college life, but, after all, schools are for the purpose of putting something inside the heads of the students who attend, and that purpose should at all times be paramount. Whether or not a football game will net \$30,000 or \$50,000 should be a minor consideration. The game should be played for the sport and not for the "gate."

The Sentinel has no doubt that debts have been incurred by the student body of the university that make it imperative that the big game of the year bring a big "gate." Football has been depended upon to reduce this indebtedness, but the student body is in its present predicament because of over-emphasis put upon athletics. Let us hope that the depression, which has aided in putting the student body in its present embarrassing financial condition, will result in putting sports in their proper place in college life. That idea already has the hearty support of a large proportion of the student body. In fact, for many years this writer has heard of students of the institutions of higher learning complain of the over-emphasis on sports and favoritism towards those necessary to make up the membership of winning teams.

We probably have had a false idea about the necessity of winning teams to build up a university or college. In any event, if winning athletic teams are necessary to the life of an educational institution, something is wrong with our educational system, and the sooner we debunk and junk a lot of such ideas the more likely are our educational institutions to perform the functions which are theirs.

It should be the head and not the "gate."

WASHINGTON LETTER

By RODNEY DUTCHER

Register-Guard Washington Correspondent
 WASHINGTON, July 25.—Strikes in big cities are spectacular, but the farm labor problem is causing this administration just as much genuine worry.

Doxens of recent strikes by farm laborers will be followed by many more. The reason is that millions of tenant farmers, share croppers, field hands, contract workers and hired men are being left out of the New Deal. And many are being badly hurt by it.

Secretaries Wallace and Perkins—who think the situation is extremely serious—feel virtually helpless. Neither NRA nor the Farm act provides for protection of farm labor. The AAA program is entirely designed to benefit landowners. And any attempt to interfere between landowners and their landless workers is loaded with political dynamite. Diversity of the latter groups and their surrounding problems present innumerable complications.

Communists are making the most of this bad business which inflicts starvation wages and conditions of virtual peonage in many cases. Everywhere they have made intensive organization drives, and lately in California they have sought to synchronize agricultural strikes with the San Francisco walkout.

Whether it's the tenant or share cropper who finds himself squeezed out by the acreage reduction program or the vegetable weeder who faces higher existence costs with unchanged or reduced wages—often the result of the low prices his employers receive, these victims find the communists the only ones who seem interested in their plight.

The AAA and the Labor department have done an immense amount of investigating which disclosed widespread and almost incredibly human conditions. But they know they couldn't get any law through Congress to benefit farm labor. The AAA has considered treating share croppers and field workers as "producers"—for whom the Farm act permits them to fix returns—and may yet feel forced to try something along that track.

Just for contrast with other labor disputes, you may be interested to know that about 20 young men and women are still picketing NRA headquarters three times a day—as employees go to work, leave for lunch and knock off for the day.

They march around the Commerce building unmolested, bearing placards which describe Johnson as "Chisel No. 1" and otherwise protest the general's dismissal of President John Donovan of the NRA employees' union.

The pickets have been imported from New York and financed by private citizens here, as the NRA union isn't involved in the picketing. The first score have just returned to New York, only to be replaced by about 20 more recruited by the League for Industrial Democracy. A plan to picket the halls where Johnson was to speak in his proposed tour of the country collapsed when the administrator curtailed his itinerary.

Meanwhile, protests against the Donovan dismissal have come from dozens of labor and other organizations, some of which contributed money to the "defense fund." President Green of the A. F. of L. bawled out the rest of the labor advisory board for accepting Donovan's dismissal of his staff without protest. The case has been taken to the new National Labor Relations board, which is trying to decide whether to accept it as a complaint that NRA collective bargaining provisions have been violated.

AN EDITORIAL ON HEALTH

By DR. MORRIS FISHBEN

Editor, Journal of the American Medical Association, and of Hygiene, the Health Magazine

IT is now well established that your size depends to a considerable extent on the activities of your pituitary gland, the small ovoid body at the base of your skull. In other words, you are largely what your glands make you.

Since it is also well known that the glands control to a considerable extent the activities of the human body and the chemical changes that go on within it, some studies recently made in Boston of the metabolism or chemical changes going on in the bodies of five midwinters, a giant and a fat lady are exceedingly interesting.

Dr. A. W. Rowe, who made these studies, checked them also with studies made recently of an abnormally fat boy and two women with retarded physical development. All of the dwarfs were normal at birth, weighing about seven pounds, but all failed to grow after the ages of six or seven. None of them has seemed to have matured sexually.

The fat lady had a father who weighed 235 pounds and a mother who weighed 400 pounds. She was the only child. She weighed 16 pounds at birth, and at the time of the examination, when she was 24 years old, she weighed almost 400 pounds.

The giant had a number of tall ancestors, but nobody as tall as he was. He was of average size at birth. At the age of 20, however, he was 7 feet 8 inches tall, and weighed about 350 pounds.

Most of these people had a fairly good mentality. When the chemical changes going on in their bodies were studied, they were found to reflect to a considerable extent the condition of the glands.

The dwarfs tended to have a low blood pressure. The fat people and the giants tended to have a higher blood pressure.

The temperature of the giant was slightly below normal at all times. Thus the chemical changes in the bodies reflected the physical condition associated with the abnormality.

This type of study established again the importance of the glands of the body as the regulating mechanism for its activities. We are what the glands make us.

New discoveries made in medicine are developing substitutes for glands which fail to function satisfactorily. Other techniques permit the removal surgically of portions of glands when there is overfunctioning.

Of greatest importance, however, is having a clear understanding of the extent to which the thyroid gland, the parathyroids, the pituitary, the adrenal glands, and the pancreas are performing their work.

These measurements may be made and frequently yield information of the greatest value for controlling not only the size and shape of the body, but also for maintaining it in health.

SIDE GLANCES



"Bill's a card, isn't he? He certainly put life into this party."

Lounging Room To Be For Visitors

A lounging room, arranged for the accommodation of visitors here for the Oregon Trail celebration, will open Thursday in the Stien building, next to the State theater, under the auspices of the Welfare League. The room will be open from ten o'clock in the morning until six o'clock in the evening. Mrs. Waldo J. Adams is general chairman.

A davenport, telephone, magazines, and other facilities are being arranged for the room. Members who will act as hostesses for the three days are Mrs. Sam Lehman, Mrs. Lloyd A. Payne, Mrs. Melville Jones, Mrs. Ronald O. Romig, Mrs. David M. Graham, Mrs. Howard A. Hall, Mrs. Herald W. White, Mrs. Thomas L. Chapman, Mrs. Lawrence W. Manerud, Mrs. L. B. Sigwart, Mrs. John Bushman, Mrs. Delbert C. Stannard, Mrs. Richard C. Horn.

Shower Is Given For Miss Glick

Miss Hazel Austin entertained the past Monday with a towel shower to honor Miss Vera Glick, who is to be married Sunday to Harlan Pearson. Guests included Miss Glick, Mrs. R. O. Longworth, Mrs. Murray, Mrs. Bowdel, Mrs. Hillman, Mrs. B. H. Drake, Mrs. L. C. Glick, Mrs. Nettie Ward, Mrs. Verdeir, Mrs. Rhinehart, Mrs. Lilly Morris, Miss Aletha Morris, Mrs. Bumgarner, Mrs. McClew, Miss Helen McClew, Miss Raybaud, Mrs. William Austin, Mrs. Nellie Boulden.

C. P. Group

A group of forty-five attended the meeting of the Women's Missionary society of Central Presbyterian church Tuesday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. J. A. Cressay. "Stewardship" was the topic for the afternoon with Mrs. Milton S. Weber and Mrs. C. P. Plant leading. Hostesses for the afternoon were Mrs. Cressay, Mrs. E. S. Tuttle, and Mrs. M. B. McDonald. Mrs. Sigvald Skavlan led the devotionals and Mrs. H. E. Cully gave a reading. The next meeting will come the fourth Tuesday in August with Mrs. I. D. Leslie, Mrs. Ralph McCormack, and Mrs. Donald Shepherd as hostesses.

Visit Here

Mr. and Mrs. James J. Lampshire of Burns are in Eugene to attend the Oregon Trail and are visiting their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Hayden. Mrs. Lampshire is well known to Eugene residents, being the daughter of Mrs. Edith B. Linton and the granddaughter of Thomas and Maria Belschav, early pioneers of Eugene. Mr. and Mrs. Lampshire are being entertained at several informal affairs while visiting here.

Vida News

VIDA, July 25.—(Special)—Mr. and Mrs. Sam Randolph and daughter Miss Maud Randolph, Sybil Slunkard, granddaughter, all of Gardena, Cal., Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Johnson and daughter, Eugene, Edna and Via of Santa Clara were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ennis Goff. The Randolphs are guests of the Johnson family.

All of the McKenzie trout hatchery buildings are being painted white both on the interior and exterior.

Mrs. Victor Miller is at Woodburn attending the camp meeting there. Mrs. Miller was accompanied by her son-in-law Ray Cole as far as Eugene.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Rennie and Mrs. Kathryn Blanton were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Goff. Mrs. Blanton is Mrs. Goff's grandmother and is 93 years old.

The work of digging holes on the government and 32 telephone company line was started Monday morning at the Montgomery place, Jack, Ham and Bill Montgomery, Gordon Vance were the men put on Monday morning by the company with Barrell Stevens in charge.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. (Shine) Edwards, Jona and Arlene Miller, niece of Mr. and Mrs. Edwards have moved to Jasper where Mr. Edwards is employed as shore man for the mill there. Howard Montgomery is also shore man for the same people.

Mrs. Rencovieri and daughter Audrey of San Francisco have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Mack at Thomson's resort.

Mr. and Mrs. Thurston Goodpasture of Eugene have been recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Goodpasture.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Dayton of Eugene spent Sunday evening with Mr. Dayton's sister and husband Mr. and Mrs. Roy Payne. Mrs. F. E. Dayton of Sunnyvale, Cal., who is spending the summer in Oregon accompanied the Eugene visitors home for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. James S. Wyatt of Sausalito, Dr. and Mrs. B. H. Trobridge, Mrs. McCormack, Miss Gerad of Fresno, Cal., Dr. Irving Reichert of San Francisco, and Dr. Jona B. Wise of Garden Home, Ore., are guests at Thomson's lodge.

Mrs. Roy Payne and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Becker were recent visitors of Bend, Ore.

Miss Kathryn Goodpasture who is taking a course at medical summer school in Portland, will be a weekend guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Goodpasture.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Minney and Ben Minney were recent visitors in Eugene.

Harry Cunningham is convalescing at his home following an operation at the Pacific hospital in Eugene.

Mrs. T. J. Hendricks, Mrs. Maddox and Arthur Rogers left the first of the week for Eugene to remain until after the pageant. Mr. Rogers had just returned from a trip to Portland as a guest of his mother and brother, driving his new Ford coupe to make the trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Daryl Seymour and small daughter Connie, Mr. and Mrs. Green Brown and Mrs. Proctor all of Eugene enjoyed a picnic dinner on the river Sunday. Mrs. Proctor is Connie's great grandmother. Mr. and Mrs. Brown are parents of Mrs. Seymour.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Godard, Hugh and Mae Godard of Deerhorn were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Barney Oldfield and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Densel Godard have returned to Sisters where Mr. Godard is on a road construction job.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Campbell who are here spending the summer from Richmond, Cal., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Ream at Goshen. Their children Gordon and Dorothy Campbell accompanied them and were guests of their aunt and uncle till Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Millican motored over to Bend Saturday and also to Millican town. The town was named after Mr. Millican and was the place where Mr. Millican served first as postmaster just after their marriage.

Dorothy and Gordon Campbell accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Norman Ream of Goshen to the McKenzie Sunday where Mr. and Mrs. Ream were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Stearns of Long Beach, Cal., are guests of Mr. Stearns' parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Stearns.

The Vida club were guests the past week of the Ha Ho club and those attending were Mrs. Uie Brendel, Mrs. Virgie Clover, Mrs. Lucile Green, Mrs. B. F. Goodpasture, Mrs. Goldie Hall, Mrs. L. G. Holman, Mrs. Carl Swanson, Mrs. Carey Thomson Sr., Mrs. Milo Thomson and Mrs. Dayton Thomson.

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PIONEER STYLE EVENT IS SET

Luncheon To Be Thursday At Eugene Hotel

By MARIAN LOWRY

EUGENE women tomorrow don their pioneer costumes to be active participants in the Oregon Trail for the remainder of the week.

Starting the Oregon Trail program off will be the pioneer style show and luncheon, Thursday, at twelve-thirty o'clock at the Eugene hotel. The feature of this gathering will be the style show of fashions from 1835 on down to the present day, a group of members from the Welfare League and the Spintners club modelling. The luncheon will be over at two-thirty o'clock in time to allow guests and participants to line up for the costume parade to the city hall where Queen Susannah and her princesses will make their official entry into the city at three o'clock. All who wish are asked to wear their pioneer costumes to the luncheon. Many reservations have been made for the event which promises to be one of the highlights of the pageant social program. Mrs. Lynn S. McCordy is chairman for the luncheon and show. Men as well as women are extended an invitation to attend. Tickets will be on sale at the hotel.

Thursday finds many visitors coming to the city, to see the opening night of the Oregon Trail, others to remain over for the three-day celebration. Several informal gatherings will be given by individuals during the late part of the week for their guests.

After the Thursday fashion luncheon, the next events of special interest in the social program will be the whist party arranged for pioneer women Friday afternoon at the Osburn hotel and the tea of the Spintners club later in the afternoon, Friday, at the home of Mrs. Thomas I. Chapman.

The whist party is arranged for

two-thirty o'clock and is for pioneer women, or those who have lived in Lane county fifty years or more. Mrs. Frank L. Chambers is chairman for this affair.

The Spintners tea will be given from four until six o'clock to honor Queen Susannah and her court of local and visiting princesses. Miss Helen Skipworth is chairman.

Two more interesting social affairs are on Saturday's program. At noon will be given the luncheon to honor distinguished women visitors, the event to be at the Eugene hotel at one-thirty o'clock with members of the Welfare League in charge. Mrs. Edward W. Kelley and Mrs. George Hopkins are chairmen.

A large group of out-of-town women will be here to serve with a local committee as hostesses.

Saturday afternoon brings the pioneer tea to be given at Gerlinger hall from four until six o'clock. The feature of this event will be an exhibit of pioneer relics. The tea is arranged especially to honor visiting ladies with Mrs. Harry W. Titus as chairman. Old-time music will be played during the afternoon.

The official dance arranged for the pageant week will be the queen's ball, Friday evening, at ten o'clock in the armory. Coming in the middle of the pageant celebration, the dance will bring out a large throng of visiting and local folk.

Visiting HERE
 Mrs. Charles A. Hood of Portland and Mrs. Terry King and son, Terry, Jr., Fort Wayne, Indiana, are here for the Oregon Trail as guests at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Harry W. Titus. Mrs. Hood is Mrs. Titus' mother and Mrs. King her aunt.

SHOWER IS GIVEN
 Mrs. C. M. Johnson and daughter, Merelle, entertained at a linen shower Monday evening to honor Miss Vera Anderson, who is to be married soon. Guests for the evening included Mrs. W. E. Anderson, Mrs. Or-

M. E. Union Hold All-Day Meetings

A vote was taken Tuesday morning of the Women's Union of Methodist Episcopal church in the group meet every fourth Tuesday for an all-day session.

The meetings will begin with a devotion program at ten-thirty in the morning, followed by a business session at one-thirty.

The new program will start fourth Tuesday of August with a devotion one in charge for the group of sixty-five was out Tuesday meeting. Miss Wanda Wood gave instrumental music.

HOME FROM VISIT
 Mr. and Mrs. I. P. James and E. M. Harvey have returned from a week's visit with Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Anderson, who are the son-in-law and daughter, and Mrs. C. C. Hunt, who are the summer at Oswego, Wis.

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