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SOCIAL SECURITY?

WE are accustomed, many of us, to cataloging some South American countries as second rate, economically and socially. At least, we don't compare their progress with ours in North America.

But now we have the case of Peru, which has just decreed a compulsory social insurance law. The terms of the measure cover many risks arising from illness, maternity, inability to work, old age, and death.

The primary source of revenue will be taxes on those insured; fines assessed for infractions of the law; legacies and private donations; interest on the capital of the reserve fund; a 2 per cent tax on tobacco; and an additional 2 per cent tax on alcoholic beverages.

Conceived without bickering or delays, the measure was drawn up by a special committee of the Peruvian congress and immediately put into effect by presidential decree.

Could we have done better here?

HAPPY OMEN

ONE very excellent sign of the times is the fact that contributions to organized charities have gone substantially upward this fall.

In 78 cities that have been collecting Community Chest subscriptions of late, more than \$35,000,000 has been paid in. In most of these cities final figures are not yet available; where such figures are at hand, they show that most cities have passed their objectives and have collected more money than they requested.

It has been hard for the charities, in the last few years, to get the money they need. For one thing, people have not had so much to give; for another, the fact that the government is feeding and sheltering millions of people has led to a mistaken assumption that private charity has less to do. This fall money is more plentiful. It appears, too, that people are realizing that the organized charities still have a tremendous load to carry, and are contributing accordingly.

"CULTURE OLYMPICS"

THE Olympic games unquestionably have raised the level of athletics and health in this and other countries.

That this type of competition might be applied to mental as well as physical pursuits has been the theory of a prominent Philadelphia philanthropist, Samuel S. Fleisher. He has so impressed others with his views on the subject that a "Culture Olympics" is soon to be conducted by the University of Pennsylvania School of Education.

Purpose of the movement, which its sponsors hope will spread throughout the nation, is to discover and encourage children and adults who have talents in cultural pursuits. Awards may be in the form of scholarships.

It will be interesting to follow the career of the "Culture Olympics." Perhaps such emphasis on the mental side of young America is just what is needed.

SPREADING POLICE PATROLS

POLICE CHIEF CARL BERGMAN is acting promptly to spread his motorized patrols to check the annual winter nuisance of burglaries and holdups. He is wise in declining to discuss his plans because that would serve as a "tipoff." There is no cause for undue alarm; we do not have "crime waves" in this part of the country. We are experiencing a noticeable increase in "transients" and we have always from time to time a certain number of local amateurs who become ambitious. The remedy is to catch a few as soon as possible and start them promptly on their way to the Big House. If Chief Bergman needs some extra help in men or equipment at this season the council should not hold back. Citizens can help by vigilance, taking ordinary precautions to lock up, by reporting promptly and accurately to the police.

A man nowadays is nervous if his wife approaches with a hat in her hand. He doesn't know whether it is a new one, or one he accidentally saw on.

It is hard to understand why prophet Farley is going into the building business to make money when, after a week at the race track, he could retire.

If Soviet hunters are like America's, it would seem dangerous for Russia to practice dropping its armies from the skies during duck-hunting season.

WHAT OTHER EDITORS THINK

A Threat to Counter the Threat of Strife
 (The Oregon Press Courier)
 OREGON threatens to do something about ship strikes that no other state in the Union has attempted.

Pattered after a Canadian trade union act which requires the registration of all labor unions, a bill is to be introduced in the legislature at the coming session by the unimpaired horticulturists of the state. The Oregon Horticultural Society at its 31st annual convention decided on today.

The bill will require the incorporation of labor unions, and the compulsory submission of labor disputes to arbitration.

Other measures proposed would give the government control when strikes occur that affect the welfare of non-strikers.

This is a plan which could scarcely be contemplated seriously in any other state than Oregon. In Oregon it will stand as an example of success.

For Oregon is one of the few seacoast states in which ocean-borne commerce, while vital, is at the same time minor in comparison with other state industries.

The tremendous sweep of marine payrolls that other states enjoy are not ours here.

Strikes start in San Francisco, or in Seattle, and soon are transmitted to Astoria and Portland and Coos Bay. They are not Oregon's affair in the first place, and what Oregon may do about them has in the past meant little in the ultimate strike victory or failure.

Their results here are just as devastating to some lines of trade as in the cities where the strikes originate. And it is this fact that has stirred the fruit men to look to Canada for answer to the riddle of how it is

possible to freight apples to the provinces for shipment by water today.

How has Canada prevented the Pacific coast strike from tying up her ports as it has tied up those here? If the fruit men, and the legislators in the coming session, can find the answer and apply it here, they will have done something that will give Oregon a place in the business headlines again.

WASHINGTON LETTER

By RODNEY DUTCHER
 Register-Guard Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The group in Washington which is interested first and foremost in keeping America out of war is quietly celebrating the outcome of the King Edward-Mrs. Simpson-Empire affair.

Those—both in the administration and Congress—who insist that neutrality is worth whatever it costs, were almost in a panic over the possibility that Edward VIII might stick his chin out, demand that Mrs. Simpson become his queen, and get away with it.

Nothing would be more likely to get the United States into war on the side of the British—some day, it was figured, than the presence of an American woman on the British throne.

Without that, everyone in Washington agrees, it will be hard enough for this country to stay out of the next big European war. The presence of a strong Anglophile American ambassador in London in the first years of the last war is commonly believed to have helped bring us into the conflict.

Those who rate highly the gifts of the American people for sentimental hysteria are sure the existence of Queen Wallis plus the British gift for propaganda would surely have turned the trick next time.

Also, officials recognized existence of a substantial faction in England which felt that Mrs. Simpson would have been good strategy and might clinch an Anglo-American alliance. Lord Beaverbrook led this pack.

Ponder Abolition Reasons
 At the rather tremendous Soviet embassy reception in celebration of the new Russian constitution, foreign diplomats and New Deal big shots discussed the British situation even more than they did the 400-pound sturgeon on the banquet table.

Men who had alleged avenues of inside information debated whether Edward had been forced to abdicate by Baldwin's insistence on a course most calculated to keep the dominions loyal to the crown or by resentment in the cabinet and parliament against a king who spoke his mind in public now and then, especially to groups of army workers, and failed to qualify as a figurehead and a stooge.

(Baldwin, one hears, places more faith on international financial ties than he does on romance as a means of bringing America into war on Britain's side.)

Many celebrities agreed that a combination of the two factors had caused Edward to be forced out.

Tradition Nothing to Him

One diplomat, illustrating Edward's unconventional independence from tradition, told a story dating back to his visit to the Argentine as prince of Wales. A polo game was arranged, because Edward liked polo. The Argentine team was composed of Irishmen, but Englishmen and Argentinians suddenly remembered that the captain, one Nelson, was a Sinn Féiner, rabid for Irish independence. They suggested to Nelson that he take a trip into the interior, lest the prince be embarrassed.

Nelson refused, so when the prince came they felt they had to tell him about this unfortunate state of affairs.

"Oh, hell," said Edward, "if I were Irish, I'd be a Sinn Féiner myself."

Attorney General Cummings and Donald Richberg were comparing notes as to how they had answered telephone calls from newspapers for comment on the Edward VIII-Mrs. Simpson business.

"This is an affair of church and state," Richberg had said, "and I'm not in either one."

"I never give advisory opinions," Cummings had replied.

Stampede Staid Farley

The First National Conference on Educational Broadcasting was meeting. At about 4:30, your correspondent asked the beautiful girl in the yellow sweater at the information table whether arrangements had been made for hearing the king's farewell address. "Right down in the garden room," she said, "most important session of the conference!"

It looked that way, too. White-haired college presidents, like old ladies, earnest young professors all came galloping from group conferences on "Radio in the life of the child," "Library and museum use of radio," "Research problems in radio education," and so on, to hear the historic message.

The garden room had been used for one of these group conferences. The big sign outside to designate it was still there. It said "Religious Broadcasting." (Copyright, 1936, NEA Service, Inc.)

AN EDITORIAL ON HEALTHE

By DR. MORRIS FISHER
 Editor, Journal of the American Medical Association, and of Hygiene, the Health Magazine

THE many instances of men and women who have become famous despite the handicap of deafness should encourage those who are beginning to have a little difficulty of this kind.

The great musician, Beethoven; the writers, Oliver Goldsmith, George Meredith, and Lord Chesterfield; the inventor, Thomas Edison, and many other notable scientists and statesmen have overcome their handicap.

With modern advances in medicine and with the aid available for persons with progressive hearing loss, there is no reason, nowadays, for victims of deafness to become discouraged.

In studying any case of hardness of hearing, it is first necessary to determine the nature of the deafness—that is, whether it is concerned with an infection or whether it represents one of the hereditary types of otosclerosis.

Most serious is the early development, due to infection, of hardness of hearing in children. The period in which severe deafness is most likely to develop in children is that before they are 3 years old, when they may be seriously affected by one of the infectious diseases.

There are instances of inherited deafness which pass through three and four generations.

Deafness is particularly trying for a school child because his father may think him inattentive, his mother may feel that he is a dreamer, uninformed, and that he will never amount to anything. The child himself will not know how to treat him. Thus, the child becomes shut in by this disease and tries to cover up his handicap by means of various devices and devices which react to his disadvantage.

Such a child frequently will say "I do not know," rather than "I cannot hear you." An informed, understanding teacher will realize his condition and take care of the difficulty.

Trouble with hearing is less of a handicap for a man of middle age than for a woman, largely because women have not yet been completely accepted in all industries, and, consequently, are less likely to be accepted, if they are so handicapped.

Nowadays the child who is hard of hearing, particularly if he lives in a city, can learn lip-reading in many schools. As the child grows older, he may be provided with hearing aids which are more sensitive, less expensive, and easier to carry than they used to be.

In some occupations, difficulty in hearing may be an asset. Thus, the deafened bookkeeper or machine operator will not spend time in gossiping with those about him, but will do his job. Hardness of hearing decreases distraction, fosters constructive thought, and aids reasoning.

In a few places throughout the United States, schools have begun to put in departments for sale of hearing devices, occasionally with non-medical or non-technical persons in charge. Such as some states permit people with defective sight to select glasses from a shelf or tray.

The person who buys such hearing devices without first having a suitable examination is taking a chance with both his hearing and his money. There are some conditions in which an electric aid may be of little or no help and may, in the long run, interfere with proper hearing. Scientific examination must precede, in every instance, the prescribing of hearing devices.

SIDE GLANCES



"I don't care what the other girls are buying for their fathers. I know that your dad just can't afford that much this year."

At The Churches

First Christian Church

11th and Oak streets. Dr. S. Earl Childers, pastor. Bible school 9:45 a. m. Classes for all ages. Morning worship 11 o'clock. Sermon topic: "When the Angels Were Gone" Dr. Childers speaking. Special music. This service will be broadcast over station KORE from 11:30 to 12 o'clock. The Young People's Christian Endeavor group will meet Sunday evening at 8:15. All young people will find a cordial welcome. The Christmas program will be presented at the regular evening service at 7:30. The opera, "The Christmas Gift," will be presented by the 5th and 6th grade children from the Frances Willard school. The children of the Bible school will also have a part on the program. The choir will also present a program of Christmas music and Dr. Childers will speak briefly upon the subject: "The Christ of the Manger." This is to be a White Gift service and all are asked to bring a white gift that can be used in the baskets for those less fortunate than we. The regular midweek service Wednesday evening at 7:30.

St. Mary's Catholic Church

11th and Charnelton streets. Rev. Francis P. Leipsic, pastor. Sunday Masses, 8, 9:30 and 10:30 a. m. Rosary and Benediction at 4 p. m. Sunday. Daily Masses at 8 a. m.

First Methodist Episcopal

Located: 12th and Williamette streets. Pastor: Cecil F. Ristow. Sunday school: 9:45 a. m. Dr. J. D. Stewart, superintendent. Morning service 11 o'clock. Young people's meetings: Wesley Club: A Christmas meeting at Prof. and Mrs. Crumhacker's home. Cars meet at the church at 8 p. m. Epworth League: Christmas devotionals, 6 p. m. Social hour, 7 p. m. Evening service: 8:15 o'clock. The choir will offer its annual Christmas concert.

First Congregational

Located: 12th and Ferry. Pastor: Williston Wirt. Sunday school: 9:45 a. m. G. H. Good, superintendent. High School class taught by Mr. H. B. Sallee meets in the tower. Morning service 11 o'clock. Sermon topic: "Love Came Down at Christmas." Special Christmas music by choir and soloists. Young people's meeting: The Young People will meet at 3:45, to take part in the Christmas Pageant and will go carolling afterward. Bring cars. The Sunday school will hold Christmas service in the church at 4 p. m. Parents and friends cordially invited. Choir rehearsal Thursday night at 7:30. Mrs. Florence Murdoch, director. Boy Scout troop meets Wednesday night at 8:30 at the church.

Central Lutheran

Tenth and Pearl. Rev. Norman K. Tully, D.D., pastor. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Morning service, 11 o'clock. Sermon topic: "No Room in the Inn." Young people's meeting: 6:30 p. m. Topic: "A Christmas Carol." Vesper service, 4 o'clock. Sermon topic: "The Story of Eager-Heart," and musical program by the choir. A morning service the choir will render overtures from Handel's "Messiah." Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. Sunday school tree, program and gifts.

First Baptist Church

Broadway and High streets. Pastor, Dr. A. J. Harms. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Casper M. Wood, superintendent. Morning service, 11:00 o'clock. Sermon topic: "No Room in the Inn." Special Christmas music by the vested choir. Young people's meeting, 6:30 p. m. Evening service, 7:30 o'clock. Christmas pageant, "A Gift for the Christ Child," with Christmas music by the choir. Monday, 7:30, Sunday School Workers' Council meeting in the parlor. 7:30. Senior Young People's party for needy youngsters. 7:30. Junior Guild meeting at Mrs. Frank Pattison's. Tuesday, 7:30. Senior Guild meeting at 1872 Ferry street. 7:30 p. m. high school caroling. Wednesday: Sunday school tree and program in the social hall. 7:30. choir rehearsal in the auditorium, followed by the senior group going caroling.

First Baptist Church

Twelfth Avenue East and Oak street. Sunday services at 11 a. m. and 8

p. m. The subject of the Lesson

Sermon is, "Is the Universe, Including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?" Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Wednesday evening testimonial meeting at 8 o'clock. The reading room at 432 Miner building, is open daily from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m. On Sundays and holidays from 2 to 5 p. m. On Wednesdays the reading room closes at 3 p. m.

Community Library (Unitarian)

Eleventh at Ferry. Adult forum meets at ten o'clock; speaker, Dr. A. N. Johnson, head of Lane county health unit, who will speak on "Community Responsibility for Public Health." Church school with junior worship and classes in religious education also meets at 10 o'clock; juniors, Mrs. S. Honey; seniors, Roy Andrews. Sunday morning worship will take the form of a Christmas service, with the singing of well-known carols. Miss Jessie Long will sing "He Shall Feed His Flock" (Handel) accompanied by Miss Norma Lyon. The minister, Rev. Herbert Higginbotham, will preach on "The Gift of Christmas." The church school will have their Christmas service and tree Wednesday evening.

Fairmount Presbyterian Church

Fifteenth Avenue East at Villard street. Rev. R. E. Clark, minister. Christmas service Sunday at eleven o'clock. Sermon by the minister on the topic: "The Christ of the Ages." A program of Christmas music will be rendered by the choir under direction of Mrs. Stone, with Mrs. Simons at the piano. Church school at 9:45 with B. J. Clark in charge. Beginners department in charge of Mrs. Simons in primary hall. Adult class taught by Mrs. Winterberger. Christian Endeavor meeting at 7:30. This will be a candle-light service with "White Gifts." Christmas program of the Sunday school on Wednesday evening at 7:30. The "Cheer Bore" of the Aid society will be filled Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Carlsen. Choir practice Wednesday evening at the church.

Central Lutheran Church

Sixth and Pearl. P. J. Luvass, minister. Graded Sunday school with classes for all ages at 9:45 a. m. Also Bible class for young people and adults. Mrs. Laura Sem, superintendent. Morning service at 11 o'clock. Sermon subject: "Exhortation to Holiness." Special music by the senior and junior choir. Junior Luther League meets at 5 p. m. The Senior League will meet at 8 p. m. in charge.

Grace Lutheran

(Missouri Synod). 11th and Ferry streets. Martin P. Simon, pastor. Sunday school at 9:45, service at 11. Sermon: "The First Who Is Last." Broadcast over KORE at 1 p. m. Half-hour service at 7. Children's Christmas service Thursday at 7:30. Christmas morning service, Friday at 11.

Bommas Lutheran

Second Avenue West. Lewis C. Larsen, pastor. Sunday school, 10 a. m. Danish morning service, 11 o'clock, with Holy Communion. Sermon topic: "The Sign of the Star."

Springfield Methodist Episcopal Church

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"One Mediator Between God and Men"

Lighthouse Temple
 Located: 12th and Olive streets.
 Pastor: Everett J. Fulton. Sunday school: 9:45, Clyde Johnson, superintendent. Ross Clark, assistant. Morning service: 11 o'clock. Sermon topic: "The Christ of Christmas." Special music by Ladies quartette. Young people's meeting: 6. Overcomer groups for all ages. Evening service: 7:30 o'clock. Message by Harry R. Neat, general superintendent of Open Bible Standard conference. There will be special Christmas music, the entire service will be broadcast over KORE. County farm, Jail and Shulin services start at 2 p. m. Midweek service Tuesday night 7:30. Wednesday Christmas program and pageant. Friday night meeting will be omitted.

Church of God

Third and Monroe streets. Rev. U. G. Clark, pastor. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. J. G. Johnson, superintendent. Morning service, 11, sermon topic: "The First Christmas," pastor speaking. Junior church downstairs at 11 a. m. Mrs. Fogles in charge. Evening service, 7:30. Musical program by the young people. Helen Schaefer, director. There will be no prayer and praise service this week due to Christmas program. The Sunday school Christmas program will be Tuesday evening at 7:30. All are invited. The state ministers meeting combined with the Sunday school and Missionary societies of the state will hold a three day convention here at the church Dec. 29, 30 and 31. The program, with several noted outside speakers, which will be mentioned in later announcements, gives promise of some very interesting services.

Fairmount Church of Christ

Located: 17th and Columbia. Pastor: J. Michael Shelley. Sunday school 10 a. m. Lester Bowers, superintendent. Classes for all. Morning service: 11 o'clock. Sermon topic: "The Wonderful Christ." Young people's meeting: 6:30 with the pre-prayer meeting at 6. Evening service: 7:30 o'clock. Sermon topic: "The Heart of Christmas," by Glenn Ballard. Special announcements: This Sunday is the annual "White Gift" Sunday. All things that are brought will be used for the needy of the community. Visitation of shut-ins at 2:30 every Sunday. Prayer meeting and Bible study at 8 o'clock every Thursday evening. Choir practice at 7. Our goal for Sunday school this morning is 125.

Church of the Nazarene

Located: 812 Madison. Pastor: Bertrand F. Peterson. Sunday school: 9:45. D. R. Winfree, superintendent. Morning service: 11 o'clock. Sermon topic: "A Son Is Given." Young people's meeting: 6:30 Pre-prayer service: 6:45. Y. P. Service. Esther Sanders, leader. Evening service: 7:30 o'clock. Sermon by pastor. Special announcement: Wednesday, 7:30, Christmas program by Sunday school.

Bathany Evangelical Church

Sixth and Blair. C. S. Bergstrom, pastor. Morning worship at 11 o'clock. Sermon subject, "Love Geared to Every-day Life," the pastor preaching. At 7:30 the choir and cast will render the Christmas pageant entitled "Nativity," under special arrangement of colored lights. Sunday school at 10 o'clock. D. B. Trout, superintendent. Young people's meetings at 6:30. Fellowship hour of prayer and Bible study, Thursday at 7:30, in charge of the pastor.

Seventh Day Adventist Church

T. Martin Cole, pastor. Sunday, 7:30 p. m., a live song service followed by a lecture entitled, "The Nations in Bible Prophecy—A Mystic Ruler to Arise and Rule the Entire World," by the pastor. Wednesday, 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting—Mr. Ivor Fish in charge. Friday, 7:30 p. m., young people's meeting. Saturday, Sabbath school at 9:30 a. m. Superintendent, Mr. J. R. Jennings. 11 a. m. morning service, the pastor in charge.

Johnston's Warehouse

Washington street, every Sunday at 8 p. m.

Springfield Christmas

4th and A streets. Pastor, Claude O'Brien. 9:45, Christmas Program by the Jewish Hildebrand; 11 a. m. Sermon: "The Meaning of Emanuel." 7:30 p. m. The choir will present "Yuletide Memories," by Ira B. Wilson. Director, Mrs. P. E. Miser.

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