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HOW BUREAUCRACY GROWS

It is genial "booster habit," whenever some new government agency enters a community to speak of "the federal payroll to be created." Just as it is also "habit" for the average business man to wall about "freedom of enterprise" and turn around to give three cheers for some big "federal contribution" whether to some war industry or some public project.

Bureaucracy has been creeping up on us, and most of us have aided and abetted in the process at some point. We do not agree with those who contend that all forms of "federal aid" should be abolished. The problem, as we see it, is to define how far federal usurpation shall go and where it shall be stopped.

In this connection some new official figures compiled by the Oregon Tax League from the Byrd reports are enlightening:

Civilian Employees	Monthly Payroll
State of Oregon	7,309 \$ 811,000
U. S. in Oregon	22,000 3,584,000
All United States	3,034,700 561,437,000

Relatively, Oregon does not have as many federal civilian employes as many states. In Oregon the total of all state, county, city and school employes 34,418. For the nation, the federal civilian payroll runs 50 per cent above that of 48 states, 17,792 cities, 8,061 counties and 17,667 other local units of government.

It is costing the nation \$6,750,000,000 a year for federal civilian employes — not counting any part of the military.

You hear somebody say:
 "Let Uncle Sam pay that bill."
 It is pertinent to ask several questions:
 1. Is this properly a job for "Uncle Sam"?
 2. Who is this "Uncle Sam"?
 Think of this the next time you draw your pay with its federal tax deductions, or the next time you go to a show or buy any article to which a federal tax is appended.

In federal spending as in all other spending the question is not how much is spent but if it is wisely spent. And behind this vast and subtle growth of federal bureaucracy lies the great issue:

"Can local self-government survive?"
 In Washington they laugh over the adage that "a good bureau never dies." It is no laughing matter. The other day they exposed and kicked out of a \$5,500 job as "principal economic analyst" to the Office of Economic Warfare one John Bovington, whose antic dances and communist proclivities had excited the Dies committee. The Salem Capital Journal remarks:

"No tears should be prematurely shed for Mr. B. because he will probably be kicked upstairs to a better job as have so many others 'canned' as a sop to public opinion."

Oregon lumbermen are laughing because on going to Washington with production troubles they find that one of the chief "consultants" for WPB is a man notorious in Southern Oregon for having been fired or in bankruptcy on every lumber job he ever had. Is it a laughing matter?

Uncle Sam is "us." The thing we call "gov'ment" is not Uncle Sam nor even Santy Claus. It is a political machine and it has grown much, much too big.

HABEAS CORPUS

One reads with mixed feelings that Lieut. Gen. Richardson, commanding general of the Hawaiian department, has defied the authority of the United States District Court in a habeas corpus case, and has forbidden the court to take further action in the case. In times like these the military must not be unduly hampered in its task of defending the nation. But there is a big question whether General Richardson's course was defensible.

Instead of the high-handed course he pursued, he might have obtained equivalent results through democratic processes by resisting in the courts. Obviously Judge Metzger would not attempt to have the commanding general imprisoned, so no interference with military activities need have resulted while injunctions, mandamus, appeals, briefs and counter-briefs worked their weary way upward through the judicial hierarchy.

It might be well for somebody resembling the Commander-in-Chief to notify General Richardson, quietly, that the American people will not tolerate a military dictatorship by anybody, at any time, in any place.

WHAT OTHER EDITORS THINK

THE COMMON TONGUE
 The Bend Bulletin

In his speech at Harvard on Monday following the conferring of an honorary degree Mr. Churchill quoted Bismarck as saying that the most potent factor in human security at the end of the 19th century was that the British and American peoples spoke the same language. The gift of a common tongue, Mr. Churchill declared, "may well become the foundation of a common citizenship." Pursuing the subject Mr. Churchill spoke of the value the possession of a common tongue had been in the

joint staff meetings in which the action of the war had been planned.

Inevitably, as one reads the Churchill speech, there comes to mind certain verses from the 11th chapter of Genesis. Read from that chapter the first verse, thus:

And the whole earth was of one language and of one speech.

These who had that one language, you will remember, decided to build a tower "whose top may reach unto heaven."

And the Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men build.

And the Lord said, Behold, the people is one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do, and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do.

Mr. Churchill did not labor the point but he might well have gone further, in his reference to the bond that ties the British and the American people together through the use of the same speech and he might well have urged that having all one language nothing will be restrained from them which they imagine to do.

Certainly, the United States and Great Britain will "imagine" to keep the peace of the world and this time, united, will keep it.

WASHINGTON LETTER

By PETER EDSON
(Register-Guard Washington Correspondent)

There's a motley collection of publications in the Nazi line and as yet untouched by any indictment United States unconsciously or not still following them, withdrawal of mailing privileges or restrictions of any kind.

Most pretentious of the lot is a magazine called "Destiny," published at Haverhill, Mass. It is edited by Howard B. Rand as the organ of the Anglo-Saxon Federation. Until recently William J. Cameron, the voice of Henry Ford's Sunday evening hour, was openly associated with the federation. Despite the fact that "Destiny" includes the British as Anglo-Saxons, Rand's organization has been anti-British for years and to that it has added a strong line of anti-Communism, blaming the Communists for the recent race riots and anti-Semitism.

Where "Destiny" gets in its subtle punch is in arguing that Jews are not Israelites, that the Anglo-Saxons are the true Israel and God's chosen people. In these ways, it does a job of preaching race hatred that is hard to beat.

"Women's Voice," a publication which made its first appearance this spring, is the organ of "We, the Mothers, Mobilize for America," headed by Mrs. Lyril Van Hyning and Mrs. Grace Keefe of Chicago. This is an anti-international bankers, anti-Jew, anti-Communist organization which was active before Pearl Harbor, then went underground for over a year, to emerge with new backing from some mysterious sources to preach the doctrine that "the international bankers must not be permitted to take part at the peace conference. None but CHRISTIANS should participate."

PEACE DEMAND
 But the big line of the "Mothers" is a demand that Congress enter "immediately into conferences for a negotiated peace which our enemies" have been proposing since October, 1939. The paper, "Women's Voice" lists the name of no editor, but announces that at its offices at room 500, 537 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, open house is held every Thursday afternoon. Elizabeth Dilling literature is distributed there, even though Mrs. Dilling herself is under indictment for sedition.

Another women's outfit showing renewed signs of life is the American Women Against Communism, Inc., of New York, which has had great success with a color leaflet showing how the Stars and Stripes will gradually be changed to an international flag on which there will be only the yellow star of David. The first step, according to this leaflet, is the replacement of the 48 white stars by one white star and the inclusion of this one-star-and-stripes flag with the emblems of all the other nations, including those of Japan, Italy and Germany to make a United Nations of the World flag.

Next step is supposedly the flag of Union Now. The stripes of the stars-and-stripes remain, but in place of the blue field appears the union jack of the British Empire, and in the center of the union jack appears a single, yellow gold star of David. Final step is the disappearance of both the stars and stripes and the emergence of just one big yellow gold star of David, the emblem of the Jews, on a white field, as the flag of the United States of the World.

CHURCH ORGANIZATION DENOUNCED
 If this isn't enough for you, this same leaflet contains a violent denunciation of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, made up of nearly all the Protestant church organizations in the United States, which is blasted because the Council is on record as favoring some form of eventual world government to maintain peace. One of the leading lights in the American Women Against Communism movement is Mrs. A. Cressy Morrison, intimate friend of Elizabeth Dilling and a "marcher" with her to Washington to protest against Lend-Lease. Mrs. Morrison also backed Allen Zola's "Patriots of America" movement.

In the same company with all these relatively unknowns are the old-timers: The Rev. Gerald K. Smith with his "The Cross and the Flag," now trying to rally his own and the Coughlinite followers into an America First party. And Joe McWilliams of the old Christian Front, now trying to rally servicemen with his new "Reconstruction Plan," is another one.

OLIVE BARBER'S OBSERVATIONS

SOMETHING ON BIRDS

My interest in birds is of many years' standing and much of my knowledge of them has been obtained from watching those about Hillside. Yet I find I'm much more keenly observant of birds when I am "marching" with her to Washington to protest against Lend-Lease. Mrs. Morrison also backed Allen Zola's "Patriots of America" movement.

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Yet I began to think I might as well not have been. The pine squirrel at the spring had as vitriolic a vocabulary as the one now berating me from the fir tree nearby. Though I did have time to marvel over the way its tail operated in utter independence of the rest of it. That tail kept having spasms, seemingly trying to quit the body to which it was attached. It jerked and tugged; twisted and yanked with violence and would have frothed at the mouth in sheer rage over its futile efforts had it had a mouth.

Cedar waxwings were no better tailored than those I'd seen primly spaced over the cherry trees at Hillside. Band-tailed pigeons were just as noisy as those I'd flapped across the lagoon before me as those which rapped clouds from the blue alderberry bushes along the home fence. A kingfisher shrieked his noise-thumping taunt. So do they shriek along the banks of Isthmus inlet.

Over the surface of the lagoon I saw how water-bugs spun a lively lace, only to have the pattern smooth out as their sprangly legs fashioned new, and equally transient, designs. So do they on the surface of the pool below the spring.

I remembered Burroughs said he counted that day, outstanding on which he saw, or heard, something new in the world of nature. This was not to be one of those outstanding days for me. I thought, and regretted, I get to leave home so seldom.

Just then a bird settled on the downy top of a ripened thistle bloom. Larger than a goldfinch, and of a deeper yellow, it had black wings; wings marked with a clearly etched, ochreous vein. I'd not seen this bird before and was unable to identify it. The swaying thistle, the drifting parachutes of the seeds the bird discarded as it ate, even the way it occasionally stopped dining and scratched its neck with a prongy foot—oh, it made a most delightful picture. And to this was added the mystery of its identity. An outstanding day after all, and will some one please tell me what bird it was that made it so?

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Quota Hears Talks Upon Politics

WOMEN in politics was the theme of the program for the dinner meeting of the Quota club Monday evening at the Osburn hotel. Mrs. E. A. Lundy was program chairman. Mrs. Jennie Stevens presented a paper, written by her sister, Miss F. Ina Burgess, "What Every Woman Can Do in Politics," and Mrs. V. N. Freeman, member of the state board of the League of Women Voters, spoke on women's work in politics, and especially of their work through the league.

Mrs. Laura Harris, mother of Lawrence T. Harris, local attorney, was called upon for an impromptu talk, and told of women's early efforts in school matters in Eugene, before suffrage was established.

Guests at the meeting were Mrs. R. W. Schiska, Mrs. Ethan Newman, Mrs. C. B. Swango, Mrs. Laura Harris, Mrs. Jennie Stevens, Mrs. V. N. Freeman, Miss Mabel A. Wood, Mrs. V. B. Jensen, Miss Elenna Jensen of Turlock, Cal., Mrs. Ted M. Lundy, Mrs. Glen Pirtle, Mrs. Alberta McMurry, Mrs. Julia C. Harvey of St. Louis, Mo., J. F. White and Sam Mikkelson.

COMMITTEE TO MEET
 The executive committee of the Santa Clara P.T.A. will hold its first full meeting at the school, Thursday afternoon at two-thirty o'clock. All members of the committee are urged to be present.

MEETING CHANGED
 Poetry group of the Women's City club will meet Saturday afternoon at two-thirty o'clock, at the home of Mrs. G. P. Winchell. This is a change from the usual custom of meeting with Mrs. Ralph Crow, who at present is on vacation.

TRYOUTS HELD
 Twenty-three prospective members took part in tryouts of the Women's Choral club at the Central Presbyterian church chapel Monday evening, conducted by Glenn Griffith, director. The tryouts will be continued Tuesday evening at seven-thirty. All former members as well as new ones must take part this year, by biennial custom. Regular rehearsals will start Monday evening, Sept. 27.

REGENTS ELECT
 Officers were elected by the Graduate Regents of the Women of Moose, meeting Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Rosa Wood. Mrs. J. L. Copenhaver was named president; Mrs. Claude Altembaugh, vice-president, and Mrs. Allie Clarke, secretary-treasurer. The evening was spent sewing chair robes for hospitals, and the hostess served refreshments. The next meeting will be Oct. 18, at the home of Mrs. Elmer Geiger.

Recipe

(By AP Service)
CORN MEAL COOKIES
 One cup shortening, 1 1/2 cups sugar, 2 eggs, 1 teaspoon lemon extract, 1/2 cup raisins, chopped, 3 cups sifted all-purpose enriched flour, 1 teaspoon baking powder, 1 teaspoon nutmeg, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1 cup yellow cornmeal (uncooked).

Cream shortening, slowly add sugar, then eggs, beating well. Blend in lemon extract. Dredge raisins with 1/2 cup flour and add. Sift remaining flour with other dry ingredients and add. Mix well. Drop by spoon and flatten out with a fork, or roll out 1-8 inch thick and cut in desired shapes. Dough may be made into a 2-inch roll, wrapped in waxed paper and refrigerated until needed. Bake 10 minutes in preheated oven (400 deg.).

LEMON OATMEAL COOKIES
 (Makes six dozen cookies)
 One cup shortening, 3-4 cup brown sugar, 2 eggs, 1/2 cup dark corn syrup, 2 cups sifted all-purpose enriched flour, 1/4 teaspoon salt, 2 teaspoons baking powder, 1/2 teaspoon vanilla, 2 1/2 cups quick-cooking oats, 4 1/2 teaspoons grated lemon rind.

Cream shortening and sugar, add eggs and beat well. Add corn syrup and beat thoroughly. Sift flour with salt, baking powder and soda, and add alternately to creamed mixture with milk and vanilla. Add oatmeal and lemon rind, beating well. Drop, by teaspoonfuls, onto a greased baking sheet. Bake for 12 minutes in preheated oven (375 deg.). One cup of brown sugar may be used instead of the corn syrup by adding 3-4 cup of milk.

New Officers Head Obsidian Princesses

New officers of the Obsidian Princesses took charge of the business meeting Monday evening, which followed a picnic supper held at the home of Mrs. Henry Korn. Mrs. Paul Wiser is president, Mrs. J. W. McCracken vice-president, and Mrs. Joseph Heidrich, secretary-treasurer.

Projects for the year were planned. The group will continue its Red Cross work, it was agreed.

Westfir Wedding At Home

WESTFIR—A pretty home wedding was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Elam, Wednesday evening, when their daughter, Billie Jane was married to Sgt. Fred Follett, U. S. Army, son of Mrs. Frank Babcock.

The bride wore an afternoon dress of blue with a corsage of gardenias and pink rosebuds. Miss Neva Wilson of Seattle was the only attendant and wore a frock of brown and beige, with a corsage of yellow rosebuds. Mrs. Martin Elam sang, "I Love You Truly," preceding the ceremony. Rev. Rowley of the Oakridge Bible Standard church officiated.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson, cousins of the bride. Guests present were Sergeant and Mrs. Fred Follett; Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Elam; T. D. Elam, of Seaside, grandfather of the bride; Miss Neva Wilson of Seattle; Mrs. James Gavin; Mr. and Mrs. Martin Elam and daughter Marlene; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson and daughters, Alice Marie and Maxine.

After a short wedding trip to Klamath Falls, Sergeant Follett will report for duty at Dayton, O.

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Sixty-five At Annual Club Breakfast

SIXTY-FIVE men and women gathered for the annual "Bosses' Breakfast" of the Credit Women's Breakfast club Tuesday morning at seven-thirty, at the Osburn hotel. Tables were decked in autumn colors, with a fruit bowl centerpiece.

Miss Jerine Newhouse sang two solos, with accompaniment by Miss Margaret McAdams. Mrs. Wilbur Dutton gave a reading, "Mama's Bank Account." Guests were introduced by Miss Frances Travis. Miss Eva Haines was program chairman.

Mrs. Fanny Marlette, president, appointed a nominating committee, consisting of Miss Mardelle Edwards, chairman, Mrs. Lee Moore and Miss Emma Erickson in preparation for October elections. She also named Miss Elizabeth Richard general chairman for an installation and birthday party to be held later.

Inner Circle Resumes Meeting After Recess

Ninety-eight Inner Circle, meeting with Mrs. Judd Stauffer Monday afternoon, after a two-month vacation, answered rollcall with suggestions for increasing interest in meetings. A rummage sale to be held Nov. 8, in the Chamber building was planned. Mrs. Stauffer, who served refreshments after the business meeting, presented each guest with an embroidered tea towel.

The next meeting, in October, will be an all-day session with noon potluck dinner, the place to be decided later.

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Alpha Iota Chapter Purchases \$50 Bond

Delta Phi chapter of Alpha Iota held a business session Monday noon at the Willis cafe, deciding to buy a \$50 war bond.

Mrs. Ross Godard, who has been in the east for several months, was installed as vice-president. Miss Lela Johnson was elected corresponding secretary to fill a vacancy.

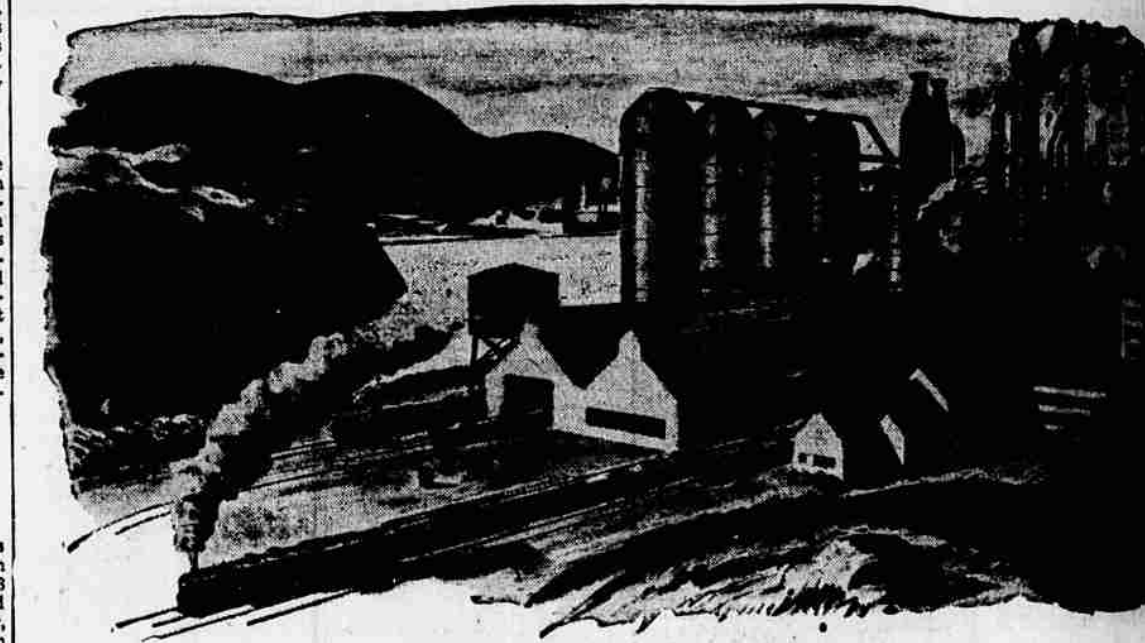
Home Extension Group In First Fall Meet

At the first fall meeting of the Lane county home extension committee at the home of Mrs. Frank Sanborn in the Alvadore community Monday, plans for an officer training meeting to be held

in the 4-H club building county fair grounds in September 28 were made. Training will be held in home crafts, which will be done at home extension on October and November.

Those present at the meeting Monday evening Sanborn were Mrs. A. W. of the Lost Valley extension, who is county chairman; Ruth West of the McClammy vice chairman; Mrs. Dan West of the Lorane unit, secretary; Mrs. John Johnson, Notti, Mrs. Ivan Morris of Creek, Mrs. O. A. Drew of dore, Mrs. Glenn Patton of and Miss Nellie Lyle, home demonstration agent.

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