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WASTE IN INCOME TAX

Everybody who has an income tax to pay has an opinion of the thing that is scarcely fit to print, not so much because of the cost as because of the complicated and intricate blank he has to fill out. Most of us are willing to pay our share of the expense of government, but we hate so much red tape and complexity. Babson, the statistician, has stated his opinion of the thing in language that can be printed. If you agree with him write to the Oregon delegation in congress and tell them what you think about it. Mr. Babson says:

"People little realize what the income and other federal taxes are doing to kill prosperity and enterprise. The bank clearings, building permits, and other figures now coming out for the two weeks preceding March 15 (when the federal tax statements were due) indicate that the time which 5,000,000 people have given simply to preparing these reports resulted in a loss of about \$1,000,000,000 in sales, \$550,000,000 in manufacturing, and \$500,000,000 in other lines. If we add to these figures the time of bookkeepers, accountants, government tax officials, collectors, and inspectors whose work is wholly unproductive and who—from the economist's point of view—are simply parasites on the country, we have far greater losses. But some say: 'Think of the \$4,000,000,000 which the government will be able to spend this year.' This is where we are all being fooled. If the making out of these returns and the collecting of the money did not cost one cent, the country would not be any better off. The whole process is simply the 'robbing of Peter to pay Paul,' and the 'robbing' costs the American people about \$2,000,000,000 a year in actual cash. Add to this the psychological effect upon men of enterprise (I refer to the retarding, the dampening effect of this whole tax business on the ambitions and efforts of the men who play and promote great enterprises—the men who really make prosperity) and the losses above indicated must be multiplied many fold.

"I believe in an income tax and know that Commissioner of Internal Revenue Williams and his entire staff have handled a most difficult problem in a most efficient and impartial manner. The American people, however, should not fool themselves as to what a drag our present tax system is on prosperity."

The burning questions now are, when will Reed start paving and Mayor Gilson begin on his water system?

CALL OF THE PAST

I heard a broncho "whinney" from the street a while ago.
As he wandered 'tween the buildings on pavement down below,
Through the windows of my office came the sound both loud and clear,
And it moved me as a song would, some old song I used to hear,
And I looked up from my writing to the smoky city skies
And a misty, hazy vision seemed to form before my eyes
Of a broncho, tired and weary, trail-cattle through the brakes
In the old days on the Klamath, when I rode along the lakes.

Every time I hear a "whinney" above the city's rambling roar,
It brings back the recollections of the days that are no more,
When my kit was in my pocket and I didn't have a cent
And the wages of my "wrangling" slowly came and swiftly went,
When my body was of rubber and of hickory and steel
And I knew the way to labor and to put away a meal,
For I didn't live on "health foods," such as wheat and barley flakes



The Whale

The other day I saw a whale, the first my old eyes ever viewed; it frolicked in the waters pale, and made me think I must be stewed. For I was gazing out to sea, my mind concerned with fancies light, a book of verses on my knee, and not prepared for such a sight. It seemed a gay and happy fish, a very optimistic whale, and made the water go kerswish, whenever it flapped its giant tail. An ancient seaman at my side looked on, with trouble on his brow: "The whales are getting scarce," he cried, "we do not often see them now. The whale you see may be the last, where countless thousands used to lurk; they're killing off the poor things fast—machinery now does the work. The risky life seemed good to me when I fought whales, in bygone years, but now they butcher whales at sea as K. C. packers butcher steers. The good old monsters of the deep don't have a chance to keep their goats; the harvesters go forth to reap the whales as farmers harvest oats. They used to haunt this sunny coast, you'd see them any winter day; but they have yielded up the ghost, they're killed and canned and shipped away." And still the whale seemed void of care, from every dread and trouble free; it stood on end and leaped in air, and gamboled in a silver sea.

As I rode the shifty "mustang" on the shores of Klamath lakes

That "whinney" comes to mock me like a specter dark and cold,
For my "mustang's" bones are rotting and I guess I'm growing old.

Once my kit was in my pocket—now I travel with a trunk
Full of B. V. D.'s and night gowns and a lot of useless junk.
Now I couldn't "bust a broncho," swing a rope, or set a "hob"
For I'm soft and fat and flabby, and I couldn't hold the job.

Yet that "whinney" stirs and thrills me, and my heart is aches and aches
For the glass-eyed, crop-eared broncho, that I rode along the lakes.

—Lake County Examiner.

Burns' Features Were Coarse.
Regarding the description of Robert Burns, Scott says his features have been unduly refined by his portraits. Burns was about the average height and of heavy build, with features inclined to coarseness. Numerous observers have commented on the extraordinary glow in his eyes. "I never saw such another eye," says Scott, "in any human head."

A VALUABLE BEQUEST

There was a time when a felt hat cost enough to be left as one of the desirable bequests in a will. Only the favored few could afford to own one.

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LUCKY STRIKE cigarette

It's toasted

uel, high commissioner at Jerusalem.

He says that Palestine is getting a very fine class of young Jews from the Ukraine and Galicia, having fled from Bolshevik persecution. Most of them are accompanied by their wives and intend settling down permanently in the Holy Land. "These young men and women, most of them belonging to the 'intelligensia' class, and including university men with degrees, are road-making, constructing railways and assisting in the reconstruction of the country with enthusiasm and real patriotism," he declared in an interview with the United Press.

We make a specialty of children's hair cutting and ladies' massages and Shampoos. Pilot Butte Inn Barber Shop.—Adv. 7216

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Bend Lodge, No. 1371, B. P. O. E., meets every Tuesday evening at the Elks Temple, 8 o'clock. Visiting brothers are invited.



ZIONIST MOVEMENT GROWING STEADILY

Many Jews From Ukraine and Galicia Returning to Home of Ancestors in Palestine.

By Webb Miller.
(United Press Staff Correspondent.)

LONDON, March 22.—Sir Alfred Mond, first commissioner of works in the British ministry, who has just returned from a visit to Jerusalem, is enthusiastic about the progress of the Zionist movement in Palestine. Sir Alfred is himself a member of the Jewish faith and has been spending some time with his co-religionist, Sir Herbert Sam-

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Ministers, like alarm clocks, get most of their abuse for doing their duty.—Kansas City Star.

The Great Marathon.
Life is a mad, mad race and when we get through it we are all out of breath.—Boston Transcript.

Easter

The Rare Charm

of the masters and the exquisite grace that is in all things beautiful are to be found in The Parisian's Spring and Easter

MILLINERY

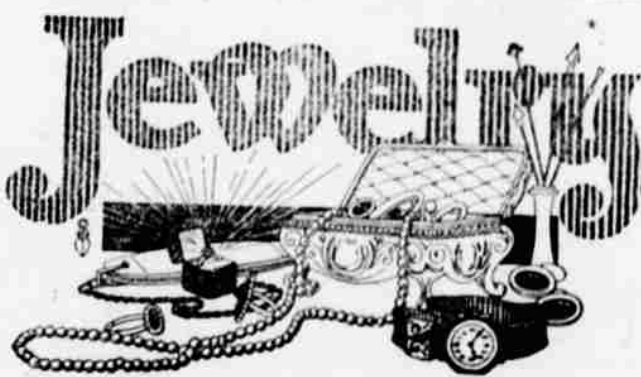
The Caroline Reboux model above is an example of the picturesque hat that is playing so important a role in the lines of all that is new this Spring. It is a soft crushable milan.

—But it is only one of the many new and beautiful hats we now have on display.

—The variety as a whole offers—Milan hems, Batavia, Moire straws, Lisere, Poke straws, Straw sailors, Flowered Turbans and the Candy Cloth Hats.

The PARISIAN

LADIES' OUTFITTERS
Cor. Wall and Oregon Sts.



Fashions and time-worn custom decree that Easter Day is an appropriate occasion to make gifts of Jewelry. Whomever these gifts be for, our present Easter layout of Rings, Watches, Bracelets, Necklaces and many other articles of Gold, Silver or Platinum will delight. See us today for many valuable suggestions. Our prices always please.

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Who Is To Blame?

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Who can say who is to blame for present conditions; for the past winter that has sapped the last reserve dollar of the employe, and for the actual losses the employer has had to take? Either everyone, employe and employer is to blame or no one is. Why not admit that we all lived on "high" while the going was good, and that we have since been paying the bills for Value Received.

Now comes the time when it is necessary to get down to shirt sleeves and remedy the cause of business inactivity and that can only be accomplished by co-operation. The man who agitates internal dissension, and prevents co-operation between employe and employer at this time, is courting industrial disaster, for the margin between success and failure in industry today is too close to trifle with.

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