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—Byron

## Emphasizes the Issue

The reports of the Wickersham commission, collective and individual, showing discrepancies between the general findings and the separate reports of the commissioners confirm the rumor that President Hoover persuaded the commission to abandon at the last moment a tentative recommendation for the immediate revision of the 18th Amendment and declare against repeal.

All of the individual reports refer to modification of the 18th Amendment as suggested by the commission, yet this recommendation was deleted in the report as presented. The Wickersham report is then, not the honest conclusions of the commission, but what Mr. Hoover desired his appointees to say, a position emphasized in his letter of transmission to Congress.

The general report itself denounces conditions obtaining under prohibition and declares enforcement a failure. Seven of the eleven commissioners declare individually for a constitutional change that would permit restoration of liquor traffic in localities desiring it. Judge Kenyon, the most ardent dry on the commission urges a congressional investigation and declares that evidence of prohibition corruption "is so startling that it is difficult to believe" and that in the days of the saloon "corruption was not so widespread and flagrant as it now is, it had not become such an established art and racketeering was unknown." But Mr. Hoover ignores these reports and continues to strive for the unattainable.

The net result of the Wickersham report is to force the prohibition issue deeper into national politics, with the probability of its becoming the dominant issue in next year's presidential campaign, with the Republican party, as long as it accepts Mr. Hoover's leadership, definitely committed to the dry cause.

Senator Borah's suggestion that the report should be shelved and a national referendum taken on repeal is a sensible one and would definitely settle the issue. Failing in that, the presidential election, complicated though it be by partisanship, local and national issues, will resolve itself into a partial and unsatisfactory referendum on prohibition.

## Irrigation in Oregon

The 1930 census of irrigation for Oregon and its counties, with comparative data from the 1920 census shows that in 12 counties listed there is less land under irrigation now than a decade ago, and in 12 counties an increase in watered acreage, while in the unlisted seven counties there is a decrease. The number of acres under irrigation now is 937,668 as against 986,162 in 1920, a shrinkage of 5 percent or 49,054 acres.

The decade witnessed the beginning of irrigation in the Willamette valley. Ten years ago the acreage was negligible. Today there are 566 acres under irrigation in Clackamas, 1144 acres in Lane, 1475 acres in Marion, 635 in Polk. Summaries for Linn, Yamhill and Washington are not given. In all probability the watered acreage in the valley will be greatly increased in the next census.

The shrinkage in irrigation acreage is mainly in eastern and central Oregon, due to the bankruptcy of irrigation projects. Baker has lost 30 percent, Crook 16.8 percent, Deschutes 16.1 percent, Gilliam 51.8 percent, Lake 29 percent, Malheur 9.6 percent, Umatilla 28.7 percent, Union 27.6 percent, Wallowa 18 percent and Wheeler 15 percent.

The greatest gain in watered acreage has been in Klamath, with 72.2 percent, Jackson with 67.7 percent, Jefferson with 56.8 percent, Josephine with 30.7 percent and Morrow with 18.6 percent.

The acreage enterprises were capable of irrigating has shrunk from 1,344,046 acres to 1,188,920 acres or 11.5 percent. The irrigable acreage in enterprise has fallen off from 1,925,987 acres to 1,531,232 acres, or 20.5 percent, due to elimination of unsuitable lands included in project areas.

## Waste and Thrift

This is National Thrift Week and all over the country luncheon and service clubs, which for the past few weeks have echoed to appeals to spend money freely and "buy now" as the sure and safe way to create prosperity, are re-sounding with invocations to save as the tried and proven path to prosperity. Despite the apparent contradictions of the two gospels, few of the listeners will see the humor of the situation.

As a matter of fact, the advocates of both spending or waste and those of saving or thrift are right, for both attain the ends sought. Spending is the source of community prosperity and thrift the origin of individual prosperity.

The wasters create prosperity by buying what they do not need and keeping their money in circulation. They keep the wheels of industry running to supply them and the farmer busy to feed them. The savers on the other hand, in refusing to waste slow down the wheels of industry in assuring their own salvation.

If everyone bought only what was actually needed, half of our industries would go out of business and the other half be crippled. Imagine what would happen to the automobile, the radio, the tobacco, the candy, the chewing gum and a thousand other industries if people confined themselves to purchasing only essentials! This is happening now, and we see the results so calamitous to the business world. And at the same time we see the advantages of thrift to the individual who safely, by the aid of his savings, rides the waves of depression.

There is of course a happy mean—between waste and penny—but it is seldom stressed.

**MRS. BROWN IMPROVES**  
Wacoona—Mrs. George Brown has been very ill and under the care of a physician at her home east of Wacoona. Although still confined to her bed, reports are that she is slowly improving.

**SURFACE BURNS**  
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## UNIVERSITY OF PORTO RICO MAY DEBATE LOCALS

Debaters among the men at Willamette will have a full session according to the schedule announced Tuesday by Lars Nelson, men's debate manager. Questions to be used are: "Resolved, That the expansion of the chain store is detrimental to the best interests of the American people" and "Resolved, That the nation of the world should adopt a policy of free trade." One tentative meet is scheduled with the University of Porto Rico on the prohibition question. The only tentative debate other

## Amos and Andy Discuss Intangibles Tax

By W. A. DELZELL

Amos—(Talking to himself) "Five thousand, six thousand, seven thousand—What is you done been wid dat pencil Andy, youse been figgerin in talkin to you self foh mos an hour?"  
Andy—"I'm computatin my refunds of untangledills tax."  
Amos—"You is computatin which?"  
Andy—"Amos, you is been so ignorant of de A.B.C.'s of finance dat hit aint no use tryin to 'splain to you de mysteries of de Oregon tax system—Dat's only understandable by men like me an Mister Chapman. Even de Tax Commission gits puzzled sometimes."  
Amos—"Well what I wants to know is huccon youall is wearin out dat pencil a figgerin. Youall aint got no refunds comin, is you? How you goin to git any of dat money?"  
Andy—"Amos, de legislature is a pavin a law to give back \$850,000 of untangledills tax—Dat's what I is figgerin on gettin some of."  
Amos—"Who's goin to get dat money Andy?"  
Andy—"Dem as paid it in behof de law was conscientioushanded by de Co't."  
Amos—"Well is you name done been writ on dat list Andy?"  
Andy—"Amos efen dey was a raw oyster a layin here on a saucer it would look intelligint longside of you. Dis yere bill dey is a pavin says it is all goin to be secret refunds—nobody's goin to know nuffin about who gits it or how much cepin dem as pays it out, and dey is all sworn tighter dan us bruders of de Mystic Knights of de Sea to reveahl tell nobody, not even a Oregonian reporter. An efen dey does even whupper a word, syllable or figger of it, dey can be fined an put in de jail and moved out of ofis and have der testaments taken away so dey is disqualified foh five years from running foh ofis on de republican ticket."  
Amos—"Dat's suah some penalty aint it. But hit takes a lot to keep a politician's mouf shut don't it?"  
Andy—"Yes, dat is a heavier penalty dan been a treasurer like Benny Dick Arnold was behof de Cyril Wain."  
Amos—"But huccon dey has to keep it all so secret Andy? It's just taxes bein give back to dem as paid it in aint it?"  
Andy—"Yes but look who dey is goin to pay it to. Dem untangledills taxpayers is quality folks—dey aint no po' white trash monst dem. Dey don't fool round wid common farmers an property tax payers. Dey don't own nuffin but untangledills efen dey can help it."  
Amos—"What youall mean bout ownin differnt kinds of property, Andy? Aint we all taxed de same—black and white, and po folks and rich folks all alike in dis lan' whut Abraham Lincoln don't give us and de republican party?"  
Andy—"Amos efen you'll shut dat big mouf an lissen I'as gaine to elucidate you on Oregon taxation. Now dey's three kind of property folks kin own. Dey is lands—dat's real estate; dey is removables like cars and umbrellas and diamond suitcases and horses and cattle, dem is called chattels; and dere is stocks and bonds and notes dat a man kin hide in his safety boxes and kase you cant see 'em or feel 'em or hanl 'em dey is called 'untangledills'. Dis las kind is whut de rich folks like best and das whut de secret business is all about. A fool nigger an po' white trash dat own

## PETITION FOR COUNTY ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

Henry Tauffest, well known resident of the north end of the county, appeared before the county court Wednesday in regard to securing improvement on a road a mile south of Butteville which was opened up about three or four years ago but only partially completed. He desired to have the road finished if possible. Some of the right of way passes over some excursions and there is some narrow road which needs changes and improvements. The court advised Tauffest that under present plans the court contemplates improvement of the Butteville-Champoeg road before going ahead and finishing the road maintained by Mr. Tauffest. There is about a mile of work on the Butteville-Champoeg road, stated Commissioner Smith which needs improvement and one steep hill it is likely, unless some change is made in the condition of funds, that coming season, although the court has not definitely passed on the matter.

County Roadmaster Johnson Tuesday afternoon visited the scene of work which has been going on on the Croisan road up the creek about two miles from the pavement on Riverside drive. Blasting has been going on there to work out some big rock and make a ditch which will carry away surplus water that has made the section of the road dangerous in freezing weather and it is believed the work now nearly finished will turn the trick. Johnson said the work has progressed very satisfactorily there.

Tom Galloway of Ladis & Bush bank also appeared before the court and reported a bad condition on an "S" hill on the pavement of the Rosedale road a mile south of Liberty. Reports also have been previously made by others in regard to the absence of shoulder on the hill created a dangerous condition so in wet weather when the pavement is very slippery traction is lost and it is almost impossible to control a car. He stated that recently his car turned around on him on the hill and it was only good fortune which caused it to back end into a friendly drive after the car had slid back down the hill a considerable distance. Members of the court will look over the situation and probably take steps to make it safer.

## 2 KILLED WHEN HIJACKERS PICK WRONG VICTIM

Long Beach, Cal. (UP)—Two men were dead Wednesday and a third was in a critical condition following a gun battle between Carlyle Lord, 59, Walteria resident, and three men whom police believed to be hijackers who picked the wrong victim. Lord was shot to death as he came to the defense of his home and his guests, but before he died he killed one of the intruders and seriously injured a second. Lord was playing cards with his daughter, his son-in-law, Paul Lassen, and a neighbor, Harlow Huffine, when three men forced their way into the house. "Does Otto live here?" one man demanded. Informed that he did not, the man whipped out a gun and forced the quartet to line up against the wall. Lord made a break for his bedroom where he secured a gun. He started firing as he reentered the room, and one man dropped. The second was wounded before Lord was shot by the first, and the third man, in the confusion, took his injured companion to a waiting automobile and fled. Long Beach police a short time later arrested R. R. Brown, 40, and held him in the police hospital on suspicion of assault. He was declared to have but a slim chance to live. Brown told police he was wounded when held up. Charles Moe, who was said to have taken Brown to a physician's office, also was held for investigation. The dead man had not been identified Wednesday.

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## MRS. WILL HOME

Grand Island—Mrs. Louis Will and two-months-old daughter, Barbara Joy, returned home Monday from the McMinnville hospital where the infant had received treatments for inflammation of her right eye. Occasional treatments will be continued for a time.

## PREMIUM DEFICIT OF FAIR COVERED IN BILL

Payment of \$16,498.13 for premiums offered by the state fair in 1930, for which there were not sufficient funds, is asked in an appropriation measure by the Marion county delegation in the house of representatives. Previous appropriations were insufficient to meet the demand. The measure, H. R. No. 37, carries the emergency clause.

## SUPREME COURT HEARING CLARK DRY LAW APPEAL

Washington, D.C.—Prohibition was given the right of way in the supreme court Wednesday and fundamentals of the 18th amendment were concerned in argument of the government's appeal from the Newark federal court ruling that the amendment is unconstitutional because it deprives property without compensation. A speedy decision by the supreme court was anticipated, there was much speculation as to the procedure it would follow. In accepting the appeal the court was forced to break a rule that has endeavored for more than a decade—it has accepted jurisdiction in a case involving the validity of the 18th amendment.

Few believed that Judge William Clarke who rendered the Newark decision would be sustained. Many thought the court would not even write an opinion giving the reasons for overruling him but would dismiss the case with a week by a brief "per curiam" decision. In a "per curiam" decision the court would simply hand down a terse finding that the appeal was overruled or sustained on the basis of past supreme court decisions. Others believed the court would write an opinion correcting what many consider a shortcoming in the so-called Rhode Island decision.

In the Rhode Island case, argued in the same marble chamber almost 11 years ago, there were four of the same justices who were sitting Wednesday. Five justices who sat then have been replaced. Those remaining are Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes, Louis D. Brandeis, James C. McReynolds, and Willis Van Devanter. Van Devanter, who wrote the Rhode Island opinion sustaining the amendment and the Volstead act. Counsel for the New York lawyers who banded together several months ago to test the validity of the prohibition amendment were relying on the contention of Judge Clark that only state conventions could properly adopt an amendment such as the 18th. This amendment, they contend, took rights from the people and gave them to the federal government. They quote extensively from history and literature, as did Judge Clark.

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M. M. vs. Leah Dungan, married at Alsea in November, 1906. It was found the defendant is insane and confine the state hospital and decree is granted to permit him to better care for his own affairs.

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