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Probing Wall Street

Aroused by the collapse of security prices in the protracted bear market to record lows, by reports of foreign campaigns against the American dollar, and by rumors of a billion dollar raid scheduled for today, the senate banking committee has ordered an immediate investigation of the stock market and subpoenaed Richard Whitney, president of the New York stock exchange as first witness, together with exchange records.

An investigation of short selling tactics was threatened some months ago by President Hoover who was reported to have records of names and transactions to prove a conspiracy to depress security prices. The senate committee proposed to expand the inquiry to include all stock transactions and tactics but administrative influence halted it and the exchange itself put mild restrictions on short selling limiting the use of borrowed securities.

When the defeat of the revenue bill sales tax knocked the false bottom out of the market and the bear movement surged to new life with the proposed tax on stock sales in a concerted drive, and the short-selling restrictions proved futile, the president took the lead in spurring the sudden inquiry and is backing it to the limit.

A thorough investigation is needed for Wall Street has not kept faith with the president or with the nation. It has placed the dollar above patriotism and utilized its machinery to wreck the efforts of reconstruction and stabilization. In this the exchange seems to have had the cooperation of the big bankers who are strenuously opposing the Glass bill designed to divorce banking from speculation, and at the same time forcing the railroad loans from the refinancing corporation into their own vaults to repay their own loans instead of aiding the railroads as intended.

That the inquiry will be thorough is guaranteed by the senators who will participate in the investigation. There is Brookhart who scents a conspiracy to drive the nation off the gold standard and to whom Wall Street is the source of all evil, Glass of Virginia, author of the federal reserve act, Walcott of Connecticut, Mr. Hoover's mouthpiece, and such radicals as Norbeck of South Dakota, Blaine of Wisconsin and Connally of Texas.

Wall Street is in for a most uncomfortable session, the country for enlightenment on the methods of high finance, and the shake-down may result in curbing the unscrupulous speculation in the nations resources. Its initial result has been to send the bears to cover.

Deserting Liberty

Two revolutionary systems of social government have come into vogue since the world war, communism as practiced in Russia and fascism as practiced in Italy, in some of the Balkan countries, and now seriously being considered in Germany. The capitalist economy, though dominant in most of the world has been weakened by the great catastrophe of the war and placed on the defensive.

Both communism and fascism, like all dictatorships are alike in that they are founded on force and denials of liberty. Neither allows any room for freedom of expression. They both boast of lofty sentiments and attempt to gloss their tyranny with verbal gestures towards freedom, but it is empty. The communists, the franker of the two, admit the state is but the instrument of class oppression to enthrone the proletariat, while Mussolini declares liberty a curse. The capitalist economy, despite its imperfections and shortcomings, has given the principle of liberty its most complete expression in history.

What is amazing is that so many intellectuals, themselves the creation of liberty and hitherto its loudest advocates are becoming disciples of either fascism or communism, especially the latter, thus repudiating overnight principles humanity has fought and struggled for for millenniums.

The progress of communism or of fascism spells a twilight period for freedom, for liberty is a principle that eternal vigilance is necessary to keep alive as most of the forces of the world are arraigned against it. It has been kept flourishing largely by intellectuals now deserting it, and under the intolerable oppressions of the future, they will be compelled to fight the long battle for freedom all over again.

The Income Tax

Says the Gervais Star:

For months now we have been looking in vain for the services of the people—Governor Meier, the Oregonian, Oregon Statesman, Portland Journal and Capital Journal, the Tax Equalization league and state tax commission—to at least mention an income tax as a relief to the present and future generations, but the silence has been deafening from those sources of information as champions of the dear people. True, an income tax has been enacted a couple of times in Oregon and many times been declared unconstitutional. Why? Because each of them were class legislation.

Silence on the income tax does not at least reveal ignorance of the tax situation—for we have a sufficiency of income taxes already—more income taxes and at higher rates than any other state and they are yielding sufficient revenue to enable the state this year to cut out its levy on real and personal property. And these taxes were not only imposed by the legislature but by vote of the people in 1930.

We have an excise tax on corporation earnings of five percent, a personal graduated income tax culminating in a five percent levy on all incomes over \$4,000, and an eight percent tax on intangibles. The latter has been attacked in the courts, but not yet passed upon and is still being collected. They yield over \$3,000,000 a year, which is utilized to relieve the property tax.

Oregon has the income tax—the chief concern now is the incomes to apply it to.

Gates—A few men in the Gates vicinity are employed as fallers and buckers up at Hammond company's camp No. 26. Among those who have gone are Oscar Uebel and brother, Ray Decker and Vic Meyers.

Lyons—Mrs. Harold Rossen left for Morton, Wash., Wednesday when she received word of the serious illness of her father.

NOTED AUTHORS PROVIDE SCREEN OFFERINGS HERE

Will Rogers continues his sensational career on the talking screen in "Business and Pleasure," adapted from the best-seller novel, "The Plutocrat," by Booth Tarkington, in his latest Fox production coming to the Warner Bros. Elinore theater screen for three days with the first appearance the popular Saturday midnight matinee.

The story, written by Tarkington primarily as a defense of the typical American tourist and as an answer to the satirical attacks on the native son of Sinclair Lewis in his "Main Street" and "Babbitt," retains much of its delicious flavor in the screen version. Few changes were made to give the production dramatic form as well as to serve as a proper vehicle for the Rogers' brand of humor.

A half-demented doctor, intent on crossing the blood of a gigantic ape with that of a living girl, adapts the terrifying story of "Murders in the Rue Morgue," Universal's strange drama which comes to the Warner Bros. Capitol theater for three days, starting Sunday, with Sidney Fox and Bela Lugosi in the leading roles. It is the famous Edgar Allan Poe story reworked for the screen. Rumor from Hollywood says "It is a Dracula" and "Frankenstein" rolled into one and cranked together in an ice cream freezer.

Janet Gaynor and Charles Farrell, stars of such pictures as "Sunny Side Up," "Man Who Came Back," "Merely Mary Ann" and others are featured with El Brendel in "Delicious" showing at the Grand Sunday and Monday. Next Tuesday Salem theatergoers will be entertained de-luxe when they see and hear Vic Myers and his famed troupe of funsters. Outstanding among the entertainers will be Dorothy Grodovic who has thrilled radio audiences of the world. On the screen Tuesday will be Dorothy Mackall in "Safe in Hell."

SYCAMORE TREES FOR COURT HOUSE

A dozen sycamore trees were deposited on the court house lawn Saturday morning by Knight Peary as the first of the new planting for the lawn which has been outlined and planned by the Salem Garden club in cooperation with the Misses Elizabeth Lord and Edith Schryver. Holes already have been dug for planting these trees which will be scattered about the lawn near the various entrances.

While a general plan has been worked out for landscaping the lawn it is understood the changes will be made gradually and it is likely much more shrubbery will go in the lawn this spring. The county court has had some men working for several days pulling weeds from the lawn. At first it was suggested that the lawn be spaded up and reseeded to give work to men and at the same time furnish a new lawn but this plan was vetoed.

Divorce Is Subject By Frieda L. Ring

Dallas—Frieda L. Ring is seeking to be relieved of her marriage vows to Henry N. Ring, according to a divorce complaint filed in the circuit court here Thursday. The couple were married in Klamath Falls June 5, 1926. Two years prior to the complaint defendant began to treat plaintiff in a cruel and inhuman manner, declaring that he did not wish to live with her. He was also given to the use of liquor and when doing so was always of a quarrelsome disposition. He was addicted to calling her vile names even in public thoroughfares. The plaintiff finally left the defendant December 19, 1931. No property rights are involved. A complete decree of divorce is asked with any other further relief the court may deem just and right.

Logging To Start

Gates—Adam Shepherd of the Shepherd Logging company made a trip to Corvallis Thursday for the purpose of hiring or buying a logging tractor so that he might commence logging operations on the hill north of Gates. Shepherd will have the logs hauled to the Hammond mill at Mill City by truck.

HOSS SPEAKS TUESDAY

Independence—Secretary of State Hal E. Hoss, will be the speaker at the meeting of the chamber of commerce Tuesday evening at the Presbyterian church. R. K. Montgomery, chairman in charge of the program makes this announcement and desires a full attendance of the membership to hear Hoss.

NOTE.....!

In a few of Friday's papers the coupon was wrongly printed—quoting the price of the fish baskets as \$1.00 with coupon when it should have read \$1.79.

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Alienist Witnesses Cause Further Delay In Trial At Honolulu

Honolulu, T. H., April 9 (AP)—Swift conclusion to the honor slaying trial of four Americans appeared remote today as a new conflict arose over introduction of medical testimony for a defense of temporary insanity.

Prosecutor John Kelley, who engaged Clarence Darrow in a four day battle over the "melting pot" jury, announced he will demand the services of as many alienist as appear for the defense.

Admittedly unprepared to meet this type of defense, Kelley made his announcement when he learned two prominent Los Angeles psychiatrists had arrived here with the apparent intention of service to the defense.

PICNIC PLANS ARE DISCUSSED

Waiona—Mrs. Richard Tuve entertained members of the Waiona community club at her home near Hazel Green with an all-day meeting Wednesday. A pot-luck luncheon was served at 1 o'clock. The group was occupied during the day with needlework on club articles. The annual club picnic was discussed and plans for financing the picnic made.

Mrs. Eugene W. Manning of Brooks and Mrs. Will Davis of Hazel Green were special guests for the day, others in the group including Miss Hattie Skelton, Mrs. S. H. Wane, Mrs. Charles M. Hall, Mrs. Henry Stafford, Mrs. Elsworth Hubbard, Mrs. Julian De Jardin, Mrs. Van Kelley, Mrs. A. L. Lamb, Mrs. Norman Parsons, Mrs. Ross Hammon, Mrs. Bess Laikins, Mrs. Ed Scharf, Mrs. Robert Fromm and daughter Arline, Mrs. Isadore Loran, Mrs. Frank Felton, Mrs. William McGilchrist, Mrs. Wesley Dostal, Gordon Tuve and the hostess, Mrs. Richard Tuve.

The next regular meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Julian DeJardin at Hopmere all-day Wednesday, April 20, with the usual pot-luck luncheon served at the noon hour. Quitting will be the order of the day.

Miller Is Speaker For Amity Forum

Amity—The Commercial club of Amity met Wednesday evening in the parlors of the Baptist church for its monthly meeting. After a short business meeting Milton A. Miller of Portland addressed the club on the financial problems of the present. W. L. Graham, also of Portland and former Amity boy, gave a short talk on community spirit. Other guests present from out-of-town were Arthur Phillips, a Yamhill county legislator, Ray Wiscarver, candidate for secretary of state, and Rev. and Mrs. L. S. Shumaker of McMinnville. About 40 were present to enjoy the dinner served by the women of the church.

Luncheon Is Given To Club at Roberts

Roberts—The G. T. club members met at the church Thursday. A luncheon which was furnished by half of the group was served at 1:30 o'clock. Those present were Mrs. Alice Coolidge, Mrs. W. V. Johnson, Mrs. Flora Holley, Mrs. Gordon Bowman, Mrs. B. D. Pidler, Mrs. W. E. Pettyjohn, Mrs. F. V. Edwards, Mrs. G. S. Higgins, Mrs. L. D. Lott, Mrs. L. H. Ziehlke, Mrs. J. P. Bressler, Mrs. S. C. Davenport, Mrs. Esther Query, Mrs. John Osborne, Mrs. R. Judson, Mrs. E. Goodrich, Mrs. A. W. Blankenship, Mrs. A. Kleen, Mrs. E. Harmsberger, Mrs. Bud Stutzman, Mrs. W. M. Meier, Mrs. N. P. Kugel, Mrs. G. Jungwirth, Mrs. R. J. Rice and Mrs. J. P. Blankenship. The club will meet again in three weeks.

Campaign To Open

Silverton—Rev. J. M. Halverson of Minneapolis, Minn., will begin a series of protracted evangelistic sermons Tuesday evening at the Calvary Lutheran church on Jersey street. The services will be in the English language. The congregation plans a week's series.

Mehama—Hugh Grace, who has lived in this community for about six years, moved his family to Salem Thursday. He will be employed on a dairy near that city.

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SILVER FALLS ROAD SURVEY UNCOMPLETED

With the question of the location of the South Silver Falls secondary highway improvement still undecided at Friday's road day of the county court, Engineer McGee of the county road department Saturday started a preliminary survey on the proposed new, or Matheny route, which many residents of the district are asking to replace the route already surveyed.

It is expected that this preliminary survey will require only three or four days and will be run through to get a first estimate on the probable cost as compared to the route now surveyed and approved by the state highway commission.

Partisans of the Matheny road say that their route is a mile shorter than the route now surveyed, that it is cheaper, that the right of way will be guaranteed not to cost the county a cent and that it will serve many more families than the other road.

On the other hand it was reported at Friday's road meeting that some of the property owners on the other route are pleased because they feel that the first survey will be abandoned and that they do not wish a road through their places.

COUNTY GRAVEL STOLEN ON ROAD

Robert Cole who was in Salem from Mission Bottom Saturday morning reported to the county court that somebody had driven into the road which branches off the market road and runs to the Wheatland ferry and had dug out and hauled away 15 or 16 truckloads of gravel out of the side of the county road.

Cole and T. B. Jones cooperated to put up some stakes and barbed wire fence to protect the road and while here Cole secured some new warning signs to post on the road.

Cole stated that warning signs had been placed there as the same thing has happened before, but the recent high water took the signs down. However, he stated that the road is plainly marked and anyone taking the gravel must have known that it was coming out of the county road. As far as Cole knows no one saw the parties at work.

Plan Initiation

Woodburn—The regular meeting of Evergreen chapter, Order of the Eastern Star will be held at the Masonic temple Monday night. After the close of chapter the Rainbow Girls will initiate four candidates and all members of the Eastern Star and Masons are invited to witness this initiation which will begin at 9 o'clock. Refreshments will be served.

Mehama Keeps Teachers

Mehama—The school board of this district met recently and re-elected the present teachers for another term. Mrs. Lillian Poyner, principal and Miss Beulah Ottinger, primary, are the staff. The salaries were reduced slightly.

Mt. Angel—Mrs. Therese DeCover, sister of Mrs. Christine Eberle, who has been visiting here for the last two weeks, returned to her home in San Diego, Calif., Thursday.

Poultrymen Save Dollars

Here are a few ideas for the poultryman, stockman or small pet raiser who wants more protection for his stock with as little investment as possible. Capital Journal material in state 17 1/2 by 24 can easily be used instead of expensive wall board. These cards cost but one cent each and their compressed pulp fibre materials make them strong and durable.

Use the cards for roofs on hen coops and turkey shelters. Cards double lapped on even slightly sloping roofs will give perfect shelter. Treated with a light dip in creosote, thinned roofing tar or crank case oil they are much better.

In lining chicken houses or brooder rooms it is suggested that the cards be quickly dipped in creosote or crankcase oil to which a little nicotine solution has been added. This will make it very tough for lice and other pests.

Atmosphere Is Given Test By Silverton Pair

Silverton—Alfred Adams, local aviator, with Lowell Hoblitt as passenger, recently made a test flight to determine the maximum ceiling at which the monoplane would operate satisfactorily. Adams plans a trip to Cleveland to attend the national air circus during the summer and he wishes to make sure of the best heights for flying over the mountains in the small ship.

The young men report one hour and thirty-five minutes after leaving the Silverton airport they had attained a height of 13,000 feet. The ship is equipped with an instrument board of nine devices, has an eighty-horsepower Lambert motor, carries 30 gallons of gasoline, and in all totaled a weight of 1400 pounds. At 13,000 feet the monoplane was still climbing at the rate of from 60 to 100 feet a minute.

The temperature was 20 degrees at 13,000 feet and breathing was beginning to be difficult. The men circled down in 20 minutes.

They report a clear view of the Oregon Pacific coast, Mt. Adams, Mt. Jefferson, Mt. Hood, the Three Sisters, Rainier, St. Helens and cities innumerable. Silverton still seems to be quite a city, even two and a half miles up.

West Salem Crew Of Teachers Are Guest at Dinner

West Salem—Mr and Mrs. Lyle Thomas were hosts Thursday evening at their home on Edgewater street, at a pot-luck dinner to the teachers of West Salem schools. The evening hours following the dinner were spent socially and with music. Miss Ruth Bennett was an additional guest. The teachers are: Principal Lyle Thomas, Miss Hazel Emmett, Miss Arula Grant, Miss Roberta Peterson, Mrs. Ethel McCoy, Miss Golda Martin, Miss Flora Polly, Miss Catherine Chandler.

Lyons—Mrs. Grace Harford has been appointed in charge of music week here, under the direction of Mrs. Schroder of Mill City.

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