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## A Balanced Budget Abandoned

With the approach of election, President Truman has evidently abandoned all hope of budget balancing and yielded to political pressure by jacking his \$900 million limit on federal public works projects with an order allowing 14 agencies to spend an extra \$600 million on construction in the year ending June 30 next. This will permit these agencies alone to spend a total of \$1,200 million and more increases are promised for other agencies. And this at a time when private enterprise is prevented from construction by shortage of material and men. Competition of government will not only increase these shortages as well as costs and further delay completion of all construction, public as well as private, for employment is at its maximum now.

The order was issued by Reconstruction Director John R. Steelman. It does not list specific projects, that is up to the agencies affected, including the interior department's reclamation bureau, the commerce department, the civil works of the army engineers including rivers and harbors as well as flood control improvement.

The agencies affected by the \$600 million clearance are the navy, interior, agriculture, justice, treasury and state departments, veterans administration, federal works agency, reconstruction finance corporation, maritime commission, Tennessee valley authority, Panama canal, national advisory committee for aeronautics, and war department military branches.

Last August the economy program mapped by President Truman called, among other things, for holding down federal public works expenditures for the current fiscal year to \$900 million as compared with \$1,600 million approved by congress, imposing a 60-day moratorium on government projects and a weeding out of the less important ones. Congressmen and localities affected protested loudly and have been whittling away at the restrictions. Flood control expenditures were increased last Thursday from \$95 million to \$130 million.

So a balanced budget goes out of the window along with OPA price controls on meat and other foods. Complete reversals of adopted policies on election eve are due to politics not statemanship.

## Three "Yes" Measures

Among the measures and constitutional amendments appearing on the November election ballot are three so worthy or reasonable as to command a favorable attention of all voters. There is no ground for opposition to any of them.

The first is a constitutional amendment to that section of the basic law governing the succession to the office of governor when it becomes vacant for one reason or another. The proposed amendment would not disturb the present order of succession, that of the president of the senate and speaker of the house in that sequence, but simply extends the sequence to the secretary of state and state treasurer in that order. It would simply provide a further guarantee against the possibility of the state being without a legal chief executive in the event of the death or disability of a governor at a time when there might be no president of the senate or speaker of the house.

A second constitutional amendment would repeal that section which forbids the ownership of property in Oregon by a Chinaman who was not a resident of the state when the constitution was adopted. The United States Supreme Court has indicated that the prohibition violates the provisions of a treaty with China, and as a result the prohibitory section has never been enforced. In addition, practically all persons of Chinese blood in Oregon are American citizens through birth or naturalization, making the ban on their ownership of property discriminatory and void.

A third amendment is designed simply to clarify and expedite legislative procedure as it has been carried on for many years in both houses. This would be accomplished by changing the constitution to permit legislative bills to be read by title only, thereby denying to obdurate members an instrument with which to waste the legislature's time by lengthy filibustering, as is now possible by permitting any member to require all bills to be read in their entirety. It is a measure in the interests of good government.

## Leave Civil Service Out

Embodied in a report which a special committee is scheduled to present to the city council tonight will be a recommendation for the appointment of a director of traffic safety vested with sufficient authority to enable him to direct and supervise a comprehensive program of traffic regulation in the interests of public safety. Creation of the office follows the widely accepted method of dealing with this intricate problem in other cities.

It is the committee's reported intention to suggest that the new office be set up inside the police department, through which many of its functions, particularly those dealing with enforcement, would be carried out. This is a logical plan to follow, not only because of the nature of the new official's duties, but because it promotes the most economical method of carrying on traffic operations through utilization of the police.

For two very good and sufficient reasons, however, the traffic director, if it is approved as it should be by the council, must be kept outside of civil service:

1. Changing after January 1 all city administrative jobs will be performed by or under the supervision of the city administrator appointed by and responsible to the council. It is important to the success of the new plan of government that no exceptions be made to the administrator's control over subordinate offices.

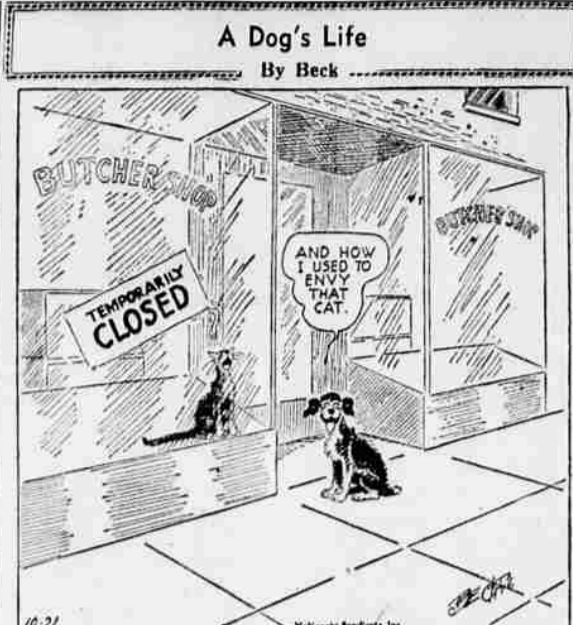
2. To a large extent the duties of the traffic director will be of an executive, policy making nature, and because until traffic control policies have been determined through experience, control over the director must remain flexible.

The only real object in setting up the new traffic office in the police department is to permit the free use of traffic control officers to assist in the surveys, studies and other experiments incidental to the formulation of a city-wide safety program, and until a traffic department has been permanently organized along lines yet to be determined.

## Polk County PTA Council Will Meet

West Salem — A meeting of the Polk county council of the Oregon Congress of Parents and Teachers will be held at the West Salem city hall, Tuesday, October 29, registration to begin at 10 a.m. Business meeting, conducted by Mrs. Hugh Van Loan, will be held in the morning, followed by school of instruction conducted by one of the state officers, Dr. Lawrence Riggs of Willamette university,

will be the speaker in the afternoon. All those attending are asked to bring sandwiches and cookies sufficient for themselves; salads and coffee will be furnished by the hostess association, West Salem PTA. There will be the regular 25c registration fee. An invitation to attend the meeting has been extended to all members of the Marion county council. Senet, the great-grandfather of backgammon, was the pastime of ancient Egypt more than 5,000 years ago.



## Sips for Supper

By Don Upjohn

National Bible week opens today and its sponsors hope that people will turn from Forever Amber and the like to spend some time with the book which continues to be a best seller regardless of how folks act up.

As we write it is nice weather for a little while until it starts to rain again. We offer this in answer to the question we had put to us several times today as to how long the sunshine would continue.

Continuing our department of Salem doubles which we started with Joe Felton and we had another double last week, we had another one this morning. A party walking across the street and asked if that wasn't Chief of Police Frank Minto over yonder. The party pointed at happened to be Hal Henderson, long considered one of the town's handsomest hoppers and same shouldn't cause Chief Minto any serious concern although we don't know how Hal would feel about it. In justice to both may we say the party making the mistake was wearing bifocals and probably was looking through the wrong lens.

## Novelties

(By the Associated Press)

### Personal Interest

Spokane, Oct. 21 (AP)—Police-men here are trying extra hard to locate an overcoat reported missing after a meeting of the Northwest Investigator's association.

It belongs to Police Chief Gerald Swarthout.

### Last Laugh

Chicago, Oct. 21 (AP)—A thief stole Mrs. Samuel Glick's purse as she danced with her husband in a hotel dining room.

There was no money in the purse. But there was a claim ticket which the thief presented at the checkroom and walked off with a platinum fox cape valued at \$1500.

### 1 Killed, 3 Injured In Crash Near Brooks

L. Glenwood Wheeler, 40, Portland, died Saturday afternoon as the result of a two-car head-on collision three miles north of Brooks on Pacific highway east.

Wheeler was a passenger in a car driven by Robert P. Lewis, also of Portland. Police said Lewis' vehicle apparently sideswiped another car as he attempted to pass a logging truck and crashed head-on with a third car driven by Frank Borwick of Vancouver, Wash.

Borwick, Lewis, Mrs. Jenny Bond, of Orchard, Wash., a passenger in Borwick's car, and L. Dykstra, Vancouver, Wash., a passenger in Lewis' car, were treated in Salem General hospital here for fractures, cuts and possible internal injuries. All have been released except Mrs. Bond whose condition is described as fair.

Two women in the sideswiped automobile were not injured.

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Incidentally, if the chief would follow the long offered suggestion of putting himself in uniform no such mistake could be made in the future. Maybe he will after he sees how nobby the deputies in the sheriff's office look in their new getup. We've been expecting the sheriff to give an afternoon tea some time to his deputies so folks could drop in and get acquainted but have scanned the society columns in vain for any announcement of same. Maybe he's waiting until the boys practice up on pointing a little finger out away from a cup before he puts on this event.

Frank Perry, foreman of the composing room in our favorite paper, owns a diamond ring which set the boy back about 300 bucks and it has three settings with a diamond apiece. He walked in the shop the other morning, happened to look at his ring and one of the diamonds had disappeared from its setting. He started an inch by inch search for same which took him the length of the composing room, out through the front offices, down the stairs, across the sidewalk, across the gutter to his car, where lying on the running board was the diamond. If he'd followed the prescribed procedure and started at the running board first he'd saved some time.

## Who Could This Man Be?

(Corvallis Gazette-Times)  
"Essentially a genial man, he seems to be having too much trouble realizing that he is running a harassed nation in one of the greatest crises of history, not just directing some committee on a Rotary club with membership trouble."

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## MACKENZIE'S Column

By DeWitt Mackenzie (AP Foreign Affairs Analyst)

That's pretty strong mustard which the Moscow Pravda (official communist party publication) handed us with our breakfast this morning—I mean the accusation that American and Turkish diplomats have been participating in "extraordinarily crooked secret talks" on the future of the Dardanelles.

Still, this pungent Russian condiment tends to emphasize the truth of the prediction in our column last Saturday that the big three are approaching a show-down over the serious differences between the Soviet union and the western allies. Control of the Dardanelles—as I pointed out—is one of the issues which will help clear up the mystery of how much further Moscow aims to expand its sphere of dominance.

The Pravda article of course had reference to the fact that Turkey has rejected the Russian demand for a share in the defense of the straits, and that Washington recently advised the Soviet union that Uncle Sam didn't intend to be squeezed out of having a voice in the Dardanelles. Britain has made similar representations.

The Ankara note was of Anglo-American origin. He said the communication appeared to be a translation of the American language into Turkish and added: "It is important only that this translation expressed all the delicacies or—should more truly say—all the coarseness of American speech."

The commentator also probed this question: "After all, where is Turkey? And where are the straits located? We have heard of dollar diplomacy and about diplomacy of the dollar. Maybe the geography of the dollar is beginning to appear with a new division of the continent."

Well, the question of whether Uncle Sam has been up to dirty work at the Balkan crossroads will have to be left to him to answer in his own coarse language—the uncouth old scoundrel. One can only observe that he has made it amply clear recently that he doesn't intend to be pushed about.

Report from Washington  
However, we do have from Washington a highly interesting report bearing on America's attitude towards Europe. Officials who are in a position to know, say that Secretary of State Byrnes is rapidly lining up an American economic policy to fit in with "a patient but firm" U.S. attitude towards Russia and her Slav neighbors. The secretary is said to be forming a proposal to pour several hundred million dollars into Italy, Austria and Greece while choking off American fi-

## Medal Awarded Naval Airman

Posthumous award of the Air Medal has been made by the navy to ARM 2c Louis Stephen Jakubec, son of Louis Stephen Jakubec of 1969 North Commercial street, who was killed in action in the Pacific theater during World War II.

The Salem naval airman, a radio operator and gunner on a dive bomber aboard the USS Hancock, was awarded the decoration for meritorious achievement in aerial flight during action against the Japanese forces in the Nansai Shotto and Kyushu areas from March 17 to 27, 1945. Jakubec participated in five strikes against those Nip strongholds.

## Chief Engineer to Tour Valley Project

Portland, Ore., Oct. 21 (AP)—An inspection trip of northwest reclamation, flood control and Columbia river projects by Lt. Gen. Raymond A. Wheeler, army chief of engineers, will begin here Wednesday.

Gen. Wheeler will tour Willamette valley flood control projects and the proposed site of the McNary dam on the Columbia river.

The Chamber of Commerce of Walla Walla, Wash., will entertain him Saturday at a dinner and on Sunday he will inspect the Hanford atomic plant site and Yakima area projects. Monday he will inspect the engineers' school at Ft. Lewis, the Mud mountain dam, a flood control project on the White river near Enumclaw and then attend a Senate Chamber of Commerce dinner before leaving for Washington, D.C.

Financial help to eastern European nations. The informants in the capital say the American delegation to the recent Paris peace conference decided that the best policy would be to give all possible help to nations friendly to the United States but refuse aid to those who are unfriendly.

The argument over the Dardanelles will provide an illuminating test case.

Britain and the United States concede Russia's rights to full use of the Dardanelles. The only point at issue is the refusal to give Moscow military domination of the straits.

## Federal Control Ties-up Huge Lumber Supplies in Alaska

Seattle, Oct. 21 (AP)—Southeastern Alaska's huge forests could go far towards filling the nation's future lumber and newsprint shortages but timber interests fight shy of such expansion because of federal control of the forests and limited transportation, a lumber industry spokesman said in a week-end statement here.

Almost "next door" to the Pacific northwest, the forests contain an estimated 85 billion board feet of lumber, but at present there are only three sawmills of commercial size in the entire territory.

W. E. Bell, managing director of the Western Retail Lumbermen's association, listed three points in a week-end summary giving his explanation of the situation:

1. With all timber in Alaska federally owned and controlled, sawmill operators must buy timber needed for their operations from the government.

2. Because the government controls the timber and Alaska waterways, it is able "through bureaucratic control" to decree virtually life or death for such operations.

3. Water transportation now available would be insufficient to handle large-scale exports of lumber, wood products or pulp. A large operator would be required to provide his own fleet of ships.

Forest studies indicate that with proper forestry management southeastern Alaska could easily produce a billion board

feet annually in perpetuity, Bell said. About 30 percent would be good construction lumber, representing lumber needed for 30,000 houses. The major portion of the timber would be suitable primarily for pulpwood, but the territory does not now have a single pulp mill.

"I criticize the practice of forestry for forestry's sake, and of bureaucracy for bureaucracy's sake, when what we need to think of is the final objective, the production of lumber to be utilized in the homes and farms of America," he said.

The largest of the three Alaska mills has an eight-hour sawing capacity of 175,000 board feet of lumber, he reported. At one time during the war, lumber had to be shipped from Russia to meet urgent military construction needs.

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