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## Timely Topics

By R. T. Moore

The approaching doom of the Axis Powers finds the United States, alone of the Allied Nations, without definite plans for reconversion to peace-time economy. Both England and Russia have blue-prints drawn up and filed for instant use when the time comes. But Uncle Sam's is not yet past the talking stage.

It is one of the attributes of democratic government that anything affecting the general economy will inevitably be liberally flavored with partisan politics. There is a maneuvering for political advantage during the talking stage followed by a compromise adjustment in the final stage of any plan. This gives opportunity for research and cautious study but prevents any prompt emergency action. Neither England or Russia is thus handicapped and either can therefore beat Uncle Sam to the punch. We desperately need a type of leadership that can organize and unite the discordant elements into a smooth-working machine, to translate the great latent power of the United States into the resolute action necessary to preserve the peace and restore world-wide prosperity. The administration has not, to date, shown any ability to furnish such leadership.

As this column has repeatedly pointed out, the greatest weakness of the present administration is its inability to organize for any definite course of action. Being strongly political and highly sensitive to pressure from militant minorities it shrinks from the definite, positive commitment necessary for business health. It prefers to muddle along waiting for the procession to form and take direction so it can quickly grab the flag and rush to the head to get credit for leadership when there really was none.

This sort of thing got by during the 1930's when the Administration could keep the economy afloat by spending the tax money of our grand children. But the war has changed the picture decidedly. The national debt is now so gigantic that it menaces the safety of our Republic. We must have a leadership that can organize the country on a pay-as-you-go basis. The storage bins of federal manna are nearly empty. We've got to rise up out of the easy chair of dependence on government, don our overalls, pull up our socks, and rustle our own grub by the sweat of our brow. A Yankee spirit of self-sustaining enterprise is called for. Let us select a leader who knows how to get right in there and lead by inspiring force of example, not one who can merely wave the flag and utter soothing words.

The situation demands purposeful action and ability to organize our resources in men and material. We cannot dally with pleasant day-dreams that appeal to the emotions. The time has come for stern realism and appeal to reason. The nation faces a choice between a continuance of the state socialism of pre-war days and a return to the free enterprise system. The issue becomes clearer day by day. It is the philosophy of a paternalistic state as master of the people's destiny versus the civil state as servant rather than master of the people.

The rapid growth of co-operatives in the last few years has attracted the attention of the Treasury Department. The Congress has set up an investigating committee to learn the why and wherefore of such a boom in this type of enterprise. There is strong suspicion that it is being used to avoid income tax liability since co-operatives do not have the stiff income tax schedules assessed against individuals and corporations. The co-operative system has worked well in some industries, notably dairying. Bona-fide co-operatives have been a major factor in the marketing of some farm products for many years. Because of their non-profit features and the fact that they are operated for the benefit of their members only, they escape heavy tax levies. It is this feature that

## TWENTY YEARS AGO

(Taken from The Sentinel of Friday, August 23, 1924)

A movement has been initiated this week for the erection of a building on the front of the city's myrtle grove property as a public library. The plan is as yet more or less in the air, but it contemplates asking the council to submit a proposition to the voters at the election in November by which \$8,000 or \$10,000 can be raised for erecting a building, suitable for a library in a city this size.

The room now occupied by the library would not have been completed when the city hall was built had it not been at the suggestion of those interested in the library at that time, and that the engine room was to have been left a high room with no floor above it. The association agreed to sell their property to furnish the room with tables, chairs, book racks, etc. and the offer was accepted by the council.

E. W. Gregg has finished the concrete pavement for the three block improvement on Second street and starts in today pouring concrete for the similar paving on Third street.

Plans have been completed for the presentation of the pageant "Klahkama" under the direction of Mrs. O. K. Kronenberg at the Bandon park Saturday evening, August 30.

We have never seen the time in our twelve years in Oregon when people were more gratified to see it rain for a couple of days than last Sunday and Monday—nor have we ever seen rain as much needed as it was then.

The siding for the Graham dance

hall is being put on this week and the big 100x100 pavilion will soon be enclosed and under cover.

John W. Miller is in receipt of a letter from O. N. Ford, manager of the Portland Gun Club, stating that he ranks third in the state among the sportsmen, who have shot over the Portland traps this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Dayne Hudson intend leaving next week for Hillsboro, Oregon, where Dayne has purchased a small ranch.

Mrs. Geo. P. Laird and three children, of Bandon, came up Tuesday for a three weeks' visit at the home of Jas. W. Laird.

Ned Lawrence, son of Recorder J. S. Lawrence, was married on the 12th of August to Miss Margaret Rankin, a sister of Mrs. Kennett P. Lawrence. They will make their home in Oakland, where Ned has a position with a lumber company.

Mrs. W. L. Kistner and sons, Kenneth and Ross, Miss Maxine McGilvery and Fred Harlocker returned Wednesday night from an auto trip to Crater Lake, Klamath Falls, Ashland and the caves.

Great, long piling, upwards of a hundred feet, have been hauled through town the past two or three months. They are being cut east of the ball park and hauled out to the Johnson Mill section of the highway and dumped along the Chaney logging road right of way. They are to be used for piling on that road where trestles are to be built to cross Glen Aiken creek.

### Pocket Size Radios To Flood World After The War

A world full of small sounds is foreseen after the war by the editor of "Radio-Craft Magazine" who predicts a flood of miniature radios smaller than any made before.

There will be vest pocket radios with the human body acting as aerial. Others will be made to look like

paperweights, cigar lighters, desk calendars, dolls, animals, perfume bottles, pepper and salt shakers, flower vases, playing card holders and compasses. And they'll be everywhere—in the living room, bathroom, bedroom, the subway, restaurants and offices!

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"I wonder if Bill thinks he has been paying his taxes the 'easy way'?"

"Bill is too smart to be taken in by the tax arguments of the saloon crowd, he just drinks because he wants to, or maybe he can't help himself."

"I saw in the paper that Uncle Sam spent only fifty seven cents to collect each hundred dollars of internal revenue last year."

"Yes, and for every dollar the saloon turns in in taxes it collects three dollars from the public. That's what I call paying taxes the expensive way."

"Could the Federal Government get along without the tax money collected from the public by the saloons?"

"Of course it could. Last year less than ten percent of the total Federal revenue came from liquor taxes."

"A lot of people know that the whole liquor tax argument is simply a smoke screen. The saloon crowd wants to keep legal the business of starting non-drinkers to drink, of getting moderate drinkers, like Bill, to drink more, and to satisfy the drunkard."

"That's about right. Let's give Bill a hand home before he gets into trouble."

## What makes a train run?

When a train such as the *Cascade, Overland Limited, Golden State Limited* or *Sunset Limited* thunders by, all you're conscious of is the thrill of a thousand tons of steel going places. You may catch a brief, friendly wave from the engineer, but he's about the only man you see.

The purpose of this advertisement is to take you behind the scenes and show you how many men and women are necessary to make a train run. The locomotives, cars and tracks are only the tools with which these people work.



**2** Track Workers "manicure" every foot of Southern Pacific's 15,000 miles of line. Carpenters and Bridge and Building Men maintain the countless bridges, tunnels and trestles.



**3** Signalmen, Electricians and Linemen regularly inspect and repair the thousands of miles of wire, and all the signals, motors and apparatus it takes to run trains safely and on time.



**5** Lubricators, Greasemen, Boiler Inspectors and their helpers give locomotives a thorough going over at the end of every run, put them in tip-top shape.



**6** Machinists, Blacksmiths, Boilermakers, Carmen, Sheet Metal Workers and other craftsmen repair war-worn equipment for the busy Main Line.



**8** Car Cleaners, Car Inspectors, Air Brake Inspectors and Electrical Inspectors are among the thousands of workers who help to make the railroad run.



**9** Last but not least, the Call Boy—smallest cog in the railroad machine. He wakes up the train crew and makes sure they report for duty on time.



**1** Besides the Engineer and Fireman, a long distance train usually carries Railroad and Pullman Conductors, Brakemen, Porters, Steward, Cooks, Waiters, Baggage-men, Mail Clerk, Express Messenger. For example, our streamlined *Daylight* (San Francisco-Los Angeles), requires 62 people.



**4** Dispatchers control the movements of trains, sometimes automatically by "Centralized Traffic Control" (see above). Telegraphers receive train orders and report train movements.



**7** Commissary Workers make sure that only the finest food is prepared in S.P. diners. Last year Southern Pacific served more military meals than any other two railroads combined!

### That Nagging Backache

May Warn of Disordered Kidney Action

Modern life with its hurry and worry, irregular habits, improper eating and drinking—its risk of exposure and infection—throws heavy strain on the work of the kidneys. They are apt to become over-taxed and fail to filter excess acid and other impurities from the life-giving blood.

You may suffer nagging backache, headache, dizziness, getting up nights, leg pains, swelling—feel constantly tired, nervous, all worn out. Other signs of kidney or bladder disorder are sometimes burning, scanty or too frequent urination.

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