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## Timely Topics

By HON. R. T. MOORE

The visit of President Truman to Oregon was brief but yet long enough to give us a sketchy idea of what he really looked like. The writer was one of the fortunate who stood on the curb as the President whizzed by in an open car, waving his hat in response to the enthusiastic welcome of the crowds. The President is a much better looking man than his pictures indicate and seems to have tremendous vitality. That he is also an accomplished politician is evidenced by the fact that no Democrat stalwart was overlooked nor were any of the supporting groups by-passed in the arrangements for his entertainment. The appearance before the men at the Veterans Hospital was the crowning event of the well-planned program. His policies are plainly meeting with general public approval.

One of the important items on the Truman program is the reorganization of the government into one cabinet officers as opposed to one by the chief executive's directives. Mr. Truman seemingly does not fear to assign needed authority to good men. He is not afraid of increasing the stature, politically, of his cabinet officers by allowing them to handle affairs of their department in their own way. His appointments have been generally good and pointed in the direction of selecting the best the Democratic party has to offer. In the latter instance he is running the risk of alienating leftist support. Evidently he is not willing to pay the price they demand in the way of subservience to their dictates. For this the country should be thankful.

In line with the above program is the so-called bureaucracy bill for the control of the many U. S. corporations. A description of the corporation, its rules and general procedure, would be made publicly known under terms of the bill. Other features are the separation of prosecuting and judicial functions, due notice to interested parties of any change in rules or regulations, provisions for court review on appeal from the corporate acts, and the clarification of regulatory powers which would be under the strict control of the Congress. This bill is a long step away from dictatorial government by directive and towards representative government. The Congress would regain the disciplinary powers over federal corporations necessary to safeguard the rights of private citizens. The progress of this bill will be watched with interest.

Another item in the program is the study being made by Senator Byrd's committee on government waste of manpower. The latter has been so evident to the public that strong action had to be taken to quiet mounting clamor against the government doing the very thing it deprecated in private industry, the hoarding of manpower through useless accumulation of personnel.

The civil service system is probably responsible for a goodly portion of this manpower wastage. It has set up a measurement of salary according to the number of subordinates. Obviously this encourages the hiring of unneeded personnel. It should be summarily done away with and the entire structure of the civil service gone over to weed out such idiotic practices. The civil service system has been getting a bad reputation with the public for the past decade. If it is to survive the post-war years when the public will be keenly tax-conscious it must initiate and perform a drastic re-organization of its functions. The public will hope that Senator Byrd can succeed in forcing reform on wasteful federal agencies. But it is very difficult to get anywhere against entrenched bureaucracy unless the people rise up in revolt.

Appointment of the able, diplomatic James Byrnes to high office is confidently expected as another step in the Truman program. Mr. Byrnes, like the President, knows the value of a dollar and has the mental vigor and the intelligence to

## TWENTY YEARS AGO

(Taken from The Sentinel of Friday, July 3, 1925)

Press dispatches from Santa Barbara give information about the destruction wrought by the earthquake there earlier in the week, in which modern building crumbled but the ancient missions still stand.

Floras lake, fifteen miles below Bandon, and the site of that boom town Lakeport, of which nothing is left is going to witness a revival of interest in its possibilities. This time it will not be as a commercial port but as a summer resort.

Roadmaster W. A. Gilbert was this week named by the county court as Weed Inspector for Coos county. The county has been made a district, under the noxious weed law, for the extermination of all weeds but more especially the Canadian thistle.

The county court signed an order Wednesday calling a special election to vote on the proposition of issuing \$980,000 bonds for the construction of roads and bridges.

E. L. Perrott and Raleigh Miller returned last Saturday from Portland, where they had just finished erecting twenty cottages at the Portland

make a fine officer. The fact that he is a stalwart party man completes the picture.

So far, Mr. Truman has done very well with his appointments and has strengthened his control over the executive branch of the government thereby. There is returning confidence that his administration will witness a gradual retreat from state socialism.

The current political campaign between Laborites and Conservatives in England is interesting to hold to the old middle-of-the-road traditions. Laborites, although at first planning advocacy of drastic social reforms, have been forced to abandon these plans and appeal to the voters on the strength of labor's participation in the war effort. The average Englishman is plainly fed up with state regulation and rationing and what-not. He wants to be left to go his way in peace and will soundly box the ears of anyone who proposes state control over anything but the absolute essentials.

This attitude of the English voter draws attention to the expanded social security program now being proposed for Americans. The English have slammed the door in the face of the peddlers of social security wares and have told them to go sell them to the Americans. The question is, will the American voters buy the wares?

Social security is a catch phrase intended as an attractive label for the scheme to regiment the American working-man. If it really provided the security it advocates, the plan would be readily acceptable. But it merely takes funds from the present generation of working people to finance current government, leaving only the promise to collect from future generations the cost of meeting the terms of the program as they become payable. It compels by legal power the subservience of the working man to government edict on such essentials as terms of labor, medical care of himself and family, standardization of benefits, and the limitation of opportunity for advancement imposed by high taxes demanded under the program.

The real social security is one that provides adequate protection against misfortune or disaster while at the same time encouraging self-help and ambition to get ahead. It protects the weak and helps the strong. It maintains peace of mind against threat of adversity and so paves the way towards full use of personal effort in undertaking the risks of creative enterprise. It allows to each man the full fruits of his own labor. Another name for it is private enterprise.

It is significant that the Russians are adopting the profit motive system in their industry. Mr. Stalin knows wherein the strength of American productive power lies. He is not to be misled by the theories of intellectuals in this important matter. A system of reward for extraordinary effort and ability is now being used in Russia and will be instrumental in building up the industry of that great power. We should not allow the United States, the originator of the private enterprise system so envied by other nations, to be sold a poor substitute under an attractive label called social security.

The greatest security for the working man lies in a steady job and the opportunity to save enough for old age if he puts forth the necessary effort. In this lies the key to human happiness and contentment, the

West Side Auto Camp. This is the camp which Geo. N. Battey is conducting on Terwilliger Boulevard.

W. E. Bosserman, Southern Pacific and Western Union agent in Coquille, has been notified by the telegraph company that next week messenger service in Coquille will be established.

F. R. Shely, a marble cutter and monument dealer, has moved his marble shop from the Bay to Coquille.

A committee was appointed at the regular weekly dinner of the Lions Club yesterday to circulate petitions and present them to the council, asking that an amount be included in the budget this year for the purchase of Athletic park by the city.

The hours for irrigating in this city are now from six p. m. to eight p. m. only.

E. A. Palmer and son, Raymond, Miss Eleanor Foley, Miss Myrtle Clayton, of this city, and Miss Evelyn Woodward, of Arago, left yesterday morning to attend the Christian Endeavor convention which begins in Portland tomorrow.

## Employment, What Is It? — Land

It is interesting to watch the trends of thought which are making themselves manifest at the present time, especially those on furnishing employment to the returning soldier. Very few people realize that it is not a problem of the returning soldier at all, as all have to eat and live, it is the old problem of labor.

The principal line of thought is usually along the line of public improvements. It might be well for us to look into the effect of public improvements under the existing economic set-up—that is, private property in land or giving land a selling value. Will jobs be more or less abundant because of such improvements?

Let us take roads for an example (all public improvements under the set-up have a similar effect). Let us build a five-lane highway between New York City and San Francisco. Under natural economic conditions, such an improvement should be everything that is desirable. The effect of building such a road and the activity that goes with it is to make every product of individual labor cheaper and more abundant, such as houses, cattle, cars, electricity, machinery and everything of like nature. It is strange that this truth has not impressed itself on the great mass of the people. And another great truth is that the location value of land is the only value that increases. Strange as it may seem this location value that is produced by all of the people goes to a non-producer and if they were all done away with the people would be better off. This value goes to land ownership.

A good example of the above is the Empire State building, the finest on earth. A building corporation rented the block that this building stands on from the Astors and are paying \$1,000,000 a year for these lots and \$500,000 goes to England to that branch of the Astors. How do you like it? Also digest this one. Everett Seelye and I stood on a vacant lot in New York City and we could have thrown a stone and hit said building. (Notice we did not).

sense of having accomplished something worth while. Free industry has, and will, provide such security if allowed to. The constant flow of new blood into its veins through injections of young, vigorous men and women filled with ambition to do things makes it stronger and more virile with each succeeding generation.

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It is impossible to think of land and employment as separate things. Land is the only job there is. The building of this highway or any other public improvement is to increase the location value of land and, under the existing set-up makes it much harder for people to get land (employment) and jobs become more scarce. Under a just economic system, the location value of land would be taken for the support of government and all land under this system would be free. Everyone would be glad to pay the location value of the land they are using and everybody wants the best and they do not consider it a tax. (It is not a tax). It cannot be added to price; it must be taken out of volume. The motto of the republican party when first organized (1856) was: "Free trade, free land, free men. Fremont."  
Jas. Richmond, M. D.

## Camp Lawhorn To Be Dedicated July 15

(By Home Demonstration Agent)  
The Coos County 4-H Leaders' Association has set Sunday, July 15, for the dedication of the new 4-H Camp, this camp to be known as Camp Lawhorn. It is located a mile above R. H. Lawhorn's place on Middle Creek. Turn up the Middle Creek road one-half mile north of McKinley. This will be an all-day picnic. Bring a basket lunch; coffee will be furnished but you will need to bring your own sugar and cream, and dishes. Dedication ceremonies will start at 2:00 p. m.

This is the camp where the homemakers are planning to have a vacation from July 18 to 22. Wouldn't you like to go? Any homemaker may attend. It will be a place where you may relax and have fun. You may engage in crafts, swim, hike and play. The fee is \$2.00 a day. Half of this may be met with foods that you may have grown at home. There will be no children at camp. If you have small children you cannot leave, it has been suggested that possibly you could work out a plan with your neighbor, whereby you might take care of her children for two days while she attends camp, and then she could take care of yours for the rest of camp. If you are interested would you please send a card to Home Demonstration Agent in Coquille, as we would like to know soon the number for which to plan.

August 1 to 5, Coos county is holding its 4-H Club Camp at Camp Lawhorn. It is expected that there will be over one hundred 4-H members present.

## Federal Auto Stamps Must Be New On All Cars

J. W. Maloney, Collector of Internal Revenue, stated last week that on Monday, July 2, 1945, he would assign all available Field Deputies of his office to check motor vehicles to see if the owners had purchased the Federal \$5.00 Auto Tax Stamp which should be on all cars July 1st. Mr. Maloney said that all motor

vehicle owners are required by law to have the tax stamp posted on their windshield July 1, 1945, showing payment of the tax for the year beginning that date.

While the law provides penalties for delinquency, the assertion of these penalties will be withheld until July 11. All motor vehicle operators apprehended on or after July 14 will

be liable to a penalty of \$5.00 or more in addition to the cost of the stamp. These stamps can be purchased at all Post Offices or from the Collector of Internal Revenue at Portland, Oregon. (In order to avoid unnecessary penalties, owners of motor vehicles should purchase these stamps at once and affix them to the windshields of their cars.)

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