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How does a forest fire help the Japanese? Very simple. Every forest fire takes loggers off the job of cutting timber for war lumber. The Tillamook fire now raging has virtually stopped logging in the great northwestern part of Oregon. Somebody was careless, and now the Jap is really happy. Won't you help Keep Oregon Green?

## Timely Topics

By HON. R. T. MOORE

With the end of the Jap war probably only months away and with increasing likelihood that war production will be eased off in many industries by late fall, the congress must give priority to reconversion measures when it resumes session. While this subject has been under considerable discussion for some time and numerous plans formulated to stimulate private industry, there still seems to be a tendency to postpone final action on such a controversial matter until the war's end. The obvious danger in such a course is that we shall again find democracy coming with too little and too late.

The Truman administration appears to favor a return to private industry with government backing up the line, the all-out encouragement of private business with government expenditures for public works to be used only to bolster up the economy in slack periods. This plan allows elbow room for individual industry by keeping taxes low and using government projects to maintain demand levels. Its success will depend, of course, on the skill with which government uses its project construction as the balance. There will be local clamor for government construction not particularly needed and the latent balancing power of tax monies may well be lost through unwise dissipation. Nevertheless, this plan seems superior to any other as a general scheme for our peace economy. It must be supported by election to the congress of those who will not tamely yield to pressure politics. And this will be a hard task for the voters.

There are two main schools of thought in matters of American economy. The New Dealers, or state socialists, believe the people will best be served through a general regimentation of both business and individual aimed at an equal distribution of the wealth and a guaranteed relief from creature-want. Nearly all of those with this view are members of the democratic party. A few are republicans. The other school of thought is that the people will be served best by allowing the greatest possible freedom from regimentation, that wealth should be distributed on basis of merit rather than mathematical exactitude, and that it is the primary duty of the individual to protect himself and dependents from want, the state providing only on the basis of need. Most of these with this view are republicans. But a great many are old-line democrats.

We shall soon see lines being drawn for the battle between these conflicting philosophies. Party lines will be crossed by partisans of both schools but the democratic party will suffer greater loss than the republican because of its coalition character and conflicting elements. There is a possibility, now feared by regular democrats, that the more radical elements of the democratic party will be led away from the fold by the well-organized PAC under CIO sponsorship. This could split the party with disastrous result just as the Bull-Moose movement lost the 1912 election for the republicans. This projected withdrawal of PAC-led elements may actually occur if its leaders believe they can attract enough voters from both major parties to win. But more likely, they will try to wrest control of the democratic party away from the old-line politicians and force the southern democrats to go along for the ride. The maneuvers between now and the 1946 elections promise to be interesting.

Faced with this ticklish political

## TWENTY YEARS AGO

(Taken from The Sentinel of Friday, July 31, 1925)

Cook county went to the polls yesterday and emphatically went on record as favoring paying the state the \$280,000 which the highway commission had advanced for road work in this county. The voters also approved, but by a smaller majority, the \$700,000 bond issue, which included the \$300,000 for the Eastside bridge, the \$100,000 for a beach road from Empire to Sunset Bay and many other smaller projects in various parts of the county.

Recorder John S. Lawrence stated yesterday that the city water system is more than paying its way, \$2,000 in bonds having been paid this year.

The secretaries of the five Chambers of Commerce in Cook county held a meeting at the Hotel Coquille Tuesday evening. A move was made toward forming a permanent organization of all secretaries of chambers of commerce and community clubs in the county.

The store of Bean & Martin at Riverton and the postoffice there were robbed some time Wednesday evening.

The Coquille Rod & Gun Club are planning on giving a big dance here in Graham's Hall, Saturday, Aug. 15. The purpose of the dance is to raise

situation as well as the difficult economical problems the lot of the president will not be a happy one. He can hardly avoid offending some supporters and can only hope that he pleases a majority. He has shown unexpected talent for picking strong men in his administration and has done well in his foreign contacts to date. But there is evidence that the leftist elements of the party mistrust him and his ability to hold them in line may well be doubted.

While the president has been careful to avoid actions that would brand him definitely as a conservative, the trend of his administration does seem to favor a return to private economy. He has earned his way and knows the value of a dollar. Irresponsible spending of tax money is plainly repugnant to him. He is also a shrewd politician and, as such, a good judge of trends in public opinion. It is possible that he senses the subtle psychological change that occurs in people when they advance from want to plenty. Needy people readily embrace leftist philosophy. But when they become prosperous they forget socialism. Our working people are generally prosperous and therefore not apt to take kindly to proposals for sharing their plenty with the less provident. Under this theory, then, it would be politically wise to swing right with the tide.

The planned economy is the philosophy and the resort of those who have lost faith. Free enterprise is only for those with confidence in themselves and hope for the future. America is at cross-roads and the direction it takes will determine the world's economy for generations. There are no limits to living standards under free enterprise. Planned economy measures out rations of social security. Free enterprise gives only the security earned by individual effort. Under it you are what you make yourself. There are no rations. Which of the two philosophies best fit free America?

### The Tragedy Of The Wilson River Fire

(Eugene Register-Guard)

Already the great fire on the Wilson river road in the Coast range has swept through more than 35,000 acres, and the tragedy lies in the fact that this blaze, like most forest disasters could and should have been prevented. It was "man-made," we are informed, in this instance, the careless moving of an old steam donkey in a small lumber operation. The amount of old timber destroyed so far is relatively small, but the damage to new growth is incalculable. Same old story! It is only in recent years that we have ceased to speak lightly of "brush fires" and "damage confined to underbrush." The new growth of future timber is sheltered by brush. Burn it too often and it never re-seeds.

The Keep-Oregon-Green campaign has produced a gratifying state of alert in recent years. The Jap balloon scare has added to the general vigilance. There has been a tremendous improvement in the methods of guarding against forest fires. All of our forests, nation, state and private, are gridded with patrols and observers. We have airplane spotting and radio and telephone communication. We have reserves of units to help fight fire.

It takes close to 100 years to replace lost forests, and Oregon's for-

ests funds for defraying the expense of Coquille's representatives to the national shoot at Dayton, Ohio.

The county was enriched by \$500 yesterday when the sheriff sold a Buick touring car for \$350 and a Chandler roadster for \$150. Both were confiscated as booze cars.

The Coquille High school class of last year held a reunion in Patterson's grove on the evening of July 25th. There was a good representation, those present being: Misses Aileen Wilson, Elva Willey, Georgianna Johnson, Wilda Clark, Gertrude Mintonye, Norma Willard, Dena Elington, Clarabelle Mintonye, Messrs. Don Pierce, Warren Brandon, Polly Moon, Harold Peart and Pat Harville. Two members of the class, Erica Filcroft and Sadie Hamblcock, have married.

Geo. W. Taylor, Sr., father of the George Taylor of the Battery station, came in from Springfield Monday and says he and Mrs. Taylor will be back soon to make Coquille their home. He has bought the former Dayne Hudson house.

With the death of William Jennings Bryant, the fight against the teaching of evolution in the schools is just about as dead as the fight ages ago against the teaching that the earth moved around the sun.

## Everywhere in Nature We Find Reason

Let us suppose for a moment that reason is the highest faculty (some authorities say fantasy) of the human mind. Now let us feature Mars inhabited by beings that have the faculty of reason and that some of them managed to come down to the earth. What would be their reactions to the picture presented by the United States in an economic and social way?

Suppose these men noted that wealth was necessary to life and that wealth was produced by the application of labor to the earth (land) and saw further that each individual had a stomach to fill, a body to clothe and a mentality to develop; he would naturally think that the product of the man was for the care of the body. He would look around him and see that was the way all the animal life was taken care of. He would look at a herd of cattle and see each one working for the care and maintenance of the body and they would also see that people as well as the other animals took care of the animals they were responsible for.

These people from Mars would also see that where the interests of the individuals conflicted, some power would have to be developed for the purpose of settling these conflicts. They would see that that development is what we call government or the social structure. These men would look around and discover that this social structure needs wealth to carry on its work. They would finally see that the location, or site value of land, was produced by the social structure, (\$20,000,000,000 a year), and the taking of this value would only take for government what government produced. This would not take anything from anybody. They would see that the taking of this value would conform to the moral law (thou shalt not steal) and that it was sufficient to support government and not take anything from anybody which morally belonged to him.

These men would be very much surprised to find that this value, (site value of land), was taken by land owners through private property in land and thus going to people who produce nothing and then, when the people needed a value for the purpose of carrying on their government, they had to tax the people for it.

Do you not think the men from Mars would think you were very foolish and lacked the faculty of reason. The doorstep to the temple of wisdom is a knowledge of our own ignorance.—Jas. Richmond, M. D.

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## Books At Library Here From Salem

Through the courtesy of the State Library at Salem, Mrs. Pearl Ellingsen announces the arrival at the Coquille Library of special books for readers here. They cover a variety of subjects and the public is invited to come in and look them over. They must be returned to Salem by Aug. 17. Following is the list:

"Understanding Yourself," by Groves; "Mental Health," by Howard; "A Way of Life," by Oaler; "The Goods Housekeeping Marriage Book," by Bigelow; "Parents' Questions," by Child Study Assn. of America, Inc.; "Do Adolescents Need Parents?" by Taylor; "Keeping Mentally Alive," by Cotton; "Being Born," by Strain; "The Costume Book," by Leeming; "Your Carriage, Madam!" by Lane; "Diet and Personality," by Bogert; "Diet and Health with Key to the Calories," by Peters; "Feeding the Family," by Rose.

"Commission on Relations between College Men and Women," by Council of Christian Assns.; "So Youth May Know," by Dickerson; "A Marriage Manual," by Stone; "American Red Cross First Aid Text-book," by Red Cross; "Emotional Hygiene," by Anderson; "Outwitting Your Nerves," by Jackson; "The Nervous Housewife," by Myerson; "Housekeeping Handbook," by Balderston; "How and Whys of Cooking," by Halliday; "Decorating Livable Homes," by Burris-Meyer; "Designing Women," by Byers; "Two to Six," by Alschuler; "Children in the Family," by Anderson; "Care and Guidance of Children," by Goodspeed; "The Country Craft Book," by Johnston; "Seat Weaving," by Perry; "Basket Pioneering," by Gallinger; "More Baskets and How to Make Them," by White; "Wood-Carving as a Hobby," by Faulkner; "Chip Carving," by Moore; "Pottery Making," by Honore; "Jewelry, Gem Cutting, and Metalcraft," by Baxter; "Art Metalwork," by Kronquest; "Art in Everyday Life," by Goldstein; "Design Techniques," by Payant; "Designing with Wild Flowers," by Smith; "Home Decoration with Fabric and Thread," by Spears; "Block Printing with Linoleum," by Frankenstein.

"Creative Music in the Home," by Coleman; "Care and Feeding of Hobby Horses," by Calkins; "Play Production Made Easy," by National Recreation Assn.; "On With The Show," by LeMay; "Easy Plays for Women," by Palmer; "Quick Tricks," by Reach; "Easy Blackouts," by Taggart; "Community Recreation," by Draper; "Games For Quiet Hours and Small Spaces," by National Recreation Assn.; "Flower Arranging," by Laura Lee Burroughs.

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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

**Pete Jr. Gets His Tenth Jap Plane!**

Pete Swanson's son, Pete Jr., brought his tenth Jap plane down last week, and his dad couldn't help bragging. But I got to thinking about Pete Senior; how he hadn't missed a day at the war plant since the war began; how he'd worked overtime and Saturdays and Sundays; how he'd kept himself in shape; been temperate and sensible; so that he'd be at work clear-headed, bright and early every morning. So, when he invited us over after work to drink a toast to his son in a sparkling glass of beer—I couldn't help toasting Pete Senior, too.

From where I sit, there's more than one kind of "ace" that's helping win this war... men like Pete Senior, too. And when the war is over, and the monuments are erected to its heroes, I hope they don't forget the workman on the home front—the man who stuck to his job like a soldier to his guns, until the victory.

Joe Marsh

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