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SAFEGUARDING OUR RIGHTS AND LIBERTIES

No man has ever stated the fundamental principles of our theory of government or the ideals of its founders in clearer language than President-elect Herbert Hoover. His words lift themselves above partisan politics and lay down fundamentals which every American citizen should read and study from the standpoint of their bearing on his daily life. In his New York speech, Mr. Hoover said in part:

"The Government in commercial business does not tolerate among its customers the freedom of competitive reprisals to which private business is subject. Bureaucracy does not tolerate the spirit of independence; it spreads the spirit of submission into our daily life and penetrates the temper of our people not with the habit of powerful resistance to wrong but with the habit of timid acceptance of irresistible might."

"Bureaucracy is ever desirous of spreading its influence and its power. You cannot extend the mastery of the Government over the daily working life of a people without at the same time making it the master of the people's souls and thoughts. Every expansion of Government in order to protect itself from the political consequences of its errors and wrongs, is driven irresistibly without peace to greater and greater control of the nation's press and platform. Free speech does not live many hours after free industry and free commerce die."

"It is a false liberalism that interprets itself into the Government operation of commercial business. Every step of bureaucratizing of the business of our country poisons the very roots of liberalism—that is, political equality, free speech, free assembly, free press and equality of opportunity. It is the road not to more liberty but to less liberty. Liberalism should be found not striving to spread bureaucracy but striving to set bounds to it. True liberalism seeks all legitimate freedom, first in the confident belief that without such freedom the pursuit of other blessings and benefits is vain. That belief is the foundation of all American progress, political as well as economic."

TAX THE LOAFER

One of our exchanges sums it up in this manner: Theoretically, the perfect tax would be a tax on inaction. The proper man to tax would be the loafer, not the worker; idle land, not used land; inactive capital, not active capital; lack of enterprise.

Such a tax would not be practical, but it would be a just tax. Our present taxes are based on an opposite theory.

We tax thrift, action, capital, enterprise.

We levy taxes in proportion to ability to pay, which means that the harder a man works, the more we tax him; the more thrifty he becomes, the more we soak him; the more efficient he grows, the more we knock him down.

If a man saves his money and buys a house, he is taxed; if he wastes his money in extravagant living, he is not taxed.

None of our taxes encourage production by the simple process of discouraging idleness, shiftlessness, inefficiency.

The devil himself could not do a neater job of hobbling the race.

When a big electric locomotive burst through sheeting, covering the west portal of the Great Northern tunnel at Scenic, Wash., Saturday, the first train had been drawn through the longest underground bore in the Western hemisphere—nearly eight miles in length, completed in approximately three years at a cost of \$14,000,000. The new tunnel route lessens passenger train time on the Great Northern one hour and the time of freight trains three hours. A system of switchbacks on the Cascade mountain grade is done away with, and before the Great Northern completes improvements of its line in connection with the new tunnel route, which includes the complete electrification of the entire Cascade mountain division, the cost will mount to \$25,000,000.

Wyatt Earp, who boys of 50 and over used to read about back in the late '70's, when he was a gun toting peace officer of Dodge City, Kansas, and Tombstone, Arizona, and whose colorful career led him through several fatal conflicts with "bad men" is dead at the age of 78. His later years were spent in California where he was interested in sports. Among numerous relics he possessed was a

Colt revolver with a number of nicks notched in its handle, each recording the demise of a lawbreaker.

The Oregon legislature convened Monday. It faces a number of perplexing situations confronting the state and which of course its august body is expected to satisfactorily unravel. Perhaps the principal problem before the lawmakers is that of lessening the tax on the fellow that pays by bucking up the cinch on the fellow who should pay, but doesn't.

Everybody in England with the possible exception of General Bramwell Booth, himself, are in favor of his retirement as head of the Salvation Army. Maybe in time the general will be attacked with the same notion.

The man who wrote the Nebraska game warden, asking forgiveness for shooting a prairie chicken out of season back in 1893, cannot be classed as a "game hog."

With regularly clicking shots in the movie news reels, we are constantly being reminded that Mussolini is still mussolining over there in Italy.

A bankruptcy ring has been unearthed in New York; as though it were not easy enough to go through bankruptcy without wearing a ring.

Medford school district, home of the state's champion football team, shows an increase of 244 pupils over the number listed last year.

And so; after the late lamented democratic campaign, Jim Missouri Reed is still able to go, and go strong.

Forty-five hundred ewe lambs were recently sold at Klamath Falls for \$45,000. Can ewe beat that price?

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In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County, In the Matter of the Guardianship of the Person and Estate of Mary Emma Price, a minor.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: That pursuant to an order of the County Court of Umatilla County, State of Oregon, duly made and entered in the above entitled cause, a license duly and regularly issued out of said court on the 31st day of December, 1928, under the hand of the clerk and the seal of said court, licensing and authorizing the undersigned, as guardian of the person and estate of Mary Emma Price, a minor, to sell, for cash, at private sale, for the best price obtainable, all the right, title and interest of the above named minor of, in and to the real property hereinafter described, and to invest the funds arising from said sale in some good interest bearing securities or upon mortgages upon real property; that before fixing on the time or place of sale I took the oath required by law and gave the additional bond required by said court. Now therefore, I will, as such guardian, from and after the 9th day of February, 1929, sell at private sale, for cash, at the best price obtainable all the right, title and interest of said minor in and to the said real property, to wit:

A one-fourth undivided interest in and to the South Half of the Northwest Quarter and Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section Six (6), in Township One (1), South Range Thirty-two (32), E. W. M., and the South Half of the Northeast Quarter of Section Six (6), in Township One (1), South Range Thirty-two (32), E. W. M., in Umatilla County, Oregon, subject to the dower interest of Harriet A. Price, widow of Roy J. Price, deceased.

A one-half undivided interest in and to the North Half of the Southeast Quarter and East Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section Thirty-one (31), Township One (1), North Range Thirty-two (32), E. W. M., in Umatilla County, Oregon, subject to the dower interest of Harriet A. Price, widow of Roy J. Price, deceased.

The South Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section Five (5), and the South Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section Six (6), Township One (1), South Range Thirty-two (32), E. W. M., in Umatilla County, Oregon, subject to the dower interest of Harriet A. Price, widow of Roy J. Price, deceased.

HARRIET A. PRICE, Guardian of the Person and Estate of Mary Emma Price, a minor.

Peterson & Lewis, Attorneys for Guardian, Jan. 11, 18, 25, Feb. 1, 8, 1929

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