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PATTERSON TALKS

Although we have not seen a copy of the speech Governor Paul Patterson made at Miami this week we are in general agreement with much of it as reported in the press.

All state governments must be concerned about the changes in residence of citizens who are crowding into suburban areas in great numbers. This creates a tax problem although it need not for long.

Patterson recommended that local governments be given more authority to manage their own affairs and with this we are in complete agreement. Counties in Oregon have an opportunity to adopt a county manager system that will give them more power when enough of them have adopted it and made use of that law's potentialities. Cities, also, should have wider power to tax.

We cannot agree with other implications of the talk nor with impressions of city newspapers about it to the effect that cities must be given more state power in order to settle their problems. They should do it on a local basis. In Asia we have an example of an economy run by and for the cities. Cities are usually governed poorly in comparison with rural areas, although there are examples of some grater in county court houses, but the rackets really operate in cities.

Cities and suburban areas should be able to raise enough by taxation to provide for their needs if properly assessed so the tax problem should not be of long standing. Industry is usually willing to extend its tax district to include the homes of its workers. In fact, Portland is right now working on such a plan and the state legislature should give it approval.

FARM DISCONTENT

We are not going to buy any part of the political talk about farm discontent. We know that farm prices are dropping and farm costs are rising. We know that that will create a serious situation if it continues.

We also know that the problem will not be solved by politics as deeply as that that has engulfed the farmer.

We are pretty sure that farmers are not going to fall for all the clap-trap that is being said and published about their plight for many of them remember when they really were in had circumstances and needed help. To put up a major howl while driving a Cadillac doesn't make sense. And farmers are not going to do it.

What they are entitled to is some serious, sane consideration of the farm problem preparatory to a long time program that will eliminate surpluses and plan for an agricultural production that will meet the demands of the consumer without over doing them. That doesn't need headlines.

The big farmer is being handicapped by the present program because it removes his strongest asset—his ability to produce cheaper. The nation must decide whether to let farmers compete for the market which means letting farms grow larger and more efficient or to subsidize it entirely and make family farms. The latter course is inefficient because family farms are not so efficient as commercial farms and because subsidization is always more costly.

As a long time policy the nation will have to depend on the big farmer. If it wants to continue to be well fed it must rely on him with his big machinery and his efficiency and knowledge of his business. The nation is losing the benefit of his efficiency and his knowledge when it prevents him from competing because of a silly farm program that was designed for a war time economy.

Finally, we are sure that some one is going to go broke in the farming business before long. Either the little farmer will go broke because he cannot compete or the big farmer will go broke because the government handicaps him with acreage restrictions. Rigid price supports help the little farmer and flexible support—or none—help the big farmer.

INCOME

The average income of "spending units" in the United States in 1954 was \$4070 and a convenient chart in the statistical abstract of the country breaks income down into tenths.

The lowest tenth had an income of \$410 and the second tenth \$540. The tenth's income was \$12,000, which was much greater than the figure for the ninth tenth which was \$6240.

Every family (which is not entirely the same as a spending unit, but close) can figure where it rates in the average national income. In this county the rating would be high as the figures are before taxes.

ROMANTIC DAYS

The olden days are always the romantic days. Maybe it is because that was when we were young and the young are incurably romantic—incurable by anything but age, that is.

And we sing of the good old days, "the days of old, the days of gold"; and whoever heard of the bad old days? No. A gentle haze of romance and memory envelops the old days and we remember the glamorous things about them and forget the troubles that beset us no matter how serious they were.

These little towns with their hitching racks where horses stood stamping at the flies, with their dusty streets which women in long dresses and numerous fringed petticoats had to cross at the risk of showing an ankle, their cinnamon-scented grocery stores are romantic in retrospect.

It took hours to get to them with a team and hack, sitting stiffly on the thinly padded leather seats with the sun beating down and the dust boiling up. And no countryman could delay his return past four o'clock or the chores could not be done before dark. And the chores were important, upon them depended the family living. Milk came from cows, meat came from the squealing porkers, eggs from the chickens strutting expectantly in the yard for a feeding of grain before dark sent them to their roosts.

In olden days there was always work to do. The power was horses and the plowing was a long job when less than ten acres could be done in a day and the harrowing and sowing and harvesting were likewise long, arduous jobs with lifting and throwing of sacks and piles of hay. Stock meant fences to fix, equipment to repair, harness to mend, ailments to treat and the days were never long enough to finish the work.

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WHEAT LEAGUE

The Oregon Wheat Growers league will meet at Pendleton December 8-10 for its 28th meeting, the first having been held in Moro back in 1925. It is not exactly news, therefore, that such a meeting is to be held.

The wheat league, whether farmers like it or not, is the only trade organization that exists for wheat growers. Criticism of the league has never been effective and is often based on lack of information about the administration of it and its aims. Support of the league has never been effective, either. Many men have taken out life memberships who never attend a meeting.

What the league needs is more active members, more farmers who talk league policies, criticize them, understand them and further them if acceptable. Money isn't a league problem at this time. What it needs is moral and mental support. And complete agreement with its policies is not necessary for either.

The league is trying to bring about a change in the farm program and is advocating the two-price system toward that end. It is the old McNary-Haugen bill and has never been tried. The league has put out a pamphlet giving the arguments for it—and against. If the government would give domestic feeders as good a price as it does foreign feeders we would have a semblance of the two-price plan that would certainly reduce the surplus in short order. And reduce the cost of meat and eggs at the same time.

But the policies of the league are not the intended point of this editorial. They can be changed by the vote of members. What we want to express is the simple fact that here is an organization dedicated to working for the interests of the wheat grower and nothing else. It is the instrument of the wheat growers who attend the meetings and therefore set the policy. To have a voice in it is possible for anyone who will attend. Certainly it is important to attend.

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Moro Personals

Two trucks side swiped on the highway a mile north of Moro Monday morning and one was upset throwing its load of canned goods into the ditch beside the road. Neither were locally owned and neither was badly damaged although the drivers were unhappy over the job of carrying the part of the load lost back onto the grade.

Donald and Bernard Martin left Monday for Minnesota to visit the Mayo clinic for medical examination.

Wily Knighting Jr. was here for Thanksgiving from Seattle and Mrs. Vannie Walton came up from The Dalles to spend the day at the Knighting home.

Ronnie Benson was home for the holiday coming from Oregon State college.

Dean Martin was home from OTI at Klamath Falls and to attend his grandfather's funeral. Carol Burnett came up with the Buehners, Sherry Woods, another OSC student was home for the few days vacation and Edwin Balsiger drove up from Eugene to visit his parents.

Jim Roberson came home from Pacific for Thanksgiving and brother Bob was over from Condon to fill up the family table.

Mrs. Howard Ross is in a Portland hospital recuperating from an operation which she underwent shortly before Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. Collis Moore were in Portland Friday and Saturday while she was taking care of the Republican booth at the auto show.

Mr. and Mrs. George DeMoss and daughters were Thanksgiving weekend guests of his brother and family Mr. and Mrs. Curley DeMoss. George is working in Port Gamble, Wn., for the Pope and Talbot Lumber company and likes his work.

Mrs. Grace Smith spent the holiday week end in Portland at the home of her daughter.

Thanksgiving guests of Shirley Woods and daughters were her father, Sherl Smith and Mrs. Smith, and Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Jefferies. The Smiths visited at the Woods' home for the remainder of the week.

The Moro Woman's club will meet at the home of Mrs. Orlov Martin, Thursday, December 8. There will be a silver tea for the benefit of the Sadie Orr Dunbar Nursing Education fund and for Doernbecher hospital fund. The program will be under the direction of Mrs. Harry Pinkerton.

The Booster night for the Harlandview grange scheduled for Saturday night has been postponed until a later date because of the junior class play that night.

Farmers along the new highway between Moro and Grass Valley bought 6000 steel posts that were delivered this week. Buying them were, Moore, King and Kee, which assured the motorist that he will have miles of red posts to look at on the new road.

John Parker was in Portland the first of the week buying goods for the Christmas trade. He returned Tuesday night.

Norman Fields is attending the annual convention of sheriffs and district attorneys in Portland this week.

Tony Sayrs had a birthday this week and his mother baked him a cake to take to kindergarten in observance of the day. It was no ordinary cake, but a replica of a red brick school house with a fenced yard, a green lawn, and a big yellow school bus waiting for the children to get out of school. Tony wanted everyone to see it so it was displayed in the Ranch & Home window on the day preceding his birthday.

Mrs. Gertrude Harms, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Gillmor, was pictured in a Sunday's paper with comment on her howling ability.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Judah arrived Saturday from Plainview, Texas to take the job as soils man for the Sherman County Soil Conservation district. The Judahs have two sons and have taken the apartment in the Barnum building for the present.

Carroll Noonan spent Thanksgiving here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Noonan and brought up a television set for his parents to use this winter.

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Wasco News

Mrs. Joe Drinkard

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Van Gilder had as Thanksgiving dinner guests his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. VanGilder, her mother, Mrs. Sadie Rich, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Rich and Errol of Pilot Rock and Mr. and Mrs. Elvis Rich and family.

Mrs. Eva Biglow of Lumas, California and Joe Riggins of Athens, California spent ten days recently with Mr. and Mrs. Owen Barnett. Another recent guest was Mrs. J. W. Reardon of Portland. She was accompanied to and from Portland by her daughter Miss Pat Reardon.

Mrs. Desta Hoyt has been called to La Grande on the death of her brother, Clinton Haynes.

Miss Sharon Laughlin was home for the holiday weekend with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Dale Laughlin and sister Ginger.

Mr. and Mrs. DeWayne Roe came Friday from Camas to be here for her bridal shower held Saturday.

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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh
Easy Coins
A Quick Profit
Hear about Easy Roberts last Friday? I helped him count his money—both before and after—so believe me, the story's true.
Easy was on the way to the bank to deposit his "cookie jar" savings—exactly \$24.95 in nickels, dimes and quarters. He had them in a paper bag and as we crossed Main Street the bottom fell out.
Money went flying. Passers-by pitched in to help recover the coins. Later on when Easy counted up, he had \$25.05. The "search party" had turned up all of
Easy's money plus ten cents someone else had lost!
From where I sit, I wouldn't want to try this "Easy" way to make money. Usually, it takes time for a bank roll to grow... just as it takes time for a friendship to grow. But by respecting a neighbor's rights—including his right to drink coffee, tea, beer or buttermilk, whichever and whenever he chooses—it's wonderful the solid friendship you can build. You can "bank" on that.
Joe Marsh
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Clyde Gillmor, Secretary

She is a student at Maryhurst college.
Miss Cherrill Fields spent the Thanksgiving weekend with her mother, Mrs. Ruth Fields and brothers Mike and Gary. She attends Oregon State college at Corvallis.

Mrs. Hazel Boyd arrived home Tuesday from Portland after spending a week there with her sister and family going through a clinic.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Van Gilder and family were hosts for a holiday dinner with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Buck, Mr. and Mrs. George Buck of Grants Pass, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Virtue and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Buck and son Johnny, all of Moro and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Roberts, as guests.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Watkins and family and Keith Landers, who was home for the weekend from Linfield college, were guests Thursday for the holiday of Mr. and Mrs. Vinton Watkins.

Mr. and Mrs. George Buck and family of Grants Pass spent last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Buck.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Smith were weekend guests of her sister and brother in law, Mr. and Mrs. Vinton Watkins. The Smiths live near Seattle.

Mrs. Louise Nisbet was expected home about Wednesday after

spending some time in the Mid-Columbia hospital, where she was in surgery Friday, November 25.
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Neville and family of Corvallis were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Sargent, her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Roe and family were suddenly called to La Grande Friday, November 25 on the death of his father. Funeral services were held Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Boice and sons of Camas were here for the holiday weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rothery.

Mrs. Astrid Tuggle was called Friday to Tacoma where her mother had suffered a stroke.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Van Gaasbeck, Gary and Betty of Blalock, drove over Thursday for dinner with his mother, Mrs. Vieda Van Gaasbeck. Betty remained for the weekend and returned home Sunday with her parents.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All persons having claims against the Estate of W. D. Fuller, deceased, are hereby notified to present them, with the proper vouchers and duly verified, to the undersigned, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Administratrix of the estate of W. D. Fuller, deceased, at the office of T. Lester Johnson, attorney at law, Moro, Oregon, within six months from the date of the first publication of this Notice, to-wit: November 11, 1955.

Emilice L. Fuller
Administratrix

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