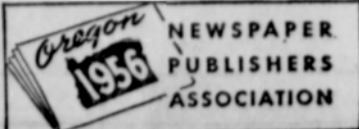


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FARM BILL VETO

There were reasons for signing the farm bill and reasons for vetoing it. Eisenhower considered the latter ones most compelling and as an independent executive killed the bill—assuming that congress will not pass it over his veto.

He undoubtedly liked the soil-bank plan which his administration concocted although delay in passing the bill had seriously reduced the benefit farmers could have obtained from it.

He certainly disliked the rigid supports which have boosted surpluses and been the cause of the great reduction in acreage in the wheat belt while farmers of 15 acre tracts keep right on growing wheat.

He did not like the two-price system although officers of Oregon's wheat league are dedicated to it. It didn't offer much because two-thirds of the wheat farmers would have had to approve it next year and it did not permit a market price of wheat not used for human consumption. That would have made it difficult for feeders to have used wheat. The main virtue of the two-price plan is that it would let half or more of the wheat crop to be sold at feed prices. Corn men won't allow that.

Eisenhower undoubtedly hoped to help the innumerable small farmers some of whom are in distress. Small farming is losing out as a way of making all of the living for a family. In fact, small farms have been losing out for two or three generations as owners sell out to better financed neighbors so that is nothing new, nor it is necessarily bad.

The president did make a concession by advancing parity for wheat to 82½ per cent which will make the average price for wheat \$2.00 per bushel. That will increase the income of farmers growing the crops affected.

The bill was written at the request of the various agricultural pressure groups, got for the benefit of little farmers. Big, commercial producers of food and fiber would have gained most under it in immediate benefits and would have lost most in long range position.

The veto is neither so good, nor so bad as it seems to protagonists of the many farm theories.

TAX AGAIN

The tax clinic at Salem Friday was, we hear by the grapevine, a fine example of how to organize an important group for a sales tax.

Eight of the members of the interim tax study group favor a sales tax, two are not sure and one is against. There seems to be a tendency toward fighting our tax problems out on the sales tax issue regardless of the high probability that it wouldn't pass.

There are other solutions. It is possible to write a universal income tax or one with very small personal exemptions. It would raise a great deal of money and would not have all the objections inherent in the sales tax, including the prejudices that have been built up in Oregon. It would still be a tax on what was earned and not on what was spent.

From reading the papers it

does not appear that ordinary citizens are convinced that taxes have to be as high as they are whereas the members of the above committee seem sure that taxes must be kept at the present level or higher. That is the usual thing. States, like individuals go right on spending money, maintaining a way of life, until the cash is spent, the home mortgaged and the bank with an overdraft. Neither can see the handwriting on the wall and perhaps it is too much to expect that one group should vary from the norm.

However obtained, tax money is money taken from the economy of the state and used for unproductive things. There are a few exceptions to this, but not many. Government is, therefore, a sort of economic luxury at least that part, above the necessary police and protection phases. We could dispense with nearly all of it without materially reducing the happiness of the citizen. And we could save about a third of our income.

FASHION IN SPRING DESSERTS



by FRANCES FIELDS  
Home Economist  
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Portland 4, Oregon

Bright spring days call for gay, bright-tasting desserts. Like spring fashions, spring desserts should display dash and glamour. And an appealing dessert prepared with Oregon wheat flour doesn't mean hours of work.



As Festive as that spring hat, yet no complaints from father. A truly economical way to add the elegant touch to any meal.

**Rhubarb Pie**—Follow your double-crust pie recipe. Good proportions are:

2 cups sifted enriched flour to 1 teaspoon salt, ¼ cup shortening and ¼ cup water. Cut in shortening until particles resemble small peas. Add water and mix only slightly. Roll out and line pan. Save ½ crust for lattice topping of pie. Mix 1½ cups sugar, pinch of salt and 4 tablespoons flour. Add 3 cups diced rhubarb, 3 tablespoons melted butter, tablespoon of grated orange rind, and a few drops red color. Mix all ingredients together and let stand 15 minutes. Place in unbaked shell and cover with lattice topping. Trim edges and flute. Bake at 375 degrees for 40-50 minutes. Serve with fresh orange slices.

KEYNOTE: SIMPLICITY

Fashion experts agree that simplicity is usually the secret to good grooming—likewise food experts know that good eating is simple and easy.



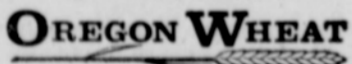
Bar Cookies or "Squares" and fresh fruit combine to top off any meal in an easy yet delicious way.

DREAM BARS

Mix together to a crumbly mixture, 1 cup butter, 1 cup brown sugar and 2 cups flour. Spread in flat pan. Bake at 375 degrees for 10 minutes. Cool. Then beat 4 eggs, 1 teaspoon vanilla, 2 cups brown sugar together. Mix together 1 teaspoon salt, ½ cup flour, 3 teaspoons baking powder. Sift flour mixture over 3 cups coconut and 2 cups chopped nuts. Add to egg mixture. Mix well. Pour over baked crumbs. Bake at 375 degrees for 20 minutes. Cool and cut in 1½" squares.

Health giving meals need cost little money or trouble. Include generous portions of wheat foods each day. Doctors and nutrition experts recommend bread and other wheat foods in reducing diets. Remember...no one food is fattening—it is the "extra" calories that cause overweight.

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Whether we would get as much for that third of our income if we spent it ourselves is the problem of every voter. The answer depends on how many government services he or she uses. It is our opinion that most government isn't worth what it costs and we are sure we would be happier spending our own money.

Men in government are under pressure to appropriate for this and that and minorities are always proposing some gilded bauble to delight the eye of the legislator and voter. We must say in this connection that Oregon voters have been bigger suckers for some expensive scheme than have Oregon legislators. On their behalf we will say they were less adequately informed.

There is expressed disappointment that Russians do not change their political philosophy or aims. We do not change ours holding them to be right which is probably just what the Russians are doing. Maybe we can convince them by reasoned argument; maybe they will convince us.

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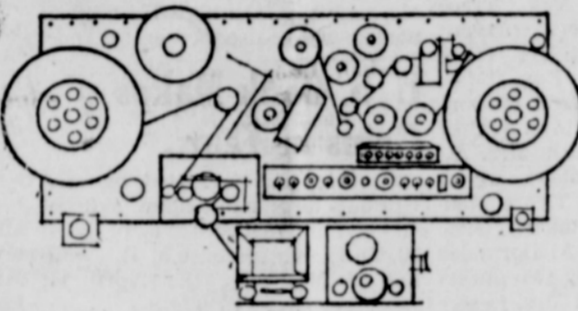
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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh



They Travel "In Class"

Our high school correspondent says that Economics and Geography students are going in for "grass roots" studying.

They're going to charter buses and take off on Operation See-For-Yourself—have a ten-day look at some of the things they've been studying about.

As I remember, it was hard to keep your mind on schoolbooks at this time of year. Today's kids can give in to that old urge to bust out of the classroom—with a clear conscience. Wish they'd take me along.

From where I sit, it doesn't hurt us adults, either, to get out and see how the rest of the country lives. We find the "typical American" doing everything from herding cattle to flying planes... with everything from steak to chowder for his favorite dish... everything from beer to butter-milk for his favorite beverage. And the more we study our differences the more we learn how alike everyone is underneath.

Joe Marsh