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ECONOMY?

Worthy of note, we think, are these signs of the times President Eisenhower is trying to make up a balanced budget and, of course, having trouble, but he is really trying. Prominent Democrats in Oregon are saying that the reason for the defeat of Robert Holmes was high taxes which is certainly not the only reason although a very good one. Then we read that Mark Hatfield, governor-elect, is of the opinion that economy will be a watchword in his administration.

This newspaper and this editor have been belly-aching about high taxes and big government until we have a deserved reputation as a pinch-penny. We are not ashamed of it and it is certainly a distinction in this era when there has been so much more attention to spending than to making.

If the signs first mentioned are an indication that big government spending is in for a change it will be about on time. It takes a nation from 10 to 20 years to get over the excesses of a major war and get back down to earth.

During times of stress people lean on government or on anything else that seems to promise support. It is like the drowning man clinging to a straw and often is no more secure. The depression scared Americans and they fell into the hands of the government crying for assistance and government happened to be in the hands of those who liked the idea of being a mushroom Messiah so the government promised everything. Then we got into the war which made it more than usually necessary to lean on government because that's the way it has to be in war.

Between the two this nation has had a long spell of spiritual weakness, big spending, lack of personal responsibility and general decay of the individual. The new attitude toward spending may presage the end of our unfortunate period of dependence of which, we are sure, our descendants will be heartily ashamed.

CITY SERVICES

Last week William E. Hall had some praise for the city of Moro and its services in writing in what was to be taken as a defense for spending.

He mentioned paved streets, city park, fire equipment and library all of which are very good. The paved streets are paid for by the state, the city is park is pretty and should be for few natives use it, the fire equipment is valuable although its effectiveness depends more on volunteer firemen than an equipment. We do note that in 1957 the city bought 50 feet of 1½ inch hose. It has been of more value to the rural area than to the city which is a neighborly attitude.

Moro is an 8 town and Grass Valley is a 9 town in fire bureau rating which gives Moro a slightly lower fire insurance rate.

The library is a public service being performed by a group of ladies interested in the reading of books. The city gives it $50 a year, hardly enough to cause a citizen to swell with civic pride.

We doubt if citizens wish to reduce the services. We are certain they would like to reduce the cost of them and it is our opinion that greater efficiency would do so.

FAMILY HISTORY

Next year will be Oregon's centennial year and various organizations are giving attention to preservation of the history of the state, led by the Oregon Historical society. This effort will appeal to many citizens but not all of them. Some may prefer a different sort of history.

We mean family histories. Few persons were well acquainted with their grandparents, fewer yet know when and where these valuable characters were born or what interesting things happened to them. When one gets farther back in relations no one knows much about his ancestry.

We have printed enough stock sale catalogues to know that purebred animals can trace their ancestry back a lot farther than most persons. It doesn't make them better, but it does give clues to their qualities.

A family history could be made interesting if the elders could be encouraged to assist the venture. And, if not or if the elders are gone and left no records, those still alive can start a family history by themselves. Be assured that it will be but a few years until they are old enough to have their exploints become historical.

And nearly every family could find interesting characters in its background. An old aunt who danced the schottische at 80, great uncle Charles, who rode the range in Montana, grandfather himself might have fought Indians. Be certain there are interesting stories in the family someplace. Grandfathers from time immemorial have been able to delight youth with tales of the days long gone when grandpa was a boy. In these days of easy typing and easy storing there is no reason why fathering and preserving such stories and the facts of family life would not be an interesting and useful way of spending some time.

Those now being born will have to look forward to a world much fuller of people, toward less food, less freedom. As for us we do not think it will be much fun even though it will still be the best world they have ever known. Neither is it likely that any nation will be able to maintain a standard of living much above the average. The pressures of the hungry will be greater than ever known and the well-fed will be targets for the poor.

PEOPLE ARE COMING

"Twelve hundred million men
are spread about this earth,
And I and you wonder, when you
and I are dead
What will these luckless millions
do."

It was only about 60 years ago that Rudyard Kipling thus estimated the population of the world. Now the estimate is 2,800,000,000 and the prophets say that in another 50 years it will double again.

It is no wonder that forward looking persons are developing science and agriculture so that these "luckless millions" can be fed. Already there is but a small part of the world's population that gets enough to eat. When there is five BILLION it may be impossible. For when there is five billion it will be a short time until there is ten.

A natural answer to the question would be some sort of birth control. This has been done in some places, usually the more intelligent and best educated being the ones to accomplish it. That is bad, too, for the world is going to need that kind of people more badly than usual because a great deal more intelligence will be needed in a world populated by five billion persons.

CHANGE

Before us on the desk is an invitation to join an American society of natural history and subscribe, etc., together with such compliments to our intelligence and curiousity as could be stated in a mimeographed letter. That is customary, but the writer mentions that he is writing near the hall of the dinosaurs and makes the comment that dinosaurs perished because they could not adapt to a changing world.

That stopped us. Not because it was new, because it has been said many times, but because this may be a good time to think about the fate of the dinosaurs.

Certainly the conclaves of the dinosaurs in those far distant days found the leaders concerned with a changing world. No doubt they made speeches in whatever sort of communication they used saying that the world was going to the dogs or the eohippus or something. And like the sturdy men who have opposed change since history began they decided to stay as they were being satisfied that they were right.

As far as the rule is concerned it doesn't make any difference whether the world is getting better or worse. The dinosaurs may have been obliterated by a change that was worse. It was worse for dinosaurs at any rate.

When a man or an animal becomes too well adapted to an environment he is subject to the possibility of change. Even a little change may ruin him. He must stay adaptable and that is given as one of the reasons why man is here today, wearing clothes, driving cars, watching television, whereas most of his competitors, like the dinosaurs, are being dug out of swamps in a sad state of disrepair.

Well, then, we thought, suppose an animal changes when his environment doesn't. Suppose the dinosaurs had developed a taste for meat instead of their regular fodder of lush foliage. That could have been as disastrous as sticking to a vegetable diet when the swamps dried up.

So, apparently, what one has to do is to go along with the environment, do what the Romans do and not be led into extreme diversions from the normal course. Radicals will take note.

WASHINGTON AND "SMALL BUSINESS"

By C. WILSON HARDER

In the coming elections in many areas the so-called "right to work" issue is a hot one.

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It is not without significance that the nation's independent businessmen, in a nationwide poll just completed of the membership of the National Federation of Independent Business found 85% in favor of laws prohibiting the closed shop, only 13% against such prohibition, and 2% expressing no opinion.

C. W. Harder

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Labor leaders, claim unless everyone is forced to belong to the union, there are some who would reap benefits gained through organized effort with no support on their part.

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That is probably true. To paraphrase a well known passage, it is fitting to say, "Yea, verily, the free loaders will be with us until the end of our days."

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For example, in any given community, it is actually only a handful of citizens who fight for better schools, libraries, roads, improvements that benefit all. In fact, in this nation, despite the priceless heritage of the secret ballot, there is no compulsion on anyone to vote.

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Thus, it seems far fetched for labor leaders to assume that they, and they alone, should have such a wide power of compulsion.

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It is, of course, much too early to predict outcome of "right to work" measures this November. But it seems obvious public sentiment is on march toward clean up of labor organizations.

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It also seems obvious that with the growth of Big Monopoly business in this nation, there is a need for Big Labor to deal with such a system. It also seems obvious labor leadership has been lax in bringing up its own reforms.

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The labor leaders themselves should be bombarding Congress with requests for many reform laws such as the following.

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Strict adherence to the principle of the secret ballot and the democratic processes of nominating candidates for office should be one. And inasmuch as unions, with both treasuries from dues and for pension funds, are serving as huge depositaries of public funds in the same manner of banks and insurance companies, labor leaders themselves should be insisting on a system of outside audit and review such as is carried on by federal and state bank examiners.

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In addition, Big Labor leaders have too long neglected the fact that the major employers of American labor is small, independent business, and thus too many times have tried to impose on independent business the same wages, hours and conditions gained from some giant corporation in a given field.

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And it is probably on this latter point that Big Labor has brought down so much public sentiment on its head.

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A picket line around a U. S. Steel plant makes headlines, but actually draws little public interest. It's just another big battle between giants.

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But when Joe's Sheet Metal Shop on the other side of any small town is picketed just because Joe can't pony up with all the fringe benefits that U. S. Steel has agreed upon, the situation not only gets ludicrous, but in addition, a lot of people get pretty mad. Often the maddest of all are Joe's employees.

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Rufus Personals

By Mrs. Geo. L. Fox

The PTA social group met Monday evening at the school cafeteria with the secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Kenneth Spagle, calling a short business meeting. A Christmas program was discussed and it was decided to leave it up to the children to have what they wanted this year. The school board would buy the candy and nuts for the children, and it was thought they would have a gift exchange and an afternoon party.

Jack Lloyd, principal, said used clothing is being collected Thursday and Friday of this week for some worthy project. Both childrens and adults clothing is wanted, and if it is not convenient to send the articles with the children, they will be picked up Saturday if the school is notified where they are left.

Mr. Kohlmeier had a ffilm set up showing different kinds of insects and telling about them. There was a ping pong table and card tables set up for those to play cards that wished, pinochle seems to be the most popular card game. A social evening was enjoyed, then the hostesses Dr. and Mrs. Frank Reid and Mr. and Mrs. Don Macnab served refreshments of cranberry fruit jello with nut bread, cider and coffee to all.

Everyone seemed to visit or have company on Thanksgiving day which is the custom in most areas. It was a beautiful day out, the sun shone with a big smile and the highways were free of ice and snow.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Thompson were guests of their daughter, Mrs. Joe Willard over the holidays in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Harrison had Mr. and Mrs. Carl Thompson for dinner Thanksgiving day at their home at Twin Bridges.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Morris had all their children and their families home for Thanksgiving day. Besides those living here in Rufus Mr. and Mrs. Frank Adams and family and Mr. and Mrs. Klock and family from Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Morris were dinner guests that day of Mrs. Morris' folks, Mr. and Mrs. Duffy in The Dalles but they came back to Rufus to spend the evening with the Walter Morris'.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Morris and family got moved last week to the house formerly owned by Mr. and Mrs. Bill Meyers. This house is in Rufus, and they formerly lived in the orchard west of Rufus.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank LeMaster and boys from Bend visited last weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Macnab and other relatives. Frank is to be transferred to Portland on account of his job. His family will soon make arrangements to move there too.

Those from Rufus attending the Legion Auxiliary at Wasco Monday afternoon were Mrs. Will Huck and Mrs. Harland McDonald, new members of the Auxiliary, and Mrs. George Fox. Mrs. Keith McDonald, president, is doing a very good job this year. The unit is knitting wool caps for a hospital project.

Mr. and Mrs. George Fox together with their son, Jim, home for Thanksgiving vacation from WSC, and their grandson Grant Weatherford of Olex, went to Oregon City Thanksgiving for dinner at the home of Mrs. Fox' brother and sister in law, Mr. and Mrs. Norvel Williams. Other members of the family gathered there so it was a grand day of visiting and feasting.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Jordan had as their guests Thanksgiving day Mrs. Sarah Giannonatti, a teacher at the Rufus school.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Swigart went for dinner on Thanksgiving to Bert's folks who live at Dallesport.

Jim Fox accompanied Jim Belshe home for the holidays and left Sunday afternoon for Pullman to resume their studies. It won't be long until the boys will be home for Christmas vacation. They both got new warm jackets to wear at Pullman as they said it was cold there during the pre-Thanksgiving season.

WANT ADS

FOR RENT: Seven room house in Moro, partly furnished. Call JO 5-3601. 5p

FOR SALE: Used dryer $60.00. Philco TV our demonstrator $175.00; Oil Stove $35.00; Used magnavox Hi Fi $150.00; Store scales $15.00. B & D Elec. Saw, $50.00. Ranch and Home Store. Moro, Oregon. 4c

WANTED: Girls bicycle, 20 or 24 inch. Wayne Melzer, JO 5-3573.

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Bethlehem Chapter No. 78 O.E.S Meets every second Thursday each month. Visiting members invited. Moro, Ore.
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From where I sit ... by Joe Marsh

One Man's Hen is Another Man's Rooster

My last column was about Whitey Fisher and his chicken farm—and now Whitey has made news again.

Whitey entertained some folks from the city last weekend and they toured his modern barn. The visitors asked all sorts of questions. The best was: "How do you tell if the two-day-old chicks are hens or roosters?"

"Easy," answered Whitey. "Just take the chicks one at a time. Place some corn meal in front of it. If *she* eats it, she's a hen. If *he* eats it, he's a rooster."

From where I sit, some answers that sound like they make sense turn out to be the silliest of all. For instance, a friend recently objected to *my* choice of a glass of beer with supper. When I asked him why, he replied: "I've had *only* coffee with my dinner for the last twenty years." Now that's not only *silly*—it's intolerant too. Neighbors ought to tend to the "eggs in their own baskets."

Joe Marsh

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Sherman County, his Final Account as Administrator of the Estate of Jennie K. Foss, deceased, and that Monday, the 22nd day of December, 1958, at the hour of ten o'clock A. M. of said day in the court room of the County Court in Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, have been fixed by the Court as the time and place for hearing objections to said Final Account and for the settlement of said estate.

John A. Foss
Administrator
T. Lester Johnson 3-6c
Attorney for Administrator

NOTICE OF VACATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the City of Moro, Oregon, has by Resolution initiated proceedings to vacate the following described property, to-wit:

That portion of Second Street lying southeasterly of the south easterly line of Main Street and between Block 4 and 5, City of Moro, Oregon.

and that the 16th day of December, 1958, at the hour of 8:00 o'clock p. m. has been fixed by the Council of said City as the time and the City Hall of said City of Moro, Oregon, as the place for the hearing of the matter of said vacation and objections or remonstrances thereto may be made in writing and filed with the City Recorder of said City prior to the time of said hearing.
Recorder of City of Moro, Oregon 2-5c
W. M. Alsup

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF SHERMAN

In the matter of the Estate of EARL JAMES LYONS Deceased

NO 629

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the undersigned, as the Administrator of the above entitled estate, under and by virtue of an Order of the above entitled Court, made on the 5th day of November, 1958, will sell at private sale, in one parcel, to the highest bidder, upon the terms and conditions hereinafter mentioned, and subject to the confirmation of the above entitled Court, on or after Monday, the 8th day of December, 1958, at the hour of two o'clock P. M. at the office of T. Lester Johnson, attorney at law, Moro, Oregon, the following described real property situated in the Town of Kent, Sherman County, Oregon, to-wit:

All of Block Twenty-six (26) of the FIRST ADDITION to the Town of Kent in Sherman County, Oregon, excepting that portion of said Block taken by the Sherman County Highway, also known as U. S. Highway No. 97.

The terms of said sale will be Cash, lawful money of The United States, ten per cent (10%) of the purchase money to be paid at time of sale, balance on confirmation of sale by the Court.

All bids or offers must be in writing and may be left at the office of T. Lester Johnson, attorney for said administrator, at Moro, Oregon, or may be delivered to said administrator personally at Moro, Oregon, at any time after the first publication of this Notice and before the making of the sale.

Dated this 7th day of November, 1958.

Clair Balzer
Administrator of the Estate of Earl James Lyons, Deceased
4-7c