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## EDITORIALS

### ON BEHALF OF YOUR POCKETBOOK

As everyone knows, there is often a great difference between the price a farmer gets for the food products he sells, and the price the ultimate consumer must pay.

A long list of charges is responsible for that difference. It costs money to transport food, to process and pack it, to preserve it, to carry on the vast machinery that operates between producer and consumer, and, finally, to sell it at retail.

Many of these costs are unavoidable and necessary. Some are not. And the great problem of food distribution is to eliminate those which are not, while at the same time effecting any possible reductions in the essential costs.

About fifteen years ago, when the nation was appalled by high post-war food costs, better distributing and selling methods were started. These methods managed to do away with a number of old "Middleman" costs—they cut others. In less than a generation, they made constant and remarkable progress.

Today a similar situation obtains—food prices are rising, and there is danger that they will go beyond the point where the people can comfortably pay. The solution, then, is the same as it was fifteen years ago: To advance as rapidly as possible the work of cutting costs between producer and consumer.

Few undertakings are so valuable to the American pocketbook—few deserve such wide-spread support from the great American public, which must pay the bill for wasteful and inefficient food distributing methods.

### TO THE AVERAGE MAN

This is addressed to men of average means who have been subjected to the widespread fallacy that the rich pay, or should pay, practically all of the taxes, and that the poor and moderately well-to-do receive, or should receive, the benefits of government for next to nothing.

Here are two facts for you to think over: Eighty per cent of all taxes in this nation are "hidden"—that is, they represent part of the cost of articles and services, and must be paid by the consumer.

The total net taxable income—not taxes paid—of all American corporations in 1933, was \$2,500,000,000. The total net taxable income of persons with net incomes in excess of

### Again—The People Speak

By RAYMOND PITCAIRN  
National Chairman  
Sentinels of the Republic

An event of unusual import to those who would tinker with the United States Constitution has occurred recently in Pennsylvania—the state wherein our National Charter of Liberties was conceived and written.

There, for the first time since recent efforts to remould our Federal Constitution along the lines of the newer political philosophy gained national prominence, the people themselves were given opportunity to say what they thought of that sort of thing.

Emphatically they rejected the idea. Dominated by the vote from rural districts and the smaller cities, they decided that this was no time to risk the possible writing into fundamental law of various unproven theories now being urged throughout America as a substitute for crystallized experience.

The people of Pennsylvania, of course, voted only on the question of revising their own state constitution. But fundamentally—and despite whatever political spokesmen on either side may claim—some of the principles involved were comparable to those brought into prominence by the nation-wide efforts of certain groups to remould our Federal Constitution into a form more readily influenced by passing fears and passions.

In the response may be read a heartening message of encouragement to all who oppose efforts to scrap certain essential elements of our American system of government in favor of new and untried theories. It is: That the great body of the people—the men and women who constitute the backbone of America—are not at this time in sympathy with a policy of sudden changes. They realize that while it was the Declaration of Independence that proclaimed personal Liberty, it is the Federal Constitution that assures it. They do not intend to surrender that guarantee.

Again—the People speak.

\$5,000 was \$4,000,000,000. This makes a total of \$6,500,000,000. The total cost of government, federal, state and local, was \$15,500,000,000 in 1933. Result: If the government had confiscated the entire taxable income of all corporations and all individuals with a net income of \$5,000 or more, there would have remained a tax bill of \$9,000,000,000 to be paid by persons and businesses outside of these classifications. The fact that the tax bill was not paid in that year, much of it being added to the public debt, makes no difference—a day of reckoning must come eventually, whether we or our children face it.

The small-salaried man, the small investor, the laborer, the little business owner—these are the people who pay the major part of the cost of government. The price of a loaf of bread, for instance, includes the cost of 53 separate taxes, from the time the seed of grain is planted to when the finished, wrapped loaf reaches you. So it goes with clothing, light, tobacco—every luxury and necessity you use. Indirect taxation is one of the largest items in the cost of living and doing business.

You—the average man—would thus be the greatest beneficiary from a tax reduction program that really got results.

### LEARN ABOUT FIRE

The best friend fire has is ignorance. Its most dreaded enemy is knowledge. No one, aside from a pyromaniac, purposely starts destructive fires. No one purposely creates fire hazards or allows them to grow and increase in dangerousness. No one wants to imperil the lives of his loved ones.

Yet millions of ordinarily intelligent citizens do these things unknowingly every day. The bulk of them get away with it—for a month a year, perhaps forever. Many of them don't—and the dreaded fire demon strikes. And it strikes so often that, in spite of the fact that substantial progress in reducing fire loss has been made during recent years, the total annual waste comes to several hundred million dollars.

Ignorance is one of the prime causes of uncontrolled fire—ignorance that is totally unnecessary and entirely inexcusable. There is nothing mysterious about fire prevention. There is nothing difficult about it. Any fire marshal can give you the fundamentals in a half-hour's conversation. Various organizations, such as the National Board of Fire Underwriters, offer a wealth of literature on the subject which may be had for the asking. Each year Fire Prevention Week is observed, and every possible opportunity is offered the citizen to learn how he may do his part to prevent fire.

It is a duty and a privilege to do that. And it will save us actual dollars—everyone must help pay for the other fellow's fire. Perhaps it will save the lives of those close to us. Give a little of your time to learning how easily fire hazards may be eliminated—then put in a little more time doing the job.

### GOOD WILL ON THE ROAD

The Holiday season is a peculiarly fitting time to emphasize the obligations of every motorist. It is of more than passive interest that the Yuletide closes that quarter of the year when automobile accidents, deaths and injuries are at an annual peak, according to the National Bureau of Casualty and Surety Underwriters. How horrible is the thought that as we approach the days when the sentiment, "God Will to All", is glorified throughout the land, the carnage of wrecks and broken bodies is strewn more than ever over the face of our country.

A great deal has been said about the necessity of courtesy in driving as an accident preventive measure. Driving at speeds reasonable for conditions, sharing the road, passing properly, using correct hand signals, avoiding all those actions which make driving dangerous and uncomfortable for the other fellow, are the dictates of courtesy and manners. So, too, are the dictates of the principle of the good neighbor. Good driving, with a real desire to safeguard the lives of those exposed to the consequences of that driving, is practical Christianity. It is a kind of practical Christianity that followers of all creeds can subscribe to as they join in the common rejoicing at this Christmas season.

The first concern of the churches of America is the saving of souls. By entering with whole-hearted activity into the automobile safety movement, they can extend their activity to the saving of lives, without violating their first purpose. The blot upon a soul as a result of killing or maiming another through careless or heedless action, is one not easily erased. The churches have the advantage of being able to appeal to a great section of the drivers of the country on occasions when they are most receptive to the idea of good will as a driving maxim. The good neighbor on the road could well

serve as a theme for a sermon in every church at this time of the year.

So long as selfishness and stupid recklessness, so long as death and destruction exist on our streets and highway, and ideal of peace on earth, good will toward men, will command little more than lip service.

## Beagle

Thanksgiving visitors at Sanderson's were Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Young and family of Willow Springs, Mrs. Sanderson of Central Point, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Martin and family of Reese Creek, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Martin and baby Donald of Medford.

The ladies of this community were invited to the schoolhouse last Wednesday afternoon to a Y. C. L. meeting. The teacher, Miss Rudd, served tea and entertained by telling fortunes out of the tea cups.

Mrs. Ysunza and son John of Medford spent Thanksgiving at the home of Mrs. Ruby Nelson.

Guests at the Edler home Thanksgiving were Mr. and Mrs. Bischoff and family, Mrs. Louisa Beltz and son George, Mr. and Mrs. Marton and family and Louise and Florence Coulter.

Mrs. C. C. Sanderson and son Milton drove to Dead Indian Soda Springs Friday.

The Brown family spent Thanksgiving with Lawson's of Trail.

Mrs. Grant attended a meeting of the Past Matron's Club at Medford Monday.

Mrs. Rush entertained Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Keyser Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Perdue and family spent last Thursday with Mr. Perdue's mother, Mrs. Sarah Perdue.

Jim Martin is building a new flue in their living-room this week.

For the benefit of those who perhaps did not read this last week, I wish to announce again that Rev. Lewis is holding preaching services at the school house, Dec. 8, in the afternoon at 2 o'clock. Everybody is invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Bowen visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Husbands of Buckshot Hill Thanksgiving.

Milton Sanderson spent last week visiting at home but returned to the Illihee Orchard where he is employed, Monday.

Dinner guests at the Grant home Thanksgiving were Mr. and Mrs. McFarland.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Richards and small son Stewart of Modesto California were Sunday guests at the Ellis home.

The Frink family and Miss Rudd had dinner and visited at the Stephen Wilson home Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Stallings and Claudine of this district and John Burton of Medford were visitors at Seegmiller's Thanksgiving. Mr. Howard Williams spent the day with his sister, Mrs. Boyles of Medford.

Miss Elaine Rush finished her work in Medford and came home Monday to stay for an indefinite period.

Entertained at Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Jones entertained with a Thanksgiving dinner, the following guests, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Farra, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Middleton of Grants Pass, Mr. and Mrs. Chat Elide and Marjorie and Stanley Jones.

## Legal Notices

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION  
Department of the Interior  
U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Oregon, August 12, 1935  
NOTICE is hereby given that Thomas D. Riley, of Eagle Point, Oregon, who, on Feb. 14th, 1931, made Homestead Entry, Serial No. 019467, for Lot 4, Section 9, Township 36 S., Range 1 W., Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Three Year Proof to establish claim to the land above

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described, before G. R. Carter, Clerk of County Court, at Medford, Oregon, on the 31st day of December, 1935.

Claimant names as witnesses: Ernest E. Dahack, Peter F. Young, Paul Reynolds, Frank Shroud, all of Eagle Point, Oregon.  
GEORGE FINLEY,  
Register.  
24—Nov. 28, Dec. 5, 12, 19, 26

### NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

BY VIRTUE of an attachment execution duly issued out of and under the seal of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon in and for the County of Jackson, to me directed and dated on the 19th day of November, 1935, in a certain action therein wherein Lillian E. Evans as Plaintiff recovered a judgment against Frederick M. Kincaid, one of the defendants, for the sum of Five Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-eight and 47/100 (\$5478.47) Dollars, together with interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent per annum from the 26th day of September, 1931, and the further sum of Twenty-five and 95/100 (\$25.95) Dollars, costs and disbursements, which judgment was enrolled and docketed in the Clerk's office of said Court in said County on the 24th day of October, 1935.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that, pursuant to the terms of said execution, I will, on the 4th day of January, 1936, at the hour of 10 o'clock, A. M., at the front door of the County Court House, in the City of Medford, Jackson County, Oregon, offer for sale and will sell at public auction for cash to the highest bidder, subject to redemption as provided by law, for the purpose of satisfying said judgment, together with the costs of this sale, to the extent that the amount received at said sale will satisfy the same, all of the right, title and interest, that the said defendant, Frederick M. Kincaid, had on the 26th day of July, 1935, or at any time thereafter, or now has, in and to the following described real estate, situated in Jackson County, Oregon, to-wit:

The Southeast quarter (SE 1/4) of Section 16, in Township 35 South, Range 3 East of the W. M.

The Southwest quarter (SW 1/4) of Section 15, in Township 35 South, Range 3 East of the W. M.

The Southwest quarter (SW 1/4) of the Southeast quarter (SE 1/4) of Section 15, in Township 35 South, Range 3 East of the W. M.

The Northeast quarter (NE 1/4) of the Southeast quarter (SE 1/4) of Section 15, in Township 35 South, Range 3 East of the W. M.  
All in Jackson County, Oregon.  
Dated this 3d day of December, 1935.

SYD I. BROWN,  
Sheriff of Jackson County, Oregon  
by HOWARD GAULT, Deputy.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR JACKSON COUNTY.  
In the Matter of the Estates of J.



To CALIFORNIA and all western points: Leave any day from Dec. 12 to Jan. 1. Be back by midnight, Jan. 14. There's a low roundtrip fare to every S.P. station in the West. Both First Class and Coach-Tourist fares reduced. Plan to make your holiday trip by train; go comfortably, safely, swiftly.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed by the County Court of Jackson County, Oregon, administratrix of the estates of J. F. Hay and M. S. Hay, also known as Mary S. Hay, husband and wife, deceased, and has qualified. All persons having claims against said estates are hereby notified to present them, duly verified in the manner provided by law, to me at the office of G. W. Neilson, Attorney for said estates, in the Court-house, at Medford, Oregon, within

six months from date of this notice. Dated and first published November 21, 1935.  
ARLENE R. HAY,  
Administratrix.  
Nov. 21, 28, Dec. 5, 12.

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