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EDITORIALS

FOUR "MUSTS" FOR WAR TIME

This year's war budget alone, as proposed by the President, will be \$56,000,000,000—more than half the estimated national income. That makes it mandatory that the Federal government and the people insist upon a workable fiscal policy which will make it possible to spend this money without bringing on an internal fiscal collapse.

First, all must pay higher direct and indirect taxes. And direct taxation must be extended to the very lowest income brackets.

Second, every non-essential, non-defense government activity must be stopped, and appropriations sharply reduced in many non-defense bureaus.

Third, the people must make every possible reduction in their living expenses, and buy Defense Bonds and Stamps to the limit of their abilities.

Fourth, the government must not loan or spend for any purpose that can be financed by private business.

This last is extremely important. There are literally dozens of Federal loan agencies. Many of them operate in direct competition with the banks, thus subjecting the burdened taxpayers to needless expense and risk. The banks, as their spokesmen have said, are able to materially expand private and defense financing. They must be permitted and encouraged to do it.

The President's message on the State of the Union indicated the extent to which all must pull in their belts and help win this war for liberty and security. And government itself must do precisely the same thing.

FIRE AND THE WAR EFFORT

The United States must become a nation of fire fighters and fire preventers.

Fire as the regular fire-fighting and fire-preventing forces are, they cannot do the whole job. Their numbers are simply not great enough, and men whose peace-time work was connected with fire have been called into one branch or another of military or defense-production service. The only way this nation and its vitally needed resources can be protected against fire, is by aggressive effort on the part of trained and competent volunteers.

There are three distinct kinds of fire we must guard against now. First, there are those so-called "normal" fires—the fires which occur in any year as a result of human carelessness, ignorance or indifference. Unremitting care, in home and place of business, backed up by sound fire-prevention information, is the solution here.

Second, war brings with it the imminent danger of sabotage on a large scale. Recent FBI arrests and disclosures indicate the extent of the fifth column in this country with its thousands of Axis nationals. Every factory, every power station, every bridge, every center of communication, must be policed and guarded.

Third, war brings the possibility of bombing and incendiary attacks from the air. Those who say "It can't happen here" are blind to the grisly facts modern war has produced. In every community there should be an adequate group of volunteers trained to deal calmly and effectively with this kind of warfare.

Story of African Rubber Plantation

(This letter was written by Mrs. J. J. Swain from Liberia, Africa to her mother, Mrs. E. E. Scott of this city. Mrs. Swain was the former Miss Mildred Berger.)

(Continued from Last Week)

The joveliest thing he brought was what he called a table cloth but which is really a bedspread. It is hand woven and looks almost oriental or egyptian in designs. The background is gold silk thread and the figures are perfectly formed. There are designs of people and splashes of flowers or figures of some kind. It has heavy fringe which looks almost like beads, is really lovely. It is really a tapestry type of work. I can't see how they do it. It was made by the Hausa tribe in the Congo. The are the oddest things you can imagine. They are miniature "water deer" he says. Stand about three or four inches high, two bucks with horns and two does. The bodies are skins of animals wound round and round and dried and shaped. The legs are wood with this transparent skin over them. On their backs and heads is the slickest, smoothest fur you ever touched and it is cut and placed to make the proper markings, then, of course, they have a little stiff fur tail. They are sure cute. Oh, yes, another thing he brought is a simply beautiful set of horns. None of the blacks here know what animal they come from so I'm going to try to talk to this bush boy who got them and see if he can tell me or Joe. Each horn is about three feet long and there is a set all polished and placed on a base of carved wood. Really lovely.

Oh, must tell you, I gave the heels and arches of an old pair of shoes to a native and today he brought me the shoes. They were made of deer skin and he dyed them a bright green, if you can imagine that. Because he thought it be plenty nice, and they are sure a dandy good pair of shoes. They were a medium heel sport sandal and the ones he brought back fit just as good as the old ones—and besides they are a bright green, Oh, Boy. I can wear them with my brown slacks and I think they're very nice for just crude hand work. They even have a soft deerskin lining in them—Imagine that.

Well guess I've told you enough of all this. Can't send anything home this trip as it is too late to find a box or wrappings to put them in. Boxes and wrappings are at premium and you have to start a week in advance and save the wrappings which comes from things which are shipped in.

I really must quit as my guests just called and are on their way down the hill to spend the night so will say good-night for now. Write me bunches of letters again. I sure love to get them. Guess I've my 5¢ worth as you say so might as well quit. In just one week we celebrate our "over the hump" of one year. Oh, Boy! Think Mrs. Farley plans on entertaining us and some others that evening as the Farleys came out with us you know.

(To Be Continued)

Ten Years Ago This Week

The lineup of the high school girls basketball team who defeated Rogue River 36 to 16 were: Geneva Brown, center; Avis Ayers, side-center; Frances Faber and Naomi Johnson, forwards; and Phylliss Turpin and Katherine Lathrop, guards. The substitutes were: Peggy Lawrence, Iolene Morningstar, Jerry Jones, Elizabeth Southwell and Bernice Reames.

Leonard Hall, operated on for goitre, now at his mother's home in Grants Pass.

The town basketball team started practicing and consisted of Orbin and Bud Cooksey, Dick Mann, Elton Hood, Lester Scott, Gerald Morningstar, H. P. Jewett and Everett Scott.

Prof. Amick mistook Stone's Drug store for a laundry leaving a bag of dirty clothes there.

Plan for Additional Farm Workers to Handle Larger Crop

Directors of the five National Farm Loan Associations of Jackson and Josephine Counties which make up the Medford Group office met at the Medford Hotel at Medford, Friday, January 16th, to discuss ways and means of strengthening the local credit group for the period which we are entering. Here from Spokane to join with them were C. C. Rowan, Assistant to the President, and Arnold Anderson, Regional Manager for the State of Oregon, from the Federal Land Bank of Spokane.

Plans for the annual meetings were laid, and the Jackson County, Bear Creek and Phoenix Associations will meet at Central Point, February 23rd; the Josephine and Williams Associations at Grants Pass on February 24th. "Since 1942 marks the 25th anniversary of the farm loan system it is appropriate that we should review our accomplishment in the past quarter of a century," Rowan said. "In the light of our experience and because of world conditions, we should be sure our credit house is in order, well manned and prepared to meet the emergencies of the future, whatever they may be. Among other things, we should help forestall land inflation which did so much damage to agriculture during World War I. With that experience vividly behind us, it should be easier to keep our feet on the ground, and to avoid many of the errors made by the farm loan system twenty five years ago.

Maintenance of realistic land values will keep agriculture economically healthy and strong to take its part in the present war effort and meet its responsibilities in the readjustment which must follow the war.

The local associations are steadily growing in importance. Frequently the community and local people do not understand the importance of the local group to their community. This local credit group is doing a business of about one and a half millions dollars, serving about 600 farms in Jackson and Josephine Counties. It should command the same prestige that any other institution doing a similar business would command," he said.

LOCALS

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Brown and Gene of Bremerton arrived early Sunday morning for a visit with friends. Mr. Brown was advised to take some time off to recuperate and is now under Dr. Bishop's care. The Browns visited at the Hodapp home and will visit various friends before returning home. Mr. Brown is working in the ship yards.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Phillips have returned to Central Point to make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Farmer of Eugene have leased the Rev. Phillips house for six months. Mrs. Farmer is a sister of Mrs. Frank Skelton.

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Mr. and Mrs. James McDowell and children are moving to Prospect to make their home. Mrs. McDowell and children is visiting her mother Mrs. Nora Hansen this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Walker and daughter Ila returned home last week after a visit with their son Paul at Seattle who is a guard at the Boeing plant. At that time the road were almost impassable on account of the cold weather. Mr. and Mrs. Clark Walker of Santa Marie, who have been visiting their parents (Mr. and Mrs. Walker, returned home recently.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Spencer have purchased a place near Medford and are busy improving the same.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hansen a baby girl Carmen Joyce weighing 7 lbs. 5 oz. in the Community hospital Saturday, January 17 at 6 A.M. Mr. Hansen is working in the shipyard at Los Angeles but expect to return here in the spring and work in the mill.

Mrs. Otto Bohnert is ill at her home in Central Point and has been ill for a couple of weeks.

Mr. William Foley recently returned from Portland where he was under the doctor's care for ear trouble.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Weidman and family plan to move into their new home by the first of the month.

Mr. Earl Weaver, manager of the Grange Co-op. Supply Association report that the association has made arrangements to buy their supplies by the carload. They buy from the Tri-angle Milling company and use about a car a month. At present they are using the Turkey Co-op. plant for storage, while the plant is not running. Mr. Weaver returned last week from Portland. He report that the storm in the Willamette valley was the worse he ever saw that the telephone lines were all down between Junction City and Albany for about thirty miles. Many prune and filbert trees were broken down, not from wind but from the weight of the ice, which would split the tree right in two. Mr. A. W. Walker also returned from Seattle last week and he told the same story. He said the road were the worse he ever saw and saw many cars in the ditches but not many people seemed to be hurt.

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Howard District

By Mrs. Ella H. Leonard

The Friendly Neighbors club drove to Mrs. Alma Twyman's in southwest Medford for their regular monthly social meeting Thursday of last week. Mrs. Twyman has sold off most of the twenty odd head of cattle she was feeding but still has about that many hogs. Now she has found time to prune, and thin out berry vines—start the spring work.

Mr. Bernard Matthews has been transferred to Portland by Copco. The family will move up this week. Mrs. Matthews is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willard McCulloch.

The Howard Extension Unit held its January meeting with Mrs. Loren McCay on Howard Ave. Twenty-nine women were present. The subject was "Meals from The Pantry Shelf." The February meeting will be with Mrs. O. B. Smith on Howard avenue. The subject "Citizenship" will be discussed by the County Home Demonstration agent.

Mrs. May Palmer has been bedded by the mumps but is improved.

The Frank Stevenson family have had illness in the home for several weeks. Mr. Stevenson was real ill for quite a while with the flu. Mrs. Stevenson was unable to get around at her usual duties because of amnesia. Her twin, Mrs. Ada Chefield of Medford has been staying with her for several weeks. Tuesday Mrs. H. V. Elliot and Mrs. Bees Hardy of Medford called to see how things were going.

The young niece of Mrs. O. Hamilton who cares for the small children while the mother is teaching in Medford, also is said to be ill with mumps.

"Daddy" Beach is again able to be up and around again after weeks of serious illness from an eye infection.

Legal Notices

NOTICE OF FINAL HEARING
IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE
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JACKSON COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF LOREN FOWLER, Deceased.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has filed her Final Report and Accounting in the above entitled matter, and the above entitled Court has fixed the 14th day of February, 1942, at 10:00 o'clock A.M., in the court room of said Court, in the Court House at Medford, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing objections to said Final Report and Accounting, if any there be, and the settlement thereof.

Dated and first published this 15th day of January, 1942.

AMELIA FOWLER,
Administratrix of the Estate of Loren Fowler, Deceased.

24—Jan. 15, 22, 29, Feb. 5.

NOTICE OF FINAL HEARING
IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE
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JACKSON COUNTY

In the Matter of the Estate of LOUIS ASHER, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has filed his Final Report and Accounting in the above entitled matter, and the above entitled Court has fixed the 31st day of January, 1942, at 10:00 o'clock A.M., in the County Court room, in the Courthouse, in Medford, Jackson County, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing objections to said Final Account and the settlement thereof.

Dated and first published January 1, 1942.

ALBERT A. ASHER
Administrator of the Estate of Louis Asher, Deceased.

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