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EDITORIALS

EXTRAVAGANCE HELPS HITLER

"Extravagance in any form, by citizens or by government, imperils the war effort," wrote Dr. Henry M. Wriston, president of Brown University, recently. "Individuals are asked to reverse their habits of spending if inflation is not to destroy their substance. The same obligation rests upon the government."

"If we proceed without waste, if we increase our productive power, if we decrease our expenditures for non-essentials, we cannot only survive but survive without bankruptcy. This can be done only if considerations of political advantage are put aside, only if government curtails its own activities as it expects citizens to curtail theirs, only if the government makes its policies consistent with each other."

At the present time, government is taking strenuous steps to reduce consumer purchasing power, in order to prevent inflation. That, as well as the production of needed revenue for the Treasury, is one reason for unprecedented taxation and for ever-increasing sales of War Bonds and Stamps. It is forecast in some circles that a system of enforced savings will be eventually adopted. Yet government spends "as usual." Government will now swallow the medicine it prescribes for the people. Every dispassionate survey indicates that Federal expense can be reduced billions a year without imperiling the war effort. The cuts could be made entirely in non-war expenditures. But that will never be done until the people demand it—and kick out very public official who refuses to cooperate.

SOLVING THE RUBBER PROBLEM

"The tightest, grimmest war shortage facing the U.S. is rubber," says Time. "It need not have been. For five months after Pearl Harbor the U.S. Government did practically nothing to get a synthetic rubber industry to fill the gap caused by Japan's conquests. That failure is the worst scandal in the U.S. war effort."

There has been an enormous waste of time in coming to grips with the rubber problem. There has been endless confusion, and excessive division of responsibility. At last, however, it looks as if something definite and constructive is about to be done.

On July 17, Donald Nelson announced that he had assumed personal direction of the government's rubber program. On the same day, the 4th Corps Area Quartermaster Headquarters said that tires made of buna, a petroleum derivation, will be used as replacements on all army vehicles throughout the nation. And on July 13, President W. S. Farish of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, gave a House subcommittee some exceedingly interesting information on the progress that is being made.

New and faster processes, said Mr. Farish, will produce, before the end of 1943, 34,000,000 more automobile tires than were expected. Further, synthetic rubber will be better on the whole than natural rubber, and its cost will not be materially greater.

This does not mean that any motorist can afford to "burn up" his rubber, on the theory that replacements will soon be available. Military needs will absorb most and perhaps all the synthetic rubber produced for a long time to come. Rigid conservation of rubber, as a result, remains an absolute necessity. Private industry is doing everything in its power to produce an adequate supply of synthetic rubber in the shortest possible time. There are, at last, grounds for believing that government rubber red-tape is cut, and that there can be action, not continued political talk, in dealing with the rubber problem.

THE SEVENTH COLUMN

During the first six months of this year, according to an announcement by the National Board of Fire Underwriters, the national fire loss was somewhat larger than in the same period in 1941. On a cold statistical basis, that could be expected, due to the war. Industrial

production and activity has been much greater this year than last. But we can't afford to take comfort in that. For fire is the implacable enemy of the war effort. It is the servant and ally of our enemies.

Fire has been accurately described as the "seventh column." It utterly destroys some \$350,000,000 worth of property each year. And the magnitude of that loss cannot be expressed in money values alone. Some of the materials destroyed are irreplaceable at any cost—such as the stock of natural rubber which was burned in New England some months ago. Other materials are vitally needed in war production operations and if fire destroys them, there must be delays before new stocks can be produced and transported. To rebuild and repair after a fire calls for labor which should be used for war needs. Lastly, fire is a destroyer of the most precious and irreplaceable of all commodities—Time.

Great credit must be given to the groups which are working to prevent fire twenty-four hours a day, every day in the year. But these groups can't do it all. No matter how they intensify their efforts, their work is subject to definite limitations. We cannot adequately defend ourselves against fire until every homeowner, every business manager, every workman, takes part. Fire hurts us all. Fire prevention is the responsibility of all.

No man is so busy that he hasn't time to periodically inspect his property and eliminate fire hazards. And every man must do that if he is to discharge his duty to his family, his community and his country. The fire loss figures are ominous. The toll must be reduced—and reduced now.

Huge Crocodiles Once Inhabited N. America

It is quite fitting too that these should have been in our "biggest" state, Texas. Its bones were discovered in 1940 in the "Big Bend" region of Southern Texas. Other bones in the same rock disclosed that dinosaurs, new to science, were fellow associates of this huge crocodile (reptile) some seventy million years ago. Some of these dinosaurs were of gigantic proportions too.

When discovered, the remains of this crocodile were an incoherent mass of large broken sections of the skull and jaw which were imbedded in hard stone. It required eight months to chisel them out and prepare "Phobosuchus" (name wished upon it) for study and exhibition. This crocodile when alive would have measured at least 45 feet in length. It had a jaw spread of three feet and must have been a most entrancing sight when it yawned. It would have shown a fine set of teeth, nice large round teeth, some six to seven inches long and two inches in diameter. The skull when restored was six feet long and three and one half feet wide at the back. Specimens of this huge crocodile had been discovered before but until this skull was found, scientists had no idea of the size or form of the reptile's head. The finding of the skull caused the jig saw puzzle pieces to fall into place.

Crocodile are of world wide distribution throughout the tropics and subtropics and in past ages were far more numerous and varied than they are today, many kinds having dropped out "along the way." Today North America has but a single species of the crocodile and the alligator as well. If you do not know the difference between the two, then the next time you have the opportunity, just open the mouth and examine the teeth. "The crocodile is readily distinguished from the alligator by its more pointed head and by the way the fourth pair of mandibular teeth fit into notches on the side of the snout." You surely can make no mistake now—or can you?

As to the sizes of crocodiles today and yesterday. Even now within the memory of man there were alligators in Florida that measured fifteen feet but today a twelve foot specimen is rare. The American crocodile is smaller. The Asiatic marine crocodile is the largest living form. Some specimen reaching a length of 33 feet but their heads are pigmy when compared to the fossil giant from Texas. Just to complete the picture, herds of duck billed, horned and armour plated dinosaurs as well as prehistoric turtles inhabited these same areas with the crocodile and the landscape was very different from what it is today. It consisted lush semitropical vegetation covering a region rich in rivers, marshes and lakes. It seems beyond even the most exaggerated imagination to even imagine such a scene anywhere in Texas, even "in the heart of Texas" or along the Rio Grande.

(All factual data taken from the May issue of "Natural History" magazine.) —D. Darwin Davis

Grain Field Slightly Damaged By Fire

The fire, started in Harry Dunn's grain field, might have been more serious except for the prompt action of Donnie Holland and Vernon Penland, who tried to put the fire out and then hurry to the Dunn home to give the alarm. Mr. Dunn and helpers lost no time getting to the fire taking the truck across fence and stopping for nothing.

TEN YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

J. O. Isaacson has traded his ranch west of town for the former Palmer residence on Oakdale street in Medford.

Rumors around town this week are that a popular young man seen selling gas at one of the local stations, went fishing last week and tell that instead of a school of fish he caught a family of fish consisting of a mama fish and six baby fish.

Centralization of relief work in the county is needed. Medford and Central Point relief work should be under one head was the opinion of a meeting of the Central Civic Committee of the chamber of commerce. Al Hermanson and E. E. Griffith were transacting business in Medford Wednesday.

Miss Elizabeth Southwell was a dinner guest of Miss Ethelwyn Scott Wednesday, the occasion being Miss Scott's birthday.

Mrs. Dorothy Root and Mrs. Ruth Clark were visiting in Medford this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Ayers and family drove to Beagle Sunday where they were guests of the J. A. Zuck family.

Mrs. Ray Wyatt and children left Wednesday for a week vacation at Lake of the Woods.

Legal Notices

NOTICE OF SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 29th day of August, 1942, at 10 o'clock, A.M., at the front door of the Courthouse in Medford, Jackson County, Oregon, I shall sell at public auction for cash to the highest bidder, the following described real property, to-wit:

All of the right, title and interest of Franklin Collie in and to the following described real property, situated and being in the County of Jackson, State of Oregon, to-wit:

Beginning at the center point of the North line of Section 6, Township 37 South Range 2 West of the Willamette Meridian, which is also the Northwest corner of Government Lot 3 in said Township and Range and running from thence East 52 rods 8 feet and 8 inches; thence South 30 rods; thence East 24 rods; thence South 15 rods to the

center of the Jacksonville-Gold Hill road, sometimes called the Old Stage Road; thence in a westerly and Northwesterly course along the center of this road to the West line of Government Lot 3; thence North along said line 29 rods 9 feet and 9 inches to the place of beginning.

Also, beginning at the North-west corner of said Government Lot 3 and running thence West along the North line of said Section 6, 40 rods to a point where this line intersects the Jacksonville-Gold Hill road; thence in a southeasterly direction along the center line of said road about 45 rods to the West line of Government Lot 3; thence North along said West line of Government Lot 3, 29 rods 9 feet 9 inches to the place of beginning, containing in all 11 acres, more or less.

Said sale is made pursuant to an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Jackson, in a certain cause therein, wherein Franklin Collie is plaintiff and Lorena Collie is defendant.

Dated this 28th day of July, 1942.
Syd I. Brown,
Sheriff of Jackson County, Oregon by
Howard Gault, Deputy.

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SUMMONS FOR PUBLICATION IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF JACKSON

LORENA COLLIE, Plaintiff, vs. SAMUEL P. DEAN, and MRS. SAMUEL P. DEAN, true given name unknown, husband and wife, if living, and their unknown heirs, if dead, and all other parties or persons unknown claiming any right, title, estate or interest in or to the property herein described, or in and to any portion thereof. Defendants.

To: SAMUEL P. DEAN, MRS. SAMUEL P. DEAN, husband and wife, if living, and to their respective unknown heirs, if dead, and to all other parties or persons unknown, claiming any right, title, interest, lien or estate in or to the real property herein described, or in or to any portion thereof, Defendants:

IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON, you and each of you are hereby notified and required to appear in the above entitled Court and cause and answer the complaint of plaintiff now on file therein against you, within four (4) weeks from date of first publication of this summons, and you are hereby notified that in case you fail to so appear and answer said complaint or otherwise plead thereto within said time limit, for want thereof, the plaintiff will apply to the Court for a decree against you and each of you for relief prayed for in said complaint succinctly stated as follows:

For a decree of this Court against the defendants and each thereof decreeing that plaintiff is the owner in fee simple of the following described real property situated and being in the County of Jackson, State of Oregon to-wit:

Beginning at the center point of the North line of Section 6, Township 37 South Range 2 West of the Willamette Meridian, which is also the Northwest corner of Government Lot 3 in said Township and Range and running from thence East 52 rods 8 feet and 8 inches; thence South 30 rods; thence East 24 rods; thence South 15 rods to the

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and decreeing that said defendants and neither thereof have any right, title, estate, lien or interest in or to said premises or any part thereof and enjoining and restraining said defendants from asserting or attempting to assert any right, title, estate, lien or interest therein or thereto, all as is set forth by said complaint to which reference is hereby made.

This summons is published and served upon you by publication under and pursuant to an order of the Honorable H. K. Hanna, Judge of the Circuit Court for Jackson County, Oregon, which order was duly made and entered on this 20th day of July, 1942, to which order reference is also hereby made, and date of first publication of this summons is July 23rd, 1942.

F. J. Newman
Attorney for plaintiff.
Office and Postoffice address: Craterian Bldg., Medford, Oregon.

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SUMMONS SUIT TO QUIET TITLE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF JACKSON

Katie M. Grieve, Plaintiff, vs.

Charles P. Fee, Maude Fee, James O'Connell and Catherine O'Connell, the unknown heirs of Charles P. Fee, deceased, and of Maude Fee, deceased, and of James O'Connell, deceased and of Catherine O'Connell, deceased; also all other persons or parties unknown claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in the real estate described in the complaint herein. Defendants.

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ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS—IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON: You and each of you are hereby required to appear in the above entitled Court and cause and there answer the complaint on file against you within four weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons, and if you fail to so appear and answer said complaint, for want thereof, the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief prayed in the complaint, to-wit: that a decree be entered adjudicating each and all of the claims that may be made on the part of any or all of said defendants herein in or to the following described real property located in Jackson County, Oregon, to-wit:

The South Half of the South Half of Section 28, Township 32 South Range 3 East of the Willamette Meridian, except the land described in Volume 190 at page 578 of the "Dead Records" for Jackson County, Oregon,

or any part thereof, to be null and void; that the plaintiff herein be decreed to be the owner in fee simple of the said real property, free and clear of any right or claim whatsoever on the part of the said defendants herein and any and all persons claiming, or to claim, by, through, or under them, or any of them, be forever enjoined, restrained and barred from asserting, attempting to establish, or claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest whatsoever in or to said real property, or any part thereof, and the plaintiff's title to said real property be forever quieted and set at rest, and for such other and further relief as to the Court may seem just and equitable in the premises.

The date of the order for the publication of this summons is July 23, 1942. The time prescribed in said order for the publication of this summons is once a week for four consecutive weeks. The date of the first publication of this summons is July 23, 1942.

Kenneth G. Denman,
Attorney for Plaintiff
Room 1, Jackson Co. Bank Bldg., Medford, Oregon.

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