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EDITORIALS

WARNING FROM OREGON TAX COMMISSION

Oregon taxpayers are beginning to learn that electric power from a tax-exempt government-owned, politically managed plant can be very expensive.

The Oregon State Tax Commission warns that tax losses to Oregon will exceed the total original cost of the Bonneville power dam during the next few decades, if tax clauses of Columbia power bills are left unchanged. In other words, the private utilities which the socialists are so anxious to destroy in Oregon, as elsewhere, would pay enough in state taxes, over and above the amount it is proposed to have Bonneville pay, to more than offset the total cost of the project in a comparatively few years.

Oregon citizens are learning something else about so-called cheap Federal electric power. They are learning that the cost must be measured in far more than dollars and cents. The State Tax Commission, in addition to warning of the danger of revenue losses impending as the result of the Federal power socialization program, further pointed out the obvious fact that: "Unfortunately, the state of Oregon has no legislative control over whether Federally-owned public utilities shall or shall not be subject to state and local taxation."

The juggernaut of national socialization, under the guidance of the Federal power politicians, crushes states' rights as ruthlessly as it crushes the rights of utility property owners.

THE INEVITABLE EFFECT

It is no wonder that the Senate War Mobilization Committee in a recent report declared that the home front is "sagging dangerously." A free people have found themselves shackled by bureaucratic red tape at almost every turn.

They try to increase production—they try to get a war job—they try to raise crops—and in many instances they are slowed down or actually stopped by some restriction, decree or law that has so complicated our economic life that a citizen used to doing things for himself is stumped by a multiplicity of bosses.

Don't forget that the success of our war effort has been due to the drive of free private enterprise. Don't expect to hamstring that enterprise and not confuse and bewilder, and even destroy, the spirit of individual initiative and independence which built, maintained and must perpetuate this nation if our country remains as we have known it.



Figure It Out Yourself. How can you effectively join in saving all the little children of the world from human slavery, death and injury from the Nazis and Japanese? Put more and more of your pay into war bonds every payday. Your savings will go to war in the form of war equipment and other munitions. How much more should you put into war bonds? The only ones who can answer that are—you and your family. It's up to you to decide just how much more you'll do to win the war.

If you were fighting in the Solomons or in Africa or forcing a landing in Europe you'd like to feel that the folks at home were back of you—all the way—you'd be proud of your family and your friends if you knew they were buying war bonds not at 10 per cent or 15 per cent, but with every cent beyond that which they need for necessities.

U. S. Treasury Department

It's A Fact

MATERIAL PRICELESS IN VALUE IS BEING CAST OFF THROUGH THE SMOKE-STACKS OF OUR GREAT AMERICAN FACTORIES.

I touched upon this subject last week. Gold and silver, cadmium, bismuth, and even cement. These are some of the "priceless" materials. Too, besides recovering these materials, the special machinery is cleaning the air of irritating, dirty and obnoxious substances from the air we breathe, thereby eliminating in many cases those particles that cause hay fever and even silicosis. Silicosis being a disease of the lungs caused by the inhalation of silicate and quartz dust.

Now as to the methods employed in collecting this smoke-stack material—First comes the whirlwind type, in which the waste material is forced from the fumes by centrifugal force. The smoke is blown into conical tubes, called "multiclones" where the particles are whirled to the sides by rotating blades to fall into hoppers. These multiclones vary in size from a few inches to several feet in diameter. They are considered approximately 97% efficient. To demonstrate this efficiency (quote) "A 400 mesh screen thru which water will not pass, will permit particles no larger than 30 microns to pass thru." (A micron is one-1/1000 of a millimeter and a millimeter is considered 1/25th of an inch. If you have a millimeter scale, get it out for a look.

Second, we have the Cottrell process which is considered 10% efficient. To explain I quote—"As the heavy smoke bellows up the chimney, it passes thru a precipitation tube. Inside the tube is a discharge electrode attached to a high voltage rectifier grounded thru the wall of the tube. With the flow of current, the particles in the smoke become ionized, precipitate themselves to the sides of the tube, collect in flaky forms, and are knocked off into the hoppers below." Not only are these precipitators netting huge savings of essential material, but they are minimizing large bills for cleaning and painting in industrial and business sections of our larger cities.

Thanks 'Science & Discovery' Magazine for the facts about this smoky subject.

The answer to Rudolph Hess' visit to England is now generally known and how he came to make the trip. He went as a direct emissary of Hitler. He, according to Hitler, came to "save humanity". Hitler asserted that this "senseless war with a brother nation" must be stopped. The "Führer would not quibble over

terms." Germany would "evacuate all of France, excepting Alsace and Lorraine. It would retain Luxembourg but would evacuate Holland, Belgium, Norway and Denmark. In addition, withdraw from Yugoslavia, Greece and the Mediterranean areas generally". In fact all this for one prime purpose only. That Great Britain keep her eyes and ears closed and pay no attention to Germany's activities in "Eastern Europe". In other words, she didn't want any interference in her war to crush Russia.

Germany considered England a defeated nation then. It could not be possible that she would refuse such generous terms as these. Churchill communicated with Washington about the "plan" and to the credit of Churchill and Roosevelt, the answer to our German gangster was a loud, emphatic No! His talk of a "brother nation" didn't ring the bell with the Britishers or with Roosevelt.

The facts about this have been condensed from the July issue of Reader's Digest. —D. Darwin Davis

The Low Down From Hickory Grove

I get sorta in a lather about a sales tax every time I see people spending money like it might grow on a tree. A sales tax would cost me some mazuma but in the long run it will cost me and everybody else more, if we don't have a tax now. If Uncle Samuel don't get this surplus dinero, somebody else will. The night spots, or any place that will open up a door, gets business.

A thirsty gent making 100 per week don't give a hoot whether a bottle of hooch is 3 dollars or 4 dollars. Or a dinner at 85 cents, if it was 95 cents by tacking on a 10 per cent tax, would not slow down anybody. You could set up a roulette wheel, and if the police did not get you, you would go to town.

But I am hopeful. Congress has its tail over the dashboard and is showing a touch of ginger and gumption. They are starting to trim off a few Govt. frills and fancy notions—maybe a sales tax will be next.

Yours with the low down,
JO SERRA.

SHOWER HELD MONDAY—

Mrs. Orville Caster, the former Veima Newton, was honored at a shower Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Ray Edwards on King street, Medford. The Newton-Caster wedding was an event of last month. Games were enjoyed with prizes going to Mrs. Effie Caster, Mrs. David Lester and Miss Elva Caster. After the bride opened her presents, refreshments were served.

L. H. Root was able to return home last week from the hospital. It was stated in The American that all his children were home but it was impossible for Monroe to be home. He is in service in Alaska. Mr. and Mrs. Hawley expect to stay here for the present. Mrs. Hawley will help care for her father.

Mrs. Axel Benson had a bad fall and nearly broke her leg last week Tuesday.

FIVE YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Wertz of Climax visited Mrs. Wertz' father N. P. Hansen in Central Point Sunday. Postmaster Tom Pankey addressed the Civic Club ladies Wednesday afternoon. The theme of his address was "Can We Do It?" The address was inspirational and much enjoyed.

Mr. E. J. Tilden of Woodburn is visiting at the Flaherty home.

Mr. Floyd Ross will join Mrs. Ross and boys at Prineville, where Mrs. Ross is visiting her parents. They will return home together.

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Neal Richardson of Medon, given a small duck, having no place to keep it except in tub, decided to take it a mile to the river and turn it loose with other wild ducks. Believe it or not the next morning the duck was back home having walked all the way, being too small to fly.

Ross & Ross' turtle going down the street to Damon's.

TEN YEARS AGO

Mrs. O. C. Purkeypile of Gold Hill visited here Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Wright of Riverside are visiting relatives and friends in Central Point.

Mayor Leever suggest that a sign be painted saying "Short Cut to Crater Lake, Diamond Lake, Lake of the

Woods and Fish Lake" and have sign placed on highway north of town. Lester and Ethelwyn Scott, Lois Hesselgrave, Don Tresham, Dorothy Linbeck and Victor Noel enjoyed a Weiner roast at Hybee Bridge Tuesday evening.

Boy and girl cabbage growing contest cannot be held before August 19. The H.E.C. members will hold an all day picnic in Ashland Park, Wednesday July 26.



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EXCUSE, PLEASE Japanese too busy in China!

IN 1941, the Japanese had been fighting China for five years. Everyone agreed they couldn't risk a war with Uncle Sam. The Japs encouraged this complacency. They even sent "Peace Emissaries" to Washington! Then, when we were thoroughly convinced they wouldn't fight us, they struck with almost overwhelming force!

These same treacherous Japs spent years convincing us they were poor pilots. Young Japanese students purposely made bad progress at American flying schools — to mislead us into believing they didn't have what it takes to make good pilots. They deliberately led us into believing we could "polish off the Jap fleet any weekend," that the Japanese were inferior sailors, poor marksmen, and that their warships and airplanes were obsolete and inferior.

TODAY, the Japs would like you to believe they can't strike us here on the West Coast. They want us to "let down," to take air raid precautions as a joke . . . to believe that "it can't happen here."

The plain truth is that it not only CAN happen here, but, as our victories in the Pacific increase, our chances of being attacked actually become greater. That's why you should help man the important military installations of the Aircraft Warning Service. Sign up today — tomorrow SURE — as a Ground Observer.

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ENDS SAT. NITE!

Basil Rathbone—Nigel Bruce
"Sherlock Holmes in Washington"

Plus—
Tim Holt in
"Red River Robin Hood"

SUN—MON—TUE

Basil Sydney—Nova Pilbeam
"Next of Kin"

Plus—
Bela Lugosi—Wallace Ford
"Ape Man"

STARTS WED—4 DAYS

Lupe Velez—Michael Duane
"Redhead from Manhattan"

Plus—
Don (Red) Barry in
"The Cyclone Kid"

HOLLY

Ends Saturday Nite!
Richard Travis—Julie Bishop
"Busses Roar"

Plus—
Charles Starrett in
"Fighting Buckaroo"

SUN—MON

Errol Flynn—Ronald Reagan
"Desperate Journey"

Plus—
Joan Bennett—Milton Berle in
"Margin for Error"

TUE—WED—THURS

Ginger Rogers—Cary Grant
"Once Upon A Honeymoon"

Plus—
Ritz Brothers—Carol Bruce
"Behind The Eight Ball"