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EDITORIALS

THE ROAD BACK

One of the biggest threats to private enterprise after the war is the tremendous amount of money the Federal government now has invested in all kinds of business, as a war measure—some \$20,000,000,000.

When the war emergency is over, the postwar employment emergency will be used as an argument to keep the government in business. Hence, planning by private enterprise, such as is being done by the American Road Builders Association, to provide peacetime jobs, is of the utmost importance.

Highway construction is important at any time, but after the war it will be doubly so. Like all transportation facilities, roads are being pounded to pieces by war traffic, many of them are not being repaired, and badly needed new construction has been postponed.

Highway expenditures in 1930 amounted to nearly a billion and a half dollars. In 1943, they dropped to but \$300,000,000, and in 1944 to about \$150,000,000.

As upwards of 7,000,000 jobs depend on good highways in normal times, it is easy to see how important road construction and maintenance will be in any postwar planning to put American business back on a sound, self supporting basis.

Many friends of Mrs. Stansby gathered at her home Sunday to celebrate her 88 birthday. She received many lovely cards and remembrances.

South America As Seen by Local Lady

Mrs. Mildred Swain is writing to her mother, Mrs. E. E. Scott, from South America, where she is with her husband, who is employed by the government rubber research.

Continued from last week

December 12, 1943

Dear Folks at Home:

Hope you received the note I wrote at the office the other night and that at least you know we still are kicking. I was sorry it was so short but felt a note would be better than no letter at all.

We have been completely rushed to pieces and this afternoon, for the first time since the five girls, enroute back to Africa, arrived here, there is just Joe and I in the house. Vi and Homer Pease left on this noon's plane for Porto Velho after spending a little vacation here. We certainly enjoyed having them, however, and also the girls. Friends are rare possessions—real friends, I mean—and while we made no special effort to entertain them we were busy constantly. They were just members of our family and fit in very well. When there was no water in the house we all carried water or took a shower in the laundry room and no excuses made. The girls arrived a week ago last Thursday and Vi and Homer arrived Friday. All of us were ex-African residents so we had plenty to talk about. Also one of the girls, Charlotte Peterson, knew Vi and Homer over there when they had lived there several years ago, so you see it was quite a reunion.

(To be continued.)

Former Missionary To China Speaks

The Rev. Kenneth W. Wilson of Ichow, China, spoke at the Federated church 2 times recently, and made his talks interesting with an illustrated chalk talk.

Since 1920 the Rev. Kenneth W. Wilson has been stationed in China. The old city of Ichow, his headquarters, is in the center of the densely populated Southern Shantung Province between the Shanghai-Peking Railroad and the coast. There are approximately three million people in this area, with the Ichow Station as the only mission group working there.

During his years of work in China Mr. Wilson has had many vivid experiences in the perilous time through which that country is passing.

ing. He has watched Ichow change from a peaceful enough old-fashioned city, caring very little for the innovations of the outside world, to a spot of famine and suffering and ruined buildings.

Even in its peaceful days, life was not easy in Ichow. Although a motor road was opened in 1930 from the railroad fifty miles away, and this road was passable in good weather, wheelbarrows, donkeys, and ox-carts remained the favorite means of transportation among the Chinese farmers who lived on the outskirts of Ichow. Such conveniences as electric lights, telephones, and radios gradually appeared in the city, but to thousands of the population these inventions remained meaningless. Most of the Chinese outside the city were illiterate, but the missionary group made good use of the "thousand character" system of reading and writing, as it is the standard among Christians there that everyone should be able to read the Bible.

Mr. Wilson conducted much of his work at country fairs and markets, where the "Gospel Tent" with its attractions of music and singing of hymns, drew many listeners.

In the second phase of the war with Japan, as the invading army swept westward, the city of Ichow was in its path. After stubborn resistance the city was taken, looted, and largely destroyed. The ministry of protection and relief carried on by Mr. Wilson and others in the mission compound, won the good will of the entire countryside and resulted in the opening of Christian work in many additional villages.

Clyde Briggs of Oakland, and Mrs. Ruth Greene and children, Sharon and Freddie, Jr. of Medford, were visitors at the Ed Vincent home Sunday.

FIVE YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

Wilma Marjorie Cadwell became the bride of Horace Root, son of L. H. Root recently.

Jim Jones Jr. of Gallup, New Mexico, visited his parents Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jones, Sr., last week.

Miss Ariene Inmann became the bride of Fred H. Coffman, Saturday April 27.

The Keystone class will present a three-act comedy "The Absent-Minded Professor" at the high school May 15.

Central Point mothers of boys between the ages of nine and twelve will meet at the high school to talk over and increase the interest in the scout Cub work. Roland Hoyer will be Cubmaster.

TEN YEARS AGO

Three of the Central Point boys received their radio license this week. They were Ralph Buckles, 47 EXD; Norman Wiley, 47EJY; Leo Obenchain, 47EXB.

Mrs. M. A. Putman was hostess to the Don't Worry club last Thursday. Organization of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce to succeed the Medford Chamber was announced.

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today. The definite action was taken to make the chamber work county wide.

Rural residents, living close to dusty roads, can procure relief from the same by paying for the oil and Jackson County will grant the use of the road oiling equipment.

Legal Notices

NOTICE OF MEETING OF COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION TO EXAMINE ASSESSMENT ROLLS
Notice is hereby given, in compliance with Sec. 110-401, O.C.L.A. as amended by chapter 440, (sec. 8), Oregon laws 1941, that a meeting will be held by the Board of Equalization on the second Monday in May, 1944, at the Court-house in Medford, Jackson County, Oregon, at which meeting the Board of Equalization will publicly examine the assessment rolls and correct all errors in valuation, description, or qualities of lands, lots, or other property assessed by the assessor. It shall be the duty of persons interested to appear at the time and place appointed. Each

petition or application for the reduction of a particular assessment shall be made in writing, verified by the oath of the applicant or his attorney and be filed with the Board within the first week it is by law required to be in session.

C. A. Myers,
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JOBS AND INCOME SECURITY

What happens to this country after the fighting is over is of vital personal concern to every American. How vital depends upon the extent to which we value our present way of life, our free institutions, and our existing form of government. These are all the prize at stake, and if they mean anything to us we must prepare now for after this war and be willing to see the idea of postwar planning made a political football, a grindstone for the axes of special interest groups, or a bone of contention between those who want to go back to the past and those who want to blueprint the "perfect world."

If, when the fighting is over, we have ex-soldiers selling apples on the street, or masses of workers idle, or people starving in one part of the country while food surpluses rot in others, we shall have lost this war. It will be too late to "plan".

Postwar planning must be faced realistically. We must prepare now against unemployment during the reconversion period, and for full and continuing employment under a peacetime economy. The first goal of postwar planning should be a foundation for better living through provision for enough jobs and lasting jobs.

The basis of America's postwar economy should be private enterprise, with private business and industry and agriculture continuing to operate as the people's primary means for providing jobs and producing goods and services; with government performing its constitutional function of establishing the rules of the game, acting as impartial referee, and effecting fiscal policies through taxation and expenditure programs such as private works that will mesh with private undertakings.

But the private enterprise system must adjust itself to a changing world. Before there can be blueprints there must be unity of purpose among all groups, with a realization that our group interests are identical. There must be fullest cooperation and team work based on mutual trust on the part of business, labor, agriculture, and government. This trust can't merely be assumed, it must be honestly earned through practice in the first place and thereafter preserved by continuous good faith, performance and collaboration. If our private enterprise system is to go forward there must be a new sense of responsibility for the welfare of all the people. Business must recognize its obligation to provide jobs and income security. Labor must promise a full day's work and make it possible for those seeking employment to have

it. Both must recognize their dependence on agriculture as producer and consumer. Agriculture in turn must recognize that it is dependent upon business and labor and that there cannot be profitable markets for its products unless the rest of the nation prospers and has the means to buy.

None of America's economic groups is self-sufficient. Each is dependent upon the other; the terms business and labor and agriculture lose their capital letters and become "We, the People" when we realize that all are consumers—each others consumers, and there cannot be full and continuous employment unless more people have the means to buy more of the produce of our collective brains and hands and invested savings.

It is necessary that there must be adequate incentive to encourage risk and responsibility. Otherwise dollars saved will not be dollars dared for backing new responsibilities for new jobs, opened by new ideas, nor will the new ideas themselves be forthcoming.

We must recognize the need for a more balanced economy and the importance of utilizing our natural resources and other assets to the end that full time productive work will be available to all our citizens seeking employment.

We must preserve the sovereignty of the State of Oregon at all costs; restore to our communities and local governments confidence, initiative and self-reliance, and cease looking to the federal government for those things that we can and must do for ourselves.

If this crisis is to be successfully met industry, agriculture and labor must take the offensive. The freedom to produce is the only hope of a postwar world. We can surrender to the socially minded groups who have nothing to offer except ultimate bankruptcy, or we can win the greatest battle of history by assuring for all Americans the opportunity to work and, in so doing, extending that opportunity into the far corners of the earth. We must prepare the way for a decent standard of living and self respect for our people or surrender to the compulsions and directions of the dictator state.

Those of us who are employers have a definite all-important responsibility. We have the obligation of providing jobs—productive work, a decent standard of living. Let's dedicate ourselves to that purpose. Let's recreate in ourselves the faith we once had—faith in ourselves, in our community and in our country. Let's risk all that we may gain all.

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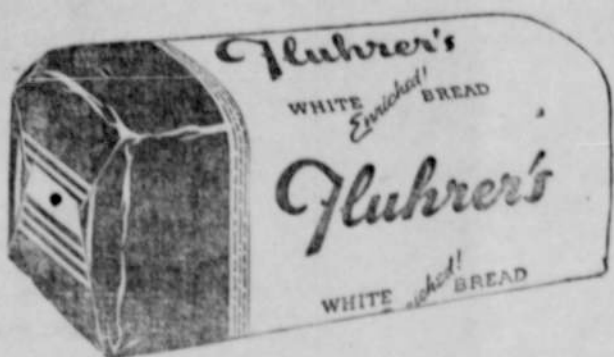


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