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IT'S ALL YOURS

Do you happen to have \$1589 to spare. That will be the average American family's share of the \$71,000,000,000 1952 Federal budget which the Administration has proposed, if Congress accepts it. And this doesn't take into account state, county and municipal taxes.

According to the Census Bureau, last October 6,402,000 people—one out of every 24 persons in the nation—worked for some branch of government. And the total is substantially larger today.

The "big spenders" in government argue that the budget is air-tight, a model of economy and careful planning, and that it can't be cut anywhere without causing great damage. But the Hoover Commission has pointed the way to a \$7,000,000,000 saving. Senator Byrd has presented a documented plan which would reduce the budget by about \$9,000,000,000. Other authorities have come up with similar reports and recommendations.

The people have a clear choice to make. They can have a "do everything" government, with its emphasis

on alleged social security from the cradle to the grave—and by the time they get through paying for it in ever-cheapening dollars they'll find that their living standards are comparable to those in England. Or they can have a government which pinches the pennies in every possible direction, and concentrates on the unavoidable essentials, such as an adequate national defense. Then we will begin to do something tangible about inflation—and we'll enormously strengthen the hard economic base on which this nation's security depends.

Take your pick—it's your money, your future, your freedom, which are at stake.

The Medford News Bows Out

This is the last issue of the Medford News you will receive. We are suspending publication as of this date.

That leaves little to be said except "Goodbye" and goodbyes should be brief.

During the 15 months we have been editor of the News we have benefitted by many friendships, business and personal. We regretfully leave these.

The Oregon Newspaper Publishers Assn. reports that the Medford News is the eighth weekly paper in Oregon to suspend since the first of the year. Therefore, you will perceive that our shutdown is not unique—that it reflects a general condition rather than a local situation.

Many factors enter into a decision to stop publishing a newspaper. It would be pointless to enumerate them, although looming large in the category would be the increasing scarcity of newsprint and a constantly high cost of operation. Had Korea not exploded on the national scene, the local picture might have been quite different. How-

ever, Korea did explode, and made debris of many plans that appeared secure a year ago.

For the record we would like to make this observation. During our association with the management of the Medford Mail Tribune which owns the Medford News and has decided on the suspension, there has never been any dictation of editorial policy from them, no attempt to influence our thinking on any news or editorial decision we cared to make. That has been freedom of the press, granted by the press.

It indicates that, from a newspaper standpoint, the affairs of the community are in good hands.

We leave them there.

The above was run in the Medford News of May 25. We have enjoyed the News very much. We understand the problems they faced and we still are thankful for the freedom of the press.

We take this time to thank our readers and advertisers for their fine support.—The Publishers.

Gaile Skyrman and Erma Childress will travel to Corvallis Tuesday, June 12 to attend the 4H club Summer school at Oregon State college. They will return home June 22.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, by resolution of the Common Council of The City of Central Point, Oregon, there was duly submitted to the legal voters of said City, at the special City Election, duly held in and for said City on the 4th day of June, 1951, a charter amendment amending the Charter of the City of Central Point by adding thereto a new article to be known as Article XXXIII; said amendment being as follows, to-wit:

ARTICLE XXXIII
Section 1: The common council of the City of Central Point is hereby authorized and empowered each year and in addition to other taxes levied, to levy, assess and collect taxes not to exceed 15 mills on the dollar valuation upon all property, both real and personal within the City of Central Point not exempt from taxation, for the purpose of paying the general expenses of the operation of the City of Central Point, including the maintaining and equipping the fire department, police department and all other departments of the City of Central Point and paying salaries of the personnel and employees of the City of Central Point.

Section 2: The taxes herein provided for shall not be deemed to be within any limitation of taxation now provided by the Charter and shall be in addition, in excess of and outside the limitation on taxation imposed by Article XI, Section 11 of the Constitution of Oregon.

AND WHEREAS, the common council of said City has, in my presence on the 4th day of June 1951, duly canvassed the results of said election, and it has been determined thereby that the total number of votes cast at said election for and against said Article XXXIII was 173 and the total number of votes cast against the same was 71, and that the total number of votes cast in favor of said charter amendment

was 102, and therefore an affirmative majority of all votes cast was received at said election.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the power and authority invested in me as Mayor of the City of Central Point, Oregon, I, Donald E. Burelson do hereby issue this proclamation to the people of said city and do hereby declare that the votes cast in favor of, and against, said amendment was as above set forth and that said amendment received an affirmative majority of all the votes cast at said election, and I do declare said Charter amendment to be duly and regularly made and adopted.

Dated at Central Point, Oregon, this 4th day of June, 1951.

DONALD E. BURELSON,
Mayor of Central Point

NOTICE OF ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, in compliance with Sec. 111-908, O. C. L. A., to the legal voters of School District No. 6C, of Jackson County, State of Oregon, that the ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION of said District will be held at the Central Point High School gymnasium in Central Point, Oregon, and at the Gold Hill School Gymnasium in Gold Hill, Oregon, between the hours of 2 P.M. and 8 P.M., on the third Monday of June, being the 18th day of June, A.D. 1951.

This meeting is called for the purpose of electing one director for a term of five years, and for the purposes of this election said School District has been divided into two precincts. Precinct No. 1 being such part of said district as is contained in regular election precincts No. 69,

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70, 71, 72, 73, and 74. The voting place for said Precinct No. 1 being the Central Point School Gymnasium. Precinct No. 2 being such part of said School District as is contained within regular voting precincts No. 78, 79, 80, and 76. The voting place for said precincts being the Gold Hill School Gymnasium.

Dated this 7th day of June, 1951.

ATTEST:
MERLE OBENCHAIN,
District Clerk
DON PATTERSON,
Chairman Board of Directors
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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held at the City Hall, City of Central Point, at the hour of 7:30 o'clock P.M. on the 11th day of June, 1951, to consider the passage of an Ordinance to designate, regulate and restrict the location and use of buildings, structures and land for residence, trade, industry and other purposes; to regulate and limit the height and bulk of buildings and structures; to regulate and determine the size of yards and other open spaces; and to regulate and limit the density of population; and for said purposes to divide the city

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