

Kind of President United States Needs

We need a president who doesn't think the U. S. treasury is a gold mine, to be dug out with a fountain pen and checkbook.

Ex-president Hoover advises us to vote for the measure; not the man. That is what we have been doing. President Roosevelt was elected on the strength of his platform. Its strongest plank was economy. Looking back we remember this slogan: "He kept us out of war." Of course that slogan did not promise to continue to do so, but we interpreted it that way. Both of these presidents went into reverse. The promise of economy has piled up the biggest debt ever, and "he kept us out of war" plunged us into a war which was fought to satisfy greed and graft. We are still paying for it, but no amount of money will bring back the boys lost or crippled.

Eleanor and Alice

What is in a name? Plenty if it happens to be Roosevelt. Eleanor Roosevelt, the president's wife, and Alice Roosevelt Longworth, an ex-president's daughter, are writing for the big metropolitan dailies, and have stirred up some comment. We haven't taken time to read "Eleanor's 'My Day,'" but we read what Alice has to say, so noticed these criticisms sent in by correspondents from about the state.

From Gresham a man writes

that he thinks Alice has the wit of Will Rogers and will take his place. He even suggests the republicans nominate her for president. According to our notion, if there is anyone Alice's writing is not like it is Will Rogers. Alice's wit is sharp and perfect as to grammar, while half of Will Rogers humor lay in his utter disregard for grammar and conventional rules. No one will take his place. As for being president, we have had enough of the Roosevelt dynasty.

Another correspondent pays her the male compliment supreme: "She thinks and writes like a man."

What everyone knows, except a few college professors, is this: when money is scarce prices are low, as they should be to encourage buying. When money circulates freely prices are high, for they dare be. Everyone will buy regardless of prices. The professors wanted high prices when money was scarce. They ignored the good old law of supply and demand. Congress did not pass this law and the supreme court can't declare it unconstitutional. You needn't write to your congressman about it for he has no more control over it than he has over the weather.

Russell Croco Dies

Russell Croco, Butteville, age 32, died at the Emanuel hospital in Portland February 17. He had been ill for several months. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Matilda Croco, and two children.

Funeral services will be held in the Miller chapel at 1:30 Friday afternoon, with interment in the Riverview cemetery.

YOU PAY A TAX

- When you light the evening lamp; you pay a tax.
- When you buy a postage stamp; you pay a tax.
- When you buy the baby clothes; when you read the morning news, when you buy a pair of shoes; you pay a tax.
- When you buy an ice cream cone; you pay a tax.
- For the water that you drink; you pay a tax.
- When you buy a loaf of bread; when the doctor says you're dead, when the final prayers are said, you pay a tax.—Ex.

CURRENT EVENTS IN REVIEW

By Edward W. Pickard

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Death of Charles Curtis, Former Vice President

CHARLES CURTIS, former Vice President of the United States and before that representative and senator from Kansas, died suddenly of heart disease at the Washington home of his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Gann. He was seventy-six years old, and was the first man of Indian blood ever to preside over the senate. He was one-quarter Kaw Indian, his grandmother having been Princess Julie of that tribe who married a French voy-

ageur. In his boyhood Curtis was a jockey, and later a reporter. Having studied law, he became a prosecutor at the age of twenty-four in Shawnee county, Kansas, and was elected to congress in 1892. He was made senator in 1907, was defeated in 1912, and two years later was again elected senator. He was elected Vice Pres-

ident on the ticket headed by Herbert Hoover, and was renominated for that position in 1932.

Mr. Curtis was greatly liked by his associates in Washington and his death caused genuine grief. President Roosevelt said:

"I am deeply distressed to learn of the sudden passing of my old friend, Charles Curtis. Whether they knew him as a senator, as the Vice President of the United States, or as the man he was in his own right, his legion of friends will remember him, always affectionately, and will mourn his passing."

Vice President Garner said: "I was always fond of him. I was associated with him in the house and senate. He was a fine man and a good friend."

Funeral services for Mr. Curtis and the interment were in Topeka, Kan.

Long Newspaper Tax Is Held Unconstitutional

ONCE again the Supreme court of the United States comes to the rescue of a free press. Unanimously

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Stuff'n' Dates
by Ned Moore

A FLAG UNCHANGED FOR 716 YRS.

THE DANISH ENSIGN IS SWALLOW-TAILED AND THE WHITE CROSS IS NOT TAPERED OUT INTO A POINT BUT ENDS SQUARELY. THE INNER EDGES OF THE RED TAILS LEADING OFF FROM THE UPPER AND LOWER EDGES OF THE BAR. THIS IS THE "DANNEBROG," ONE OF THE OLDEST NATIONAL FLAGS IN CONTINUOUS USE.

IN THE YEAR 1219, KING VALDEMAR OF DENMARK IN A CRITICAL MOMENT OF HIS SEIZURE OF THE ISLAND OF HELSINKI, SAW A WHITE CROSS IN THE RED SKY. HE WAS THEN LEADING HIS TROOPS TO BATTLE AGAINST THE FINN LINGUANS, AND QUICKLY WELCOMED SUCH AN ASSURANCE OF CELESTIAL AID IN ANSWER TO HIS PRAYERS, AND AS SOON AS POSSIBLE ADOPTED IT AS HIS COUNTRY'S FLAG UNDER THE WELL-KNOWN NAME WHICH SIGNIFIES THE STRENGTH OF DENMARK.

THE DANISH PERMANENT FLAG IS RECTANGULAR, WITH THE BAR OF THE CROSS LONGER TOWARDS THE FLY THAN TOWARDS THE HOIST.

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Albert Kraus Injured While Crossing Highway In Aurora

Albert Kraus, one of Aurora's pioneer citizens, was badly injured while crossing the highway in Aurora Friday evening about 8:30. He was struck by an auto driven by McKinley Aldridge, 730 Northwest 16th street, Portland. Aldridge was not placed under arrest by the officers who investigated.

Two state police were following close behind Aldridge and were on the scene of the accident practically as soon as it happened. They picked Kraus up from the highway and carried him to a doctor, where it was found he had sustained serious abdominal cuts and was also cut about the head. Kraus was soon taken to an Oregon City hospital, and is reported as recovering satisfactorily.

Aldridge was driving a car registered to the Standard Oil company of California. He claimed he was driving about 25 miles an hour. Since we did not witness the accident we have no reason to question the speed, but most autos travel through Aurora at a greater speed.

Herman L. Gill, Former Editor of Woodburn Independent, Dies

Woodburn, Feb. 17—Herbert L. Gill, well-known veteran newspaper man and editor of the Woodburn Independent for 32 years, died at his home here Saturday night.

He was born September 4, 1857, at Duffryn Mawr, Pa., where he published his first paper in 1878. He married Corinne E. Barton of Washington, D. C., September 21, 1886, came west in 1883 and published papers in the Rocky mountain, Colorado, Kansas and Puget sound districts. In 1885 he was elected as member of the Kansas legislature.

Mr. Gill settled in Woodburn in 1898 and bought an interest in the Independent. He was also co editor of the Aurora Borealis. His interest was sold six years ago to Rodney Alden. Since then he has engaged in the real estate business.

Besides his widow, he is survived by two children, Wayne B. Gill and Mrs. Virginia Austin, both of Woodburn.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 2:30 o'clock in Woodburn, with Rev. George Herbert Swift of Salem officiating.

Aurora Woman's Club Had Chinese Speaker Tuesday

Mrs. B. F. Giesy and Mrs. P. J. Hunt were hostesses for the Woman's club Tuesday afternoon. The meeting was held on Tuesday instead of Wednesday as the speaker, Mrs. Stanley Chin, was unable to come on regular club day.

After the regular business meeting the time was turned over to Mrs. Chin, who took the members on an imaginary cruise to the Orient. She described the entrance into Shanghai, which instead of being a Chinese settlement is very modern. With so many ships coming each day, all nationalities are seen at all times. She told of the improved water fronts, that are terraced and look like parks. She told of the new order of education in China, also of the prominent places being filled by women there. About the most interesting point was the description of the great wall of China and the thrill one gets from walking on it, also the sight seen from it.

Mrs. Chin is an American Chinese and conducts tours through the Orient.

After the speaking dainty refreshments were served by the hostesses.

The price of the subscription for the Aurora Observer, 50c a year, is a rare bargain.

Oregon AAA Contracts to Be Paid

Passage by congress of an appropriation bill providing close to \$300,000,000 for use by the AAA in winding up its crop control programs invalidated by the supreme court, removes all doubt that Oregon contract holders will be fully compensated for compliance already performed prior to the rendering of the court decision January 6.

Estimates vary as to the amount due Oregon farmers under these contracts, but officials of the Oregon State college extension service believe the figure for old contracts alone will be around \$1,340,000. Some estimates have been even higher.

To this total may also be added payments for compliance by wheat growers on the new program contracts, applications for which had been signed and compliance made by winter wheat growers. Nothing definite has been announced as to this group, however, and further word is awaited.

In preparation for cleaning up the past obligations of the government under the crop control program, Oregon officials have been notified from Washington to return records and materials to county control associations and have these proceed with the work much as they had been doing under past regulations.

Meanwhile congress is working on new agricultural adjustment legislation built around federal aid in a soil conservation program, which is expected to accomplish some of the purposes of the AAA crop control programs. It contains many features, in fact, toward which the AAA was gradually working in the transition from the emergency to a permanent policy of agricultural adjustment and cooperation.

A financial report has just been issued showing total expenditures of the AAA since its inception in May 1933 to the end of 1935. The total amounted to \$1,480,057,513.25. Of the total approximately 1100 million dollars was paid to farmers for rental and benefit payments. About 75 million was used for removal and conservation of surplus, and 157 million for drought relief, food conservation and disease eradication operations. About 78 million was used in administration, 60 per cent of which was spent in the field and 40 per cent in Washington.

The report for Oregon shows benefit and rental payments in the state amounting to \$7,808,769.08 under the wheat (\$6,807,716.29) and hog (\$1,001,052.79) programs. Marion county farmers received during that period a total of \$175,993.41, divided as follows: wheat, \$80,141.09; corn-hogs, \$95,852.32.

The following eastern Oregon counties received the largest amounts:

County	Wheat	Corn-Hogs
Umatilla	\$2,441,150.03	\$42,916.64
Sherman	903,052.99	19,681.77
Morrow	671,136.80	9,563.92
Grant	627,638.73	5,784.73
Wasco	499,442.66	44,035.65
Union	412,737.01	64,610.18

The Purpose of Deposit Insurance

When Congress created the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation its primary objective was the protection of depositors. This Corporation began insuring deposits January 1, 1934. It is a permanent organization.

It now insures deposits in a great majority of the banks, including this institution. As a result, millions of depositors enjoy a degree of financial security heretofore unknown. When you have money on deposit here you know for a certainty that your deposits up to \$5,000 are fully safeguarded against loss. Deposit insurance is for your protection.

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