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The Proposed Constitutional Amendment

A great deal of debate is still going on concerning the possibility of a new constitutional amendment to give Congress and the Executive powers which the Supreme Court, in the NRA and similar cases, has decided they do not now possess.

A short time ago Walter Lippman the well-known publicist, challenged an editor who had often written in favor of the amendment, to put it into words—that is, to prepare the text of such an amendment in the clear and legal form in which it must be submitted to the people. It was Mr. Lippman's expressed belief that no one could do it—and his belief was partially proved when the editor replied that the job was beyond him.

The actual preparation of such an amendment would seem a task almost beyond human power. How could we further centralize and augment powers of the Federal government—and at the same time preserve the rights of states, which are at present guaranteed by the Constitution? How could we give to the government at Washington absolute and dictatorial powers over commercial and industrial life—which is what the sponsors of the amendment want—and at the same time keep operative the existing Constitutional guarantees that protect the lawful activities of individual initiative and enterprise? How could we give into the hands of politicians sweeping authority over our basic social and economic institutions—and at the same time make sure that such fundamental principles of democratic government as freedom of press, speech and action were not infringed?

The Constitution has existed for more than 150 years. It has made possible our growth from a handful of relatively unimportant colonies to the greatest industrial power in the modern world. It has preserved, in the face of a hundred onslaughts, the human rights and liberties for which men have fought since the dawn of time—liberties which have been entirely destroyed in other nations. It has given us the highest standard of living for the masses, in the world. Perhaps those who would emasculate and change this document are less wise, less foresighted, less in tune with the forces that make for freedom and progress, than were those great men who wrote it.

Fifty-Three Bread Taxes!

It has recently been stated that the cost of a loaf of bread included 53 taxes levied on it and its materials between the time the seed of grain is planted and the finished loaf is delivered to your door.

A half-dozen or so of those taxes come readily to mind. The miller who makes the flour pays taxes, as does the farmer who raises the wheat. If it is transported by a heavily-taxed commercial carrier, another tax must be added. The baker who bakes it and the store which sells it likewise are the recipients of frequent calls from the tax-collector. So it goes with all food products.

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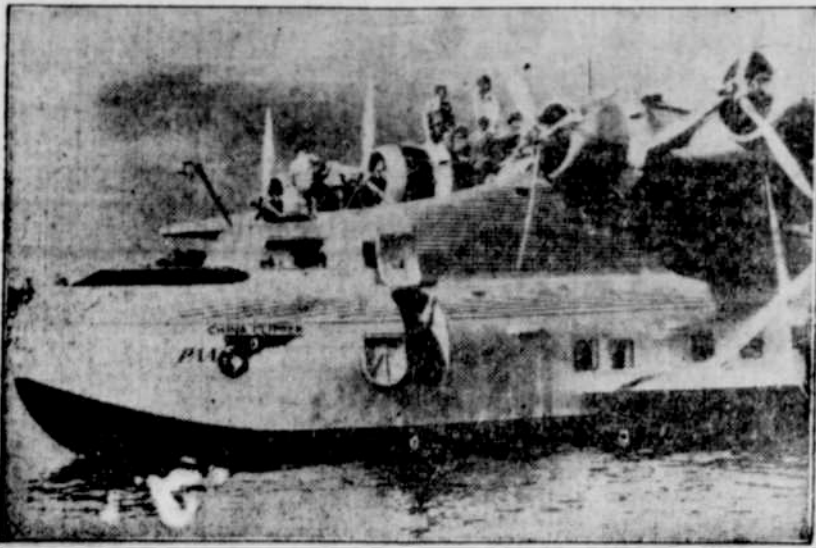
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China Clipper to Bring Ocean Mail Regular

History has again been written in the field of aeronautics. With the 50,000-pound "China Clipper," arriving home in Alameda, Calif., from a 16,000-mile round-trip flight across the vastness of the Pacific, and her sister ship, "Philippine Clipper," departing December 9 for a regularly-scheduled flight to Manila, trans-oceanic air mail is now moving on regular schedule.

With the four 800 horsepower motors of each clipper roaring a challenge to the ocean, and "shrinking" the old Pacific to one-seventh its former size, the grand old stars and stripes are easily stretched across 8,000 miles of space. The world looks on aghast at Pan-American Airways' achievement, culminating nearly four years of planning, development and research by the best minds in the aviation industry.

"It's of interest to motorists and aviators everywhere," says C. J. Barnes, local manager for the General Petroleum Corporation "to note that the marvelous motors of these sky wonders are lubricated by oil made by the same Socomey-Vacuum Cleasol process used in producing Mobiloil for their own engines. Aviation experts agree that improvements in motor oil have been an important factor in incorporating safety into such long-distance flying."

Britain's Constitution

Marked by Certain Laws

The British constitution is mainly unwritten and customary, observes a writer in the Cleveland Plain Dealer, but its development is marked by certain outstanding and fundamental laws, of which the principal ones are the Magna Charta, adopted in 1215, which secured annual parliaments and the equal administration of justice; the habeas corpus act, adopted in 1679, securing the liberty of the person; the act of settlement, in 1701, providing for the Protestant succession to the throne; the act of union with Scotland, 1707; the act of union with Ireland, 1800; the parliament act of 1911, which enabled the commons to pass certain acts without the concurrence of the other chamber; the government of Ireland act, 1920, and the Irish Free State (agreement) act of 1922.

The constituent parts of the British constitution describe the sovereign, the legislature, the executive and the judiciary.

Beginnings of the Game Laws

Two hundred years ago the Indians in Kentucky set aside game refuges for bears and created what may have been the first game law in America. Bear fat, bear meat and bear skins were the most prized returns of the hunt. Large areas were set aside as "beloved bear grounds," where only a limited number of animals could be killed each year, so that a permanent supply of these animals would be maintained.

Dr. Marie Equi, Physician, Room 34, Lafayette Bldg, 531 Wash., AT. 4422, Portland, Oregon.

Cancer and its Allied Ailments

Since the early dawn of civilization there has always existed certain derangements, ailments and diseases that have decimated and harassed the human race. Today in the midst of our high civilization, sanitation and modern day medications, we find ourselves in a way floundering about with an ever-increasing death rate through cancer and its allied ailments. Millions have been spent in cancer and tubercular research work. Regardless of all this in spite of our modern hospitals, radium, X-rays, etc., this ravaging disease keeps marching on without any apparent check, but with an alarming increase and high percentage of suffering and deaths. It is a fact, now understood by almost everyone, that operations do not effect a cure, that radium only increases the pain, and rather than diminishes the thing sought for relief from suffering and cure from the disease.

I am speaking more especially of cancer for this malady must be acknowledged the one great disease, or derangement of this present day and age. If this should happen to come to the attention of anyone who suffers from the dread disease, or perhaps has a friend suffering I would be glad to have you write us and literature relative to this black monster cancer will be sent you. This will aid and assist in a more thorough understanding of your own case and perhaps be the means of saving you many hours of suffering and untimely death. The writer, who has practiced medicine but, who now is inactive, will have more to say from week to week through this column relative to cancer. I hope to aid and assist humanity in a more and better understanding from the present day fatalities of this dread malady.

If you will send me your name and address I would be pleased to mail you a free copy of "I am not afraid of Cancer." A postcard with your name and address to Koch's Bureau of Information, lock box 5035, Portland, Oregon, will bring it.

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Lum Addresses Poultrymen

BEAVERTON—While battery layers are proving quite popular and are in considerable use in midwestern and eastern sections of the country, they apparently have no outstanding advantages over the laying house and would probably be of no advantage to Oregon poultrymen. A. G. Lum, professor of poultry husbandry at Oregon State college, recently told a group of Washington country poultrymen assembled for their monthly meeting. Professor Lum told of his observations on this and other phases of poultry production during his six month's stay at the famous Mt. Hope poultry farm in Massachusetts while on leave from O. S. C. last year.

Dr. J. W. Morrow, Physician, has returned to his office in the Broadway Bldg., BEacon 6410, Portland.

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