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THE POSTOFFICE WON'T "TAKE SIDES?"

At the present time, the government is in the power business on a wide scale. It is proposed that this scale be immensely broadened in the future, with government plants operating in every section of the country.

In view of the government's action through the post office department in recent strikes, possible results of this are interesting and important.

The postoffice refused to deliver parcel post packages addressed to workers within a picketed steel plant on the grounds that it would not "take sides" in an industrial dispute. Suppose the government likewise supplied the electric power to such plants. With the mail precedent in view could it not decline to deliver current? By supplying electricity it would enable men at work to continue at work and would be definitely "taking sides."

There is nothing far fetched in this. For the first time in our history, the post office has refused to deliver mail when it was possible to do so. Electric power is today the sole source of energy in the great bulk of industries of all kinds—without power, all operations automatically come to a stop. If the post office feels that the delivery of mail to a strike-bound plant shows prejudice in favor of one side, certainly the delivery of power would show prejudice to a far greater extent.

This little incident shows the staggering amount of control over all our lives and industries achieved by government when it controls and operates basic industries and services. Let government go far enough into business, and it will become the decisive factor in differences of all kinds with the power to make or break any industry, any movement, any enterprise.

ENDANGERING THE PUBLIC HEALTH

The Department of Agriculture survey indicates that providing the right food for a family of five in proper quantity, calls for an expenditure of approximately \$50 a month.

Surveys such as this, being necessarily limited in scope, cannot be entirely accurate. But these figures point squarely to one fact: fix prices, and outlaw economical retailing methods are a direct threat to the public health.

It is an old truism that in a period of recovery, prices usually rise faster than the individual income. That is true today, as it was following the mild depression of 1921 and during the recovery of 1908. In the face of this, for government to artificially inflate prices is nothing less than a social crime.

The law should make every effort to keep a maximum amount of honest competition in merchandising. It should use the authority of the trust laws to make price fixing illegal. It should encourage, rather than discourage, low-cost retailing which cuts distribution charges between producers and consumers. Only if this is done can the average family's food dollar purchase the commodities necessary to health and comfortable living.

Real Estate Transfers

Ludwig Jesse et ux to W F Gray et ux 20 acres sec 11 T1NR5W.
Washington County to Lawrence A Stringer, lots 15 and 16 Stokes add blk 3 Forest Grove.
Lawrence A Stringer and Carmen Stenberg lots 15 and 16 blk 3 Stokes add Forest Grove.
City of Forest Grove to Henry D Parson et ux pt lots 2 and 3 blk 4 Naylor's add Forest Grove.
R S Brown et ux to Ziona F Wilmot tract in sec 22 T1SR1W.
Ziona F Wilmot to Ruby W Boyd 5 tracts in sec 22 T1SR1W.
Fred Grossen to Christian Jaggi Sr et ux tract in J Q Zachary DLC No 6 T1NR2W.
Charles Schwanz et ux to Ben Bennett lots 2, 5, 8 sec 2 T3NR5W.
Morris S Toyra et ux to Hjalmer Harald et vir lot 4 Alexander Acres Glenn S Ehle to Gust Anderson, lot 27-28 blk 22 West Portland Heights.
C M Pray et ux to EM Pray tract Washington County to H A Turner tract in sec 22 and 27 T1NR5W.
Clare Rilette et ux Charles L McIndoe, Catherine Turner, James McIndoe, Fred McIndoe, Hugh McIndoe, Katherine Blake, Francis P Hildebrand et ux Margaret McIndoe to H A Turner tracts in sec 22 and 27 T1NR5W.
City of Forest Grove to E G Goff et ux pt lot 4 blk 9 Walkers add Forest Grove.
J D Cooke to Emma Benz lot 58 3rd add Benz Park.
J W Connell 5ht to Luella L Howell 3 tracts in A W Hart DLC No 60 T1SR1W.
Gladya M Vinson et vir to John R Hyde et ux tract 76 Tualatin Valley Homes.
Raymond C Gallup et ux to J H Pankonine et ux 24.17 acres sec 32 T1NR2W.
Vina M Bacon to Elmer Bacon lots 2 and 3 blk 2 Talbot's add Cornelius.
John & Henry Johnson to State Highway Commission pt of a tract in sec 31 T1SR1W for right of way.
Geo McNelly et ux to John L Doane et ux pt lot 348 Johnson Est add to Beaverton Reedville acreage.
Flora M Munford et als to John M Dreesen lot 10 blk 4 1st add Banks.
Lulu Bessie Jackson to Olga Timmetman Water & pipe rights thru tract in sec 30 T2NR4W.
Meier & Frank Co. to Fred L Dow et ux lot 1 blk 58 Metzger Acres Tracts.
Emma Benz to Ralph H Spelman et ux lot 38, 1st add Benz park.
Hazel A Gardner et ux to Bruce T Haverswick pt lot 7 blk 10 Simmons add Hillsboro.
R C Hughes et ux to Maude Parks et ux tract in sec 32 T2SR1W.
J M Barber to Cecil E Lewis tract in sec 22 T2NR3W.
F G Patterson to Mildred Z Patterson lot 5 and part of 4 Johnson Est add to Beaverton Reedville

Many Farmers in County are Using Cooperative Loans

Seven hundred and one Washington county farmers have solved their farm financing problems with cooperative mortgage loans and special commissioner loans through their local farm loan associations and the district Land bank of Spokane, according to information from the Farm Credit administration of Spokane this week. The amount of their loans totals \$2,422,700. Land bank loans are made on a cooperative basis out of funds obtained from the investing public. The local farm loan associations endorse the mortgages they pass upon and approve for their local farmer members and the district Land bank uses the association-guaranteed mortgages as security for bonds sold to private investors in all walks of life.

America Beats All In Auto Ownership

Of the 28,000,000 motorists in the United States only 9,000,000 have ever owned a new car. But new car sales and used car sales—the vast majority keep mounting skywards to step up the nation's prosperity.

This is the interesting information received from the American Petroleum Industries Committee by C. J. Barnes, local manager for General Petroleum Corporation, marketers of Mobilgas, who says: "Because of the low cost of cars and inexpensive motor fuel of this country, automobile ownership is not restricted to the upper income classes as in other nations."

"In fact," continued Mr. Barnes, "two out of every three families in the United States own cars, and more than half of them are owned by families with incomes of \$1,500 a year or less. Of all families with automobiles, 90 per cent receive less than \$3000 a year."

New Pamphlets Contain College Entrance Facts

Revised pamphlets containing entrance information for students planning to enter Oregon State college as well as other units of the system have recently been published by the State Board of Higher Education.

The pamphlet contains the revised schedule of fees, which shows minor changes from those of a year ago, and explains briefly many other items in connection with entering colleges.

Dates of Freshman week at the state college and university will be September 20 to 25. Before that, however, a four-weeks post summer session is scheduled to begin August 2, following the close of the regular six-weeks summer session July 30. Courses in the post session are limited to education and science.

State Mining Office Now Open in Portland

All communications concerning grubstake loans or free assay under the new state department of geology and mineral industries should be sent to Earl K. Nixon, director, 704 Lewis Bldg., Portland, Oregon. A considerable number are still sending their inquiries to Corvallis which results in delay and confusion, as it is necessary to forward them to the new state office.

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tee is discouraging. They forecast that there will be no substantial gain for 20 to 25 years after the 1929 level of traffic is reached. This means that once the carriers have edged their way back to their 1929 traffic level their only alternative in offsetting fatter payrolls and outrageous tax bills is to reduce their number of employees and/or charge much more for handling freight. If granted by the ICC rate increases would make the carriers more vulnerable to truck, bus, and barge competition.

There are however, some "pros" in the picture. They are:
1. Amazing recovery in traffic.
2. Less severe competition.
3. New spirit of management.
4. Possibility of better rates.
Among these, the current traffic recovery is most important. Gross revenues in 1936 were \$4,053,000,000. The 1937 figure promises to be in the neighborhood of \$4,500,000,000. In 1929 the roads took in \$6,279,000,000. The highest level of industrial output since 1929 and the best crops in years indicate that freight movement this October may top 900,000 cars weekly. Such a figure would be within 25 per cent of the 1929 level of loadings. This is the most optimistic factor in the picture today.

Watch Rates and Labor

Federal and state motor carrier laws are now helping the roads to battle their competition. The new progressive spirit of managements is another asset. Modern rolling stock, faster schedules and better service are helping to coax back lost traffic. Furthermore most of the new equipment is so much more efficient than the old that operating economies go a long way toward paying the bills for the new rolling stock. Finally, there is the strong possibility that the ICC will order some freight rate increases especially if rail labor gets its higher pay. Truck and ship competition would not benefit from these rate increases because the carriers are asking for advances only on the most non-competitive type of freight.
Right now the focal point for all

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railroad stockholders is the labor situation. If the carriers are now treated fairly as to wages, you are justified in holding your rail stocks. But, like most of the utility holding company stocks dump them some time during this bull market. I do not believe in buying or holding indefinitely, stocks in publicly-controlled industries!
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WPA PLUGS BOOK Written by Chief

WASHINGTON (IFS) — Basing their opinion on the possible results of a letter sent to all WPA department heads Washington observers are humorously claiming that the new book "Spending to Save," by Harry L. Hopkins, WPA chief, will soon become a best seller.
The letter, which was sent out by Michael J. Cohan assistant deputy administrator for WPA in the District of Columbia was as follows:
"To all department heads:
"We have on hand a limited number of Mr. Hopkins' books, "Spending to Save." These books are selling at a retail price of \$1.
"This office feels that it is to the best interest of everyone working for WPA to own a copy of this little book.
"We can obtain no clearer picture of the aims, the policies and philosophy of our organization than that set forth by the Federal Administrator. Just how clear is your conception of the organization for which you are working? Are you at all interested? You should be.
"Please let me know at once how many copies I will allot to you and your department. Your prompt reply will be appreciated."

OSC Alumni Invited to Jantzen Beach Picnic

Oregon State college alumni in Multnomah county are planning to entertain alumni from all parts of the state who may be able to attend a big picnic at Jantzen beach park, Portland, Sunday, August 8. The picnic begins at 11 o'clock and continues all afternoon. There will be no charge for admission to the park for all former Oregon State and their families, according to Russell Stearns, in charge of arrangements.
One of the features of the day will be the awarding of one free scholarship to the fraternity or sorority and one to the independent group having the highest percentage

of attendance at the picnic.
Capt. Harry L. Beard veteran director of the Oregon State band, has invited all former bandmen to bring their instruments and join present members in supplying music for the occasion.
The annual Oregon State Dad's picnic, also to be held at Jantzen beach is scheduled for Wednesday evening, August 25.

Vocational School Licenses Compulsory

Application blanks for vocational school licenses have just been mailed from the State Department of Education to various private vocational schools that do business in Oregon. Chapter 413 Oregon Laws 1937, provides that any private vocational school operating for profit, and its salesmen, must be licensed to operate in this state.

Dr. C. A. Howard, Superintendent of Public Instruction, reports that many inquiries have been received from the established schools. It is expected that all schools and salesmen operating in Oregon will be licensed not later than Aug. 1, 1937. People who have come in contact with high pressure salesmen and unethical school practices have been aware for some time that there is a definite need for regulating and controlling such schools and their salesmen. The legitimate schools welcomed this legislation as a means of regulating unethical and dishonest competition.

Veterans to Picnic Sunday, August 1st

The annual picnic of 41st Division Post 3049 Veterans of Foreign Wars and its auxiliary unit will be held Sunday, August 1st, at Oaks Amusement Park, Portland. Races, sports, baseball, prizes rides and dancing are features of the days program. Two free moving picture shows and musical entertainment will also be given during the day. The public is invited to attend.

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