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THINGS WILL CHANGE

A Treasury report on recent income tax payments shows about 100 million dollars more than had been estimated. So what? So, we are informed, the President now favors an additional half-billion allotment to the WPA. The money will NOT be used please observe, to help balance the budget. Does anybody think he has any intention of trying to do that?

"We pay as we go."

That's the slogan that Amador County, California, adopted four years ago, after some of the government alphabetical soup agencies had run the county \$60,000 into debt. There is no debt today and Amador administers her own relief at an overhead of 3 per cent, against 25 per cent in most counties. Several other counties more recently have adopted the same plan. It's a good sign.

WHITFORD

Mr. and Mrs. Warner and grandson were Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Doyle.

Mrs. C. E. Walker who is a regular attendant at the Whitford Sunday School, was absent last Sunday owing to illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Gardner drove over to his father, C. B. Gardner last Sunday and took him home with them where he spent the evening.

Mrs. Nora McCann who has been caring for an old lady at Aloha has been quite ill with a heart ailment.

The Washington County Council met with Beaverton Grange Saturday. The State Master Ray W. Gill and State Deputy McClure were present and made interesting talks. Mr. Richards of Russellville Grange made a most interesting speech on Transportation. In the evening the local grange put on an excellent program. A male quartet from Raleigh consisting of Mr. Taggart, Messrs. Beeler, Myers and S. B. Lawrence, Jr., rendered some fine vocal numbers and responded to several encores. Other good numbers were rendered.

Wallace Bowman has the measles and Tommy has been exposed and is probably to have them soon.

Mr. Munchon who has been a mis-

sionary in Gautamula, for a number of years, told some very interesting experiences he had while there. He spoke at the Whitford church Sunday evening. There were not as many present as usual. The Sunday School had not as many there owing to measles and other ailments.

A number of Odd Fellows and Rebekahs attended the Rebekah meeting Tuesday evening and again on Thursday evening when a good picture was shown on the screen. The Rebekahs were guests of the Odd Fellows. These meetings were held with Tigard lodges where a number from this community are members.

Site Purchased for Proposed Building

A site for a new Cherry exchange to serve Multnomah, Capitol Hill and West Portland districts has been acquired by the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company. Purchase was made from Mrs. Emma E. Mack. The property is located on the SE corner of SW Twenty-eighth avenue and Troy street. Telephone company officials indicated, however, that they had no immediate plans for building.

THE TYRANT'S HEEL



Babson Says ---

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their churches; and send their children to school.

Add to the above those who work in factories, nurse in hospitals, labor on railroads, and who, on Saturday night, deposit their money in savings banks and buy stocks in building and loan associations. These are the men and women for whom I have concern! In their initiative and stability, the backbone of our economic system is to be found. Having a stake in America, they have good reason to preserve the nation. They wish, naturally to maintain an economic system whereby thrift, industry, and right living will be rewarded. They are the truly forgotten men and women today.

Middle Class Totes the Load

In all the attempt made to solve America's problems in the last decade, no one has spoken for these men and women of the Middle Class. Yet, this group must solve the problem if it is ever to be solved at all. Labor has its lobbies. So has "Big Business." So have the theorists, WPAers, and other spenders. The law gives the Middle Class no protection against labor. Yet, the middle-class citizen must pay for the cost of all our present waste and experimenting. And, while that citizen sweats and toils in an effort to pay the bill, the racketeer and spendthrift crack the whip. Machine-ridden cities, the states and the federal government itself issues millions of bonds with which to bribe the "have-nots" and to make beggars of persons who once had self-respect.

Who must meet the interest on the debt and pay off the principal of these tremendous bond issues? Not the rich; their securities are mostly tax-exempt. Not the theorists. Unable to support themselves, they live upon the gratuity of an endowed college or some other well-intentioned organization. Not the propagandist of foreign nations. They have their support from Leningrad and Berlin. There is one group however, who is always on the job when it comes to paying the bills for all this tomfoolery. It is the Middle Class, upon whose behalf some 1940 candidates should base his campaign.

America at the Crossroads

When this candidate appears, I want to hear him say: "I represent the men and women who made America; we who, constantly, have had a sense of responsibility to the state and government in which we live; we who have asked for little and given much as we work and struggle for a livelihood. We now declare that we will no longer tolerate conditions that are reducing us to poverty and rushing us toward national bankruptcy. This government must stop profi-

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BARGEY BILL



Edwin Markham, Cowboy

Hello Folks: I see in the papers when the great poet Markham died last week, he first communed with the cowboys and his father and mother around the old boyhood ranch in Oregon before he Passed Over. You know Markham wrote, The Man with the Hoe, and he wrote about Abe Lincoln's death this way: "And when he fell in whirlwind, he went down As when a lordly cedar green with boughs, Goes down with a great shout upon the hills, And leaves a lonesome place against the sky."

This ole feller forgot his Hi Brow friends and went back to his (first love, his ole ranch home and his father an mother. Lots of folks didn't know he had ever been a cowhand. Once a cowhand you never forget the ole boys not even when you are a dyin'.

BILL

Maplewood School News

Mrs. Knapp, one of the four delegates, representing Multnomah county, at the Inland Empire convention of teachers at Spokane, Wash., reports a very fine trip and convention. Over 3600 educators were present and a very outstanding program was held.

Maplewood had two practice games with Metzger grade school Friday, Metzger being a larger school Maplewood was outclassed.

All had a fine time and were glad to have the chance to play another school.

Maplewood Garden club boasts having taken the second prize at the flower show held by the Portland Men's Garden club at the Public Market building April 8 and 9.

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The TRUTH on the P.U.D.

An open letter to the citizens of Washington County

We have been forced into a political issue. Advocacy of a Washington County P.U.D.—to come up for vote May 17—has brought forth many reckless, irresponsible claims. It is imperative that voters should know the truth on the P.U.D. issue. It is in your interest that you give serious consideration to these facts:

1. The P.U.D. ballot measure authorizes the P.U.D. commissioners to levy taxes immediately on your property, amounting to 2 mills per year for five years—or a total of approximately \$44,924.
2. The tax money does not have to be spent for electric properties. It can be spent for expenses which the P.U.D. commissioners say are necessary—for lawsuits, fees to attorneys, engineers and other "experts".
3. No P.U.D. anywhere has ever sold electricity as cheaply as your present rate.
4. The lowest P.U.D. rate is 13% to 29.6% higher than your present electric rate. For example, the rate for 50 kilowatt-hours a month is \$1.75 here, but the same amount of electricity costs \$2.25—28% more—in the lowest P.U.D. (Mason County, Wash., P.U.D. No. 1).
5. The P.U.D. ballot measure would authorize the P.U.D. commissioners to levy immediately a special tax of two mills a year for five years—even before the P.U.D. issues bonds to buy a utility system. The P.U.D. can load new taxes on to your property, but there is no requirement that it ever need operate an electric utility.
6. Formation of the P.U.D. will be the first step toward more bonded debt. The law allows unlimited amounts of "revenue" bonds to be issued. The bonds will be a mortgage on your electric bills.
7. The law allows P.U.D. general obligation bonds to be issued up to 10% of the assessed value of all the property in the district. This means \$2,246,220 of general obligation bonds that could be issued as a mortgage on your property.
8. The P.U.D. commissioners can use their taxing power (\$44,924 in five years) to build a "war chest" for propagandizing unthinking voters into saddling the community with an added bond burden.
9. Your present rates are the lowest in the entire United States offered uniformly by a distributing system over such a large city, suburban and farm area as that covered by the P. G. E. system.
10. Everyone knows that it costs more to serve rural districts than densely-populated metropolitan areas. Washington County rural districts now get Big-City rates. If a P.U.D. is formed you will be cut off from a system which, because it serves the most densely populated area in Oregon, is able to bring you lower rates than any rural district operating by itself could possibly offer. The higher rates of all existing P.U.D.s—everyone of which charges more than the rates you are now paying—prove the truth of this statement.

Portland General Electric Co.

Don't be DUPed by the PUD VOTE 301 X NO