

Babson Discusses Washington

Washington, D. C., Dec. 6. My "Prediction of Things to Come" will appear in this paper the last week in December, but in the meantime the following suggestions as to what may be expected from Washington will be interesting: A Republican House should amend the Wagner Act, reduce prices and be fairly liberal to farmers. The President, however, will still hold to the left believing this is his only opportunity of ever being re-elected.

When Will World War II End?

World War II will formally be ended before the close of the fiscal year June 30, 1947. This means that the President's power to draft men, seize plants, and control prices, rents, etc., may continue throughout 1947. This, likewise, applies to priorities on building materials. The few subsidies which remain will go out the window June 30, 1947. Farm price supports must continue until December 31, 1949. Hence, the Republicans can make no sudden changes.

Minimum wages may be increased from the present 40 cents per hour to possibly 55 cents per hour but this is not probable. On the other hand, Old Age Insurance and Unemployment Insurance may be broadened. The payroll tax for Social Security will remain at 1 per cent for both employers and wage workers. The President will make his usual appeals for health insurance, military training, etc., but they will receive no attention.

Republican Foreign Policy

Our foreign policy will not be changed as a result of last month's voting. Russia will continue to work for a control of Europe and the chances are 50-50 that she will ultimately succeed although the United States and England will do their best to head it off. General MacArthur's program in Japan will be backed to the limit and all treaties, acceptable by Senator Vandenberg and Secretary Byrnes, will be ratified. Dollar loans will be freely discussed and some will be granted.

The Democrats will try hard to develop some national figure other than Mr. Truman to lead them in

1948; but they have not yet decided who it shall be. It may be some famous general of the late war. Apparently Tom Dewey has the lead among the Republicans, but he is closely followed up by Senators Bricker, Taft and Vandenberg. The Republicans will not dare to pass any severe "anti" legislation in 1947. They will do their best to have fairly good business during the next two years although consumer spending is likely to drop.

In view of the above, I am optimistic on 1947 and do not look forward to the "depression," about which so many people talk, coming upon us before 1950. Yet, it should be realized that the country is now operating on a very high volume of business—almost double what it was before World War II. Of course, this cannot continue indefinitely and there will be price recessions and an overproduction of goods in many lines.

Watch Labor Leaders

The most uncertain problem of the next two years will be how labor will act. Will labor kill the goose that is now laying the golden eggs? Will labor be willing to have wages reduced as the cost-of-living declines, as it has insisted on wage increases as the cost-of-living has increased? Labor leaders must have sense enough to realize that, irrespective of money wages, what they get in food, clothing and shelter is absolutely proportional to what labor produces. No group can long continue to benefit by producing less per day. Only as more is produced is there more to divide.

This means that the years ahead depend more on the spiritual condition of the country—and of the world for that matter—than upon either wages or profits. When a majority of the people want to "ride in the cart instead of pull the cart" we are headed for a business recession. When most people desire to give "full measure," well pressed down and running over," as Jesus talked about, then better times are ahead. Even Washington merely reflects the character, intelligence and desires of the nation's people as a whole. The only way to have a better Washington is to be better people ourselves.

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Examination Open For Positions in City Civil Service

Examinations for four position classes in the City Civil Service were announced Tuesday by the Portland Civil Service Board. Open to men only, the examinations are for Parking Meter Servicemen, Operating Engineer, Utility Worker (Concrete), and Utility Worker (Sewer). The examination schedule is as follows: Operating Engineer, 8:30 a.m., December 16; Parking Meter Serviceman, 1:30 p.m., December 16; Utility Worker (Concrete) 8:30 a.m., December 17; and Utility Worker (Sewer), 1:30 p.m., December 17. The last date for filing applications for the tests will be December 11 for Operating Engineer and Parking Meter Serviceman, and December 12 for the Utility Worker (Concrete) and Utility Worker (Sewer).

Applicants for these classes of positions must have resided for at least one year in the area covered by Multnomah, Clackamas, and Washington Counties. When filing applications, all candidates must present voter's registration cards. Candidates who are naturalized citizens must show citizenship papers, and Veterans who are entitled to Veterans credit must show honorable discharges. For honorably discharged Veterans, an additional 19 per cent of the final earned rating will be added to the scores on the examination. Application blanks are available at Room D, Municipal Auditorium (entrance SW 3rd and Clay Sts.; telephone AT 6141) between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. weekdays, and 8:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Saturdays.

Oregon Livestock Assn. Meets in Salem December 12 and 13

The Western Oregon Livestock Association will hold its annual meeting in Salem, December 12 and 13, reports Palmer S. Torvond, county agent. Headquarters for the event will be the Salem Chamber of Commerce rooms. Program features will include talks by a number of leaders in the Oregon livestock industry and discussion and reports by six committees assigned to consider ma-

for livestock problems. A business session with election of officers and the annual association banquet has also been announced by the president of the association, R. L. Burkhardt, Lebanon.



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We would like to start this off with a good round of applause for newly-elected Commissioner Henry Johnson and his Farmers Union group who were boosting with all their weight to secure the improved traffic conditions leading from Portland to the Valley.

We believe that Jefferson and Columbia Streets are certainly much more pleasant arteries and allow for a much faster means of transportation. At least there are now a couple of streets in Portland that you can make pretty good time on.

The "Sidewalks of New York" and the "Streets of Beaverton" both bring to mind certain reflections.

Light-hearted and care-free with a smile for life is what reflection we have of the old familiar song, however, a ride through the mud and ruts of Beaverton streets may be a bit disheartening and possible cause for some ill-temper.

How can we expect to have people come to fill up the vacant lots with homes under such conditions is a question which stumps the imagination of some of us realists.

And while on the subject we can't help but say something of that very narrow strip of surfaced road with the big deep ruts on either side when we travel up the busy artery known by name as Lombard Street.

We must add, in all due respect, that we sincerely appreciate each time the grader fills up the holes with some more loose dirt. It's swell until the first rain and then our dispositions fall us.

How About A Sign Or Two? We have often wondered why there aren't a couple of signs designating the State highway which

some call "Canyon Road" and others call "Tualatin Highway" and still others mention just the "Highway". In our quest for knowledge on the subject we have been told it is officially Canyon Road as far as West Slope and from there it is Tualatin Highway.

Beaverton has quite adequate signs everywhere except on the principle means of getting to and from the place and there apparently it wasn't thought necessary. Possibly to those looking for an address it might be some help and standardized nomenclature in determining streets we have always felt was to be considered.

That Friendly Hand

That great big "Welcome to Beaverton" certainly stands out as you enter this flourishing little town—Or maybe it just seems like it would be a good idea. When I enter a town I always size it up by the smile it gives me on entering. I like to know what organizations they boast and what clubs function regularly. It always seemed to me that that was one way I could tell if the place was defying burial or waiting for it.

Study might reveal there were many who might enjoy some encouragement as they fought the traffic along the highways leading to Beaverton.

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Home For Week End

Mrs. Sam Smith, who is employed in Portland spent last week at home.

Portland Visitors

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin and Mr. and Mrs. Truman Carroll spent Thanksgiving with Mrs. Irvin's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. King in Portland.

Dinner

Mrs. Bill Bollinger entertained with a Guardian Service dinner at her home last Friday night. It was very well attended.

Postponed

Mrs. Ray Wilhelm was to have a Guardian Service dinner at her home last Thursday evening. Due to weather conditions the demonstrator was unable to come out from Portland. The dinner was held a few nights later.

Visits Friends

George Wright of Grand Ronde who has been in the Merchant Marine, visited at relatives in this community.

Spends Evening

Charles W. Trachsel, of Redmond, Oregon visited at the Lyle Smith home Tuesday evening.

Club Meets

The Priscilla Club met Thursday with Mrs. Jack Irvin. The next meeting will be the Christmas party at which time secret pals will be told.

Guests

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard J. Winterly of Seattle and Mrs. McNight spent Thanksgiving at the Leonard Houk home.

Library Notes

The Library hours at the Beaverton Library are 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. weekdays and 7:00 to 9:00 Tuesday evening for the convenience of its patrons.

New Books

The American by Howard Fast is a novel which tells the story of John Peter Altgeld of Illinois, a

latter day Lincoln, who sacrificed money, health and political power to become the champion of democracy and foe of greed and corruption.

Return Engagement by Gwen Davenport is the story of Sophie Van Eyck, famous star of the European theater who returns to the Maine village where she was born, bringing her granddaughter with her. The story is full of high comedy and sparkles with wit.

The World In His Arms by Rex Beach. A lusty tale of San Francisco in the 1850's and of a seal raider and a Russian Countess.

Homeland by George Surdez is the story of a Swiss family in Europe in 1900 as seen through the eyes of little Arthur Gardoz who relates a series of delightful and surprising episodes.

BEAVERTON ENTERPRISE Friday, December 6, 1946

Successful Party

The bingo party held at the Bonny Slope Community Club November 30 was very successful.

Bad weather didn't keep many of the Bingo players at home.

The Boy Scouts had a fish pond and sold ice cream and soda pop. The proceeds of their booths will be used to purchase a Boy Scout flag.

Hot dogs and coffee were sold. A good time was had by all.

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