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### NEW DEAL FOR CANADA

Mackenzie King, premier of Canada and leader of the Liberal party, has issued a statement that unemployment will soon be a thing of the past in that country. Every man willing to work will have that opportunity he declares.

Shortly after his election last fall the Liberal leader outlined his plans for such a program, and spoke with the utmost confidence. "Poverty and adversity, want and misery, are the enemies which the Liberals will seek to banish from the land," he declared. "The election is an endorsement of the Liberal view that credit is a public matter, not of interest to bankers only, but of direct concern to every citizen. There can be no mistaking the demand for a restoration to the government of Canada of control over credit and currency issue."

The money question was the paramount issue in the Canadian campaign which swept the Liberals into power. There is no doubt but that the monetary plan as outlined by Premier King will be adopted as one at least of the measures for doing away with unemployment. The Liberals of this country will observe the results with great interest.

### CHANGING THE WORLD

Dr. Frank C. Laubach, world-traveler, claims that the greatest need of the world today is to become planetary minded. "We must think in terms of changing the whole world," he says.

Which is all very well and good. But the trouble is, the world doesn't seem any too anxious to be changed. From its actions, it seems to prefer wars, dictators, politicians, poverty, hunger, struggle, stress and ignorance. It seems more inclined to change its map than it does to change its ways.

But it isn't such a bad old world, at that. Since its first mystic dawn it has advanced. If the Millenium should come too suddenly there would be lots of people sighing for the good old days.

### BUSINESS OF LOBBYING

The lobby is lobbying in Washington city. There's so much lobbying that the lobby committee of the senate, which has charge of the bill providing for registration of lobbyists, has been having a hard time getting the bill reported from the house lobby committee.

Washington is so full of lobbyists that the members of congress don't have much time to do anything else but listen to them. Oh, of course they can find the time and the \$50,000 to investigate the Townsend Movement, but the lobbyists for the big interests are perfectly agreeable to allow them time off for that. They know the Townsend probe is merely a smoke screen gesture, anyhow. And besides, there are no Townsend members in the Amalgamated Union of Washington Lobbyists.

The right to petition congress is an inherent right and cannot be denied. But the big interests don't petition. They send a gang of slick, smooth, smart, high pressure, high salaried lobbyists who know how to wine and dine and wheedle and charm and otherwise convince weak-kneed congressmen. And so lobs the lobby in Washington city.

### OVERLOOKS FACTS

Mr. Hoover is now saying that the real bank panic started with his defeat. Oh yeah? During the Hoover administration, according to the records, there was a total of 6083 banks forced to close, and of that number only 703 closed between the date of Roosevelt's election and the date of his inauguration.

In the Roosevelt administration, only 179 of the banks licensed to reopen after the bank holidays were closed in 1933. In 1934 only 57 were closed. In 1935 only 29.

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## Townsend Topics

By Publicity Committee — Ashland Townsend Club

### COST OF UNEMPLOYMENT

Officials of the Works Progress Administration estimate that nine billions of dollars will be required to give one year employment to the unemployed. This does not include those who would be incidentally absorbed by private industry.

This may be considered an underestimate, rather than an overestimate. It is being distributed by the financial agencies at Washington to their business clients as warning of what may be expected. For the nine billions a year must be raised by taxation upon private industry.

This confession of the cost of unemployment to government in the future has a deep significance. It is a summons to every thinking citizen and every patriotic citizen. It means that unless the workless are given government jobs, a similar amount of money must be spent in some form of the dole system.

The work furnished by the government is not productive, except in a casual way. It means that this vast sum of money must be spent in one year in enterprises which create nothing for human consumption. Private business will not stand for such competition.

The men thus employed will enter no factories. They will not be found at work upon transportation systems. They will not be engaged in the growing of crops. They will neither make nor distribute new clothes or shoes. They add nothing to the supply of food.

Those who ask where the money would come from to pay the revolving funds under the Townsend Plan know where the nine billions of dollars will come from to pay these nine billions for government jobs if all the unemployed are to be given their inalienable right to work in some manner for a living. They know that it must come from some form of taxation or through a deeper and deeper public debt to be paid for by future generations, if paid at all.

More than this, the staggering estimate of cost of putting all back to work means that millions of jobless will be forced to live on such low standards that they will mean but little to the farmer, the manufacturer or the business man in the way of purchasing power. The wage paid would supply only the necessities of life, not any of its comforts which engage the larger share of the manufacturers. It means that this distribution of government taxation will be a greater burden for all industry and probably result in lowering the wage levels of those now employed.

This revelation of the cost of putting all unemployed to work for one year at government jobs is proof that the country will be forced to accept the Townsend Plan or sink into economic chaos. The choice is inevitable. The nation must adopt the Plan with its retirement of those over 60 years of age with a purchasing power of \$200 a month or it must face the necessity of spending nine billions a year of borrowed money to employ the idle.

Those billions are only a part of the huge cost of unemployment. To them must be added the loss of wealth which those unemployed could produce and desire to produce. To them must be added the business loss that comes from the lack of buying power.

The Townsend Plan, with each new admission and estimate, becomes more than desirable. It is inevitable.

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### Pomona Grange Well Attended

Meeting with the Sams Valley grange last Saturday, nine subordinate granges were well represented at the meeting of Pomona grange. A large class, it was announced, is to be initiated in the Pomona degree some time in May or June.

Reports showed that many new members are enrolling in all parts of the country. Announcement was made of the installation of the new Griffin Creek grange, organized last week with sixty-one charter members, to be held March 26 at Phoenix grange hall.

The next regular meeting of Pomona grange will be an all day session at Wimer, with Enterprise grange, on April 26. The annual memorial service will be held.

### Land Bank Helps Talent District

The federal land bank of Spokane has notified landowners of the Talent irrigation district that due to the recent reconstruction of finance corporation refinancing of the district, the bank can now make mortgage loans.

It was good news to the landowners, as it will give them an opportunity to reduce their debt burden materially. Under the old bonded debt of the district the bank could not lend money on ranches. The debt, which amounted to \$110 per acre, is now reduced to \$35 per acre.

## Brad's Bit O' Verse

By CLEM BRADSHAW

### FORGIVENESS

Before our Lord, with shame-bowed head  
The erring one they rudely led;  
Nor dreamed that He could find a flaw  
In that stern sentence of the law  
That doomed the sinner to her fate  
Beside the sacred temple's gate.

There gleamed from each accusing eye  
The baleful thought that she must die;  
The thought that carried death and doom  
Through long, dark centuries of gloom;  
The thought that came from older days,  
The ruthless thought of ancient ways:  
"Master, the law is brief and plain—  
Give thou the word that she be slain."

Then came a look unto His face,  
Of matchless majesty and grace:  
"Let him who is too pure to err  
Cast the first hurtling stone at her  
Who stands with penitential tear  
And downcast gaze before you here."

He stooped, and wrote upon the ground  
A message, mystic and profound;  
And when He rose, that savage crew  
Had slunk like craven hounds from view.

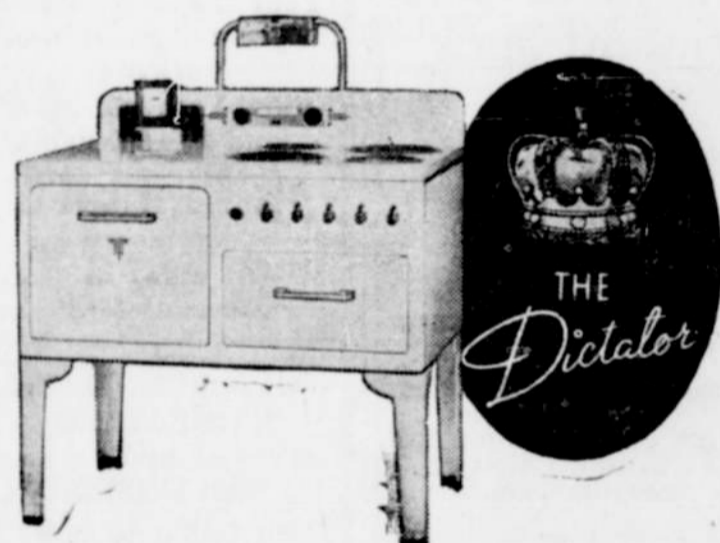
If all the stones in all the lands  
Were cast by none but sinless hands,  
How soon this world, in fear and awe,  
Would take Forgiveness for its law.

Miss Dorothy Chapple visited in Medford over the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Ethel Chapple, and her aunt, Miss Emma Jenrick.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Ingle and son visited over the week-end in Medford at the home of Mrs. Ingle's mother, Mrs. Margaret Fabrick.

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