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*I pledge allegiance to my flag and
the Republic for which it stands, one
Nation, indivisible, with liberty and
justice for all.*

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GOVERNMENT INSURANCE.

The federal government is main-
taining an expensive war risk insur-
ance department that is not func-
tioning. The longer it continues
the more unpopular it seems to be-
come and the more unwieldy and in-
efficient its operations.

Compensation claims of 80,000
sick and disabled veterans are now
awaiting action by the war risk in-
surance bureau at Washington, ac-
tion on many of these already delayed
for months, while the veterans are
helpless and in many cases depend-
ent upon the kindness of relatives,
friends, and even strangers, for food,
shelter and care. The average case
takes two months at the least to
settle. Others extend to from 3 to
12 months.

To date the bureau has refused
190,000 claims of veterans who, feel-
ing they are entitled to something
for shattered health and disability,
are anxious to get their cases re-
opened.

LABOR AND AMERICANISM

A. J. Beveridge of Indiana defines
the relation thus: "Americanism
means that every man may work
for his living; that every man should
work for his living; that no power
can lawfully prevent any man from
working for his living; that every
man is entitled to the peaceful en-
joyment of the fruits of his toil,
and that all the strength of our
popular, representative government
will shield every man in the exercise
of those elemental rights."

Thomas A. Edison says: "There
ought to be some labor leader strong
enough and wise enough to make
trade unions a means of fitting their
members for better jobs and greater
responsibilities."

The Levey Printing Co. of Indian-
apolis, Ind., says: "Organized la-
bor is a great money-making busi-
ness—for its leaders; with annual
income of over \$50,000,000, at least
four-fifths of which goes to run the
machine, in salaries and expenses of
somewhere near 150,000 profession-
als."

SHIPS, BUT NO POLICY.

The American merchant marine is
now a fact so far as ships are con-
cerned. The government has con-
structed and put into service a large
number of carriers that are being
used in the world's trade with more
or less success. Whether the success
is in fact of the "more" or "less"
variety is yet to be determined from
a mass of conflicting opinions, char-
ges and counter charges.

It is a sorry, expensive and dis-
gusting tale to the ears of the over-
burdened taxpayer. In no other

country in the world, excepting the
United States, would such incompe-
tency be tolerated.

No wonder the National Merchant
Marine Association came to the con-
clusion a "policy" is necessary to
save American shipping. If a policy
will help, in the name of common
sense let us have one forthwith.

Somewhere in the United States
there must be men big enough and
honest enough to run the affairs of
the merchant marine successfully
until the business can be taken over
by private capital. Such men should
be sought out and placed in charge
at the earliest moment. The national
disgrace is big enough as it is with-
out adding to it.

Income Tax Facts.

Frequent inquiries are received
by collectors of internal revenue
from storekeepers and other busi-
ness men as to whether the taxpayer
in business for himself may deduct
from his gross earnings an amount
of salary paid to himself. Wages
or salary drawn by a taxpayer from
his own business are more in the
nature of a charge out of profits
than a charge against profits. If
deductible they would merely be
added to his income and the effect
would be to take money out of one
pocket and put it in another. There-
fore claims for such deductions are
not allowable.

Salaries paid to minor children
employed in the conduct of a tax-
payer's business are not allowable
deductions. If, however, a son or
daughter has attained majority, or
is allowed free use of their earnings
without restriction, a reasonable
amount paid as compensation for
their services may be claimed.

A farmer who employs a man to
assist in the operation of his farm
may deduct from gross income the
amount paid for such services. Like-
wise, if he employs a woman whose
entire time is occupied in taking
care of the milk, cream, butter and
and churns, or if her services are
devoted entirely to the preparation
and serving of meals furnished farm
laborers and in caring for their
rooms, the compensation paid her
is an allowable deduction. If, how-
ever she is employed solely in caring
for the farmer's own household no
deduction can be made.

In arriving at net income upon
which the tax is assessed, deductions
may be made for ordinary and nec-
essary business expenses. The re-
venue act specifically prohibits the
deduction of personal, family or liv-
ing expenses. Such expenses in-
clude rent for a home, wages of
servants, cost of food and clothing
for the family, education of child-
ren, and all items connected with
the maintenance, well being and
pleasure of the taxpayer and his
family."

Increase Efficiency, Not Taxes.

Everywhere the politician and of-
fice holder, instead of trying to re-
duce or restrict the tax burdens of
the people, are trying to pile on
more.

The taxpayer's back is bent with
tax burdens, but it isn't broken and
that is probably the reason why the
politician wants to increase the load.

This is the time of all time for
economy in public office. It is the
time of all time to grub out useless
officeholders and commissions and
reduce the cost of government to
the minimum.

The people are demanding, and
rightly so, a reduction in the cost
of living. With equal propriety
and earnestness they are demanding
a reduction in the cost of govern-
ment, for the cost of government is
an element in the cost of living.

It is a burlesque on public intelli-
gence to pretend that corporation
taxes can be increased without bur-

dening the people in equal propor-
tion.

There can and should be a scaling
down of public expenses. Numer-
ous boards and commissions exist
apparently for no other reason than
that politicians are as impractical in
business as they are extravagant in
office. What the people most desire
is not more taxation but more and
better business methods and less tax
exploitation. Parasites, whether
commissions, bureaus, boards or in-
dividuals, should be weeded out.

In this respect it may be well for
the politicians to realize that the
people are informed and are watch-
ing with care and anxiety. They
will not be deceived by grandstand
plays nor cajoled by seductive ap-
peals to their prejudices. The peo-
ple want retrenchment, tax reduc-
tion, better business methods.

A resolution calling on the state
department for information as to
discrimination against American citi-
zens in foreign oil fields, especially
to reported refusal of Great Britain
to allow Americans to hold or op-
erate oil property in British isles, col-
onies or protectorates, was intro-
duced by Senator Phelan of Califor-
nia. He also introduced a bill pro-
viding for an embargo on American
oil exports to countries where it is
shown American citizens are dis-
criminated against.

To Watch Noodles.

A yellow streak is an evidence of
quality in a gold mine, but it may
mean something entirely different
when it appears in a so-called egg
noodle. Some manufacturers of
noodles impart a yellow streak to
their product with dye. The only
purpose is to make the noodle resem-
ble a real egg noodle, according to
officials of the bureau of chemistry,
U. S. department of agriculture,
who are charged with the enforce-
ment of the federal food and drugs
act.

The use of the dye, which costs
little, in place of eggs, which are
expensive, is not only a fraud upon
the consumer, but it makes for un-
fair competition among manufactur-
ers, the department holds.

Property is the fruit of labor;
property is desirable, is a positive
good in the world. That some should
be rich shows that others may be-
come rich, and hence is just encour-
agement to industry and enterprise.
Let not him who is houseless pull
down the house of another, but let
him work diligently and build one
for himself, thus by example assur-
ing that his own shall be safe from
violence when built.—A. Lincoln.

"What caused you to withdraw
all of your money in the Fleetwood
bank?" "Every time I entered to
make a deposit I found the cashier
with his hat on!"

The Ford plants in October turned
out 99,967 cars. Now hunt up the
knocker who brags about all the toys
being made in Germany and show
him this.

Administrator's Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the un-
dersigned administrator of the estate
of Agnes Mae Miller, deceased, has filed
his final account in the matter of said
estate with the county clerk of Linn
County, Oregon, and that the County
Court of said county has fixed Monday,
the 21st day of March, 1921, in the county
court room in the county court house
in the city of Albany as the time and
place for hearing said final account, and
finally settling said estate; any person
having objections to said account or the
settlement of said estate shall file the
same with the clerk of said court on or
before the date of said hearing.

GEORGE C. MILLER,
Administrator.

L. M. Curl, Attorney for Administrator
Last publication March 17, 1921.

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results.

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of the Yaquina in Benton county see
The Tribune's printer.

Executor's Notice to Creditors.

Notice is hereby given that the un-
dersigned has been duly appointed ex-
ecutor of the last will and testament of
Lizzie Bilyeu, deceased, by the county
court of Linn county, Oregon.

All persons having claims against said
estate are hereby required to present
the same properly verified as by law
required to the undersigned executor at
his residence in Scio, Oregon, within
six months from the first publication
hereof which is February 3, 1921.

G. W. MORROW,
C. C. Bryant,
Attorney.
Last publication, March 3, 1921.

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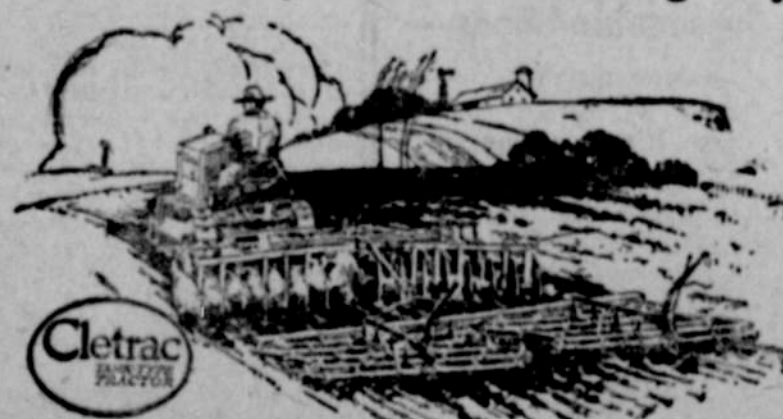
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