

## The Way of Life

### BRUCE BARTON

#### Setting the World Right

Carle Conway, head of the Continental Can Company, has a customer in Massachusetts who makes cranberry sauce.

One day when Wall Street was thinking that the world was going to the dogs, Carle dropped in on this Yankee manufacturer and found him very serene.

They dined together, and after dinner the talk turned to world business conditions which, says Carle, "seem to have eliminated prohibition from conversation, so that there is that much to be said in favor of depression at least."

The cranberry man said: "During the war I was making cranberry sauce and we were not able to get sugar except at an exorbitant price. Every one in the industry said we had better go out of business because we had to have sugar to make cranberry sauce, and sugar at thirty cents a pound would stop sales."

"I went into a huddle with myself that night and came to the conclusion that I would let the customers decide whether they would buy cranberry sauce made with thirty-cent sugar; that I had just one job in the world and that was to run my business, and I was going to let the world take care of itself, and every one else take care of himself, and I was going to figure how I could take care of my business and solve the problems each day as they came along."

"I did not think I was big enough

to help or harm the world's progress, but I did think I could help or harm my own business."

One thing which makes this depression seem more discouraging than others is the fact that all countries have been so closely knit together. In other periods of slow business we in the United States did not worry because the coffee market was bad in Brazil or the cotton market was bad in Egypt or the rubber market was bad in Timbuctoo. We had our own troubles to fight.

This year our newspapers, thru their wonderful news gathering forces, have brought us all the bad tidings from everywhere. The result is that the average American business man is going around trying to carry the troubles of the whole big world.

I may be all wrong, but my idea about the other countries is that they are all having serious difficulties, just as we are, but in every one of them there is a solid backbone of people just like you and me—hard working, sensible men and women who have their homes and families, who do not want to see the social order overthrown and who are doing their individual best to solve their own problems.

Ultimately, I believe, this silent majority will win.

In the meantime, when anybody comes into my office to discuss world conditions, I courteously ask to be excused. I am trying hard to work out my own salvation.

If everybody in the world does that the world will be saved.

#### IRRIGON

Emmett McCoy, who has been in Portland the past two days for medical treatment, returned home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Stevers left for Portland this week for an extended visit with Mrs. Stevers' parents.

Mrs. Rho Bleakman of Long Creek and Mrs. George Bleakman and daughter Alice of Heppner were visiting at the Isom home Wednesday.

Vern Jones and family and Bert Dexter and family left Wednesday for a camping trip in the mountains near Ukiah.

Ollie Coryell was in Hermiston Saturday.

Mr. Wisdom who has been ill for some time was taken to the Heppner hospital for treatment Wednesday.

Mrs. Harry Walpole left for Portland Thursday.

Mrs. Mac McCoy, Verdie Leach, Mrs. Isom and son Earl were business visitors in Hermiston Saturday.

Mrs. Fred Markham and Mrs. Jess Oliver were shopping in Hermiston Friday.

Word was received here Thursday of the death of Lyle Salling Wednesday at The Dalles hospital.

Mr. Salling was a resident of Irrigon for many years and friends here unite in extending sympathy to the bereaved wife and mother.

Earl Isom and Verdie Leach were married Saturday evening at Heppner by the Rev. G. P. White of the Methodist church.

Mrs. Isom is a graduate of the 31 class of Irrigon high school and has lived with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Grabel for the past 12 years. Earl is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Isom. The young folks are both liked and respected and hearty congratulations are extended by the entire community.

Mrs. Frank Stevers and mother and Mrs. Bedwell and children were picnicking at the Cant place Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Endrice of Chewelah, Wash., are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Leitch and family this week.

Mrs. Gus Hollett of Goldendale, Wash., visited with her daughter, Mrs. Jess Oliver, last week. Her little granddaughter, Ethel Oliver, returned with her for an extended visit.

Joyce Caldwell is home to spend the summer with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Caldwell.

C. W. Smith of Heppner was making business calls in this vicinity Friday.

Ralph Benefiel spent Thursday evening with relatives on his way from Tillamook to Newport, Wash.

Mr. and Mrs. Batie Rand and Mr. and Mrs. George Rand motored to Pendleton Thursday for medical treatment for Mr. George Rand and little David Rand.

Last Week Irrigon Items.  
Mac McCoy and Jack McFall went to Imbler Wednesday for a

visit with the home folks.

Band practice is now being held every Thursday evening in the gym and will continue through the summer months.

Plans are being made for a picnic at home on July 4, sponsored by the grange.

Mrs. Jess Oliver is very ill with summer flu.

Mrs. Donald Brooks was hostess to the H. E. C. ladies Thursday afternoon. The afternoon was spent visiting after a short business session. Delicious refreshments were served.

Mrs. W. C. Isom has been confined to her home from an accident to her ankle, causing infection, but is now able to be around on crutches.

Mrs. Markham and Mrs. Birdie Stewart of Pendleton visited relatives here this week.

Mrs. Suddarth and nephew Geo. Scarlet were business visitors in Hermiston Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Williams were callers at the Isom home on Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wier left for Ellensburg, Wash., where they will visit relatives.

Jack Browning has purchased the property formerly occupied by Will Davis and has moved his family from the Watkins house to their new home.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Browning have purchased the Reims property and moved in recently.

Mrs. Amy Collins has moved into the Watkins house.

J. H. Hoffner is now installed as agent at the depot.

E. T. Pasterstrom is putting up a new cabin for Frank Leitch.

Mrs. Fred Markham and family were visiting Mrs. Vern Jones Saturday afternoon.

W. C. Isom and son Don were business visitors in Hermiston Saturday.

Verdie Leach visited Friday and Saturday with relatives in Pendleton.

Billie Markham, Clarence Frederickson and Bessie Wilson, who won scholarships in 4-H club work last year, left Sunday for summer school at Corvallis.

Mrs. Beulah Lundell of Willows chaperoned the Morrow county 4-H club boys and girls on the trip.

Otto Benefiel was a Pendleton visitor Saturday.

Frank Brace is confined to his home with a badly sprained ankle.

Earl Isom motored to Pendleton Saturday evening.

Mrs. Milo McFarland who was elected as alternate at the last grange meeting to attend the state grange convention at Medford, left Sunday morning with Mr. and Mrs. Barnard who were Stanfield grange delegates.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Leicht were in Hermiston Saturday for medical treatment.

A car wreck occurred here Wednesday when the driver went to sleep, letting the car leave the road and crash into a telephone pole at high speed, breaking it completely off. The car was badly damaged and one man seriously injured. They were from Washington.

Mrs. M. R. Morgan and son were visitors in this city on Monday. The recent showers and cool weather have improved the crop condition quite materially in the north end of the county, but Mrs. Morgan thinks some fields were a little too far along to be much benefited.

Dan Summer, pioneer resident of Lexington, was attending to matters of business here Tuesday.

#### Military Training Camp

##### Opening at Vancouver

Vancouver Barracks, Wash., June 18.—(Special)—With announcement that the quota for the Citizens' Military Training camp at Vancouver Barracks has been filled, First Lieutenant Thomas J. Cross, the adjutant, reveals the names of Morrow county youths who are expected to attend.

Final acceptances have been sent, and travel orders issued to Charles E. McMurdo, Heppner; Dorr Y. Mason, Ione; Joe D. Swendig, Heppner; Earl E. Thomson, Heppner; Carl C. Wehmeyer, Heppner.

The Citizens' Military Training camp opens today. As there is a large waiting list of alternates, all of the above mentioned prospective

students should be in Camp Hurtburt not later than the day following the opening of final enrollment, which would be not later than June 19th.

Finally accepted young men not in camp by the close of June 19 will probably be stricken from the list and an alternate substituted in their places. This will be the rule rather than the exception, Lieutenant Cross states, unless the applicant gets in direct touch with headquarters and notifies the adjutant when he will arrive.

For Sale—Reed baby buggy, excellent condition; baby cart; baby bed. Phone 1362.

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#### GOLD

New gold discoveries are reported from Mexico and South Australia. How rich they are has not yet been determined. The Australian "reef" has long been a tradition under the name of "Aladin's Cave," so rich is it supposed to be in the precious metal. The Mexican bonanza is said to be also rich in silver, lead and petroleum. Both regions are in territory occupied by hostile natives. If either report proves true there will be another great slaughter of aborigines who stand in the way of the white man's greed, and there will be such an addition to the world's gold supply as to still further complicate the money problem. Gold will be cheaper, which means that prices will be higher. It is doubtful whether society as a whole will be any better off.

#### VACCINATION

The health officer of Newark, N. J., recently required everybody living in a certain section of the city, some 1,400 persons, to be vaccinated.

There was, of course, the usual protest on the part of the ignorant and wrong-headed persons who "don't believe in" vaccination. The world is full of people who "don't believe in" facts of modern science. Not long ago the same sort of people "didn't believe in" flying machines.

The fact is that vaccination has resulted, in 132 years, in making smallpox a minor and controllable infection in every civilized country. Vaccination is not pleasant, and there are people who are unhappy when deprived of the privilege of shooting off revolvers at random. Society has to protect the many against the undisciplined few, whether the menace be pistols or smallpox.

#### TRICKERY

The more I see of the motion picture business the less respect I have for the methods and morals of the movie magnates.

The latest scheme to lure the pennies from the pockets of the public is to sell advertising in the talkies. Some of the films which are being shown are honest enough. They are distinctly labeled as advertising, and anybody who doesn't want his evening's entertainment commercialized can get up and go out. But there are others in which the advertising—for which the movie producers take money—is cleverly introduced in so-called feature pictures. Yet the local exhibitors are asked to pay just as much for these films as for any others.

#### CHAINS

There is nothing illegal about chain stores, but the Supreme Court of the United States has decided that any state has the right to tax them at a different rate from other businesses.

There is nothing unreasonable about this, so long as the tax is not high enough to drive them out of business. The chain store fills a place in our present social-economic system, as is proved by the amazing development of numerous organizations operating hundreds or thousands of retail outlets. The independent local merchant, however, fills a much more important place in his community, and is entitled to protection. Local merchandising methods, especially in the smaller communities, have been greatly improved by reason of chain-store

competition and example, and it would be a loss to most towns if chain stores should be suppressed and the old, slipshod, inefficient retailing methods which once prevailed almost everywhere, were to return.

#### PENSIONS

I take off my hat to John Hawkes of Beacon, N. Y. Mr. Hawkes is 72 years old. He heard that the State of New York had adopted an old age pension law, so he went to the town hall and applied for his allowance. As he was out of work, the application was granted and he collected \$90 in the course of a few weeks.

Then he learned that the old-age pension was only for persons who were dependent upon others, or unable to earn a living. That put another light on it in the eyes of old John Hawkes. He went out and got himself a job and before long walked into the town hall again. He laid \$90 on the clerk's desk and told him to give it to somebody that couldn't earn anything. He was willing to take an old-age pension, but not when it carried the stigma of pauperism with it!

John Hawkes is the sort of American that one can be proud of. He puts self-respect above money. There are too many men younger than he who are content to live on charity; too few who refuse to accept anything they have not earned.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Turner and son Don were in town from the farm in Swaggart buttes on Tuesday. Out that way there had been occasional showers but no heavy rain. The dust was well laid in the roads, however. Mr. Turner was getting his threshing machinery repaired for the oncoming harvest.

Buff Orpington Roosters for Sale—Young 4-lb., Russell breed. Priced reasonably. Homer Green, Eight Mile, Phone 13F31. 14-15p.

U.B. Thrifty



Stop—Look—Listen!

In an age when Armour can lose \$140,000,000 within 12 months and the strongest entrenched dynasty can be eradicated overnight, it behooves lesser wealth and position to heed "stop, look and listen" signs. He who takes a plunge in the stock market is likely to get soaked.

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