

EDITORIAL



He Could Unload Some Of It

It is quite understandable why the job of President of the United States has become the biggest one-man task in the world...

The time has arrived to do something about it. The presidential load could be perceptibly lightened by the federal government taking steps to return to the people and their state governments many of the functions diverted at the beginning of the Roosevelt administration...

That's what the socialist planners want. It has been their program all along to so weaken local and state governments that they will look to the federal government to solve all their problems...

There is little likelihood that the Administration and the planners will release any of the ground gained during the past four and one-half presidential terms...

Sulfas Not Drug Cure-All

In this period of colds and 'flu' in which nearly every family has been affected, a word of advice contained in an article by Howard W. Blakeslee, Associated Press science editor, might not come amiss...

"I am a cold-susceptible person, and have not had a cold for more than three years. I used a sulfa spray or nose drops.

"One of my friends, also a science writer, has not had a cold for two years. He took cod-liver oil—no sulfas.

"My wife tried the same sulfa I used. She caught colds just the same.

"All this is a pointed reminder, not that science writers are peculiar, but that common colds are.

"How very peculiar, especially in responding to sulfanilamide preparations, is shown in a survey of recent laboratory and human tests, published by

Noah D. Fabricant, M.D., University of Illinois college of medicine, in the American Journal of medical sciences... Despite a surge of reports that sulfas may end colds, the main medical experiments have been aimed at sinus troubles...

An M. D. friend of ours tells us that in his opinion too many physicians prescribe sulfa for the common cold. He thought that publication of the foregoing article would appeal more forcefully since it was written by a layman and suggests that a competent physician will prescribe a sulfa drug only when it appears the best thing to do.

Strike Up The Band!

One of those rare occasions, a visit by an outstanding musical organization, is on the agenda for the people of Morrow and neighboring counties in the scheduled concert by the Oregon State College band in Heppner Sunday evening...

In the days when the writer was tooting baritone around the parade ground on the college campus and taking trips here and there over the Willamette valley and once as far away as Seattle, the personnel seldom got above 40 pieces. But we were a valiant band of musicians and could make ourselves heard in any company...

Of course, some of us old fellers worried about what would become of the band, or its reputation at least, when the time came for Capt. Beard to retire. To us, "Cap" Beard was the band. He was revered by those whose privilege it was to follow his baton. But it would be unfair to his memory to think, let alone say, that the spirit of the band went out with him...

ship of other fine directors and in the person of Ted Mesang the college has secured a leader capable of carrying on the reputation of the band in the finest tradition.

Time has a way of taking folks out of active participation in many of the pleasant activities and the time arrived when the old baritone player had to lay his instrument aside and go in whole

hog toward making a living. That was about as near a heartbreak as he ever experienced but it in no wise impaired his love for music—band music in particular—and it is hoped that you, gentle reader will be charitable if we show a little particular enthusiasm for the Oregon State College band.

A good leader is the backbone of a good 4-H club. Morrow county has 40 leaders who are giving their time and efforts to build better 4-H clubs and to help our boys and girls become outstanding citizens. This is National 4-H Club Week—a good time to say "thank you" to these leaders.

The American Way

WARNING FROM BRITAIN

By GEORGE PECK

If you are harboring the idea that things electrically would be better in the United States with the Federal Government manufacturing and distributing electric power, you are invited to take a look at what goes on in Britain...

"Sir: At a time when many people are having to sit in offices without fires, when incinerators are repeated each morning on the wireless to turn out electric heaters, and when it is hard to see how the country is going to avoid an industrial standstill for lack of fuel, it may astonish your readers to know that the South-East of Scotland Electricity Board is chiding farmers like myself for not using enough electricity.

"My farm buildings are extensive. There are lights in every part of them. So, too in the farm house and all the cottages. Together they have easily fulfilled the guarantee of 50 Pounds a year demanded by the Lothians Electric Power Company when they installed the supply in 1946.

"Now, however, I have been informed that I am not using enough light and power, and that my account for the farm house and steading is to go up from what has averaged 7 pounds 8s. 6d a quarter in 1949 and 9 pounds 18 s.d. in 1950 to at least 18 pounds a quarter, summer and winter and that this charge will be levied whether current to that value is used or not.

"This is not an isolated instance. It is part of a campaign whose object is, for some reason which entirely escapes me, to standardize the consumption of

electricity on farms. Each light, according to the board, ought to be burn a calculated amount, and economy on the part of the farmer and his men, or anything else that prevents each or every light from burning its assessed quota, is to be deprecated.

"My own reactions to this proposition are twofold. The first is that even if I could be convinced money from those who consume that an industry required more goods, I would prefer to pay more for each unit that I really did use, instead of being swindled by having to pay for something with which I have not been supplied.

"Secondly, I fail utterly to see how this latest system of encouraging extravagance (for that, of course is what it will do) ties up with the entreaties for economy which the same Board is making and which, if only the country's plight were not so grave would by now be becoming monotonous in their repetition.

Is it any wonder that this Scotch farmer is not only puzzled but irritated? Do we want that kind of nauseating nonsense here in what we like to believe is a free America? Well, we already have some of it, in fact, much too much. And we will have plenty more if we don't do something about it.

The planned economists, American style, are bound and determined to have Uncle Sam take over the entire power and light industry. These pseudo-socialists will get away with it unless we bestir ourselves. They can be stopped. Write your Congressman and two United States Senators to vote "NO" on all legislative proposals to put the federal government further into the manufacture and sale of electric current.

The privately owned and operated public utilities have done and are doing a magnificent job of supplying the American public with electricity at a fair price. Let's keep them on the job.

Jay Cee-ettes Set Dates For Showing "Frolics of 1951"

"Frolics of '51" will be presented Friday and Saturday evenings April 13 and 14 at the gym by Crampton, superintendent of the school including S. E. Van Vactor, Monument school, shot and killed himself shortly after noon.

Friends in Heppner are in receipt of word from Eugene which states that Mrs. Lucy T. Wedding, formerly head of the English department in our schools, is seriously ill with partial paralysis.

A daughter, Margaret Lorette, was born Friday, March 11 at the home in Clarkston, Wash., to Mr. and Mrs. James Walter Yeager. Judge Gilbert W. Phelps will come from Pendleton and hold a short session of court here on Tuesday, March 22. A number of naturalization cases will be heard.

The Jay Cee-ettes as a finale to the organization's program to raise funds for the current year's improvement of the civic center.

The entire show will be local talent. Mrs. Edwin Dick, Mrs. J. E. Estberg and Mrs. James Hager are the committee responsible for the Frolics. Casting will be done during the next two weeks.

Mrs. Richard Knight is dance director. Music will be furnished by the Men's chorus under the direction of Oliver Cresswick. Grade school children will participate in music and dance numbers with other dances by girls of the high school. Costumes will be designed by Mrs. G. C. M. Smith and Mrs. John Pfeiffer.

The Oregon society for crippled children and adults, the Easter Seal agency gave direct service to more than 300 persons during 1950.

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30 Years Ago

MARCH 17, 1921 Born to Mr. and Mrs. John Kennedy on Hinton creek, early on Tuesday morning, March 15, a son.

Miss Gladys Lane departed Saturday for Walla Walla where she will continue her studies in piano and voice. She was accompanied as far as Pendleton by her aunt, Mrs. M. D. Clark.

Local Shriners met around the banquet board Friday evening and enjoyed a social time. Plans were made for a Morrow County Shrine club. At the meeting Friday an executive committee for the perfection of plans was named: Frank Gilliam, M. D. Clark, W. E. Pruyn and R. E. Crego.

\*Word was received from Monument Wednesday that P. D.

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