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The Proposed 23rd Amendment

A proposed 23rd amendment to the Constitution of the United States, known as the Gwinn amendment, consists of one clear sentence: "The government of the United States shall not engage in any business, professional, commercial financial, or industrial enterprise except as specified in the Constitution."

The possibilities within that simple statement of principle are literally enormous.

The government has billions upon billions of dollars invested in business enterprises of many kinds, all of which are performing functions that can and should be handled by private enterprise. These socialized businesses could be sold, and the money used to reduce the national debt, or to cut taxes, or both.

But that is only the beginning. Government

business enterprises are tax-free, in an age in which private business corporations pay up to 52 per cent of all their profits in federal taxes alone. On top of that, it is common for government business enterprises to operate at a loss, which means that they must be subsidized by all the taxpayers. Once they were sold to private enterprise, the subsidies would end and they would become major taxpayers. The gain to the nation over the years would run into tens of billions.

One big reason for the government's financial plight today is that it has gone far beyond Constitutional provisions, and into fields where it does not belong and where its presence is wasteful and destructive. This is not just a matter of economics—super-government is the greatest enemy of human freedom that exists. The proposed amendment would give us the kind of government envisaged by the founders.

From The County Agent's Office

By N. C. Anderson

On July 3 and 4 and again on July 9, field inspections for certifications for wheat were made by representatives of the Oregon State College farm crops dept. All fields inspected to date have passed certification standards for field inspection with flying colors. While allowances of only one-tenth of one percent of other varieties of wheat are allowed, none of the fields inspected came near to using this allowance. Cleanest field was a seven-acre field of Burt wheat at the Kenneth Smouse farm where only one head of other variety of wheat was found in a count of 29,510. A 50 acre field on this same farm had 16 heads of other varieties of wheats, with the allowable count as 99. A field of 75 acres of Burt wheat, certified for Bob Jepson, lone, contained only 13 heads of other wheats with a possible allowable count of 157. While the other fields were not quite so good as these, they were far below the allowable count.

One hundred forty-seven acres of Burt passed inspection at the L. L. Howton farm with 233 acres of Omar and 257 acres of Burt passing at the Denward Bergevin farm. While inspections were made at the L. H. Rill farm, which passed, and at the Victor Rietmann farm, both fields of wheat, the actual count is not known at this time. With the quantity of Blue Tag certified seed which will be available for our Morrow county farmers, no one should need to seed wheat of unknown origin or that containing mixtures of other varieties of wheat or rye.

With the tightening down of grain standards, many of our farmers will want to get the cleanest seed possible for fall planting in order to keep their grade up. Facilities for handling this certified wheat are excellent on all of these farms. At the Denward Bergevin, Lloyd Howton and Kenneth Smouse farms, state inspected scales are available for weighing the wheat directly onto the truck. Farmers who are interested in the best clean seed of Omar and Burt varieties should contact these growers soon and make reservations for needed seed supplies.

A number of farmers in the Irrigon community have been concerned with the set of melons and the withering and dying of blooms beyond the second set of

melons. A visit to that community on Tuesday of this week revealed that the trouble is thrips which are small slender insects with mouth parts developed primarily for sucking and rasping. They are so small that it is hard to see them with the naked eye. In an attempt to increase the melon yield, many farmers are making plans to spray for this insect immediately. The problem of control is complex since it may take several sprayings to kill new migrations of the insect into the melon fields. Several insecticides are effective on the thrips, including Parthion, Dieldron, Malathion, and D.D.T. Because there are complications with the uses of several of these insecticides, including the dangers to human life from Parthion, most of the farmers have indicated that they are most interested in the use of Malathion even though its effectiveness and residual carry-over is not as great as some of the others. Since it can be used with complete safety up to one day before harvest, it could be used several times between now and that time for best control. The rate of application is 40 pounds of five percent dust. Care must be taken that the plants are not wet when any of these materials are applied and that irrigation is held off for a few days after application.

Catalogs are now available for the 17th annual Willamette Valley ram sale to be held at the Linn county fair grounds in Albany on Saturday, August 3, according to word received from O. E. Mikesell, sale secretary. The catalog lists more than 260 head of the Willamette valley's finest yearling stud rams, range rams and ewes. Breeds are Romney, Lincoln, Corriedale, Columbia, Cheviot, Shropshire, Hampshire, Southdown and Suffolk. All animals are registered and guaranteed breeders. Catalogs may be secured by writing the secretary at Albany. In past years several good rams have been brought into Morrow county from this source.

THIRTY YEARS AGO

From the files of the Gazette Times July 14, 1927

A company of Eight Mile and ex-Eight Mile people enjoyed a fine time Sunday at the mountain home of Mr. and Mrs. Tyndal Robison.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wells departed the first of the week for Pendleton on the first lap of their vacation which will be spent in motoring around and visiting different points of interest.

Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Ferguson returned on Saturday from a trip to Portland.

Fred Akers, Frank Frates and Emil Carlson were Eight Mile farmers doing business in Heppner on Monday.

Clay Clark is back on the job as head clerk at the depot after spending a 10-day vacation in Hood River.

Jack Mulligan and wife of Pendleton were visitors in this city on Friday.

Omar Stanton of Walla Walla spent several days here the past week, coming down in time to take in the celebration at Parkers Mill.

Several Morrow county livestock men report that they have contracted their 1957 calf crops for delivery early this fall. Prices received are considerably better than 1956 with many contracting for 28 cents per pound, straight through, both heifers and steers delivered at the new Morrow County Livestock Growers association corrals with no shrink. With the near completion of these corrals many livestock men who contributed to getting them built are profiting by being able to deliver their calves close to home, getting away from the terrific shrink that many took delivering to scales 40 and 50 miles from their ranches in 1956.

A recent pig crop shows that fall farrowing intentions for Oregon will be about 10 percent more than a year ago but about the same as the past 10-year average. For the United States as a whole, fall farrowings are expected to be about 2 percent more than during the fall of 1956 and 2 percent more than the 10-year average. Pigs saved per litter have increased, for Oregon, from 6.9 for the average years, 1946 to 1955, to 7.2 for 1957. This compares with 6.55 and 7.12 respectively for the United States.



as directed, with a light diesel oil or fuel oil.

Wood decay is caused by the action of fungi, small plant-like organisms, present everywhere in the soil. Numerous insects also attack wood. Both need warmth and moisture and air in which to work. Rain-soaked wood and wood in contact with soil are ideal for their destructive activity, Ross noted.

The preservatives suggested by the specialist are poisonous to both insects and fungi. Mixed with oil, they are not soluble in water and wood soaked with them becomes water repellent. But to be effective the preservatives must penetrate the wood, according to Ross.

Surface treatment, such as painting on with a brush, is not

sufficient where wood is in contact with the soil or where moisture stands, he says. Wherever possible these vulnerable spots should be immersed in the pentachlorophenol solution or copper naphthenate solution and allowed to stand until thoroughly soaked. Copper naphthenate leaves a slight green stain that can be covered with paint if desired.

For furniture-like picnic tables benches and chairs, Ross suggests letting each leg stand overnight in a tin can or other container filled with preservative-oil solution. A flexible plastic mixing bowl makes a convenient container for treating odd-shaped legs or supports that will not fit easily into a rigid holder.

Other vulnerable spots such as points, bolt holes, cracks, and lumber ends where rain is likely to soak into the wood, can be treated by repeatedly flooding the surface with preservative and allowing it to stand until it disappears into the wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Turner and family visited in Heppner with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Turner, last week.

Wood Preservative Adds Life to Home Outdoor Furniture

Homeowners can add years to the useful life of wooden outdoor furnishings by treating them with a wood preservative, suggests Charles Ross, Oregon State college forestry specialist.

Picnic furniture, swings and gliders and other accessories to outdoor living are easily treated against wood decay by applying a preservative to dry unpainted or unvarnished wood. Paint can be applied over the preservative after it is thoroughly dry, Ross explains.

Two excellent, easily applied materials can be obtained in either concentrated or ready-to-use form, from hardware stores, paint shops or lumber yards, according to Ross. They are pentachlorophenol, often referred to as "penta", and copper naphthenate.

Both preservatives are also sold under various trade names. The label will indicate when one of these chemicals is present and give directions for applying it. If a large quantity of preservative is required, it is less expensive to buy a concentrate and mix it

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A number of livestock men, over the past two or three years, have begun to use phenothiazine-salt mixtures as a means for controlling internal parasites. The mixture is fed free choice and is put out on the range or pasture. A timely reminder is that this mixture must be protected from direct sunlight. Direct sunlight deteriorates the phenothiazine and decreases its effectiveness. Those who are using this mixture on the range can now rig up an inexpensive type of shade which will keep the phenothiazine effective.

In county trading last week, some 800 Oregon good feeder steers, off grass and scaling around 800 pounds, changed hands at \$20.25. Sale was made for immediate delivery with up to 3% shrink on the short haul. Also a string of some 250 head of good Oregon mixed stocker calves were contracted for November delivery. Contract price was \$20 on steer calves and \$18.00 on

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