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Oregon's Economic Future Solid in Comparison

(Following is an editorial which appeared last week in the North Bend (Ore) News and should serve as a pretty good tonic for some Oregonians who think the state's economy is coming apart at the seams. We would all do well to believe what is said below rather than do our best to "talk ourselves into a depression" the way some have been doing).

A statement by Lewis G. Prichard, assistant vice president of the First National Bank in Portland, takes on new meaning in light of the announced layoffs of some 6,000 to 9,000 men in Seattle by Boeing.

Writing in the June issue of the Oregon Business Review, published by the University of Oregon, Prichard said: "The economic status of Oregon could become an ideal model for all other areas."

When we read this in June we thought Mr. Prichard was being a little brash, especially with the lumber industry slide, and the papers full of statements from the Oregon congressional delegation telling us back home what a hell of a shape we really were in.

But in comparison to what is happening in California and now Washington in the aircraft industry, Oregon's economic future, while not spectacular, looks more solid.

Prichard said, "If an index of industrial production for Oregon for recent months were available, it would show a trend at a figure barely below the peak. The index of industrial production for the nation remained unchanged at a record high of 146 from October through March, except that December was at 147. The declines occurring in lumber and automobile manufacturing nationally were offset in the aggregate, but in Oregon the increases in other industries did not quite overcome the drop caused by the market slumps in building materials. No significant pick-up in the forest-products industries is impending. The present low volume of lumber consumption in home construction will be accompanied by other concurrent readjustments, but Oregon's overall economic activity can be maintained at a prosperous level in the years to come."

Let's keep what we have and build on solid ground for the future would seem to us to be a good banner for us here in the Bay area.

THIRTY YEARS AGO

from the files of the
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A party consisting of Gene Doherty, the Misses Maggie and Margaret Doherty, Wm. Driscoll and son Clarence, took a trip to the mountains on Sunday. They had intended going to a point in the vicinity of Arbuckle mountain, but evidently got off the road and became lost, failing to return home Sunday evening as was expected.

Mr and Mrs. E. L. Bucknum and sons William and Gordon, returned from their trip to Binghamton, N. Y., Mr. Bucknum's old home, on Tuesday.

Commencing last night the Heppner branch train leaves Heppner an hour earlier, making the leaving time 9:30 instead of 10:30.

John Krebs of Cecil is hauling wheat for Noah Pettyjohn.

D. A. Wilson and family, Alva Jones and family and W. V. Crawford and family are sojourning at their mountain camp on Willow creek this week.

It should be emphasized, however, that only the best seed of these varieties should be used since with the large amount of Burt and Omar on hand no one needs to seed anything but the pure variety.

In an attempt to help farmers to know where the good fields of these and other varieties were located in the county, the Morrow County Wheat Growers Association appointed a seed committee last winter. This committee asked that farmers who were interested in selling seed wheat contact them in order that an inspection of their field might be made.

Interest was poor in plan; there were a few who contacted the committee and whose seed fields were checked. Those who have indicated that they have Omar are Norman and Freddie Nelson, Lexington; Lloyd Howton Ione; Andy Van Schojack, Heppner; Carl Bergstrom, Ione; Burt; Norman and Freddie Nelson Lexington; Bob Rietmann, Ione; Lloyd Howton, Ione; Kenneth Smouse, Ione. Those who have certified wheat which has passed field inspection in all cases and bin inspection in some cases are: Burt; Denward Bergevin, Ione; Lloyd Howton, Ione; Kenneth Smouse, Ione; Robert Jepsen, Ione and Leonard Hill, Heppner. With these sources of good clean seed along with that that is certified which indicates that there is absolutely no rye and less than 1/10 of 1 percent of other wheat varieties with no weeds, there is no need for anyone to seed wheat of these varieties with rye or mixed with other kinds of wheat.

The state department of Agriculture announced recently that after August 20 anyone who buys hay from a producer and resells it is required to have a state license and bond. This is an entirely new law known as the Hay

Dealers Act. Individuals and business concerns of all types come under the law if they buy hay from farmers. Only those who buy hay for their own use do not need to apply for a license and obtain a bond. The minimum bond is \$1000 and the department may require a greater amount based on the amount of hay bought on an average month. The hay dealer may operate from as many places as he wishes under the one license. Anyone who would need one of these licenses or have questions concerning this new law should direct inquiries to the State Department of Agriculture, division of plant industry, Salem.

Congratulations are in order for our neighboring counties. Soil Conservation Districts which have recently announced as the state winner of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company' national soil conservation awards program. The award was won by the Heppner Soil Conservation District three years ago. Lloyd Smith of Mayville was named the outstanding farmer cooperator and Harold Hartfield of Arlington was nominated as the Soil Conservation District's supervisor who will participate in a vacation to the Wigwam Guest Resort and Goodyear farms at Litchfield Park, Arizona in November. The district was chosen as winner from activities and organization, education, planning, promotion and accomplishment in the field of soil and water conservation. Gilliam county was credited with making the greatest advances of any county in the Columbia Basin in use of trashy fallow for erosion control.

As wheat seeding time grows near many questions are asked about the various seed treatment materials used for wheat smut control. Since there are a number of new seed treatments it may be timely to pass along information which includes recommendations of the USDA and agricultural expert stations of Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington and Utah. Of the mercurial seed treatments Ceresan M, Mema and Pantheon are used most frequently. All of these are poisonous and their use should follow directions on the containers. None are effective against wheat smut which originates from soil-borne spores. Newest seed treatments are the nonmercurial type. These are HCB (hexachlorobenzene). HCB is a slightly volatile, nonpoisonous chemical that may be applied to the seed either as a dust or as a slurry. HCB preparations control seed-borne smut spores and also greatly reduces the incidence of common smut originating from soil-borne spores. There are several brands of HCB 40 percent formulations which are now available and recommended. Those that we find available locally

THEY SAY Christian Dior designed her wardrobe but he needn't have given it a thought! See the best dressed girl on a desert island at the Star Theater, Sunday and Monday. Sunday shows at 4, 6 and 8.

are Anticarie, No Bunt, Smut Go, and Sanocide. Several additional fungicides have been tested and found to be only fairly effective in the control of smut of wheat. These should be used only where the more effective materials are not available. Some of these are Agrox, Bytrete, Merculine 100, Mer-kote, Mer-sol, Purasced, Setrete and Terracor. Farmers wishing additional information on these seed treatments and how

they work and rates of use may pick up a mimeographed sheet available here at this office.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gilham and Kathy of Pendleton were weekend guests at the Jack Bedford home. Their son, Allen, who had spent a week with the Bedfords, returned home with them.

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TO THE EDITOR...

Dear Sir:

This letter concerns the need for a new tax program for Oregon, and the recognition of that need by a group of Klamath County citizens.

Oregon people have been aroused to an awareness of their tax burden this past two years; a tax burden that is discouraging industry from entering the state; a burden that is resulting in unemployment and few job opportunities being created.

The past session of the Oregon Legislature did very little to remedy this situation. It would seem that any movement toward a fairer tax program must come from the people themselves.

We who live near California's borders note that in that state great employment possibilities have been created, and that the tax program is especially designed by their legislative bodies to encourage new industry.

Oregon needs new industry. Oregon workers need jobs. High and inequitable taxation is preventing the establishment of a good and fair business climate, to bring better payrolls and job opportunities.

Taxation is not a partisan consideration. Let's take taxes out of politics. Our group of Republicans and Democrats and people who are from all walks of life are planning an initiative measure to give Oregon a modern and competitive tax program.

Before finally drafting an initiative

From The County Agent's Office

By N. C. Anderson

Announced recently are a number of feeder cattle sales for this fall. The Baker County Livestock Growers Association is sponsoring feeder cattle sales to be held at Baker on August 26, October 7, November 18 and January 26. The Western Oregon Feeder Cattle Sale will be held in Corvallis on October 9. The Jefferson County Livestock Growers and Feeders Association is sponsoring one sale on September 25 and one on October 30. The Union County Livestock Association will sponsor feeder cattle sales at La Grande on October 15 and November 19. The Willowa County Stockgrowers Association will hold a sale at Enterprise on September 2. Feeder cattle sales have grown popular over the last few years with most county livestock growers associations sponsoring them. There are a number of other county associations planning sales for which dates have not yet been announced.

First livestock to be delivered through the newly completed petition, we wish to invite your readers to give us the benefit of their thoughts on the subject of a proper tax structure for the state of Oregon.

We would also be glad to meet with other Oregon counties who wish to form a non partisan tax league. Does your county have a tax study group?

Please send your thoughts and suggestions to the Non Partisan Tax League, Box 456, Klamath Falls, Oregon.

Yours for a Fairer Tax Program.
Josephine Kittridge, Chairman
Non Partisan Tax League of Klamath Falls.

PEN PAL WANTED

Dear Reader: I am writing to your town in the hope that someone there likes writing and receiving letters. My hobby (or one of them) is pen-friendships and I would be very grateful to you if you could help me to widen my correspondence field by finding someone who will write to me.

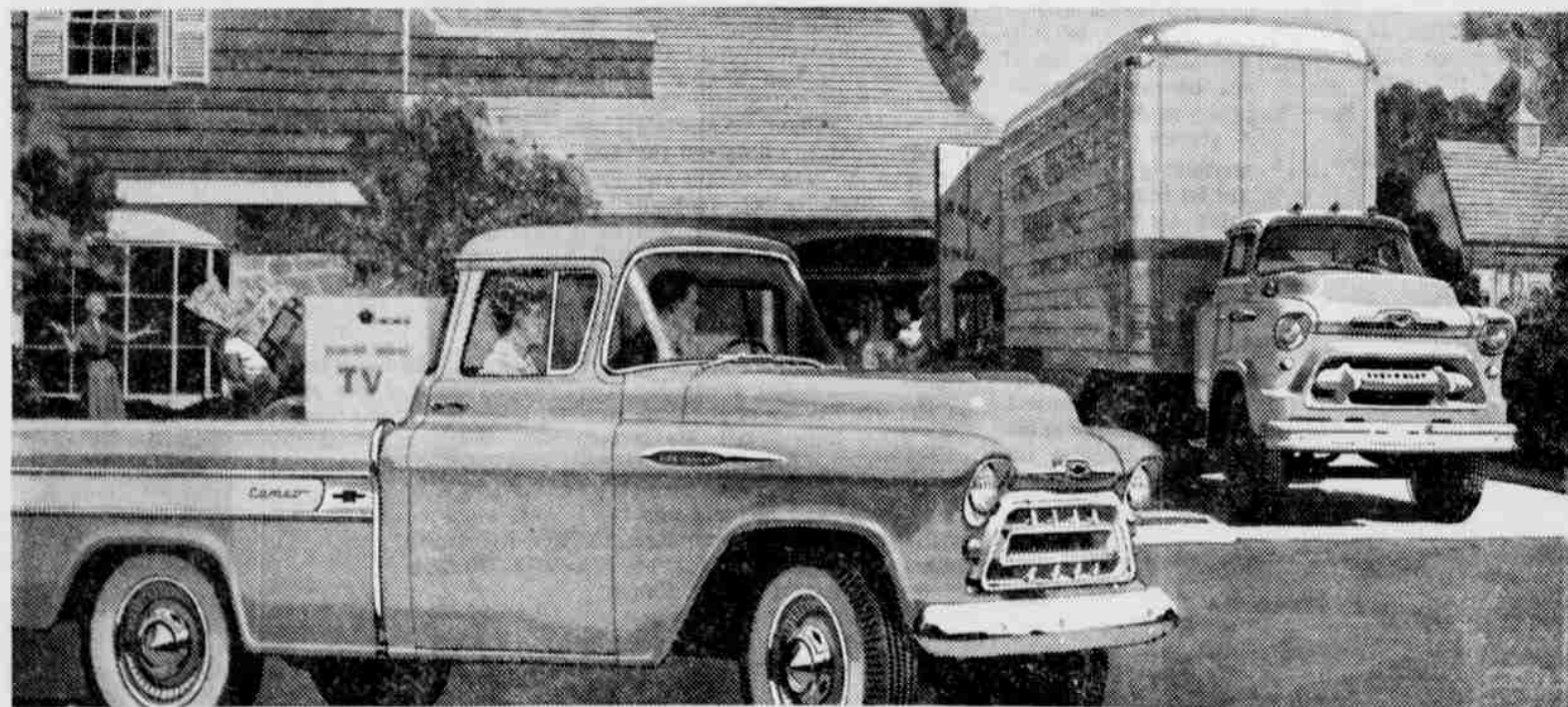
I am 17 years old and would prefer to correspond with someone about my own age. Hoping this request will not put you to too much trouble.

Very sincerely,
VERONICA WOODS,
78 Whalebone Grove,
Chadwell Heath,
Romford, Essex, England.

Morrow County Livestock Growers Association stockyards at the fairgrounds were 81 head of yearlings delivered there by Paul Webb, Rhea Creek rancher. A number of sales for delivery soon call for delivery at these yards in the contract. Equipped with a new ten ton livestock scales, various size sorting pens and all the facilities for good handling of livestock there are expected to be used quite regularly by those livestock men who made contributions for their construction. Livestock men are invited to inspect the corrals and use them for their livestock deliveries. Those livestock men who do not have an interest in the yards may yet make their contributions to officers of the Morrow County Livestock Growers Association. A small charge will be made on a per head basis of livestock handled through the yards to defray expenses of operating and maintaining the corrals.

During the past week or so we have had several inquiries for seed of the two new wheat varieties released in the past two years, Omar and Burt. The performance of these wheats have been so good this year that a large acreage of them will no doubt be seeded this fall. Supplies are large and no one should have difficulty in getting the seed from a neighboring farmer.

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