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The People Are Tired of It

Surely there is enough of constructive and necessary labor, even in this time of depression, to engage the thought and effort of all worthwhile people. Certainly this is no time to vent spleen, cast invectives and suggest evil innuendo. All need help, not hindrance; light, not shadow; encouragement, not asperation.

WITH that sentiment, taken from a communication by J. M. Johnson of Central Point, in Friday's issue, the Mail Tribune heartily agrees.

Never more than now, do we need the spirit of friendly help and cooperation, of team play and progressive leadership, which has always distinguished Medford and the Rogue River valley in the past, and more than any other one factor, has been responsible for its growth, prosperity and advancement.

THIS CONSTANT mud slinging and bickering, not only does no good, it does real harm. Instead of improving conditions—which are not any too good—it makes them worse.

This does not mean we should lie down together like lambs, and lull ourselves to sleep by chanting Polyania lullabys. There is work to be done and important tasks to perform. Nor does it mean, there isn't room for honest differences of opinion, or fighting for things, worth fighting for.

BUT it DOES mean, that fighting merely for the sake of fighting—and solely for the purpose of gaining selfish political ends—is not only bad for the community, but a silly waste of time.

AS previously stated in this column many times, if Jackson county WERE honeycombed with vice and corruption, if law and order HAD broken down, if conditions were even HALF as bad, as the mud slinging brigade maintains, the Mail Tribune would join in a clean-up campaign at once, and do everything in its power to drive the crooks and hoodle snatchers from office, and put them in prison where they belong.

But conditions AREN'T half as bad. They are not ONE-HALF-OF-ONE-PERCENT as bad. AND EVERY FAIR-MINDED CITIZEN IN JACKSON COUNTY KNOWS IT!

In fact it is doubtful if there is any other section of the state, which has, all in all, been governed as honestly, as efficiently, and as free from vice and corruption, as Medford and Jackson county during the past ten or twenty years.

THERE have been mistakes, of course. It would be a miracle if during such a period of time, some undesirable men had not been placed in office. But BY AND LARGE, not only our government today, but in the past, has been remarkably free from dishonesty and corruption. In fact it has been something of which we should all be proud, instead of ashamed; a brand of unselfish public service we should endeavor to sustain, instead of besmirch and tear down.

In this community and every other, there are enough real evils to be fought, without wasting energy and valuable time, fighting IMAGINARY ones. There is enough real constructive work to be done, without wasting time and energy, building up political straw men, just for the pleasure of tearing them down again.

So we again agree with our Central Point correspondent when he pleads:

"Let us have a respite. Let us try to call off the hounds for a while."

He is tired of it. The Mail Tribune is tired of it. We feel certain the people of Jackson county as a whole, are tired of it.

There will be enough noise and fury when the presidential campaign begins. Let us enjoy at least a lucid and self respecting interval, until that time.

Something to Get Behind

AS AN example of an important task before this community, is the matter of providing properly for those who are suffering and out of work.

Here is a social obligation that must be met. With harvesting of the pear crop only six weeks away,—with the opening of the Owen sawmill also scheduled for that time—the problem should not be a critical one during the summer and early fall.

But next winter it probably will be. And we heartily agree with those who believe that the matter of a county wide organization should at least be CONSIDERED at this time.

TOMORROW night at the Presbyterian church, a mass meeting will be held to go over all details of such an organization. The preliminary plans call for a program, which is as original as it is promising. It is based primarily upon barter, rather than money—the exchange of one commodity for another, and the exchange of labor for both. Its outstanding purpose is to insure the necessities of life to those who are ready and willing to work, but are—or have been—unable to find work.

THE problem is a complex one, and requires the most careful study and consideration. Some of the theories now advanced may prove impractical when put into practice, others deemed impractical now, may stand the test of experience.

But the main thing—and the big thing—is to get SOMETHING started, and to get the people of the community as a whole behind it. Toward this end the two supreme needs, are intelligent leadership and a revival of Medford's old time cooperative spirit.

Given half a chance, the people of Medford and Jackson county can,—in spite of the political snake dancers—SUPPLY BOTH.

LIQUOR PLANK NO 'STRADDLE' AVERS SECRETARY STATE

CHICAGO, June 18.—(AP)—Secretary of State Henry L. Stimson sees in the republican plank on prohibition a "well founded" program to retain the benefits derived from the 18th amendment and eliminate the evils.

"It is perfectly consistent," he said, "perfectly definite and perfectly logical. It is well founded in law and fact. He criticized Senator Bingham's minority proposal for outright repeal as "an impatient demand to abrogate the entire work of the past 13 years under the prohibition amendment, and to confess it to be an entire failure." To condemn indiscriminately without disentangling the gains from the evils, would be, he said, an act of "social folly."

Today

By Arthur Brisbane
Republicans Confess, Ocean Air Mail, The Morning After, Old Man Calculus.

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After a party young people sit up to talk it over.

After a political convention, all politicians and some of the people talk it over.

Much discussion of the prohibition plank, and there is complaining. The plank, to the average man, is about as plain as Spencer's definition of evolution, which, written from memory, on this Pennsylvania train, runs as follows:

Evolution is an integration of matter and a concomitant dissipation of motion, during which the matter passes from an indefinite, incoherent homogeneity to a definite coherent heterogeneity, and during which the retained motion undergoes a parallel transformation.

Asked by the writer to put his definition in words readily understood, Herbert Spencer replied that any one to whom his definition was not perfectly clear could not possibly understand evolution, therefore it was useless to rewrite it.

The main thing about the Republicans' prohibition plank is their confession, however involved, that prohibition is a failure. That means a change, and perhaps a gradual elimination of the "things gained by prohibition," including bootlegging, racketeering, gang crime organized as a great industry, drinking of whiskey and gin by high school children, and the establishment of five secret speakeasies for every open saloon of anti-prohibition days.

Control of liquor traffic by the government will replace control by criminals, and gigantic liquor revenues will help pay taxes instead of financing wholesale crime.

Congratulations to the house, to Mr. Garner, Mr. Rayburn for passing the Crosser bill authorizing contracts for sending mail to Europe by dirigible, and congratulations to Mr. Crosser, of Ohio, author of the bill. Private enterprise is prepared to construct dirigibles to make the European round trip, with mail and passengers in one week, stops in Europe and America included. The ocean trip will be made in two days at first, more rapidly later.

With all our depression, this nation should lead in such enterprises and there is no doubt that dirigible mail, at three or four times the usual charge, will tax the dirigible's capacity and yield great profit to the government.

An Italian, using a plane kept strictly secret as to its construction, has flown four hundred and thirty miles in an hour, beating the world record held by Britain.

Musolini knows that future wars will be won in the air and under water, and his government finances intelligent flying suits. This country should follow suit.

A plane going 450 miles an hour, fueled for long flight, could, some day will, cross the ocean in seven hours. That would not give us much time to get ready.

Speed and thoroughness are parts of Mussolini's methods. Utterly fearless, he is anxious to complete his work and dislikes those that persist in trying to murder him.

The recent plot to bomb Mussolini was immediately followed by the conviction of Domenico Bovone, and twelve hours later came the death sentence for Angelo Sbardello. He showed complete indifference, refusing to make any appeal to the king.

Yesterday both these men were shot in the back. That was supposed to make death more horrible, by humiliation, because cowards, shot while running away, are shot in the back. The great French fighter Crillon, you will remember, laid out after death, all undressed, was covered with scars from forehead to inseap. When they tunned him over, there was not a scratch on his back.

One swift look at the bonus bill, passed by the house, caused the senate committee to decide against it, fourteen to two. The bill, as stated here, has no chance of becoming law.

We were rich enough to send three million men to Europe and provide billions for their expenses, plus ten billions cash to help Europeans butchering each other.

When it comes to finding two and a half billions for men deprived of their chance at big wages in the war, and now without jobs, that is a different story. The war was a first class debacle, no expense was too great, we added more than twenty

Personal Health Service

By William Brady, M. D.
Signed letters pertaining to personal health and hygiene, not to disease, diagnosis or treatment, will be answered by Dr. Brady if a stamped self-addressed envelope is enclosed. Letters should be brief and written in ink. Owing to the large number of letters received only a few can be answered here. No reply can be made to queries not conforming to instructions. Address Dr. William Brady in care of The Mail Tribune.

THE WILL TO BE BLIND.

Some admiring (oh, yeah?) reader wrote in to inquire whether I had been crossed in love or cheated out of my inheritance. She thought there must be something that had soured my outlook on life. No, no, I just spent 15 years at the general practice of medicine and family doctoring. One of my early patients had a Colles' fracture—the familiar break of the forearm bone just above the wrist. I waited till he was back at work and then broke the sad news that I required \$25 as my fee. To this the patient demurred. He opened ten bucks was plenty. I called his attention to the perfect functional result and the short period of disability and all that. But he was quite firm that ten berries was sufficient for hay for his horse. My goodness that would buy enough hay to run the horse for a month or more. Besides, wasn't I just a young doctor and didn't I make my money easily. But I still argued that some of the old doctors might have kept the arm in splints two weeks longer and left it 20 degrees stiffer and still asked as much as I did for the job. So finally the patient settled the argument by showing me that the wrist was perceptibly thicker than the uninjured one, which proved that the repair work was a shade less beautiful than the Creator's original sculpture—so we had to settle for \$18.75.

Cataract patients—not my patients, I wouldn't know what to do with a cataract patient in any case—often remind me of the fracture patient who was not satisfied with my job. They write in to tell me all about it and how some friend knows a man who once heard of a miraculous cure of cataract after all the doctors had given the victim up as hopelessly blind. . . . and even if one should have the operation the doctor advises, isn't it true the patient has to wear strong spectacles in order to see well? Yes, it is true. When you remove the crystalline lens from the eye, you can't expect the eye to function satisfactorily without an artificial lens to take the place of the natural one you have discarded. Patients operated on for cataract after the older method which is still used by many eye surgeons in this country wear not only strong spherical lenses, but usually

thousand millions to the national debt. This is the morning after. Everything in a material way is made easy for us. President Hoover will not be compelled to travel about, as candidates once had to do. He may stay at his Rapidan camp and talk to all America by radio. And such talking is more effective than any barn-storming campaign. Your audience sits quietly at home, listening. There is no heckling. Sound arguments, facts convincingly presented win, without torchlight parades or baying bands. But you must have the FACTS to present. Russian scientists are exploring a sunken city in the Black sea, supposed to be "Old Cheronesus". Divers bring up from beneath the water, strange descriptions of a fortified city, built by the Greeks and engulfed by advancing waters hundreds of years ago.

The waters that came rushing in, covering the city, are now retreating from the shore line. In years to come, Moscow scientists will walk the dry streets of the ancient city. What sort of government will Russia have then? One thing is sure, intelligence will rule and take profits, average dullness will work, and take what is given to it. Old Cheronesus interests, and should encourage us. The sunken city will come back into the sunlight. Our sunken industries and prosperity will do the same, and sooner.

Students of Stevens Institute of Technology, in Hoboken, have burned "Old Man Calculus," in a great bonfire. Calculus is the young men's bugaboo, the burning is an annual celebration. But, without Calculus, the labors of mathematicians, for generations past would have been a tedious nightmare. Every student should bless the name of Newton, who invented differential Calculus for use in his astruse calculations.

He kept the secret to himself, for a time, not from selfishness, but without thinking, and amazed the world of mathematics, when, with the aid of "Old Man Calculus," he solved, quickly, with great ease, a complicated problem, with which Europe's mathematicians had been wrestling for a year. Mid-summer sportswear in newest fabrics moderately priced at ETHELWYN B. HOFFMANN'S Sixth and Holly Drive in and be served in your car. No extra charge. De Voss. Crystalgloiw—Kodak glass supreme The Peaseley's, Opp. Holly Theater. Medford Fruit Company, Inc., and Guy W. Conner are located at 204

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Talks To Parents

A JEALOUS WISH
By Alice Judson Peale
A kindergarten child built a bed of wooden blocks.

"Look," he called to the teacher. "This is a bed and on it is lying a naughty girl. She climbed up to the window sill when she shouldn't and now I have covered her all up with stones so that she is dead. Pretty soon," he finished with a beaming face, "they will be coming to fetch her away."

The day before, this little boy and his sister had been reprimanded by their mother for climbing upon the window sill. In the light of this occurrence it is quite obvious who the "naughty little girl" must have represented. Although nothing in the boy's behavior had betrayed his jealousy of her, through the license of play his repressed wishes had shown themselves.

Such wishes, usual rather than otherwise, are the outcropping of the jealousy almost universal between brothers and sisters. Sometimes with very young children it even expresses itself in overt acts.

In one instance a 3-year-old boy was found trying to hit his sleeping baby sister with a heavy piece of wood. In another a 4-year-old girl was discovered in the act of smothering the new baby with a pillow.

More often, of course, the child simply puts his feelings into words. He looks at the new baby and says, "Take it back, we don't need it" or "That's no good, throw it out the window."

It is a mistake either to make light of such expressions or to regard them as a sign of a wicked and degenerate nature. But it should be remembered that the more violent they are, the more certain it is that the parents have been unusually tactless and unloving.

Answer—Alas, a lot of Skinny Winnies are doomed to stay that way. But if you can catch 'em before they've gone sour, there is always a fair chance to endow the poor things with curves and smiles. I really think it is largely a question of temperament.

Non-Explosible Superstition. Can you tell me where I can get a pamphlet or book that will explode the idea some people have that an unborn baby may be "marked" if the mother suffers any fright, shock or emotional excitement of any unpleasant thing. F. C. A. Answer—That superstition is difficult to explode. I know of no particular pamphlet or book. People who believe in "marking" are not susceptible of enlightenment or education. Any one who studies embryology (the growth and development of the young prior to birth) cannot fail to see how absurd the superstition of "marking" is. (Copyright John F. Dulle Co.)

DAWES IN FAREWELL TO CAPITAL DUTIES
WASHINGTON, June 18.—(AP)—Charles G. Dawes, retiring president of the reconstruction finance corporation, today paid his farewell to President Hoover at the White House and prepared to leave the capital this afternoon for Chicago. Dawes told newspaper men in the

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Flight 'o Time

(Medford and Jackson County) History from the Files of The Mail Tribune of 29 and 10 Year Ago.)

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY
June 19, 1922
(It Was Tuesday)

Dr. I. D. Phipps defeats Dr. Stearns by 45 votes, in record vote for Medford school election.

Labor war breaks out at Herrin, Ill.

Albany moonshiner kills self and preacher when still raided.

Grass fires on West Jackson street keep fire department busy.

A. L. Parkhurst sells interest in Crater Lake hotel to Portland group.

Edwin R. Durno is named coach of the Medford high school.

Senate probes price of gasoline and sugar.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION OPENS WITH ELIHU ROOT AS CHAIRMAN, amid wild scenes.

Another heat wave sweeps the valley.

Dr. Seely defeats Mrs. Parsons, "the woman candidate" for school board post. It was the first time the women exercised the vote, and they gained valuable political experience.

Police stop the auctioning of an ox, in the middle of Fir street, when the ox starts on a rampage.

"First Art Loan Exhibit Source of Astonishment," says the headline.

Prohibition party of the county holds convention.

Espee beseeched to install alarm bell at Main street crossing.

Portraits of distraction. The Peaseley's, opp. Holly theater.

Picture frames made to order. The Peaseley's, opp. Holly theater.

The best clear Cedar Shingles, \$3.00 per 1000. Regular \$4.00 shingles, Medford Lumber Co.

The Depression Has Its Casualties Same as WAR
Read what Geo. B. Cortelyou, former secretary of the treasury, has to say on this subject, under the heading: "Peace Time Patriotism." It will be in the form of a "guest" editorial, to be published exclusively in this newspaper
Tomorrow, Mon., June 20
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