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The Acid Test Is Near

WE CAN'T have our cake and eat it. We can't raise wages and sell more goods abroad. We can't improve domestic business and also improve foreign business.

Small wonder, therefore, that the New York exporters, and Big Business barons are squawking. The former must have foreign business to live; the latter must have export trade to maintain their present plants—or think them so.

But with every increase of wages and therefore increase of commodity prices the foreign market for American goods declines.

The acid test—or one of them—for President Roosevelt, predicted in this column six or eight weeks ago, is near at hand, if it has not already arrived.

He will have to choose between domestic trade and foreign trade; between the interests of Big Business and what he regards as the welfare of this country.

THERE is no doubt of the President's choice. He will take his stand for domestic trade and the welfare of his country. But this will mean a fight. No sham battle. A real fight to a finish.

In the opinion of this newspaper, foreign trade,—at least as it developed following the war,—will have to go. After all, it was not as important as many people suppose.

Our per capita exports in 1931 for example, were only four per cent of our per capita income and only six per cent of our per capita production. As Dean Donham of the Harvard School of Business, has inquired, "Shall we allow such small percentages to control our future?"

We quote: "We have lost less than four per cent of our volume of production through collapse of foreign trade, but we have lost 45 per cent to 85 per cent of production in the home market. Shall we seek to restore the four per cent in the international field and to increase the volume of manufactured goods several fold, or shall we try to regain a far larger volume at home. We cannot do both."

In his New Plan, President Roosevelt has decided to concentrate upon larger volume at home. He has adopted the policy that "by American trade is America made."

It may sound simple but it isn't. It is about as complicated as any economic problem could be. Eventually it means a complete revolution in the Big Business structure—for Big Business alone has depended materially upon export trade.

Nevertheless, we believe President Roosevelt will win, for if he sticks to his guns, he will have the support of the rank and file of the American people. But before it is over he will be about as popular with captains of big industry, as was his famous predecessor in the White House, of the same name. He can't have his cake and eat it. He can't enjoy the campaign contributions he enjoyed in 1932 for example, and continue his present policies.

Unless we are entirely mistaken in the man, he will sacrifice his large campaign contributions.

It's Up to the Police

THERE is a very interesting article in the last Colliers on the making of gangsters, by William Shepherd.

Mr. Shepherd shows that in the last analysis, gangsters are made by corrupt police and crooked politicians.

Gangs are made up of city boys, who choose crime for two main reasons,—for the money, and for the adventure. Practically all of them are known to the police. But instead of arresting them the police take tribute from them. One gangster—a mere child—admitted he paid the police over \$7000 in a few years.

The gangsters make easy money from the outset, largely because they have "fences" where stolen goods can quickly and safely be turned into cash.

These "fences" are also known to the police. But instead of closing them the police protect them and get their cut from that source, also. Back of the fences and back of the police of course, are the shyster lawyers and the crooked politicians.

An honest and efficient police force, however, in any large city could clean out the gangsters in a month, if they were so disposed. If a go-getter like General (NRA) Johnson, for example, he could undoubtedly rid that sink of vice and iniquity of the professional gunmen, before snow flies.

Such a police force would first close the "fences," then round up the gang leaders, and in all likelihood, little more would need to be done. With the source of revenue gone, and leadership gone, Nature could be left to take its course.

But until we get an efficient and incorruptible police force, there is little chance of riding our larger cities, of organized crime.

RAIN ONLY HOPE AS 4000 BATTLE FLAMES IN VAIN

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fire which late today was within two miles of the C. C. camp near that place.

People Flee: Hundreds of residents of farms and valley homes fled for safety today as the great smoke clouds burst into the sky and the roaring thunder of the furious flames drew nearer.

Communication with some of the stricken communities was impossible, and it was uncertain in other districts. Throughout most of the day Tillamook was connected with Portland by only one telephone line, and this was subject to five or six hours delay.

Lynn P. Cronmiller, state forester, and C. J. Buck, federal regional forester here, held a conference late today to discuss what further steps can be taken to combat the ravaging flames. Several thousand men who have been on the fire fronts have been able to accomplish little. The fires spread too rapidly and burned too furiously to be checked by man.

Flames Checked: ABERDEEN, Wash., Aug. 26.—(AP)—Fires sweeping through large areas

of Grays Harbor county forests, as well as over logged off land, were checked momentarily late today by shifting winds, but the situation remained "acute."

The most serious fire, in the North River district, which had threatened the little logging town of Brooklyn, was isolated late today. Two hundred men had been fighting it.

Chief Fire Warden C. S. Cowan, of the Washington forest fire association, had gone to the scene personally to direct their efforts. A valuable stand of timber, together with three logging engines and other equipment was lost.

Nearer Aberdeen, fire was within a quarter of a mile of the Wishkah headworks of Aberdeen's domestic water system, and pumps were stationed to protect bridges. A bridge on the Donovan-Corkery main line, and some Simpson company equipment has been burned.

On the Quimans Indian reservation, the Conk Creek fire had covered more than 1000 acres, and was in green timber. The fire, together with the Wishkah blaze, are on the edge of the Olympia national forest, and all Indians available and C. C. C. workers are on fire duty.

A Kansas Spender Shared: TOWNSHIP, Kas., Aug. 26.—(AP)—Roland Finney, chief figure in the Kansas bond forgery scandal, and his former employer, Leland Caldwell, today were under federal hold orders, which S. M. Brewster, United States District attorney, described as a step in issuing warrants for the arrest of the two.

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, 265 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Cal.

THE PHYSICIAN AS STOOLED PIGEON: Headline: Dr. Somebody indicted in Holdup Cases. The story says that Dr. John J. Somebody failed to notify the police that he had treated a patient for gunshot wounds and the grand jury indicted him, as it seems there is a law, a special statute specifying that a physician attending a person suffering from gunshot wounds must notify either the local police or the state commissioner of public safety.



How did the grand jury learn about the doctor's dastardly conduct? Oh, another doctor, with whom he consulted about the case, ran right around and informed the police. A nasty type, this stool pigeon who would betray the faith of a patient in his doctor rather than commit a misdemeanor. That's one of the rotten things about Medicine today—too many of that type in practice.

Dr. Stoolpigeon, police said, gave them information which was extremely valuable in making the capture of the alleged bandit. He explained how the alleged bandit had been brought to his office by Dr. Somebody.

Too bad we can't indict Dr. Stoolpigeon, for he betrayed the honor of his profession, the confidence of his colleague and the faith or trust of the patient.

Another "special" statute or regulation has been enacted in some states, requiring physicians to report all cases of gonorrhea or syphilis. From the first this has been a dead letter, because these diseases occur in all classes and the physicians can't afford to betray the confidence of better class patients, you know.

The law requiring physicians to report such cases of disease is more honored in the breach than the observance. It doesn't require much moral courage to break this law.

Such "special" statutes or regulations violate the fundamental principles of justice and common welfare. The common law has always recognized the inviolable secrecy of whatever a physician learns in his professional capacity, especially knowledge

hear more of them than most folks, and there must be some basis of truth to them, in fact we all know positively of foolish details.

The fact that an occasional audit will be taken and made public may cause future officials to be more careful in their business deals.

GEO. IVERSON, Secy. Taxpayers' League.

Standard Transferred To Upstate Post: Friends in this city of Joe Standard, son of Drs. Dan E. and Susie V. Standard of Phoenix, will be glad to learn that he has been transferred from Portland to Grants Pass, where he will head that district of the Asbury Transfer company.

Mr. Standard is moving to the neighboring city with Mrs. Standard and their young daughter. They will be guests of the Standards at Phoenix today, in carrying out the duties of his new position, Mr. Standard will be a frequent caller in Medford, where he has many friends with whom he formerly attended the University of Oregon, where he will be remembered as an outstanding track man.

Naval Bids Ordered: WASHINGTON, Aug. 26.—(AP)—Secretary Swanson announced today the navy department had placed orders or asked for bids for 8677,000 of equipment and materials in connection with construction of naval vessels under an allotment of \$238,000,000 from the public works fund.

Meanwhile, a definite system of covering the county by patrols of state police and national guardsmen was being worked out.

In the main rioting two days ago, 75 men were arrested, and 15 men were injured, one receiving a fractured skull.

Communications

Comments County Audit: To the Editor: I have read with very much interest your articles regarding the county audit recently completed.

I had possibly as much interest in this during the past year, and in a close touch with it as the average taxpayer, and worked last fall on the Chamber of Commerce tax committee and have talked to seemingly hundreds of taxpayers.

It has been the consensus of opinion by everyone that there would be but little discrepancy found in any records and possibly was a waste of money as far as actual need was concerned, but still it would be an interesting record to have and, above all other arguments for or against the incoming new officials were entitled to an audit.

There is one thing that a study of the audit should be able to show and that is a verification or refutation of stories that we hear in regard to the mishandling of money in the sense that business methods were quite often not used in individual departments. (This does not apply to county matters alone, but can be found wherever public money is handled.)

I do not believe in or would countenance the hurrying of baseless accusations (as has been done) but we all hear these stories and possibly I

NEW YORK DAY BY DAY

By O. O. McIntyre

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.—In the manner of Arnold Bennett's journals: M. and I motoring early had a tire blow out near a large house. We sat on a walk bench to await a petrol man. A fellow came up and, looking at the car, inquired "Abandoned?" I said "I don't know." He went on.

We took breakfast at a tavern overlooking the sea at Sheepshead Bay. The only other patron was a red faced fiftyish man, who kept jerking out a biscuit sized watch, and said many silly things to the serving maid, etc., etc. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday I wrote 7,000 words which I cut to 5,000.

Afterward the car still being unfixated we sat on a veranda and listened to some amazingly dull talk by four old losers. One said his son was afflicted with a cussedness. But I did not hear the rest for the petrol man came, drunk. We came back to The City by train.

In the mail was a letter from a lady in Vicksburg, Miss., writing for the first time on a typewriter. Down in the corner she affixed, in the custom of the amanuensis, EWL—1 finger. It reminded me to send for Mr. Tase, the typewriter repairer. The "h" in my machine is missing. Sounding very Cockneyish.

Corey Ford telephoned today he was burlesquing my column in Vanity Fair and would I be offended? I told him decidedly not. The truth is I was immeasurably flattered. His travesties are searing but never vicious. I had an idea for a magazine piece while awake last night. That people who never eat or drink between meals are seldom fat. I have collated about 50 notable instances. Superb weather.

This afternoon I wrote a skit about the wireless for a journal, rather goodish but not deeply imagined. Sydney Lord and Will Langel had been briefly on way to train. He remained quiet reading a poem book of Keats while I typed. Then suddenly for about ten minutes he was brilliant and walked out without good-bye. He blushed.

Before taking a cold shower I had a longish talk with M. We are about of a mind to buy a picture we both enjoy to hang in the big room. It is by Goodpast in the style of our mutually admired Poussin. But the painter little know.

Ten. Lots of ladies with a certain chic. Frank and Eleanor Grant Sheridan whom I have not seen in years. I remembered her debut in Cincinnati. Frank and his brother both artists. Not twins but look alike. F. draws covers for the Saturday Evening Post. A lady from San Francisco, whose name eludes me, spoke flatteringly of Cobble. Somebody came through the room drinking beer out of tin pipkin. A reckless fool. I sat awhile with Bert Lyell's lovely Grace. Russell Patterson wondrously printed in a pink shirt. Cars in the enclosure all higgledy-piggledy. We walked home.

Walking I have a continuous torrent of ideas and spread-eagle fancies. But they are gone at my desk. But sometimes I think to tell M. and she invariably remembers. In the midst of a stroll I may say in course of conversation "extraneously" "safe with dog men" and next morning M. will have jotted it on my pad.

We drove to East 63rd street for the Leslie Bells and motored toward Larchmont. I fell to talking about a house I would like to build some day, probably in California. On a turn of the road I saw a replica of the identical house. It was like a mirage. But it had been deserted, weeds grown high and windows knocked in by boys. We learned from an agent the owner was Mr. Givney who married an actress.

M. suggested Ben Riley's for dinner, a nice thought. We arrived at

Flight 'o Time

(Medford and Jackson County History from the Files of The Mail Tribune of 20 and 10 Years Ago)

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY August 27, 1923 (It Was Monday) New traffic ordinance to be adopted prohibits cars being parked all night on streets in resident districts. Cars shall "head into the curb, and upon backing out the driver shall give three sharp blasts of his horn."

Everett Brayton returns from Lost Lake where he bagged a 160 pound buck.

Dave Rosenberg is the first person in Medford so far as has been ascertained, to have received a letter that has crossed the continent by the aerial mail. He received a letter Saturday, from his fruit marketing agent in New York, which he states was in even better condition than if it had come by ordinary channels. The letter came from New York to San Francisco via airplane, and from San Francisco to Medford on the train as usual.

School board toils far into the night endeavoring to work out a plan for the relief of the crowded condition in Medford schools.

Fire department holds a practice run, and aquite water into Bear creek in three minutes, 17 seconds.

Twenty Years Ago Today August 27, 1913 (It Was Wednesday) Canadian Judge cheered for declarations favoring Harry K. Thaw, rich slayer who escaped from insane asylum.

County Judge Tou Velle nails canon that Pacific Highway construction would not start at California line, if road bonds carry.

Michael Maybrick, who wrote the "Holy City" dies in New York City.

Parent-Teachers association to hold picnic at Ashland.

Warmest night in history of Rogue River valley recorded with temperature at 95 degrees. A warm wind also blows.

Sam Hill, good roads enthusiast to speak at Ashland.

Citizens file protest against high taxes with Governor.

WHEAT PRICE UP ON PACT SIGNING

CHICAGO, Aug. 26.—(AP)—All grains, except corn, displayed a firmer tone today despite the handicap of light and erratic trading.

Unexpected strength in wheat at Liverpool where prices were two cents higher in response to signing of the international wheat acreage pact led to scattered buying in Chicago which hoisted wheat one to two cents a bushel. Corn, however, displayed a sluggish tone and after sullenly following wheat higher at the opening, reacted and dropped below Friday's finish.

Wheat closed firmer and 1/4 to 1 cent higher than Friday's close. Corn weak, 1/4 to 1/2 lower, oats unchanged to 1/4 up.

Jenkins' Comment

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ber in competition with the substitutes for lumber.

That is where the rub will come in. THE lumbermen are fearful of what will happen when they have to sell their lumber at greatly increased prices in competition with the substitutes for lumber. But they are good sports, and are willing to TRY.

The least we can do is to say to them: "We admire your courage and your willingness to co-operate. We're with you in your fight, and will help all we can."

Important News for Motorists!

POSTAL TELEGRAPH - COMMERCIAL CABLES TELEGRAM DELIVERY NO. 76 RECEIVED AT

NX PORTLAND, OGN, 11:16 A. M., AUG. 26 1933. C. L. HOPKINS, MANAGER FIRESTONE SERVICE STORES, INC., MEDFORD, OREGON. TIRE PRICES EXPECTED ADVANCE PRIOR SEPTEMBER FIRST. STEPHENS, FIRESTONE TIRE AND RUBBER CO.

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