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Noblesse Oblige

THE proposed solution of the coast-bridge tolls controversy, strikes us, as a sensible one.

Tolls will be taken off the new coast bridges. This will not only be beneficial to the coast but to the entire state, for anything that increases tourist travel in ONE section, increases it to a greater or less extent, in another.

In return for the state assuming the cost of toll-free bridges, the government will be asked to construct a Bonneville highway from Portland to the dam, at a cost of approximately \$4,000,000.

Such a highway will benefit the entire state, by providing better transportation to and from the dam and at the same time, saving the state the expense of realigning and reconstructing the present Columbia River highway, to serve a similar purpose. It will give immediate, large-scale employment.

OF course in one sense none of these projects will DIRECTLY benefit southern Oregon. But to oppose them on this ground, would in our judgment, be to accept a selfish and rather provincial view.

The highway system of Oregon should be regarded as a whole, and from the standpoint of what is best for the STATE AS A WHOLE.

Free toll bridges on the coast and the Troutdale-Bonneville project are justified from this standpoint.

From the SAME standpoint, the highway commission and the rest of the state, should get behind and no longer delay the improvement of the Siskiyou grade,—making the main entrance into Oregon from California, less a tourist menace, and a state disgrace!

Less Politics Needed

RAY GILL, master of the state grange may not be a good farmer—or any farmer at all,—but no informed person denies he is an excellent politician.

His reply to Governor Martin's criticism of the grange lobby at Salem, showed the fine Italian hand, of a seasoned and resourceful political campaigner.

"The grange will not be intimidated," was the gist of this reply, "it will continue in the future, as it has for the past 30 years, to maintain a committee at all sessions of the legislature, which will concern itself with measures which affect farmers."

THERE was no INTIMIDATION in the Governor's pronouncement. Nor did he criticize the LEGITIMATE political activities of the grange,—the maintenance of a lobby at Salem, to advance legislation, favorable to the organization, and oppose legislation that isn't.

What he DID criticize, was the CONSTANT participation in politics, of the grange leaders, and the practice of entering the political lists on all state issues, whether they involve rural and agricultural problems, or not.

In other words the Governor believes there is too much politics in the state grange, and it would not only be better for the grange but better for the state, if there were less.

This is a view which is not only shared by many thoughtful citizens in the state, but by many grange members themselves.

They feel, that if grange leaders concentrated a little more thoroughly on essentially farm problems, and less on politics,—particularly in the direction of seeking political power and preferment for THEMSELVES,—it would be better for all concerned.

We believe the time will come when a majority of the grange members will grant the sound sense of this view, and perceive that less partisan politics in their organization, would not only be better for the state, but far better for the grange.

Comment on the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

THERE are supposed to be ten million unemployed persons in the United States. Ten million, at least, is the figure that is quoted oftener.

Nobody knows the exact number of unemployed in this country, because nobody has ever counted them. About all we know FOR SURE is that there are too many.

WHY are ten million persons without employment in this great nation?

If you are able to answer that question, you are GOOD. A lot of us have tried it, but few of us have been able to agree in our answers.

The only thing we are CERTAIN of is that something is wrong.

PUSHING theories aside, here is the condition we face:

When people are without jobs, they CAN'T BUY. When large numbers of people can't buy, industry lacks an adequate market for its products.

When industry lacks an adequate market for its product, it can't provide enough jobs to go around.

That is what we call a vicious circle.

WHY are we in a vicious circle? About the only answer to that seems to be that business men lack confidence in the future. If business had confidence in the future, it could BREAK this vicious circle we are in.

WHY does business lack confidence in the future? Because it is AFRAID of a lot of things the government is doing—afraid these things won't work and that their failure to work will get us into a frightful mess where everybody who has risked anything will lose what he has risked.

So, as long as it is expressed by this way, business REFUSES TO TAKE RISKS. When people are

afraid to take risks, business is bad and jobs are scarce.

"Nothing ventured, nothing gained," you know. And it takes GAIN to pay wages.

BUSINESS men don't like this vicious circle any better than you or I. They would like to BREAK it, and get going again. They have told the government that if it will do certain things, they will conquer their fears and again be willing to take a chance.

These things that business wants from the government, in order to calm its fears as to the future include:

Stabilization of money values. Balancing the budget. Less competition with private business.

IF YOU work so many hours a week, you want to know how many minutes will be counted as an hour. You don't want it to be 80 minutes one week and 40 minutes another.

In the same way, business wants a dollar that will contain an agreed-upon and MAINTAINED number of cents—the same when a thing is sold as when it is bought.

That sounds reasonable.

BALANCING the budget simply means spending no more than the government takes in.

If you spend more than you make, and BORROW the difference, you'll go broke sooner or later. It will be the same with government, and business men know it.

They don't want the government to go broke, for if the government goes broke EVERYBODY goes broke.

THEY want the government to get out of competition with private business, for if government competition BREAKS private business there will be nobody left to pay taxes.

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Personal Health Service

By William Brady, M. D.

Signed letters pertaining to personal health and hygiene not to discuss 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. No reply can be made to queries not conforming to instructions. Address Dr. William Brady, 245 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Cal.

NEWER KNOWLEDGE OF NEURITIS

Beriber (in Ceylon this word means extreme weakness) is a deficiency disease occurring in tropical countries but occasionally in this country. Another name for it is poly-neuritis or multiple neuritis. The cause is lack of vitamin B in the diet.



The cure is addition of foods rich in vitamin B or administration of vitamin B as a medicine. Multiple neuritis is a more common name for it. Heretofore the condition has been assumed to be due to alcoholic poisoning. Recently, however, clinical experience, which, after all, is the best medical authority, has taught us that hypovitaminosis is an important factor if not the cause of multiple neuritis in beriberi. Heavy drinkers are notoriously poor eaters, that is, when on a bout they desire little or no food, so long as they can get plenty of liquor, and not only do they lack appetite for food but they are likely to vomit if they do try to eat. Thus they fail to get the vitamin required to maintain systemic functions, and nutrition fails. So that the consequence is much the same as in the development of beriberi in the orient on a diet of polished rice.

A peculiar mental disorder occurring in habitual drinkers and in some other kinds of chronic intoxication is called Korsakow's psychosis. This is not delirium tremens, but rather a less violent confusion. It is often associated with polyneuritis. This psychosis, too, responds to vitamin therapy.

Much of the so-called "neuritis" of the wisecracker is not neuritis at all. There is a fashion with half-informed or misinformed people, calling their vague aches or pains "neuritis" instead of calling them "rheumatism" and the fashionable term means no more than the old term did.

I cannot speak as positively about simple neuritis, as yet, but from browsing about I have gained the impression that a partial deficiency of one or more vitamins may be an important factor if not the cause of simple neuritis in many cases of obscure character. I offer this suggestion merely as a hint. Take it or leave it. In any case it can do no harm to make the therapeutic test—namely, to take an optimal vitamin ration for a month or two and see

whether improved nutrition will bring relief to the neuritis. Of course the proper remedies for neuritis due to lead, arsenic or other specific conditions should not be neglected—vitamin therapy should always be supplementary.

Several years ago I received a series of striking reports from readers who declared they had experienced great benefit from the liberal use of wheat germ instead of ordinary flour. Wheat germ or embryo is discarded from flour as a rule. Indeed, it has been deemed suitable only for feed for animals. However, the germ or embryo contains most of the vitamin B and all of the vitamin E. Perhaps the optimal ration of vitamin B should be replaced by using wheat germ accorded for the benefits they accrue, for what they called "chronic rheumatism."

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George Jessel tells of the philanthropist Mr. Cohen kodaked on the beach with a scantily clad sweetie by a blackmailing photographer. A week later the photographer, in guise of an art salesman, appeared at Mr. Cohen's residence after Mr. Cohen's several canvases, plucked down an enlargement of the beach snapshot. Quick as that, the victim gulped: "I'll take 12 of those, if you please!"

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benefited very little from their being skinned. It was private individuals, rugged and otherwise, who received the fruits of their labor. Equity would demand that they "cough up." Fat chance!

Anything is possible in America, we are told. So why not the Townsend scheme of social insurance? Anything, perhaps, is possible if thoughtfully sound. But the scheme is not theoretically sound. And yet it is advanced as the savior of capitalism primarily, and the benefit to the aged a happy secondary consideration, and also its motive power to "put it over."

To saddle capitalism with an additional eight or nine millions sucking up its surplus labor-time to the tune of \$200 a month would kill the racket quick. And to will it without first setting up another system to take its place is social suicide. Multiplying wealth by dividing it is not possible—not even in America!

Another fatal point in the scheme is that it is based on the assumption that all that is needed to make capitalism work is circulation. Circulation is not a fundamental phenomenon. Circulation speeded up to the nth degree contemplated by the plan would not do away with the contradictions with which capitalism is so loathly. On the contrary, it would more rapidly develop and hasten its inevitable collapse.

My favorite way of illustrating this is by analogy borrowed from pathology. If a man suffers from cancer, improving his circulation may pep him up—for a time. But only for a time. It would also pep up the "cells" of the cancer, which are called cancer cells which will eventually finish him.

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Flight 'o Time

(Medford and Jackson County history from the files of the Mail Tribune of 20 and 10 Year Ago).

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY. February 25, 1925 (It Was Wednesday) Two local men fined \$75 each for possession of pint of moonshine.

Shortage of labor in valley for spring orchard work. Ashland citizens "overjoyed" at return of Normal school.

Baseball team to be formed in this city, to join southern Oregon league. Odd Fella Minstrel show pleases large crowd of members and Rebekahs.

Legislature passes bill putting tax on cigarettes. Much needed rain falls over the city and valley.

Three suspects held in Mexico as DeAuteumont brothers ordered released. TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY February 25, 1918 (It Was Thursday)

"Magnetic torpedo" invented to destroy Kaiser's submarines. German capture of Przemyśl and 10,000 Russian soldiers await coming of spring to renew Flanders offensive.

Commercial club adopts the policy of having a banquet every month. The Page theater has procured the services of Prof. J. B. Hunt of Oakland, Calif., to play the giant Wurllitzer.

Police chase but unable to catch boys found smoking cigarettes on the Bear creek bridge. Entire state mourns passing of C. C. Beekman, pioneer Jacksonville banker.

Committee named to select picturesque names for valley scenic spots, finds citizens opposed to changing name of Roxy Ann. FOREST CREEK, Feb. 25.—(Sp.)—

Children of Forest Creek school enjoyed a Valentine party February 14. Guests at the party were little Shirley Ayres, Louise and Patsy Davison, Dolly Gravelle and Mrs. Jack Crump. Refreshments were served by Vera Ayres and Miss Davies.

County trucks are hauling gravel to repair some of the worst spots on the upper part of Forest Creek road. Glenn Gardner of Medford is spending a few weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ayres.

Harry Ayres returned from the Evans Creek CCC camp February 2 and will spend the remainder of the season here. John and Arthur Davies are cutting and hauling logs off the Paul Pearce property near the school house.

Hilly Black was returned to her home here February 14 from Medford, where she has been seriously ill with the flu. Her condition is slightly improved.

Mrs. Charlie Madsen was hostess to the women's group at a pleasant covered dish luncheon February 21. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Aaron Ayres in Jacksonville, March 14.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Crump and family of Applegate were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cummings February 17.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Pearce are moving to Thompson Creek. Mrs. Una B. Inch, rural school supervisor, visited the Forest Creek school February 20.

HOME BEAUTIFICATION CLASS MEETS TUESDAY An class in Design and Home Beautification, under the SERRA, will meet tomorrow evening, Tuesday, Feb. 26, at the Senior high school at 7 o'clock. The class will be under the direction of Miss Helen Herbert, and will be free. All those interested are invited to attend.

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MOTHERS! In treating children's colds, don't take VICKS VapoRub PROVED BY 2 GENERATIONS

Meteorological Report

Medford and vicinity: Cloudy with rain late tonight or Tuesday; slightly warmer tonight.

Oregon: Cloudy with rain west portion and snow over mountains late tonight or Tuesday; slightly warmer tonight.

Local Data Temperature a year ago today: highest 50; lowest 32.

Total monthly precipitation, 1.43 inches; deficiency for the month, .65 inches.

Total precipitation since September 1, 1934, 11.96 inches; deficiency for the season, .35 inches.

Relative humidity at 5 p. m. yesterday 37 per cent; 5 a. m. today 93 per cent.

Tomorrow: sunrise, 6:51 a. m.; sunset 5:57 p. m.

Observations Taken at 5 A. M., 120 Meridian Time

CITY High Temp. Low Temp. Precipitation

Boise 46 24 00 Clear

Boston 42 36 00 Clear

Chicago 42 32 58 Cloudy

Denver 16 10 00 Clear

Eureka 50 40 00 Cloudy

Helena 24 10 00 Clear

Los Angeles 58 48 00 Clear

Medford 51 27 00 Clear

New York 40 34 00 Clear

Omaha 32 8 38 Cloudy

Phoenix 60 40 T Clear

Portland 48 30 00 Foggy

Reno 34 21 00 Clear

Roseburg 52 30 00 Foggy

Salt Lake 60 22 00 Clear

San Francisco 68 59 00 Clear

Seattle 48 30 00 Clear

Spokane 42 24 00 Clear

Walla Walla 46 32 00 Clear

Wash., D. C. 54 36 00 Clear

WASHINGTON BAND WINS COMPETITION

PORTLAND, Feb. 25.—(AP)—The 148th field artillery band of the Washington National Guard won the 3th annual competition between bands of the 41st National Guard division here Sunday.

The Washington band outscored the 148th Infantry band of the Oregon National Guard, Portland, its only opponent in the 41st division finals. The Tacoma team had a score of 92.25, and the Portland unit, 87.75.

The competition was open to National Guard bands in the 41st division, including Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana.

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He was given the three half-hour periods free on the ground that he was "an important character of new interest." The radio companies received, they say, 68,000 letters from the first broadcast.