

Babson Discusses Fall Outlook

By Roger W. Babson
New York, N. Y., Oct. 19—(Special Correspondence)—I am sure that the newspapers have much more grief than the situation warrants. Naturally, the thinking people are upset by the strike stories, but these strikes may be more psychological coming as a reaction from the war rather than merely economic. The plants that I have visited show good progress toward re-conversion. The voters have

more confidence in their Congress and President than they have had for a long time. The situation looks good. Thirteen Forecasts Made For Post-war Future.

GENERAL BUSINESS: Good as long as the people's money holds out—which should be for two or three years. Certainly, there is nothing to worry about.

LABOR DEMANDS: Raises of from 10% to 15% in basic wages with possibly a 35-hour week in certain industries which now have no over-time pay. Certainly, retailers should favor this.

EMPLOYMENT: If women return to their homes and those over 65 cease work and all under 18 go back to school, there need be no unemployment.

AGRICULTURE: 1945 and 1946 should be good years for farmers; but after this both demand for agricultural products and the prices thereof will decline.

NEW BUILDING: If prices are held in line, there should be a great boom in new building, especially in the suburban areas.

RETAIL SALES: These will continue high with a record-

breaking Christmas. The only detriment will be the lack of sufficient parking space.

LEGISLATION: Conditions in Washington are getting better every day. President Truman thus far has the confidence of all groups—including the persecuted utilities.

COMMODITY PRICES: With the vast supply of idle capital, commodities—with a few exceptions—will surely rise in price. This especially applies to manufactured goods.

REAL ESTATE: Small farms and suburban land will sell higher in 1946; but big farms and most city property are now selling at top prices.

BONDS, NON-TAXABLES: These are selling too high. With the coming cut in Federal taxes, the demand for such bonds will surely fall off.

STOCK MARKETS: Railroad stocks will decline further, but many industrials will sell much higher—especially the merchandising and chemical stocks.

FOREIGN TRADE: This should be good for awhile; but before long competition from China, Russia and other European countries will be very severe. Either our labor leaders must change their attitudes or we are licked.

WORLD PEACE: The atomic bomb may really crystallize the United Nations into a workable world organization which may bring peace for 50 years. This fact—aided by the profits which the U.S. will get from the atomic energy monopoly—may enable the Federal debt to be paid off. 10,000,000 Unemployed Thought Possible by 1950

Now let us look ahead to about 1950, or after.

1. Competition from cheap foreign labor will be pressing us from the right.

2. Organized domestic labor will be striking us from the left.

3. A situation will arrive when people have spent their excess money, and will again be thrifty.

4. All the above may mean 10,000,000 unemployed around 1950. Will this cause social uprising? Watch Russia and England!

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Automobile Dealer's Wife Murdered



An early wedding picture of Mr. and Mrs. Louis V. Thompson taken at their swank Orchard Lake, Mich., home near Pontiac. Mrs. Thompson was found brutally murdered in underbrush 18 miles from Pontiac.

cess in his new work as state deputy in eastern Oregon.

Mrs. Nora Matthews, of Engle Point Grange, presented to our Grange a beautiful service flag.

Mrs. Matthews made the flag and the entire Grange membership extends a sincere "thank you". We have eight stars on our flag.

Election of officers will be held at the November meeting. Every member come and help.

Next Grange meeting is Friday, Nov. 9, at 8:30 p. m.

"MR. TEMPLE" LEAVES Kearns, Utah, Oct. 19—(U.P.)—Sgt. John Agar, who recently married movie star Shirley Temple, left the AAF overseas replacement depot here today for an embarkation port where he will be shipped overseas, army air force officials announced.

Did you ever see a deer that had been killed in a forest fire? The sight is gruesome and we'll venture you'll never forget it. Keep Oregon Green.

APPRENTICE HEAD SPENDS DAY HERE ON OREGON TOUR

L. H. Andrews, director of the Oregon State Apprenticeship Council met with Chamber of Commerce representatives and members of the Central Labor Committee yesterday in the interest of the apprenticeship program. Winston D. Purvine, supervisor of the state vocational education program, is accompanying Andrews on his tour of the state.

The apprenticeship program is to provide on-the-job training in the skilled crafts for youths. It is governed by a nine-man board consisting of three state officials and three employer representatives and three employee representatives, appointed by the governor. Each locality has its own apprenticeship council. Stanley Jones is chairman of the Medford council, Harvey Field and Charles Adair are employer representatives, Maynard Bush and E. H. Thomas represent labor, and L. A. Mentzer, vocational co-ordinator at Medford high school, is secretary. C. W. Cray is a member of the state council.

Because on-the-job training necessarily has to pass over some of the finer points in the crafts, a night school is held at the high school building twice a week, under direction of Mentzer, and is held through cooperation of the school district.

Upon completion of apprenticeship which requires two years or 4,000 hours of on-the-job training, or more, the apprentice is given an examination and, if he passes, receives a certificate which is honored throughout the United States and Canada.

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Veterans administration has recognized the apprenticeship program and gives approval of student loans when the apprentice's application has been approved by the state council.

PASTOR KILLED

La Grande, Ore., Oct. 19—(U.P.)—Funeral services for Rev. Claude Willard Teel, 32, pastor of the Church of Christ at Nampa, Ida., who was killed Tuesday night in an auto accident near Wallula Junction, will be held at 2 p. m. Saturday here. Burial will be here also.

The Tillamook forest fire caused several Portland mills to close down 25 years ahead of time. That is what carelessly started fires mean in losses to Oregon.

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Nature is a willing partner on Oregon farms. Year-round mild climate, ideal soil conditions and varied topographical features bring bountiful, high quality crops, with a minimum of effort.

Consumer preference for Oregon-grown agricultural products is the key to the big retail buying market the state's farmers form. Last year, alone, this growing industry produced \$250,000,000 in agricultural products.

Although Oregon growers get top prices for their crops, the demand is more than the state's 64,250 farms can meet. Yes, Oregon needs more progressive farmers and has 18,000,000 acres of good farm soil awaiting them in this "Fertile West" land where crop failures virtually are unknown.

In Oregon can be grown any crop known to a temperate climate. East of Oregon's Cascade mountains is a great

1000 to 5000-foot plateau. On these "great open spaces"—in addition to 20,000,000 acres of the state's grazing land—are extensive grain fields, pea fields and irrigated crops.

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