

Finance Director Of State Speaks At Rotary Meeting

If the public is to get more value for their tax dollars there must be greater personal interest in government, Robert Johnson, state finance director told the Medford Rotary club Tuesday.

In a luncheon address at the Jackson hotel, Johnson reminded the Medford audience that 1953 figures show that every man, woman and child in Oregon paid \$292 in federal taxes, \$143 in state taxes and \$100 toward local government. Since 1953 this per capita cost of \$535 has undoubtedly increased from 10 to 15 per cent, Johnson said.

Increased services are continually requested and expected by the public, yet restraint is essential to future individual liberty and perpetuation of the American way of life.

Department of Finance

Oregon's department of finance was created by the 1951 legislature but did not become fully effective until 1953, the director said. Increasing economies have been effected through improved purchasing methods, budgeting procedure, state buying on competitive bids and annual contracts.

Through coordinating purchases of various state departments, savings from \$75,000 on annual expenditures for petroleum products to \$1,000 on pencils have been possible, Johnson said.

One of the contributions toward increased efficiency and economy made by the new state finance department was the establishment of a car pool at Salem. State cars have been operated for only 4.3 cents per mile, disposal of state cars increased from 56 per cent of blue book to 108 per cent, and overall mileage substantially lowered, Johnson said. Annual savings exceed \$55,000, and at least \$35,000 per year has been saved through the elimination of personal names from printed forms.

The greatest portion of this sum has been made in the new motor vehicle division forms, he added.

Johnson, who was introduced by Rotary program chairman and former state legislator, Frank J. Van Dyke, was U. S. advisor on finance and administration in Greece following World War II.

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TO REGAIN NORMAL REGULARITY two things are necessary. First, the dry, shrunken contents of your colon which now block your bowel must be re-moistened. Second, bulk must be brought to your colon to stimulate it and so, excite its muscles to action; to a normal urge to purge.

Only a Bulk Laxative can 1) re-moisten this dry, shrunken waste and 2) supply vital bulk to re-create a normal urge to purge. And, of all bulk laxatives, COLONOID, the

STAR GAZER

By CLAY R. POLLAN

Your Daily Activity Guide According to the Stars. To develop messages for Thursday, read words corresponding to numbers of your Zodiac horoscope.

ARIES	MAR. 21-20	1. There	21. Elders	61. Freshie
Taurus	APR. 21	2. An	22. Relations	62. Events
Gemini	MAY 21	3. There's	23. Is	63. Today
Cancer	JUN. 21	4. Sounded	24. Job	64. Job
Leo	JULY 21	5. Aspects	25. Individuals	65. Today's
Virgo	AUG. 21	6. For	26. You	66. Talents
Libra	SEPT. 21	7. Friendships	27. Supplies	67. Way
Scorpio	OCT. 21	8. Should	28. Persistence	68. People
Sagittarius	NOV. 21	9. Be	29. Relatives	69. And
Capricorn	DEC. 21	10. Greeting	30. To	70. Others
Jan. 21	11. News	31. Practice	41. Equivalently	71. Equivalently
Feb. 21	12. Expect	42. In	72. Events	72. Events
Mar. 21	13. And	43. Finish	73. Watch	73. Watch
Apr. 21	14. Be	44. Promised	74. Systemic	74. Systemic
May 21	15. Enjoyable	45. To	75. Groups	75. Groups
Jun 21	16. People	46. And	76. Participate	76. Participate
Jul 21	17. Best	47. While	77. Popularity	77. Popularity
Aug 21	18. Camest	48. With	78. In	78. In
Sep 21	19. You	49. Lead	79. You	79. You
Oct 21	20. Carouse	50. You	80. Or	80. Or
Nov 21	21. Good	51. You	81. Enjoy	81. Enjoy
Dec 21	22. Time	52. In	82. Domestic	82. Domestic
Jan 22	23. Support	53. Disturb	83. Helping	83. Helping
Feb 22	24. Low	54. Intended	84. Intended	84. Intended
Mar 22	25. The	55. The	85. Or	85. Or
Apr 22	26. From	56. Accomplish	86. Associates	86. Associates
May 22	27. Set	87. Popularity	87. Popularity	87. Popularity
Jun 22	28. Confiding	57. Decline	88. Work	88. Work
Jul 22	29. In	58. You	89. You	89. You
Aug 22	30. Do	59. With	90. Events	90. Events
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Good Adverse Neutral

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One Armed Man Digs Wells in East Texas

Franklin, Tex. —(U.P.)— For half a century, O. E. Stark has been using his one arm to dig wells.

Stark, 64, lost his right arm at the age of 14. He started digging wells the same year.

Last summer, he dug nine wells, ranging from 12 feet to 40 feet deep. But that isn't all he does. He's a general Mr. Fix-it.

Stark has made a living at farming, breaking broncos, picking cotton, sawing wood, repairing guns, sharpening saws and axes and various other jobs.

And his good left arm has provided a home for his family. All eight of his children have received a high school education in this east-central Texas community.

Digging wells has its dangers no matter how many arms you have, he said. Several times dirt caved in on him while he was at the bottom of the excavation. One time, he fell 42 feet to the bottom of the hole and broke both feet. A few years ago, a five gallon bucket of mud fell on him, injuring his hip. That kept him out of the well-digging business for a time.

Stark said Robertson County is going to have to find another well-digger pretty soon. At 64 he admits he would like to retire because he doesn't feel he can do as good a job as he did when younger.

On The Side

You ask how long my love shall stay When all that's new is past: How long? Ah, darling, can I say How long my life shall last? Dry be that tear, my gentlest love Be hushed that struggling sigh: Nor seasons, day, nor fate shall prove More fixed, more true than I. —Sherridan

Am asked why I can't forget horses and dogs now and then and write a little something about cats. That's a reasonable request. I am not an alurophobe. One who loves cats is an alurophile. Many great men have been alurophiles. As for examples, Dr. Samuel Johnson, Carlyle, Byron and Henry James. And there's James Mason, the actor, who never has less than nine cats around the house. Napoleon Bonaparte was an alurophobe. He hated and feared cats. In fact, he feared cats so much he would tremble when one approached him.

Geriatrics

Geriatrics is the study of longevity. One specialist in geriatrics says that housework is excellent exercise and if conscientiously and energetically handled will aid in lengthening the life of a woman. Call this to the attention of your wife the next time she refers to housework as a tiresome task. Tell her she is fortunate not to have a maid to do the work as that would shorten her life.

Asking

Queries from clients. Q. In what film did Dorothy Lamour first wear a sarong? A. In a picture titled "The Jungle Princess" produced in 1935. In that film Dorothy was co-starred with an ape. Q. Are you familiar with an Irish song titled "The Bold McIntyres"? A. In a way, sir. That is by memory. I believe it goes something like this:

Fearless and bold in Ireland of old Was the family of Dan McIntyre. The Kellys, the Reillys, The Murphys, Caseys and every McGuire Bowed down to them low As walking they would go. The elegant bold McIntyres.

Horn Happy

High on the list of auto pests is the "horn happy" motorist. No matter what may be blocking your progress the "horn happy" type driver behind you keeps blowing his horn. And loudly. There is an old saying that "the loud laugh bespeaks the vacant mind." I believe that goes double for the loud horn blower. In brief, loud and unnecessary auto horn blowing is a moronic pastime.

Guide To Gals

Women born under Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) are incurably romantic. They are in love with love. They are hard to get but nice to hold when you get them. Are very affectionate and demonstrative. They are "one-man" women. That is, one man at a time. They usually marry more than once. When they take up a career they generally make a great success of it. Or, so say the stargazers.

Please Note

In the Argentine Republic, according to law all children must be named after saints. My full name is Edgar Vincent Durling. There was no St. Edgar. However, there was a St. Vincent. He is the patron saint of drunkards.

Sidelights

It is the physical characteristics of the father that is the chief factor governing family size, so extensive research indicates. So, sir, if you are the father of four or more children take a bow. . . . When a man dies on the island of Yap his brother inherits his wife. How would you like to inherit your brother's wife?

OUCH!

Reed City, Mich. —(U.P.)— The high cost of living has hit motorists here. Overparking fines have been increased from 10 to 50 cents.

Hempstead, N. Y. —(U.P.)— Gabriela Mistral, noted Chilean poet and winner of the 1945 Nobel prize in literature, is in critical condition at Hempstead and not expected to live.

Horse Starting Gate 23 Centuries Old

Chicago —(U.P.)— The starting gate, a fixture of modern horse racing, in some 23 centuries old.

Dr. Oscar Broneer, professor of classical archaeology at the University of Chicago, says that the Greeks invented the starting equalizer about 400 B.C. to insure that foot racers got off together.

Broneer found the ancient device when he and other excavators uncovered a stadium, about 12 miles from Corinth, where the Isthmian games were held.

The runners at the games stood facing waist-high bars, released by the starter in a pit behind them by means of strings. When the strings dropped, the bars fell downward in an arc toward the uprights holding them.

Unconscious Scratching Of Head Good for You

Los Angeles —(U.P.)— Unconsciously scratching your head or tapping your foot is probably good for you, according to Dr. Maria. Constance Maginnis.

She has just completed a nine-year study of gestures by elementary school children in connection with her doctoral dissertation at the University of California, Los Angeles.

She said that unconscious gestures may be necessary "escape valves" for repressed emotions.

NEVER TOO OLD

Herrin, Ill. —(U.P.)— The Illinois Association of Pen Pals, Inc., is primarily for teenagers but recently said it would accept memberships from "the old who are young at heart." Four persons past the mid-century mark have joined the letter-writing group.

Eugene Man Admits Role As Holdup Aide

Portland —(U.P.)— Donald Otto Howard, 25, Eugene, has pleaded guilty in Federal Court here of being an accessory after the fact in the \$2000 holdup of the West Eugene branch of the First National Bank last November.

Charles Edward Simmons, 40, of Springfield, already has pleaded guilty of the robbery itself. Howard was at first faced with a robbery charge but pleaded guilty of the reduced charge after insisting that he didn't know Simmons was robbing the bank while the younger man waited outside in a car.

Judge William East ordered a pre-sentence investigation.

Dead line Sunday Classified is at noon Saturday; 10 am Monday for Monday; other days 5:30 previous day.

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