



Your Money's Worth

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WOULD YOU SPEND SAVINGS FROM A TAX CUT?

Would you, as an individual or businessman taxpayer, immediately start spending the extra dollars left in your pocketbook or cash register by a substantial tax reduction on all sorts of things and non-things and thereby give our lagging economy the boost it so obviously needs? Or would you squirrel most of the additional money into savings and thereby largely defeat the objective of a tax slash?

Before suggesting what you might do, let it be clear that nagging doubt of your actions has been a factor undermining support of a tax cut now to stimulate business activity. Some respected experts testifying before Congress have declared flatly that any forecast that you would spend your tax savings is only an "assumption" because, say they in effect, "The United States has no previous experience to guide us on the reaction of American consumers and corporations to tax cuts designed to bolster the economy, for we've not used this weapon for this purpose before. Nor have Europe's experiments given us valuable guidance. You might spend the money freely or you might not. There's just no certainty either way."

No matter when the tax reductions come—and if there's postponement now, it'll only be a postponement—the question about your reaction still must be answered. It is true, then, that we have no guidance on what consumers and businessmen might do with the extra dollars? It is not true. We do have guidance. We do have precedents.

What's more, the weight of the evidence is that individuals and corporations will spend most of the extra take-home pay and income, not save it.

Precedent: In 1950, the Veterans Administration declared a major insurance dividend rebate. The record indicates GIs spent nearly 80 per cent of the extra funds at once on goods and services.

Precedent: In 1954, Congress voted a 10 per cent deduction in personal income taxes, a reduction in excise taxes and eliminated the excess profit tax too—a tax slash totaling \$7.4 billion a year. The country was then in a recession and as A. W. Zelomek, president of the International Statistical Bureau and professor at the University of Virginia's Graduate School of Business Administration, points out, this was "the first recession when scheduled tax reductions went into effect on a large scale."

What happened? Virtually all the money flowed immediately into the spending stream; the rate of saving continued the same. While employment and production dropped sharply, personal incomes after taxes actually rose and consumer buying hardly faltered. Toward the end of 1954, we took off again on a powerful advance.

Statistic: Numerous surveys emphasize that the "unpredictable consumer" is quite predictable and in Zelomek's words, "total consumer spending shows a regular relationship to consumer income and the consumer's financial circumstances." Of every extra dollar we get, we spend about 86 cents for retail products and services, another 10 cents for residences, farm machinery, other equipment. Says Zelomek, "It is logical to conclude that the consumer will spend 96 cents of what he gains through tax reduction."

Statistic: Reliable studies also indicate that each \$1 of tax reduction will add \$2.5 billion to the nation's total output because of the so-called multiplier effect. To illustrate: when you spend an extra dollar at the supermarket, the supermarket owner in turn will spend an extra dollar at the appliance shop, the appliance dealer in turn will spend an extra dollar at the clothing store and so on and on. The same multiplier effect applies to corporation tax reductions with studies suggesting a \$2.5 billion corporation tax reduction would add around \$5 billion to our country's total output.

Of course, we can't know positively what will happen until we try the tax reduction. But we do know that without a major new push, there's not much hope, if any, for any "automatic" stimulant suddenly appearing to help us get moving up strongly once more and without a spur, about the best we can anticipate is that we'll muddle through at this inadequate rate of growth until something can be done in 1963.

Dennis the Menace



"LET'S DO SOMETHIN'..... LIKE RACE TO THE HOT DOG STAND!"

Normal Babies Born After Thalidomide Used by 207 Women

Washington—The government reported Tuesday that thalidomide was distributed in this country to 207 pregnant women and nearly all of them have given birth to normal babies.

The report by the Food and Drug Administration did not pinpoint how many already delivered their babies without deformity and how many are still awaiting the birth of their babies.

Anthony J. Celebrezze, secretary of health, education and welfare, said results of the Food and Drug Administration's pill-by-pill survey were "reassuring" so far.

Celebrezze told his first news conference that 15,904 patients apparently received thalidomide from doctors in this country.

About one out of every five—or 372—were women of childbearing age and 207 were expectant mothers when they took the drug that has been blamed for deformities in Europe.

"No abnormalities were observed in the offspring of these patients," Celebrezze said in a statement.

But he said the FDA had no information on how many of the women took the tranquilizer drug during the first three months of pregnancy—generally regarded as the greatest period of danger.

Many of the women, he said, were given thalidomide in the later stages of pregnancy.

The FDA said interviews have now been completed with 1,097 doctors of 1,248 reported involved in thalidomide distribution in this country.

A total of 74 doctors still had thalidomide on hand when the survey was made but the supplies of 22,948 tablets have been destroyed, impounded by local authorities or collected as official samples.

The remaining doctors who had the drug are on vacation but the survey is being completed as rapidly as possible, officials noted.

A state-by-state breakdown furnished by the FDA indicated that the drug was used by 578 women of child-bearing age in California and 412 women in this category in Missouri. These two states accounted for almost one third of the women in this age group who received the drug.

Asked if the absence of childbirth deformities was surprising in view of European experience, Celebrezze said, "we are pleased by it." But he cautioned that the investigation is not complete because some patients may have given the drug to their friends even though it is supposed to be used only by doctor's prescription.

The Family Council

Editor's note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a physician, three clergymen, three editors and a women's editor. Each article is a summary of a family disagreement presented to the council. The council deals with personal and social workers. Edited by Mrs. Alma Denny. (Copyright by General Features Corp.)

Loretta P. - I want him to leave his cameras behind on this trip.

Dennis P. - I think it's important to share our travels with others.

Loretta P. - We're leaving for a motor tour to interesting spots in Missouri like Independence, Hannibal and the Jesse James farm. But if this vacation is going to be anything like its predecessors, I know what's in store and I don't like it. I'll spend most of the time posing in front of historic sites and statues of generals on horses. And for what? Just so Dennis can bore our friends with his snapshots, slides and movies.

I know how bored I get myself when someone buttonholes me and makes me exclaim over his pictures of donkeys or his shots of flying-fish. They're really only interesting to the guy who took them. Why can't we just relax this time? Dennis can buy a few picture postcards at each stop, just to help him bring it all back at home.

Dennis P. - I feel that since we're fortunate enough to be able to get away and drive to interesting places, we should try to recreate our experiences for our friends who never leave home. A few good pictures with a running commentary of how we happened to take them can make others feel they were on the spot with us. Loretta knows well enough how lively the discussion gets during one of our slide shows. Especially when several people have been to the same spot themselves and chip in their own impressions.

Besides, how about us? Those pictures make our trips last for years past the two weeks in which we take them. Once I get the snapshots mounted and matted in albums, they can fill in the blanks in our reels and slides and help us relive every vacation we've taken.

The Council: Querying among our camera-hound "authorities" as well as members of their audiences, we have a consensus for Dennis which leans heavily toward Loretta's views—at least in regard to producing travelogues for one's friends.

Says one who both takes 'em (pix) and gives 'em (spels): "I've learned that 30 minutes is all most people can stand, no matter how loyally they beseech you to go on. That's enough time to prove you were there, to show you know the Louvre from the Merchandise Mart and to help your friends decide whether that's a place they want to add to their list—or else avoid assiduously."

A retired schoolteacher who has been "everywhere" and is now en route to Mt. McKinley in Alaska, informs us that she stopped taking pictures several journeys back. "I store pictures in my mind's eye," she says. "I take few snapshots and purchase few scenic postcards. I found that most people who don't travel themselves don't know what I'm talking about. My pictures are meaningless to them. And those who do travel have their own."

To be of specific help to the P's, however, we offer this guideline: A picture is most likely to interest a viewer who sees it within a personal frame of reference. That's why you, Dennis, get such a bang out of your prints and slides. Every shadow, every grin has meaning to you. Despite your enthusiastic and witty patter, no one else can work up an equal fascination for the scenes. So, limit, your camera-clicks. Decide which moments you want to preserve for yourself, lest you forget them. Then

sort out the total display and isolate a few pictures which may interest your friends for good reasons, not just your desire to talk! Good reasons would be that A. is planning a similar trip, B. has just returned from ditto, C. had a funny experience in the same bistro you patronized, etc. Thirty minutes of such a program is worth presenting.

Be glad, Loretta, if your plea leads Dennis to take only one instead of three cameras this time. You've alerted him to the possibility that the people he says takes all those pictures for may not be engrossed at all but are merely polite.

Show Planned by Area Roping Club

The Rogue Valley Roping club will sponsor another show at the Poythress arena near Midway Four Corners on the Crater Lake highway Sunday, Aug. 12 beginning at 11 a.m.

Refreshments will be served and the public is invited. On the program will be team roping, calf roping, barrel racing, father and son team roping and steer stopping. These will be "jackpot" events.

Gift certificates have been donated by five shops and clubs.

Court Records

JUDICIAL DISTRICT
Ashland District
David Steve Elling, violation of basic rule, \$25.
Dayton Joseph Mayvut, overlength, \$22.
Levi Paulson, failure to stop at stop sign, \$15.
John Paul Romero, overlength, \$24.
Gilbert Lloyd Warner, overlength, \$24.
Marshall Alfred Coke, no muffler, \$10.
Clarence Alexander Main, disobeyed stop sign, \$15.
John Edward Funderburg, improper passing, \$20.
Bryan Franklin Riley, improper passing, \$20.
Lobby Dean Burke, overlength, \$22.
Dale Dean Fieguth, overlength, \$32.
Winifred Harriet Hamblin, disobeyed stop sign, \$15.
Mylvyn Felix Moran, overlength, \$15.
Thomas Lee Palmer, overlength, \$24.
Melvin John Utter, overlength, \$34.
Ervin William Dallman, overlength, \$24.
Ernest Dean Hamilton, overlength, \$22.
Paul Junior Wright, overlength, \$15.
Junior William Elres, overlength, \$24.
Loren Newman, four in driver's seat, \$15.
Robert Richard Baisely, overlength, \$25.
Lynn Clyde Lyon, disobeyed stop sign, \$15.
Donald Clark Orton, violation of basic rule, \$25.
Marilyn Mae Bushnell, disobeyed stop sign, \$15.
Terrance Dean Corp insufficient roadway clearance, \$15.
Walter Joseph Barbara, overlength (twice), \$26, \$15.
Horace Henry Arant, overlength, \$15.
Robert Edward Boare, overlength, \$15.
Wallace Edgar Long, overlength, \$24.
Harry Anthony Arnold, overlength, \$28.
Norman Robert Matton, overlength, \$20.

JUDICIAL DISTRICT
Gold Hill District
Edith Maud Stenshall, overlength, \$5.
Tom Matthew Hardie, disobeyed stop sign, \$15.
Franklin Ray Lindley, violation of basic rule, \$30 fine, 10 day suspension, 100 hours.
Gordon Louis Hutner, disobeyed stop sign, \$15.
Robert Boyvie Allison, disobeyed stop sign, \$5.
Sherard Wanda Chapman, insur. record number, \$15.
Don Leroy Kueera, overheight, \$10.
Frank Raymond Lovendahl, disobeyed traffic signal, \$5.
Alton Dickson "Whitless", violation of basic rule, \$15.
Ivan Matthew Knatch, violation of basic rule, \$25.

MEDFORD MUNICIPAL COURT
Robert Alton Reeves, disobeyed traffic signal, \$10.
Donald Dale Jones, violation of basic rule, \$10.
James Francis Mitchell, disobeyed stop sign, \$15.
Lyle Edward Lammert, violation of basic rule, \$25.
Darl E. Farham, violation of basic rule, \$10.
George William LeMay, failure to obtain Oregon driver's license, \$10.
Barbara Jan Dinslow, failure to wear seatbelt, \$15.
Clay Linder Hicks Jr., failure to yield to vehicle on right, \$25.
Richard Allen Engstrom, operating on license's permit with no license, \$10.
August Zatlhoff, disobeyed stop sign, \$10.
Dorothy Keith Nares, headlight not lit, suspended.

Nellie Charlotte Soren, allowing unlicensed driver to operate vehicle, \$10, suspended.



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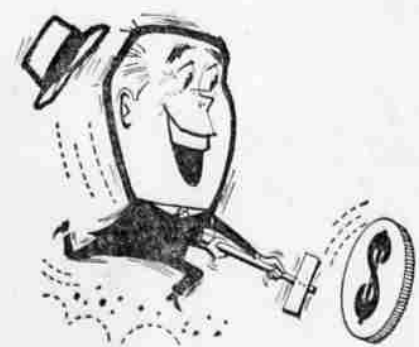
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