

Economy Failing To Keep Pace With Ever-Increasing Need for Jobs

Editor's note: More Americans have jobs than ever before, according to figures released last week by the Labor Department. But more than 4 million persons do not have jobs and can't find them. This, the second of two dispatches on the impact of poverty, outlines what Labor Secretary W. Willard Wirtz calls "our No. 1 domestic problem."

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Washington—Displayed on the main floor corridor of the U.S. Department of Labor building is a large chart which is blood-chilling in its own

way as an Alfred Hitchcock movie. It shows the number of Americans who are hunting jobs and unable to find them. Ten years ago, the unemployed constituted only 3 per cent of the nation's labor force. Five years ago, they constituted about 4 1/2 per cent of the labor force. Today, six per cent of America's workers are jobless. And the curve on the chart is still moving relentlessly upward. Why?

The basic reason is that the U.S. economy is not growing fast enough to provide jobs for all the people who need them.

Created 90 Per Cent
During recent years, Labor Department studies show, the economy has been creating only about 90 per cent of the new jobs required to offset the jobs lost through automation and gains in productivity, and to employ an ever-growing labor force.

For example, 11.3 million new jobs were needed during the past five years simply to maintain unemployment at the 1957 level. But economic growth actually produced only 10.2 million jobs—the other 1.1 million persons joined the unemployment rolls.

Unless the rate of economic growth is sharply increased, the unemployment problem will grow dramatically worse over the next few years.

There will be a tremendous wave of new workers entering the labor force during the 1960's, as young people born during the postwar "baby boom" begin hunting for jobs. The Labor Department estimates that the economy will have to create 16 million new jobs during the next five years just to stay even. If it falls short by 10 per cent as it did during the past five years—the number of unemployed will rise by another 1.6 million to the highest level since the great depression of the 1930's.

Need Economic Growth
Republicans and Democrats, liberals and conservatives, businessmen and labor leaders all agree on the imperative need to step up

America's rate of economic growth, so that there will be jobs for those now unemployed as well as those entering the labor force in years ahead.

Opinions differ sharply, however, on the particular measures which are most apt to stimulate more rapid growth. President Kennedy says major tax cuts and reforms, such as those proposed in the administration's tax legislation now before Congress, are the quickest way to "generate larger markets, additional investment and more job opportunities."

He also has asked for a stronger unemployment insurance system, a special government program to provide employment opportunities for youth, retraining programs for workers automated out of jobs, government help for "depressed areas" with unusually high unemployment rates, and a \$900 million public works program.

Say Program Too Costly
Sen. Barry M. Goldwater (R-Ariz.) feels that much of the Kennedy program is costly boondoggling that won't really help create jobs.

"The main thing we need to get the economy moving and cope with the increasingly serious unemployment problem," he says, "is to give American business and industry a real incentive for new investment by liberalizing the tax laws with government depreciation allowances. That would stimulate capital investment in new and modernized plants, and create the new jobs we so badly need."

The debate over methods of stimulating economic growth doubtless will continue in and out of Congress. But to the human beings behind the unemployment statistics, it may be some comfort just to know that the big wheels in Washington

are arguing about the best way to create jobs for them. For, as Secretary of Labor W. Willard Wirtz has said, "the worst risk is that when so many are doing so well, grievous burdens on a comparative few will be overlooked."



YOUNGSTER BEATEN—Wells are clearly visible on the body of 13-year-old David Trebing of Southington, Mich. The boy's mother, Mrs. Catherine Trebing, and Mrs. Edith Bates, both school teachers, are accused of felonious assault in the beating, which they said was administered as punishment because the boy ran away from the home of Mrs. Bates, where he was supposed to spend the night. Police said the boy had been lashed at least 30 times. (UPI)

The Medical Roundup

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New Books Try To Make Life Easier For Handicapped

I recently received two booklets filled with pictures showing devices that can make life more bearable for a person who is physically handicapped in some way. One was written by Dr. Edward W. Lowman, a M.D. at Dr. Howard A. Rusk (400 East 34th St. of New York City). In 1953, Drs. Rusk and Taylor wrote a good-sized book entitled "Living With a Disability" which also can be invaluable to a person who is handicapped in any way. Dr. Rusk and his associates have shown that a house can be built in such a way, with everything at a low level, and with wide doors and ramps instead of stairs so that a person living in a wheelchair can get about, take care of the place and get the meals.

The second booklet, by Charlott Rosenberg, is called "Simple Self-Help Devices to Make for the Handicapped." It is put out by the Cerebral Palsy School-Clinic, of Atlanta (1815 Ponce de Leon Ave.). On the first page, there is a picture of an invaluable device which enables an arthritic person who cannot bend over, to pick up off the floor something he has dropped. Another page shows how a pair of scissors can be fastened on a board so that a woman with only one serviceable finger can work it.

Correcting Infertility
In a recent article, Dr. E. J. Behrman (Prof. of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the University of Michigan Medical School, Ann Arbor), answered a question that is often asked, that is: When a woman's fallopian tubes, which extend out from both sides of the womb, and which carry the ovum (little egg) from the ovary into the womb, are plugged up by some disease, can the obstruction be removed surgically? Yes, it sometimes can, but Professor Behrman says that until recently, only 20 or 25 per cent of the operations were so successful that the woman could become pregnant.

Recently, with an improved surgical technique, the frequency of success has been moved up to 30 per cent. But, as Dr. Behrman says, the patient should know that the surgeon can open up the tube, but he may not be able to make it function well enough to carry the ovum all the way into the womb.

Why "Good-Time Charlie" Suffers Uneasy Bladder

Travis eating or drinking may be a source of mild, but annoying bladder irritation—making you feel restless, tense, and uncomfortable. And if restless nights, with nagging backache, headache or muscular aches and pains due to over-exercising or emotional upset, are adding to your misery—don't wait—try Doan's Pills. Doan's Pills act 3 ways for speedy relief: 1—They have a soothing effect on bladder irritations. 2—A fast pain-relieving action on nagging backache, headache, muscular aches and pains. 3—A wonderfully mild diuretic action thru the kidneys, tending to increase the output of the 1 1/2 miles of urine tubes. So, get the same happy relief millions have enjoyed for over 60 years. For convenience, buy the large size: Get Doan's Pills today!

Your Money's Worth
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ENTERTAINMENT DEDUCTIONS—III

This is the third in a series of nine articles. The cost of taking your customers, business associates or clients to night clubs, theaters, sporting events or other forms of entertainment must now meet one of two completely new tests in order to be deductible by you.

Until this year your business entertainment expenses were deductible if they simply qualified as "ordinary and necessary." But beginning with 1963, they must also be either (1) "directly related" to the active conduct of your trade or business or (2) "associated with" the active conduct of your trade or business, if the entertainment directly precedes or follows a business discussion.

Grasp this vital point immediately: The "directly related" test is exceedingly tough and you should concentrate on qualifying your entertainment deductions under the "associated with" test.

You'll find, I believe, that 90 per cent or more of your business entertainment will continue to be deductible, despite the tough new rules, if you plan properly to come under the "associated with" test.

Here's the key to the deduction. Make sure that you have a "substantial" and "bona fide" business discussion with your customer, prospect, client, etc., directly before or after the entertainment. You don't have to clinch an actual deal at this discussion as long as you look for some possibility of income or other benefit from the discussion. This rule holds whether your aim is to build up a new business contact or whether you want only to encourage the continuation of an existing business relationship.

How close together must the entertainment and discussion be? The Treasury says it's all right if they take place the same day. It's even willing to accept entertainment the evening before or after the day of the business discussion if your business associates have come from out of town.

With a worthwhile business discussion directly before or after the entertainment, you qualify your entertainment for deduction under the "associated with" test—regardless of how noisy the entertainment is, regardless of the fact that you don't discuss any business whatsoever during the entertainment, etc.

This underlines the main practical reason why you shouldn't try to rely on the "directly related" test for your business entertainment expense deductions. That test requires you to engage actively in a business discussion during the entertainment period itself. The Treasury then points out, and understandably, that night clubs, theaters, sporting events and social cocktail gatherings are highly unlikely spots for the necessary discussions. To avoid any hassle over this aspect, it makes much more sense to have your discussion before or after the entertainment if possible, and come under the "associated with" test.

If you are a businessman who can't get in a substantial business meeting before or after the entertainment, here's what the Treasury insists you must show in order to deduct your entertainment outlays as a "directly related" expense:

- (1) You had more than a general expectation of deriving income, or other specific business benefits (excluding goodwill) at some indefinite future time, and
 - (2) You engaged in business during the period of entertainment, and
 - (3) The principal character of the combined business and entertainment was the transaction of business.
- It should now be abundantly obvious why I warn you not to rely on meeting the "directly related" test. Next: Combined Business-Pleasure Trips.

Dennis the Menace



"BET YOU DIDN'T KNOW I COULD GET FROM YOUR BACK DOOR TO YOUR FRONT DOOR THIS FAST!"

Grange News

Pomona Grange
The Jackson County Pomona Grange met at the Butte Falls Grange hall recently.

Agriculture reports showed that cattle prices seem to be holding steady and that the pear crop this season will be poor and hard to pick. The traveling agate attendance has closed with Live Oak Grange taking first place, followed by Eagle Point, Phoenix, Central Point, and Roxy Ann.

Reporting from the State Grange convention, Ernest Radomski told members that the delegates were urged to sign the petition for referring the new tax law to a special election, the state will have special session of the Legislature.

The State Grange is instigating a tax study committee hoping to have a fair and equitable tax plan to suggest to the next Legislature.

Myrtle Hixson, home economics chairman, reported much activity in the 15 subordinate clubs. Some are repairing their Grange halls and others are cleaning the grounds and many are raising money to assist their Granges. Anna Scott won first place in the county apron contest and took fifth place at the State convention.

The fifth and sixth degrees will be given in Jackson county in October. The Pomona Executive committee with Roscoe Roberts and Herb Carlton assisting will make plans for the events.

Gold Hill Grange
Ten visitors were present at a recent meeting of the Gold Hill Grange, with Master Herman Kamping presiding.

The visitors were Oscar Roberts, state overseer; Melvin Lattie, master of Jackson County Pomona Grange; county officers and their wives.

Art Strickland, master of Josephine County Pomona Grange, Kenneth Kelly, master of Shan Creek Grange, and Robert Hummel, master of Redwood Grange; Millie Walker, Live Oak Grange; and Ralph James, Sams Valley Grange.

Charles Foote, agriculture chairman, reported that the cost of producing food had increased 50 per cent in 10 years and tenfold in 50 years, and that stock prices are fairly steady.

It was voted to donate the use of the hall for the Gold Hill Firemen's benefit dance Aug. 10.

Icie Walker, home economics club chairman, introduced Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Kelly, chosen young couple of the year by the national Grange for 1961, who showed colored slides of their trip to the national Grange. Mrs. Kelly also arranged a display table. The next meeting will be held Aug. 15.

Roxy Ann Grange
A meeting of the Roxy Ann Grange was held last Friday with Master Mrs. Bruce Moffatt presiding.

Special guest for the evening was State Deputy Ted Sims.

The Grange recently was the winner of a \$15 cash prize and an agate plaque given for high attendance at the visitation put on by the Pomona Grange.

The Roxy Ann picnic was held at TouVelle State park. Refreshments were served by the Grange.

MEAT INSPECTION
Salem-Oregon Department of Agriculture meat inspectors are now inspecting meat slaughtered by the Oregon State penitentiary on the same basis as other slaughter plants in the state that come under the department's inspection program.

A Statement

As of the 1st of August I sold Oregon Finance Company at 45 South Central Avenue to the Doug Gerow Finance Company of Gresham. All bills in connection with the business from that date on will be their responsibility.

I would like to write a personal letter to all of my old friends who have stood by me throughout the years in the face of the intense competition from other sources. I do sincerely appreciate this. There is not a customer on our books that I do not consider a personal friend, and I am going to miss meeting and dealing with all of you.

One of the conditions of the sale is that I refrain from making any consumer finance loans for an extended period of time. I hope I live that long. I am not restricted on real estate loans.

I am confident that the new company has good management and that you will like to deal with them, and hope that my old customers will continue to do so. All of your records are being left in the office and although every company has a different way of doing business, I believe that if you have a little patience until they get their new organization integrated you will find that you will receive as good treatment, or maybe better, than I was able to extend to you. This sentence is directed to some of the folks who probably thought I was overly conservative, or did not part my hair just right, and took their accounts elsewhere. Come back and give the new company a try. They are more liberal in their lending policies and I think will meet or better any competition.

I would like at this time to publicly acknowledge my debt to certain persons who have helped me throughout the 35 years I have operated this business, as no one can succeed by himself. I feel that I owe the greatest debt to my wife who was my office manager for a number of years when I was struggling to get started and who throughout the years has always been willing to step in and help out when needed. Without her encouragement and loyalty there are many times in the past when I might have thrown in the towel. I have employed at one time and another many people and if your name is not listed here no disrespect is meant, but I am grateful for the assistance rendered by Dick Milestone, Stan Stark, Harold Schroeder; also Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stelle who have handled the custodian services in our office for so many years — I am not sure just how many — but know that is over 30 years. On the feminine side: Jesse Howard, Joan Burk, Velma Fields, Bonnie McAbee and my present assistant manager, Gayle Mullin. I have had the cooperation of most of the banks and other organizations in the credit field. Both Gayle and myself will spend our final day in the office, Wednesday, August 7th.

What am I going to do now? The truth is I really do not know. I would like to be associated in an advisory capacity with some financial institution that lends money, or even work part time. However, there is probably small chance of such an opening in Medford. Both my wife and I have several community projects in which we are seriously interested, and I will have more time to devote to these activities. I do not rule out the purchase of some small business—perhaps dealing with antiques or Western Americana, in which I am most interested.

In conclusion, those persons who owe me money personally on notes or mortgages should mail payments to P.O. Box 1227, Medford, Oregon. Also, I can be reached most mornings at my home, 41 Ashland Avenue. Telephone 772-9438. Nothing whatsoever of a personal nature should be mailed to Oregon Finance Company, 45 South Central, as the new company is having all mail so addressed sent to that number.

Again, thanks to all of you. I have spent thirty-five years in a business that I enjoyed. I plan to go on living here, and when I recover my equilibrium after a month of almost constant negotiations maybe I will be able to come up with some new idea of what I wish to do in the future.

Sincerely
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STAY AND PLAY ANOTHER DAY!

The people of Oregon and the Rogue River valley have the welcome mat out for YOU and all who visit this state this summer. If YOU are an Oregonian, become a good host and see that your own guests—and tourists, too, see Crater Lake, the museum and historic points in Jacksonville, Lithia Park, Diamond Lake, Lake of the Woods and Howard Prairie Lake, the Oregon Caves and other fine attractions here!

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