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"THE PAPER THAT HAS NO ENEMIES HAS NO FRIENDS."
—George Fui am.

Taf'oooverism

Taft-Hoover-ism demands our attention today more than at anytime in the history of the U.S.A. Herbert Hoover's administration, in one way or another, allowed the U.S.A.'s greatest depression. While this program of letting things "go to pot" went on—promises of "a chicken in every pot" were made freely. From the voting record it is crystal clear a Taft administration would be a super-Hoover affair. We propose a new word for this policy or idea about what a government should be and do . . . Taf'oooverism . . . Taf(t)-H(o)over plus an "ism". An "ism" Taf'oooverism is—no mistaking that! It is abundantly clear that Taft and Hoover yearn for the days of old when dollars were more than dollars—a few of them represented the might of feudal lords and kings.

This business of riches giving the right to an unenlightened person of twisting about his fingers the fortunes of hundreds, yes, thousands of persons is not good, neither is it "free enterprise", that much abused and mis-used term. In the Hoover depression valuable farms and homes went to mortgagees for puny sums—Hoover knew the cause and effect of this upon everyone—so did Taft; and both still know. Neither, Taft or Hoover would put a straw in the path of the same thing happening again—rest assured, Hoover perfected the "depression machine" and Taft will co-operate in using it again if elected. Those born in the 1930's and '40's will learn what Taf'oooverism is if the 1952 election goes as Taft-Hoover desire.

Taf'oooverism would lose us our gallant world allies and our important world markets. They would Taf'ooover us into penny-pinching foolishness. They would Taf'ooover us into losing confidence in the finest government on earth. Taf'oooverism hates such things as rural electrification, decent wages and working conditions and reasonable housing. Taf'oooverists fight tooth and toe—sensible handling of farm, health, education, and welfare problems. Taf'oooverism is blossoming full when the misery of depressions grind the human race into a raw snarling mass of hamburger. This state of affairs draws attention away from the giant strides Taf'oooverists make with their money-bags. How often you hear it said, "A dollar bought something during the last depression!" That statement is the "golden rule" of Taf'oooverists.

The devotees of Taf'oooverism have those dollars in large supply today. They greedily await the great days of the depth of a bitter-hard depression so they can "buy something" with their dollars. Taf'oooverists are going and will go to great lengths to sell Taft to the people of the U.S.A. They will even "spend" millions of those "dollars"—so precious—because they know they will come back a hundred-fold should they succeed in saddling us with Taft. Should this sad day happen—then the era of Taf'oooverism will be here full blast.

During the Democratic administrations in recent years, those faithful few of Taf'oooverism have profited handsomely and at the same time our nation has expanded amazingly. One wonders why they weep. The element of profit as taught school children does not interest Taf'oooverists—the element of life-and-death power does. That wonderful thing—"getting ahead" has happened to millions of the people of the U.S.A. in recent years—this fact worries Taf'oooverists sick—to them wide-scale "getting ahead" is horridly wrong. Taf'oooverism is the shortest route we know to more Koreas and more filthy out-breaks of communism and its ilk.

If we have pictured Taf'oooverism as ugly—we have painted as we see it. If we have made our readers think about a lousy idea hatched by selfish persons—we have unmasked Taf'oooverism. We must succeed in exposing Taf'oooverism. We hope we can in some manner bring about an understanding of what Taf'oooverism really is. We desire that the people of this great nation reach that point where they can laugh at Taf'oooverism and cat-call it to the cob-webs in the attic. We hope Taf'oooverism becomes as unpopular as men's high-buttoned shoes.

Editorial Comments

GERMANY LOOKS WEST

Very likely the turning point in progress toward European federation of some kind was last week when the West German Bundestag voted by a substantial majority to adhere to the Schuman Plan. The Parliaments of the Netherlands and France have approved, and those in the remaining countries, Italy, Belgium, and Luxembourg, are reported to be favorable.

There is still a remote possibility that from the current Cabinet crisis in France might come an upset for the plan in the land of its origin. There is also the fact that mere integration of the steel and coal production facilities of six nations into one free-trade area does not achieve political federation. But it is a long step in that direction when coupled with the progress in the organization of a single European Army by the same nations.

The vote from outside have worked to bring West Germany into the west-defense orbit and especially for Chancellor Konrad Adenauer, who took the political risks of championing that course within his country. In the face of opposite criticisms he carried the thesis that through cooperation with the West lay the best prospect for freedom from occupation controls.

Significantly, he won to his side delegates representing the refugees and expellees from East Germany and the Baltic areas, first, prospects for employment in a busy West Germany and, second, the hopes of possible return to their homelands through German unification.

This desire contains potential dangers for the West. Care must be taken that strength for defense is not turned into German irredentism and the Atlantic community thus drawn into

war. But there is ground enough in the Potsdam agreement for eventual insistence that the people of East Germany be given some rights of self-determination.

Meanwhile, the progress of limited economic and military union among France, West Germany, Belgium, the Netherlands, Luxembourg, and Italy gives promise of an improved physical standard of living in Western Europe and an improved ability by this group of nations to assure its own security. —From Christian Science Monitor.

WHAT IS THE AMERICAN WAY

A Bill Maulden cartoon showed two ancient Romans talking. Said one: "But what would you think if your own daughter married a Christian?" In those days, "Christian" was a poisonous word because a Roman emperor wanted it to be. But human nature hasn't changed much. We often think with either poisonous sugar-coated words instead of with ideas.

For example, some people apply the word "socialism" to practically any new idea. Soon the rest of us take up the refrain. But do we know exactly what we mean when we say "socialism"? Sure, we're against it, but what is "it"?

Does it mean that political change should be stopped? Does it mean that we have already gone too far, that we should retrace the steps of history—back to privately owned schools and tutors instead of expanding our public school facilities? Back to private toll gates and rutty roads instead of surfaced highways built and maintained by the public?

The American Way has never been static. Even our national Constitution has been changed to guarantee more freedom to the people, to let women vote, to graduate taxes and to liberalize the document in other ways. If the American Way were frozen and fixed, we'd be sending our Christmas parcels by express instead of through the postoffices. You'd be going to town for the mail—if the mud would let you. You'd probably be reading this by the light of a coal oil or gas lamp, too, because "private enterprise" said you were a poor customer for electricity.

The Top Dog usually resists change with resounding slogans like Free Enterprise or the American Way. Like the nervous Roman emperor, he's got an advantage that he wants to keep and he doesn't give a hang about the public welfare. But if the American Way is to mean anything, it must be adapted to the wants and needs of the Bottom Dog too. And so it always has.

The Top Dog hates competition, either in religion or business. If he can't kill it with torture, franchise, professional "ethics" or so-called fair trade laws, he'll use the rabble rousing technique and call it an unpopular name. This saves the trouble of making up a good argument. It also tends to frighten the opposition into silence.

The present-day Top Dog, oddly enough, doesn't object to such "socialistic" government aids as railroad land grants, federal bank deposit guarantees, RFC loans, mortgage insurance, tax rebates and various forms of business subsidy.

If socialism means Government ownership of business that best serves the public under private ownership, then we're 100 percent ag'n it. But if it's just a poisonous word to prevent this Nation's laws from keeping pace with the changing needs of the people, then we oughtn't to pay any attention to it. Let's just decide on the basis of whether it would be a good thing for the daughter to marry a Christian or rich man.—Washington Grange News.

Presbyterian Study Group Holds Meeting

Mrs. D. B. Hill entertained members of the Friendship class of the Presbyterian church in her home at the regularly monthly meeting.

The study hour was led by Mrs. Vernon Todd, Mrs. Lowell Fleetwood, Mrs. Herbert Schroeder, and Rev. Noble Streeter.

The business session was conducted by Mrs. Clayton Baltimore.

The officers were re-elected for another year including: Mrs. H. T. Caughey, president; Mrs. Clayton Baltimore, vice president; Mrs. Charles Kelly, secretary; Mrs. D. B. Hill, treasurer. Members in attendance were Mrs. Louise Armstrong, Mrs. Barbara Yarnell, Mrs. Lowell Fleetwood, Mrs. W. B. Shuey, Mrs. Lee Ross, Mrs. Charles Kelly, Mrs. Laura Kelly, Mrs. Herbert Schroeder, Mrs. Vernon Todd, Mrs. D. B. Hill, and Mrs. Bertha Baltimore. Mrs. Gladys Trask, Fresno, Calif., was a visitor.

Forest Products Market Report

The sawlog market in the Willamette Valley was unchanged during the week ending January 26. Demand was good and prices were mostly at OPS ceilings. There was some increase in demand for short barkie poles of large diameter in the northern valley. Lane county hardwood mills have temporarily halted purchases of logs in that area. Other forest products were generally unchanged, according to the weekly farm forest products market report prepared from data supplied by the State Board of Forestry to the OSC Extension Service.

Douglas Fir Sawlogs:

Douglas fir sawlogs generally brought ceiling prices in the Willamette Valley during the past week. Second-growth sawlogs brought \$40 a thousand for No. 2's and \$50 for No. 2's at river points in the northern and central valley. Mill prices were reduced by the cost of booming and rafting and any difference in hauling costs. Lane county prices for both second-growth and old-growth at mills or shipping points were \$37.50 for No. 3's and \$42.50 for No. 2's. Camp run prices throughout the valley ranged from \$38 to \$45 a thousand. 8-foot logs down to 6 inches diameter were in good demand at \$15 to \$18 a cord or \$34 to \$40 a thousand. Some mills paid up to \$20 a cord for 10 inch minimum diameters.

Old-growth sawlogs brought 42.50 for No. 3's, \$52.50 for No. 2's, and \$65 for No. 1's in the river at northern and central valley points. Peeler brought \$80 to \$110 a thousand in the northern and central valley and \$65 to \$85 in the Eugene area.

Second-growth stumpage was mostly \$10 to \$15 a thousand, with sales reported up to \$20.

Pulpwood:

Pulpwood prices were unchanged, and demand was good for most species. Peeled spruce brought \$20 a cord. Peeled hemlock, true firs, and Douglas fir brought \$19. Unpeeled cordwood brought \$2 less. Unpeeled cordwood only fair demand at some mills and prices ranged down to \$14 a cord. Douglas fir logs were \$5.90 by weight, or \$6.30 a ton in bundled loads.

Poles and Piling:

Barkie poles over 40 feet continued in good demand. One large buyer in the Portland area raised prices one cent to a cent and a half on 30 to 35 foot barkies with larger diameters than the ordinary specifications. Prices generally ranged from 7 to 43 cents a lineal foot for 20 to 100 foot lengths. 50-foot barkies brought 20 1/2 to 23 cents.

Hardwood Logs:

Hardwood mills in the Eugene area

He'll Play Again



Timothy Fortman, 6, of Ottawa, Ohio, shown at Georgia Warm Springs, is making a strong comeback after being stricken with polio. Young Tim, like thousands of others—was aided by March of Dimes. Tripled polio incidence in recent years has resulted in a serious financial crisis for March of Dimes, necessitating doubled campaign period this January.

Editor's Letter Box

To The Editor:

This is a word of thanks—a big thanks—to two very busy young fellows, Bill and Charlie Stewart, for their splendid efforts on behalf of the March of Dimes.

Besides the other work they did as co-chairmen for this year's drive, Bill and Charlie worked hard to make last Saturday's basket social a city-wide success. It is no fault of theirs that in quantity, the affair was too small, but what it lacked in quantity it certainly had in quality. Those present had a pleasant interlude of cards, which was followed by two high school boys from Salem who entertained us with some of the best amateur talent I, for one, have seen in a long time. Mr. Steffy very ably auctioned off the beautifully decorated lunch baskets besides donating a pedigree cocker spaniel puppy which was given away.

Again, our thanks to Charlie and Bill for their hard work in behalf of this most worthy cause.

Sincerely,
RUTH STOVALL.

have stopped buying temporarily. Other hardwood mills paid \$34 to \$35 a thousand for alder, ash, and maple. Cottonwood brought \$24 to \$28.

Other Forest Products:

Car stakes brought 45 to 50 cents each. Sward fern was 14 cents a bunch, and dry cascara bark brought 15 cents a pound.

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