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One of War's Costs

IN this time when fiscal problems are further complicated by the necessity of digging up a couple of billions for the bonus, Americans would do well to give thought to the COST OF WAR. One of the costs of war is the money paid ex-soldiers long after the war is over. Veterans of the World War didn't invent the bonus system, nor the system of pensions which, it is to be presumed, will be the next step. Pensions for ex-soldiers are an old tradition. If World War veterans demand them, they will simply be following in the footsteps of veterans of the Mexican war, the Civil war, the Indian wars, and so on. The bonus is a closed question now. It is going to be paid. But there is a lesson in the whole situation that pro-bonus and anti-bonus Americans alike should study. That is the fact that after war's dead bones have been laid to rest, its costs go on and on. The administration at Washington has estimated that to date a total of \$7,800,000,000 has been spent on World War veterans, and the bonus payment will boost that to \$10,000,000,000. And ultimately, there will be the pension question. Americans didn't give much thought to the after-war costs when, in early 1917, their participation in the World War was still ahead of them. Looking forward today, they certainly should profit by experience enough to know that if they again are tempted to go to war, they should count, in advance estimates of the cost, enormous sums that must be paid out, one way and another, after it is all over.

Potato Bill's Author

THE supreme court was not called to pass upon the Warren potato control bill, but it was declared unconstitutional by no less an authority than the author of the bill himself. Congressman Lindsay Warren of North Carolina, speaking in the house of representatives, said: "I frankly admit, after reading the decision of the supreme court (in the AAA case) that this bill would have no standing before the court and it would, therefore, be declared invalid were there to be a test case." Indicative of reluctance to give up bureaucratic schemes, however, was Congressman Warren's next act. Instead of proposing repeal of a bill he himself admitted was unconstitutional, he asked congress to supplement the act with another \$1,000,000 for Secretary Wallace to use in sending an army of appointees about the country gathering information on potatoes. Mr. Warren admitted that the million might be expended under authority of the potato control law, an act he agreed was unconstitutional. Since Congressman Warren's remarks were made, President Roosevelt has proposed repeal of the potato control bill and other acts auxiliary to the unconstitutional AAA, and congress has acted toward that end. Such an outcome will not sadden any considerable portion of the population.

Chance of Double Tragedy

COMMENTING on the death of a Seattle youth on Mt. Rainier, and the heroic efforts required to recover his body, the Bend Bulletin asks:

Has not the time come for the development of a code among the out-of-doors enthusiasts that will forbid such enterprises as that of the lost Seattle youth—enterprises wherein failure brings so much in hardship and danger to others? He did not expect to fall, of course. No man will undertake such a task as he set for himself if he thinks he is not going to succeed. But there are certain things—and the winter ascent of Rainier is one—on which the judgment of good men is agreed that the odds are too heavily against success to justify the try. If the effect or failure were to fall alone on the one who tries there would be a difference. But it does not. Many more lives are ventured because one has been lost.

The Bulletin admits it will be difficult to determine where the line should be drawn. Persons who attempt these dangerous enterprises always are sure, before they start, that they can come back safe, their goal attained. But experience on the mountains has taught that those who take chances are courting tragedy, not only for themselves, but for others. That's something for outdoor enthusiasts to keep ever in mind.

FT. KLAMATH

FORT KLAMATH, Ore.—Fort Klamath grange held its regular monthly business meeting in the club house Tuesday evening, with an attendance of 26 members and two visitors present. Worthy Master M. L. Ferguson was in the chair. The visitors present were State Deputy Charles Wicklander of La Grand, Ore., and Klamath county Pomona Master Alva L. Lewis.

The first and second degrees of the grange were conferred on Mr. and Mrs. Fred G. Brown of Crystal, and Mrs. Orla Moon, newly elected candidates. The work of initiation was carried out with Worthy Master Ferguson in charge, assisted by State Deputy Wicklander.

Following the initiation, reports were made by the various standing committees of the local grange, and talks given by Theodore Nicholson, Wicklander and Lewis. Wicklander told of the contest now under way, sponsored by the state grange for a model grange, and gave the necessary rules and qualifications. He also discussed other phases of grange work, and told of the policy adopted recently at the state grange session not to accept advertisements from any chain stores for

publication in the "Oregon Grange Bulletin," official paper of the grange in Oregon. Alva Lewis announced that Pomona grange will meet on Saturday, February 8, at Henley, and invited all to attend the all-day session. He also stated that a membership drive is under way in Klamath county, for a total of 200 new members, the number required by Fort Klamath grange as its quota being 15.

At the close of the meeting, refreshments were served all present by the committee for the evening, including Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Bishop, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Brice.

At the next meeting, on the evening of February 18, the third and fourth degrees will be conferred on the new members, and the ladies of the grange will put on the program and serve the refreshments at this meeting, when the men will be their guests. At the second meeting of the grange in January, the men were hosts to the ladies, and the women plan to do their utmost to return the favor at this time, and urge all members, especially the men, to be on hand for this meeting.

The vitamin recently discovered was christened "H," since it was not until a few days later that the Supreme Court made "AAA" available.

WASHINGTON

NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS
 The Inside Story From
 The Capital
 By PAUL MALLON
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WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—The finger snapping nonchalance with which President Roosevelt cancelled a billion dollars of unused government appropriations made it appear to be just another billion dollar bagatelle. The president stressed the point that he was not saving any money. The cancellations only related to bureaus which did not intend to use their money anyway. He was just setting the books in order, just erasing a bookkeeping notation written in lead pencil. All of which being true, it is remarkable that no one asked why it was considered necessary to take such a meaningless step. And especially why was it being taken now, as it had not been done when the bookkeeping budget was sent to congress only 30 days ago.

LIQUIDATION

It is more than a good guess that the answer may be found in the list of bureaus whose appropriations are being erased. If you look them up you will find that every one is a lending agency of the government. (Reconstruction finance, commodity credit, import bank, federal land banks, home owners loan, etc.) These are agencies which have been financing things which are normally financed by private lending agencies. As long as they keep their unused appropriations they are a threat to private banking, a theoretical hindrance to the use of current excess banking reserves.

Wise men who claim to know what is going on inside are interpreting the curtailment as a first modest step in getting the government out of the lending business. They mean it means a most important turning point toward liquidation of this phase of the new deal.

Certain other steps yet to be announced (in the next few weeks) will justify this conclusion, they say.

RESETTLING

Mr. Roosevelt also is supposed to have in mind the curtailment of certain additional bureaus he failed to mention—notably the resettlement administration of Prof. Tugwell.

The impression has been growing among those close to the executive that Tugwell's hopeful experiment in proving wholly impractical. In fact, the professor himself is pictured by some of his pals as conceding that it will be hard for him to spend all the funds allotted to him in any worthwhile way.

No insider would be astounded if Prof. Tugwell took the first campaign walk of the season, even before Al Smith does.

EXPLANATION

A certain secondary republican leader from New York went out to Topeka a week ago to join the crowd around the Landon goldfish bowl. He wrote a confidential letter containing his impressions back to his leaders in New York, stating:

"About prohibition he had this to say. . . . He is the first governor in 57 years to invite the people to go to the polls and press their wishes on that subject. . . . He says: 'The people of Kansas said they wanted Kansas to be dry, and who am I to tinker with their desires; and the nation said it wants to be wet, and who am I to tamper with the constitution?'"

An accumulation of reports like this one apparently explains one phase of the growth of Landon sentiment among wet republican leaders which may not yet be fully understood by the public at large.

SELF-INTEREST

Congressman McReynolds neglected to mention names when he made that charge about lobbyists seeking to wreck the neutrality bill. However, some names may be mentioned shortly.

The state department has been quietly checking up on all the international lawyers who have been prominent against the bill. One is supposed to have represented foreign governments in claims cases here. His clients included Germany, Peru and certain other governments.

That might explain his enthusiasm for freedom of the seas and the right to file damage claims against infringements of that freedom.

FACE-SAVING

The United States is about to become the great European excuse. Our best informed diplomats fully expect the league to blame this country for its own coming failure to apply the oil embargo against Italy. League authorities will sigh that they wanted to, but the lack of commitments from the United States makes it impractical.

Nothing will be said about the inside understanding that France and even certain other league powers do not really want to impose an embargo and face the issue.

NOTES

The official inside treasury view on money and taxes will be out February 18. It is disguised as a book "Recovery Unlimited" by Chester Crowell, former special assistant (baby bonds) to

SIDE GLANCES—by George Clark



"You kids get back to your studies. You promised to keep up with your class, if we brought you along."

Mr. Morgenthau. Able pen-man. Mr. Crowell resigned from the treasury some months ago to write the book in an unofficial capacity, but that merely is a whizzer in the disguise.

Congressional extension of the existing neutrality bill will include an amendment restricting credits to belligerent nations.

The new deal's lack of interest in the outflow of gold was genuine. There are no grounds for suspicion that they encouraged it as an international monetary restorative. But they were glad to have the exodus based on the unjustifiable fear of congressional inflationists. That will help to frighten the inflationists.

Telling the Editor

ACCUMULATED TAXES

Albama, Ore.—(To the Editor): Townsend leaders raise a great hue and cry to the effect that rich men will pay huge sums of money in taxes on large transactions, such as the selling of stocks and bonds. Such deals are frequently paper transactions involving only a small percentage of profits, so that a 2 per cent tax on such transactions would automatically banish such deals, and so of course, destroy this source of income to the Townsend plan.

In most cases of large transactions in business the tax involved would be added to the overhead of the business and passed on to the consumer in higher prices. If Copco pays a large transaction tax on any of its transactions, the tax so paid would be added to overhead, and you would eventually pay the tax in higher light bills. If the railroads pay transaction taxes, such taxes will be passed on to you in increased freight rates, which you will pay when you buy anything shipped into Klamath Falls.

Honest business men will tell you that this is the method employed in all business, and perfectly legitimate, because, otherwise they would have no way of protecting their profits. Even Dr. Townsend admits this truth, for he said in his Chicago convention address, "the transaction tax will be incorporated in the cost of the articles and paid for by the purchaser at the time of the purchase, just as the sales tax is at the present time." Moreover, he says that "American business is built upon the profit system and that it must be maintained upon this standard," and that the Townsend plan in no way interferes with the profit system, nor does it propose to change the profit system in any way. In other words, there is no method in the Townsend plan of curbing either legitimate or excess profits, and no method of price fixing.

At a recent Townsend meeting a Townsend butcher stated that when a farmer sold meat to a butcher shop, the farmer would have to pay the transaction tax involved, but when the butcher sold to the consumer, the butcher would not pay the transaction tax to the cost of the meat, and the consumer would pay the tax, because the butcher could not be denied his profits. It was all right for the farmer to take a two per cent loss on his profits, and all right for the purchasing power of the consumer to be lessened two per cent, but the butcher could not absorb the tax, because that would interfere with his profits. Well, if an ardent

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Adolph's Observations

IN AN article from a mid-western paper a description of an unusual funeral was given which has caused considerable comment.

It was the last rites for a second-hand dealer, and he had made it clear in his will that he wished it arranged so his friends could pass around the (bier). This seems to have been misinterpreted, with the result that the funeral turned out to be a drinking party.

The undertaker got coused, and at the cemetery he went into the grave head-first, along with casket and two pall-bearers. They finally got things squared away, but it has leaked out that the corpse turned over in the rummage, and is buried with his heels skyward.

This fellow will have one advantage. When the resurrection for the junk dealers takes place he can get up without turning over.

KENO NEWS

KENO, Ore.—Miss Helen Cowgill, State Home Economics club leader from Corvallis talked to the Home Economics club at the high school, Monday afternoon. She was accompanied by Clifford Jenkins, county 4-H club leader.

Mrs. J. Cantrall substituted for Mrs. Paul Ralston who was ill, Monday.

School started again at the Weberbauer camp, Monday, with Mrs. George Elliott in charge.

The P. T. A. have its regular meeting Friday, Feb. 7, at 7:30 p. m. There will be a Founder's day program, after the business meeting.

Helen Thranert will put on a floor show for part of the program Friday evening with her dancing class.

Kiger's orchestra will furnish the music for the dance in the high school gym Friday, Feb. 7, immediately after Helen Thranert's floor show.

Mrs. Ted Williams has been ill for the past few days but is better now.

Several who enjoy skating gathered at Kern's duck pond for a skating party last Thursday and Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lilly were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Kilpatrick last Thursday.

Mrs. Frederick Slater is at home this week with her son and daughter, Hob and Bethel. Mrs. Slater plans to return next Sunday to Lakeview where Mr. Slater is employed.

Nearly every available house in and around Keno has been

rented the past few days, owing to Ward's logging activities. Ward has nine sets of fallows busy on section 12 this week and plans to start hauling the first of next week.

Mrs. Charlie Gray of Ashland is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Doug Puckett, this week. O. K. Puckett and Jean Allison attended the snow sports at Mt. Shasta last Sunday.

A large number of Kenoties attended the show "A Tale of Two Cities," Wednesday evening. O. K. Puckett is overhauling his boat this week, preparatory to towing logs on the river.

SHAW EXPOUNDS DIET THEORIES

MIAMI, Fla., Feb. 6. (AP)—The powerful elephant and the nimble monkey are regarded by George Bernard Shaw as the animal kingdom's two best arguments for vegetarianism.

A noble beast the elephant is, living many years, the playwright pointed out, yet it eats no meat. Noted for its liveliness, the monkey too, follows a fleshless diet.

That is why the 79-year-old writer, to whom meat is anathema, said he expects to continue thriving on the fruits of the earth alone. He made these dietary comments while feasting with Dr. John Harvey Kellogg, another vegetarian, last night.

Shaw was asked if he would publish a new play after the 75-day winter voyage.

"I hope so," he replied.

He leaves today for Cuba, Panama and other tropical lands.

Mrs. Shaw is with him.

Relief Official Declares Drive On Bums Futile

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 6. (AP)—The great Los Angeles police "blockade against bums" may be full of sound and fury, but it signifies little, state transient officials indicated Wednesday.

Robbers and "knights of the road" throughout the nation already know that "California is getting tough," and that the penniless traveler who tries to come to this state for the winter will find a stony reception.

Arthur Greenlegh, transient director for the state relief social service department declared.

He pointed out that the hobo influx into the state has decreased 35 per cent since August, and the prospects are for a continued drop. "This reduction makes it evident that the job the Los Angeles police are trying to do, already has been done in a less obvious manner," he said.

Ten Years Ago

AN ultimatum, definite and final, to all pool rooms in Klamath Falls conducting punch boards and slot machines, to all gambling dives, to all bootlegging resorts and to all houses of ill fame was delivered this afternoon by District Attorney E. L. Elliott. It was an ultimatum giving all fair warning that a "clean-up" was coming, and coming soon; and stating that all those who desire to "get from under" will be given their chance.

Three hundred and eighty-three citizens of Klamath have been drawn to serve as jurors for Klamath county during the year 1936. Announcement of the jury list was made this morning by Circuit Court Clerk Lloyd DeLap.

Plans for Marriage Revealed This Week

MALIN, Feb. 6.—Announcement of the wedding plans of Miss Mildred Suty, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anton Suty, were made this week by the bride-elect, whose marriage to Stephan Taks, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Taks, will be an event of February 22 at the Sacred Heart Catholic church in Klamath Falls.

The ceremony is to be performed by Father Gleason and Miss Suty will be attended by Miss Doris McCord and Miss Agnes Klabauba.

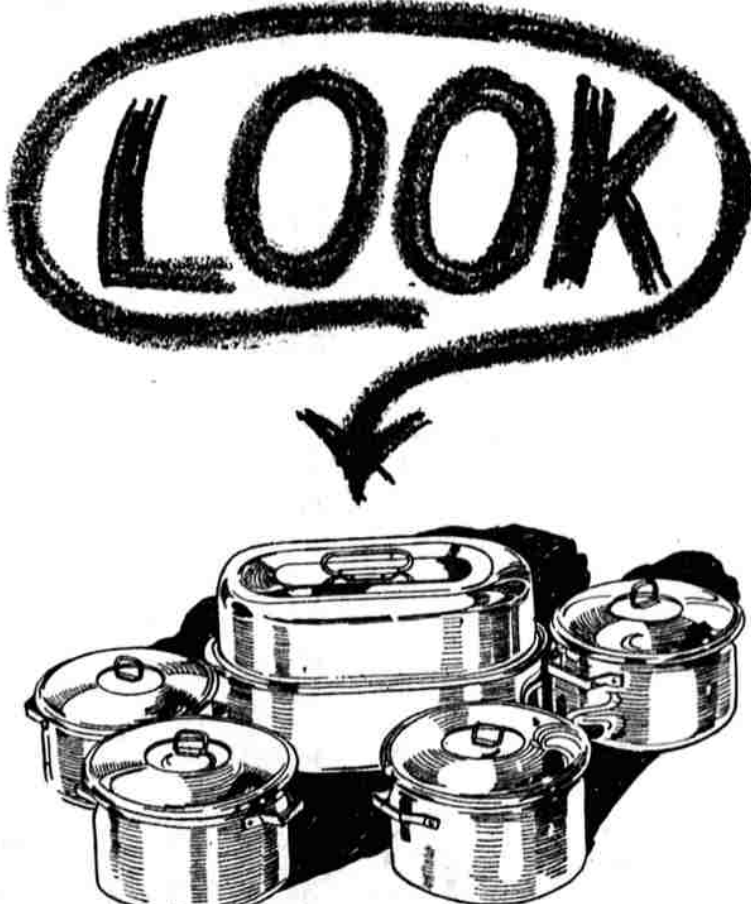
Brother of the bride, Anton Suty, Jr., and Charles Klabauba will be best men. Friends of the young couple are invited to attend the ceremony which will be solemnized at 10 o'clock.

Both young people are well known in the south-end having spent most of their lives here. Following a wedding trip to California points they will make their home near Tulelake in a new home now under construction.

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