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Lumber's Case Awaited

LUMBERMEN of the west, indicted on charges of monopoly practices, believe their activities have been within the law and have constituted merely reasonable business cooperation.

It is noteworthy that many of the points in the case against the lumbermen cover procedure that has been urged at various times by government departments upon sections of American industry and agriculture.

For instance, we all know that the government for years has been attempting to control farm crops. The forest service controls the output of logs in national forests and thus curtails production in the mills, and there have been definite proposals that the forest service be given permission to regulate the harvesting of all private timber as well.

The New Deal, whose anti-monopoly officials are prosecuting this case against our lumbermen, has made "better control of the national economy" one of its main principles, and it sponsored the NRA which called for extreme uses of such procedure as the lumbermen are now indicted for adopting.

In other words, it's pretty hard to tell what the government wants industry to do. We shall await with interest the time when the west coast lumbermen have opportunity to present their case fully. It is well to keep in mind that the lumbermen have been indicted only—that such is not proof of guilt—and that it is too early for any conclusions on that point.

Tax Base Amendment

SECOND measure on the November 5 ballot is entitled, "Amendment Making Three Years' Average People's Voted Levies, Tax Base."

This is a modification of the fundamental 6 per cent tax limitation law. At present, no operating budget of any municipal corporation in Oregon may be increased more than 6 per cent of the budget of any one of the previous three years, without an authorizing vote of the people. Under this measure, if the people vote 6 per cent—plus increases for three years, the average of those three years automatically becomes a tax base on which future budgets can be built within the 6 per cent limitation and without further voting.

Purpose of the amendment is to correct conditions in certain municipalities and school districts which have a wholly inadequate tax base, such as the Klamath union high school district. These inadequacies are due usually to special conditions which prevailed when the districts were formed, resulting in exceedingly low bases, or to rapid growth that has far outgrown the 6 per cent increase in the base permitted by law. Such municipalities are forced to go to the expense and trouble of a people's vote every year, while others are not required to do so.

The legislature proposed this measure to the people, after careful study by a joint committee. It is a reasonable means of solving the problems of districts where unusual tax base conditions prevail.

COUNTY AGENTS TO HELP WITH DRAFT

SALEM, Oct. 28 (AP)—Oregon county agents will be asked to assist rural draft registrants in filling out questionnaires and local draft boards in settling deferment questions, under a program agreed upon at a conference here attended by acting Gov. E. R. Fatland, Lieut. Col. Elmer V. Wootton, state selective service director, and Charles W. Smith, representing the state extension service.

KILLED

PENDLETON, Oct. 28 (AP)—Harry Benell, 53, Athens, was killed last night in an automobile collision five miles west of here, Sheriff R. E. Goad reported.

ENDS * ERROL
 TODAY * FLYNN

"ROBINHOOD"
 The Pelican Theatre
PARADE OF HITS!

TOMORROW!

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 OCT. 29-30

ALICE FAYE

'LILLIAN RUSSELL'

DON AMECHE
 HENRY FONDA
 EDWARD ARNOLD
 WARREN WILLIAM
 LEO CARRILLO

NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28—Hitler's desperate drive into the Mediterranean areas has inspired grave apprehensions behind the walls of official silence here. If he is successful he will extricate himself from the vise of the British blockade, and the prospects will favor a long, long war.

Measuring what he has done since he was frustrated in the battle of Britain, the best of American military-economic authorities size up the new situation as follows:

Seizure of Rumania will save Germany itself from the early economic collapse that was promised by the British stranglehold on Hitler's commerce. Oil and wheat, the two prime necessities of war, will be available to him in sufficient quantities to take care of the immediate war needs of Germany itself. That is the studied opinion of those here who know about how much Rumania can furnish and what Hitler must have. It will not be sufficient to give any help whatever to the occupied German areas—Belgium, Holland, France, Denmark and Norway. Their economic condition will remain critical.

If Hitler can now follow up with a conquest of Gibraltar and the Suez, he can lay hands on the near eastern oil supplies, Turkish tobacco, some additional foodstuffs. Such a conquest would not hurt the British military position much. Her vital lines of substitute communications would remain open. But it would weaken the blockade further, to the point where hope of a British victory through internal German collapse would have to be abandoned for the present.

In place of that hope there would remain a realistic prospect that Germany could do no more than barely sustain herself for an indefinite period. Hitler still could not export, and without trade with the world, he cannot ultimately survive. His whole industrial machine is now producing war materials. It is manufacturing no goods for export. Without exports the German standard of living is bound to weaken continually. His limping axis partner, Italy, is far less well equipped to meet that strain, and it might well be expected that the break would first develop there, where the standard of living is already shaking under war pressure.

With Rumania, therefore, Hitler is fairly well fixed economically for the winter and next year. With Gibraltar and Suez he might acquire enough to continue several years. But the British, unconquered, would not be mortally hurt. While she is understood to have now no plans for the recapture of France, no plan to seize the initiative before next summer at least, she would be able to sustain herself.

CAPACITY CRISIS

The defense commission is now at the crossroads, although a fog blanket will be kept over it until after election. Its experts have reported to the men in charge that a decision must

be reached within five weeks on a program for tremendous expansion for American manufacturing capacity.

Steel production is now 93 per cent of its capacity and the defense program is hardly started. One or two authorities in steel contend the theoretical capacity limit can be stretched up perhaps 8 points more, but the government experts all seem to believe that current operations are right at the limit. Either new factories must be built immediately or the use of steel for non-military purposes must be curtailed. Curtailment would mean limiting the supply of automobiles, refrigerators, and needed human goods. But the steel manufacturers do not want to put a lot of money in new plants which will only lie idle after the war is over. If the added capacity can be obtained in no other way the new dealers want the government to build the factories directly, or indirectly through loans, in such a way as to retain title, but the steel men naturally consider this to be socialism.

Other industries functioning at or near capacity are the machinery industry, machine tools, textiles, aviation and ship building.

It is a hot problem, too hot for campaigning predilections. The boys here are trying to sit on it but you can already see the smoke rising from behind their chairs.

'ROUND ABOUT RELAY

EUREKA, Ill. (AP)—Two relatives of Otto Wagner, Eureka merchant, live 20 miles apart in Rumania, but they use him as go-between in their messages. Wagner said he received a letter from his brother in Rumania, asking if he had received any word of their nephew at Cernauti, 20 miles from the brother's home. Wagner sent a cablegram to his nephew and the answer came back "good health," and was relayed to the brother.

Tang with a bang! Zip in each sip!—Wieland's Ale.

LAST DAY * **"Mexican Spitfire Out West"**

TOMORROW

VAGABOND MILLIONAIRE
 ...he found real friendship and a lasting love below the tracks... on "Skid Row!"

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SIDE GLANCES



"We'd better help ourselves—there won't be much service around here until after the election."

Senator Clark Announces Support of F. R.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 28 (UP)—U. S. Sen. Bennett Champ Clark, (D-Mo.), isolationist and frequent bitter critic of President Roosevelt, Saturday announced support of a third term and accused Wendell L. Willkie of favoring intervention in the European war.

Clark, in his first commitment on the national democratic ticket since the Chicago convention, said he always has been opposed to a third term "for any president," but declared the republican presidential candidate's "erratic and disingenuous approach to the issues of the day convinces me that he is not fit to be president."

"If I believed we would be less likely to be lured into war with Mr. Willkie as president, I would vote for him," Clark said. "Such, however, is far from being the case."

WHEW! YOU TOO?

LOS ANGELES, (AP)—The judge granted Lois Tew a divorce from Ralph Tew and heard the bailiff announce "Tew versus Tew."

"We just heard that one," observed the judge.

"These are two other Tewes," the bailiff answered. The judge legally parted Faye and Clifford Tew.

Telling The Editor

Letters printed here must not be more than 300 words in length, must be written legibly on ONE SIDE of the paper only, and must be signed. Contributions, following these rules, are warmly welcome.

CRADLE SONG OF THE FISHERMAN'S WIFE
 By ELLA HIGGINSON,
 of Bellingham, Wash.
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Swung in the hollows of the deep,
 While silver stars their watches keep,
 Sleep, my seabird, sleep!
 Our boat the glistening fishes fill,
 Our prow turns homeward—
 Hush, be still,
 Sleep, my seabird, sleep—
 Sleep, Sleep.

The wind is springing from out the west,
 Nestle thee deeper in mother's breast,
 Rest, my seabird, rest!
 There is no sea our boat could overwhelm
 While thy brave father is at the helm,
 Rest, my seabird, rest—
 Rest, rest.

The foam flies past us,
 The lightnings gleam,
 The waves break over,
 The fierce winds scream,
 Dream, my seabird, dream!
 Dream of the cot where high and low,
 Crimson and white, the roses blow,
 Dream, my seabird, dream,
 Dream, Dream.

What tho' the tempest is on the deep?
 Heaven will guard thee—
 Do not weep,
 Sleep, my seabird, sleep,
 Be brave as a fisherman's child
 Should be
 Rocked in the hollows of the sea.
 Sleep, my seabird, sleep,
 Sleep, Sleep.

NO SHORT CUT

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., (To the Editor)—Mr. Athanas of Ashland certainly deserves a word of praise for his fine letter of Oct. 23rd. To denounce and condemn innocent foreigners and all but fifth-generation Americans as did Linda W. Brown in her letter of Oct. 10th, is little short of bigotry. Because of a few fifth columnists is it merciful and wise to brand millions of foreigners who fled to us for safety and liberty, giving to us in full measure of their toil or their genius? Naturally I am referring only to those foreigners who earnestly desire to uphold American ideals and American liberties. Mrs. Brown seems to forget that somewhere along the line we all have foreign forefathers.

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including herself, and the fact that she happens to have been born a fifth-generation American was an act of Providence over which she had no control and for which she should be extremely grateful instead of narrow-minded.

I, myself, am only a first-generation American, born of naturalized Americans, but I challenge Linda Brown's patriotism with my own which has not lost its sense of fairness and justice. I, too, take exception to her remark that only a third-generation American may correct her, because my vote in the coming election will be just as strong as hers, a right which I shall fight to protect all the days of my life.

It is this right which makes the third term bugaboo a myth, a vapor. As long as the American people have the right to vote, as long as a president can be impeached, no man will ever dare set himself up as dictator in these United States. And only the American people themselves can ever vote away that right. Against the background of a staunch and true man whose mistakes may be many but whose patriotism is unquestionable, stands the figure of his opponent, untried, unknown until a very recent date. Who is this Wendell Willkie and what has he ever done? The road to the presidency of the United States, the highest office in the land, is a long, toilsome road of earnest endeavor, trodden by the feet of men who were willing to climb from the bottom of the ladder to the top. There is no royal road to the White House.

And, incidentally, Linda

Brown, there is no short-cut to true patriotism.

ELIZABETH ALICE THIES.

TODAY!

JAMES
CAGNEY
 ANN
SHERIDAN
 PAT
O'BRIEN



TORRID ZONE
 A Sizzle Success with
 ANDY
DEVINE • VINSON
 JEROME COWAN • GEORGE TOBIAS
 Directed by WILLIAM KEIGHLEY

RAINBOW

LAST TIME TODAY * **'DOWN ARGENTINE WAY'** * DON AMECHE BETTY GRABLE

TOMORROW



★ HE FOUND HER
 In a
BLACKSMITH SHOP...shoeing a horse! The wild west is branded... F-U-N...when they get going in their round-up!

Wallace
BEERY
 in
Wyoming
 with

LEO CARRILLO
 ANN RUTHERFORD
 LEE BOWMAN • PAUL KELLY
 JOSEPH CALLEIA
 MARJORIE MAIN

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