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## Economy Shams

THE nation's taxpayers—and that means the nation's population—will be lucky if the current and forthcoming economy talk in Washington is anything more than idle babble and sham.

There is a considerable movement to reduce expenditures for non-defense activities. It is absurdity to continue huge outlays for agencies set up in depression times, when there is no longer a depression and employment is steadily rising. That absurdity is heightened when there is terrific pressure for expenditure for defense.

But congressmen are congressmen, and the sternest advocate of economy always wants the other fellow to do the economizing. The same goes for people back home, who put the pressure on their congressmen for allocations.

Another factor in the national capital which lessens the chances for economy is the grasping attitude of all government bureaus. Rather than quitting when their usefulness is no longer evident, the bureaucrats always try to get more power and more spending authority. Right now they are all busy trying to show where their activity has something to do with defense, in order to justify their getting slices of the big defense spending pie.

President Roosevelt, an extravagant spender of the public money, likes to taunt congress on the economy question. The president sicks his bureaus into the spending field, spreads government largess over large areas, and then asks congress to make suggestions for the cuts. He has recently indicated it was the responsibility of the people in the house and senate to make spending reductions.

But the president has never shown any disposition to let the people in the house and senate take the lead in other fields of government endeavor. A display of leadership on his part in the matter of reducing non-defense spending would make a most profound impression and would do the country a lot of good.

## Whale of a Sensation

SCIENCE, proclaims a breathless newspaper article, has at last affirmed that a whale really could have swallowed Jonah.

It seems that a Dr. Eugene Maximilian Karl Gelling, professor of pharmacology, having little to do one dull day, crawled through the gullet of a (dead) whale. He found it slimy, but definitely roomy.

If this unpalatable feat had been performed by Joe Doakes, fisherman, it would have proved just as much about the Jonah-capacity of whales. But it wouldn't have justified that delectable headline, "Science says—"

Anyway, it's nice to think that in these days, which are grim and getting grimmer by the clock, somebody has the time and inclination to go crawling into whales' gullets.

## Oregon Auto Registration Expected to Top Record

Thirty-six years ago, on May 19, 1905, Oregon started registering motor vehicles when the secretary of state issued registration No. 1 to Helmus Thompson, of Eugene. At the end of that year, a total of 218 vehicles was registered in this state.

On the 36th anniversary of that date, May 19 of this year, there were 381,150 motor vehicles registered in Oregon and by the end of this year, registration is expected to exceed 425,000, according to Earl Snell, secretary of state. Registration last year was just 187 vehicles short of 400,000 and to date, the number of vehicles licensed in Oregon is 8 per cent ahead of the registration for the same date a year ago.

The Oregon legislative assembly of 1905 adopted an act requiring that owners of motor vehicles in this state must register each vehicle with the secretary of state, paying a fee of \$3. This fee was not an annual license, but was good for an

indefinite time. It was not until 1911 that annual registration of motor vehicles was required.

In 1905, the owner received no license plate, but was required to display the number of his certificate on his vehicle. The numerals could be painted on, or the owner could purchase a number plate somewhat similar to the plates now in use. Records of the descriptions filed for automobiles registered during 1905 indicate that many of them were tiller-steered and some were even home made.

There were 32 cars registered the first day the law was operative in Oregon, 12 from Portland, 10 from Salem, 4 from Eugene, 3 from Grants Pass and 1 each from Woodburn, Arlington and Silverton.

Oregon at present has 313,859 private vehicles registered, or one such vehicle for every 3.4 persons living in the state. Fees for motor vehicle registrations for the first four months of this year amounted to \$2,608,943.

## Portland Eyed for Army Supply Base

PORTLAND, May 21 (AP)—Portland learned from one of three visiting generals yesterday that it is being considered for an army supply base.

Brig.-Gen. John C. H. Lee, commander for the west coast embarkment points, made the disclosure. He was accompanied by Major General E. B. Gregory, chief officer of the quartermaster corps.

Lieut. Gen. Delos C. Emmons, chief of the general headquarters air force, inspected Portland's new airbase and continued on to other northwest airports. He was to visit Pendleton, Boise and Salt Lake City today.

Chinese used umbrellas 3000 years ago, so borrowing must be an old, old custom.

## Price Rise Doubtful By Chamber Expert

PORTLAND, May 21 (AP)—The government will not have to take control of food and clothing prices, Arthur B. Gunnarson, Washington D. C. said here yesterday.

Prices will not skyrocket, the commodity expert of the U. S. chamber of commerce said, citing that living costs rose only 2.6 per cent in the last 1 1/2 years.

He warned, however, that a continued increase in wages and taxes might upset present calculations.

A judge gives criminals lots of time but he always has some left for playing golf.

Flavor counts! With beer, remember "Wieland's has the Flavor!"

## Brother Rat



## NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS

By PAUL MALLON

WASHINGTON, May 21 —

Those congressmen and other officials who have been consulted by Mr. Roosevelt the past ten days have apparently all come away with the impression he has been working that long on a substitute plan for conveying—to go much further than conveying. A fairly well-rounded up consensus of their opinion has suggested he wanted to sweep the seas clear of submarines and raiders.

The recent new trend of official remarks substantiates these deductions. Mr. Roosevelt had broadly likened the German blockade to piracy. His state secretary, Mr. Hull, followed with a speech emphasizing the next German threat would be directed toward domination of the seas.

Details of how this sea defense line is to be built up in the new Roosevelt plan are supposed to involve further extension of air and surface patrols based on experiments conducted by the head of the Atlantic fleet. These experiments have already carried the American flag within sight of Dakar.

### NAZI THREAT

State Secretary Hull's generalized picture of trade disruption to be expected from a Nazi victory has been focussed down in grim detail by his assistant Adolf Berle in a local extemporaneous speech which was sparsely reported.

From Mr. Berle's speech it is evident he expects first a Nazi repudiation of our gold and its value, but he did not think this would be the worst. We could discard gold without danger. If you read at the breakfast table that all the gold at Fort Knox had been swallowed up, you would be surprised but would probably continue your breakfast.

More serious would be Germany's challenge to our prices. He thought heavy taxes would be necessary to subsidize cotton exports, for example. We would be required to take manufactured goods from the German dominated world as payment for any of the goods they wanted, and the resultant unemployment in our factories would also have to be financed by the government, he thought.

Hitler promised in Mein Kampf he could throw this country into revolution by these manipulating trade processes plus propaganda, according to Berle.

### TAX DICKERING

The strange backing and filling of the administration on its own tax bill has now been clarified by the latest testimony before the house ways and means committee, both on and off the record—mostly off. It was Mr. Roosevelt himself who led the opposition to his own treasury bill, at the instance of Messrs. Henderson and Eccles. This opposition led to the new dealers getting together with the treasury on a halfway compromise as represented in the new excess profits proposal by

## CULINARY WORKERS PAY BOOST ASKED

A fifty-cent per day wage increase for all Culinary alliance members has been asked of approximately 80 Klamath Falls restaurant and bar establishments and negotiations are now going forward, it was announced Tuesday by G. C. Tatman, secretary of the AFL alliance.

Along with the request went a time limit of June 1 for an answer, Tatman said.

Waitresses are now getting \$3 per day, dishwashers \$3, bartenders \$5, and cooks \$5 to \$6.50.

The executive board of the alliance met Tuesday afternoon and it was believed that preparations for a strike vote were being made in the event that no agreement is reached by June 1.

## Banks in Memphis Start Curb Service

MEMPHIS, Tenn., May 21 (AP)—Two Memphis banks came up with a new wrinkle today—curb service banking for busy motorists.

They announced plans for construction of "outdoor windows" to which motorists could drive up, hand their deposits over to a teller and drive away without getting out of their automobiles.

## Gems of Thought

It is difficult to say which may be most mischievous to the human heart, the praise or the dispraise of men.

—Mary Baker Eddy.

The praises of others may be of use in teaching us, not what we are, but what we ought to be.

—Hare.

Praise, like gold and diamonds, owes its value only to its scarcity. It becomes cheap as it becomes vulgar, and will no longer raise expectation or animate enterprise.

—Samuel Johnson.

As the Greek said, many men know how to flatter; few know how to praise.

—Wendell Phillips.

It takes a great deal of grace to be able to bear praise. Censure seldom does us much hurt.

—Spurgeon.

Think not those faithful who praise all thy words and actions, but those who kindly reprove thy faults.

—Socrates.

## HOMES NEAR DAIRY TO HAVE POWER

OLENE—The California-Oregon Power company began on Friday, May 16, surveying the line which starts at the transformer yard located near the Richard Hoefler ranch northeast of Dairy and will be built to give the following persons modern power and lights:

Harlan Prough, Jim Smith, Sherwood Barnum, Michael Rueck, Ray Hicks, Art Horsley, Cubert Brown, Albert Burgdorf, Joe Horsley, Virgil Schmoie, Edward Schmoie and the Jack Horton ranch, the former Shook ranch south of Dairy.

## Courthouse Records

**TUESDAY Complaints Filed**  
 Zanley F. Galton versus Arthur R. Mathes, doing business as Bateau Seafood restaurant. Suit to collect for merchandise from the Marine Seafood company. Plaintiff prays judgment against defendant for \$419.85 with interest at 6 per cent from January 3, 1941. Goldstein, Galton and Galton, attorneys for plaintiff.

**Order**  
 Douglas Creditors association versus A. V. Logsdon. Jury returned verdict for the plaintiff. Order issued allowing plaintiff to recover \$451.80 from defendant on first cause of action and \$35 on second cause of action.

**Sentence**  
 State of Oregon versus Frank Haley. Defendant plead guilty to forgery. Sentenced to two years in state penitentiary.

**Marriage Applications**  
 GERARD-SHARLOW. Virgil Gerard, 23, Klamath Falls, laborer, native of Montana. Maxine Marie Sharlow, 17, Klamath Falls, housekeeper, native of Oregon.

**ALFORD-HANNAY**. Joseph M. Alford, 44, Klamath Falls, railroad conductor, a native of Idaho. Jeannette M. Hannay, Klamath Falls, legal age, nurse, native of Washington.

**Justice Court**  
 Russell Lee Robinson, assault armed with a dangerous weapon. Waived preliminary hearing. Committed to county jail.

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## SIDE GLANCES



"What do you mean, it looks like a cheap copy? That's the hat you were wearing when you came into the store!"

## Treasury Assistant John L. Sullivan

The compromise will hit the large established corporations hardest. Jim Farley's coca cola, for instance, if it earned 15 per cent the last 4 years, would be exempt only on 10 per cent. Everything it made above 10 per cent would be taxed 60 to 70 per cent.

The scrap between the new dealers has encouraged the committee to indulge itself along the same lines. The bill may not be whipped into final shape for 3 or 4 weeks.

### NAZI FUNDS

Commerce Secretary Jesse Jones has picked up evidence that a Nazi agent tried to buy the British control in the Brown and Williamson tobacco company when the British were getting ready to sell. This evidence largely inspired the government policy of lending the British money on their investments here instead of letting them liquidate.

The Nazis apparently have large sums of money in this country accumulating from their investments. As they cannot buy products from us, the money is believed by government officials to be going largely into propaganda.

As a result pressure for freezing German funds in this country is being exerted upon the state department anew by some other government departments.

## Tionesta

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Staub are visiting in southern California. Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Heister and Mr. and Mrs. Bud Stewart visited in Redding last week.

Several employees of the Tionesta mill are leaving or have left in the past week to take up jobs elsewhere. These include James Hartshorn, Osborne Fisher, Russell Hibma, Lloyd Basse, Wesley Hassett and Ole K. Oleson.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ward and Jim Barrington visited this last week in Eureka, Calif.

New cars have been delivered in camp to Mr. and Mrs. Clair Brownson, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Starr, Mr. and Mrs. Fincy Dickey.

## BENEFIT SEEN IN SALE OF POPPIES

Disabled Veterans of the World war benefit in many ways from America's custom of wearing poppies in honor of the war dead on the Saturday before Memorial day, according to Mrs. Jennie Hurn, rehabilitation chairman of Klamath unit of the American Legion auxiliary, who is directing the Auxiliary's work for the disabled men here.

Many hundreds of veterans in government hospitals and auxiliary workrooms throughout the country are given employment making poppies each year. This year more than 12,000,000 of the little red flowers have been produced by the disabled men and their earnings have amounted to approximately \$120,000.

A vastly larger number of disabled veterans benefit from the poppies through the Legion and Auxiliary rehabilitation program. The aid which the veterans receive extends from postage stamps with which to write home to their families from the hospitals to technical and legal services in proving their claims for compensation, and includes every variety of help possible for the Legion and Auxiliary to extend.

"Although the war is now more than 22 years in the past, the number of disabled veterans is still increasing," said Mrs. Hurn. "Injuries and exposure of war service are adding more veterans to the ranks of the disabled each year, as advancing age makes it more difficult for these men to carry on under their handicaps. Results of wounds and illness which could be carried in youth, become disabling when the burden of age is added. Difficulties of proving the war origin of these disabilities at this date bar a great many of these men from government compensation. They look to the Legion and Auxiliary for aid, and the Legion and Auxiliary look to the poppy for necessary funds."

Julius Caesar, poor old geezer! Had no Wieland's in his freezer.

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