

Herald and News

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Today's Roundup

THE 1 per cent state withholding tax, which is now showing up on paychecks around here, is not an additional tax.

Money withheld under this law will apply as an offset on your state income tax payments. It is exactly the principle of what has been adopted by the federal government; the effect is to reduce the amount taxpayers will have to dig up at one time.

The principal purpose of the part of the legislature in adopting the 1 per cent withholding tax was to prevent tax evasion. A great many people, especially transient workers, are believed to have escaped the state income tax, in one way or another. It is estimated that the withholding tax will bring in more than a million dollars in new tax money from sources where there would be tax evasion without the withholding tax.

But those who regularly pay state income tax are not hurt. Their total taxation is just the same. Perhaps they will get some satisfaction out of:

1. Having the tax taken in small installments, thus reducing the effect of the blow at regular taxpaying time.
 2. The knowledge that others, who might otherwise escape the taxes they are paying, will now be taxed.
- We don't claim to know everything about the withholding law. But the main point that has brought up many questions from taxpayers is whether it means an increase in the tax. The answer to that is "no."

Briefs From The Pocket File

BILL JENKINS, who sits on the news desk here, wants me to mention in this department that Willamette valley flood pictures were lacking in our paper this week because the flood evidently disrupted communications so that the pictures didn't get to us. . . . President Mosely of the University of Nevada, slated as the speaker at the Junior chamber of commerce Founders' Day banquet here Tuesday night, is regarded as one of the outstanding public speakers in the West. . . . Charley Stark, Klamath chamber manager who has heard him many times, rates Mosely as the best public speaker he has ever heard. . . . Nevada collected \$673,661 in fees on gambling for the last six months of 1947. . . . The thing that surprises us about that figure is that it is that small. . . . A lot of things are coming up this week in the way of civic gatherings by organizations which have been holding things off since the holidays. . . . Everybody seems to get the same idea at once around here. . . . This isn't the right time to talk about forest fires, but Larry May, the regional fire suppression officer for the US forest service, was in town a day or two and reported that 1947 was a banner year in his business. . . . May is a former Klamathite who had charge at one time of the Russian dandelion rubber production project that was started here early in the war, but later abandoned.

These Days

THE president's speech on taxes is an amazing conglomeration of inconsistencies. Perhaps it is not all his fault. Perhaps he has a conglomeration of inconsistent advisers. Also he faces an election year

Calf Pool Plans Made

LAKEVIEW, Jan. 10 — The calf pool inaugurated a year ago by the agriculture and livestock committee of the Lake County chamber of commerce will be held again this year and an initial order for 20 calves has been authorized. The order will be placed through the office of County Agent Elgin Cornett with County Agent Jens F. Svith of Josephine county.

Purpose of the calf pool is to improve local dairy stock by aiding

during which his advisers must be Janus-headed, watching the republicans on the right and Wallace on the left. It is tough going. For instance, he said: "We do not believe that men exist merely to strengthen the state or to be cogs in an economic machine. We do believe that governments are created to serve the people and that economic systems exist to minister to their wants. . . ."

That is a satisfactory statement of our form of government and of the capitalistic system in economics. But if capitalism is to survive, it is necessary that the individual must keep enough of his earnings to provide a rising standard of living for his family and to be able to accumulate a surplus over expenditures to invest in the industry of the country. In a word, the essence of capitalism requires that the individual not only earn enough to keep privately-owned businesses going by his purchases but that he have enough to invest in the capital structure.

How Was It Reached?

THAT being so, why does Mr. Truman insist that the wartime income tax on the individual remain in force except for a top of \$40 for the payer and each of his dependents, an arbitrary amount to be offset by rising prices inevitable in his proposal to increase corporate taxes? And why \$40? How was that figure reached, by what mathematical or psychological process? Why is \$40 better than \$50 or \$60 or \$35?

Mr. Truman proposes: ". . . At least \$50,000,000,000 should be invested by industry to improve and expand our productive facilities over the next few years. . . ."

How can the individual find the capital to invest in expanding industry if he cannot save? How can corporations invest in expanding industries if they are to be taxed an increased amount because they earned \$4,500,000,000 more in profits in 1947 than they did in 1946? Where is the money to come from in competition with the government's compulsory levy of taxes and appeal to purchase voluntary bonds? Mr. Truman says:

"Because of this extraordinary high level of profits, corporations can well afford to carry a larger share of the tax load at this time. . . ."

But a tax is a cost of operations. It is usually added to price as any other cost is. In a word, the consumer pays this increase. Worse still, the small enterprise, which cannot engage in major economies and therefore has to provide some other reason for attracting customers, will be driven out of business.

In fact, under his proposal, it will be preferable for the small business man to sell his business to a larger enterprise and to take a capital gain which involves a lower tax than the corporate income tax. That practice has already resulted in unwise mergers of businesses—that is, unwise from a national standpoint no matter how gainful to the individual.

Mixed Up

THE president proposes special adjustments for small corporations but he offers no program because such discrimination cannot be worked out. He throws that one into the lap of congress, which cannot find a way of doing what the president can find no way of doing.

In a word, the president is mixed up. He dares not accept Congressman Knutson's tax program without admitting that congress understands taxes better than the treasury does. Or is it true that these proposals came from his corps of corporals in the White House and not from the treasury? At any rate, the president has not done any clear thinking on the subject. He himself said:

"One of the most powerful anti-inflationary factors in our economy today is the excess of government revenues over expenditures. . . . The simplest solution is to cut down government expenditures as well. It would be best of all, to let the citizen keep a large share of his earnings so that he does not become a cog in an economic machine, to repeat Mr. Truman's words.

NEW HOME

PORTLAND, Jan. 10 (AP)—The International Machinists union moved into a new home today after moving out of the Portland labor temple as the result of a long dispute with the AFL.

The Machinists withdrew some time ago from the AFL. Their move to the Steamfitters' hall was at the demand of the Portland labor council.

farmer, 4-H and FFA members to secure good quality grade dairy stock from recognized high production herds.

It is possible to secure day-old calves from the Josephine county herds at minimum prices.

PORTLAND, Jan. 10 (AP)—Ray H. Brannaman, national commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, objects to the term "war-monger."

His campaign for universal training doesn't warrant that sort of name-calling, he said here.

"Our first objective of the VFW is peace, and our top program is national security, because we can't have peace without national security," he said.

Objection to universal military training, he said, was coming from "communist groups, college people, some preachers and some mothers."

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SIDE GLANCES



"No letter from your boy again this week—it's sure nice to know that he's doing so well!"

STATIC

It's my last day on this pass-around job for a while, and next week you can read the more sprightly works of a more sprightly scribe. I don't know, at the moment, who it's going to be.

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The World Today

By DEWITT MACKENZIE
AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

The "cold war" in the Eastern Mediterranean suddenly has grown more tense, and the United States has made several swift moves to bolster the position of the western powers in that strategic area which Soviet Russia seeks to dominate.

Turkey and Greece—both key positions—are being strengthened militarily and the American-British allies are supporting the Turks in their refusal to give way to Moscow's demand for control of the Dardanelles strait between the Black sea and the Mediterranean—one of the world's most important water thoroughfares.

America is transferring to Turkey four large, powerful, modern submarines which are capable of long-range operations. The U. S. navy also is turning over to Turkey 11 other vessels. Six gunboats go to Greece which is battling a guerrilla army that Athens charges is being supported by the neighboring communist states of Yugoslavia, Bulgaria and Albania.

Marines Sail
Other material aid is being given to both Greece and Turkey, and some 1000 marines have sailed for duty on ships of the American fleet in the Eastern Mediterranean. Their equipment includes tanks and flame-throwers, such as might be used in landing operations and campaigns ashore.

To get the full significance of this we must take into account some other developments during the past few days. A British government source said the cabinet was deeply worried over the Greek situation.

It was believed that Greece's communist neighbors—Albania, Yugoslavia and Bulgaria—were preparing to accord official recognition to the communist "government" recently established in northern Greece by the guerrilla leader "General" Markos Vafiadis.

The belief was held in London that the Greek guerrilla objective is the capture of Athens itself. The government source said that to allow this to happen would be to permit the virtual isolation of Turkey, the endangering of oil resources in the Middle East, perhaps the introduction of communist influence into the countries of the Arab league, and the possible entry of the Soviet air force and navy into the Eastern Mediterranean.

That's pretty strong mustard. In recognition of the gravity of the situation, both Washington and London warned Bulgaria and Yugoslavia against "grave" consequences of recognizing the new Greek communist "government." A British official source said: "Broadly, we know exactly what we will do if recognition is accorded to Markos' junta." And another quarter declared that "every means short of war" will be used to keep Greece in the American-British orbit.

Sitting Tight
As for Turkey, she has been sitting tight and saying little, but for some time there have been signs of anxiety in government circles over developments both in the Balkans, to the north, and in the Middle East, to the south. Some observers in Turkey say one of that country's greatest fears in the Mid-East crisis is that it might provide an opportunity for Russia to send troops to Palestine to "preserve order." That would sandwich the Turks between the Soviet troops of the north and of the south.

The British foreign office also is said to attach much importance to a recent speech by Turkish Foreign Minister Sadak, who was quoted as saying that the constitution of political blocs didn't affect his country, which remained faithful to only one bloc—the United Nations. Many British observers interpreted this as meaning that Turkey believes Russia is determined to attain long-term security and that the only way of avoiding catastrophe is to come to terms with Moscow.

Whether that represents Turkey's real feeling remains to be seen. We know that her heart is with the western allies and that she will stick with them so long as possible. Certainly she is in a most difficult and dangerous position.

Ducks die not only when shot by lead pellets, but when they pick up the lead while gathering grit in shallow water and get lead poisoning.

The World Calendar

By FRANK TRIPP

If the calendar adjusters have their way we are now hanging up the last, but one, present day calendar we'll ever see. For 1950 we would hang up one that would last forever. The world calendar they call it.

January 1, 1950, was set as the day for its adoption. That date will fall on Sunday, which is the day all years would begin thereafter.

Forever and anon New Year's would always be on Sunday. Take heart, however, because it would always be preceded by two Saturdays or, if you prefer, a 48-hour Saturday. Which should give ample time to float in the New Year and be in condition for church on Sunday morning.

December would have 30 days, not 31. When you awakened on Saturday morning December 30 it would be like crossing the international date line. That day and date would last two days and two nights, 48 hours, before you tore a sheet off the calendar, if indeed you had or needed a calendar. The extra 24 hours would be a world holiday.

Star Route Okay Given

LAKEVIEW, Jan. 10—Decision to accept a second star route from Klamath Falls in order to secure, at an early date, additional incoming mail service for Lakeview pending further investigation toward greater improvement by means of a star route from Portland via Bend, was made by the Lake County chamber of commerce directors this week.

At present, Lakeview receives mail once a day, by star route, arriving at noon from Klamath Falls. City carrier service has been authorized and will begin within a few weeks, as soon as necessary equipment arrives, and present incoming mail service is inadequate inasmuch as it provides no first class mail for the morning delivery.

In overtures to the postal inspector at Portland, Fred W. Twobly, for improved service, the chamber of commerce has proposed star routes through Bend which is estimated will give quicker service from Portland. Twobly countered with a proposal for a second star route from Klamath Falls, and since amplified service is needed at once, it was agreed to accept his proposal.

It was stipulated, however, that A. D. Lawrence, division postal inspector at Seattle, will be asked to conduct an extensive investigation to determine the possibility and practicability of the route through Bend.

The calendar makers are not among the boosters of the idea. A calendar would last a lifetime. Just how we'd decorate the walls of newspaper offices or keep abreast of undraped art models isn't made clear (at least is used as an adverb).

The world calendar doesn't destroy all current advantages nor correct all disadvantages. A six months note given in October still would shorten the winter. The first snow still would fall in Malone shortly after the August thaw.

And there's no device in it that either abolishes or softens the big blow of March 15. Just to spoil the sleep of the superstitious, that national milkin' day would always fall on Friday.

8 Offices To Be Open

LAKEVIEW, Jan. 10—Eight of the 11 Lake county public offices will be up for election at the May 21 primaries, and six of those currently holding office have announced that they will again seek the May nomination.

County Judge J. R. Heckman has announced that he will run again and also County Clerk Genevieve Hanks. Both of these now have their nominating petitions in the field for signatures. Others who will seek re-election are:

County Treasurer Harvey Sanders, Commissioner P. W. Hotchkiss, Sheriff H. A. Casiday, Justice of the Peace Tom S. Farrell (South Lakeview justice district), School Superintendent Anne Sprague has no announcement as yet, and Coroner James Ousley will not seek re-election.

INDICTMENT
PORTLAND, Jan. 10 (AP)—The fatal beating of Eugene Taylor December 22 in a charity home here resulted today in the indictment of James Jamon, 40, on a first degree murder charge.

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