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Liquor Control And Relief

AT a conference in Portland this week where both subjects were considered, it was emphasized that liquor control and relief should be kept carefully separated except insofar as the revenue from the former may incidentally help finance the latter. This is a well-advised policy.

Liquor control is a permanent problem. It will be with us long after the demand for destitution and unemployment relief has passed. It requires solution through the development of a permanent policy.

Insofar as that permanent policy will help solve the immediate and, let us hope, transitory problem of relief, well and good. But that is as far as the two questions should be connected. The need for solving the immediate problem should not be permitted to distort the permanent program.

A great deal of attention has been given, justifiably, to the possibilities of at least partially financing relief through liquor revenues. Relief needs for the state have been variously estimated at from $7,000,000 to $15,000,000.

Many competent observers are of the opinion that liquor, alone, cannot raise even the smaller amount. There is danger in designating a definite amount to be raised, and then attempting to develop a liquor program to yield that figure. Are we going to promote and encourage the consumption of liquor as a public policy, in order to increase the revenue from this source? Aside from the danger of increasing legal liquor prices to a point where bootlegging will be given another lease on life, this would be neither a worthy nor an enlightened policy. It would be a mighty poor business for the state to be engaged in.

It is necessary to develop a sensible, effective liquor control program. It should, indeed, yield a generous revenue to the public coffers, probably best used at this time for relief purposes. But CONTROL should be the first consideration.

Old Age Pensions

A HUMANITARIAN gesture at the expense of somebody else—that describes the action of the Oregon legislature in passing an old age pension law and neglecting to provide the methods of financing it.

The full force of this action came home to Klamath county this week when the county budget board estimated that approximately $60,000 would be necessary in this county to meet the requirements of the pension law.

This amount would be in addition to some $52,000 necessarily budgeted for various forms of relief—destitution, poor farm, widows, indigent soldiers, etc. To meet both requirements would be loading more than $100,000 upon the solvent folk of the county to care for the insolvent when it happens that many of the solvent are too close to the other classification for comfort.

The Klamath county court and budget committee, in view of these conditions, saw fit to join a number of other eastern and central Oregon counties in refusing to levy for old age pension purposes.

The legislature, of course, passed the financing buck to the counties because the state has no money to handle the situation. Neither have the counties, and the legislators deserve little credit for short-sighted humanitarianism.

Editorials on News

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changing the gold content of the dollar.

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LET'S put it in a somewhat simpler way:

You have, let us say, a steady market for a gallon of milk each day. But your cow gives VARYING amounts of milk. One day she gives two quarts. Another day she gives three quarts. On still another day she gives five quarts.

But you want JUST ENOUGH milk each day to supply your market. So on the day when she gives two quarts, you put in two quarts of water. On the day when she gives three quarts, you put in one quart of water. On the day she gives five quarts, you THROW AWAY one quart.

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WHAT you want to accomplish, in the case of your cow, is to have just enough milk each day to supply the needs of your market, so that the price of your product will remain stable, not varying up or down with varying conditions of supply and demand.

What the government wants to accomplish, in the case of its "managed" currency, is to have just enough money each month, or each year, to supply the needs of business generally so that prices of commodities, instead of going up and down with varying conditions of supply and demand, will remain at a stable level.

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REMEMBER the wheat farmer, referred to in this column yesterday who borrowed a thousand bushels of wheat and had to pay back SEVEN THOUSAND bushels.

The purpose of a "managed" currency — or perhaps it would be better to say the HOPE—is to insure that when you borrow a thousand bushels of wheat you will have to pay back only a thousand bushels.

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IT'S all very complicated, this business of money and prices, and you may be utterly weary of these discussions of them. If so, SKIP them.

And this scheme of a "managed" currency, which we're preparing to try out, is also quite complicated. It may not work, but we're getting ready to try it out.

JUVENILE OFFICER FOR COUNTY ASKED

Mrs. Nelson Reed and Mrs. William Duncan appeared before the city budget committee Wednesday night to ask for an appropriation for a police matron or a probation officer. They pointed to the need of more adequately meeting the juvenile delinquency problem here.

Members of the council and budget committee expressed the opinion that while the need of such a service was evident, it would not be possible to set up a new function under existing financial conditions. Possibly, it said, one of the heads of present departments could devote all or part of his time to this work.

The budget board will probably finish its job Friday night. Notwithstanding the addition of the health and sanitary departments, a substantial saving will probably be effected under last year's budget, according to Mayor Mahoney.

WASHINGTON

News Behind the News

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The Inside Story From The Capital

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By PAUL MALLON

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WASHINGTON, Oct. 26.—The Roosevelt industrial recovery program has been far more successful fundamentally than the public generally gives the president credit for.

Unprejudiced figures prove it. They are contained in the monthly fool-proof statistics first devised by Mr. Hoover to show where we stand and whither we are drifting. All officials use them as the best business barometer.

This month they show slow, sure progress in righting the economic ship on an even keel. Industrial production and factory employment are only 5 points apart. Payrolls still are lagging about 20 per cent behind but improvement is noted.

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SAD SIDE

Aside from pay rolls, the figures show that the big worry now is sales. Department store volume has been sliding since August. The figures show a drop from 77 to 66. They are based on dollar sales. When you consider that prices have increased in the same period, possibly as much as 17 per cent, you will see that the new purchasing power must be flowing down a rathole.

The "buy now" campagin may help that, but Mr. Roosevelt's tricks with the dollar will help it more.

There is nothing which will start buying like the promise of still higher prices. Mr. Roosevelt has promised they will be up around 30 per cent before he will stabilize. At least that is the logical figure to be deduced from his statements.

He says he wants a 1926 price level. That is 30 per cent higher than the level now. Whether he can accomplish it is another thing.

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TABLE

You can figure out our present standing for yourself from the following table. The seasonal element has been eliminated from it. It is adjusted for seasonal variations.

The 100 basis for each figure is the average of 1923 to 1925.

	Production	Industrial Employment	Factory Payrolls	Freight Loadings	Store Sales	Department Sales	Urban Sales	Urban Wholesale	Payrolls
Dec. '31	74	63.4	67	81	46	48	35		55.8
Jan. '32	75	65.1	64	78	39	42	32		52.4
July	53	53.3	51	67	32	27	32		39.6
Sept.	66	60.2	54	76	33	32	32		42.1
Dec.	66	60.6	58	62	32	30	30		40.9
Jan. '33	65	59.4	56	60	31	29	29		39.2
Feb.	64	59.4	54	60	29	26	26		40.0
March	60	56.6	50	67	28	26	26		38.9
April	67	57.7	53	67	29	25	28		38.8
May	77	60.6	56	67	32	32	32		42.0
June	91	64.8	60	68	36	40	40		46.2
July	100	70.1	65	71	43	48	48		49.9
August	91	72.5	61	77	38	50	50		53.7
Sept.	84	74.3	60	69	40	48	48		57.6
Oct. (est)	80	75.0	59	66	—	—	—		—

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SLIPPING

You may note another disturbing element in the table. That is the fact there was no fall rise. Everything has dipped downward except employment and payrolls. These two factors were saved by the NRA.

You farmers and merchants may be angry at the Blue Eagle but you cannot get around the fact that while industrial production went down, employment and wages went up.

These things are bound to increase labor purchasing power before long or else all our economists are crazy. When that happens both the farmer and the merchant will normally sell more goods for consumption at a better price.

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CONFUSION

The failure of fall business may be attributed at least in part to money uncertainty and public psychology. Mr. Roosevelt delayed too long the announcement of a money policy. He kept business men and manufacturers on the anxious seat through September and most of October. Also in the rush to get ahead of the codes, production was stimulated so much that manufacturers had a lot of finished goods on hand.

Possibly for the same reason of confused uncertainty, public buying has not been maintained. The psycholoxical reaction to the NRA has been something in the nature of an incipient buyers' strike. People began to doubt the Roosevelt promise of still higher prices later.

The Sunday night radio speech may help to clear up that situation.

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PUBLIC WORKS

The table given above leaves out the two unpleasant subjects in the administration program. One is the farm scheme, the condition of which is no secret. The other is public works, which they are still trying to keep as a secret.

Splendid figures are given out, showing how much has been alloted for building. These figures total somewhere around two billion dollars.

Nothing is said about how much is being actually spent.

In the month of September, the administration actually let the contracts for less public works than the Hoover administration did without a building program last September. That also was true of August.

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The total of all contracts let for building in September was $123,000,000. Of that amount $57,000,000 was public works. A year ago in the same states (the figures do not include the Pacific coast) the Hoover administration let contracts for $64,000,000 of public works.

Incidentally, half of the public works money spent this September went for roads and not for building construction.

The adjusted seasonal index on that subject registered 28 for September as compared with 24 in August, 21 in July and 14 in March. Last September the index stood at 30.

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If it were not for the extravagant claims being made for the public works administration, this point would not be very important. The two billions have been alloted. They will be spent eventually.

Also there are inner signs that the public works crowd has been cutting down on legitimate caution during the last two weeks.

It is believed to be actually pumping out contracts in an unusually strong effort to get the money out. It is assumed ordinary protective precautions still prevail.

Certain employees have been requested to keep the projects on which they are working strictly confidential. Engineers on a particular project are not supposed to talk about it to their fellow engineers.

RUNDOWN, LOST WEIGHT

Mrs. Chas. Pozan of Route 1, Jefferson, Ore., said: "I became in a rundown, exhausted condition through hard work and bringing up my family. My appetite failed. I had frequent sick-headaches and suffered with pains in my back, lost weight, and was very weak. A few bottles of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery soon had me in perfect health." Sold by druggists everywhere.

New size, tablets 50 cts. liquid $1.00. Large size, tabs. or liquid, $1.35. "We Do Our Part."

SIDE GLANCES *by George Clark*

"It keeps me busy thinking of things for him to do."

Telling the Editor

COUNTRY VIEW OF NEW TAX

"Don't Make City a Robbers' Roost," Is Warning From Algoma Residents

ALGOMA, Ore.—(To the Editor)—We represent the people of the country, the people who have no vote in the affairs of the city, but who are directly affected by the ordinances of the city, and who will be greatly injured by the proposed sales tax should it be passed.

Mayor Mahoney talks a great deal about making a city where the working man may spend his money then he proposes a tax which will take the hard-earned money from the large mass of people in order to help a small group of merchants sell at a still higher price produce which is too high now for the working man's slender resources.

In other words, the sales tax tends to pauperize a large group of people to enrich a small group.

Allow us, Independant Merchants, Mayor Mahoney, and all other supporters of the sales tax, to call your attention to a few facts which you seem to have overlooked. You will have to admit that Klamath Falls draws a large volume of trade from the country, and the sawmill settlements of the Klamath empire. Why do you suppose payday and almost every Saturday night finds the streets jammed with out-of-town cars? It's the people from the mills, factories and farming districts for miles around who come to trade in Klamath Falls, taking away carloads of groceries and merchandise, and leaving their wages in the city.

Why do they go to Klamath Falls to trade?—there are stores in their own communities.

They go because they can get some saving in prices. Can eke out their slender incomes and spread them a little further for the things they need.

When a sales tax raises prices so that they cannot make this little saving they will buy their groceries from the company stores, and a large per cent of their clothing and other merchandise from mail order houses, and Mayor Mahoney's argument about keeping the money in the home community is shot to little bits.

Furthermore, why should the farmers, the laboring people and other people out of the city limits be taxed to support the city where they have no vote in the city affairs and receive no benefits from the taxes so paid.

Mr. Mahoney, must you raise funds for the city?

There is an excellent way. There is real estate lying idle held at prices much beyond actual value, but taxed at a low value. Very well, tax such real estate according to sales price and you will see dead property come to life. You will see a reasonable valuation attached to property and property will pass from the hands of profiteers into hands of honest investment and earnest endeavor, and your city will have no need of a sales tax to raise city funds.

Do you wish to kill your city? Then pass the sales tax.

Do you wish to have your city prosperous, your streets full of traders, your stores all doing a capacity business, your real estate booming?

Then make your city a desirable place in which to trade instead of a robbers' roost.

MR. and MRS. GEO. LEWIS.

ARE WE AHEAD OF GROWTH?

This Writer Fears So. Warns Tax Will Promote Mail Order Business.

Klamath Falls,
To the Editor:—

There has been so much gulley wash in the papers lately about rate reductions, new water systems, sales tax and bunk that I have been prompted to give a sane and unbiased view to the above.

There is no possible excuse for our public service commission to dally along for two years investigating local rates before they have a hearing on same (as at present).

We find the same jockeying with city and county affairs. They have waited for three years before they commenced to get ready to prepare to begin to lower taxes. Our city and county officers should wash their own sink full of dirty dishes first, then it would be time to start some new form of taxation.

Go to practically any city or county office and you will seldom find the doors unlocked before 10 a. m., and locked around 4 p. m. and to do any business at either of our two bodies you are sure to lose a half a day or more from your other duties, and then you don't get started, as you have to come back again for council or board meeting.

It isn't a case of raise more revenue, it is a case of live within your present income, same as individuals do, if you haven't work enough to keep your vote getters busy eight hours a day, then lay them off as any business firm would do in slack times. Our city and county officials would lower taxes, lights, water, cut price of gasoline, curtail office help during slack times, and in that way give the people a chance to pay, but instead of that they want to raise more taxes and revenue and all from the working class of people.

Our gasoline price raise is the biggest steal in recent times, and not an official has said a word, (not even our chamber of commerce). Our chamber of commerce tells us that lights, water and telephones has increased for July, August and September. Please let us have figures for the same months of 1930-31 (then see). You can fool part of the people part of the time.

At last but not least comes a sales tax plan to raise more money, that is just fine for our city fathers, but wait, the people will send out of town to Portland and Frisco to Monkey Ward or Shears and Saw Buck, for what they want, so that don't do local hard pressed business men any good, or the taxpayer.

One great fault of Klamath Falls and county is that they are about 20 years ahead of our present growth.

I thank you Mr. Editor.

R. C. HOSKINSON.

Some People Say

We must start now on America's next task. This is to provide self-respecting security for every American.—Dr. Abraham Epstein, secretary of the American Association for Social Security.

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I am running my job and Roosevelt ain't got nothing to do with me.—Senator Huey Long.

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Japanese military power will never be used except morally.—Lieut. Gen. Sadao Araki, Japanese war minister.

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Loving relatives are a baby's worst enemies.—Dr. Alan Brown, University of Toronto.

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I think that employers as a body, and in their own interest, should hope that labor organizations realize their ambition.—Edward A. Filene, Boston merchant.

Million Allotted For Dam Project

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26. (AP)—The public works administration today allotted $1,000,000 to the state of Washington for excavation and disposal of materials covering the foundations of the Grand Coulee dam project. This supplements a previous one of $1,000,000 to finance construction of working quarters and facilities for engineers, and both will be returned to the federal government out of the $63,000,000 originally awarded for the Grand Coulee project.

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Society News

By Margaret Worden Hauge

All graduate nurses of Klamath county are cordially invited to an evening of fun and entertainment at a Hallowe'en masquerade party to be given Friday evening by the Oregon District Nurses association at the home of Vivian Anderson, 609 Lincoln street, at 8 o'clock.

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The Winema club of Tulelake will sponsor a benefit card party to be held Tuesday evening, October 31, at the American Legion hall, at 8:00 o'clock.

Bridge, five hundred and pinochle will be in play during the evening, and a small admission fee will include cards, special entertainment and supper will be charged. The public is cordially invited.

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Jimmie Dreher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Dreher, entertained eight of his friends Wednesday evening at a stag dinner at his home, 948 Prospect street. Mrs. Dreher served a wild duck dinner to her son's young guests.

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The World Wide Guild of the Immanuel Baptist church met at the home of Mrs. W. T. S. Spriggs, Tuesday evening, October 24. After a business session and study period, the evening was spent in a social hour of music and singing, and refreshments were served by the hostess. Miss Mary Jane Chasey was taken in as a new member of the organization.

CEDARVILLE, Calif.— A belated wedding announcement was made here this week by Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Tyeryar of the wedding of their daughter, Lois, to Ival A. Barber of Eagleville. The young couple were quietly married at Virginia City, Nevada, on June 29th.

Both the bride and groom are graduates of the local high school, the former also being a graduate of the University of California. The groom is an electrical engineer. The young couple, popular in the social set of this place, will make their home here.

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DANCING CLUB PLANS AFFAIRS

LAKEVIEW—Members of the Hi-Jinks Dancing club met Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Clive Snider to make plans for the coming year. Mrs. Snider was elected to serve as president and Mrs. Russell Bean as secretary and treasurer. It was decided that all the affairs this year will be in the form of dinner dances.

Couples serving as hosts and hostesses for the first dance of the season to be held within the next couple of weeks will be Mr. and Mrs. Victor Hohner, Dr. and Mrs. H. E. Kelty, Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Howard, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Thornton, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Nicholas and Mr. and Mrs. Glen Bagley.

Funerals

MATTIE WILSON.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Mattie Wilson will be held from the Klamath Funeral Home, 925 High street, Friday at 2:15 p. m. The Rev. Robert Lee Baird will officiate. Interment will follow in the Linkville cemetery.

Obituaries

EUGENE WILLIAM COTTRELL.

Eugene William Cottrell, a resident of this city for the last 11 years, passed away Thursday at 11:30 a. m., following a brief illness. Mr. Cottrell was a barber by trade, having a shop in this city. He was a native of Joplin, Missouri, and at the time of his death was aged 62 years and 4 days, having been born on October 22, 1870. Surviving are the wife, Mrs. Mabel Cottrell of this city, one daughter, Mrs. R. M. DeMille of Ashland, Ore., a brother, Leo W. Cottrell of Klamath Falls, Ore., one sister, Mrs. Anna Capehart of Seattle, Wash., also three grandchildren. The remains rest in the field room at the Earl Whitlock Funeral home, Pine street at Sixth, where friends may call. Notice of funeral to be announced later.

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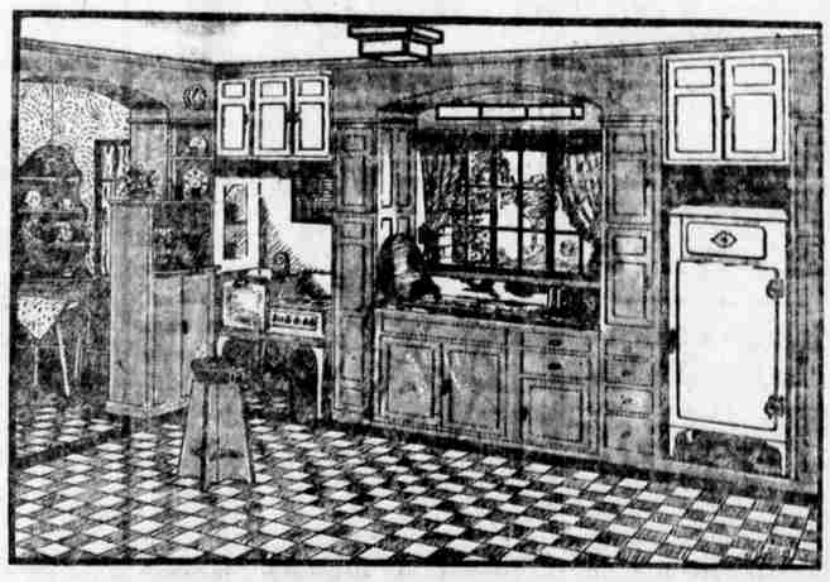

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