

# Letters

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valuable minerals from the earth. As societies advance, the intelligent mobilization of money combined with the building of a respected structure of business law tend to be hallmarks of the daily round of economic exchange. Thus, the process of "primitive economic accumulation" ideally gives way to technical efficiency on the part of those in charge of the means of production.

There is a complication here, however, which goes to the very root of contemporary controversies regarding the exploitation of economic "Peripheries" by (allegedly) advanced economic "cores/metropolises". The advanced economies and their production processes continue to require the crops and minerals brought forth by "primitive accumulations." This is a

circumstance that implies that certain regions of the earth must, from the point of view of capitalist material self-interest, remain rooted in a rudimentary condition of production. Essentially, this is the argument made by Uruguayan author Eduardo Galeano in his book "*Open Veins of Latin America*". Condemned by the global economy to being producers of raw materials, Third World countries possess plenty of rich commodities while being burdened by a multitude of poor people.

This dysfunctional (for the Third World) economic paradigm has, if anything, worsened in the age of computers, cell phones and other digital devices. The marvellous "in-nards" of these devices contain materials that are mined by some of the most horrifically dangerous methods imagina-

ble. Not only that, it is a fact that many high-tech corporations do not bother checking to see if their raw materials derive from "legal" mining operations. The Congo Republic is the site of many such illicit operations.

Paradoxically, therefore, the existence of economic efficiency and modernity in certain countries draw strength from the continued existence of economic backwardness elsewhere. This dynamic is to be witnessed even within the context of Europe. A "poor periphery" of countries like Greece, Spain, Portugal, Italy and Ireland serves as a reservoir of labor, raw materials, and investment opportunities for Europe's "wealthier" nations. For the United States an equivalent situation exists between it and the countries of Latin America.

So what is the solution to

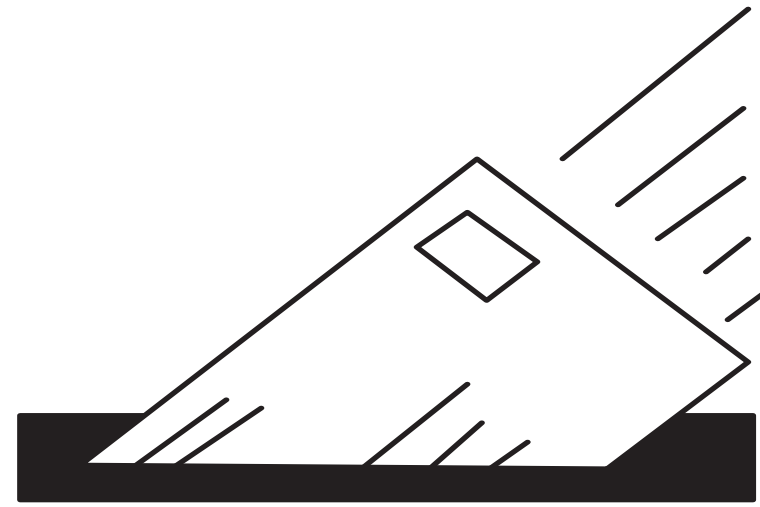
problems engendered by this unfavorable global economic dynamic?

There is, really, only one solution. Somehow or other, advances in economic efficiency and productivity must be completely detached from "inputs" of raw commodities. Until this is done – I have no idea how – raw commodities-producing

countries will continue to be "beggars on benches of gold", to employ Galeano's phrase.

Then, once "raw commodities" no longer must be "inputted" in production, the fruits of economic efficiency in the First World can be shared by the entire planet.

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# Action Ads

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### NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

A meeting of the Columbia County 4-H and Extension Service District will be held on June 1st, 2011 at 12:15 pm at the OSU Extension Office, 505 N. Col. River Highway, St. Helens, OR. The purpose of this meeting will be to discuss the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011, as approved by the Columbia County 4-H and Extension Service Budget Committee. A summary of the budget is presented below. A copy of the budget may be inspected or obtained at the OSU Extension Office 505 N. Columbia River Highway, St. Helens between the hours of 8:30 am and 4:30 pm. This budget was prepared on a basis of accounting that is consistent with the basis of accounting used during the preceding year. Major changes, if any, and their effect on the budget, are explained below. This budget is for the annual period of 2011-2012.

County	City	Chairperson of Governing Body	Telephone Number
Columbia	St. Helens	Tony Hyde	503 397-4322

### FINANCIAL SUMMARY

<input type="checkbox"/> Check this box if your budget only has one fund		Adopted Budget Current Year 2010-2011	Approved Budget Next Year 2011-2012
<b>TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS</b>			
Anticipated Requirements	1. Total Personal Services.....	140,000	165,149
	2. Total Materials and Supplies.....	117,000	110,000
	3. Total Capital Outlay.....	21,500	13,500
	4. Total Debt Service.....		
	5. Total Transfers.....	0	0
	6. Total Contingencies.....	150,853	145,147
	7. Total Special Payments.....	87,000	86,519
	8. Total Unappropriated and Reserved for Future Expenditure.....	10,000	10,000
	9. <b>Total Requirements - add Lines 1 through 8.....</b>	<b>526,353</b>	<b>530,315</b>
Anticipated Resources	10. Total Resources Except Property Taxes.....	318,000	319,519
	11. Total Property Taxes Estimated to be Received.....	208,353	210,796
	12. <b>Total Resources - add Lines 10 and 11.....</b>	<b>526,353</b>	<b>530,315</b>
Estimated Ad Valorem Property Taxes	13. Total Property Taxes Estimated to be Received (line 11).....	208,353	210,796
	14. Plus: Estimated Property Taxes Not To Be Received.....		
	A. Loss Due to Constitutional Limits.....	1,000	1,000
	B. Discounts Allowed, Other Uncollected Amounts.....	22,000	22,000
	15. <b>Total Tax Levied....(add lines 13 and 14 A &amp; B).....</b>	<b>231,353</b>	<b>233,796</b>
Tax Levies By Type	16. Permanent Rate Limit Levy (rate limit.....).....	Rate or Amount 0.0571	Rate or Amount 0.0571
	17. Local Option Taxes.....		
	18. Levy for Bonded Debt or Obligations.....		

### FUNDS NOT REQUIRING A PROPERTY TAX TO BE LEVIED

Name of	Actual Data Prior Yr 2009-10	Adopted Budget Current Yr 2010-11	Approved Budget Next Year 2011-12
<b>Fund: Building Fund</b>			
1. Total Personal Services.....			
2. Total Materials and Services.....			
3. Total Capital Outlay.....	2,260	27,000	31,000
4. Total Debt Service.....			
5. Total Transfers.....			
6. Total Contingencies.....		60,000	55,519
7. Total Special Payments.....			
8. Total Unappropriated / Reserved for Future Expenditure.....	86,518		
9. <b>Total Requirements (add lines 1 - 8).....</b>	<b>88,778</b>	<b>87,000</b>	<b>86,519</b>
10. <b>Total Resources Except Property Taxes.....</b>	<b>88,778</b>	<b>87,000</b>	<b>86,519</b>

### FUNDS REQUIRING A PROPERTY TAX TO BE LEVIED

Name of	Actual Data Prior Yr 2009-10	Adopted Budget Current Yr 2010-11	Approved Budget Next Year 2011-12
<b>Fund: Extension Programs</b>			
1. Total Personal Services.....	107,556	140,000	165,149
2. Total Materials and Services.....	74,234	117,000	110,000
3. Total Capital Outlay.....	3,238	21,500	13,500
4. Total Debt Service.....			
5. Total Transfers.....	14,000	0	
6. Total Contingencies.....		150,853	145,147
7. Total Special Payments.....			
8. Total Unappropriated/Reserved for Future Expenditure.....	255,764	10,000	10,000
9. <b>Total Requirements (add lines 1 - 8).....</b>	<b>454,792</b>	<b>439,353</b>	<b>443,796</b>
10. Total Resources Except Property Taxes.....	248,401	231,000	233,000
11. Property Taxes Estimated to be Received.....	206,391	208,353	210,796
12. <b>Total Resources (add lines 10 and 11).....</b>	<b>454,792</b>	<b>439,353</b>	<b>443,796</b>
13. Property Taxes Estimated to be Received (line 11).....		208,353	210,796
14. Estimated Property Taxes Not to be Received (line 11).....			
A. Loss Due to Constitutional Limit.....		1,000	1,000
B. Discounts, Other Uncollected Amounts.....		22,000	22,000
15. <b>Total Tax Levied....(add lines 13 and 14 A &amp; B).....</b>		<b>231,353</b>	<b>233,796</b>
		Rate or Amount	Rate or Amount
16. Permanent Rate Limit Levy (rate limit.....).....		0.0571	0.0571

## Public Notice

P&C Construction  
New Vernonia K-12 School

## REQUEST FOR BID

Bid Package Three (BP-3):  
Structured Cabling and Sound System

Bids Due 2:00 pm PST, June 7th, 2011

Bids for the "VERNONIA SCHOOL DISTRICT – STRUCTURED CABLING AND SOUND SYSTEM: BID PACKAGE THREE (BP-3)" will be received by the Construction Manager/General Contractor (CM/

GC), P&C Construction, 2133 NW York St., Portland, Oregon 97210 by the time and date listed above. Faxed bids will be accepted. Questions regarding the proposal shall be in writing and directed to Kevin McCall at P&C Construction by fax (503-667-2565) or e-mail (kmccall@built-bypanc.com). Late bids will not

be accepted.

The scope of work for this bid package includes, but is not limited to, Structured Cabling for the Voice and Data, Sound and Theatrical Intercom System at the new Vernonia K-12 School in Vernonia Oregon. It is anticipated that work on site will commence in September 2011 and must

reach Final Completion no later than April 12th, 2012.

Beginning on May 24th, 2011, bid documents may be examined at the offices of P&C or obtained electronically by contacting Rosanna Williamson at P&C Construction (503.665-0165 or

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