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LEARN TO SAY "NO"

Did you ever think what gullible suckers we voters are? We know the stork doesn't bring babies. We know the magician doesn't really pick money out of the air. We know water doesn't run up hill. But we never seem to learn that political magic is no different from stage magic, except the price of admission is more.

A good politician can make us think he picks money out of the air just like a good magician. But while the politician holds our attention by promising to give us something for nothing but our vote, his hand is in our pocket taking out our money (taxes) to pay for his "gift."

Unless we learn to say "no" to the tempting "gifts" offered us, the political magicians will promise us a free trip to the moon with a golden chariot to ride in when we get there—but by the time we arrived, we would have long white whiskers and the pawn broker would have the chariot (and probably our return trip ticket) for the tax lien the political magicians gave him against us.

CANCER ON THE BODY POLITIC

A recent editorial in the Manufacturer's Record presents some statistics which are a vital concern to every citizen—worker or employer, millionaire or day laborer.

According to the Record, there are more than 10,000,000 persons receiving salaries or aid from the Federal government. (This figure included 3,400,000 receiving AAA payments, who no longer receive them following the Supreme Court's AAA decision. However, the new farm plan will also include payments to farmers, so the chances are that the number of agricultural beneficiaries will not change greatly.)

Eliminating duplications, the Record continues, the total number of persons receiving Federal money comes to about one-fourth of the total number voting in the last presidential election.

More persons are getting Federal money than the number engaged in manufacturing industries. Almost as many persons are directly or indirectly on the Federal payrolls as the number engaged in agriculture. And the list of Federal beneficiaries is nearly double the number of persons engaged in trade on their own accounts in this country.

These figures do not include the millions of other public employes and beneficiaries on the payrolls of state and local governments.

There are two obvious deductions to be gained from these startling facts. First, the growth of government payrolls is placing an increasing and intolerable burden on the taxpayer—already, it is estimated, direct and hidden taxes take a third of the people's income. Second, and equally important, we are permitting the creation of a vast and cancerous bureaucracy which saps the productive energies of the nation, limits our rights and liberties, and endangers the very existence of a free democracy.

We need less government and cheaper government. We need fewer feeders at the public trough, and more productively employed workers. Continuance of the present trend will lead us inevitably to bankruptcy, chaos—and finally, ruin.

If you want to succeed in business just be as anxious to serve the public as the average candidate is before election.

Remember the good old days when the only rackets we had in the United States were used to play tennis with?

The Automatic Reviver



man just before he casts his ballot. It is also poor politics to talk about that openly. So the mutterers mutter, and hope nobody will hear their mutterings.

LaFollette, as one Congressional leader put it, "has blown the lid off." But instead of accepting LaFollette's plan, the chances are 10 to 1 congress will defeat it. Meanwhile, the eventual extraction from the small man's pocket will get bigger for the debt will keep piling up and the interest will keep growing.

There is also a small, third group of mutterers. They found a "joker" in the tax bill submitted to the house. Its purpose was to have something on the statute books that would be hard on the holding company act, which caused such bitter debate last year. The tax bill "joker" would in effect increase from around 10 to 42 1/2 per cent the tax on income that goes to a holding company. And such an increase, on top of other taxes, would virtually wipe out the remaining holding companies, not only utilities but others as well.

Program for Week at the Roman Theatre

Fri. Sat., May 22-23. Rainbow Nite Saturday. Jane Withers in "PADDY O'DAY" with Jane Darwell, Pinky Tomlin. She's a loveable little 'divvil' and as Irish as a Shamrock, with her songs and dances and saucy blarney. This little

orphan from Ireland will make your heart do a jig. Comedy, Musical, News. Pal Nite Friday.

Sun. Mon. Tues., May 24-25-26. Pat O'Brien, Josephine Hutchinson, Ross Alexander, Guy Kibbee in "I MARRIED A DOCTOR." Adapted from the novel "Main Street" by Sinclair Lewis. Can a doctor's private practice become too private? Half you women will want to leave town when I get through telling what I learned when I married a doctor." Vaudeville Reel, Color Cartoon, News.

Wed. Thurs., May 27-28. Rainbow Nite Wednesday! Double Features. No. 1, "THE LAST WILDERNESS." Folks, we call your attention to this picture because it was photographed in and around Cozy, Wyo., the Beartooth Mountains and the New Cooke City highway by Ned Frost of Cody and features Howard Hill, Archer Supreme. No. 2, Edw. Everett Horton, Lois Wilson in "YOUR UNCLE DUDLEY." Laugh, Town, Laugh! So human, it's hilarious. So real, it's riotous. Added: Comedy, Pal Nite Thursday.

Coming! Sun. Mon. Tues., May 31-June 1-2. Bette Davis, George Brent in Michael Arlen's daring stage success "THE GOLDEN ARROW." Bette's first picture since she was triumphantly acclaimed the finest screen actress of the year.

During the Amateur Hour last night we heard a squeaky tenor sing "It Is Enough," from Elijah. It was.

JONES FILES FOR DISTRICT JUDGE

Robert N. Jones, member of the Billings law firm of Brown and Jones, Wednesday filed with the Secretary of State at Helena, as a candidate for District Judge in the nonpartisan primary election of July 21.

Mr. Jones said that if elected as one of the two district judges he would serve with absolute fairness and impartiality. He said penalties in criminal actions would be enforced without regard to personalities, and that all matters coming before the court would be considered strictly on their merits.

The candidate has been actively engaged in the practice of law in central and southern Montana for the last 22 years. He has had experience as county and city attorney. His partnership with A. H. Brown dates from 1923.

Mr. Jones, a graduate of the University of Iowa Law school is married and the father of two children.

MAN-CAUSED FIRES PROVE EXPENSIVE

Although lightning started more than two-thirds of the forest fires in Region One of the Forest Service in 1935, those caused by man were responsible for nearly half the total cost of fire suppression for the year. These man-caused fires occasioned two-thirds of the total damage done by flames in the forests. The dollar value

per acre burned was a little higher in the case of lightning fires than for the man-caused fires.

The average cost of suppression per lightning fire was \$123, compared with an average of \$203 per man-caused blaze. Damage toll per lightning fire averaged \$30, whereas the average per man-caused was \$73. The difference in damage is accounted for by the fact that the average area of man-caused fires was 28 acres, while the lightning fire average was seven acres.

STRONG DEMAND CONTINUES FOR NORTHWEST FARMS

Active demand for Pacific northwest farm land which has been mounting almost every month since depression clouds began to clear away in 1934, still continues at a growing pace, according to Ward K. Newcomb, vice president of the Land bank of Spokane, in charge of real estate liquidation.

"For example sales of bank-owned properties, after setting a new high record last year, are showing further gains this year. During the past four months 511 acquired farms have been sold for approximately \$1,228,000, registering a gain of nearly 20 per cent over the same quarterly period last year. At the same time cash down payments have been larger, averaging about 20 per cent, or a total of \$235,790 between January and May."

CHERRY SPRINGS

Mrs. Vernor Smith of Billings spent Sunday at the Wiekierak home.

E. C. Egner made a business trip to Red Lodge Friday.

Miss Mildred Clark, who works near Joliet spent Sunday at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Newton of Joliet called in the Cherry Springs vicinity Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Petrie of Roberts were dinner guests at the T. C. Schrupf home Sunday.

Neal Simpson of Bridger is spending a few days at the Walter Simpson home.

Louis Wiekierak made a business trip to Boyd Saturday.

Frank De Vries and family motored to Richel Lodge Sunday.

Program for Week at the Iris Theatre

Friday, May 22. Rainbow Nite. "GUARD THAT GIRL." Drama Girl about to become a heiress has to be guarded from evil forces with murder, accident, mysterious prowlers, all adding to the excitement, Robert Allen, Florence Rice Medbury in Hollywood, Comedy, added short subjects.

Sat. Sun. Mon., May 23-24-25. "A TALE OF TWO CITIES" with Ronald Colman, Elizabeth Allan, Edna May Oliver, Basil Rathbone Blanche Yurka. Charles Dickens' great story vividly portrayed, blending the spiritual with heroic and tragic drama with grand finale. A Metro Goldwyn million dollar production. You'll like it as you did Mutiny on the Bounty and David Copperfield.

DEMEL ANNOUNCES JUDGES CANDIDACY

Chris W. Demel, now serving his second term as Yellowstone county attorney, announced Tuesday night that he would be a candidate for district judge in the nonpartisan judicial primary election of July 21.

In announcing his candidacy the prosecutor said he would be pleased to be advanced to the more important office on the basis of his record in his present position.

Four candidates for judge are to be nominated in the nonpartisan primary, and from this number two will be elected at the general election of November 3. This judicial district embraces the five counties of Big Horn, Carbon, Stillwater, Treasure and Yellowstone. Mr. Demel said that if elected he would "work hard to give the best service to each of the counties of the district."

The candidate was graduated from the University of Nebraska law school in 1914, and that summer located in Billings. He is married and the father of one child.

In 1916 and again in 1918 he was elected to the Montana house of representatives, and in 1922 was elected as Yellowstone county's senator.

This is the first year for district judges in Montana to be elected without regard to party lines. In 1928 Mr. Demel was one of the Democratic nominees for judge. His defeat in the general election of that year constitutes his only reversal at the polls.

An organist's occupation is not as easy as it appears to be. Isn't it "manual" labor?

WALLUM'S SOLEMN COLUMN

By EVERETT WALLUM

DEAR GRADUATES

It's almost 24 hours since you've got your diplomas. Last night it was "isn't he (or she) marvelous;" today, its (ah, horrible truth) "don't you think it's about time to look for a job?"

It isn't the looking for a job that's tough. It's getting one.

Anyway, you should decide once and for all whether you are going to college or whether you will amount to something.

MAYBE THEY CALL IT CARBON HIGH SCHOOL BECAUSE YOU GO OUT INTO THE COAL, COAL WORLD.

When we graduated from high school the impressive speaker said we were the hope of the world. We later discovered he must have meant "dope."

We're all for getting broken down failures for commencement speakers. They may not inspire you, but, boy, do they make you feel important.

Don't expect too much. We doubt you can conquer the world until Mussolini and Hitler pass out.

IT'S BEST, PROBABLY, TO RUN FOR CONGRESS RIGHT OFF. MIGHT JUST AS WELL START AT THE BOTTOM.

That includes you girls, too. They've got to have a speaker of the house.

If you're the retiring sort you can always run for vice-president.

Many a graduate who sets out to be a steel magnate ends up by picking up pins for a living.

There's something noble and commendable about being an artist, but in these times a fellow is lucky if he can draw a breath regularly.

YOU START OUT IN LIFE WITH HIGH IDEALS AND END UP WITH HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE.

It's best, maybe, not to worry about your future. The government will take care of that.

All we can hope is that you are so successful that you can even pay your taxes sometimes.

We suggest you stay off relief. Give the older fellows a chance at the soft stuff.

Of course, girls, you can go to business college and be a stenographer. The thing to do is not to be discouraged at the first lap.

We envy you fellows who are planning to be lawyers. You'll get at least an even break when arguing with your wives.

In fact, some of our best speeches were at the bar. Hurrurr-umph!

IT TAKES A LOT OF PUSH TO GET ALONG. ESPECIALLY IF YOU'RE A TELEPHONE OPERATOR.

When you go out and face the world, remember: it isn't very pleasant for the world, either.

It's nice to know the ropes, but don't let anybody string you.

Just when you get nicely started on the sea of life, there's always someone to take the wind out of your sails.

WE KNOW A GRADUATE OF LAST YEAR WHO HAS A SWELL JOB. HE INFLATES TIRES.

You must remember that it isn't the marks you get in school that make you successful. It's the scars you get afterwards.

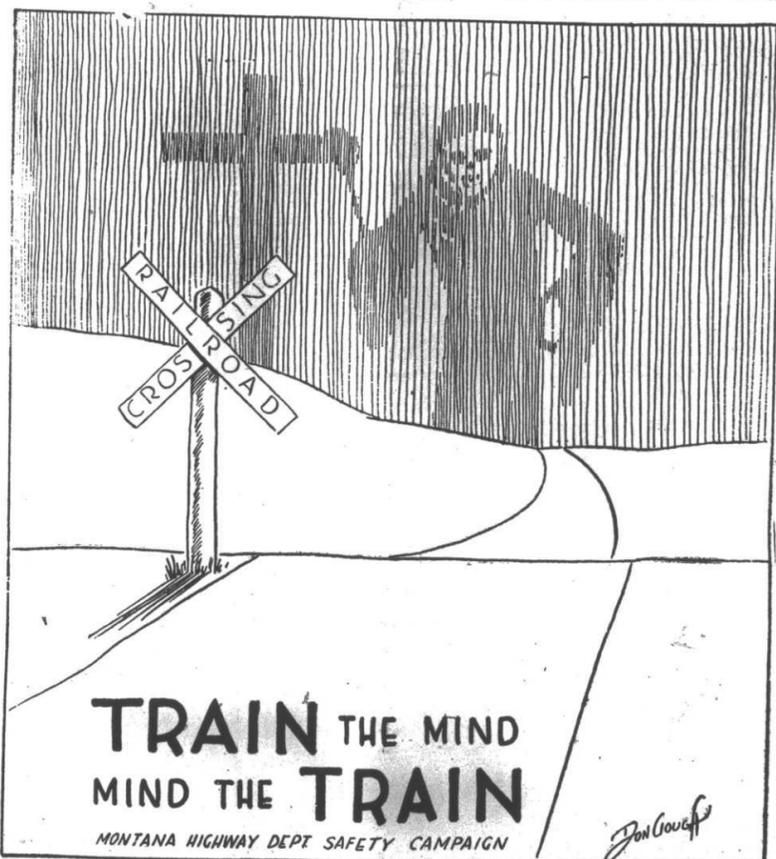
Hmmm. We're getting to be a regular lecturer. Shades of Henry Ward Beecher!

Forgive us for being so pessimistic. You'll probably all be a congressional investigation committee. Isn't that lovely?

HO HUM, PERIOD!

EXAMS ANNOUNCED The United States Civil Service commission has announced open competitive examinations as follows: Tobacco inspectors, various grades, \$2,000 to \$3,200 a year, department of agriculture, Procurement inspectors, aircraft, various grades, \$1,620 to \$2,600 a year, air corps, War department.

Full information may be obtained from B. D. Viers at the post office.



TRAIN THE MIND
MIND THE TRAIN

MONTANA HIGHWAY DEPT SAFETY CAMPAIGN

Jon Gouff

Washington Snapshots

by JAMES PRESTON

There is some underground muttering going on in Washington these days that the earthquake experts ought to be able to record on their seismographs.

It has to do with taxes. There are at least two sizable groups of mutterers: Those who object to passing any sort of tax bill in election year; and those who feel positive that the tax bill should be coated.

Until the last few days the latter weren't muttering much. The tax bill moving sluggishly toward the statute books was well sugar-coated. It was called, primarily, a tax on "corporation surpluses." Which meant little to the Omaha milkman, for it was hard for him to see a connection between himself, \$803,000,000 in new taxes, and the squander-spre.

But things have changed, just as the second group of mutterers hoped they wouldn't but were afraid they would. Senator Robert LaFollette, the Progressive, has emphasized something that the

mutterers wanted to talk down.

LaFollette has served notice that when the time arrives, he intends to offer an amendment to the tax bill which would broaden the income tax base. He does not intend to wait until after the election. What he proposes specifically is this:

He would reduce from \$2,500 to \$1,500 the amount of money a married man may earn without paying income taxes. He would reduce from \$1,000 to \$800 the amount a single person may earn. He would then raise the tax rate from 4 to 6 per cent on the smaller incomes and step them up all along the line to \$40,000.

LaFollette's reasons are that he thinks, like everybody who knows the value of money, that debts should be paid. And he realizes that it would be impossible to get the necessary money from the folks who make more than \$50,000 a year.

The only advocates of the new bill knew that too. But they hoped to soft-pedal the question until next session of congress. They figured that then they could slap a tax bill through without giving the Omaha milkman, or the Iowa farm hand, enough advance notice to protest.

The only argument they can advance now is that it is poor politics to boost taxes on the little