

How Much Government?

M's 2,272 miles from New York Salt Lake City, Utah. Yet, if all civilian employees in the execuwe branch of our federal government were six feet tall (they're not), and you placed them head to toe on U. S. Highway 30, they'd reach the distance easily with 1.4 miles to spare. This comparison is conservative. It was based on an estimate of 2 million government workers in the executive branch alone.

Perhaps nobody can ever know just how many there are. During the first four months of this year, they increased at a rate of more than 450 a day. Use another comparison. There is one executive worker in the federal government for every 21 income taxpayers. In other words, these 21 taxpayers are paying the salary of the 22nd man. And that's just in the executive arm of the federal government.

Paying the Piper

Each and every American citizen must not fail to be interested in this problem of mushrooming government. As long as we fool ourselves into the habit of asking for more government, we'll see more and more added to the payrolls and we'll pay higher and higher taxes. We need to decide how much government we want. Certainly the more of it we set up the more we have to may for. At the rate we have been going in the last decade, most of us will be working for the government

in a few years. That would be one of the simplest ways to take the country into socialism. Let most of us be drawing paychecks from the government, in salaries and various benefits, and we would have socialism right here without voting for it. What we need anstantly to remember is that the wernment has not a cent to spend kept what it collects from you me and from our neighbors.

It's Up to Congress

next Congress will have a test, and a real opportunity. Last year, the 80th Congress provided this historic opportunity by establishing a commission to study the reorganization of the executive side of our government. Membership of the Commission includes some of our most public spirited citizens. These experts are giving the structure and functions of many a government agency a thorough going over. They are also studying expenditures, with the idea of proposing changes that will bring both economy and efficiency.

Must Say: "No!"

The 81st Congress will have the tjob of acting upon whatever recommendations the Commission may present. It is not an easy task. Any executive finds it hard to lop off an office here, and an office there. When the government starts a service, it is hard to find a stopping place. Moreover, each and every department will fight to the finish for increased personnel and more

May the coming Congress' find enough gizzard and gristle to stand up and say no. We must end waste and extravagance in government. When nearly thirty cents out of every dollar you earn goes directly or indirectly toward support of federal government, that is too much. cannot continue to be the strong financially stable nation we be, unless something is done to mil the spread of government.

Ogar consumption in the United States from October, 1948, through July, 1949, was about 2 per cent lowthan in the same months a year

Meat production under Federal in spection for the week ending Au-sist 27 totaled 290 million pounds.

The 1949 series of 4-H Club Pullet Shows and Sales was opened in Chatham County recently when 19 dub members exhibited and sold 228 choice pullets.



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CHILDREN LEARN ABOUT FRENCH HORN-A French Horn player from the Little Symphony of the North Carolina Symphony Orchestra explains the mysteries of the horn to a music class. Children who have never seen instruments or an orchestra now have that opportunity with the North Carolina Little Symphony. The Orchestra under the direction of Benjamin Swalin will play in Kings Mountain next season. Memberships in the Symphony Society will make free programs for children possible and may be purchased during the membership campaign beginning next week,

Acre Permanent Pasture Is Goal

By B. P. Jenkins, Jr.

As stated before, the goal for Clereland County is at least one acre of Permanent Pasture and some alfalfa on every farm in the county. There are lots of reasons why ev-

ery farmer should have some these crops. The first one is that alfalfa and pasture furnish the cheap. est source of feed for livestock: (2) we need more of these feeds to furn- business. Since that time, the Exish feed for our present livestock;

this is an important thing on every ean be grown on any farm. One of farm in the county; (4) if we ever the first things to do is to select a get into a system of controlled acplece of land that is well drained, alfalfa this year.

In the past many people have felt that seeding alfalfa was a risky periment Stations haev done much (3) by seeding some of our land to work on growing alfalfa and have

reage on all crops, a farmer will as alfalfa will not grow on wet land. need a hay and pasture history, or If at all possible, we should select he may find it difficult to add live- land that has had a legume crop stock to his farming program, Tak- growing on it the previous year. To ing these reasons, along with PMA this we should add 2 tons of limeproviding financial assistance for stone, working this into the top 4-6 lime, seed and fertilizer, I think ey- inches of soil with a ripper and disk ery one will agree that every farm harrow. If the land that you select er should make an effort to seed at has not had a legume crop growing least one acre of pasture and some on it last year, it should be a good idea to add a liberal application of stable manure. This should be work. ed into the soil at the same time as the lime.

Before seeding alfalfa, we should apply some 800-1000 lbs. of 2-12-12 these two crops we will have a sod proven that, if we will carry out a fertilizer per acre, and 30-40 lbs. of that will prevent soil erosion (and few fundamental practices, alfalfa Borax. If you buy fertilizer that con-

tains Borax, find out the amount of prepared. Borax per 100 lbs. of fertilizer and fertilize accordingly. Being sure not to get over 40 lbs. of Borax per acre. 30 to 35 lbs, of either Kansas of Oklahoma grown common alfalfa should be seeded per acre, either by drill, seed sower, or seeding atachment on a cultipacker. It is best to divide the seed and cross sow sowing at right angles so as to get a uniform stand.

A small, but important, item in having success with alfalfa is get the seed innoculated properly. To do this, you should purchase from your dealer, some commercial innoculation and the directions for applying this will be on the contain-

Alfalfa should be seeded anytime during September and since we have had a good season during the past few days, a good time to sow would be as soon as the land can be

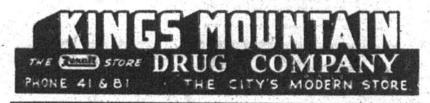
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