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AIN'T IT SO

(Marysville, Kan., Advocate-Democrat)

There is a story going the rounds in Marysville about a farmer who bought a radio from a local dealer only on the provision that it wouldn't get political speeches. Not long afterwards a hot letter came to the dealer, complaining that all the farmer could get on it was political speeches. When the dealer investigated, he quickly found the reason. The aerial had been strung between a windmill and the bullpen.

Power To Destroy

When Justice John Marshall said that "Power to tax is power to destroy", he uttered a mouthful.

Taxation has been gradually going up in this country since shortly before the World War. It surely has reached, or almost reached, a limit.

It is a common belief among the masses that a corporation making a big sum of money in any one year should be forced to pay the greater part of it to the government. Such procedure can be rightfully classed as destruction of business.

The economic welfare of the people of this nation depends greatly on the prosperity, if any, of business. If business prospers, the laborer can prosper.

We once heard a person make the remark that a manufacturing plant which makes \$50,000 in one year should be willing to turn over \$40,000 to the government in taxes. If the government takes three-fourths of the corporate income in taxes it destroys business in several ways.

Excessive taxation means that the corporation has no funds with which to expand its enterprises, and expansion means jobs for laborers.

Excessive taxation lessens the desire on the part of the owners to forge ahead and create business. In other words, why should they work their hands to the bone for business if government is to take three-fourths of the business?

If a corporation has no reserve and no surplus is allowed to accumulate, it has no choice but to close when business becomes lax and orders are few and far between. Often a plant continues to operate at least part time even when business is slack and future prospects not so rosy, provided it has a surplus in which to dig for the payroll.

America needs encouragement to change into high gear and go to work in full blast. Taxation at present is a brake on business and an increase would work on business like stepping on hydraulic brakes of an automobile when danger is seen directly ahead.

A Revolution

In the excitement of locking over the 1939 automobiles at the recent National Automobile Show in New York, few spectators realized they were actually taking part in a revolution.

And what a revolution — bloodless and life-saving. A vote was being taken on questions pertaining to automobile operation and regulation from the standpoint of safety.

One of the questions was: "Which one of the following has been the most effective in making you think seriously about automobile accidents? 1, personal enforcement experiences; 2, personal accident experiences; 3, safety educational experiences." At a time when a total of 3,900 votes had been cast, No. 1 stood 649, No. 2, 944 and No. 3, 1,704.

And there is your revolution, namely, public understanding which resulted from consistent and regular safety education to show that only by personal cooperation between drivers and law enforcement authorities can automobile deaths and accidents be curbed or reduced. During the past year or two the steady upward trend was broken.

Solving the Farm Problem

The ultimate solution of the farmer's problem, we have been told for many years, is the development of new uses for the products of the soil. The Farm Chemurgic Council has spent much money and time in laboratory research to discover industrial uses for farm crops, and with discouraging success.

Now the United States Department of Agriculture is starting out on the same line. Four regional laboratories are to be established under a new Bureau of Agricultural Technology and Engineering, headed by Henry G. Knight, chief of the Bureau of Chemistry.

The purpose is to find new ways of tying agriculture to industry, by developing industrial uses for such items as corn, wheat, fruits, vegetables, potatoes, cotton, sweet potatoes, peanuts, tobacco, apples and milk. Those are on the list of farm products in which the first research efforts will be made.

In the meantime, an important step toward industrial utilization of the potato crop has been made in Maine. At Houlton, the center of the great Aroostock potato district, two new starch mills are being built. One of them, with a capacity of 2,000 barrels of potatoes a day, will turn out 20 tons a day of starch for the use of New England textile manufacturers, by a new process which takes only six hours instead of 72 from raw potato to finished starch.

The other will make a type of starch new in American industry, which has heretofore been imported.

That is the sort of thing which will do more to put agriculture on a stable footing than all the benefit payments, crop control plans and price-fixing projects that anyone has proposed.

Judging from some work crews we have seen, the correct proportion of foremen to laborers is about three-to-one.

ACHIEVEMENT TALKS

By LUCIUS HUMPHREY

Author of "It Shall Be Done Unto You"

"God becomes a reality to the individual in experience."—Lucius Humphrey.
Today, I shall tell you about a boy, member of a large and poor family, whose father was dead, and who wanted a college education. He had only enough money for the first year's tuition, but none for food, lodging, books or clothes. A friend sent this youngster to me. Very frankly he told me his problem.

"Are you willing to build up a mental picture of yourself at college succeeding in your work and earning enough money to cover all your expenses?" I asked. He said he would try his hardest.

I explained that fears and doubts arise in the Habitual Mind, the commonplace every day mind; that above this is another mind-phase, the Christ Mind, which knows no fears and which realizes that it can call upon the highest spiritual factor in Man, the God Mind or Higher Intelligence, for the solution of all problems.

This Christ Mind, I explained, through imagination, connects the Habitual Mind with the God Mind, making of the three mind-phases one mind—a perfect implement for creation in the visible world.

"Do you mean to say that I can create my whole future by picturing it mentally, and then having faith that this God Mind will supply all the new ideas necessary to the development of my plans?" he asked.

"Where do you suppose that Edison got his great ideas if not from the Source of all ideas?" I told him about my years of friendship with the great inventor and how he relied upon this Source.

"Have you faith enough to take that one year's tuition and go to that college town, believing firmly that the necessary ways and means will be forthcoming?" "I'll do it!—I'll go tomorrow!" the youngster said.

Next day he started out on the greatest adventure of his life. Arrived in the university town, he went straight to the registrar, paid his tuition, rented a cheap room and started out to find a job before his few remaining dollars were gone. He found one—I don't believe anyone could have resisted that victory-breathing youngster.

On he went, like an army with banners, taking the law course in his courageous stride. Today he is a leading lawyer in a Middle Western city.

Faith is indeed "the substance of the things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen."

Death Takes Little

Retta Ruth Eller

Retta Ruth Eller, born February 25, 1884, departed from this life November 14, 1938; age 54 years, 8 months and 19 days. She is survived by her mother, Pearl Eller, one sister, Melba Lee, and a host of relatives and friends to mourn her passing.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, November 16, at Mt. Pleasant Baptist church with Rev. Grady Hamby, of Boone, in charge.

Burial was in Mt. Pleasant cemetery.

Ads. get attention—and results!

NOTICE OF SALE OF BONDS

\$48,000

Town of North Wilkesboro,

North Carolina

Refunding Bonds

Sealed bids will be received until 11 o'clock, A. M., December 13, 1938, by the undersigned at its office in the city of Raleigh, N. C., for \$48,000 Refunding Bonds of the Town of North Wilkesboro, N. C., dated December 1, 1938, maturing annually on December 1, \$12,000 1945 to 1948, inclusive, without option of prior payment. There will be no auction. Denomination \$1,000; coupon bonds not registerable; principal and interest (J & D 1) payable in lawful money in New York City; general obligations; unlimited tax; delivery at place of purchaser's choice.

Bidders are requested to name the interest rate or rates, not exceeding six per cent per annum in multiples of one-fourth of one per cent. Each bid may name one rate for part of the bonds (having the earliest maturities) and another rate for the balance, but no bid may name more than two rates, and each bidder must specify in his bid the amount of bonds of each rate. The bonds will be awarded to the bidder offering to purchase the bonds at the lowest interest rate to the Town, such cost to be determined by deducting the total amount of the premium bid from the aggregate amount of interest upon all of the bonds until their respective maturities. No bid of less than par and accrued interest will be entertained.

Bids must be enclosed in a sealed envelope marked "Proposal for Bonds" and be accompanied by a certified check upon an incorporated bank or trust company, payable unconditionally to the order of the State Treasurer of North Carolina for \$960. The right to reject all bids is reserved. The approving opinion of Storey, Thorndike, Palmer & Dodge, Boston, Mass., will be furnished the purchaser.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION,
By: W. E. Easterling, Secretary of the Commission. 1t

Announcement to the Public

We wish to take this method of informing our many customers and friends that the CARDWELL LUMBER COMPANY, of which the late C. H. Colvard was owner and manager, will continue to be operated under the management of Messrs. S. T. Colvard and Carl F. Colvard, and that the patronage of the people of Wilkes and adjoining counties is respectfully solicited. The policies of the company will remain the same as in the past, and everything possible will be done to give our patrons the best of service, the best of materials, and the best of prices.

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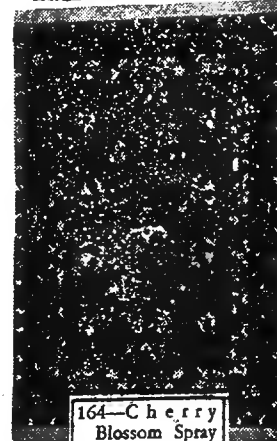


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