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PRICES WILL FOLLOW WAGES.

The government's efforts to control prices, Business Week recently observed, are "meeting difficulties." Despite the work of Leon Henderson's office, commodity prices continue to rise.

There is a very sound reason for that. The reason is wages. It should be obvious to anyone that prices and wages still follow the same course. It is utterly unreasonable to expect that we can fix prices and at the same time permit wage level to steadily rise.

During this defense boom, wages have risen much faster than production. In the year ending last June, payrolls increased 42 per cent—while manufacturing output increased only 30 per cent. Wage increases have also been far greater than price increases.

The efforts of business and the government to control prices will prove completely ineffectual if this trend continues. In some lines, of which retail merchandising is perhaps the most outstanding, prices have been held down for the reason that business has taken smaller profits. That cannot go on indefinitely, in the face of the wage trend. If we are to have an upward price spiral with it. If we are to place a workable ceiling over prices, on the other hand, we must also place a ceiling over wages. There are no alternatives. And the sooner we realize that, the sooner the price-wage problem will be solved.

STUDY IN RELATIVITY.

A short time ago, a dog which was suspected of having rabies ran loose in the city of Peoria, Illinois. The animal had bitten a 7-year old boy. If the dog was not captured at once to test him for rabies, the boy would have to take anti-rabies inoculation—which is both painful and somewhat risky.

The dog got loose because three women undertook to stage a "dog delivery" at the city pound in protest against animal experimentation which they contended entailed suffering on the part of the animals.

Commenting on this, the Peoria Journal Transcript said: "Apparently the question thus posed is one of relativity in suffering. Even if it be assumed that the charge animals suffer under experimentation is true (a charge denied by medical research workers), the situation presently disclosed here is that if the dog which is a rabies suspect escapes capture and return to the pound, the boy bitten by the dog will certainly

not escape the pain and suffering incidental to anti-rabies inoculation. This is a neat little study in relativity."

The Peoria case seems to be one where ignorance of the necessity of animal experimentation by qualified scientists drove well-meaning people to a dangerous extreme of action. If experimentation on animals is forbidden, the experiments must be made on human beings. Science can not guess. It must prove. And proof comes only from experimentation.

Medical experimentation on animals has resulted in some of the greatest and most beneficial medical discoveries. It has been the means of saving hundreds of thousands of human beings from suffering and death. To forbid it, would turn back the clock of medical advancement.

TIME TO SAVE.

As banking authorities are pointing out, saving on the part of the public is especially important now.

Saving does two things, both of which are desirable and necessary. First, it builds up a backlog for the future when the defense program will be over and we will have to return to some sort of normal basis of living. Second, it diverts money from the consumer goods markets—and that, in turn, helps build up the stocks of materials needed for military preparedness.

Today the government is urging the people to purchase the special defense bonds and stamps newly issued by the Treasury. The banks of America, knowing full well the gravity of our economic problems, are cooperating fully in the endeavor, without a nickel of profit to themselves. When we loan to the government, we are directly aiding defense, we are investing in the safest known form of security, and we are helping fight inflation. Every family should make defense bond purchases an integral part of its budget for as long as the emergency endures. Buy as many bonds as you can. And don't dispose of them unless it is absolutely unavoidable.

Fear Japanese Thrust Into Indo-China

A flood of reports from all around the globe hinted last night that action of major importance was about to take place in the Far East. Most reports hinted at a Japanese drive southward into French Indo-China.

Japan clamped down a strict censorship over both radio and cable communication. President Roosevelt in telling of the move at his press conference in Washington, declined to say whether he expected any new aggressive move by Japan in the near future, but when asked whether he thought Toyko's action significant he replied in the affirmative. Japan and France were reported negotiating over French Indo-China, and British sources heard that the negotiations concerned Japanese demands.

The Japanese press, which often reflects official opinion, charged that the Chinese, British and Free French forces were prepared to invade French Indo-China, and the German radio said that in the event of such an invasion "measures would be taken immediately."

Neutral military observers in Shanghai said they were skeptical of the origin of the Japanese report, which was datelined Hong Kong. Declaring they doubted the British censor at Hong Kong would pass such a story, they suggested that there might be a similarity between the report and German ac-

POOLE'S MEDLEY

By D. SCOTT POOLE

As we all know the United States recently occupied Iceland, and most of us thought Iceland to be what its name indicates, but in that country, and is the case in England, the Gulf Stream so effects the climate, it is inhabitable.

I remember when the colored people first started to school, my brother asked a colored boy his own age, if he were studying Geography, and the boy said: "I don't know what you are talkin' about—that's beyon' my latitude."

The Negroes are being educated beyond the expectation of the most sanguine and are developing into totalists also, while many of us know well what ruin has been done the Negro race since freedom. Many of them learned in the school of experience.

I am not enthusiastic over a road from Vass to Fort Bragg. I know it will do Raeford no good and I doubt it's a help to any community, except Fort Bragg, which would often have to be closed because of "Firing."

Somebody explain the difference: A man arises at 6, goes to work at 7, works 8 hours, and is out at land the remaining daytime he reads, works or plays: Or we have daylight Savings Time. It's law. The clocks are run back an hour. When it was 8 o'clock, the clocks say 7. A man goes to work at 8, is through by 4. There are still hours of daylight. Which is better; move yourself up, or move the clock back?

My honest conviction is: \$10,000 a year men should find more helpful ways of serving humanity than in debating Daylight Savings laws.

There are many persons, intelligent folk, who will tell you: If the United States had joined the League of Nations, this present war would not have started. Right. The first World War would be still going on, and there would be no room for the new one.

We have the same lands, not so many domestic animals, but more automobiles, trucks and buildings now than we had in 1900. But the taxable property in this state has more than tripled. I sometimes study of the changes in values. Raeford sold for \$2 per acre fifty years ago.

The man who owned 50 acres of land at Fort Dearborn, Illinois, became a millionaire from the sale of lots. So did a man who owned the lands along Peachtree street, Atlanta, Ga.

A hardware merchant of Maxton invented this valve, which kept a pump primed. Then he invented the sieve point to keep back mud, so the two things, which he had patented, which he had a big pump manufacturing company make and sell, paying him a royalty on each pump, so he soon accumulated wealth—about \$5,000 from that a year.

A colored man who used to work on a railroad section here, while his family farmed near town, lost \$2,000 when a Moore County bank closed. I saw him a few days ago. He said he still had plenty to live on, but he is still mad about losing his money.

Two Moore County men met. Both chewed tobacco. One took out his pocket-piece, placed a nickle on it, and said to the other: Take your choice a nickle, or a chew of tobacco. The neighbor took a chew.

"I assume Cupid had nothing to do with making the alphabet." "How do you know that?" "Because, if he did; U and I would have been closer together."

"Many men will be miserable when I marry." "That depends upon how many times you marry."

"Is this my train?" "Yes, but the railroad company's name's on it."

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Gentry and family spent the weekend at White Lake with friends and relatives from Roxboro.

Mr. and Mrs. John Whitt and children, of Roxboro, visited Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Gentry this week. Mrs. Gentry returned with them to Roxboro to remain for a few days.

cusations of British intentions before the invasions of Scandinavia and the lowlands.

In Vichy, the capital of unoccupied France, authorized sources declared negotiations on Indo-China were under way between France and Japan. This developed as the pro-German newspaper Les Nouveaux Temps was saying France was in critical danger of losing Indo-China unless it worked with Japan for its protection.

A Japanese army spokesman in Shanghai acknowledged that Japanese reservists living in China had been called for duty, but he said the move was merely for training.

A British radio broadcast heard in New York said reports of large scale mobilization throughout Japan and requisitioning of horses and motor trucks indicated "big developments are imminent."

District Meetings Called For Farmers Of State

The North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation, under the leadership of J. E. Winslow, Greenville, President, and R. Flake Shaw, Greensboro, Secretary, is calling four district meetings in four different cities of North Carolina to discuss with the farmers of this state the vital questions facing North Carolina Agriculture as a result of present unbalanced conditions throughout the world. The discussions will be under the supervision of Walter L. Randolph, President of the Alabama Farm Bureau Federation, and an expert on the cotton problems of the south. Mr. Randolph was one of the leaders in the congressional fight for 85% parity. In addition to Mr. Randolph, J. B. Hutson, President of the Commodity Credit Corporation and perhaps the best informed man in the United States on flue-cured tobacco, will address the Greenville meeting; and Ben Kilgore, Executive Secretary of the Kentucky Farm Bureau and James Thigpen of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration will address the Asheville and Greensboro meetings. Final plans have not been made for the Gastonia meeting. However, Mr. Shaw states that I. W. Duggan, Director of the Southern Region, has been invited to discuss the cotton situation.

President Winslow and Secretary Shaw state that these meetings are being called for the following purposes:

1. To explain Farm Bureau Parity Loan Legislation recently passed by Congress and the benefits each individual farmer will receive from this new legislation.
 2. To plan organized movement throughout the state to get this temporary parity legislation made permanent.
 3. To inaugurate a campaign for parity loan benefits to producers of non-basic crops like truck crops, vegetables, etc.
- Dates and places of these meetings are as follows:
Asheville, July 22nd. 10:00 A. M. Assembly Room, Court House
Greensboro, July 23rd. 10:00 A. M. Bessemer High School Building
Gastonia, July 24th. 10:00 A. M. Memorial Hall
Greenville, July 25th. College Auditorium (Hour undetermined)
The North Carolina Farm Bureau, says Secretary Shaw, is very proud of its record in cooperation with the American Farm Bureau in sponsoring

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Espie Pond of Maxton, and Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Graham and children of Fayetteville, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Lytle, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Gore attended the funeral of Mr. Clyde L. Gore in Whiteville, Sunday.

Mary Helen Gatlin, who is attending summer school at Wake Forest College, spent the week end at home.

Mrs. I. H. Shankle, Aris Shankle, Mrs. J. C. Thomas, Mrs. J. K. McNeill, Mrs. Jack Morris, and Mr. and Mrs. Eli Shankle attended the funerals of Mr. Sam Lentz and Mrs. J. M. Lowder in Albemarle, Tuesday.

Hartman Yarborough, and Hubert Cameron were among the boys from Ft. Screven, who spent the week end at home.

Miss Stella Pastuck of Atlantic City, N. J. and Virginia spent the weekend with Mrs. Harold McDiarmid.

MASONIC NOTICE

Special Communication Raeford Lodge No. 306, A. F. & A. M., Friday night, July 25, at 7:30 P. M., third degree. All master Masons invited. MARCUS R. SMITH, Master EDGAR HALL, Secretary.



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