



Hidden Taxes Dull Taxpayer's Feeling

People who are close to this administration admit that this government will never go back to the old-time budgets which used to be around four or five billion dollars. If good times come, these people say, we may get below a seven billion dollar a year budget, but not for long. They know that the budget will always go up. It always has gone up.

In answer to the many questions asked by newly arrived visitors here: "Where will it all come out?" The answer is that it will come out of the pockets of the people. It is argued that the people continue to want more and more. That costs money, people's money. So that why there is so much talk right now about our tax structure. Some are advocating the repeal of "hidden taxes" which now produce most of the government revenue and enact instead direct and visible taxes that touch the pocket nerves of the largest number of voters. These people figure that when they touch the individual pocketbook, they touch the heart. They feel if the people or voters actually felt the hidden taxes which they do not feel so much now, they might suddenly realize that they are hiring somebody to actually spend their actual cash in hand.

Want An Embargo on Junk Metal

Although it has been going on for quite a few years, members of the House and Senate have suddenly awakened to the fact that America is being denuded of scrap tin and scrap iron, which is being shipped to Japan and European countries, where it is being turned into engines and munitions of war. Junk dealers all over the United States have been gathering the cast iron metals in quantities and shipping it out, until at last the metal interests of the United States are crying for an embargo before our country is stripped of metal which is needed here. Only a short time ago we went into a war to end all wars and to make the world safe for democracy, and now a bill has been introduced in the Senate asking for the control of junk metal and it may come up for discussion later with some very interesting revelations.

City Wants More Money

So fast is this City of Washington growing that the commissioners of the town are formulating a five year—seventy-five million dollars improvement program for the district. Although plans are under way by the city government to increase taxation here, the people of the town are focusing their eyes on Congressmen, wanting the taxpayers of the forty-eight states to contribute a little money toward the expense of this city.

Crowds of Employees Amaze Nebraskans

Wonderment is written on the faces of Nebraska visitors who go down town at 9 o'clock in the morning and see thousands of well dressed young men and young women hurrying to get into the office buildings. They come out again by the thousands at four or four thirty in the afternoon. During those hours the streets are jammed with busses, street cars, taxis and private cars. It is a street traffic problem twice a day, morning and afternoon.

Nebraskans say they see such crowds once a year—that's when the circus comes to their town. Washington has a circus crowd twice a day, only the Washington crowds are about twenty times the size of our Nebraska circus crowds.

"What God Hath Wrought"

On 14th and F streets here in Washington, stands a telephone pole which marks the spot where the first telegraph office in the United States was located. It might be of interest also to know that the first telegram ever sent was "clicked off" on a telegraph key by Samuel F. B. Morse on May 24, 1844 and this telegram was sent from the old supreme court room in the capitol building to Alfred Vail, who was a partner of Morse and who lived at Baltimore. The telegram read as follows: "What God Hath Wrought." Vail had gone to Baltimore which is a short distance from Washington for the express purpose of receiving this message and testing their new invention.

The old supreme court room which was the first sending station of telegrams, is threatened to become an inner room, because plans show a bill has already passed the Senate to change the entire front of the nation's capitol. The bill will be given a hearing in the House committee on buildings and

grounds, which committee, a year ago, defeated such an attempt.

Need Efficiency and Economy

People at home ought to know that several committees have been appointed to study government bueraus and government spending and that these committees have made their reports. The President's message on executive reorganization was the result of a committee which was appointed by the executive. One committee dwells much on "economy" and the other on "efficiency."

The committee on economy has given some unusual facts which should be of interest. While these facts were called to the attention of home folks in these columns several times last year, they are given again to refresh the memory. Government agencies offices are scattered from Washington to Alexandria in Virginia all the way to Baltimore in Maryland. These offices should be located at the seat of government in Washington. The Resettlement Administration has thirteen addresses in Washington. There are over 104 information and publications offices for the government here. The government rents a building where government employees can get information about what government agencies do and where they are located, but changes are so fast that offices do not have all the information. There are 126 agency libraries here. There are fifty-one traffic managers in Washington—these arrange personnel, transportation, freight and also make purchases. The federal government now pays for more than 32,882 telephones in this town as compared with 17,000 telephones in 1930. The government now has 114,792 listed civil executive employees, not including those employees on the judicial, executive, military and relief payrolls. There are twice as many employees in this town alone as we had in the nearby days of 1927. Taxpayers pay nearly two million dollars a year for rental.

There have been more new jobs created since 1933 than during the first century of our nation's existence, and right now we are still adding at the rate of 100 new employees for every day and every month, and the town has been overrun with men and women looking for government jobs. Back in 1916 our total cost of government including interest on our public debt was around one billion dollars. Now the interest on our public debt alone is nearly as great as the total cost of government in that year. Not counting recovery and relief, we are spending nearly six times as much as we spent in 1916, so it is no wonder that both sides feel that the major problem is going to center around "what are we going to do with these hundreds of government agencies doing about the same thing." The question is will it be economy and efficiency, or will it be efficiency alone?

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday School 10:00—Mr. C. E. Yantzi, superintendent.
Morning Worship 11:00—"Letting the Truth Shine."
Evening Service 8:00—This will be a Union service. Rev. A. J. May will preach and the singing will be led by a Men's chorus and orchestra.

In these days of uncertainty and tragedy we ought to turn to God.
H. D. Johnson, Pastor.

METHODIST CHURCH

A. J. May, Pastor
Sunday school at 10 a. m.
Gospel service of worship at 11 a. m.—Vocal solo, Clarence Selah; Sermon subject, "Sameness in Religious Experiences."
Epworth League at 7 p. m.—Frank Reece, leader. A special meeting.

Evening Union Service at the Presbyterian church 8 p. m. Sermon subject, "Is Doing Good Being Religious?" Men's chorus special.
Official board meeting Tuesday at 8 p. m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Bowen.

STATE HOUSE SHORTS

L. H. Bucholz, successor to W. B. Banning as state director of agriculture, has begun his new work. Otho De Vilbiss is Governor Cochran's new private secretary. Theo Osterman, former private secretary succeeded Thomas Gass as a member of the liquor commission.

Ten Nebraska cities have been named by O. S. Bare, United States extension service entomologist, as key centers for the distribution of grasshopper poison. These are McCook, Scottsbluff, North Platte, Sidney, Alliance, Columbus, Lincoln, St. Paul, Holdrege and Franklin. If necessary county seat centers may, in some instances be made distribution points for adjoining counties.

Over the County

SOUTHWEST BREEZES

By Romaine Saunders
Mr. and Mrs. H. L. James spent Sunday in Atkinson.

Farm-to-market roads make fascinating pre-election talk.

Maurice Kennedy was over this way from Amelia Saturday.

E. E. Young took a trailer load of hogs to the sale ring Tuesday.

Agricultural experts say the wind helps the grass grow. We'll take ours in showers.

Ray Bly and family spent the day Monday at the home of Mrs. Bly's parents over in Wyoming.

Monday morning an airplane droned across at a height that put it above the low drifting clouds headed due north.

The editor can have this column for the following few weeks for something worth while, as I will be away for a time.

Mrs. Welton was over in the southwest Friday, accompanying her husband, with the baby, on his mail route out of Amelia.

Mrs. H. E. Eno of Lincoln, accompanied her mother, Mrs. Saunders and brothers on their return home Tuesday. Her two boys are with her.

If the Russians want a—what is it they have?—the Germans a Hitler, the Italians a Mussolini, the Spaniards a revolution, that's their business.

What Bernard Kennedy regarded as his choicest of the milk stock died a day last week. The cow had been unable to get onto her feet for some two weeks previous.

Mrs. Roblyer of Atkinson, accompanied by her nephew, Lee Smith of Burwell, stopped in the neighborhood Monday while on her way home from a trip to Lincoln.

Something is always taking the joy out of life for certain groups. Italian winebibbers are in distress because there are "only 3,750,000-000 gallons" in prospect for this season.

Someone has it figured out that Americans have got self-government down to where there are a hundred and seventy-five thousand government units that now absorb twelve billion five hundred million dollars annually. It costs about \$2 a vote down here in Swan to hold a primary election.

Just how a horse can lie down by a barbed wire fence to roll, flop over and get up on the other side of the fence without being slashed by the barbs is something of a trick. A 3-year-old did that in the pasture Sunday and came to meet me when I went out to lead her back thru the gate.

Those who had visions of the short strip of highway out of Amelia, about the only thing the southwest ever benefited from a legislative act, being extended thru the ranch country to the west have been sadly let down. Of the \$1,500,000 to be spent on highways the southwest doesn't get a smell. But we were not included in the gas tax exemption.

Those who are busy tearing the country to pieces never run out of ideas. One of the latest is to substitute for the actual date upon which national and state holidays fall the Monday following, thus giving at that particular time three successive days cessation from business. Don't know whether the cows would hold over that long without being milked.

The southwest furnished the cowboy-artist who has been awarded the job of drawing the rodeo scene for the Union Pacific railroad to adorn the front of a folder the railroad is issuing. The "lucky dog" is Hugh Thomas James, from our neighboring ranch. Hugh left the ranch some two years ago and took up the study of commercial art at a large institute in Minneapolis and he developed a talent that has been recognized by one of the most exacting advertisers in the country. The railroad offered a prize of \$25 for an idea depicting a rodeo scene and an additional \$75 for the completed drawing. Among a number of contestant's Hugh's offering has been accepted. He is now in Omaha after some months spent at home since being injured in a railroad wreck in January.

Hugh grew up amid Holt county ranch scenes and with his talent for drawing is eminently fitted to portray the bronc-riding stuff.

MEEK AND VICINITY

Mr. and Mrs. James Spindler came up from Omaha Thursday to attend the graduation of the Spindler twins, Leone and Lera, and also for a few days visit with her folks. They returned home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Wright and Miss Nellie Hinman of California, were guests at the John A. Robertson home Wednesday and Thursday.

Mrs. Nellie Stevenson of Valentine and Mrs. Dede Harrison and son, Billy of Crawford, came down and spent the week-end at the Orville Harrison home. Mrs. Harrison and son went on to Spencer for Memorial day, also making a business trip to Butte, returning to the Orville Harrison home Tuesday. They left for their homes Monday. Mrs. Stevenson is a sister of Mr. Harrison.

Supper guests at the Roy Spindler home Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. James Spindler, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Borg and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Griffith and Cecil.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Hansen, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Hansen and son, Wayne, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Modica and sons, Donald and Darrel, and daughter, Jean, drove from Sioux Falls, S. D., for a visit at the Eric Borg and Dan Hansen homes. They also called at the Frank Griffith home Monday.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Devall May 31. Mother and babe are doing nicely, and Elmer is expected to recover. Mrs. Devall was formerly Dorothy Harrison. Guests at Frank Griffith's Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. James Spindler of Omaha, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Spindler, Leone and Leroy, Mable and Lucille Jones and Walter Devall.

Guests at the Dan Hansen home Monday were Mr. and Mrs. Dave Hansen, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Hansen and son Wayne, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Modica and sons Darrel and Donald and daughter Jean of Sioux Falls, S. D., Mr. and Mrs. Eric Borg and Marvel, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Hubby, Mr. and Mrs. William Hubby and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rouse, Lawrence, Lloyd and Delbert.

Miss Maude Rouse of O'Neill, spent Saturday night at the Howard Rouse home.

Walter Rouse of Inman, is helping Henry Walters a few days.

Memorial Day services at Paddock Union were largely attended, the church being filled to capacity. The children did fine with their readings and songs, and the young people also did well with the singing. Rev. May of the O'Neill Methodist church gave a very good address. A beautiful new flag was purchased this year.

Laverne Borg called at the Griffith home Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Christina Kaczor came out from O'Neill Monday and is visiting at the home of her brother, Will, and family.

Miss Muriel Graham has been helping Mrs. Gwinn Karel the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Hull and children of Sioux City, Iowa, were guests Sunday at the home of Mrs. Ella Hull.

INMAN NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Rouse and family drove to Wayne Friday to get their daughter Lelia who has attended the State Normal school there the past term.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Brown and daughters, Musetta and Wilma, drove to Wausa Monday where they visited at the home of Rev. Mertie E. Clute.

Mrs. Martha Mae Janousek and little brother of O'Neill, are spending the week with Mrs. L. Kopecky.

Lewis Kopecky, who submitted to an operation for acute appendicitis at the hospital in O'Neill last week is recovering rapidly. His many friends will be glad when he can return home again.

Mr. and Mrs. John Anspach spent the week-end in Emmet with their daughter, Mrs. John Conard and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorin Doughty and daughters, Mary and Mildred, of Norfolk, spent the week-end here at the L. R. Tompkins home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hare and children of Lincoln, spent Sunday and Monday here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hansen of Creighton, were here Sunday visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Keyes.

Miss Lucille Stevens returned from Wayne Wednesday. She had been a student at the Wayne teachers college the past year.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleve West and daughter, Hazel, of Red Point, came Saturday for a few days visit with relatives.

Judge and Mrs. C. J. Malone of O'Neill, and Miss Florence Malone of Omaha, were visitors at the home of Mrs. Mary M. Hancock Sunday.

Dorlin Lockman, Eighth grade teacher in the Inman schools has accepted a position at the Barnhart Market in O'Neill for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Sparks and son of Newport, were week-end visitors here among relatives. They returned home Monday accompanied by Mrs. Dave Morsbough and son Harland, who will visit relatives there for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Johnson and son, Erwin, bylda Britton and Rena Morsbough were here from Omaha Sunday visiting among relatives.

Lowell Fraka, who is stationed in a CCC camp at Valentine, was home over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Conard and daughter Marva were up from Neligh Sunday visiting relatives.

Miss Lois Moor, who taught at North Bend the past year, arrived home this week for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Moor.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Noring and family of Spencer, were here Sunday visiting his mother, Mrs. Eva Noring and other relatives.

Mrs. Elizabeth Coleman returned home from Ironclad, Minn., Friday, where she had been during the illness and death of her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Conard spent Sunday at Redbird at the home of his brother, George Conard.

PLEASANT DALE

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Coleman and family of Phoenix, and Mrs. Vera Hickman attended the graduating exercises in O'Neill Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Sulas Coy and children visited relatives in Stuart Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Young and daughter, Ollie and Marie, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Beckwith Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Beckwith plan to stay at the Fred Beckwith home this month.

Park Young of Central City, arrived here Sunday afternoon for a short visit with the E. R. Young family and other relatives.

Quite a number enjoyed the school picnic in the Andrew Johnson district Saturday. However a nice shower broke up the picnic early.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Seger and son, Gerald, came up from Sutton Sunday and are guests at the Gus Seger home.

Mrs. Guy Beckwith and children spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Vera Hickman. Arlene Beckwith remained for a longer visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Seger received word from Norfolk of the arrival of a granddaughter at the home

of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Keeney Saturday, May 22. Mrs. Keeney was formerly Elizabeth Seger.

Fred Schnardt and Wayne Johnson who have been working for Fred Beckwith left for Wyoming the first of the week to work.

EMMET ITEMS

Miss Lucille Lowery, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Lowery of Emmet, became the bride of Merle McKinney of Townsend, Mont., at a ceremony performed by the Rev. Mr. Longnecker at the Methodist church in Hamilton, Mont., Saturday evening, May 22, at 8:30 o'clock. The bride wore a tailored suit of gray with a pink blouse. They were attended by Francis Sargent and Mary Jean Miles of Darby, Mont. Mrs. McKinney lived all her life in Holt county, first at Chambers and then at Emmet, until she went to Montana two years ago. She is a graduate of the Atkinson high school with the class of 1935. Mr. McKinney is employed in a gold mine at Townsend, where they will make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. 'Dude' Maring of North Platte, stopped in Emmet Monday for a short visit with friends. They were on their way to Atkinson where they will be guests of his father, John Maring.

Mrs. Anthony Welsh who has been ill in the Atkinson hospital the past ten days, is somewhat improved.

The Ladies Aid of the Methodist church met at the home of Mrs. Guy Beckwith Wednesday, May 26. Mrs. John Key was assistant hostess.

B. W. Wagner of Burwell was in Emmet Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil McMillan were O'Neill callers Tuesday.

Dick O'Connell and sister, Mrs. Sam Mecollo and baby daughter,

returned to Omaha Saturday after a few days visit with relatives.

J. B. Ryan of O'Neill, was in Emmet Tuesday afternoon and he and Guy Cole went to Atkinson to the livestock sale.

Mrs. John Bonenberger, Mrs. Clyde Allen and Mrs. Clarence Farr were guests at the Wm. Wolfe home at O'Neill Friday. They also attended a picnic at the Wolfe school. Hugh Stanley Allen, who had spent several days with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Wolfe, returned home with his mother.

Casper Winkler and mother, Mrs. Joe Winkler, Sr., were callers in O'Neill Friday.

Mrs. Bob Fox of O'Neill, was calling on relatives and friends in Emmet Thursday.

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