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EDITORIALS

THOUGHT FOR TODAY—*Prices have been going up for nearly two and a half centuries. But there's a catch. While it took 200 years for prices to double—up to a quarter-century ago—they have doubled again in the past 25 years.*

A Mad Scramble

With Governor Brown's announcement recently that a state surplus approaching $70,000,000 is probable this year and perhaps twice that amount in the coming year under present tax schedules, a big scramble is in the making up and down the state.

On one hand, we have the "tax and spend" boys scrambling for places to put the money, while their cronies with sharp pencils spread the word that the surplus is "on paper only," and doesn't mean a thing.

On the other hand, we have men who are still convinced that they have been elected to office to represent the people — the taxpayers who ante up the barrels of money to pay for the state's costs of operation.

One such man in this area is Assemblyman Charles Chapel, who asked his constitiuents in the 46th Assembly District this week to join him in a fight to "solve" the problem of too much money by cutting taxes.

Mr. Chapel is to be commended for his fight—which he will probably concede is an uphill battle—to return to the taxpayers such surplus funds through the reduction of the state's tax take—already one of the highest in the nation.

The situation leads one to wonder how the government would make out if it handled its finances like a business or a household—determine what income could be expected during the year and arrange the spending budget accordingly.

Government spending budgets come about quite another way—the bureaucrats determine what money they will need for a first-class, mahogany desk operation, and then the income is adjusted accordingly—by raising taxes (they never have quite enough).

Mr. Chapel, in seeking to reverse this trend just once and have the tax rate lowered deserves the support of all of us who would be just as happy paying a few bucks less in taxes each year.

Letters to him and to Governor Brown could go a long way toward bringing such a situation into being.

Competition Threats

There has been much attention focused on the threat of economic competition from Russia.

But it's even more apparent that other nations, both in Europe and Asia, are rapidly catching up with the United States in technology, without meeting our wage scales.

They have modern plants, and they are building more.

If their technology matches ours, and if their wage costs continue to be less than ours, they obviously have the advantage not only in world markets, but in our domestic markets as well.

We simply can't afford inefficiency or "featherbedding."

A Noble Gift

To our good friends and co-workers, the men and women of the printing craft, our greetings on the occasion of Printing Week, which is now in progress to celebrate the birthday of Benjamin Franklin, patron saint of American printers.

Of all the noble gifts this many-talented and great man tendered his fellow countrymen and his fellow men all over the world, one we would recommend most highly as being of lasting importance to all of us is his admonition:

"They that can give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety."

Poor Richard was, indeed, wise Ben.

Opinions of Others

CORSICA, S.D., GLOBE: " . . . Europeans discovered years ago, it is possible to go broke with one's pockets full of money. In this connection a dramatic incident is reported in a recent issue of the Saturday Evening Post: an American, making what he assumed was a final trip before the war on a German boat to England, threw all his German Marks into the harbor. A Gestapo agent, lokoing on, appeared shocked. Actually the marks had no value off the ship and both men knew it.

"Of course, that kind of inflation can't happen here!"

STAR GAZER

By CLAY R. POLLAN

Your Daily Activity Guide According to the Stars.

To develop message for Sunday, read words corresponding to numbers of your Zodiac birth sign.

1 Don't	31 In	61 Financial
2 Aspects	32 Will	62 A
3 Beating	33 Off	63 Satisfying
4 Thoughtful	34 Be	64 Ones
5 Keep	35 Of	65 Or
6 Indicate	36 Line	66 Doubts
7 Around	37 Aspects	67 To
8 Much	38 To	68 Busy
9 Attention	39 Listen	69 Impressions
10 Thought	40 Permit	70 Attend
11 Will	41 On	71 Interest
12 The	42 Available	72 It
13 A	43 Pay	73 Exciting
14 To	44 Mind	74 To
15 Stop	45 False	75 The
16 Good	46 Assure	76 Backfire
17 Benefits	47 Religious	77 Dominate
18 Look	48 If	78 Prevail
19 Bush	49 Expression	79 Better
20 And	50 With	80 Those
21 Change	51 Is	81 Waste
22 Planning	52 Fears	82 Church
23 Help	53 You	83 Or
24 Don't	54 You	84 Time
25 Plans	55 For	85 Time
26 Through	56 Tangents	86 Today
27 Get	57 Need	87 Afar
28 Is	58 Given	88 Elders
29 Loved	59 Very	89 Indicated
30 Tends	60 That	90 Today

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CANCER JUNE 23 – JULY 23: 47-49-51-59 63-70-82-86
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VIRGO AUG. 24 – SEPT. 22: 13-21-35-44 55-75-79-89
LIBRA SEPT. 23 – OCT. 23: 1-40-52-65 66-74-77
SCORPIO OCT. 24 – NOV. 22: 3-7-12-19 30-38-76
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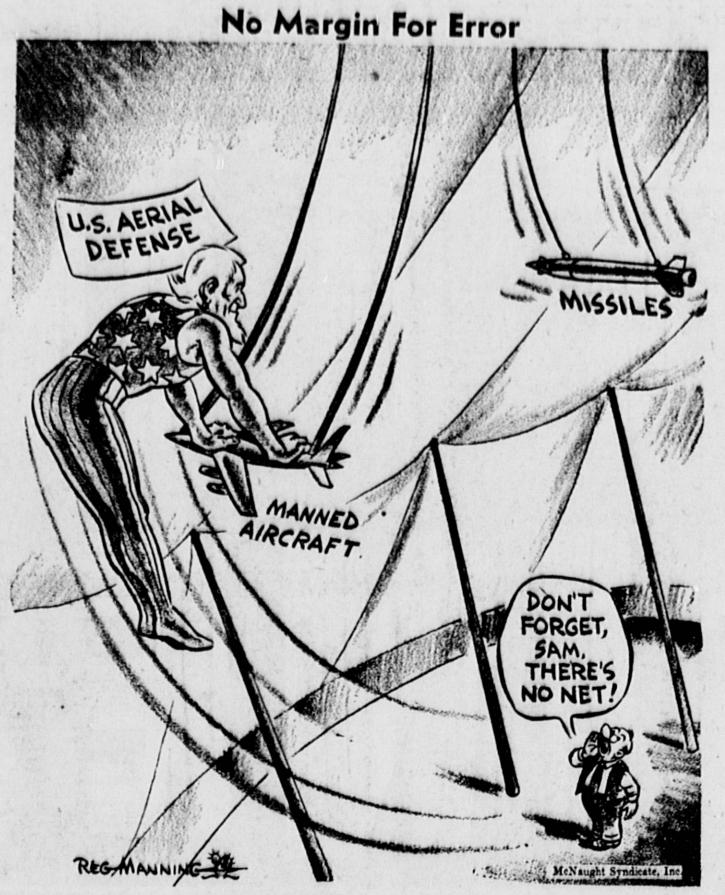

Income Tax Tips

Some Income Need Not Be Reported on Returns

(This is the third of a series of articles on federal and California income tax filing. This information has been provided by the Committee on Taxation of The California Society of Certified Public Accountants—now observing its 50th Anniversary—in cooperation with the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.)

Not all the money you received during 1959 was "income" in the eyes of the federal government. Much of it does not need to be reported at all — and here surprisingly, is where taxpayers make the greatest number of mistakes.

You don't, for example, list Social Security benefits, Railroad Retirement Act benefits, or payments received under Workman's Compensation Laws.

Nor do you list gifts, inheritances or bequests.

But you **do** list tips. These are income because they are construed to be compensation for services.

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What about "dividends" received from an unmatured life insurance policy? They **don't** need to be listed because they are considered merely a refund of part of the premium you paid.

As for dividends from corporations, some are partly or fully non-taxable and others are reportable on the federal return as long-term capital gains. (In such cases the company will usually send you a notice explaining how to report the dividend.)

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Damages received for personal injuries are not considered taxable income, whether awarded by a court or settled out of court.

When listing your income you can also omit government benefits to veterans and their families — except non-disability retirement pay and and interest on terminal leave bonds.

On your California return you may also exclude your pay for service in the Armed Forces to the extent of $1000.

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On your federal return you must include your interest from United States Bonds but you need not include interest on state and municipal bonds. However, when preparing your California return, the reverse is true. You may exclude your United States Bond interest but must include your income from state and municipal bonds for states other than California.

Although compensation for services is generally taxable—whether paid in money or otherwise — the law specifically exempts the rental value of a parsonage (including utilities) furnished to a minister, or the rental allowance expended by him for this purpose.

The official tax instructions contain a list of the types of income which should or should not be included in your tax return. It is important to check this carefully.

Generally speaking, any prize or award received during the year is taxable income. However, an award for educational, literary, scientific, charitable, or similar achievement, if received without any action on your part and where no future services are required of you, is considered a gift and is not taxable.

Some income, such as limited amounts of "sick pay" and the first $50 of certain dividends, must be EXPLAINED in your federal tax return but it not taxed. These items are, however, taxable in your California return.

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The instructions that come with your tax forms give further information. Help is also available from the Internal Revenue Service and California Franchise Tax Board, which urge you to consult a properly qualified advisor if you need outside assistance.

Law in Action

Advocacy in Court

In old Greece each accused person such as Socrates had to come before the jury himself to plead his case. This was tough if he didn't know the art of advocacy. He was assumed to be guilty.

Had Socrates taken independent advice would he have offended the boisterous and biased Athenian jury which sentenced him to the hemlock there on the hillside in 399 B.C.?

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Many think not: Less outspoken defendants in those days got under the counter legal advice and coaching in the ways of swaying the jury.

Antiphon (415 B.C.) ghostwrote and sold briefs to clients who faced that jury. He set out four steps of an Athenian trial: (1) the accuser's charge, (2) the accused's reply, (3) the accuser's reply, and (4) the accused's response.

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After these steps the jury either let the accused off or found him guilty.

The jury sentenced the guilty on the spot allowing some—Socrates, for one—to propose their own penalties, and even to bid the punishment upward if the jury was not pleased.

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After the trial, the speakers (or in Socrates' case, his friend Plato) often worked their talks over, and sent them out for friends to admire or criticize.

What appeals did the rhetoritians find that would win the jury over? The same ones we hear today.

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Aristotle listed a few: The values the jurors shared with the speaker — reverence for justice, the law, and the city's founding fathers; the sanctity of the juryman's oath, the verdict's effect upon public and foreign opinion and sometimes upon women and youth.

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The later Romans realized that an accused person might be unjustly found guilty simply because he did not know how to speak in public. So they encouraged litigants and accused persons to have well qualified advocates represent them.

In this country the constitution gives you your day in court and the right to counsel. For your lawyer to speak up well for you in court, he must know all about your case.

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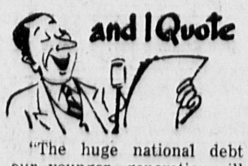
So under the law, no court can harm you by maing him talk about what you told him.

Note: California lawyers offer this column so you may know about our laws.



"The huge national debt our younger generation will inherit should keep them from one indulgence—ancestor worship." — Wall Street Journal.

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Just about everyone has a lot of good in him if you take the trouble to look for it—even if you are looking at yourself.—Bill Coffman, East-West charity football game founder.

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Instead of supporting our government, the game has become how can I get supported by the government. — Hap Lyon,, Oakland.

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If a lot of teenagers drive like crazy mixed-up kids, it's largely because of their crazy mixed-up parents — Paul Jones, National Safety Council ofifcial.

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The only misquotations I have noticed are things I shouldn't have said — Gov. Edmund G. Brown on press coverage.

Policy on State Board Of Education Up in Air

By VINCENT THOMAS
Assemblyman, 68th District

A hardy perennial around our legislative halls is the tough question of whether top authority in our state public school agency should be elected or appointed. The problem has been tossed around like a proverbial hot basketball and more than once the voters have refused to change the office of superintendent of public instruction from elective to appointive, the last time being only two years ago. Now the Assembly interim education committee is reviving various phases of the matter again, so it looks as though we may be confronted by it again, in 1961 if not before.

Perhaps a large part of the difficulty has been due to the fact that our policy has been somewhat mixed. On the one hand, the state Constitution provides for an elected superintendent. On the other, our statutes establish the state board of education, its members being appointed by the Governor with consent of the Senate. This dual system of selection has resulted in considerable confusion as to areas of responsibility for superintendent and board, with the latter ordinarily believed coming out second best.

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The 1958 ballot proposal, which would have made the superintendent appointive by the board of education, was defeated by a substantial margin. Two bills introduced in our 1959 session would have made the board elective on a district basis, though the method of districting in the two differed. Both bills were referred to the committee for study.

The committee was given considerable factual information at its recent meeting. It was told that state boards of education are appointed by the Governor in thirty states. They are elected in eight, and selected by various other means in six. State superintendents are elected in 25 jurisdictions. In 19, they are appointed by the board of education. On this point, this significant comment was made that in 1945, boards appointed the superintendents in only eight states. Only in four instances are they now appointed by governors.

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Witnesses who testified before the committee had of course a wide variety of opinions as to which are the best methods for California of selecting a board of education and a superintendent of public instruction. Spokesmen for organized teachers, local and former members of the state board of education, and the superintendent himself presented their viewpoints. Written testimony was submitted by organized labor.

With respect to the method of selecting the superintendent of public instruction, the principal arguments advanced in favor of his election by the voters centered around the contention that the issue was settled by the 1958 election when the people indicated their preference for the century old California tradition of electing him. It was also asserted that election would insulate him from the "vested interests" and would keep him more responsible to the wishes of the public.

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Major points which favor appointment of the superintendent related to his duties, which are primarily those of an administrative officer, carrying out those functions assigned to his department by law in accordance with policies laid down either by the Governor or the board of education. There was little feeling he should be appointed by the Governor. Many felt he should be appointed by the board, and made responsible for carrying out its policies.

It was apparent that a basic factor in any answer to the problem is the method of selecting, and the powers and duties of the board of education. The committee's further study may be on these matters.

Clearing the Doctor's Mailbag

QUESTION—I've been told that my condition—bronchiectasis—can't be cured. If this is true, what can I do to relieve the chronic cough which frequently produces thick, blood-stained sputum from my lungs? —M.C

ANSWER — Although it's true that advanced cases of bronchiectasis can't be cured, a great deal can be done to relieve the symptoms associated with this condition.

Bronchiectasis means a widening of the air passages (bronchi) in the lungs. This enlargement is not the direct cause of the symptoms you have mentioned. They are due to the infection and inflammation brought about by stagnated secretions lodged in the deformed tubelike air passages. These secretions provide an excellent opportunity for bacteria to grow. And since we are breathing bacteria constantly from the atmosphere, it becomes important to provide clearance of any bacterial accumulation in mucous secretions.

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Thus, treatment is directed toward cleansing of the air passages. This is accomplished by postural drainage, such as allowing the head to lean over the edge of the bed or bending it over a chair; control of acute infections, sometimes with antibiotics, and liquefaction of heavy secretions by various medications. Quite frequently an underlying respiratory allergy exists which should be controlled by medication, habits of living and, if possible, change of climate.

These remarks, of course, apply only if surgery has been ruled out as a possible cure. This determination can be made by a bronchograpy —an X-ray procedure which outlines the extent of the widening of the air passages. If the X-ray shows that the disease is localized, surgical removal of the affected areas will give freedom of productive cough and recurrent infections.

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QUESTION — My husband and I have been plagued with dandruff for many years, and would appreciate a discussion of this condition. C.E.

ANSWER—Dandruff, medically known as seborrheic dermatitis, is a chronic, mildly infectious, scaling condition of the scalp, from which point it may spread to other parts of the body. It is usually found in individuals that have an oily skin.

Although the cause of it is not known, it is believed to be influenced by the endocrine glands, a low basal metabolism rate, a diet deficient in vitamins (particularly Vitamin B complex), and an excess of sweets, fats, alcoholic beverages, and chocolates in the diet. Fatigue and emotional instability also seem to be contributing factors.

Local treatment of dandruff consists of frequent shampooing with a sulphur or tar soap. Sometimes it is necessary to use a disinfectant anti-parasitic lotion. For severely infected scalps, a lotion or ointment containing an antibiotic may have to be used.

(Presented as a public service by the Southwest District of the Los Angeles County Medical Assn.)

ACROSS

1-Conduct
5-Rodent
8-Weight (colloq.)
12-Arabian commander
13-Anger
14-Above
15-Take one's part
16-Through
17-Learning
18-Emits vapor
20-Yield
22-Note of scale
23-Rent
24-Plunges
27-Dance halls
31-Girl's name
32-Wading birds
33-Once around track
34-Companionable
36-Title of respect
37-Wooden runners
38-Compass point
39-Was taken illegally
42-Piece of cut timber
46-Roman garment
47-Female sheep
49-Cleansing substance
50-Solar disk
51-Small child
52-Sicilian volcano
53-Musical instrument
54-Ocean
55-Antlered animal

DOWN

1-Power
2-Send forth
3-Military assistant
4-Fears
5-Tears
6-Exist
7-Frightful
8-Shout
9-Cry of Bacchanals
10-Flowerless plant
11-Allowance for waste
19-A state (abbr.)
21-Periods of time
23-Calls
24-Underworld god
25-Artificial language
26-Moccasin
27-Cupboards
28-Guido's high note
29-Young boy
30-Secret agent
32-Garden implement
35-Land surrounded by water
36-Rented
38-Negative
39-Heavenly body
40-Carry
41-Curved molding
42-Greek letter
43-Repetition
44-European
45-Box
48-Sorrow

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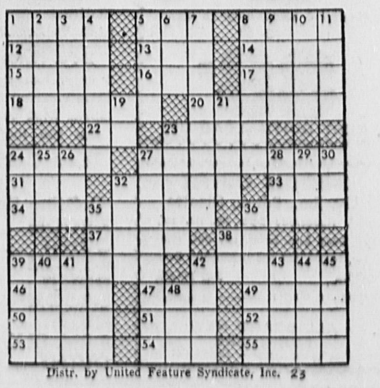

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