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sentiment noticeable throughout the state, judging from observations made by well-informed men who have been coming into Portland on business. This change is particu-iarly noticeable in the fortunes of Walter M. Pierce, the democratic nominee for governor. If statements can be relied on, Mr. Pierce is slip-ning ping. In the same ratio that Mr. Pierce

is dropping. Governor Olcott, re-publican nomines, is improving. This swing is not confined to one or two localities, but is apparently general

Something Definite Is Wanted. Since the primaries Mr. Pierce has had things his own way. He has been an indefatigable campaign-er and has maneuvered so that he could address county fairs in many could address county fairs in many communities. The county fairs have enabled Mr. Pierce to address audi-ences which otherwise he never could have assembled. Mr. Pierce's complaint that taxes are too high has found echo in his hearers and he has promised to reduce taxes, without being specific or even out-uning a programme of reduction

he has promised to reduce taxes, without being specific or even out: lining a programme of reduction. This has gone on for months until of late there has been a growing inquiry as to how Mr. Pierce pro-poses lightening the tax load. Within the week this question has come more to the for ground-even and on top of that the record of the tenceratic candidate is gradually be-has own way, Mr. Pierce is now to the point where his campaign has taken on the defensive attitude. For the next three weeks Mr. Pierce is the next three weeks Mr. Pierce to the tog four-ton dark rock was the next three weeks Mr. Plerce is expected to do some explaining of his actions as g tax-creator.

Harmony Appears Lacking.

Everything is not peace and har-mony within the ranks of the Pierce organization. Jesse Winburn of Ashland, who contributed \$5000 to Amiland, who contributed \$5000 to the Pierce campaign, and who is ex-pected to provide further financial assistance, has not been pleased with the manner in which the Pierce campaign is heing conducted. Other friends of Mr. Pierce explain that Mr. Winburn is such a new artival in Oregon that he is not familiar with political methods or conditions here and that the New York meth-ods with which Mr. Winburn is acquainted are not adaptable to Oregon politics. The little family disagreement, which existed for several days, is said to have been smoothed over. Perhaps it is T. H. Crawford veteran democrat and director of the Pierce campaign, insists that everything is lovely within the ranks, but says he does not like the "mud-silnging" taclles being used in the commanies assiste the does

Oleott Starts Campaigning. Consoldent with the weakened visor of the Plerce propaganda has come the somewhat belated aggres-

Having can in "low" for a while, the state chamber of commerce; C. C. Dill, democratic nomines for United States senator; Vice-Presi-dent Alexander of the Portland chamber of commerce, and Dr. S. B. Nelson of Washington state col-lege.

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The big four-ton dark rock was

selected at Knog butte and brought to Albany yestsfary under the su-pervision of Alec Dumond. Sam Knox is the donor of the great

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 In brief, the Pierce campaign is slowing down: the enthusiasm which marked his course a month ago is cooling off and for the suc-creding three weeks the democratic aspirant for governor can look for hard going.
 Company for \$2795.58. All of these remittances cover taxes for the sec-tond half of 1921.
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Facts Block Performance. Here are the facts:

Total state tax for 1921 amounted frive benefit from the money it must to \$9,493.105.22. Of this sum \$6,098,- livy another one-mill tax to match

Pierce Record of Levies.

follows:

Where and how does Mr. Pierce propose reducing the tax burden 50 per cent, or any lesser amount?

State Government Involved. Does he wish to make the saving from the \$3,394,846.56, levied for the

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sponsible for a two-mill levy on the farmers' land. Many and varied have been the undertakings of Mr. Pierce to in-crease taxes. One of his schemes was the creation of a "service of supply depariment" for the state, the principal object of which was to enable everyone to get a job work-ing for the state. The millage levies, and they re-ceived Mr. Pierce's support, are as

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Every member of this department to be created was to receive the same pay, irrespective of the work performed. This, Mr. Pierce in his measure—a proposed amendment to the constitution—defined as "demo-cratic equality in self-government, in individual effort, in discipline and in remuneration," It was a regular Russianized soviet programme. Taxes graduated from one per cent to five per cent on gifts and the estates of dead performer, but Mr. Pierce explicitly stated that his pro-posed constitutional amendment was

which levies a one-mill tax in every county. If a county wishes to de-rive benefit from the money it must

posed constitutional amendment

posed constitutional amendment was not to prevent the legislature from levying any other taxes it desired on gifts and estates. Thus in addition to an inheritance tax. Mr. Pierce wanted to milk es-tates for a soviet theory and still leave the estate, or what remained, open to further taxation inroads by the legislature.

Interest Rate Folly Shows. Still another idea of Mr. Pierce

sive campaign of Governor Olcott. The governor has started on a tour

The governor has started on a tour embracing many counties and these include sections in which Mr. Pierce has strong hopes. The republican state central committee has fired its opening gun at the democratic candidates and intends blasing away with other shots calculated to be quite as effective. The speaking campaign of the re-publican party will be launched this week. W. T. Vinton, state senator, will open the fight in Portland Tuesday night Bepresentative Haw-ley begins his speaking campaign st Medford Wednesday. United States Senator McNary is due from Washington in a few days and the understanding is that he will take the stump for the party ticket. These next three weeks of the pre-election period will be far from duit.

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City Campaign Under Way.

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