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TINKERING WITH TAX CODE

Certainly gifted with occult powers is he who could accurately predict the outcome of the numerous and conflicting plans to revise Oregon's system of taxation, including its relation to motor vehicles. With the state legislature shortly to convene in biennial session, committees and sub-committees on this and that and various organizations are ready to either submit divers recommendations for changes or to resist onslaughts on some of the provisions of the existing code; and all this diversity of opinion is shown in the comment of the state press. No legislature of this state ever faced a harder task than the one that will be confronted this month with problems so vital to the financial welfare of the state. On one hand is a state deficit of over \$2,000,000 calling for a maximum of tax revenue, and on the other hand is a demand for lower taxation generally in accordance with the pre-election promise of Governor Patterson, who declares he will endeavor to make that promise good. In the background, so to speak, is a remaining bonded debt of something like \$32,000,000 on the state highway system, contracted in the original sum on the basis of motor vehicle licenses, and now involved in a demand for the abolition of such licenses and the substitution of a further property tax. Creation of an excise tax, re-creation of the income tax, increase of the general tax levy above the present six per cent limitation and the substitution of periodic appropriations for the present millage tax for the schools are outstanding among the many so-called solutions to be offered to the legislature for conditions which many argue should be altered and which others contend should remain as they are. If the lawmakers meet this situation in a manner that will satisfy a majority of the people they will have earned not only their salaries but a liberal bonus besides. A muddle not quite as bad confronted the legislature of two years ago, and the inconclusive way in which it was acted upon brought the general accusation that the legislators displayed a lamentable want of judgment and decision. One person's guess is as good as another's as to what sort of financial legislation will evolve from the coming session. Whatever eventuates, however, it is the earnest hope that something of a permanent nature will be accomplished to preclude as far as possible continuation of the dangerous tinkering that only adds to the mess and general discontent and in the end might bring on a debacle from which the state's recovery would be slow and very costly.

CHECK WRITER MAKES ESCAPE FROM CO. JAIL

His companions were killed by a Portland officer following the robbery of a tire shop in Portland. He fled in the escape from the penitentiary and received an extra year on his first term. He was paroled both times from the penitentiary after serving only a short part of his sentence.

38 MISSING AFTER BOAT GOES DOWN

MAHON, Spain, Jan. 5.—Intensive search was being made today for 38 persons, including several women, who have been missing since the sinking of the French steamer Malakoff. While some hope is still held that the missing persons may either be in life-boats or still afloat in life belts, it was generally believed that they perished.

WELL, FOLKS, HERE WE ARE AT THE END OF THE LINE, SO WE'LL TIE A KNOT IN IT AND SIGN OFF WITH A PERIOD.

LAFE PERKINS SEZ—

"It's a smart gal that gets off yer lap when she sees yer wife comin'."

DO YOU KNOW YOUR OWN COUNTY?

Information bits of information concerning the origin of names in Douglas County.

TODAY: BRADLEY TRAIL

Bradley's Note: Material in this column was obtained from the excellent book "Oregon Geographic Names," by McArthur.

BRADLEY TRAIL

This trail is a well-known route of travel along the North Umpqua river in the eastern part of this county. It was named for William Bradley, a pioneer trapper and mountain stockman, who is said to have been born near Oakland, and to have worked his way into the headwaters of the North Umpqua river as early as 1874, when he was a young man. He traded deer meat and hides with the Indians, taking points in return, which he sold in Eugene and other points. This trade opened up a trail across the Cascade range, which has ever since been known as the Bradley Trail, and much of it has been put on modern standards by the forest service. Bradley creek, a tributary of the North Umpqua rising west of Windigo Butte, also bears the name of the same man. Bradley was killed by a horse in 1909, dying near his lonely cabin at Linhes.

GIRL DROPS FROM CABLE IN GORGE AND IS KILLED

BEND, Ore., Jan. 5.—Jerked up by the cable in the gorge of the Crooked river at Great Bend, Rose Larkin, aged 17, let go of the cable as an aerial basket approached and she fell to her death. She was wearing on the cable when it tightened suddenly with the descent of the basket. She let go when she saw the basket approach her.

DR. NERBAS DENTIST

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FARM SUCCESES DURING PAST YEAR WERE REGIONAL

PRUNE PICKIN'S GOOD EVENING FOLKS

There is still one way to elude the first of the month bill collectors—An' those five fellers in that question mark plane have the idea!

A lotta college fellers left for the institutions of higher culture the first of the week and their folks won't hear from 'em again until they run outta blank checks.

Kinda begins to look as if we're not gonna get any snow this winter. Stuff on the kid who got a bob-sled for Xmas.

"When you and I were young, Maggie" they uster talk 'bout buildin' that North Umpqua road.

This is the time of the yr. when a feller goes to the basement to take an inventory of the fast supply and gives the wife heck because she fills the furnace too full.

Remember mates, this is bath night and a little soap in the ears is a mark of distinction.

The mayor and the new city council met last night behind closed doors, while hungry job-seekers averaged by their buddies in solemn prayer.

A lady dropped into our sanctum this a. m. to inform us that some woman stopped at her house on the road to the country club the other day and borrowed a milk pail to fill the radiator of her car without water. Evidently the gal forgot about the pail—and any rate she didn't return it and the folks she borrowed it from would like to have it returned as Bossy is waitin' to be pailed and can't stand the strain much longer. Now you tell an udder one.

As there is a strange gal in town the local asphalt Arabs are out in their best bit an' tucker.

One swallow may make a summer but it takes more'n that to make a New Year party a success.

Today we heard of a feller who hired a stenographer just because she could spell.

Didja read about that cache of likker bein' found under a dog kennel in S. F.? Just another booze-hound.

Well, folks, here we are at the end of the line, so we'll tie a knot in it and sign off with a period.

CHAMPION COW IS SUBJECT OF TOAST

MOORE JAW, Sask., Jan. 5.—The world's champion butter fat producing cow, "Castry Cordyca," which gives sufficient milk in a day to supply the requirements of an average sized family for a month, was toasted last night when her former owner, Ben H. Thompson, farmer, was given a complimentary banquet. C. M. Hamilton, minister of agriculture for Saskatchewan, and 200 others prominent in agriculture and industry were in attendance.

The toast was drunk in milk drawn from the queen of domestic cattle, and all the dairy products used at the banquet were supplied by Canary.

The champion, a Holstein-Friesian, was purchased for \$10,000 by the Saskatchewan government. Her world's record of butter fat production was 1,080 pounds in 205 days, or 108 pounds above the previous record. Her record for milk production in that period was 25,256 pounds.

ROSEBURG NEWS-REVIEW POEM FOR THE DAY

By LOUIS ALBERT BANKS

THE HERO AND THE PROPHET

"Representatives from forty great nations, on December 13, 1928, saw in Washington two of the outstanding figures in the world of aviation come together in dramatic fashion when Orville Wright, the first man to fly a motor-driven heavier-than-air craft, escorted Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh to the rostrum of the international civil aeronautics conference to receive the Harmon trophy in recognition of his famous New York-to-Paris flight.

The trophy, awarded annually by the International League of Aviators to the man voted to have done the most for aeronautics in that year, was presented to Lindbergh by Pierre Etienne Flaudin, vice-president of the French chamber of deputies and president of the Aero club of France."

Hurray for Orville Wright, the man Who into untried realms could peer! While other men could muse and scheme, He brought fulfillment to his dream.

To me it seems almost wondrous strange One age could hold three men with range Like Edison and Ford and Wright, Turn night to day and sadder flight.

'Twas Wright who had the prophet's eye, The faith to persevere and fly, For here there were no cheering crowds, But only dark, forbidding clouds; No press to urge him on and shout, But bitter sneers and chilling doubt, He had to trust the light within, 'Gainst odds to struggle on and win.

That always is the prophet's fate— He has to grit his teeth and wait; To keep the courage in his soul; 'Till truth shall permeate the whole. 'Till slower men shall come to see, And with his premises agree; Then after while the world will flame With thrilling praise for his name.

In Lindbergh, Wright has found his throne, Has proved his case; comes to his own; For all the praise that Lindbergh earns, More worth in Wright the world discerns; And wreaths about his brow they've twined, From forty nations of the world Do but suggest the mead of fame That crowns him first in flying game.

WEEKLY SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

No Man Can Serve Two Masters



Text: Matt. 6:24-34. No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.

Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?

Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they?

Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature? And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they toil not, neither do they spin: And yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith?

Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.

But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

faith in God's Fatherhood in their own hearts and in the evidences of goodness that they found in the world about them.

Here, first of all, is the fact of God's care. After we consider all that man can do, he is a dependent creature. He depends upon a power higher than himself even for his food and raiment, and though man has a part to fulfill in the process of securing these things, yet above and beyond all that he can do is the Providence, that provides food for the birds, that clothes the lilies of the field with a glory that even man has not devised, and that lays the foundation of all being.

Jesus says that such providence is an evidence of divine goodness. How can we doubt such a clear and simple fact? Not even the mysteries of the failure of crops, of the disasters and catastrophes that befall human life, can destroy the evidence of that elemental fact concerning God's Fatherhood. Could a being who provides for man's physical life fail to make provision for his soul?

We are brought immediately into the realm of the righteousness of God and the love of God, and Jesus enforces this truth else-

where by pointing out that Fatherhood in God is simply the highest expression of all that is good in earthly fatherhood.

He said to the fathers who listened to his words: "Or what man shall give him a stone? Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent? If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?"

Here is our surest approach to God and heaven. We start from the moral and spiritual reality in our own lives. Whence comes that moral endowment? Whence has man acquired the love that a mother and father know for their children?

Greatly that is a basal fact in the universe, and surely in the most highly developed men and women such love for their children is something more than mere animal instinct. The higher we go the better and richer it is, and when we go still higher we come to the largeness of such love in God himself.

It was this that Jesus made the basal fact of his teaching. It is in this supreme fact that his Gospel lies its rise. It is the love of God the Father that makes possible man's salvation, and it is the message concerning that love that constitutes the Gospel. There is no greater Gospel for men than to bring to them with reality, and in terms in which they can understand it, the message concerning the Fatherhood of God.

The International Uniform Sunday School Lesson for Jan. 6. Our Heavenly Father, Matt. 6:24-34.

By WM. E. GILROY, D. D. (Editor of The Congregationalist)

The study of "Some Great Christian Teachings," the general theme of the lessons for the first three months of this year, brings us at once to the greatest of all Christian doctrines—that concerning the fatherhood of God. Here is the whole essential and ultimate basis of religion according to the teaching of Jesus, and here is the great ultimate basis of all true values in life.

If there be at the very heart of this universe a Father of Love, then life itself is precious. No matter how dark may be the corners of the world, no matter how difficult or terrible life's human experience, there can be to life some aspect of optimism and hope.

Put it on the other hand, there be no such supreme love, if earthly fatherhood and all that is great about it have no counterpart in a larger Fatherhood, there can be little hope for the future. Life's way, if there be no Father of Love, is dark and its harshest experiences are not only mysterious but are a matter for despair.

How can we know that there is a God and that he is our Father? It is a matter of faith, and there is no means of knowing except in the way in which Jesus led men to that knowledge. Jesus taught men to find the foundation for

NATURAL DEATH END OF MAN WHO TRIED TO KILL HIMSELF

(Associated Press Licensed Wire) NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 5.—Death entered a dingy room of a St. Charles street lodging house here today and defeated the plan of a sick old man to kill himself.

Last night L. A. Bannor, 63, officer in the Spanish-American war, an interpreter to General Pershing in the World war, and an itinerant Baptist missionary went to his room and wrote a suicide note saying he had "decided to end it all."

Today his body was found in the room with traces of no violence and the note was discovered nearby. The coroner announced death due to natural causes.

NEW ARRIVAL TO MAKE HOME; WILL BE IN LAW OFFICE

Carroll A. Gordon, of the Washington bar, recently came to Roseburg for his health, and has found

SNOW JAMS TRAFFIC IN KANSAS CITY

(Associated Press Licensed Wire) KANSAS CITY, Jan. 5.—Traffic at the Wash here here this morning was in nearly a hopeless state following 13 hours of snow fall which a strong wind turned into a blizzard and caused bad drifting. Street car traffic was paralyzed, and automobile traffic was perilous because of freezing rain which preceded the snow.

Heavy snows were reported from widely scattered points over the southwest. About six inches of snow had fallen here at daybreak.

THREE OREGON COUNTIES RECEIVE O. & C. MONEY

(Associated Press Licensed Wire) WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—The department of the interior announced today that tax refunds on revested grant lands amounting to \$55,491.85 had been paid to three counties in Oregon. Counties and amount received: Marion, \$19,397.20; Yamhill, \$8,295.73; Polk, \$3,828.82.

SIDE GLANCES—By George Clark



TINY MITES

STORY BY HAL COCHRAN — PICTURES BY KNICK

As Clowey soared and sailed around, the others stood down on the ground and watched him very closely. It was quite a sight to see. The wings the fairy let him take were very strong and did not break. "Clowey Clowey! You're real proud and he exclaimed, "Just look at me!"

"Then Scouty cried, "You're not so good. It looks like anybody could stay in the air if they just had the wings you're using now. Just fly down here and let me try, and I will shortly prove that I can do some little tricks. Come on, and I will show you how."

"All right, I'll let you have your turn," said Clowey. "But you'll have to learn to keep the wings a-flapping or you'll topple from the air," so Scouty tried, and did real well, and then he heard the others yell, "It's our turn now. You thin too long. That really isn't fair."

When all of them had had their try at sailing gently, and did not, they thanked the little fairy for the use of her fine wings. Said Clowey, "My that sort of fun is better than to walk or run. I wish I owned a pair of those. They're handy little things."

Just then a black bird swooped down near and filled the little hand with fear. "Look out!" exclaimed a frightened scraw. "It'll take you if you don't." It grabbed a fairy in its beak, and Clowey was the first to speak. Said he, "You think you'll steal her, but I'm certain that you won't."

And, as the bird began to rise, it looked about twice as large Clowey's size. The fairy was so frightened she could hear her own heart beat. The others soon saw



READ THE STORY, THEN COLOR THE PICTURE Clowey races, until he reached the proper place. And then he leaped right out and grabbed the big bird by his feet. (The Tinymites have an unusual meal in the next story.)