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PETITION SHOVING IN FULL FLOWER

PAID petition shovers hired by a Portland attorney, who refuses to reveal the persons or interests in whose behalf he acts, are completing their work of circulating referendum petitions on the excise tax act passed by the last legislature and are boasting that the petitions will be filed today. A special state-wide election will have to be held June 28 to permit the voters to record their verdict. Heavy expense will be entailed which must be paid by the taxpayers. No other measure will be voted on at the special election. Here is the most flagrant example to date of flagrant abuses made possible under the initiative and referendum. Here is petition shoving in full flower.

The excise tax act would tax the income from bank stocks and similar properties now escaping taxation completely. It would help to relieve real estate of its tax load. A recent decision of the United States supreme court has already partly nullified the act by holding that income from tax exempt intangibles is also exempt, but even so the Oregon act would produce some revenue. Its fairness is recognized even by the interests which it would mainly affect. A public statement opposing the referendum on it has been issued by the Portland clearing house banks and the Oregon Bankers' association, in which they say:

We believe that it will be detrimental to the interests of the state to the effect that the banks are in favor of the referendum on the excise tax law, we declare that we are opposed to the referendum and are heartily in favor of, and approve the excise tax law adopted at the last session of the legislature. It is fair and just, and subjects banks and other corporations to the payment of taxes on certain property that would otherwise be relieved from the payment of its proper share of the tax burden.

We believe that it will be detrimental to the interests of the people of this state to suspend the operation and enforcement of this act by the filing of referendum petitions against it.

Thus on record are the interests affected by the act. They support it and they oppose the referendum. The referendum's proponents fear the light of day. Whatever their reasons are for opposing the act, they decline to go before the public on merit, but hide behind an attorney on a fee and on a lot of paid hawkers.

The time has come to amend Oregon's system of popular legislation so as to put a stop to paid petition shoving. There is nothing popular about popular legislation when it is perverted to such ends as those of the hidden forces which are holding up the excise tax act and forcing a special election on the state.

POEM FOR THE DAY

By LOUIS ALBERT BANKS

SCOUT COURTESY WINS REWARD

The Associated Press brings this story from New York: "Because a group of Boy Scouts he spoke to on the road eight years ago were courteous, George C. Hawley of Albany became so interested in the movement that he has left Albany Scouts a \$300,000 trust fund."

"While on an automobile journey Mr. Hawley and his wife stopped to speak to a group of Scout hikers and visited the camp of the Albany Scouts. Soon after he gave a 60-acre camp site with mess hall, administration building and full equipment to the Scouts."

True courtesy is the flower of love
 Which draws its fragrance from above;
 It steals its way into the heart
 Until of life it is a part.
 'Gainst courtesy no door is locked—
 The courteous youth is seldom blocked;
 He has a charm that fascinates;
 He has the queen of all our traits.

No boy who's trained to be a scout
 Will ever grow a snobbish lout;
 His richest grace is courtesy
 Which is the flower of chivalry.
 To thrill with joy another soul
 Is scout-hood's most delightful role.
 These scouts who charmed their transient guest
 Were living up to daily test.

Scout banners everywhere unfurled
 Would change the climate of the world.
 Break down the walls 'twixt race and race
 And clothe mankind with gentle grace.
 For youth today holds all the keys.
 We'll soon be ruled by such as these.
 So give the scouts a joyous hail
 And shout good speed along their trail.

Ed like to see all modern youth
 In this sweet way of courteous truth.
 Its skilful training is for good;
 It speeds the cause of brotherhood;
 Its earnest culture makes for peace—
 All quarrelsome bickering should cease.
 Such courtesy would ease the jars
 That lead the nations into wars.

BABE RUTH THREATENED WITH SERIOUS ILLNESS

(Associated Press Special Wire)

NEW YORK, June 4.—A lucky child will have Babe Ruth out of the New York Yankees lineup probably for a week.

Babe has been in bad physical condition for some time. He was taken out of the game last Saturday in the ninth inning and didn't play at all the following day. Yesterday his condition was so bad that he went to St. Vincent's hospital for an examination. Physicians there discovered congestion in the chest, told him to remain at home

for three or four days at least. Sunday night will patrol right field for the Yankees while Ruth is recuperating.

NOTICE TO WATER CONSUMERS

Water will be shut off Wednesday, June 5th, from 7:00 p. m. to 9:00 p. m., affecting all consumers on Douglas St. between Jackson and Mosher St. to the gas plant, on Rose St. between Douglas St. and the City Barn; and on all of East Ave.

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OUT OUR WAY

By Williams



HEROES ARE MADE—NOT BORN



How one's understanding develops! Heard of a man who referred to his wife as "the parole board"? "Oh, I almost forgot your birthday present," said a wife to her husband, and leaving the room returned a moment later carrying on her arm two lovely and expensive dresses, a lady's sweater and in her hand a new hat. In the other hand she held a bottle of shaving lotion. Holding out the lotion, she said: "This is yours. I paid for it with my own money. And these you may pay for."

A speaker says it is a wife's duty to make over the man she marries, but perhaps it will be just as well if she doesn't make too much over him.

Clerk (thoughtfully): "Y o u know, Tom, there's one question that has puzzled me since child hood."

Salesman: "What is that?" Clerk: "Can a shortsighted man have a far-sighted look in his eyes?"

The husband and wife were having dinner and for a while there had been silence between them. At last he said, "Well, my dear, I'm very sorry to hear of the failure of your brother's business. However, I expect he took it like a man, didn't he?" "Yes," said she, "he did—exactly like a man. He blamed it all on his wife."

The campaign to enforce the prohibition law may hit a few snags, but if it is put on in a serious way, there will be less talk about booting in a year from now.

Sergeant: "Hey! You can't go in there—that's the colonel's tent!" Rookie: "Then what have they got 'Private' over the entrance for?"

The surest way in the world to have a good time is to lose yourself in work you like.

Trying to dodge responsibilities is like trying to dodge your shadow.

Who Remembers? When people wrote letters instead of sending picture postcards:

Misery loves company, and often marries him.

Well, a man has a right to call his hand a "spot." Think how large sun spots are.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE HEAD CHURCH NAMES OFFICERS

BOSTON, June 2.—William W. Davis of Cambridge, Mass., was elected president of the Christian Science Church.

PAIN IN YOUR SHOULDER? Use Tysmol for Relief

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O. S. C. ALUMNI ELECTS

(Associated Press Special Wire)

CORVALLIS, Ore., June 3.—Mark J. McAllister of Salem, corporation commissioner of Oregon, is the new president of the Oregon State college alumni association. The result of the annual election was announced here yesterday.

Charles Reynolds of La Grande is a new member of the board of directors. Jeanette Cramer, Portland, was elected vice president, and Clifford Dunn, Klamath Falls, treasurer.

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ROSS BATES TO GRADUATE FROM HILL MILITARY

Ross C. Bates, son of B. W. Bates of Roseburg will receive his diploma at Hill Military academy Wednesday when commencement exercises will be held in the well known military prep school in Portland. In the morning, exercises will be held at Rocky Butte where ground will be broken for the new school to be built in the near future. Cadet Bates will have charge of the band on this occasion. The site for the school is an eminence at the eastern boundary line of the city, overlooking the Columbia River highway. A competitive drill on the parade ground, a reception for relatives and friends of the graduates and the evening program at which commissions and diplomas and medals will be awarded, will complete a busy day for the graduates. "Cadet Bates has made an excellent record," stated Joseph A. Hill, principal, in commenting on the achievements of the boys for the school year.

NEUNER'S DAUGHTER HURT IN AUTO WRECK

The daughter of Attorney and Mrs. George Neuner, of Portland, suffered minor injuries Sunday in an auto accident near Corvallis. Mr. Neuner, accompanied by his daughter and mother-in-law, Mrs. Campbell, was driving north when the car skidded and rolled over into the ditch. The girl's leg was cut and she was severely bruised and was taken to the hospital, where her injuries were treated. She was later moved to her home in Portland. Mr. Neuner and Mrs. Campbell escaped with minor cuts and bruises.

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