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The Tax League Resolutions

INCLUDED in the tax league recommendations to the county court after examination of the budget for the coming year, were these: That school districts be urged to reduce expenditures by reducing the salaries of teachers; and that practically all of the funds now provided for the county health unit be withdrawn.

The first suggestion, that teacher salaries be reduced, was supported by its proponents on the basis that the taxpayers are unable to pay so much. There is much cold hard logic in the contention that money which one does not have, can not be paid out. This was the back-bone of the argument advanced in favor of reduction of salaries. Some argument was heard to the effect that teachers' salaries are too high. We feel compelled to disagree with that contention without devoting space here to argument.

Regarding school financing which was the real meat of the problem, we cannot help but feel that those members of the tax league who voted for and passed the resolution asking for reduction in teachers' salaries did so without either adequate study of the problem or a knowledge of the intricate details of it. Without doubt one thing that has made it possible for this new country of ours to assume a position of leadership in the world, is the highly developed and efficient educational system which we have. To strike blindly at it with a curtailment program, has the ring of being a dangerous and destructive thing to do.

School expense should certainly be kept within the income raised for school purposes but we believe the matter is sufficiently technical and complicated to warrant the careful consideration of a group of experienced educators within the county. An analysis and recommendation by a committee of picked school men would be worth infinitely more in the long run than a hastily passed resolution by the tax league. There must certainly be a better solution than to decrease salaries which are already low enough.

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The reduction of funds for the county health unit to a point where that important department of county operation would be virtually inoperative was another thing advocated by the tax league.

Here again was a resolution seriously submitted and passed, which would tear down an important factor established in the interest of public health. This writer is no more in position to say whether or not the health unit should be destroyed than was the tax league. Some one submitted the resolution at the league meeting. It was argued for and against, by men who knew very little about it and, as is so often the case in such meetings passed without the "no" votes having enough of the courage of their convictions to raise their voices with volume enough to defeat the resolution.

There seems to be too much of this sort of thing in the government of our state and county. Too many important matters are decided on the basis of half truths or without the possession, by the deciders, of even a reasonable amount of information.

The health unit matter should be decided solely upon the basis of facts and scant attention should be paid to the hasty action of the league meeting.

The annual meeting of the tax league is a valuable contribution to municipal government because it has the effect of a censorship. It could be a much more worth while institution if it would function more carefully and make a sincere and resultful endeavor to search out facts. Its recommendations and resolutions if submitted with a detailed report containing facts supporting a contention, would be infinitely more valuable.

NOVEMBER WEATHER HERE NEAR NORMAL

November weather was very near the normal mark according to the monthly summary announced today by E. H. Fletcher, meteorologist in charge of the local weather bureau station. Temperature for the month averaged 45 degrees as compared with a normal of 45.9 degrees. The lowest temperature was 34 degrees on the 27th and the highest was 74 degrees on the 1st. The average maximum for the month was 51.7 degrees and the average minimum 38.3 degrees.

Precipitation totalled 3.78 inches as compared with a normal of 4.66 inches. November rainfall has varied greatly during the many years that records have been maintained, the lightest monthly rainfall being 0.19 of an inch in 1899 to 9.81 inches in 1896. Last year the November rainfall was only 0.25 of an inch.

EDITOR PAROLED ON LIBEL CHARGE

MARSHFIELD, Ore., Dec. 2 — W. E. Hassler, publisher of the Coos County Courier, was yesterday sentenced to one year in state prison and received a parole from the bench. He was convicted on a charge of criminal libel which grew out of publication of anonymous election cards. In addition to the sentence he was fined $200. The parole was recommended by the jury and by William Walsh, district attorney.

OWN SHOTGUN KILLS HUNTER IN JACKSON

MEDFORD, Ore., Dec. 2 —Frank R. Neil, 63, native of Jacksonville, was killed instantly Sunday night when his shotgun discharged as he was crawling through a barbwire fence on his ranch near Butte Falls. Neil was returning from a rabbit hunt.

MURRAY RELEASED FROM STATE PRISON

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 2 — Charles Murray of Eugene, who was conditionally pardoned from the state penitentiary by Governor Norblad, effective about December 1, was released last Wednesday, prison officials said, so that he might spend Thanksgiving with relatives.

Murray is now in Eugene. His future plans have not definitely been decided upon, but it was said that he probably would go into a shoe store in another state.

Murray was sentenced to serve seven years in the penitentiary for involuntary manslaughter as a result of his running down a pedestrian with his automobile while intoxicated.

TWO BILLS AIMED AT AMENDMENT 18

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—A referendum on the Eighteenth Amendment was proposed in a measure introduced today by Representative Michael, republican, Michigan.

At the same time he introduced a resolution to authorize the calling of a constitutional convention.

A few minutes later Representative Andrew, republican, Massachusetts, introduced his proposal for a nation-wide vote on repeal of the 18th amendment.

CHANCE SENDS PORK SHOWER TO HOBOES

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

ASHLAND, Wis., Dec. 1.—Tramps, encamped near here, awoke yesterday to find pork sausage and picnic hams "growing" on tree branches.

Investigation revealed a meat truck had been wrecked during the night with such force the sausages and hams were hurled into the air many of the bundles sticking on the branches of nearby trees.

NATURAL END WINS FOR INSURANCE CO.

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

WATERTOWN, N. Y., Dec. 1. - A life insurance policy taken out 64 years ago by "Uncle John" Coon, pioneer banker, was valid for death from any cause except "at the hands of hostile Indians."

He died recently of natural causes.

Editorials on News

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another FIFTEEN years.

ALL over the country, lumbering has been a temporary industry. It has flourished for a while. Then it has moved on.

Here in Oregon, where lumbering is our principal payroll industry, we have a splendid opportunity to make the lumber industry permanent. We have all the experience of the past to draw upon. We have a climate in which timber grows at an astonishing rate.

But unless we give intelligent thought to the problem of reforestation, the lumber industry in this section with all of its advantages will NOT be permanent.

A QUARTER of a century ago this county got all excited over the idea of conservation of timber. At that time conservation was understood to mean RE-FRAMING from the use of timber.

That was all wrong. We don't need to refrain from using timber because timber is a CROP and can be grown at regular intervals INDEFINITELY. We should use all of it we want, just as we should use all the wheat, or all the corn or all the cotton we want.

All we need to do in order to have timber indefinitely is to take intelligent steps to bring about reproduction of the crop as rapidly as it is harvested.

POLLY AND HER PALS

An Ace in the Hole

Maybe I'm Wrong

By J. P. MEDBURY

JUST because your wife puts your salary in her stocking, it's no sign you have a joint account.

Pitiful Cases—The college boy who didn't belong to any fraternities; he was too lazy to let them rush him.

Momentous Moment—When a student loses fifty dollars in an arithmetic lesson because they wouldn't let him use his own dice.

Financial Note—Money that used to make the mare go is now being spent in repair shops.

American Tragedies—The deaf man who talked to himself and couldn't hear what he said.

You're Right—Love turns cold when the ring turns green.

Matrimonial Martyrs—The hen pecked husband who had to join the fire department in order to get out at night.

Excuse It Please—There are no clues in matrimony; they're mostly 'don'ts.'

Null and Void—The guy who stays awake all night worrying about having to get up in the morning.

Our Own Vaudevills—Office Boy: I'd like the afternoon off sir, my grandmother— Employer: I know she died. Office Boy: No sir, she wants to take me to the baseball game.

Talks on Health

By DR. R. S. COPELAND

NOT long ago it was my pleasure to be a spectator at one of the intercollegiate boat races. At the close of the race my joy changed to a feeling of concern and anxiety for the rowers. The splendid athletes, trained to perfection and who, undoubtedly, were the very symbol of perfect health, appeared utterly exhausted. In fact, it was necessary to revive three of them with water. Rowing is without doubt the best exercise of all sports and severely taxes the heart.

Mothers often ask me whether it is safe for a child to play baseball, or to run on the school track team. I always answer that if the child is perfectly normal, he should be allowed to indulge in such sports. Good sense must be used, of course, and undue zeal must not be in excess. In this age of competitive sports cardiac strain often leads to serious damage; the such damage is unnecessary.

Young boys and girls should be examined as to the activity and strength of their hearts before they are allowed to compete in any strenuous sports. The preliminary test should not be the end of the examination. Repeated tests, particularly after athletic efforts, should be made to see how well they stand the exertion. Upon the first sign of mental strain of the heart, the amount of exercise should be demanded back, and, where necessary, entirely eliminated.

In persons who have been trained to increase their athletic activities gradually, the heart stands the strain. Under these conditions no harm results. Much harm is done to the heart in individuals who assume with great sudden zeal the life and activities of an athlete.

If you are desirous of doing athletic work, first make sure that your heart is capable of doing the excessive work that such exercise demands. Secondly, increase the amount of exercise slowly and cautiously. This is important in adults and particularly important in children.

The competitive athletic fever in grammar school, high school and college is great. In the desire to win, all too often the individual is forgotten.

The most frequent advice given by physicians to elderly people is to get into the open and to take exercise. This is particularly true as regards the business man, who has either retired from his business or whose business no longer requires all his time. Such sports as mountain climbing, hiking, rowing, golf or tennis are often advised. Before undertaking any of these sports any man beyond the age of forty should have a careful examination made as to the condition of his heart, blood pressure and kidney function.

You may have a perfectly normal heart according to all the tests and yet not be in condition for suddenly adopted exercise of moderate severity. There must be preparation by gradual increase of activity.

Answers to Health Queries

H. Q.—What would cause the teeth to start decaying — this trouble is very sudden? I am in my twenties.

A.—Your diet is probably at fault. Eat more of the lime-producing foods: Milk, eggs, fruit, fruit juices, leafy green vegetables should all help the teeth as well as the system in general.

Mrs. X. X. Q.—What can be done for the itch? Whenever I get too close to the stove my skin begins to itch and raises up in welts and burns and swells.

A.—Itching may be due to a number of causes. Your trouble is probably due to a form of hives. Watch your diet and elimination.

Advice to Girls

By NANCY LEE

DEAR NANCY LEE:

I had been going steadily for over a year but had broken up two months ago. I was heart-broken. This young man told many lies about me, but back of them he told me he was trying to pretend he didn't love me any more. I tried to forget but didn't succeed. Then one night we made up and he apologized and I forgave. We became engaged and he promised he would never leave me. He then went with me a short while and at last didn't show up for a date. I haven't heard from him since. What shall I do? I won't write him because I think that if he has any manners at all he will explain. If you were me what would you do with the ring? I love him and always will. Thank me you. I remain,

BROKEN HEARTED

BROKEN HEARTED: Return his ring, do your level best to put all thoughts of him from you and seriously rejoice that you are not married to a man of his type. Don't waste any more time or thought about him, believe me, he wasn't worth it.

DEAR NANCY LEE:

I'm in love with a boy that I have never been out with and never expect to get the chance to go with. I try to forget I love him because I know there isn't any use for me to love him. He has a girl that he has been going with for almost four years, but there is just something about him that a girl can never forget. He has given me a little encouragement at least I call it so. The only time I ever get to talk with him is when we run into each other on the street and then, maybe he walks a short distance with me.

How can I forget him? I know it's a hard problem, but I hope you can give me some advice as to how I can stop loving him.

LONELY FRIEND

LONELY FRIEND: There is no advice that I can give you that you cannot offer yourself. You know perfectly well that you are enjoying your misery and so why should I deprive you of that enjoyment. Come down to earth and try to make friends with people that are prepared to offer you more companionship that merely walking down the street with you which is just a courteous attention.

Around.... The County

By R. R. WOOD

In many parts of the country days have been set aside for boosting various industries. We have "Egg week," "Orange week," "Apple week" and a lot of other "weeks" devoted to special sale and use of products which most all of us use to a greater or lesser extent. An old chef down at Scottsburg has gone all these one better and has made it a point to serve Douglas county turkey to all diners at his cafe. This chef, "Cap" Reeves, stated the reason he was doing this was that turkey meat was not only the most delicious thing he knew of, looked upon by most everybody as a holiday luxury, but it is at this time the cheapest meat he could buy. At this time turkey raisers are complaining of the low price of turkeys. Low prices were the principal reason why shipments to outside markets for Thanksgiving fell below the usual amount, as growers held their birds, hoping for better conditions for the Christmas trade.

When "Cap" Reeves decided to serve turkey to travelers through Scottsburg two weeks before the great American holiday just past, he had no intention of starting "Turkey week" propaganda. "Cap's" idea was simply to please those people who might pass his way and want a good meal. But the thing really is suggestive of a move to help the grower and at the same time save a good bit of money for Mrs. Housewife. Most families consider roast turkey as a holiday luxury, and so forego the pleasure of serving this meat only on "state occasions." Sometimes when company comes turkey is served, but usually it is a rare thing for "mother" to go down to the market and select a fat bird for the Sunday dinner, or for the week day. She knows the entire family immensely enjoys roast turkey and all the "fixin's" that go with this delicious meat. The cost of the bird is her first consideration. She just does not see how dad can afford such a luxury very often. But if "Cap" knows anything about this business, a lot of figures are going to be revised and turkey will be served frequently in those homes where meat is the main item of the menu. There are several thousand homes in Douglas county and pretty much all of them use meat of some sort at least once a day. Many families serve meat three times a day. Good beef or veal or mutton or pork costs from 25 cents to 35 cents per pound. A few cuts can be bought at 29 cents, or a soup bone for even less. But these prices have prevailed so long that no one thinks much about it but dad when he comes to pay the bill.

Residents of those towns where turkeys were received for shipment during November bought dressed turkeys for less than a good fat hen cost, or quite a bit less than the some weight in any good beef brought over the counter. "Cap" declares that turkeys, all dressed ready for the purchaser, at 29 cents per pound are a lot cheaper than other meats. Old toms sold for 29 cents, it is true they might weigh from 15 to 25 pounds, but at that they proved a great bargain to the consumer. So that being the fact in this turkey business, why not inaugurate "turkey week" suggesting that housewives serve this delicacy and splendid food? If the people of Oregon could be brought to see the advantage in this sort of thing in a month there would not be a bird left in all the state for shipment to other sections. Besides, the public would be ahead, in the aggregate, a lot of money, while growers would not have cause to complain of "no market."

Girl Unafraid

By Gladys Johnson

WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE

Life to pretty Ardeth Carrol meant working in a shop, an unhappy home with her aunt, and the courtship of Neil Burke, to whom marriage would mean a continuance of her drab existence. When fate in the guise of the socially prominent Jeanette Parker offers her the charge of a shop she is opening, Ardeth accepts. Her happiness knows no bounds when she meets her idol, Ken Gleason, often seen with Cecile, Jeanette's younger sister. Ardeth and Ken see much of each other. Announcement of Ken's engagement to Cecile stuns Ardeth. Ken denying his engagement, explains it is his mother's wish that he marry Cecile. He confesses his love for Ardeth. Unable to oppose his mother, Ken hopes to win her approval of his marriage to Ardeth. Neil quarrels with Ardeth about Ken.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY.

CHAPTER XV.

"Yes — he's slaving!" came Neil's bitter answer. "Got an easy berth in old Parker's office and going to get solid in the firm by marrying the boss's daughter. And in the meantime he can have a good time with my girl. I'll show him where he's going to head in—"

"You—bully! If you try to see him I — I'll —" She blazed at him through the uncertain light, eyes and teeth agleam like a small outraged cat.

Suddenly she was flung flat against him held by his arm as rigid and uncompromising as a steel bar. His teeth showed in a smile which held no mirth, his eyes burned down at her from their shadowy sockets; "You what? You'll give him up if you know what's good for you! Think you can throw me over whenever you please ——"

A door up at the head of the stairs suddenly opened, sending a glare of light leaping down the stairwell, painting black, angular shadows of balusters on the grimy plaster walls, flinging into relief their struggling, locked figures.

Angry Words

Aunt Stel's voice sounded, harsh with anger:

"Ardeth Carroll come up here right off! What time of night is this to be gettin' in an' waking the whole house?"

Ardeth thrust Neil violently away and went up the stairs burning with rage and shame. Wearing a black scowl, the man followed.

They faced each other in the blaze of the living-room chandelier. Aunt Stel had evidently just arisen from her virtuous couch, for the kimono of faded irises did not quite conceal the end of a much faded nightgown and her front hair was wound on two stout wire hairpins to provide a rigid wave the next day.

Neil stood beside her, his long arms folded tightly against his tall, lean body. His face was paper white and his eyes were very black under his thick, black brows.

Ardeth stood before them with flaming cheeks, her slender body taut with excited anger.

Aunt Stel's eyes went heavily over the girl, much as a lumbering wagon would crush a moth.

"So, you finally decided to come home, did you?" Her voice was thick with scorn. "Remembered you had a good decent home to come to, when you got good an' ready! An' me, like a fool, keepin' your dinner hot in the oven till all hours!"

"I'm sorry about dinner, Aunt Stel," the girl said with stiff lips. "I know I should have telephoned, but—but I lost all track of the time ——"

"Yes, I can believe that," Aunt Stel's lips were a thin line. "You forget most things since you've started chippying around with your rich beau! I dare say that isn't all he's made you forget!"

The girl before her blazed with sudden wrath. "That's horrid! I've done nothing I'm ashamed of and you've no right to talk to me like that! It's nobody's business but our own if we love each other."

She stopped, swept by a guilty sense of betrayal. Putting it in words like this made it sound so bleak. . . . This love of theirs—so newly confessed—so delicate. . . . Flinging it out before Aunt Stel's skeptical face was like handling a butterfly with clumsy fingers.

"Oh, so you love each other, do you!" Aunt Stel's words were freighted with sarcasm. "Fallin' for all his fine promises, aren't you. Like Nellie Ross. She had plenty of time to remember her sweetie's fine words, an' so'll you have——"

"Stop — you!" Ardeth blazed at her in such white-faced fury that her aunt automatically blinked.

Nellie Ross . . . as a youngster of eight, Ardeth had seen Nellie wheeling her heavy-headed baby in the sun of the Panhandle. There had been a strange elusive secret about Nellie Ross. The big boys had snickered and whistled as she went by. The big girls had gathered in intense knots in doorways, discussing something mysterious from which they had barred Ardeth. But she remembered, and later she knew. . . .

Now, slightly sick, choking with anger, miserably aware that Paul had roused from sleep on the lounge and was drinking in the scene with one scarlet ear, she defended herself.

"You have no right to say that to me, Aunt Stel. I didn't want to say anything so—so soon, but —well, Ken and I are engaged. We're going to be married — soon — so, you see!"

"Married!" hotly, from Neil.

"Married!" a derisive cackle from Aunt Stel. "Well, let me tell you, young lady, you're not pulling the wool over my eyes! Ben knows all about your fine sheik — there's a girl works in her office has a sister in Parker's office, and your Mr. Gleason isn't engaged to marry you, because he's going to marry his boss's daughter. He's like many another rich young fellow — takin' his fun with a poor girl before he marries a rich one. More fool you for falling for his fine talk!"

"I suppose Bet knows more about it than — Ken or — me!" said Ardeth in a stifled voice. She felt weak and sick. And dreadfully alone.

"At any rate, she's not such a fool as you! An' here's one thing you're going to learn, my lady. If you're going to stay on here, you're going to give up this chasin' about all night. Come home this hour again an' you'll find my door locked!"

Hazel eyes glowing with hot, tawny lights . . . So bright those eyes of Ardeth, with burning pride, that the others blinked as her gaze swept their faces.

Leaving Home

Her voice was husky. Smothered with the tremendous effort to keep it steady.

"All right. If that's the way you feel about me, Aunt Stel, I'll save you the trouble of locking the door. I'll leave here tomorrow. I'll get a place of my own where no one—can insult me—"

She felt hot tears coming and turned swiftly before they should see them.

"Ardeth!" She heard Neil's voice as she reached her bedroom door, but she went in and closed it behind her.

The dark room, swimming before her dazzled eyes after the glare of the other. As she pulled off her clothes with cold hands, her vision gradually cleared. The window grew out of the blackness, a gray rectangle — curtains looped back and blowing in the night wind. The street light seeping in showed a dark bulk in the bed. Bet — breathing in carefully simulated sleep.

But Ardeth knew that Bet had been lying tense, straining to the sound of the angry voices in the other room. They all hated her . . . . they would be glad to have her go. . . .

She tried to plan as she crept in quietly beside the motionless Bet. A hotel room — something inexpensive. She could manage that until such time as she and Ken could be married. The thought of him brought a warm, sweet security to overlay her anger. She drifted to sleep serene in the memory of him.

(To Be Continued)

VAN WINKLE RULES ON DRUG QUESTION

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 1 — Display of the title "Prescription pharmacist" on the place of business of a person who is not himself a registered pharmacist, is legal, says an opinion by Attorney General Van Winkle in reply to an inquiry by Frank S. Ward, secretary of the state board of pharmacy. It is required, however, that a registered pharmacist be employed in the place of business.

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