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UNDER FALSE COLORS.

Elmer Amidon of Portland, recently went to Rainier to help organize a Hughes club. The club was organized but this wasn't the reason Amidon went down to our sister city. It was to boost for Coovert for state senator for this, the Fourteenth, district. Amidon made a big speech and wound up with an eulogy on Mr. Coovert. The Warren Construction Company, Coovert, or whoever sent Mr. Amidon down did Hughes an injustice in trying to make it appear it was a Hughes meeting when in reality it was meant to be a Coovert meeting. Mr. Amidon's connection with the Warren Construction Company leads any intelligent citizen to ask if it was really his purpose to organize a Hughes club. The Mist thinks it only a part of the Warren-Coovert campaign.

IT IS SINGLE TAX

The initiative law is again the means of placing on the ballot to be voted upon at the November election, a measure that is vicious as well as perplexing to the average voter. It will appear under the title, "Full Rental Value Land Tax and Homesteader's Loan Fund Amendment." Its wording is somewhat indefinite but what it really means is the substitution of a full rental tax on all land in lieu of all other taxes. It does not seem to the originators of this measure how much money or how little will be raised. It may yield more revenue than is necessary and it may fall short any amount. What would be the result of such a tax?

Under this law, if a farmer owned 120 acres, he would pay in taxes to the state the full earning capacity of the land. We would like to inquire what the farmer would have left.

The result would be the same if the land were leased, as the rental would go to the state. The real meaning of the proposed amendment is single tax. Should this measure be adopted, every farm mortgage in the state would be foreclosed before the law could be placed in operation, as under the rental value law there would be nothing left to take up mortgages and the mortgagee would have to foreclose to protect himself.

Is it any wonder that capital hesitates to come to Oregon when such freak laws come up at every election and at every session of the legislature.

The writer of this article opposed the initiative law when it was placed before the people for adoption and he has had no occasion to change his opinion regarding the law. However, it is part of the constitution, and we are in favor of its enforcement. The most sensible way to bring about the repeal of an obnoxious law is to enforce it.

STARVATION IN ARMENIA

The loss of human life in the great European war will number untold millions and still the death rate goes on. While the millions that will sleep on the battlefield, piled in trenches like animals, without mark or other identification, the suffering and sorrows of home among the helpless women and children knows no abatement. The greatest distress seems to be in Armenia, where thousands are starving to death. A recent dispatch says that rather than starve they are eating human flesh. They have been driven out upon the deserts and have frequently pounced upon the bodies of exhausted comrades. Lack of food has driven the people practically to animal life. Men and women have been seen crawling on the ground in desperate hunt for grasses and herbs. Vast sums of money are being raised in America for their relief.

According to Secretary of War Baker, the issues on which President Wilson will base his fight for re-election are keeping the United States out of war, the federal reserve bank act, the rural credits bill, the amendment to the ship registry act, the Underwood tariff bill, preparedness policy and the child labor bill. But the greatest argument advanced will be that we are at peace.

The republican platform declares, "The Underwood tariff is a complete failure in every respect." That raises a direct issue that permits of no quibbling over definitions. If the democrats think it is not a complete failure, let them come on with their specifications showing wherein it has succeeded. It proposed to reduce the cost of living, and it failed in that. It proposed to raise revenue, and it failed in that. In what respect did it accomplish anything the American people wanted accomplished?

It is now stated that Wilson may lose Texas in the presidential race on account of his Mexican policy. In the recent primary, ex-Gov. Colquitt, an avowed enemy of the administration, was nominated for United States senator while Senator Culberson, the administration candidate, was defeated. The Mexican outrages along the Texas border has greatly aroused the people and Texas alone would like the job of cleaning out Mexico, and it is possible, therefore, that the electoral vote may be cast for Hughes. In an ordinary campaign year, however, were Lucifer to receive the democratic nomination he would be elected.

PROPOSED GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP

The strongest argument ever presented for government ownership of railroads is the threatened paralysis of traffic due to an employers-employes' controversy, Senator Norris of Nebraska declared.

Should the impending disaster fall, he announced, he will seize the opportunity to advance the doctrine that private ownership of a public utility necessarily is opposed to the public interest.

Norris will introduce a bill calling for the construction or purchase of a nation-wide system—a line from the Atlantic to the Pacific and from the Gulf to the Lakes. This he will propose to operate as a model utility, both as to treatment of the public in rates and to employes in pay.

THE DEUTSCHLAND SAFE

When the submarine Deutschland sailed into Baltimore harbor much was said and written about the spectacular merits of her cruise from Bremen. But the trip to the United States was a tame holiday jaunt compared to the utterly stupendous career of the under-water freighter on her return home.

A recent dispatch says the Deutschland had docked safely at Bremen, although it lacks official confirmation.

Just a skeleton of the Deutschland's trip home contains these strangely assorted facts:

She left Baltimore August 1 and was captured three or four days later by a Canadian patrol boat.

Shortly afterward she was seen north of Newfoundland and a few hundred miles off the Florida coast, headed for the Canaries. This illustrated her splendid cruising radius.

On August 8 she was overhauled and sunk by a British patrol boat in southern waters.

Recovering indomitably from this slight setback, the subsea liner was observed August 10 by a Norwegian steamer. At that time she was sailing on the surface, evidently because the ordeal of being sunk had discouraged underwater progress.

As the report of the ubiquitous ship's arrival at Bremen is not official, there is still every probability that she may be seen in the Mediterranean, or the middle of the Atlantic, or in Lake Erie, before the month is over. In any case, she has established a record for diverse activity that will stand for a long time.

The southern states contain the only remaining important hardwood supply of the temperate zone, not only of the United States but probably of the entire world.

Since ice cream was first served in America, at a White House entertainment during the administration of President Madison, America's fondness for ice cream has steadily grown and with it the ice cream business. It is estimated that 250,000,000 gallons of the refreshing food was consumed in America last year, which, at 80 cents per gallon, would total $200,000,000.

They Never Grow Up

"Men are only boys grown tall."

"Yes, only this morning I heard a middle-aged woman taking her husband to task for not washing his ears properly."—Kansas City Journal.

Cheerful

"Cheerful guy, that."

"What's the matter?"

"He called on me the other day when I was ill, and the first thing he said was that our front room was going to be an awkward place to get a coffin out of."—Detroit Free Press.

Covers Everything

"What is beguslum derived from?"

"If you don't know, it is safe to take a chance that it is a coal-tar product."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

MICHIGAN PICNIC

The Columbia County Michigan Picnic Association will hold its fifth annual picnic in the City Park at St. Helens, Thursday, August 31, 1916.

All Michigan people living or visiting in Oregon or vicinity are most cordally requested to attend.

EFFIE WILSON,
Secretary.

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the firm of Stokes & Blackburn has this day dissolved, Mr. Blackburn retiring. All liabilities of the firm are assumed by H. Stokes and all accounts due the firm should be paid to him.

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