

WORDY ROW ON FIRST DAY OF SESSION

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they are really not making the big money, but the large slice of profit being exacted is by the retailer.

Of especial importance, according to the speaker, is the repeal of the Esch-Cummins law guaranteeing railroads six per cent on their investments. He labeled it as the most nefarious law ever written on the statute books, charging it with smacking of paternalism and undermining the principles of American business as they have been followed since the nation was founded.

He also contended for a tariff law at the earliest possible moment to keep out the livestock products of foreign countries, stating that this law should also extend over all farm products, as well as livestock.

Economy Starts the Fun.

The speaker drifted onto a plan of public economy which he claimed must be adopted in Oregon unless taxation eats up the property of the state. According to his idea he would abolish every commission and state office except a governor, secretary of state, state treasurer, school superintendent and a head for the banking and corporation department.

This met with favor by the assemblage, but he went further and urged in imperative language that present-day education is costing too much for what the people are getting, directing his remarks mainly at what are termed institutions of higher education.

His contention was that if people really want economy they have an opportunity to pare down some of this public expense. That educational taxes have increased \$6,000,000 in Oregon the last year was his startling statement, and that more than half of the taxpayer's dollar goes for alleged education was also stated by him.

When he stated that we were not getting results from the colleges and asked if it were not true that a large percentage of college graduates, instead of coming home to help Dad make things go, do, in fact, come home obsessed with the idea they must have a monthly allowance, the audience began to take a live interest in his remarks.

Robert Withcombe, of Union, asked for the privilege to defend the Oregon Agricultural college and give his version of the college's success, and then Walter M. Pierce, former senator from this district, asked that he might be heard. Mr. Pierce is a regent of O. A. C. and he talked at length of the achievements of the college under his twelve years' administration as regent, admitting, however, that taxation was eating up property and that educational expenses are high.

When asked how much is required per student to run the college he stated that with over 3600 students it is found that over \$400 for each student is essential to raise for the college expenses.

Debate Grows Warm.

By this time every person in the auditorium had forgotten all about cows and bulls and showed a deep interest in what each speaker was saying.

Before closing, Mr. Pierce paid high tribute to the soldiers who went from college to the great war, urged the audience not to be led off by those who would take a backward step in education.

Judging from the applause each speaker received, each side had its supporters who were eager to go on record either for or against, as their judgment dictated.

The usual courtesy of closing the argument was accorded Mr. Dennis, the first speaker, who, in short, pointed statements insisted that the board of regents of the O. A. C. do not function, and that President Kerr is the whole thing—an opinion, he claimed, which is gaining throughout the state. He also called attention to the millage tax which the people voted upon the expressed promise of Mr. Kerr and Mr. Campbell, of the university, that the sum thus raised would take care of the institutions, but only to find the same old educational lobby at work during the last session of the legislature exacting more funds in addition to the millage tax.

CORRELL STEERS THE BIG WHEEL

While Pollman is, and has been, president of the association, he has had a most able assistant in the secretary, Oscar Correll, who is first of all one of Eastern Oregon's able attorneys, but, coupled with this profession, he runs a 340-acre ranch, has a bunch of cattle on the range and finds time to breed a few rack horses—not as big as Henry's. But for several years, Oscar kept the Baker county fair running because of his expert driving and his fast horses in the speed ring.

He was at Canyon City, full of pep and precision. He made the program and then saw that no one dared fail him. His typewriters were running day and night and his attention to de-

tail was marveled at by every member.

Occasionally, when the spirit moved him, he prevailed upon the president to let him make a speech, and every time he did so he opened new thought and frequently a very lively discussion.

As a secretary he is a successful as Bert Snow, of Dayville, as a road booster, and don't anyone dare ever cherish the thought that Bert Snow is not a road booster and the complete Daddy of the John Day Highway.

G. C. M'MULLEN TELLS CONDITION

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number, 58 per cent was sold there; the other two per cent went to other markets on through billing.

"Our commission firms are all bonded, securing shippers against loss. We buy and sell on an exclusive commission basis and we try to hold all our old customers and are anxious for new ones."

"We are looking for a big cattle and sheep business out of Wyoming and Colorado this season, and hope rates will be adjusted and make it possible for our Oregon and Idaho friends to send some business our way."

"I have come a long way to see my many friends and customers in this country and want to meet every one of you while here. So, let's get together. I thank you."

STRONG A FACTOR IN CONVENTION

He comes from Multnomah, where a milk goat is about the only thing in the way of livestock within its borders, but Mr. Strong is, nevertheless, thoroughly at home with cowmen for, back in the middle states, he used to milk a Jersey cow every night and morning in order to pay his way through school.

Before he had tuned up his melodious voice many times, some one dubbed him "Caruso" and as such he is now known. He sang solos, and then made everybody sing. He presided at the banquet and pulled jokes on every speaker with heartless consideration for their birthplaces, their past lives or their present way of living. His stories were new and snappy, decidedly snappy, but he got by with them and was voted to have been touched with the wand of genius when it comes to stirring the pot of enthusiasm.

NEXT MEETING AT ENTERPRISE

Selection of a meeting place with the Cattle and Horse Raisers' association is a trust which that organization does not treat lightly. Last year, when it met at Burns the city of Enterprise was a candidate for the meeting this year. Canyon City also wanted this year's meeting and Enterprise withdrew to let it go to Canyon. So pleased were the interior people that they promised it to Enterprise in 1922.

For this reason the friends of Union, which was entered as a candidate for the 1922 meeting, were helpless and could not move these sturdy men who had given their word. However, Union has a most excellent chance for the meeting in 1923.

Robert Withcombe and Rev. Hughes represented Union at the Canyon City meeting.

Election of officers for the association proved to be an endorsement of the old administration, and although William Pollman insisted that some other man be named as president his remarks were ruled out of order and Walter Pierce moved unanimous choice of Pollman be made for the coming year, which carried with much enthusiasm.

IMBLER PLANS BIG FOURTH

HIGHEST TIME IN YEARS IS PROMISED BY IMBLER PEOPLE.

Committee Getting Ready to Put On One of Finest Celebrations Ever Held in Valley.

Imbler will celebrate the Fourth of July in a fitting manner this year. At an enthusiastic meeting last week the townspeople and many of the neighboring farmers met in the American Legion Hall to discuss the matter and such was the enthusiasm that an executive committee consisting of Lyle B. Kiddie, C. W. Cleaver and Hugh Ilfson was elected and other committees appointed to immediately lay plans for a good old fashioned celebration such as has not been seen in the Grande Ronde valley for many years. Preparations are being made and prizes will be given for horse races, foot races and other athletic events. A parade and fire works will also be in the program. A baseball game with one of the other league teams will be played in the afternoon and a big picnic dinner will be held in

the grove adjoining the L. D. S. church.

Imbler has not held a celebration of this kind for many years but those who have seen previous celebrations here know that there will be something doing every minute.

ADVERTISE FOR LOST ARTICLES IN OBSERVER

Birds Moving Day.

It is now a well-established fact, says the American Forestry Magazine, that when the female woodcock for any reason desires to remove her young from one place to another, she takes them out, one at a time, between her feet, and holding them securely, she flies off with them to a place of safety.

Queer American Custom.

Sometimes we get a chance to smile. Americans have been criticized for centuries on the treatment of women, but they have no right to do that. A citizen who has just returned from America says that there they keep their girls in the house until they are sixteen or nineteen. They can't go out at all until then. Then they invite all the girls' friends in, and they say that they are going to let her out. When they let a girl out they call her a debutante.—From a Japanese Paper.

Jud Tunkins.

Jud Tunkins says a man's noblest and most philanthropic efforts often fail to attract as much attention among his friends as the fact that he has bought a new hat.

Iceland Popples Bloom in Summer.

Iceland popples are peculiar popples from the far north, which will produce flowers from seed almost as soon as the annual varieties. They grow less than a foot high and bear small blossoms of yellow, white or deep orange on graceful stems. If cut before opening, the blossoms keep satisfactorily. If dead blossoms are picked off, the plants will continue to blossom all summer and far into the fall.

Peculiar Racial Resemblance.

There are a great many points of resemblance between the Mongolian and the American Indian. They extend to personal and even religious observances, notwithstanding the fact that the Mongols have long been converted to Islamism, one of the most exacting and intolerant of religions.

So Forgetful of George.

"What an abundant memory George has—I promised to marry him last night, and he has just proposed to me again."—London Opinion.

Clean Shave by Lightning Stroke.

There are several cases of people being shaved by lightning. A famous one is that of the French doctor, Gaultier, who lived at Clugny. His beard was taken off as cleanly as though he had been shaved. It never grew again.

"It Beed Her."

Junior and sister were playing in the garden when suddenly sister started screaming. When mother ran out Junior said: "Mother, I guess she thought it was a butterfly, but it was a bee and it beed her."

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