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BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

THE BIRD CALLING—He is the first to call to you, Father, which is in heaven. In perfect, Matthew 24:18.

About Taxes

The total amount levied for taxation in Oregon in 1922 is \$10,473,906. Of this only 6 per cent or \$2,514,080 is for strictly state purposes, outside of roads and schools. This amount includes the cost of maintenance of all state institutions and the expenses of state government.

This six per cent is the amount that directly comes under the governor's supervision and is all that does.

Of the total taxes, 23 per cent, or \$9,373,376 is nominally state tax, but it includes \$1,020,503 for redemption of soldiers' bonus bonds, \$2,040,905 for state aid to elementary schools, the state market road tax, the higher educational millage taxes, and the tax for educational aid to soldiers. A total of \$6,859,296 out of the \$9,373,376 was voted by the people themselves.

Oregon's tax bill for education was \$16,635,939 in 1921, of which \$2,217,208 or 13.8 per cent was authorized by the people in the higher educational millage bill, \$416,335 or 2.5 per cent for high schools and \$10,692,692 or 64 per cent for grade schools. It is apparent that the governor has no control over these funds and cannot reduce the expenditures, but advocates of the compulsory school bill will increase these taxes over a million dollars a year to educate students now educated at private expense and from \$3,000,000 to \$5,000,000 to provide additional school rooms to care for them, present facilities being overcrowded without them.

By far the larger part of taxation is under the direct control of either district, county or municipality and is under local supervision and not under the governor's jurisdiction. The voters of the various school districts, drainage districts, counties and cities fix levies, not the governor.

A total of 94 per cent of all the taxes have been authorized by vote of the people, and the governor cannot be blamed for them, and the executive is powerless to effect any saving except in the state's 6 per cent, and only slightly in that. There is no magic cure-all for high taxation—economy is the only remedy and it must begin locally and extend through the line.—Exc.

One Thing Goes Up, Another Goes Down

As the natural plan in animal life exists—one created to devour another, so the plan of business and commerce seems to exist.

For instance, it is now stated, and apparently with some truth, that the long skirts of women now coming into style, are bringing the death knell to the fancy hosiery maker. He has flourished like the Green Bay tree for some time. He has schooled the female sex to the point where his wares cost more than it used to cost for an entire wardrobe, yet everyone liked it and the hosiery maker waxed fat and grew rich. Little did he think his days were numbered, but they were. He awoke one morning to find the style artists decreeing that long skirts should return. That ladies of La Grande would look quite out of place with the kilties they have been wearing and must don the long, somber skirts of years ago.

The hosiery maker saw his finish. No more fancy stockings with clocks and frills and costly free-gaws. The plain stocking is quite all right when the world is not to see it, hence the price of hosiery will suffer a material drop and the hosiery maker will have to do as the corset maker did a few years ago—change his plant over to making something else that women like.

METHODISTS PERFECT PLAN.

Property at Joseph to be Open to All
Credits for Contributions.

ENTERING THE 101st anniversary of the Methodist church at Joseph, the church is celebrating the occasion with a series of social events. The church is celebrating the occasion with a series of social events. The church is celebrating the occasion with a series of social events.

has been selected for the site of the new building. There will be an estimated cost of \$100,000 to build the new building. The church is celebrating the occasion with a series of social events. The church is celebrating the occasion with a series of social events.

the forested area, and which will exclude every objectionable feature. A drive crosses the lots with other drives through to the central oval, all conforming to the topography of the tract. Beyond the campus settlement, will be playgrounds and parks for the use of patrons of the place. The grounds will be watered by water from a large spring on the hillside.

The thought of the management, said Mr. Aldrich, is to open the summer park to all religious and educational gatherings. It will offer a place for Y. M. C. A. camps and camps of boys' scouts and campfire girls. Sunday school assemblies and young people's meetings of all sorts will be welcome, for the wish is to make the park a center for every kind of summer activity of the better kind.

POLITICS PERK UP AT LOSTINE

LOSTINE, Oct. 14.—The caucus for nominating officers for Lostine was held Saturday, September 30, in the city hall. The following were nominated: F. L. Powers for mayor; Chas. E. Page, George Childers, Chas. Caldwell, Ernest Windage, Oliver Ward and S. L. Merrill for councilmen; W. P. Van Pelt for recorder; S. Crow and Cecil E. Childers for treasurer; James and Charles for the city election were appointed by the council at their regular meeting Monday evening, October 2nd, as follows: G. J. Paley, Chas. Melramson, Fred Edwards and Alford Miller.

Henry Klinger left Wednesday for California where he expects to spend the winter.

The United States forest service has completed the work on the Lostine Canyon and Ella L. Perry, engineer in charge of the work, has left with his crew for Linn to build roads to that locality. The road in the Lostine River (formerly known as the South Fork) is now in splendid shape for over sixteen miles. Many of the sharp curves and steep grades have been eliminated, so an auto can travel on high nearly the entire distance.

The completion of this gives access to Lost Lake, Blue Lake, Mission, Mirror, Mexican, Chimney and numerous other beautiful little lakes at the head of the river, both on the left and right hand forks and also to the trail to "Honey" City and down the Miaman River. This country is included in the Miaman national forest and has been properly named by one of our state officials who recently visited this section.

"The Switzerland of America." No doubt numerous tourists will take advantage of the improved road to visit this beautiful spot of nature and it is expected that the Lostine Canyon will be very popular next season.

Frank Watt has moved to from the farm in the Lostine Canyon for the winter school term, and they are occupying Mrs. Nolan's cottage on Main street.

Mr. Phelps, one of the engineers on the Powatka road construction, has his family domiciled in the Hamilton house on Main street for the winter, as he will work on the highway construction between here and Enterprise as soon as the gravel surfacing is finished on the Powatka road. The work has been delayed owing to the late arrival of the rock crusher for the work. They have ordered one from California and shipment was delayed so long that they finally secured one in Portland and are now working rapidly to complete the work this fall. Three of the Phelps children have entered school for the winter.

Stewart Hamilton, miller at Elsie spent a few days at home last week.

TWO TYPES OF WHEAT HIGH IN VARIETY TESTS

"Hybrid 128" and "Hard Federation" Both Proven a Superior Variety; Tests Result Given.

Hybrid 128 wheat test plots in comparison with forty fold have made a good showing for the wheat in the county this year. While not all of the plots have been reported on, the Hybrid shows an average yield of 6.1 bushels more per acre than the forty fold planted under the same conditions. This is considered a good record, when the low average yield of winter wheat this year is taken into consideration, and a normal year should show a considerable greater margin in favor of the Hybrid, as has been the case in the Imbler section heretofore.

The recent report issued from the Moro experiment station shows that Hybrid 128 has yielded a 11.6 bushel average more per acre than forty fold during the time on which a record has been kept at Moro.

Some considerable damage has been found with smut in the Hybrid variety this year and it is thought this variety will be more susceptible to smut. The Moro station, however, contends that forty fold is fully as liable to smut in that section as is the Hybrid. Much of the damage from smut can be eliminated by careful treating and the use of good seed. Much seed was planted in 1921 which was of an inferior grade and the demand for Hybrid seed was so great that good seed could not always be secured. The Moro experiment station recommends the securing of smut free seed if possible, otherwise advising that the wheat be treated to remove all smut balls, which are liable to retract seed after treating if not removed. An increased amount of Hybrid is being planted this fall. Normal years should see approximately seven bushels per acre in favor of Hybrid from growing Hybrid 128 in preference to forty fold.

Hard Federation Proven

Hard Federation which was introduced in 1921 for the first time has proven itself this year as the best dry farm spring wheat ever introduced into Eastern Oregon. Like Early Bant it is a quick maturing wheat and results of planting in the past few years prove it to be the earliest maturing of any wheat generally grown. It is estimated that the average Federation matured this year two weeks ahead of Early Bant planted at the same time and as much as three weeks or more earlier than Red Chaff Club. Most of the Hard Federation was cut in about 90 days. The shortest period of maturity being a field grown by Lee Reynolds of La Grande which was cut 81 days after planting.

The average yield at the Moro experiment station for Hard Federation during the four years tried there has been greater than any other spring wheat. Hard Federation fields in this county so far as learned did not fall below a yield of 20 bushels per acre in large acreages this year where a "good stand" has been secured. Planted beside of oats at the same time, this wheat was ready to cut before the oat's were matured. Planted beside Red Chaff Club, the field was far greater, running double the yield of Red Chaff Club. The straw secured is of high quality, grading No. 1 hard. The wheat in appearance is a brown chaff, brown strawed wheat growing very short straw in this section compared with other wheats grown. No one in Portland and are now working rapidly to complete the work this fall. Three of the Phelps children have entered school for the winter.

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WHEN IT'S AUTUMN!




There's an impulse for adornment that dates from the Garden of Eden, and is as irresistible as the law of gravity or a taste for red. It's a very pleasant ailment, however, if one takes treatment for it among the fascinating new things at West's.

They are new things for Fall and Winter, and new things that everyone wants and needs, for when the cold days come there's no keeping away from warm clothes—a coat, or perhaps a fur too.

If you feel the shopping fever coming on, hasten here tonight or Monday and see the many new things we are showing.



Here's A Pretty
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Just unpacked today. It has a high Louis heel, turn sole and single instep strap. The vamp is plain satin and the back quarter is brocaded. This is a very attractive and beautiful fitting pump. It is priced at \$8.00.

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With the completion of this sale of 500 pairs of these pure silk hose we will have sold in the past year just 2,500 pairs in all. Constant calls for them after each sale has lead us to try for more.

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You will hardly notice the defects in them and they will not harm the wear of them in any way.

They are in black, brown, grey, beige and other—all sizes. Choice, 69c. Supply your needs early.

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Munsingwear costs but a trifle more and is worth much more than it costs. If you wear Munsingwear, insist upon it for the rest of the family. If you don't wear Munsingwear, then come in and let us show you its superiority.

Infants' CRIB BLANKETS \$1.25

These are soft woolnap crib blankets in all the nursery patterns—bunny, teddy bear, blue bird, bow-knot, etc.

They are 50x40 in size and are in pink or blue, scalloped edges. All are priced at \$1.25.

Infants' INDIAN ROBES \$2.50

Of the famous "Oregon City" kind—all felt bound. Bright colors and Indian designs, same as in the large robes. Priced at \$2.50 each.

COVE NEWS ITEMS

COVE, Oct. 14.—Farmers are still waiting for rain before beginning to plow.

L. V. Johnson and family were business visitors in La Grande on Saturday.

Mrs. C. O. Aspenwall of Chicago visited her brother, Geo. Chadwick, the fore part of the week.

E. W. Borikson returned to his home in Leavenworth, Wash. He was accompanied by Geo. Chadwick, who will visit there for a few weeks.

Miss Telpha Beach, teaching at "Frosty" district, is attending teachers' institute at Baker this week.

Mrs. George Miller returned from a two weeks' visit with her daughter, Mrs. Ed Clark of Baker. Waldo Richardson and family are moving to the J. W. Gilson place east of town.

Louis Lantz and N. Knight were La Grande visitors on Friday.

U. S. EXPLOITING CHILDREN

Federal Official Quotes Terrible Statistics to Warn Country

(Special to the Observer)
WASHINGTON, Oct. 14.—Fond of referring to the United States as the most enlightened of nations, publicists and educators may well pause to examine the facts as presented in statistics made public by

the secretary of labor in a speech before the American Insurance union. In it he called attention to the fact that 250,000 American babies are snatched by death from their mothers' breasts every year before they have had time scarce to open their unseeing eyes upon the world about them.

Half a million children, so-called defectives and delinquents, are growing up almost totally neglected.

Thirty million American children, of school age, who even if they can win to the opportunity for education, face in our schools a false learning, an education that will not fit more than one in ten of them for the places they must occupy in life.

"Approximately a million and a half American boys and girls of school age, are today thrown beneath the wheels of the juggernaut of industry, pressed to labor before their time, doomed to the

dreary drudgery of mine and mill and factory by economic necessity. They face hopeless futures. Before them stretch the treadmill of unremunerative labor with its few years of heart-breaking, soul-tearing, soul-tearing toil, and at the end—a grave.

"Here, if anywhere, we face a real danger to the republic. Here is a menace greater than any that lies in the blatant mouthings of doctrinaires and demagogues who preach false political economic doctrines in forum and market place. Not in the grasping gospel of the peddler of political nostrums is our peril, but here, mentally, morally, and physically on the torture wheel of misled industrial management is the evil, which must be uprooted if America is to prevail."

Greenville, Belmont. No wonder Germany is broke. That country is American meat packers' best customer.

CARR'S

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