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DEMONSTRATION TRAIN.

Every farmer, every fruit grower, every stockraiser and everyone engaged in making two blades of grass grow where none grew before, should take advantage of the demonstration train which will visit the valley on March 22 and 23, hear the lectures given by experts and witness the demonstrations given for their benefit.

The train will demonstrate at Ashland from 9:45 to 11:45 a. m. March 22. At Talent from 1:30 p. m. to 2:30 and at Medford from 3 p. m. to 5 p. m. On March 23 the demonstrations will be given at Gold Hill from 8:30 to 9:30 a. m., at Woodville from 9:45 to 10:45 a. m. and at Grants Pass from 11:15 a. m. to 1:15 p. m.

The object of the train is to promote the horticultural, agricultural and other industries vital to the valley. The train consists of several cars, especially and thoroughly equipped for practical demonstration. Lecturers from the Oregon agricultural college and experiment station will speak upon subjects of special interest to the dairyman, fruitgrower, livestock raiser and farmers generally. No one engaged in any of these pursuits can afford to miss this train.

PROCEDURE FOR OREGON TAX REFORM.

Professor F. G. Young, head of the department economics and sociology of the University of Oregon, has issued, after several months spent in the study of his subject, a bulletin in which he discusses one of the two ways of making the burden of taxes bear less heavily on the average citizen of the Oregon. He points out the methods of taxation that must be adopted to secure an equitable distribution of the weight of public expenditures and discusses means of keeping down the aggregate. Professor Young believes that the vital matter for the people of Oregon in their public affairs is not so much to put as little money as possible into public activities as it is to get the largest possible returns from the money put in and to have all share in the contribution according to the just standard.

Ability to pay is his conception of the just standard. In order to maintain a system of taxation in Oregon securing revenues from taxpayers in proportion to their respective abilities to pay he thinks that the first requisite is the establishment of a high grade tax commission, which should have power to assess corporations of general status, especially public service corporations, to supervise all local assessments, to investigate closely the whole subject of taxation and to supervise the accounting systems of all state institutions, of counties and of municipalities. The second step, he thinks, should be the amendment of the state constitution so that intangible personalty could be taxed at such rates and by such methods as to secure full returns—better exempt altogether than continue the present iniquitous farce of invisible personalty taxation. Corporations should be taxed on an ad valorem system that secures assessment in proportion to income earning power. The third readjustment he advocates is a scientific adjustment of taxes to taxing jurisdictions obviating the difficulties and injustice always attending apportionment of taxes among counties.

EVERYONE IN FAVOR OF IT.

At Saturday's meeting the Rogue River Horticultural society unanimously passed a resolution, which represents the sentiment of the fruitgrowers of the valley, asking the county court and commissioners to immediately appropriate \$50,000 for the Crater Lake road.

In circulating petitions in Medford Saturday, no trouble was met with in securing over 500 signatures of taxpayers. No one was seen who did not favor the appropriation.

It will be hard for anyone to find a valid excuse for refusal to endorse the proposed appropriation, and the commissioners will find their action backed up by nine-tenths of the taxpayers of Jackson county.

SOMETHING TO BE PROUD OF.

Medford is to be congratulated upon possessing so much operatic and musical talent. It is safe to say that no city of its size anywhere can equal it.

The two performances given last week of "Fra Diavolo" under the direction of Mr. Hazelrigg, were by all odds, the finest operatic attractions ever presented to the people of Oregon by local talent. No home production in Portland or elsewhere began to equal them. No traveling troupe ever rendered an opera of similar merit here, and such popular productions as the "Alaskan" and "The Burgomaster" contrast very poorly when compared to them.

Medford is becoming a Mecca for retired opera singers, who prefer the sunny skies, verdure-clad hills, laughing streams and beautiful vistas of the Rogue River valley to the tinsel and tawdry of the stage, and the peaceful, ideal

life of the horticulturist to the hurdy-gurdy of opera life. But all appreciate the occasional return to the footlights of stage veterans—who for a few hours each year resume for the common pleasure roles which have delighted many thousands in days gone by.

In Ed Andrews Medford has an operatic comedian equal to any upon the stage today—and better than any that visit the valley. In F. W. Walters we claim a tenor that few professional troupes can equal. Mrs. Hazelrigg and Mrs. Andrews are the superior of nine-tenths of the traveling stars of today. A. C. Burgess as bass and W. Quisenberry as comedian complete the small band of former opera singers, who, with Charles D. Hazelrigg as director, have so delighted us. Around this nucleus has been gathered local talent that any place might boast of. The work of Miss Eifert and Dr. Burnett, and that of the well trained choir ably supports that of the stars and enables the production of the highest class of operas in a small city.

ROOSEVELT JR. LANDS BIG CARPET CONTRACT

HARTFORD, Conn., March 8.—Major Theodore Roosevelt jr., is responsible in no small degree for obtaining for his firm the big contract for furnishing the La Salle Hotel of Chicago with carpets. Because of the regulations affecting employees the Hartford Carpet Company, of Thomaston, Conn., will pay no commission to the Ex-president's son. Officials of the company have assured him they will not forget what he has done to get the contract, and say it's a mighty fine beginning for the young man, who plans to become a factory salesman some day, and later the executive in the big factory in the Middle West.

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