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TAXES NOT COMING DOWN.

An unusual statement made by A. R. Shumway in his recent address before the Cottage Grove chamber of commerce was that very little can be expected from tax reduction and that there is no hope for tax reduction sufficient to give any material relief to the farmer.

Mr. Shumway was consistent in making such a statement because as a member of the state legislature he did all within his power to hold down appropriations from the state treasury. About the only time he slipped was when he voted for the Cottage Grove armory bill, and that fact is not going to hurt him in this section on election day, for if there ever was a worthy project it is the one to locate an armory here.

"The people demand too many things of the government to leave any chance for a tax reduction of any size," Mr. Shumway said. "And what if taxes were reduced some two per cent? What would that mean in bringing prosperity to the farmer?"

Mr. Shumway did suggest that a fair distribution of taxes might help some, but he placed greatest reliance in a cooperative effort of the producers themselves to put their products upon the same basis in the markets as are the products of other industries.

While Mr. Shumway was not talking politics, he indicated that

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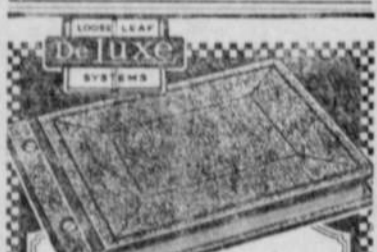
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if sent to the senate he would bend his efforts to bringing forth some plan that would make it possible for the producer to better himself.

Mr. Shumway's statement has greater force when it is considered that he is a member of a farm organization that embraces in its membership some of the most energetic producers of the Cottage Grove section and other sections of the state and that he has the endorsement of that organization for the office which he seeks.

Mr. Shumway's words might easily have been taken from past editorial comment in The Sentinel. Exactly the same ideas have been expressed here.

Economy in administration we must have, certainly, but curtailment of government activities would find favor with few, while the majority demand them. Taxes always have gone up, and are likely to go farther, as The Sentinel and Mr. Shumway have said. The time that has been wasted yelling for lower taxes might have produced some plan that would give a fairer distribution of taxes and a greater ability to pay them.

The Eugene Register remarks that the senate has again limited the time that its members "may" talk. We observe that The Register was very careful with its English and studiously avoided the common misuse of "can," which would have been extremely misleading.

An Oregon City man has a cat that brought a goldfish home with it recently. That's nothing, we once had a cat that frequently brought a bulldog home with it—the same way that Pat brought the bear into camp alive.

A man hasn't any brains who hasn't brains enough to use them.

Getting even with a person doesn't get you anywhere.

WANTS TO COME BACK HOME.

Aunt Carrie Hemenway Writes Of Storm in Indiana.

"Aunt" Carrie Hemenway, on a visit to Lawrenceburg, Ind., is seeing the first real winter she has seen in 24 years. She has made her residence in Oregon since 1902 and in that time has never seen such severe weather as that now prevailing in the middle west. She is anxious to return to Cottage Grove, she stated in a letter received last week by The Sentinel which follows:

Lawrenceburg, Ind., Jan 21.—Had really forgotten it ever stormed in this country as it is storming today. I have been living in dear old Oregon since 1902 and this is the first real winter I have seen for almost 24 years.

Rain, sleet and snow since early morning. The wind changed from the east to the north and now at 4 p. m. it is down below freezing and snowing to a fare-you-well, and looks like it would keep it up until morning. Makes me wish I were back in "Oregon, My Oregon," which is good enough for Aunt Carrie.

The roads are in bad condition—heavy trucks and bread wagons have been ordered off until they are in better condition. The twelve school busses make the trip each day.

Have heard nothing but taxes the past few weeks. They pay here in Ohio and Indiana in the months of January and June. I have compared them with ours in Oregon and do not think they are as high as in Lane county.

The people living here in the country certainly are blest by having the little Ford machines to get around in. Where they were formerly a whole day making the trip to Lawrenceburg, 11 miles away, they now take about an hour and a half. The people here at Bright go to Lawrenceburg but two times a year, to pay taxes and get automobile licenses. They do all their marketing and trading at Harrison, Ohio, which is but 4 miles away.

Think we shall be snowbound by Friday morning if this continues. Am sure I shall never again spend a winter in this land of ice and snow.

Many of my friends are making the trip to Oregon and the west in cars next summer. I tell them they never will see a more beautiful sight than Cottage Grove is in that season.

I visited Lockland, Ohio, my birthplace, less than a week ago. It has been 42 years since I saw it and I recognized nothing I ever saw before. A great mill yard occupies the spot where I first saw the light on the bank of the long since deserted canal. The place is filled with paper mills and woolen mills much like Oregon City. I shall be glad when the time arrives for me to depart for the best state in the union, Oregon.

AUNT CARRIE HEMENWAY.
P. S.—The wind is blowing a gale and the snow is drifting and everything is frozen hard and tight.

A husband is all that is left of a sweetheart after the nerve has been removed.

A bathing costume was formerly a concealment. It is now an embellishment.

Society

Mrs. C. E. Frost and Mrs. Nelson Durham, retiring president and secretary of the Utopia club, entertained the members at a 1 o'clock luncheon Thursday at Hotel Bartell. Mrs. Roy Romaine of Salem was an additional guest. A bowl of red carnations formed the centerpiece with red streamers and fern fronds reaching to each place. The guests found their places by matching sections of birthday cards. Following the luncheon, the members went to Mrs. Frost's home for a business session and social hour. Mrs. C. E. Umphrey and Mrs. S. L. Mackin were elected president and secretary for the coming year. The club pledged financial support to the student loan fund sponsored by the State Federation of Women's Clubs.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Godard entertained at five hundred Thursday evening, inviting as guests Mr. and Mrs. George Jacobsen, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Durham, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Lowry, Mr. and Mrs. Vinal Randall and Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Richmond. Mrs. Lowry won first prize and Mr. Durham the consolation prize. Pussy willows and cyclamen were used as room decorations. A dainty supper was served by the hostess, who was assisted by her daughters, Lois and Lola.

Following the regular meeting of the Rebekah and I. O. O. F. lodges Friday evening a pie social was held. A musical program was given and was followed by a comic farce. Those in the latter were Frank Hazen, Ed Adams, John Veatch, George Curran, E. J. Kent and Mr. Dixon, who impersonated members of the Rebekah sewing circle. Refreshments were served. Twenty-eight dollars was realized.

The Social Twelve club held its regular meeting Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. A. Miller. Miss Adeline Adams was a special guest. Needle work and social conversation were the afternoon's entertainment. A two course luncheon was served. Pink carnations and ferns formed an effective centerpiece.

Mrs. W. J. White was hostess for a bridge party Thursday. Her guests were Mrs. R. R. Maeks, Mrs. D. H. Hemenway, Mrs. James P. Graham, Mrs. Ball, Mrs. George O. Knowles, Mrs. C. A. Kirre, Mrs. E. W. Armes, Mrs. Clara Burkholder and Mrs. J. Q. Willets. Dainty refreshments were served.

The Presbyterian missionary society was entertained at the home of Mrs. Fred Wright Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. H. A. Miller led the devotionals and Mrs. George Matthews gave a talk on national missions. Twenty-four were present. Delicious refreshments were served at the close of the meeting.

Mrs. H. A. Miller entertained informally Friday evening in honor of Mr. Miller's birthday anniversary. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. James P. Graham and Mr. and Mrs. DeLeur Hemenway. Cards formed the evening's entertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. K. K. Mills were dinner hosts to a small group of friends Wednesday evening. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Roy Short, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bartell, Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Nelson Jr., Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Helliwell.

The Ad Libitum club was entertained at the home of Mrs. Clyde Leonard Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Glen Haney as hostess. The afternoon was spent in social conversation and light refreshments were served.

Mrs. U. J. Kem, Mrs. J. A. Rentle, Mrs. H. A. Hagen, Mrs. B. G. Koehler, Mrs. Howard Axley and Mrs. N. J. Nelson Jr. will be hostesses to the Tanglefoot club Tuesday evening in Phillips hall.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Richmond were hosts Friday evening at a five hundred party. Five tables were formed. Red carnations were used effectively as room decorations.

Mrs. Loren Harvey entertained a few friends informally Friday afternoon. Guests were Mrs. Angus Sprinkle, Mrs. Roy Leonard, Mrs. R. L. Cooper and Mrs. James. A dainty luncheon was served.

Mrs. James P. Graham, Mrs. George Jacobsen and Mrs. S. V. Allison will be hostesses to the Constellation club Thursday in Masonic hall.

Friends of Mrs. Fred Wright honored her with a surprise party Thursday night in honor of her birthday anniversary. Supper was served at midnight.

Wright & Caldwell Dissolve.
The partnership of Wright & Caldwell as proprietors of The Fair has been dissolved and Mr. Wright becomes sole owner. The partnership has existed for two years. Mr. Caldwell has not announced plans for the future but expects to remain a resident of the city.

Grange Has Record of Long Fight to Help Farmers of Country

Struggle to Secure Legislation Favorable to Agricultural Interests Is Told.

By GEORGE A. PALMITER (Master, Oregon State Grange.)

The benefit the farmer receives from the grange depends largely on the farmer and what interest he has in the grange. If he is not a member, of course he does not have the opportunity of the social and educational intercourse that the members enjoy. But nevertheless he receives benefits, which he sometimes fails to realize were secured for him through the efforts of the grange. For instance, when he gets his mail from the rural mail box each day he does not realize that the grange fought his battle in congress for about 30 years to secure this service. He does not realize that the grange endorsed and worked for postal savings banks, parcel post, pure food laws, federal farm loan system, better highways, conservation of national resources, building of Panama canal, direct election of United States senators by the people, for income tax laws, both federal and state, to help relieve some burden of taxation now bearing heavily upon the property owner. Few of our farmers know that the grange has helped to secure these and hundreds of other benefits which he now enjoys.

The principles of the grange are broad, and the work undertaken by it is beneficial to all people as well as to grange members. The member of the grange has an advantage over the non-member in that he is permitted to meet with his neighbors at regular stated meetings and discuss the problems of his farm and those of the community, and in return receive much

valuable information and knowledge. The grange is a real farmer's fraternity, and the degree work, properly exemplified, is as beautiful and impressive as that of any other order. This inculcates a spirit of fraternity which makes grange members realize that they are all one large family of brothers and sisters, and, as such, that which is a benefit to one is a benefit to all. A great many of our successful cooperative enterprises had their beginning in grange meetings where brothers meet, and after discussing the merits and demerits of the propositions, decided to start cooperative creameries, cheese factories, stock shipping associations, stores, warehouses and fruit exchanges. Few of these cooperative enterprises bear the name of the grange, for outsiders, as well as members of the grange, were allowed to take part in them and receive the same benefits.

Some of these enterprises have not been successful because cooperation is not thoroughly understood. Cooperation means the banding together of individuals for the mutual benefit of all and not for the selfish gain of a few. Still we find members of nearly all cooperative enterprises who expect and insist on getting larger returns than their fellow members; and when this cannot be done they knock the organization. This is selfishness, and has caused the failure of many cooperatives.

The grange being a family organization which admits men and women on an equal basis and also allows children to become members, has worked wonders in breaking up the isolation of the farm home and making a place for the men, women and children to get together in social intercourse, from which all receive educational benefits. The grange has always urged the beautification of the farm home,

and the securing of every convenience possible to lighten the burdens of the housekeeper.

The record of accomplishment by the grange is long, but there is still work to be done, and no grange has a right to exist if it does not take an active interest in business and legislative questions of state and nation and strive to make its community a better place in which to live.

Any farmer who will take an honest interest in the grange will receive for his family and himself a three-fold benefit, social, educational and financial.

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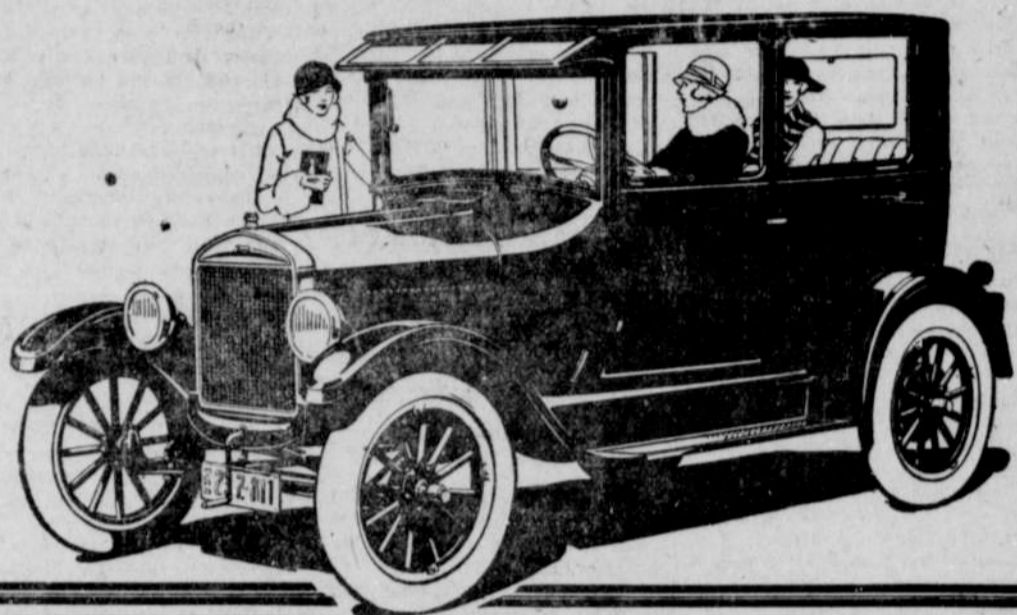
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