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PEOPLE WANT IT.

The legislature, it is agreed among those who talk politics, is going to do something this winter in the way of readjustment of automobile licenses. The plan mooted of is a reduction of 25 per cent in license fees, to be compensated for by an increase of one cent in the gasoline tax.

That is to say, motorists will solemnly put money into their pockets, which they keep their licenses, and will tell themselves that they have saved it. Then they will reach into the pocket where they keep their gasoline money and take out an equivalent amount and spend it.

It looks to this writer like a lot of useless expenditure of effort to get nowhere—Eugene Register.

The Register must hear in mind that there always has been an insistent demand for a lowering of license fees, with a corresponding increase in the gas tax. The proposal often has been seriously made that the entire charge against the automobile should be in the form of a gas tax. It has taken considerable explanation to show that a higher gas tax in Oregon than in neighboring states would result in gasoline bootlegging even though there were not doubt as to the legality of such a tax were it increased to such a proportion that it would collect more than necessary for policing and maintaining the highways. The gasoline tax has never been tested in the courts, but there are those recognized as constitutional lawyers who declare a gasoline tax would not be a legal tax if assessed for construction of the roads.

A lowering of the direct license fee, with a corresponding increase in the gas tax, should prove popular because it has been demonstrated. The gasoline tax is a sort of metered tax that is paid without being noticed. The person who pays it makes in proportion to the use he makes of the roads. Trucks and heavy vehicles can't escape their just share of upkeep under such a tax. Tourists who use our roads contribute to our treasury in proportion to the size of the gas tax, and we know of no one who would attempt to stop the tourist from paying.

The gas tax in all states should be as high as it legally may be, with a corresponding decrease in the direct license tax.

The Catholic Sentinel, taking exception to the desire of the Portland Spectator to Christianize the world, finds faults because the new word used by the Spectator is not in the dictionary, and intimates that because it isn't there is no such word and that the Spectator has no business given the word the meaning it attempts to give to it. It would be just as reasonable to find fault because Chicago isn't mentioned in the bible and use that as an argument that there is no such place. We wish it were as easy as that to do away with Chicago.

We are for the Spectator's new word, and we hope that Editor Hugh Hume may become inculcated with it. He would then be much kinder and more charitable in dealing with his less polished country editor friends out over the state whom he delights to jab with un-Christianized verbal javelins.

County school superintendents of Oregon in session at Salem went on record as opposing any cut in the elementary school tax. This action followed announcement of a proposed slash in the state budget that would affect every department and activity of the state. We are not criticizing the superintendents for their action, but we point to this action, and similar action that will be taken by every other group of the state to be affected by the proposed slash, to show how nearly impossible it is going to be for legislators to lower expenses of state government. Those who make a big noise for cutting expenses want the cuts made where they won't be affected. No cut can be made without affecting a large portion of the people who are quick to yell when any government activity they want is likely to be curtailed.

Here's the latest in New York. If you happen to have made your train in a hurry, or to have arrived in town and had to stay all night without having expected to, you can go to a hotel, and, for a nominal fee, rent a pair of pajamas for the night. If you have a lady with you, she can get the same service plus a negligee or whatever it is. The service clubs of New York must have invented this boon to man. Apparently New York does not expect Elbert Bede to come, for no provision is made for those who still wear "nighties."—Corvallis Gazette-Times.

If it is things like this that the service clubs do, no wonder they mean so little to Claude who is a raw he spins both pajamas and nighties.

The Hood River Glacier records that J. J. Pull, upon celebrating his 1024 birthday anniversary, gave the following recipe for longevity: "Eat lots of apple pie, marry a good wife, and never worry." There seems to be a catch somewhere in that recipe, so here's one guaranteed by its author to do the work: "Upon attaining your 1024 anniversary, start the practice of arising at 5 o'clock every morning and retiring at 9 o'clock every evening. Keep this up for 10 years and you will live to 112 years."

Men cuss their luck because they have to work so much—and yet that probably is the only thing that keeps them out of jail.

Hall Hume's newspaper training is likely to get him in bad in his new job as secretary of state. He has gone on record as opposing any cuts in salaries in his department except for unusual service and in favor of "docting" employees for time they are absent from their posts. These old-fashioned ideas of government come from spending years stopping the leaks around a country print shop. We ought to give country newspaper training to more of our public officials.

The jazz song writers are going to Algeria to listen in on the native music there, in hopes of catching inspiration for future song hits. Since our home blast furnaces and steel roller mills have contributed their mite and lost their novelty, our composers are now forced to go abroad for new ideas.—Monmouth Herald.

Editor Nelson of Junction City, who is growing old, wants to put 13 months into our calendar. Really, Tom, that wouldn't give us any more time in the few years left to us. They would merely seem longer because our bills would become due an extra time each year.

Let folks hate you if they want to. They're wasting their time and not hurting you.

Being "one of the boys" is one way of getting old.

A CHINESE HOLIDAY.

C. O. P. BOX 1234, SHANGHAI, China, Nov. 27. (To the Editor.)—Here comes another letter from the "bottom side of the world." It may be of interest to the readers of your most excellent paper.

We have recently had one of China's chief holidays. For more than a week I noticed signs of its coming. Great stacks of "moon cakes" in brightly colored packets were shown in many stores. Beautiful lanterns were seen along the streets. Everything was in such a gay style it made one think of a coming Christmas. It was the Chinese moon feast and mid-autumn festival. In their feasting it recalled our Thanksgiving day.

The Chinese 15th of the eighth month is called "tsong tsin"—middle autumn. On that day they have theatricals before all the gods in the temple and burn the "shaung too"—incense bushel. This bushel-like measure is made of incense sticks. The largest "bushels" sometimes measure as much as 20 feet in diameter. In the middle of the "bushel" is a long, large stick of incense made up of thousands of this incense sticks the size of vermicelli. On the afternoon and night of this day each family also burns an incense bushel at home. These are smaller than the ones burned in the temple. On this day those who can afford to do so eat moon cakes and all kinds of tasty things. The incense bushel is decorated with flags and many-colored dragon-gates similar to the way children at home put candles on their birthday cakes; but the children in China take the flags and dragon-gate decorations from the bushel before it is burnt, and have great delight in playing with these as they march up and down the streets.

I asked the Chinese why they burn the incense bushel and eat the moon cake and worship the moon with candles, incense and food on this day. They answered that there are many reasons for it

and many stories are told about it. One of the reasons is because there is a lady God in the moon. Her name is Zaung-moo. She is said to be exceedingly beautiful. From the beginning of time to the end there never was nor will be one as beautiful as she. She was once upon a time a woman of this world; but became displeased with her husband and all the world and fled to the moon. On this 15th the real story of why she fled is acted out in the long theatrical plays attended by throngs of people. In ancient times on the 15th of the eighth month when they burned the incense bushel the sweet fragrance would go high up to the moon goddess. She took pleasure in it and manifested her approval by coming near earth riding on a cloud and people could see her beautiful face. But now men's hearts have become wicked, and the world is full of sin, so the incense is not as pure as formerly and it does not rise high enough to reach the goddess in her palace and so, not enjoying its fragrance, she comes no more on the clouds; but people still offer incense and hope she will appear sometime.

They say that in the moon this goddess has a most beautiful castle. It is called the "yuh-kong"—moon palace. Only one human has ever seen its glories. Once, during the Dong dynasty, a Chinese king called Ming Wong, by the magic of a holy monk, was enabled to mount up from the earth to the moon castle to hear the music and see its beauty. He was allowed to stand outside for only a few minutes. By that time the goddess knew that the king of men was there. She was very angry at the monk for leading the king to her holy land. Soon from the castle came most unpleasant sounds. The monk understood that it was the queen giving vent to her wrath and he quickly led the king back to earth.

You can thus see how full of superstition the Chinese are and how much they need the gospel and Jesus Christ, that they may see the real king in His beauty and live forever in His glorious palace on high. It's a joy to teach Chinese children of Jesus and His salvation.

H. G. C. HALLOCK.

ON ADVERTISING.

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and shoes.

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With an advertised match.

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Who types on an advertised machine

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Sign their letters with an advertised

pen.

Containing advertised ink.

And

Turn down a proposal to advertise

On the ground

That

Advertising Doesn't Pay.

—Printer's Ink.

How Vain Is Man

The Coquette (in circle of admirers)—"Oh! what a pity that the handsomest man in this party has a grease spot on his waistcoat." All the gentlemen eagerly scrutinize their respective fronts.

High School Notes

IS THIS YOUR AIM?

The Lions club has presented the high school with a silver cup, for which the four classes are to compete. Points upon which the cup will be awarded are scholarship, citizenship, athletic activities and social efficiency. It is to be awarded annually and the name of each winning class will be engraved thereon at the time it is won. The cup is to be a permanent possession of the high school and we wish to heartily thank the Lions club for it.

Scholarship, of course, means the scholarship of a student in school. Are you a good student? Stop and think. If not, why not? Let all try to get better grades hereafter and help our own class to win the honor of having its name engraved upon the cup.

Citizenship consists of deportment or conduct in school, attendance in school, and punctuality at school. Another important thing that citizenship includes is being a member of the student body. Are you a member? That is, have you your student body ticket? If not, shouldn't you have one? Why not have our school a 100 per cent school in student membership? Every student should be a member of the student body.

Athletic activities consist of class sports between both boys and girls. We cannot all be athletes, but we can all be good sports. If you want your class to win in a game, every member of your class

should be on the sidelines yelling and helping his class.

Social efficiency is the cooperation of students in social activities, such as parties and plays. This should be easy for any student who will try.

This is competition between the four classes. Do not forget in individual activities. In fact every individual will have to do his best if he wants to see the name of his class engraved on the cup.

Let it be the aim of each class to have its name engraved upon that cup and let every class cooperate toward the progress and improvement of C. G. H.

Edward Graham, a freshman, will be unable to attend school for some time on account of an injury to his back in an automobile wreck during vacation.

Attendance at high school is back to normal since vacation. The vacation seems to have done its work even if we did eat too much turkey and stay up too late nights.

The first regular boys' basketball practice was held Monday. Practice has been delayed on account of resurfacing of the gymnasium floor, which was completed last week.

John King seriously injured his hip last Friday while playing basketball and will be unable to attend school for a few days.

An assembly period was held Friday morning and typing certificates of efficiency were awarded to Cleal Mackey from the Remington company and to Fred Wanker from the Royal company. Connie Hutchison was awarded a silver pin and certificate from the Royal company. Mayor Knowles, representing the Lions club, presented the high school with a silver citizenship cup and gave a short talk on citizenship.

The four classes held class meetings Thursday of last week and elected class representatives for the citizenship contest committee as follows: Senior, Genevieve Moran; junior, Albert Williams; sophomore, George Keibelbeck; freshman, Victor Goff.

The semester examinations will be given Wednesday and Thursday, January 23 and 24. The time for each examination will be not more than an hour and thirty minutes. The examination schedule is as follows:

REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF COTTAGE GROVE, IN THE STATE OF OREGON, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON DECEMBER 31, 1928.

RESOURCES

1. Loans and discounts \$531,622.02

2. Overdrafts 56.65

3. United States Government securities owned 195,523.40

4. Other bonds, stocks and securities owned 197,609.38

5. Banking houses \$14,300.00; furniture and fixtures, \$5,200.00 19,700.00

6. Reserve with Federal Reserve Bank 47,654.34

7. Cash and due from banks 132,083.27

8. Outside checks and other cash items 5.50

9. Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. 625.00

10. Other assets 322.42

TOTAL \$945,267.08

LIABILITIES

11. Capital stock paid in \$50,000.00

12. Surplus 25,000.00

13. Undivided profits—not 4,240.15

14. Circulating notes outstanding 12,500.00

15. Due to banks, including certified and cashiers' checks outstanding 12,826.97

16. Demand deposits 334,380.16

17. Time deposits 308,143.34

18. Other liabilities 1,076.45

TOTAL \$945,267.08

State of Oregon, County of Lane—ss.

I, T. C. Wheeler, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of January, 1929.

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Our entire stock of winter fabrics has been re-priced for this special selling event! The smartly designed crepes, deep piled velvets, and the other materials that are fashioning the season's loveliest frocks—all at reduced prices. The rough woolsens in those wanted woody brown and gray tones, tweed effects, smart flannels—these, too, at new low prices! Read over these values—then act!

Cottons

32-inch fast color soisette, former 45c, 49c values, a yard 33c

New fast color English prints, 36 inches wide—all new patterns.



Silks

40-inch wash crepe silk in fifteen fashionable shades, our regular \$1.69 quality—for this sale, a yard \$1.29

40-inch silk flat crepe and satin crepe, all wanted fashionable colors, our regular \$2.69 quality—for this sale, a yard \$2.19

Woolsens

54-inch all-wool casha flannel in six fashionable colors—for this sale, a yard \$1.98

40-inch all-wool fashion twill in residu green, rose, tans, copen, etc., this sale, a yard \$1.49

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