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SOMETHING FOR NOTHING.

It was only eight years ago that a candidate who went about the state dramatically tearing tax receipts in two to show what he would do to taxes should be elected chief executive. The candidate was elected, but the candidate knew, when he made his lachrymose appeal to the people, that taxes could not be cut in two. We believe that Walter Pierce would have made good on his promise, but it was not. What Walter really said, although he gave the impression that he meant all taxes, was that state expenses would be cut in two. Had he been able to do that, good on that promise, but the taxes would have been only a mill or so, but many who listened to him expected 20, 25, 30, or more mills to be taken from their complete tax bill.

The people are being just as badly flim-flammed in the present campaign, and there are many who believe that if a certain candidate is elected we shall get our electric power for nothing.

That is what people who like to be fooled really believe, but that is merely the impression that the candidate and his friends want voters to get, so that the candidate may get into office.

But this candidate and his friends have never actually said that they propose to have the state give power away. They leave that for the people to believe for themselves. What this candidate and his friends really say is that they propose to develop the state's water power and that the earnings therefrom shall pay the expense of such development. But never a word about giving the power away to anyone, not a word about anyone ever getting power for nothing. They're too wise to make any such definite promise as that.

Let us suppose, for the sake of argument, that those who propose this wild scheme of using the state's credit, are able to do what they promise. Do the people who are going to vote for this candidate on this issue realize that a governor can only serve eight years and that any wild plan to put the state into the power business could hardly more than get started before it would have to be turned over to some one else? Are the people of Oregon ready to turn a billion dollar business over to some of those who have been candidates for governor?

For example, would those who are so hot for the independent candidate and his campaign nightmare of "power development without cost to the people" be willing to turn a billion dollar business over to one of his opponents? Either of these two is a highly competent business man compared to some governors Oregon has had.

If you are for the independent candidate on the power issue, don't forget that he could only start his program before he would have to turn it over to the Lord only knows whom.

And get this: The governor couldn't control the power issue. Outside of constitutional amendments the legislature would make the necessary laws, if they were made at all, and would control the power business. Are you willing to turn a billion dollar business over to the kind of legislature it is possible for us to have?

Think It Over
Character is not molded from without; it is a growth from within.

Hard Soft Corns
Gone In 4 Days
Roots and All
CALLOUSES TOO

Out to stay out—selling like hot cakes in Great Britain and now in America—the pleasant, easy way to get rid of corns—a joyous, refreshing, invigorating foot bath for 3 or 4 nights and then lift out the corn—roots and all.

They call this miracle worker Radox Bath Salts and since it has been working wonders with the bad feet of the tight little Isles—plasters and acids, cutting and skin destroying liquid belong to the dark ages.

It's the modern way—the sensible way to take out corns—to abolish callouses—to dissolve the hard skin from heels and toes and to put your feet in good vigorous condition so that you can walk and run and jump and dance with ease and pleasure.

Just ask for a box of Radox Bath Salts at Cottage Grove Pharmacy—you'll be delighted.

Stomach Relief

It is especially for indigestion, flatulence, heartburn, gas, and other troubles that this medicine is so effective.

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Church News

Church of Christ, Sixth street and Gibb avenue, where more men than women attend evening services—Rally day for bible school at 9:45, Clem Sarff, superintendent; the men of the church meet with the community men's bible class at this hour at the Arcade; communion of the Lord's supper, 11, sermon subject, "Use What You Have;" C. E. groups will meet at 6:30, Ruth Stennett will be leader for the seniors. Evening worship hour will be in charge of H. B. Dorka of Eugene, who will conduct a community singing service, beginning at 7:30. Songs on the program will include old gospel hymns that every one can sing and the neglected inspirational hymns that used to be sung when Christianity was more than a name to the average person. Mr. Dorka, as a "Y" worker in the World War, conducted many great singings with thousands of men in attendance. The ladies' aid will meet Wednesday, prayer meeting, and workers conference will be Thursday evening and choir practice will be Friday night. I. G. Shaw, pastor.

The Highway Baptist Church, the place where friends await you, L. R. Randle, pastor, Sunday school at 9:45, W. L. Leonard, superintendent; morning worship, 11, Rev. D. E. Baker, moderator of the Umpqua Baptist association, will bring the message; H. B. Y. P. U., 6; Junior B. Y. P. U., 6:30; Pastor's sermon, by pastor on "Christian Bolshevism." At 7:30 Saturday night, October 18, Mrs. Myrtle P. Wilson, independent candidate for governor, and L. L. Ray, candidate for joint state senators from Linn and Lane counties, will speak in this church. Mrs. Wilson's address will be on "Big Business." The ladies missionary circle will meet at 2 o'clock Thursday, October 23, with Mrs. L. H. Randle. Prayer service is held every Thursday at 7:30.

First Methodist Episcopal Church, Rev. Dr. B. Aldrich, pastor—Sunday school, 9:45, Mrs. C. E. Umphrey, superintendent; morning worship, 11, pastor's sermon subject, "A Way-faring Man's Religion," special anthem by choir led by C. E. Umphrey. Epworth league devotional meeting at 6:30 will be led by Lowell Tedford. The Happy Sunday evening service at 7:30 will be devoted to "Crede" night, a feature of which will be statements of faith in not to exceed 30 words by lay members, with a New Testament as a prize for the best statement in present day language. Quotations from the bible, hymn book or formal creeds will not be admitted. The pastor will speak briefly on "Does It Make Any Difference What a Man Believes Provided He Be Sincere?" Special music, "My Faith Looks Up to Thee," will be provided by Mrs. Aldrich. Following this service there will be a unique social period with surprise refreshments. The young people's religious education class will meet at 8 o'clock Wednesday night in the junior parlor. Prayer meeting at 7 o'clock Thursday night will be followed at 8 o'clock by an advanced class in bible appreciation, the text to be studied to be "The Modern Use of the Bible" by Harry E. Fosdick. The orchestra will practice at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the church. They will play Monday

Radio Ray Has This to Say:
HOWDY FOLKS—We read that many stars were frozen in a blizzard in Holland. As far as that is concerned, the stork gets a chilly reception in this country, too.

We are getting a hot reception for our new Philco radio line. We can't get them fast enough.

And speaking of Philco, next Sunday comes another Paramount-Philco show at the ARCADE THEATRE. Buddy Rogers in "Follow Thru." See the show and our lobby display.

Those California boosters are at it again. Comes word from the south of a woman 26 who is a grandmother. Wonders of California climate.

What the dickens can Oregon think up to beat that?

Static Helen says that even though times get dull there is always one thing she can count on. Her fingers.

And another thing you can count on is a mighty big value if you buy Philco Radio.

Dippy Dialog.
A polite man stopped at Smith & Short grocery store the other day and asked Roy, "Do you have fish in cans?" "Yes."

"Ain't you afraid, brother, they will smother?"

Society Note.
After eating onions, look at the bill for the wife's new dress. It will take your breath away.

Rickey's Riotous Rhyme.
There's a saying both witty and sage;
We accept it without a demur.
A woman stops telling her age
When her age begins telling on her.

How about some of them there jokes you were goin' to send in. If ya like this colyum, give us a hand.

And give us a hand on city planning.

night at the American Legion lecture at the high school.

Seventh Day Adventist Church.—West Main street. Sabbath school at 9:45 a. m., church service at 11 a. m. Prayer meeting at 7:30 p. m. Wednesday. Any one welcome.

Free Methodist Church.—Corner of Monroe avenue and south Fifth street.—O. Crowe, pastor. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m., church service at 11 a. m. Prayer meeting at 7:30 p. m. Wednesday. Any one welcome.

Church of Christ.—(London, 12 miles south of Cottage Grove).—Sunday service; Bible study 10 a. m., worship 11 a. m., scripture study 7:30 p. m.

Pentecostal Assembly of God.—East Main street, across from S. P. station. F. W. Spradley, pastor. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m., services at 10:45 a. m.; young people's meeting at 7 p. m.; evangelistic services at 8 p. m.; meetings Bible study, Wednesday; prayer meeting, Thursday; services with young people in charge, Friday; street meeting, Saturday at 7:30 p. m.

Lutheran Mission.—Adventist church, west Main street; Martin P. Simon, pastor. Divine service at 2:30 the first and third Sundays of each month. All Lutherans, irrespective of nationality, are cordially invited as well as those who are without a church home.

Ask Any Salesman
When a man wants an open car and his wife a sedan, the argument generally revolves into a closed incident.

Wide Variety of Shades
The modern mosaicists of Venice have 40,000 varying shades to use in the creation of mosaics.

Children's Hymn Writer
Isaac Watts is said to have been the first writer of hymns especially for children.

Summing It Up
It is well to let a little sunshine out as well as in.

314-315—Two Additional Circuit Judges Bill—This would provide two additional judges for Multnomah county. This bill was passed by the last legislature, but the referendum was invoked and it is now before the people. The Sentinel disdains to recommend anything that means additional expenditure of state funds at this time, and although the condition of circuit business in Multnomah county is such that fairness to litigants seems to demand that the two additional judges be given, it probably is better to leave the proposal to the legislature for further consideration. A vote of the people is not required.

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Of Measures Explanation

Voters Have Difficult Task Before Them If They Would Cast Ballots Wisely.

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tion Constitutional Amendment.—It is notorious that Oregon does not pay its legislators sufficient to cover their actual expenses while attending a session. This amendment would provide the modest salary of \$30 for a term of two years, in addition to mileage as now provided. Presiding officers would receive \$750. This amendment, which has the endorsement of the state grange, is one that will make it possible for farmers and others of moderate means to serve in the legislature without great financial sacrifice. It should have an overwhelming majority if we would make it possible for all classes to accept positions as legislators. Vote 312 Yes.

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years as various bills have appeared on the ballot, that further discussion of the merit or lack of merit of income tax is unnecessary. This bill was passed by the 1929 legislature and comes before the people by referendum. The Sentinel has always believed in the principle of income tax, but has always disagreed with some of the provisions of every income tax that has been proposed. It finds the present proposed income tax probably as satisfactory as any that is likely to be proposed. The Sentinel believes in a flat tax, the same for rich and poor, which is the principle applied to property. However, the proposed graduated tax goes only to five percent, which is probably the best that we can expect in any income tax we are likely to have proposed in the near future. The Sentinel does not believe in exemptions. However, those in the proposed bill, \$1,500 for single persons, \$2,500 for married persons and \$400 for each dependent, are as low as authors of income taxes dare propose until income taxes become general. Without these exemptions, income tax authors claim, no income tax bill could be passed. This bill was considered and adopted by the legislature, which the Sentinel believes is the place all legislation should start, and being the best that the legislature could produce the Sentinel is inclined to favor adoption, especially as we already have the corporation tax and the intangibles tax, and this would round out the program.

318-319—Anti-Cigarette Constitutional Amendment.—Proposed by initiative petition. The Sentinel doesn't understand why any one wishes to smoke a cigarette, but this is altogether too much of an invasion of personal liberty. The next move would be to stop the sale of cigars and chewing tobacco, and that would hit some of us

that don't care for cigarettes. Vote 319 No.

320-321—Rogue River Fishing Constitutional Amendment.—The fish business has produced more legislative fights than any other five subjects. This proposed amendment to do away with commercial fishing in the Rogue river is being proposed as a constitutional amendment so that fishing in this river at least can no longer be a legislative football. Proponents of the measure present figures to show that the returns from commercial fishing on the stream are small compared to the amounts paid by tourists for out-of-state fishing licenses for boatmen and for expenses incidental to their stay in the state. The amendment would not disturb commercial fishing done with hook and line held in the hand. The Sentinel is convinced that the greater returns to the state will come from passage of the amendment, which means elimination of nets of every kind, and a chance for the fish to get upstream.

322-323—Lieutenant Governor Amendment.—Oregon has never had a lieutenant governor, and the succession to the governorship has never been satisfactory. The amendment would provide for such an officer, who would receive a salary of \$500 the year and no other compensation except when serving as governor, and would serve as president of the senate without additional compensation. He would be elected by the people in the same manner as the governor. The amendment was initiated by the Oregon state grange. Vote 322 Yes, any of \$500 the years as president of the senate, and no other compensation except when serving as governor. He would be elected by the people in the same manner as the governor. The amendment was initiated by the Oregon state grange. Vote 322 Yes.

324-325—People's Water and Power Utility Districts Constitutional

Amendment.—Proposed by initiative petition. The Sentinel has no doubt of the sincerity of purpose of the state grange in proposing this measure. Because of the dynamite in the proposed amendment The Sentinel doubts whether it is a grange idea, but if it is a grange idea, it undoubtedly goes to extremes that the authors did not realize, which is often the case with initiated measures, which can not be amended after such defects are discovered. The amendment provides that people's utility districts may be created of territory, contiguous or otherwise, within one or more counties and that such districts may sell, distribute or otherwise dispose of water, water power and electric energy within or without the territory of such districts. No forceful objection might be raised to people in contiguous territory taxing themselves to produce these things for themselves, to be sold to themselves, but permitting all or any part of the state to be included in an enterprise of this kind, the power or water to be sold anywhere in the world, is another matter. It holds the possibility of enterprises that might levy billions of tax money. While every political unit of the state is now limited as to indebtedness it may incur, these utility districts would have no such safeguard, and the legislature would be powerless to impose any. The proposed amendment does not even say that people within the district shall have a right to vote upon indebtedness that may be incurred or taxes that may be levied. The board of directors, so far as the amendment is concerned, would incur indebtedness and levy such taxes as they saw fit. How would the people of Cottage Grove take to the proposal to permit the city council to incur indebtedness without let or hindrance, with power to levy taxes to pay such indebtedness? That is exactly what the proposed amendment permits. The

legislature could, apparently, say how indebtedness could be incurred, but it could not limit the amount of indebtedness the voters in any utility district could by their vote incur, or the amount of taxes they could vote. Do the people of Cottage Grove want Cottage Grove to go into the power business and sell power to Drain, Creswell, Yoncalla and other cities? That is what could be done under the proposed amendment. How would Cottage Grove like to be in a power district with the city of Medford, without any of the district between being included? That is what could happen under the proposed amendment. Operations of public utilities in small districts might be practical, at least there would be no sound argument against such a proposal under such safeguards as those under which the Cottage Grove water system is operated, but the amendment before the voters is something entirely different. All of these dangers are pointed out by W. S. U'ten, father of the Oregon system and avowed advocate of public ownership. He also points out the hardships that might come from gerrymandering districts, by inclusion of territory where owners of property might be helpless because of sparsity of population, or because of there being no voters in the territory. Unscrupulous promoters could take advantage of the amendment, sincere as its authors may be, to put dollars in their own pockets and heavy taxation upon the already overburdened landowner. Vote 325 No.

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Believes a Headache or Neuralgia in 30 minutes, checks a Cold the first day, and checks Malaria in three days.
666 also in Tablets

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A Neighbor's Warning

AGAINST

Power Districts Amendment

"You Can't Get Something for Nothing"

"An Impossible Promise"
Says a leading Seattle newspaper in referring to current propaganda for so-called "public ownership" and to the promise of many a candidate now seeking political office. It gives this warning to the people of Oregon:

"HIS program restates the promise that has been made in many other campaigns and in many parts of the country. He promises a vast public power and electrical development 'without cost to the taxpayers.'

"This is a promise that has never yet been fulfilled. Wherever the people have been beguiled into permitting the experiment it has proved a failure and a disappointment, and has imposed heavy additional burdens upon the taxpayers. It is a promise that only the fanatical few nowadays venture to voice anywhere within hailing distance of a city or a section wherein the experiment has been tried.

"Nothing of the kind can be done without cost to the taxpayers. Bonds may be sold and debt incurred to get such a development under way, and for a time everything may seem to be moving serenely. But the day of reckoning comes around and the sad

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Whole State Suffers Tax Losses

"Existing publicly owned utilities of King and Pierce counties have increased taxes in every other city and community in the State of Washington."—Taxpayers' Economy League of Spokane.

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results are apparent both in the evidences of waste and mismanagement, and still more palpably in the recurrent upward leaps and bounds of the general tax rate.

"The people of Oregon have only to cast their eyes in the direction of Seattle and Tacoma to learn much on this score; they have only to cock their ears to catch the loud complaint that rises against these two cities from all the rest of the State of Washington. Seattle and Tacoma launched heavily upon power development schemes to be perfected 'without cost to the taxpayers.' The tax rate in Tacoma has gone up to 81 mills, the high-

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