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NO. 1.

TO HOLD MEETING AT THE CLUB HALL

On next Tuesday evening, September 21st, at the Club Hall in this city, at seven thirty, there will be held a meeting for the purpose of discussing the tax measure to be voted on by the people at the November election, being the constitutional amendment known as the four per cent interest rate measure. An organized effort is being made to defeat this measure and our people should turn out for this meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to thoroughly inform the voters as to the effect this amendment would have on the financial condition of the state at large. The purpose of the amendment is to fix the maximum rate of interest to be charged for money at four per cent or five per cent by contract. Where the legal rate is fixed in this way, it would be unlawful for banks or money lenders to charge, even by contract, a rate in excess of five per cent per annum. Well informed speakers will be present and all angles of the matter will be gone into. The date is Tuesday night, September 21st, 1920, at the Club Hall in Prineville.

MOST PLEASING EVENT

One of the most pleasing events of the opening of the school year occurred last Monday night, when the school board, all of the faculty and the pupils of the high school were the honored guests at a reception tendered them at the Presbyterian church. There were from 150 to 175 present to spend an enjoyable evening not soon to be forgotten. The early part of the evening was spent in the playing of games which were filled with interest from beginning to end. A delightful program was heard which was appreciated by all. An opening address of welcome was made by the Pastor upon behalf of the churches of the city. The same was replied to by Prof. Shippee who in his own happy way emphasized the relation of the high things of life to education and that the schools and churches were laborers together in the great cause of Christian and religious education. The musical part of the program readings, vocal and piano solos, also a number of whistling selections accompanied by the piano. Those appearing on this part of the program were: Mrs. Robt. Douglas, Misses Florence Cramer, Margaret Nicolai, Kathryn Drury, Marjodie Wilson and Bernice Congalton. This part of the program which was all over too soon was keenly relished by all.

Fruit punch and wafers were the refreshments of the evening. The punch bowl was presided over by Mrs. W. I. Dishman, assisted by Miss Hester Constable.

Misses Velma Shattuck and Flora Edwards were at the door to greet the guests and pin on them a get-acquainted card. The decorations of the evening were beautiful flowers of various kinds, the same being contributed by a number of ladies of the church. A hearty word of thanks is due those who contributed to all the pleasures of the evening.

STEAM CAR COMING INTO FAVOR

One of the latest designs of steam cars described in a paper recently read before the Society of Automotive Engineers is reported to have averaged about thirteen miles to a gallon of kerosene on average roads with seven passengers in a machine weighing 4200 pounds. The car ran 1325 miles on a twenty-five gallon tank of water, of fifty-three miles to a gallon. The temperature of the water in the tank at the end of the run was 130 degrees.

This same car is said to raise steam from a cold boiler in less than one minute. No manual operation of any kind is required in starting, other than closing on electric switch. Kerosene or a heavier oil is used, and is completely burned. There is no gear shift; the machine can be made to creep along no faster than one-quarter mile an hour on hill or level, and on the other hand can be reversed while going at full speed ahead.—Saturday Evening Post.

HIGHWAY OFFICER HERE TUESDAY

Mr. E. E. Kiddle, member of the State Highway Commission, spent Tuesday in Crook county on a tour of inspection. He arrived in the forenoon and was taken over the Ochoco road as far as the Ranger Station at the forest boundary. He spent a part of the afternoon on the Crooked River Highway out from town, and wound up by a short trip over the Redmond road from Prineville west to the county line. He was very much impressed with the possibilities of the Ochoco road and expressed himself as favoring the completion of the nineteen miles from Prineville to the Jones Mill just as soon as the Commission can finance it. He was given a demonstration of what improvement will do for this road when he was driven over that portion recently improved by the forest people. He found work progressing fairly well on the two projects under construction and is now better able to understand our needs and conditions. Mr. Kiddle left Tuesday evening for Redmond, from which point he will continue his tour of inspection.

BUYS 400 CHEVROLET

Mr. Lon Newell of the Newell Motor Sales Company informs us that he sold to Mr. Harry Lanus a 400 touring car last week. This model of car is becoming very popular in this section on account of its sturdy qualities and handsome appearance. Mr. Lanus is indeed fortunate in being able to travel in Chevrolet style.

CHURCHES PROTEST ON CERTAIN PERMITS

We the officers and members of the undersigned churches and congregations being assembled together in our respective churches, do unanimously offer and pass the following resolutions and do hereby order a copy placed upon the church records, one sent to the Hon. D. B. Stewart, our Honorable Mayor, one to the Oregon Interstate Fair Association of Crook county, and one each to the Crook County Journal, and the Call.

Be it resolved that inasmuch as the County Fair was extended over and held on the Lord's Day last year and improper concessions of an immoral nature were granted the privilege of our streets, we do hereby register our hearty disapproval and protest of the same, and most earnestly and respectfully urge and request our Honorable Mayor and City Council and manager of the Oregon Interstate Fair Association of Crook County that the same not be permitted this year.

Respectfully submitted,

The Methodist, Christian, Presbyterian and Baptist Churches.

The committee in framing the above resolutions understand very clearly the nature of concessions before they came last year was not known by our Honorable Mayor or City Fathers, and are pleased to note they will not countenance the same this year. The churches also feel very keenly the disgrace brought upon our town and community, by Round-Up, Fair or anything of like nature being held upon the Day, which is commonly accepted and known as the Sabbath or the Lord's Day.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CANVASS

On next Tuesday September 21st, each Sunday school will make a joint canvass of the city in the interest of the Sunday schools in particular and church work in general. It is earnestly hoped some one will remain at home in each home on the afternoon of the canvass so that all can be seen that date and the work completed. The teams from each church making the canvass are requested to meet Monday night at 7:45 at the Methodist church to complete all necessary arrangements for the work of the next day.

LUMBER CORPORATION IS FORMED HERE

Last Saturday the articles of incorporation were signed, which gives Prineville a new and very important institution. The incorporators are G. M. Cornett, H. J. Marson and J. H. Steintorf, all local men. The new company is incorporated with a capital stock of \$50,000, and will conduct a general lumbering business.

It is expected that a general enlargement of the operating plans will result from this cementing of interests, and that the concern will rapidly forge ahead, and become one of the big institutions of this section.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' EXHIBITS TO TAX SPACE AT STATE FAIR

Realizing the tremendous educational value of the Industrial Costests for boys and girls, each year at the state fair, the State Department of Education and the Oregon Agricultural College have cooperated in preparing an exhibit this year that will not only tax the space given to this department in the educational building, but will far excel any previous exhibit in quality.

E. J. Calavan is superintending the exhibit, and in order to promote enthusiasm, has spent much time traveling over the state, meeting the county superintendents, local club leaders and the boys and girls themselves. He has the assurance that the following counties will make exhibits: Clackamas, Polk, Wasco, Tillamook, Washington, Jackson, Multnomah, Douglas, Malheur and Sherman. There will also be many individual displays.

The state offers cash prizes amounting to \$1,000, and the first prizes in the club winners contests, trips to the O. A. C. and membership in the boys' and girls' summer school for 1920, with all expenses paid, are provided by business men of Portland.

The state fair board has appropriated money to cover the expenses of a boy's and girl's camp for three days, the county represented to pay the transportation charges.

Judging and canning contests will be notable features of the educational work, each county to be restricted to one team of three members, the teams to be guests for one day of the club camps.

The boys and girls are also encouraged to watch the official judging and every phase of state fair life as well, and aside from these features will be taken on trips to the state institutions.

TAX VALUES ARE ON THE DECREASE

According to a tabulation recently compiled by County Assessor Foster, tax values in Crook county have decreased during the past year a total of \$53,335, the 1920 tax list showing a total of \$4,937,890. On this basis taxes will be levied for next year. The decrease shown represents a loss of the value of automobiles, a slight decrease in the number of mules, horses, cattle and sheep, a slight decrease in money, notes and accounts, and hotel and office furniture and fixtures. The value of improvements on undeveloped lands is shown to be \$18,070. Next year, however, about seventeen thousand acres of this undeveloped land will be subject to taxation, and the roll for next year should show about one-half million increase on this account alone. On automobiles alone, the roll shows a loss of about \$87,000. This, however, is accounted for in the return to the county of one-fourth of license fees collected for this county, amounting to about five thousand dollars.

COOKED FOOD SALE

The ladies of the Presbyterian church are going to give a "cooked food" sale at the Tri-State store Saturday afternoon. Everyone interested in real food for their Sunday dinner please be on hand. Nothing will be put aside for you, so be on hand, when the sale is ready.

CONCESSIONS AT FAIR TO BE CLEAN

Last year the City Council, as usual, granted to the Fair Association, the free use of some of the streets for concession purposes. The Fair management, the City Council and the people were imposed upon by a number of so-called attractions which were of an improper nature. This year, it is distinctly understood no such concessions will be granted and that our streets will be free from a repetition of last year's doings. An effort is being made to have the County Court grant license to some of these people so they may set up just outside the city limits, but no such license will be granted and our people and visitors may rest assured that the Inter-State Fair will offer no immoral or improper attractions this year.

CHICKEN DINNER FRIDAY

The Methodist Ladies Aid will give a chicken dinner at the Methodist church, next Friday, September 17th, in honor of the Commercial Club. Ladies are cordially invited. Matters of much importance will be discussed, clean-up day and general improvements of Prineville will be considered, and every member is requested to be present.

THE HIGH SCHOOL STARTS NEW TERM

The Crook County High School opened Monday morning, the enrollment being about the same as last year. On account of the large number of boys being employed on the farms, not as many as usual are able to get to school for the first week or two.

This year the number of new students from other schools are more numerous than has been for some time. Some come from the Portland schools, some from California, and other noted districts.

Mr. Pratt, the Normal teacher, has been unavoidably detained in Portland, but will arrive this morning to begin her class in the Normal work.

The Domestic Art department has 30 enrolled in that work. Miss Hall who has had charge of that work during the past term, took a course in advanced dress making at the O. A. C. this summer, and will be well prepared for the dress making classes this coming winter. This department also offers hot lunches to the school at the noon hour, for those who wish them. Lunches will be furnished to the students at cost, and the domestic science girls will do the work.

The number of students registered in each course are: Unclassified, 15; Manual training, 3; Scientific, 1; English, 15; Normal, 25; Commercial, 46; Home economics, 6.

Wednesday afternoon the school was presented a beautiful picture of John Pershing, by Mrs. Nicolai. The picture is one that is appreciated very much by the school and they are very grateful to the giver.

Mr. Medley and Mr. Platts have charge of the athletic work this year and it promises to be the best year for athletics than has been experienced for some time. More than 25 promising recruits reported for preliminary football practice Tuesday evening.

The other departments are well superintended by the different instructors and the school will soon be going along nicely.

FOREST SERVICE NEWS NOTES

Wayne Adamson, who has been acting as lookout man at Divide Station for the past couple of months, returned to Prineville September 1st. He has been temporarily succeeded by E. E. Harpham who is acting as lookout man in connection with other work in that section of the Forest. Ranger Riley Warren has just received telegraphic information that he will be given a position as scaler on the Whitman National Forest, with headquarters at Baker if he wishes to take up this phase of the

DIDN'T GET DEER BUT TOUGH ON BEAR

Two weeks ago W. B. Russell and D. W. Bagshaw, of the Journal force, sallied forth with enough ammunition and other killing apparatus to sink a battleship. They were intent upon bagging their limit of deer meat. Upon arrival at the hunting grounds, however, they found that a party of other enthusiasts had beaten them to it, and had driven the deer to other parts, so, rather than return empty handed, they slew a perfectly good coyote and returned swearing vengeance on the deer the following Sunday. So, in fulfillment of the vow made over the bloody body of the said coyote, they made a second start last Saturday noon, arriving once more at the front at 4 o'clock.

It being too early to either cook supper or retire for the night, they decided to go up the mountain and do a little preliminary work in the way of locating the enemy, preparatory to finishing up the job with flying colors the next morning. But once more luck was against them, they ran slap-dab onto a big black bear (they call it bar), and it was found necessary to shoot the brute to prevent it from musing things up in their general direction. Their trusty 25-35 was no more than put into action before the battle was won. The problem of skinning the bear was rather a sticker to the boys, but it was finally decided to handle the matter with Russell's pocket knife. By the time this task was completed and the hams removed, it was dark, and the return to camp through four miles of woods was not accomplished until nearly midnight. At 3 o'clock the next morning luck turned against the hunters in the shape of a downpour of rain, which necessitated the breaking up of camp and a hurried start for home. They still have the buck fever however, and promise to get that said deer meat before the season closes or bust.

The bear was a full grown black bear, and would weigh approximately 500 pounds dressed. The hide was on display in the Journal office window Monday and was then sent out to be mounted. It was not only a large bear, but was pronounced by those familiar with such things to carry an exceptionally fine coat of fur.

Mr. Warren has decided to go and will leave so as to report for duty September 10. Mr. Warren has been district Ranger with headquarters at Cabin Ranger Station for the past year. He will be succeeded by Ranger J. O. F. Anderson who is now in charge of the Maury District. Mr. Anderson will take over his new duties about October 15th.

The woods are full of hunters and we cannot urge too strongly that every care be taken not to shoot at anything that is not fully identified. The best hunting in the mountains is usually on cattle ranges. The cattle are well distributed over the Forest and it is not difficult to mistake a calf or even a grown animal for a deer if the hunter is inclined to be of an excitable nature. It is not uncommon that cattle are found dead having been killed by someone who shot at an object without being entirely sure as to what it was. If a hunter will just remember that he must be sure that he sees horns on any deer that he fires at, it will never happen that stockmen must meet the loss of one of their herd at the hands of a careless hunter.

SEVENTY MAN-KILLERS AVAILABLE FOR BIG ROUND-UP

Pendleton, Ore., Sept. 15.—Seventy buckin' horses, more than ever before, will be available for the best cowboy and cowgirl bucking riders in the country at the Pendleton Round-Up, which will open up on Sept. 23, for its eleventh annual presentation. These earthquakes on legs have been brought in from mountain pastures and from the ranges of Wyoming and are in prime shape for wild riding.

Just as there are more bucking horses, more performers and more Indians than ever before lined up for the performing end of the Round-Up

TO HAVE STRAW VOTE ON PRESIDENT

The entire 8,000 Rexall stores, scattered throughout the United States are getting things ready for a straw vote on the two candidates for the presidency. The votes will be kept in such a way that the totals will not only indicate the preference as a whole but also the preference of each sex. This plan will give a fairly good idea of just how the women stand, and will, in a measure, wake the candidates up to the fact that the babies should be hunted up and kissed regularly if they ever expect to win in the big race to come.

The votes will be telegraphed daily to the general offices of the United Drug Co., of Boston, where they will be regularly registered, and the result of each day's vote will be wired to the chain of Rexall stores and displayed in each window.

The Rexall organization proved to be of great value to the government during the war, not only by throwing their entire chain of stores open as recruiting offices for the Merchant Marine, but in many other ways, and this latest move demonstrates the fact that they are still on the job for assisting in the big things of the country. The straw vote will be carried on during the month of October.

CAMP FIRE PERMITS UNNECESSARY ON OCHOCO FOREST

The local forestry office announces that so far as the Ochoco National Forest is concerned it is unnecessary to obtain a permit to build camp fires in the mountains.

A camp fire permit regulation was put into operation during the season of 1919 when fires became so troublesome as the result of careless campers and travelers that it was imperative that something be done to remedy the situation. The policy of the Forest Service has always been to allow just as much freedom to the touring public as was consistently possible and yet retain proper protection from fire, which is the paramount issue with all Federal and State forestry men during the summer months. Camp fire permits were required at a last resort.

So far as the Ochoco is concerned and in fact on the majority of Forests, the hunter is placed absolutely upon his own merits as a true sportsman. The Forest Service strongly urges that camping parties take every precaution to build their camp fires where there is no debris or any inflammable material around the fire and be sure that the fire is totally extinguished before leaving it. It is assumed that every one understands that to leave a camp fire totally unextinguished is a State offense and that it is one of the duties of forest officials to take legal action upon discovering any unextinguished fire. Every fire must be reported to superior officers with a detailed history of its origin, the action taken to put it out, the effort made to apprehend the guilty party in case the fire is a man-caused one, so that it is obvious that extreme care should be the watchword of those who have occasion to camp, hunt or travel through the woods where it is possible for a fire to get started.

so do indications point to an attendance that will surpass previous records. Advance sales of reserved seats never were as brisk as this year and a keen demand is expected each morning for the east and west section grandstand seats which are withheld from the advance sale in order that those who come late may have a chance to obtain reserved seats.

Pendleton will be quite a convention city during Round-Up week. The State Federation of Labor will meet here, with between 300 and 400 delegates, opening on Sunday and ending Wednesday night. The rest of the week is to be used by most of the delegates in seeing Round-Up and Happy Canyon. The sheriffs and county clerks of Oregon, each with its own convention, will also convene here, using the mornings of the three days for sessions. These three meetings will bring hundreds to Pendleton.