

CONFUSION POSSIBLE

Land and Loan Measure Would Bankrupt State and Its People

The measure on the November ballot generally known as the single tax bill is a unique piece of legislation. Signatures for the petition which obtained a place for it on the ballot were solicited under the name of the "people's land and loan bill." It appears on the ballot, however, under the name of "Full Rental Value Land Tax and Homesteaders' Loan Fund Amendment" to the state constitution. Some persons are confusing it with the rural credits amendment, which comes later on the ballot.

First of all, it turns over the control of all privately owned land to the State Land board. Land, and land only of all forms of property, is to be taxed for state purposes. The sole exception to this bill's strict adherence to the single tax principle is that local taxes may be levied upon land improvements and personal property, the levy to be proposed through the initiative.

The present owners of land will rent their land, which today is their own property, from the State Land board, making five-year leases for its use. The rent shall be "appraised and re-adjusted every fifth year."

Land alone will not only be required to supply all the tax money; but an additional one-third of the present tax collection is to be levied to create the so-called "Homesteaders' Loan Fund." The bill specifically provides that loans, as high as \$1500, shall be made only to persons who have not acquired property worth more than \$2500, they paying no interest for five years. The loan is to be secured by a first mortgage on the land then owned or to be bought by the recipient of the loan. These loans are to be administered by the State Land board.

Land leased, upon receipt of this

loan will, however, revert to the state upon failure to pay the full rental value land tax for two years. This bill is deliberately drawn to force all land out of private hands and into state ownership. W. S. U'Ren, sponsor of the bill, declares it is a crime for land to be owned outright by any person. He has cleverly framed this measure to bring about this ideal condition. Operation of its provisions will lead to state ownership as surely as the sun rises and sets.

Within two years the state would hold title to all land in Oregon as well as control it by leases.

And there would be no money in the state treasury for schools, universities, highways, asylums, irrigation development or anything else.

It would be a bankrupt state and a bankrupt people!

MANY MARRIAGE LICENSES

Divorces Run Second for First Time in Many Months

A record almost unique in Clackamas county was established during the past month, when the number of marriage licenses issued approached the number of divorce suits filed. Although divorces have the best of it by three, it is the first time such a state of affairs has occurred in many months, if not in years. Twenty-one marriage licenses were issued as against twenty-four divorce complaints filed. Within the same period thirteen divorce decrees were signed by Circuit Judge J. U. Campbell, which is also somewhat lower than the average of other months.

Judgment for Junker.

A judgment of \$3000, with interest at 8 per cent since May 18 last, attorneys' fees of \$200 and additional interest in the sum of \$180, was found in favor of Casper Junker in his action against Erwin L. Garver et al. The case went by default.

THE NEW TRUST

It is all over but the voting—and then, Wilson for Four Years More. Four years more of peace and prosperity while the wheels of the nation drive on toward our destined goal—World Leadership!

That is to be our destiny. Nothing can stop it but a return to the reactionary party which for forty years saved its bosses' bacon while the people, the great American people, struggled onward toward individual and collective freedom.

Yes, the nation came into its own not because but in spite of the Republican Party. It was the American people who cleared the forests, drained the swamps, blazed the trails, opened the mines, dug the coal and the gold, made the prairies into wheat and corn fields, and fenced in the great plains for cattle.

The American people, sprung from the loins of men who dared and women who toiled, have laid the foundation of the greatest Republic known to history, and raised thereon the fairest flower of civilization in all the world.

All this has been done despite the handicap of Political Bosses and the usurious toll of Proletary Interests.

While the Pioneer grew into the Settler and the Settler became the Farmer and yellowed the vast plains with the bearded giant and browned them with the russet corn—

While barfooted children trudged down the shady lane or over the long hill to the little red school house to read of the wisdom of their Benjamin Franklin, the patriotism of their Patrick Henry, the ingenuity of their Robert Fulton, Ell Whitney, and Robert Hoe, the democracy of their Jefferson, of the only Washington who Fathered his country, of the immortal Lincoln who saved, and whose spirit will forever unite the nation—

While these little children around the old stove sang "My Country, 'tis of Thee, Sweet Land of Liberty"—

While these same little children at night at their mother's knee learned to bow their heads to their God who had given them birth in the Land of the Free and the Home of the Brave—

While simple men sweated and toiled on and loved their work and their home and their country—

While sweet faced mothers delved in toil and span strong men to do the nation's work:

Greed crept forth clad in frock coats and a well distended skin and an oily tongue, and slowly, surely, indolently gathered up the fruits of the sweat and the harvest of the fields, orchards and mines, and by special privilege, by fraud, by bribe, by trickery, by knavery, by treachery, yes, and by treason caused themselves to become the richest clique known in the world's history.

The core of this clique is the permanent inner ring, the invisible Government of the Republican Party.

This clique, disagreeing on a candidate four years ago, fell out, and the American People came back into their own under the leadership of Woodrow Wilson, who has held inviolably sacred that trust thus put into his hands by Fate. And by the grace of God the American People propose to go on with that tried, true, great man who trusts them because he knows they trust him. Woodrow Wilson is a new Trust in American life—greater than all others—greater because he stands for no Trust, is backed by no Trust, and is the candidate of no Trust but is the trust of the whole American people, who love him because he has kept them out of war, honor him for his courageous Christian humanity, and thank him for his broad statesmanship and his fearless, intelligent leadership.

By his deeds and by his acts as well as by the enemies he has made, his place in the roll of American honor is secure—Washington, Lincoln, Wilson.

Woodrow Wilson deserves the vote of every man and every woman in every state in the Union.

DEMOCRATIC LAWS THAT HELP FARMERS

Federal Employment Bureau One of Many Wilson Achievements.

MONEY FOR CROP MOVING.

Rural Credits, Federal Reserve Act, Good Roads, Warehouse Law, New Grain Standards and Improved Marketing System.

By FRANK G. ODELL, Editor of the Nebraska Farm Magazine.

Do you know that your postoffice is now an employment bureau? That is one of the new things Uncle Sam has started during the present administration. Secretary Wilson of the department of labor has tackled the task of bringing the jobless man and the manless job together, and now every postoffice is an agency of the United States employment service. The postmaster is equipped with blanks for listing applications for labor or for employment and is instructed to get the worker and the job in contact.

While this may appear to be principally in the interest of the worker, it is really one of the numerous far reaching things started for the benefit of the farmer by the administration of President Wilson. The increasing scarcity of farm labor has become a problem to the farmer, especially in the wheat growing and fruit growing sections. This labor, which is of a seasonal character, necessarily must be performed largely by itinerant workers. Some agency which will meet this demand and relieve the laborer of the graft of employment agencies is necessary. Uncle Sam has started it.

A single illustration will show how the system works. In the Willamette valley of Oregon thousands of temporary workers are needed in hop picking time. On Aug. 20 the Oregon Journal of Portland printed a news article about the new government employment agency, stating that 600 families could obtain immediate employment in the hop yards by applying at the Portland division of the federal employment service.

This is another item added to the mass of accumulating evidence which shows that the Wilson administration has tried to give both labor and the farmer a square deal. For the first time in history this administration has placed the needs of rural districts squarely before congress as of equal importance with the interests of the financial centers.

And why not? Financial centers would not amount to much without the nine billion dollar crop of the American farmer. But the interests of the farmer have not always been so prominently and favorably considered by congress as they have during the last three years. The record of Democratic claims for farmer support is a record of accomplishment. It reads like this in the passage of laws and administrative acts:

What Has Been Done For The Farmer. CURRENCY REFORM.—The federal reserve act, under which the farmer's paper is given special consideration, including permission to national banks to loan on the security of farm lands.

RURAL CREDITS.—An epoch making legislative measure which will relieve the farmer of the incubus of the short time loan at extortionate interest. This measure alone, when in full force, will save the farmers of the United States one hundred and fifty million dollars annually in interest charges.

GOOD ROADS.—Seventy-five million dollars made available for the development of roads from the farm to the market, under conditions which will prevent wasteful use of the money.

AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION.—The passage of the Smith-Lever act brings to every American farmer, through the joint co-operation of the federal government and the states, the help of these agencies in solving the business problems of the farmer.

COTTON FUTURES ACT.—Deals a death blow to gambling in this great staple.

UNITED STATES WAREHOUSE ACT.—Enables owners of stored products to obtain loans on warehouse receipts more nearly approximating the full value of the product.

GRAIN STANDARDS.—A law enacted last August authorizes the secretary of agriculture to establish official grain standards. This law is working the farmer who has been robbed through juggling grain grades for years will appreciate the Smith-Lever act.

CROP MOVING.—The surplus funds of the treasury department have been placed directly in the hands of the south and west to aid in moving crops during the customary season of money shortage.

INTEREST ON GOVERNMENT DEPOSITS.—Banks holding government deposits are now required to pay 2 per cent interest. This cuts off a big graft which formerly came from the free use of huge sums of the people's money. More than a million dollars revenue annually is now derived from this source alone.

IMPROVED MARKETING SYSTEM.—The farmer has for years felt the power of the market combine, with its waste, inefficiency and dishonesty. The office of markets and the rural organization service, established in the department of agriculture during this administration, are working on scientific lines to promote better marketing and co-operative business organization among farmers.

These beneficent measures, with many others, show why the farmer is satisfied with the Wilson administration.

Men Feel Tired, Too

While much is said about tired women it must be remembered that men also pay the penalty of overwork. When the kidneys are weak, inactive or sluggish, when one feels tired out and miserable, lacks energy and ambition, Foley Kidney Pills are tonic and strengthening. Wm. H. Clark, Springfield, Ohio, writes: "I found no relief from kidney trouble until I discovered Foley Kidney Pills. Now I am in A 1 shape." They act quickly and surely.—Jones Drug Co.

PERSIAN DIPLOMACY.

Not Much Was Said, but the Prince Understood the Shah.

There were great variety and charm in the society of Kissingen, writes Princess Lazarovich in her account of a holiday on the continent. There were people from the four corners of Europe, America and the orient, each having a distinct personality that brought vivid suggestions of his origin.

Prince Malkom was the diplomatic representative of Persia for all Europe, being accredited at the same time to London, Petrograd and Rome. His wife, a beautiful Armenian princess, a Christian, was one of my dearly prized friends in London. Prince Malkom told us one day of how he came to be a Persian diplomatic representative. He was a relative of the shah, had been educated in several countries in Europe and had become interested in the Christian religion as the root force of western civilization.

Prince Malkom told us how he studied and pondered long to hit upon some means of bringing Christian principles to Persians in forms that they would understand, making Christianity the fulfillment of old Mithraic and Zoroastrian conceptions. Having formed a plan, he returned to Persia and began to talk to his countrymen and put before them the ideas that he believed would raise up the fallen nation. The people everywhere listened to him eagerly and followed him about in throngs. Some of them began to proclaim him a prophet and almost worshipped his person. He tried in every way to combat that tendency, in which he saw the speedy and complete wreck of his dearest hopes.

One day the shah sent for him and said: "My cousin, you are much followed about here. You are exerting yourself too much. You need rest. Would you like to go as my ambassador to Europe—and stay there many years?" Then Prince Malkom added: "I knew what he meant. So with my heart falling like a stone I answered, 'Yes, your majesty, I accept.' On that day I started on my journey westward. And all these years I have been virtually a European."

"But what did the shah really mean?" I asked. Prince Malkom grinned, showing his white teeth, and with a queer gurgle made the sign of a knife drawn across his throat.

MEANINGS OF DREAMS.

What Scientific Analysis of Slumber Visions May Disclose.

Scientific dream interpretation helps us to see ourselves as we really are, gives us intimate glimpses of the subconscious as well as conscious desires, fears and modes of thinking that enter into the making of our character and the shaping of our conduct, according to H. Addington Bruce in the Mothers' Magazine.

The compilers of the gaudy little paper covered dream books once so much in vogue went rightly enough on the theory that dreams are symbolic. But they erred by assuming that they are always symbolic of future events and that any particular dream element can always be interpreted as symbolic of the same kind of future event.

Those who expect modern science to provide them with a dream manual akin to the old dream books, so that every one may become his own interpreter at a glance, are consequently doomed to disappointment. Accurate dream interpretation almost always means time and effort. But it is well worth the trouble it costs. All who would discover unperceived weaknesses and defects in themselves, who would gain a maximum of health, happiness and efficiency through right living, will do well to seek to have their dreams analyzed.

And it is not only for the light it throws on one's nature and character that scientific dream interpretation is worth while. There are dreams which rightly interpreted throw light on the state of the dreamer's physical health, sometimes enabling action to be taken that will avert serious disease.

Spoken With Feeling. "There are all sorts of synonyms for money in this country," said the talkative man. "We call it 'tin,' 'mazzama,' 'kale,' 'dough' and a dozen other names I don't recall just now."

A solemn looking man seated in one corner opened his mouth as if to say something and then closed it without uttering a word. "What is your favorite synonym for money?" asked the talkative person. "The unattainable," the solemn man replied, and then fell once more into deep thought.—Birmingham Age-Herald.

No Use For It. "Have you a five-dollar bill that you don't know what to do with?" "Yes; here is one." "Oh, thank you. But I say, this is counterfeited." "Well, you asked me for one I didn't know what to do with."—Chicago Herald.

When Women Meet. "That woman pretended to be glad to see me. What an actress she is!" "But you were a match for her?" "Yes, I pretended to be just as glad to see her."—Exchange.

His Turn to Ask. "Am I the first girl you ever kissed?" "Am I the first man to whom you ever put that question?"—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

The best part of our knowledge is that which reaches us where knowledge leaves off and ignorance begins.—Holmes.

GRAHAM SUES TENANT.

Alleges Sittser Did Not Divide Crops and Sold Livestock From Farm.

Orton A. Graham has secured an injunction against B. J. Sittser and filed suit against Mr. Sittser asking an accounting of the disposition of one half the crop on a 29-acre farm at Butteville leased to Sittser. Mr. Graham asks that the lease be declared broken and charges that Sittser did not live up to the terms of the lease by which he was to give to the

Cost is going down. Though it has been said times without number, it is always worth retelling that the cost of electric service keeps coming down while everything else is going up. Food, shelter, clothing, luxuries - all cost more than they did a few years ago and none of them have bettered in quality. Today the public utility companies are giving much better service and are charging less for it than a few years ago. Today you can ride to your heart's content in a trolley car for a nickel. The new EDISON MAZDA LAMPS give you THREE TIMES THE LIGHT for the same amount of electric current consumption as the old lamps. USE EDISON MAZDA LAMPS. We Carry a Full Assortment. Portland Railway Light & Power Company. The Electric Store. Phones—Home A-229 Pacific—Main 115. Andresen Bldg. 619 Main St.

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