



STATE TAX LEAGUE WORKS OUT NEW TAX PROPOSITION

Proposal to Limit General Property Tax to One Half State Expenses

ONE FIFTH PAY TAXES

Executive Committee of the Taxpayers League Will Draft the Proposed Measure

That there will be initiated an amendment to the state constitution providing for a state income tax which shall produce revenue sufficient to pay one half the expenses of the state is announced by the executive committee of the state Taxpayers League. Members of this committee are: Walter M. Pierce, democratic candidate for nomination for governor, La Grande; C. L. Hawley, McCoy; J. A. Westerlund, Medford; and Robert E. Smith, Portland.

By the procedure adopted by its sponsors the initiative measure will, it is claimed, remove all question about the constitutionality of a state income tax. It is also proposed through the result of this measure, to relieve the taxpayers of the general property tax of one half the state expenses whether they are good or bad, and incomes large or small. It will be up to the legislature to pass the income tax law complete if the people vote for the measure providing that the property shall pay but one half the taxes.

It is the purpose of the committee in initiating this amendment to provide in it against a fund during the prosperous years so large as to stimulate extravagant expenditures by hedging it about with all the present limitations on percentage ratios and to make generally uniform the taxes of the farmer from year to year. In other words the present limitation will continue and when prices of his products are high or low his tax ratio on his property for state expenses will be practically the same.

Another reason advanced for the income tax is that there is only about one-fifth of the population who pay property taxes and many of these will be forced to contribute to the state's finances through the income proposed.

The Clackamas County Pomona Grange passed at its last session, also, a resolution favoring the initiation of a graduated income tax for this state, to be voted on at the November election.

World-War Hero Goes To California City

Dan Finucane, who has been in the government hospital in Portland for several months where he has been taking treatment for the effects of gas inhaled during the world war has gone to San Diego, California, for further treatment.

He is the son of Patrick Finucane of 12th and Van Buren streets this city. A member of the Oregon National Guard, Dan was one of the first to enter the service and cross the seas where he distinguished himself by bravery and other qualities of excellent service.

His many friends here wish him speedy return to health and home.

Why the Best City In Which to Live?

Beginning with this issue the Banner-Courier will present each week or as conveniently as possible the story of "Shawnee". This city won, recently, the \$2500 prize awarded by competent judges upon the basis of being the "Best city in Oklahoma in which to live."

Thirty nine cities competed for the prize.

It is hoped that readers will compare the points of excellence which entitled Shawnee to this prize with the points of excellence which characterize Oregon City and other cities.

SHAWNEE

"Behind every great movement is a man or group of men. The city of Shawnee has never been lacking in men since its foundation. In fact, Shawnee is Shawnee because of the will of men. Nature and topography made up their minds to put Shawnee in the center of the country. A few red blooded men determined to do likewise. The same mind has run through the building of Shawnee and the piloting of her campaign in the better cities contest until she had been acclaimed the winner.

Correction

The meeting of the South West Improvement League held March 21st at which County Commissioner Rufus C. Holman spoke was held at J. J. Knox's Hall at Palatine Hill and Boone's Ferry Road, Collin's View Tract.

CLACKAMAS COUNTY BUSINESS BOOSTERS BUSILY BOOST

Headed by the Oregon City Booster band of twenty pieces over fifty Clackamas County Business Men's Association boosters via special car invaded the meetin' house of the Portland Retail Grocers Association in the metropolis on Monday night this week. The occasion was an effort to invite in due and emphatic form the Oregon Retail Grocers to hold their next annual picnic on July 26 next in Gladstone Park.

To say that the Oregon City aggregation made an impression is mild. And to repeat that the Portland bunch of retailers were game is milder. However, both the visitors and their vociferous enthusiasm were received royally.

Among those who acted as spokesmen for the park site, representing the local association were F. J. Tooze, Brenton Vedder, James Brady, C. H. Dickey and Sam Clay.

The result of the meeting was the appointment of a committee from each of the commercial bodies to confer and definitely decide upon a site for the meeting. For the Portland Association those appointed were W. W. Hill, Harry Corkhill, Emil Ginter and for Oregon City, Arthur Beattie, Charles Dickey, Hal Hoss and Brenton Vedder.

The two committees held a conference with the result that they will look over conditions at the park on Friday afternoon this week and report back to their associations.

Road Cannot Be Closed

The decision of Judge J. U. Campbell in regard to the Holcomb road is that it cannot be closed. This road crosses the place recently purchased by Collier. The court held that the road having been dedicated did not revert back to the owners of the adjacent property when the land changes ownership.

RESPECTED RESIDENT OF OREGON CITY IS LAID TO REST

George Calif, an old and highly respected citizen passed away suddenly from heart failure as he was completing his days work at the Crown-Willamette Paper plant last Sunday evening.

Mr. Calif was the son of early Oregon pioneers. Coming from Wisconsin with his parents when he was twenty years of age. He has resided in this city a half century and for twenty years has been employed as millwright at the local paper mills.

The funeral was held at the Presbyterian church Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. It was one of the largest funerals ever held in the church. The services were conducted by Rev. H. G. Edgar. The pall bearers were men who worked with him at the Crown-Willamette and also his Knights of Pythias brothers.

BARCLAY SCHOOL BUILDING INJURED BY BLAZE

Oregon City was surprised on Sunday morning last to learn that the interior of the Barclay school building had been during the night badly damaged by fire.

The fire was discovered at about four o'clock in the morning by Frank Koenig just returning from Portland and who immediately turned in an alarm. The fire department responded promptly and found the flames which had evidently started in a cloakroom near the center of the building on the first floor coming out through the roof. Before coming out through the roof the flames had burned through into several of the rooms, doing considerable damage.

The cause of the fire is unknown but is generally believed to be the results of some one who had entered the building for this or some other unworthy purpose.

There was carried, by the district, on the building \$11,500 insurance which is more than sufficient to cover the loss.

Woman's Club Passes Strong Resolutions

One of the liveliest meetings ever held by the Woman's Club occurred on Thursday afternoon of last week when "Art" was the subject of discussion. Mrs. H. G. Edgar, led out with "A new hope in the motion picture field"; Mrs. Meta Finley followed with "A new hope in the national news service"; Mrs. Arnes Buckley spoke on "Clackamas county schools"; Mrs. Irma Jones exhibited Oregon pottery made from clay from Molalla and H. P. Denber of the Foster-Kleiser Co. of Portland told of the "Decorative possibilities of the billboard."

Among resolutions passed unanimously by the club were a protest against licensing of boxing exhibitions in Oregon City declaring them to be "only prize fighting in disguise"; condemned the action of the county commissioners in granting license to the dancing pavilion at Oak Grove; and requested the city council to print and place in every house the ordinances for city sanitation.

EUROPE'S CONFERENCE IS A MANY SIDED PROPOSITION

Russia and France Pivotal Points Upon Which the Meeting Turns

CONCESSIONS MADE

Soviet Russia Makes Headway Toward Full Recognition Among the Nations of Europe

During the past week of the sessions of the Genoa Conference reports had it that the future of the meeting was dark and gloomy. This condition has been due to the attitude of France and the little entente over disarmament and Russia over recognition as entitled to all the privileges of the other nations of Europe. The matter for reparation also promised trouble for the meeting.

Lloyd George, the "Father" of the Conference, was said to have undertaken to solve the most difficult problem of his life and doubts have been expressed over his ability to put over the chief propositions set for the great meeting. But the many intricate problems with which the British premier has dealt triumphantly may yet be augmented by this last and not the least important effort in modern history.

Already progress has been made through the initiation of him who insisted first that Russia should be admitted. Gathering about him the leading statesmen representing the greatest national differences and together they reached an agreement involving concessions of France and Russian in regard to those matters which threatened the success of the conference.

Sufficient progress was made in the special meeting of the representatives so that an expert committee was directed to put into concise form their agreements. And on this committee was placed a representative of soviet Russia. And it is believed that this concession is but the beginning of a final full recognition of the Russian soviet regime. Her acknowledgment of her carter debts; methods of adjusting claims and counter claims of war debts are being pressed as preliminary to full recognition.

Dairy Lectures For Clackamas County

The third series of dairy lectures to be held in Clackamas County will be April 25, 26, 27, and 28. Professor E. B. Fitts, Dairy Specialist from the Extension Department of Oregon Agricultural College, will discuss the subject of balanced rations and proper feeding of dairy cattle and been taken up at former meetings held on the dairy demonstration farms of the county.

The program for this series of meetings follows: Wm. Biddle's farm—Sunnyside Community, 9:30 A. M., April 25th. Anton Malar's farm—Sandy Community, 2:00 P. M., April 25th. H. Tschopp's farm—Logan Community, 9:30 A. M., April 26th. A. H. Miller's farm—George Community, 2:00 P. M., April 26th. Leslie Moore's farm—Colton Community, 1:30 P. M., April 27th. J. L. Lienhart's farm—Monitor Community, 1:30 P. M., April 28th.

NEW SITE CITY HALL

Upon recommendation of a committee selected from the warring factions representing the "up stairs" and "down stairs" sections of the City Beautiful the council will investigate a proposed site on Singer Hill between Bluff and Main Streets and 7th and Eighth.

If this site is found feasible the council will no doubt proceed with the building there. If unsatisfactory, two sites—one up stairs and another down stairs will be put on the ballot for the people's decision.



GEORGE G. RANDALL Candidate for Representative

LIBRARY BOOK DRIVE FOR OREGON CITY IS ON THIS WEEK

Citizens Urged to Contribute Books Scientific Works Favorites With Local Readers

Oregon City bill boards announce the fact that this week is designated Library Week in Oregon City. The posters have been donated by the Foster-Kleiser Billboards company of Portland, and are the same as used in the Portland drive for library books.

The drive in this city is timely and beneficial. The purpose and hopes of the Woman's Club and others behind the drive is set forth in the following: "Such an opportunity never came to us before. A thousand books are needed immediately and there is no money to buy them. Scattered in the homes of Oregon City and vicinity may be found many excellent works of history, travel, poetry, biography that our boys and girls will be glad to read. We must remember we have an educational institution in our midst of young people, more than a thousand of them, as well as hundreds of workers in our mills and factories who need reference books and especially new and up to date technical and scientific works. And to all our citizens the best in literature new or old is always welcome, sets of Scott, Dickens, Poe, Mark Twain, or single books of famous classics. Not old, worn out books, but good, clean, new-looking books.

Take or send them immediately to the library. In Portland many people are pledging a book a week, new, good, worth-while books. Families with children need their books and ought to keep them, but families without children have an opportunity to share their benefits. An Annual Book Week ought to double our library very soon.

Commercial Club Schedules Big Time

The committee on arrangements in charge of the Commercial Club Smoker, reported on Tuesday night, that all arrangements are about perfected for the very excellent program of entertainment which the committee has been working upon. From the time the Reception Committee arrives and opens the doors of the Club at 7 o'clock, until the last hungry man has been served with eats at 12 o'clock on Friday night, there will be something doing every minute. The program is of a very varied character, and consists of boxing, wrestling, music, dancing, and general good-fellowship.

One outstanding feature of the program is the Radio Concert to which all members present will be treated through the generosity of Willard P. Hawley, Jr. Mr. Hawley, at the request of the Commercial Club, and in spite of many difficulties, obstacles, and expense, has installed in the club and prepared to give a special concert by Radio during the evening. Mr. Hawley has had his experts working on the apparatus all of this week, doing everything possible to guarantee a successful Radio Program.

The boxing, which will consist of several bouts, will bring out a very classy bunch of youngsters, who combine an unusual amount of science with a generous supply of youthful pep and vigor. There is little doubt but what this part of the program will go over big.

Admission, as already announced, will be free to all members, and will be by card. Membership cards have been mailed to the membership, and Mr. Clay wishes to announce, that if any member has failed to receive his card through the mail, if that member will call him by telephone, (phone 134), Mr. Clay will see that his card is re-mailed at once.

COLTON ORATORIO SOCIETY GIVES FINE PROGRAM IN CITY

"The Holy City" by A. R. Gaul will be rendered by the Colton Oratorio Society under direction of Mrs. Mildred Anderson Hull at the Congregational church of this city on Sunday evening, April 23, at 7:30 o'clock. There are forty-six voices in the society.

PART I
Introduction (Instrumental) Contemplation; Chorus, tenor solo, quartet, chorus, No Shadowa Yonder; Air My Soul is Athirst for God; Trio, At Eventide It Shall Be Light; chorus, They That Sow in Tears; Air, Eye Hath Not Seen; Chorus, For Thee, O Dear, Dear Country; chorus, Thine Is the Kingdom.

PART II
Intermezzo (Instrumental) "Adoration"; Air, A New Heaven and a New Earth; choral Sanctus, Holy, Holy, Holy; Chorus for a double choir, Let the Heavens Rejoice; Air, To the Lord Our God; Air, Come, Ye Blessed of My Father; Semi-chorus, The Fading Pot is For Silver; Air, These Are They Which Came Out of Great Tribulation; Duet, They Shall Hunger No More; Quartet and Chorus, List! to the Cherubic Host; solo, And I Heard the Voice of Harpers; chorus, Great and Marvelous Are Thy Works, Lord God.
No admission, silver collection.

THREE SENATORIAL CANDIDATES FILE FOR OFFICE

Five Republicans Seek Seats Among Representatives at Salem

ONE DEMOCRAT FILES

Race for County Commissioners Brisk—Only One Candidate for Circuit Judge

Clackamas county aspirants for legislative positions as shown by the files completed at the secretary of state's office within the specified time number nine. Of these, three are filed for the senate and six for the house. All would-be senators are republicans and five of the six aspirants for the lower house are branded as of the same political faith.

For the senate are F. J. Tooze, editor and manager of the Banner-Courier, one of the leading newspapers of the state, and located at Oregon City; William Stone, lawyer at Oregon City and a member of the House at the last session of the legislature; R. E. Cherrick, farmer and organizer at Barlow.

W. W. Banks, Republican, of Portland is out after the joint senatorship for Multnomah and Clackamas counties.

For the House, are George G. Randall, farmer and leader in bridge and farm bureau work; I. C. Bridges, carpenter and member of Oregon City council, Oregon City; Phil Hammond, lawyer and attorney for local Soldiers Aid Commission at Oregon City; Robert Schuebel, farmer and cooperative markets advocate, Mulino; Millard J. Lee, promoter and general booster for good roads, Canby. A. A. Price, merchant and advocate of progress generally, Oregon City, is the democratic candidate.

For county commissioner the present incumbent, W. F. Harris is opposed by C. W. Kruse, a successful farmer and business man, Oswego, Oregon. For the circuit court there is no opponent to J. U. Campbell, who has been judge for the past thirteen years.

So far in the campaign with the exception of the commissionership there has been little political activity shown by the candidates.

A warm campaign on governor is promised, however, and from this on it is expected that other candidates will get busy and things political will reach the melting point.

Church Schedules Home Economics

The Home Economics school under the supervision of Mrs. Elinor Redington, which is to be held at the Presbyterian church next week on April 25, 26, 27, 28, four days, will be well attended as many tickets have been sold. Anyone attending will get three meals a day for the four days, including the lectures given by Mrs. Redington. The tickets are on dollar.

Extensive Banquet Enjoyed

The banquet given at the Presbyterian church Tuesday night was one of the largest ever held in the church. 225 guests were seated at one time. C. Schuebel gave the address of welcome. Addresses were made by Dr. Bowman of the First church, Portland, Rev. Nugent of Central Church and Rev. Day of the Methodist denomination. Mr. Carter of Portland was the moderator. Lyman Warnock, a well known soloist of Oregon City delighted the audience. Rev. Dr. Gilbert of the church at Astoria extended the Extension Club an invitation to meet at Astoria next year, which was unanimously accepted.

Grange Changes Date

Warner Grange of New Era has changed its meetings from afternoon to evening commencing April 22, 8 p. m.



A. A. PRICE Candidate for Representative Clackamas County

BIG ROAD PROGRAM ANNOUNCED BY COUNTY COURT

The total number of market roads for Clackamas county has been increased to twenty-nine by the recent order of the county court.

Several of these roads designated as market roads are the bond roads which it has been impossible to improve on account of the great expense involved and which there has been no attempt to improve while the agitation has been on for the bond measure recall.

By declaring these roads market roads the market road money may be used on them and thus their improvement may be hastened. The designations, however, must be endorsed by the state highway engineer before procedure can be made.

The list of the market roads with their numbers is:

- (9) The Monitor-Barlow road; (10) Marquam to Canby; (11) Oregon City-Clarks; (12) Oswego-Dutchtown, Oswego to Wilsonville section; (13) Boones Ferry, county line to Lake Villa section; (14) Oregon City-Stafford, Willamette to Tledeman; (15) Sandy-Pleasant Home via Cottrell school; (16) Oregon City, Damascus and Boring, Rock Creek Bridge to Mt. Hood Loop section; (17) Bradley-Richey Road, Boring to county line section; (18) Foster Road, Damascus to county line section; (19) Barton, Eagle Creek and Estacada Road; (20) Oregon City and Viola, Oregon City to Redland store; (21) Myers and Benson road; (22) Oregon City-Molalla, Oregon City to Mulino section; (23) South End Road, leading out from Oregon City; (24) Oregon City-Hardscarable, Oregon City to Central Point section; (25) New Era-Molalla-Willhoit; (26) Gribble Prairie-Macksburg; (27) Wilsonville-Aurora; (28) Oregon City-Springwater; (29) Happy Valley-County line road—length about 2 1/2 miles.

A. PRICE ANNOUNCES PLATFORM, ECONOMY, PUBLIC SERVICE

The Democratic party will have a candidate for the House of Representatives in the state legislature in the person of one of Oregon City's business men. A. A. Price, general Clackamas county booster has entered the race. He is the only one to file for the democratic nomination in either branch of the legislature.

His platform is short and comprehensive.

"If I am nominated and elected I will during my term of office endeavor to serve the public interest and defend the interests of my constituents against those persons or corporations who seek to promote private gain at public expense. I will seek to eliminate wasteful and extravagant methods in state administration."

Ballot Slogan: "Twenty-five years of business experience in Clackamas County enable me to serve you intelligently."

OREGON CITY WOOLEN MILLS PAY BONUS TO EMPLOYEES

The local woollen mills maintain a plan whereby every employe who shall have worked for the company one half year is entitled to two and a half per cent of his total earnings in addition to his regular pay. This accumulating dividend is allowed to increase up to fifteen per cent of his earnings the object being to encourage high class service through continuous service of the workers at the plant.

A large proportion of the employes have been with the company three or more years.

The amount special distributed to the workers last week exceeded \$18,000. That the plan is well-liked by the workers is obvious. It is the only one in force of its kind in this part of the country.

Aged Woman Answers the Call

Mrs. Frederick Meinig died at the family home near Sandy last Sunday morning after a long illness. She leaves a daughter, Clara and three sons, Albion, Paul and Otto, all of Sandy. The services were held in the Sandy M. E. Church Tuesday at 12:30. Rev. Pitts of Cottrell, officiating. Interment was at Cliff Side cemetery. The Sandy Quartette sang and Miss Margaret Miller sang "Face to Face."

Hawley is Opposed

W. C. Hawley for the past sixteen successive years unopposed for the office of congressman from this first district, is opposed this year by two aspirants—Senator Norblad of Astoria and State Representative Earl E. Fisher of Beaverton. It is prophesied wise men that Senator Norblad will carry his home and other coast counties while Mr. Hawley will retain the Willamette valley lead.

Fine Baby Girl Arrives

A fine baby girl arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Theron A. Barages, April 19th.

TEN CANDIDATES FILE FOR GOVERNOR OF OREGON

Former Governor's Brother Enters Race at the "Eleventh Hour"

BIG BATTLE IN SIGHT

Platform's Uniformly Promise Reduction of Taxes—Opposition to Alien Land Ownership Endorsed

At the close of the date for filing on Friday last, with the secretary of state for office of governor ten stalwart sons of this commonwealth had evidenced their desire to serve in the capacity of chief executive.

Those of Republican political faith are Charles Hall, attorney, promoter, and senator, Marshfield; L. E. Bean, lawyer and speaker of the lower house, Eugene; Isaac L. Paterson, farmer, and senator, Eola, Polk county; J. D. Lee, representative and pioneer, Portland; Ben W. Olcott, now governor, Salem; Philip Withycombe farmer in charge of O. A. C. experiment station, Yamhill county. He is a brother of ex-governor James B. Withycombe, who died in office.

George A. White, adjutant general Oregon National Guard, who distinguished himself during the war period by efficiency and economy in the preparation and leadership of the war-forgers is one of the last of the candidates to file. He promises consolidation of commissions, relief for the agricultural interests from the present burdens of taxation and progress in state affairs.

Democrats who are in the race are Walter M. Pierce farmer and ex-senator; also candidate four years ago for governor against Harvey G. Starkweather, present aspirant for this same office.

Harvey G. Starkweather, farmer and business man with property interests in Portland and in Clackamas county where with his family he lives on his farm. Mr. Starkweather has held many offices of trust and is now president of the Jackson Club, the largest democratic organization in the state. Will E. Purdy, Salem and Webb Holmes of Tillamook are also candidates.

The campaign for governor is now on, several of the candidates covering the state with meetings where they are making appeal for support. With the entrance of White and Withycombe into active campaign the political atmosphere is bound to grow more and more tense as the date of the primaries draws near. All promise reduction of tax and oppose Oriental ownership of land.

Glyde Schuebel Wins University Honors

Miss Glyde Schuebel, who is attending the university of Oregon has been signally honored. She was chosen recently to represent the university association at the National Y. W. C. A. convention in session at Hot Springs, Arkansas, beginning today and continuing until next Wednesday.

Miss Schuebel made the trip via Denver with stops at Topeka, Kansas to visit a cousin, Miss Grace Beattie and at Lawrence for a visit with Mrs. Arthur G. Beattie's brother, who is attending the university at Lawrence.

Local Church Scene Of Presbytery Meet

At the Presbyterian church of this city the Portland Presbytery was guest on Tuesday and Wednesday this week. On Tuesday the Evangelical church, corner 8th and Madison streets was the meeting place while the Extension Club prepared for the banquet in the evening. Rev. Harold Bowman, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Portland, made the principal address. J. C. Cochran was the official delegate from the Oregon City church to the meeting. The meeting was largely attended by delegates and friends from Portland and other places.

Humane Society Re-elects Officers

At the recent meeting of the Clackamas County Humane Society the following officers were elected: Anita McCarver, president; George A. Hardling, vice-president; Mrs. E. G. Caulfield, secretary and E. G. Caulfield, treasurer. Directors are Miss Vera Caulfield, Percy Caulfield and Mrs. Emma Wilkinson.

Next week from April 24 to 31 will be observed as humane week for all Clackamas county.

R. R. Crossing to be Improved

The Southern Pacific company will improve their crossing over the Oregon City-Parkplace road soon. Reply has been received by the Oregon City engineer to this effect.