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SHIELDS AND U'REN HIT BACK HARD

SINGLE TAX DEBATE IN OREGON CITY INTERESTS LARGE CROWD

CHAIRMAN ASKS PERTINENT QUESTION

League Secretary Frankly Admits Rich Men are Behind Him—Serum Simile is Worth Pondering

Declaring that Joseph Fels, the single tax "angel" in Oregon is in the position of the medical expert in the Rockefeller Institute...

FARMERS OF BEAVER CREEK ORGANIZE

The Beaver Creek local of the Farmers' Society of Equity was organized Saturday evening at a meeting held in the hall of W. E. Jones...

SHIELDS-U'REN DEBATE IS WARM

OREGON CITY LAWYER FORCED TO ADMIT THAT HE FAVORS SINGLE TAX

BIG PORTLAND THEATRE CROWDED

Secretary of Equal Taxation League Wins Crowd When He Says Plan is to Confiscate Property

PORTLAND, Oct. 24, (Special)—

Five minutes after the doors were opened at the Bungalow theater to night for the Charles H. Shields-U'Ren debate on single tax...

Mr. Shields, who spoke first, traced the growth of the present system of taxation. He said it was the survival of the fittest scheme of raising revenue to carry on the work of government...

MRS. CLEVELAND TO BECOME BRIDE AGAIN

PRINCETON, N. Y., Oct. 29.—Mrs. Grover Cleveland authorized the announcement of her engagement to Thomas Joseph Preston, professor of Archeology and History of Arts at Wells College...

Mrs. Cleveland is a graduate of Wells College and has been a trustee of that institution since 1887. Her wedding to Grover Cleveland, which took place in the executive mansion...

WIFE BEKS DECREE. Mollie Childress Monday filed suit for a divorce against Clarence Childress. They were married in Portland July 23, 1903. The plaintiff alleges her husband abandoned her September 18, 1911.



SINGLE TAX IS BLOW TO ALBERTA

RESIDENT WRITES THAT SYSTEM IS "NOTHING SHORT OF LEGAL THEFT"

WARNS OREGONIANS AGAINST PLAN

Taxes so High That There is No Demand for Real Estate—Wants to Sell but Cannot

PORTLAND, Or., Oct. 25, (Special)—The first of a mass of evidence that will show, it is declared, that single tax has already proved a failure in Alberta was produced today by Sig. Sichel, a leading dealer of Portland...

JUDGE DIMICK TALKS FOR EQUAL SUFFRAGE

Mayor Grant H. Dimick was the main speaker at a meeting of Warner Grange, at New Era, Saturday afternoon at a discussion of equal suffrage...

REPUBLICANS HAVE BIG BORING CROWD

VOTERS ARE ENTHUSIASTIC AND CANDIDATES ASSURED OF SUPPORT

E. B. TONGUE IS ONE OF SPEAKERS

Rally Held at Sandy Saturday Encourages Nominees—Meeting to be at Damascus Tomorrow

The Republican candidates for county offices addressed a large and enthusiastic audience at Boring Monday evening. Those who spoke were James F. Nelson, nominee for assessor; E. C. Hackett, nominee for sheriff; E. P. Dedman, nominee for recorder; E. B. Tongue, nominee for district attorney; and Chris Schuebel, nominee for representative in the legislature...

EVEN THE FELS' SINGLE TAX COW LOOKS WORRIED



THE WORK FOR SINGLE TAX WILL CONTINUE AS LONG AS THE FUND

GLADSTONE HEARS SUFFRAGE URGED

Mrs. Sarah Bard Field, Ehrigott, Colonel Robert Miller and George C. Brownell addressed a large crowd in Miller's Hall at Gladstone Saturday night on Woman Suffrage. Mrs. Ehrigott declared that the movement was gaining ground daily and she believed the bill would win at the coming election...

VICE-PRESIDENT IS SERIOUSLY ILL

JAMES S. SHERMAN'S CONDITION ALARMS RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

HIS PHYSICIANS GIVE LITTLE HOPE

Arteries are Hardening and Belief is Expressed that Distinguished Patient Cannot Long Survive

UTICA, N. Y., Oct. 28.—James H. Sherman, vice-president of the United States is seriously ill and steadily falling in his home here.



James S. Sherman, vice-president of United States, who is seriously ill.

While his physician, Dr. Fayette H. Peck, believes there is no immediate danger of death, yet the patient's condition is such that it is a matter of conjecture how much longer he can withstand the ravages of the disease with which he is afflicted.

Dr. Peck at 8 o'clock tonight made the following statement: "Mr. Sherman has been ill all of year, due to the condition of the kidneys, hardening of the arteries, and softening of the muscles of the heart, which are somewhat stretched. Mr. Sherman had an attack in the Adirondacks at Big Moose Lake, and I expected him to die. He got out of the house and improved rapidly and was actively until the latter part of August. Since then his condition has been aggravated and he has been unable to get on his feet."

PAIR ELOPES IN AIRSHIP. FORT WAYNE, Ind., Oct. 26.—Arthur Smith placed his fiancée, Miss Aimee Cour, beside him in his biplane today and flew to Milldale, Mich., 75 miles away, where they were married.

SECESSIONISTS WOULD SUE COUNTY COURT

ESTACADA, Or., Oct. 29.—Persons living in the proposed Cascade County met here Monday in the theater and adopted resolutions condemning the County Court of Clackamas County for its alleged attitude in aiding those opposed to the division of Clackamas County.

A committee of seven farmers also was named to obtain legal advice concerning the advisability of suing the Clackamas County Court, which it is alleged has appropriated the taxpayers' money to reimburse those who fought annexation to Multnomah County in 1910 and has appropriated money this year to help fight against the creation of Cascade County. The resolutions also empower the committee to decide if the matter shall be laid before the grand jury to ascertain whether there was violation of the court of the corrupt practices act and whether the county seat organization soliciting money from the court may be prosecuted under the same charge.

WIRES DISCUSS BILLS ON BALLOT

ADOPTION OF MEASURE CREATING OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR URGED

GARY FIGHTS FOR HIGH SCHOOL LAW

Mulvey Favors Amendment Which Appeals Single Tax Amendment—Equal Suffrage is Discussed

Without doubt the most important and instructive meeting of Live Wires of the Oregon City Commercial Club took place Tuesday evening, when the weekly luncheon was followed by a full and free discussion of the various measures and amendments to be voted upon by the people of Oregon next Tuesday. T. W. Sullivan, Main Trunk Line of the organization, had previously assigned to a majority of the members a measure for explanation and recommendation, and an active interest was taken.

Dr. Clyde Mount led off with a brief talk on the Equal Suffrage movement. The doctor made no recommendation. Mayor Dimick urged the adoption of the amendment, 392-393 creating the office of lieutenant-governor. He said it was a new office, without salary, and the principal reason he had for favoring the measure was it abolished the log-rolling that always prevails over committee appointing, and where-by votes for president of the State Senate are exchanged for committee places over the State Senate.

County School Superintendent Gary recommended the defeat of No. 394-395, divorcing different kinds of property from taxation purposes. He said it would be detrimental to the schools of Clackamas County, in that it conveyed a right to tax certain kinds of property for different purposes. He emphasized the fact that if public service corporations were taxed for state purposes only, they should not be taxed for county purposes, and the school district of Milwaukie would lose \$300 in valuation and Estacada would lose 50 per cent of its valuation in its school district. Mr. Gary said that the temptation for graft would be greater than under the present system. County Clerk Mulvey favored the constitutional amendment 398-399, which repeals the single tax amendment adopted two years ago. He said the amendment was endorsed by Governor West, the State Tax Commission and the Legislative Tax Commission.

O. D. Eby recommended the adoption of the majority rule amendment, 310-311. This provides that all the votes cast must be considered and the enactment of a constitutional amendment must be dependent upon its receiving a majority of all votes cast at the election, instead of a majority of the votes cast on the particular amendment. Mr. Eby said that there are now 14 new amendments proposed on the ballot this year, and while he was at first opposed to the majority rule amendment, he had concluded it would be wiser to safeguard the constitution to the extent that it would not be so easy to attach amendments to it.

E. H. Cooper advocated the adoption of 312-313, making stockholders in banking corporations liable to pay for the benefit of depositors an amount equal to the par value of the stock held by any stockholder, in addition to having originally paid the par value therefor.

J. E. Hedges made a very lucid explanation of the Public Utilities measure, 314-315, which gives the State Railroad Commission power to regulate all Public service corporations, unless they are municipally owned. M. D. Latourrette urged the defeat of the bill to create Cascade County and dividing Clackamas County. He referred to the few residents of the proposed new county who favor the measure, outside of the town of Estacada. The ballot number 318-319, E. L. Stipp talking in favor of the enactment of the Mileage Bill for the University of Oregon and the State Agricultural College, providing for a single board of regents for both institutions and everlastingly doing away with the legislative fights for appropriations of these two educational institutions.

J. E. Hedges talking for W. M. Stone, who was unable to be present, explained 322-323, amending the constitution to require a majority of the electors on a bill or amendment to secure their enactment. He made no recommendation.

The various road bills were discussed at some length. William Hammond favoring 324-325, one of the Grange measures, providing for the construction of roads leading to market centers by counties as a whole, through bond issue. H. E. Draper advised voting yes on 336-337, authorizing convict labor on public highways. William Beard urged the defeat of the road bill 340-341, creating a State Road Board, and Frank Busch did not favor the enactment of 342-343, prohibiting the state from increasing its indebtedness for road building in excess of two per cent of the taxable property of the state. Mr. Busch said that ten per cent would be a better limit in a state where good roads were needed as they are in Oregon. O. E. Freytag favored the County Home Rule Road Bill, 344-345, authorizing counties to issue 20-year bonds to build roads within the county. C. Schuebel urged the defeat of 360-361 because there is no limit on the indebtedness a county might create. R. L. Shepherd recommended the defeat of the bill creating the office of Flood Inspector and the bill fixing a percentage of freight rates. Ralph Parker went on record against the bill making eight hours a day the legal work day. (Continued on page 4)