

SINGLE TAX SCORED BY STATE GRANGE

MEASURES CONTAIN "DELUSSIONS" AND "SNARES," RESOLUTIONS ALLEGE

STATE FOREST CONTROL IS ASKED

Appeal Made For Cheap Power As Means Of Aiding Farmers—Enlargement Of School Work Urged

The State Grange, at its recent meeting in Roseburg, opposed the single tax. Its report was as follows:

"First—That henceforth all legislative acts should be labeled what they really are, to the end that the voters may know the exact nature of the measure by the title it bears.

"Second—That we condemn and denounce this bold attempt of the Standard Oil Company, or any other corporation, its friends or promoters, to capture private property without compensation, and we declare the same to be revolutionary and unconstitutional.

"Third—We condemn and denounce the system of single tax, as an attempt to impair the obligations of contracts.

"Fourth—That we condemn the measures proposed by the single taxers, because in their duplicity they contain delusions and snares prepared expressly to appeal to as many classes of voters as possible, with a bait held out to each as delusive as it is untrue.

"Fifth—We especially condemn the bait held out to labor, as absolutely without excuse or foundation, and assert that the single tax can in no way increase the wages of the laborer. That wages can only be increased either by the increase of capital, the increase in the efficiency of labor or a decrease in the number of laborers.

"Sixth—That the great cry of the single taxer, who sheds such copious tears over the unearned increment in land, is insincere in this: that there is an unearned increment in everything; the diamond, the nugget, the profits of the merchant, and in nothing is there so great an unearned increment as in the watered stock of the great corporations whom the single taxer would exempt.

"Seventh—We hold that private property and land is fundamentally sound, and necessary to the best interests of society, and that there is positively no monopoly in land as proven by Mr. Fels himself, in his purchase of so vast a tract near London, at from \$35 to \$50 per acre; and we would here inquire if the ultimate purpose of Mr. Fels is to buy up the fertile valleys of Oregon when under the blight of the single tax he shall thus have reduced the price.

"Finally—We hold that the principle of the single tax is fundamentally unjust, unreasonable, and inconsistent, and in the face of the purposes and plans of its promoters, it is unconscionable, and its adoption would mean ruin to the farmers of Oregon, without whose success and prosperity, the cities could and would prosper.

The conservation committee appointed at the last session of the State Grange made an exhaustive report on conservation of forests.

The salient features of the report are embodied in the following: "We recommend that the State of Oregon ask the Federal Government to locate Army camps throughout the Government forest reserves for accommodation of a mounted patrol system, whose duty it would be to ride on patrol all of the Government timber lands, with authority to arrest anyone responsible for fires. This patrol to be drawn from the present soldiers with practically no additional expense.

"We believe that the forests of the different states are a purely local proposition, and not an interstate matter. Therefore, the National Government should not have control over any state forest.

"We further believe that state control of forests would develop the resources of that state in a much more satisfactory manner than present Federal control. We believe that the present system is a relic of the feudal system of government of vast acres of forests.

"We recommend that the legislative committee prepare a bill to be presented at the next session of the Legislature, asking for an appropriation of \$12,500 for the purpose of paying the expenses of a campaign of education along this line at the next succeeding session of Congress; that the state of Washington, Idaho and California be asked to make a similar appropriation for the purpose of co-operation in this movement.

"That the bill provide for the appointment of one man from each state, by the Governor, his salary to be not more than \$6 per day and expenses while on duty; the balance of the fund to be used for the preparation and distribution of literature along this line."

The report was adopted. The same committee, having instructions to report on the conservation of water power, made the following recommendations, which were adopted:

"In view of the fact that Oregon has an abundance of raw material awaiting the coming of capital to manufacture and ship, by way of the Panama Canal, soon to be completed it is the opinion of our committee that what is wanted in Oregon is cheap power; that if electrical power can be developed and supplied at less cost than can be produced by coal in the East, we will have a big advantage in securing new capital and settlement not enjoyed by any other section of the United States; that the taxes which will be paid by this new capital and new development will be a far more sure source of revenue than the imposing of high annual charges on water power plants that are yet to be established, and which our citizens are anxious to have established within our borders.

"Therefore, your committee does not recommend legislation looking to the obtaining of revenue from this natural resource, which if put to use will greatly tend to conserve our coal and timber supplies, which are limited in quantity. We favor legislation which will make electrical power available to the farmer, the manufacturer, the irrigator, and the various

municipal and state institutions, at the least possible cost. Country life must be made attractive if the present tendency cityward is to be checked. This can only be done by making some of the luxuries of life, which have come to be considered as necessities available to the farmer at a price which he can afford to pay. The parcels post, telephones, good roads and schools are movements in this direction. We believe that cheap power is one of the most attractive of these agencies because of the almost innumerable uses to which it can be put on the farm.

The woman's work committee made a report on educational features which was approved. Its municipal features are embodied in the following extracts:

"As reported by us at the last meeting of the State Grange, we fostered a movement which resulted in the introduction of House bill 175, which provided for an increased appropriation for institute work and itinerate schools. This bill failed, but we are convinced of the merits of our cause that we urge the Grange to co-operate with us in the matter of securing from the next Legislature an increased appropriation for institute work, itinerate schools, and the publication of bulletins designed to advance the interest of the farm and the farm homes. We believe that there is an imperative need of more farmers' institutes, special lectures, demonstrative farms, itinerate schools bulletins on the various phases of agricultural work and home science prepared to such style as to be intelligible to the ordinary reader instead of being couched in technical terms, which mean but little to the general reader."

In conformity with the object of the Grange to extend all lines of education, the agricultural committee submitted the following, which was adopted:

Your committee recommends that we use our best efforts to have agriculture taught in our schools, also that we ask our legislative committee to ask the Legislature to appropriate money for at least two institutes in each county in the state each year.

The Grange approved a resolution that only the amount of property needed should be sold for delinquent taxes against it, and at not less than the assessed value.

A measure will be presented to the next Legislature asking for a law to compel commission merchants to make itemized statements of produce received and sold within a certain time and under certain restrictions and penalties.

FRIENDS PAY TRIBUTE TO MABEL TOWER

Many of the friends of the late Miss Mabel Tower, who died Saturday afternoon at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Tower, of Stanley Station on the Estacada line and about two miles from Sellwood, attended the funeral services at the Portland Crematorium Monday afternoon.

The services were conducted by Rev. J. R. Landsborough, pastor of the Presbyterian church of this city. The quartet from this church, composed of Mrs. W. C. Green, Mrs. F. H. Cooper, Mrs. Leon DesLarzes and Mrs. McCaw, sang "Face to Face," "Come Unto Me" and "Abide With Me." The floral offerings were beautiful, and there was a profusion of blossoms.

Miss Tower, who made her home in this city before residing at Stanley Station, was well known here, where she had a host of friends, who were shocked to hear of her death. Her death was caused by drinking carbolic acid by mistake from a bottle without a label, which was similar to the one containing medicine. Miss Tower had been in poor health for the past year, and arrangements were being made by her family to have her taken to the mountains for the benefit of her health.

Deceased leaves besides her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Carver, one sister, Mrs. Grace Case, of Portland.

A PROMINENT POULTRYMAN

(OREGON CITY PUBLICITY) The following is an article from the "Oregon Agriculturalist," which speaks favorably of Clackamas County's most prominent poultryman. We need more poultrymen like Mr. Ringhouse.

Congratulations to Ringhouse. "I'd rather be right than president" were the words of a man who was afterwards president.

We do not know whether H. Ringhouse, of Clackamas, Oregon, the White Wyandotte breeder, will ever be President or not, but when it comes to breeding White Wyandottes he surely is "right." This was demonstrated at Portland and Tacoma in the shows of 1910-11. It was again demonstrated at Seattle and Walla Walla at the shows of 1911-12. But the crowning glory was at Livermore, California show, held the second week of February. This show is unique in many respects. The special feature, however, is that nothing but breeding pens are shown.

This show is financed by four millionaires of that vicinity and only the really select birds are shown. A winning here is equal to a winning any Place in the World. In fact, one Madison Square Garden exhibitor brought to this show sixty of his winning birds. He is the largest winner of White Wyandottes at the Garden show and these birds were some of the birds with which Mr. Ringhouse was compelled to compete with his Oregon bred birds. The Eastern birds were accompanied by an attendant and arrived a week before the show and were fitted and groomed for the occasion. Mr. Ringhouse's birds were groomed at home, sent direct to the show, traveling 1,000 miles at the tender mercy of the express company, and won first and second pen. This was all he could win, as this was all the birds he sent. Is it any wonder that he feels jubilant, having beaten the best birds the world produces? Mr. Ringhouse is to be congratulated and the entire West and Northwest especially should feel proud of such a breeder.

PORTLAND DOES NOT MAKE HIT IN GAME



SAN FRANCISCO, May 21, (Special.)—Toner had Portland eating out of his hands today, the Beavers not making a single hit. As miserably as they have played this year, the Beavers have not shown such poor stich work as today. Klavitter pitched well allowing only five hits. Portland made 2 errors and San Francisco 4. The score was 2 to 0.

The results Tuesday follow:

| Pacific Coast League Standings | | | |
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| W. | L. | Pct. | |
| Vernon | 27 | 17 | .614 |
| Oakland | 28 | 18 | .609 |
| Los Angeles | 23 | 24 | .511 |
| San Francisco | 21 | 24 | .467 |
| Sacramento | 19 | 25 | .432 |
| Portland | 14 | 26 | .350 |

Yesterday's Results

At San Francisco—San Francisco 2, Portland 0.

At Los Angeles—Vernon 5, Los Angeles 1.

At Sacramento—Sacramento 2, Oakland 1.

Northwestern League Standings

| W. | L. | P. | |
|-----------|----|----|------|
| Victoria | 17 | 15 | .531 |
| Portland | 18 | 16 | .529 |
| Vancouver | 18 | 16 | .529 |
| Spokane | 15 | 16 | .484 |
| Tacoma | 15 | 17 | .469 |
| Seattle | 15 | 18 | .455 |

Yesterday's Results

At Portland—Portland 6, Spokane 2.

At Seattle—Tacoma 10, Victoria 1.

At Vancouver—Seattle 4, Vancouver 2 (10 innings.)

National League

New York 6, Cincinnati 3.

Chicago 5, Brooklyn 4.

Pittsburg 15, Boston 9.

American League

Detroit 2, Washington 0.

Boston 9, Cleveland 1.

St. Louis 5, Philadelphia 4.

New York 9, Chicago 8.

MEMBERS OF BAPTIST CHURCH HAVE BANQUET

The men of the Baptist church met Tuesday night to reorganize and lay plans for future work. An excellent supper prepared by the women of the church was served. There were several practical and interesting speeches made. The new pastor made several suggestions. He with the executive committee will draft a working program and constitution and will when this is completed, have a meeting to start the work. There were between forty and fifty men at the banquet and it was the best affair of the kind that has taken place at the church.

Heart to Heart Talks.

By EDWIN A. NYE

POWER—FREEDOM.

A few days ago I stood on the banks of the Mississippi river at Keokuk, where a great engineering feat is being accomplished.

The operations there are next in the immensity of their undertaking to the work of the government on the Panama canal, in one respect ever greater.

The new lock, which is to be turned over to the government on completion, will be the largest in the world. The lift of the water in this lock will be sheer sixty feet. The highest lift at Panama is forty-five feet.

The only word that properly spells the huge undertaking is the word colossal.

The enormous dam that stretches almost across the river, white and shapely, from the Illinois side is completed and, having its roots in the bedrock far below the river bottom and built of re-enforced concrete, will be there for a thousand years and a day.

The cofferdam of the power house on the Iowa side comprises thirty-nine acres!

The cofferdam is being blasted out of the solid rock in the river bottom. Provision is being made for thirty turbine wheels. The possible power from these wheels is 400,000 horsepower.

Fifteen turbines will be put in at first with an aggregate of 200,000 horsepower. Of this 60,000 horsepower has been sold in advance—sufficient, it is said, to pay interest on the investment of \$25,000,000.

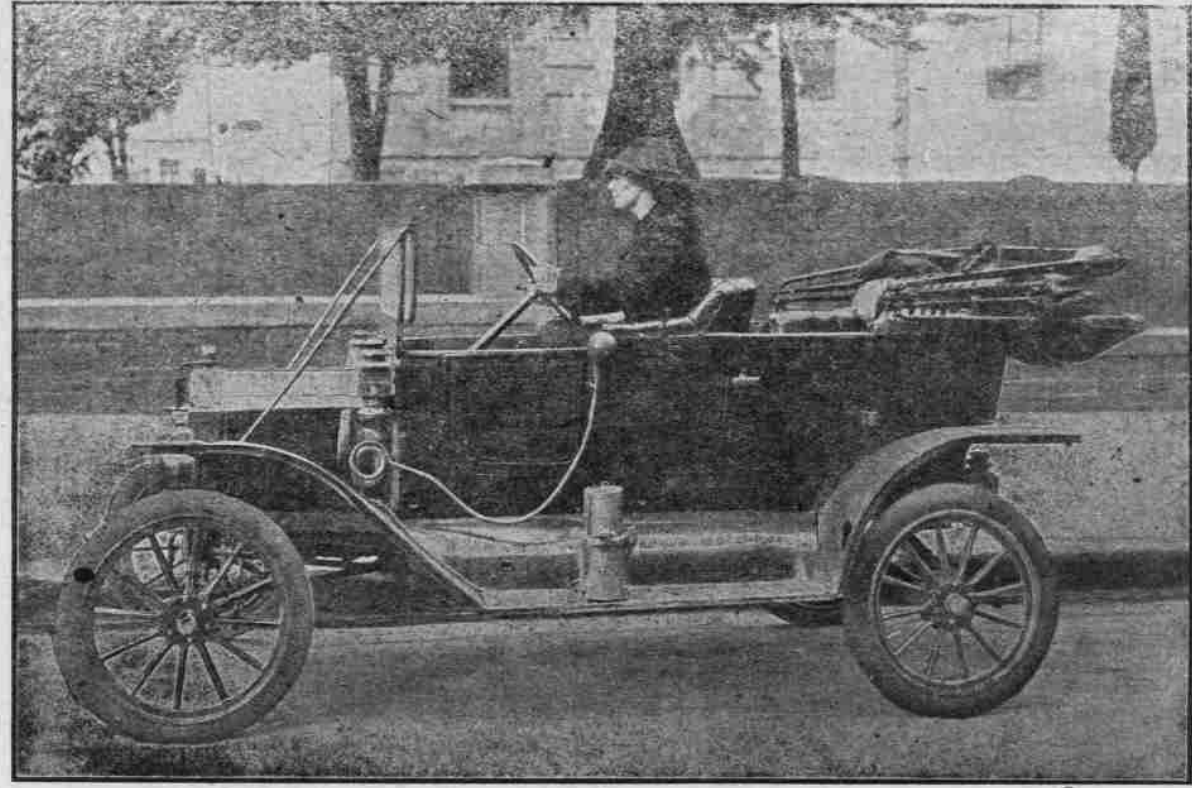
The power, you understand, is to be transmitted by wire whosoever wanted. A large part of the 60,000 sold goes to St. Louis, about 175 miles from Keokuk.

After spending the day in watching the operations of the huge dredges and many locomotives and cars owned by the engineering company, I stood that evening on a bluff overlooking the river. What was the lesson of it all?

There was the immense power. How do they get it? By putting restraint on the free waters of the river. The power comes through loss of freedom. Is it not so of life? The dream of all men in their youth—and after—is the

Last Warning in the Auto Contest

Contest Closes at 7 p m Wednesday, June 5, 1912
Positively No Votes Received After 7 p m



\$785.00

This Fine, 5-Passenger Touring Car Will Be Won by someone on the above date.
IT MAY BE YOU; Any Contestant That Is In The race has a chance as a winner.

The Second Prize of \$100

Will be given to the one making the second best showing. Just think what you could do with \$100.00, think of the fine vacation you could have.

If you have been discouraged, just figure what 4 subscriptions a day will do for you--

THEN GET BUSY

dream of power and freedom—freedom to enjoy, power to use.

But—Every man must learn, as the river learns, that he only can have power who puts a check on his freedom. He cannot have power in his life who has no restraint. The more restraint the more power.

A strange law? Certainly, and yet a simple one. And true beyond all peradventure.

Watch the automobile contest.

CORRESPONDENCE

EAST CLACKAMAS Our merchant, Mr. A. Henrich, is doing a flourishing business for the length of time the store has been in operation.

E. R. Boyer, who has been laid up for repairs for nearly a week, is slightly improved at present. He was suffering from a carbuncle on his left leg. G. T. Dawalt journeyed overland to Oregon City Friday.

CHERRYVILLE.

from the chimney. J. T. Friel, Jr., went to Portland last week after a load of furniture for Dr. Boyd's new house.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Friel, Senior, moved to Portland last week.

Mrs. Geo. B. Conper is suffering with a slight illness. It is hoped she will be able to be around in a few days.

Miss Ruth Friel, of Bridle Vale Oregon, spent Sunday in Cherryville.

Mr. Schatterly, of Boring, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Friel, Jr., Sunday. Heath Johnson, who has been working

ing at Hood River, returned to Cherryville last week.

Miss Lillian Averill, who is teaching the Almes school visited her parents in Cherryville Sunday.

Vincent Friel, who is working at Government Camp, stopped at Cherryville last Saturday evening on his way to Sandy to take in the dance.

Thirty-eight people, young and old, gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. O. Rugh last Saturday evening to a bonfire party. Refreshments were served and recitations and singing were indulged in.

The rougher whiskey tastes—the stronger it is. The stronger it is—the more harm it will do. But then—you don't have to drink it rough, strong or high-proof.

There's Cyrus Noble, pure, old and palatable—bottled at drinking strength. Costs no more than any other whiskey. W. J. Van Schuyver & Co., General Agents, Portland, Oregon