

SHIELDS ATTACKS THE SINGLE TAX

Charles S. Shields, secretary of the Oregon Equal Taxation League, attacked the single tax legislation to be submitted to the people of Oregon this fall in a speech delivered at the Commercial Club Friday evening. He said in part:

"Single tax is offered to you as a tax reform, as a system of taxation that will relieve all the ills of society. As a matter of fact it is not a system of taxation at all and far from being a tax reform. It has but one object, that object being the restoring of privately owned land back to the state. Taxes should be paid by those who have the where-with-all. Graduated single tax ignores this.

"The graduated single tax is not a revenue getter and will not be a revenue getter," he declared. The graduated single tax says it will break up large holdings, reduce the price of land and bring emigrants and home-seekers by the thousands to take advantage of the low values offered.

"All land values under graduated single tax must and will decline. The intent of these measures is to destroy land values; and when the full rental value is taken, the only way in which the state can raise money for the purposes of state government is by process of leasing, for there will be no value on which to place a tax.

"If any of you ladies and gentlemen present are land owners, however small or however large, whether you own a 50 foot lot or a 100 acre fruit ranch, and I know of no more beautiful place to own a fruit ranch than in the country surrounding me now, it will be a case of pay your taxes or get out. The state will say this to you and the state will mean it, for single tax is only Socialism. My Socialist friends are for it to a man, and we have only to read the history of France to know what land socialism and land communism brought on that beautiful country."

Mr. Shields finally told of measures put up by the State Tax Commission which not only kill single tax but would provide a system of tax reform. The numbers of these measures on the ballot, he said, were 394, 396 and 398 and he urged that every voter carefully file those numbers away in his memory.

WILL PREACH ON ADVERTISING FRUIT

Editor, the News: At the last meeting of the Commercial Club when Secretary Scott was telling of his having advertising apples "on the brain" and of his plan I suggested that I would preach a sermon on it. I shall make good next Sunday morning. He has the right idea—the only way to sell our apples, eventually, is to educate the consumer. I also have advertising Riverside church "on the brain" and will say something of that too.

WILL DISCUSS BILLS AT PUBLIC MEETING

A public meeting will be held at the courthouse Friday evening, Sept. 20 at 8 o'clock sharp for the purpose of studying and analyzing the several bills to be submitted at the coming election. The people of Hood River, men and women, are invited to be present.

ORGANIZATION OF WILSON CLUB PLAN

Local Democrats have issued a call for a meeting to be held at the courthouse Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock for the purpose of organizing a Woodrow Wilson Club.

All Wilson men, regardless of party affiliations, are invited to be present. Millinery opening Thursday, Friday and Saturday, November 19, 20, 21, Miss M. B. Lamb. 1t

Underwood Chapel Association

R. K. Perkins, religious and social director of the Portland Y. M. C. A., is expected to address the Underwood Chapel Association next Sunday afternoon, September 22, at three o'clock, at the school house. Everybody is invited.

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LIBRARY TO SERVE THE ENTIRE COUNTY

Hood River county library was opened Friday and Saturday for inspection of books and registration of borrowers. The room was beautifully decorated by the library committee of the Woman's Club. 115 persons applied for use of the library and signed registration cards.

The library is a county institution for the free use of every person living in the county. There are about one thousand volumes already on the shelves, 350 of which were donated. 257 more are expected daily.

Some districts in the county being remote, it is planned to establish stations throughout the county in which are to be placed a collection of 50 or 60 books. For this purpose the library commission has loaned seven traveling libraries.

Besides these books many magazines have been subscribed for and a list will be published next week.

Library is open Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 10 to 12 a. m. and 1 to 5, 7 to 9 p. m.; Sundays 2 to 5 p. m. for reading only.

The "rag" dance was scored in a local pulpit Sunday.

ENGLAND'S GUINEA HABIT.

They Have No Such Coin There, Yet Still They Use It.

Strangers in foreign countries always find some difficulty in getting used to the current coinage. In England they find themselves up against quite a number of problems, not the least of which is the guinea, and the difficulty is not lessened by the fact that the guinea is practically obsolete as a coin of the realm. The English physician's fee is always calculated as so many guineas, and the same thing holds good at a sale of pictures or whatnot at Christie's salesrooms.

The guinea is a gold coin current for 21 shillings sterling, or about \$5, but it has not been coined since the issue of the sovereign in 1817.

The guinea habit has been defended by some subtle dealers on the ground that it obfuscates the "foreign visitors to British salesrooms." On the other hand, those astute cambists have been known to growl at a few thousand sterling added to the price of a valuable picture by the addition of the guinea style of bidding. The story runs that the guinea was so called from the piece struck from the bullion captured by Sir Harry Holmes in 1696 from 169 Dutch sail in Schelling bay, the bullion being from Guinea. But Shakespeare has an earlier play on the word when he mentions "guinea hen" in "Othello" as regards the auction usage of the guinea. There can be little doubt that it is a survival of the times when the extra shilling was treated as a five per cent commission, payable by the buyer. Double commissions are, however, now obsolete.—Chicago Record-Herald.

SOURCE OF SHELLAC.

East India Insects and Trees That Produce the Substance.

India is the home of the Coccus lacca, the insects that produce the resinous substance known as shellac. The females puncture the twigs of several different kinds of trees, among them the bo, the bhar, and the butea, and the twigs become incrustated with a hard, nearly transparent, reddish, resinous substance that serves the double purpose of protecting the eggs and finally furnishing food for the young insects.

The incrustated twigs are broken from the trees before the young insects escape and are thoroughly dried in the sun. These dried twigs are called "stick-lac," and from them shellac and a dye analogous to cochineal are prepared. "Seed-lac" is the resinous concretions separated from the twigs, coarsely pounded and triturated with water in a mortar, by which nearly all of the coloring matter is removed.

To prepare shellac the seed-lac is put into oblong cotton cloth bags and warmed over a charcoal fire. When the resin begins to melt the bags are twisted, and the pure clear resin is allowed to flow over fig wood planks or the smooth stems of the banyan tree and cools in the thin plates or shells which constitute shellac.

Pure shellac is very valuable. It is much harder than colophony and is easily soluble in alcohol.

They Have an 'Arbor.

A member of the London county council was regretting the lack of art sense displayed by his fellows when they placed an open space at the disposal of the people. He pleaded eloquently for fountains, goldfish in ornamental basins, lions and unicorns in stucco and emerald green garden seats. "Why," said he, in a splendid peroration, "we want something homely and countrylike—a little arbor here and there. If a foreigner came to this country and asked to see one we've never an arbor worth showing to show him."

Then up and spoke another member, who, prior to attaining the height of his civic ambitions, had been a petty officer in the navy.

"Oh, we haven't, haven't we? And not about Portsmouth 'arbor?"—London Strand.

Anyone having old books or magazines to give away will please phone the Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church. 296-K. 39 40c.

The state of Oregon has contributed the tallest flagpole in the world to the Panama-Pacific exposition. The pole is 225 feet long and was erected at a centennial held at Astoria, Ore., last summer. The pole has since been put in a log raft and taken to San Francisco.

There are yellow roses, pansies, chrysanthemums and dahlias, but did you ever see a yellow aster? The nearest approach to the yellow variety is one that is far more white than yellow and has to be labeled "yellow" in order that it may be distinguished from the white.

The luxuriance of the blossoms which the chrysanthemums bear early next winter will depend to quite an extent upon the vigor and growth the plants attain between now and that time. Chrysanthemums are heavy feeders and should be given generous fertilizing and frequent waterings.

Cows seem to be just as hapless as men when near deep water as a jag on. This is made plain by the fact that the other day, when eight Hereford cows belonging to a farmer living near Sterling, Ill., got boozed up after imbibing too much slage juice and went to the creek to slake their thirst, six of them fell in and were drowned. The moral of this tale seems to be, "fence in the slage juice or the creek."

An excellent drag or float for breaking clods and for smoothing down ridgy highways may be made by bolting sections of three or four V shaped hardwood posts to two strong two-by-eights or tens at right angles, the bark or wide edge of the post facing backward. Enough space should be left beneath the sections, which are fastened on the under side of the plank, so that it will not collect dirt so readily.

August is the best month in all the year for girdling and killing trees like the willow. This seems to be due to the fact that the energy of the root system seems to be largely spent in the growth of limb and leaf up to that time, and if the bark is removed for a space of a foot or more entirely around the trunk it sort of leaves the root system strapped and bankrupt. If the girdling is done in June or early July there will be an effort on the part of the tree to send out shoots below the point of girdling from dormant buds.

A Virginia dairyman found one of his mild eyed bossies acting strangely the other day. On reporting the circumstances and symptoms somewhat carefully to the department of agriculture at Washington, it was decided that her ailment was a jag induced by drinking the juice from fermented cornstalks which she got at the base of a silo. Since this case was reported there have been a number like it elsewhere. If the dairy cows go on a foot like this it is possible that the hired men and proprietors may catch the habit.

Crab grass or "five finger" is a weed that is likely to cause considerable trouble in the lawn if there is a shortage in rainfall during the late summer. It is deep rooted, roots where the joints touch the ground and laughs at both drought and sunshine. However, it is an annual and nothing but the seeds survive the winter. To check its growth in the lawn, water liberally and clip rather closely, using the grass catcher, so that as many of the seeds as possible may be removed from the lawn. It is tender, and the first good frost kills it.

Steers are still going skyward—that is, the prices are. Within the past month best grades have been quoted as high as \$10.50 on the Chicago market. This surpasses any prices that have ever before been paid, including the best prices of 1861-65. If the present high prices are due entirely to a short supply and not to artificial manipulation there would seem to be good ground for thinking that the prices would mount still higher. The situation works a hardship upon the consumer of beef, but it's great pickings for the farmer who sends them to market.

A little seedling walnut on a neighbor's lawn the writer passes frequently has thrown out two shoots from the same point—that is, it has a forked head. It is a good idea when such seedlings take this habit to cut off one shoot. The other will soon take an upright position, and the tree as it grows will not only have a more symmetrical, but a much stronger head. What has just been said is equally true of practically all fruit trees and of elm and some other shade trees.

The best time to correct such a fault is in the first two or three years, preferably the first.

Several Wealthy apple trees on the old home place of the writer's boyhood days are this season nearly done to death by the cedar rust, which appeared in irregular yellowish, red rimmed blotches on the leaves. And a strange thing about it is that the Wealthy shows much more damage than any other varieties, including the Peck, Duchess, Patten Greening and several other varieties. A Duchess whose leaves touch a red cedar hedge shows practically no infection. This susceptibility of the Wealthy to the rust is regrettable and means that trees of this variety should not be planted near cedar hedges, or that the hedge should not be set near the Wealthy trees. Damage may be checked somewhat by spraying with lime sulphur, but the results are not satisfactory.

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We have secured the agency of a good many Exclusive Lines that Never Have Been Sold in Hood River Before. We believe you will appreciate them. Come in and see; ask about them—we will let you judge.

A FEW NEW ITEMS THIS WEEK

- New Tailor Suits for Ladies \$10.00 up
- New Long Coats for Ladies 7.50 up
- New One-piece Dresses for Ladies 7.50 up
- New Long Coats for Big Girls 4.50 up
- New Long Coats for Children 2.50 up
- New Mackinaw Jackets for Ladies 6.50 up
- New Ruff Neck Sweaters for Ladies 2.00 up
- New Ruff Necks and Jerseys for Children 1.25 up
- New Fall Underwear, all ages and sizes.
- New 12 1/2c Outing Flannels, light and dark 10c
- New Double Fold Worsted Dress Goods 25c
- Outings, 5c; Check Gingham 5c; Calicos 5c
- Cotton Blankets, 50c pair. Comforts \$1.00

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CLASSIFIED ADS.

EVERYBODY READS THE NEWS "WANT" ADS.

EMPLOYMENT COLUMN

Wanted—By a man who understands orchard accounting as well as planting, pruning, spraying, irrigation, cultivation, etc., wishes position as superintendent of orchard. Address Orchardist, care Hood River News. 33-40p

Wanted—Man and wife for ranch work and to care for extra help during harvest. Good chance for right parties if they act at once. Dickerson & Peck. Phone 205K.

Farm Help and Berry Pickers—The Hood River Apple Growers Union and the Davidson Fruit Company have arranged with the Y. M. C. A. Industrial Employment Agency of Portland, to furnish all classes of farm help, including berry pickers, for the farmers and fruit growers of the Hood River District during the coming season. When you need help either phone or write the Union or the Davidson Fruit Co. and the calls will be promptly forwarded to us and filled. No charge to employers. 20tc

Wanted—To take contracts this fall, to work apple orchards next year. West Side orchards preferred. My prices cheaper than what it will cost you to do the work yourself. W. T. Forry, Phone 323-K. 30-42p

Wanted—A reliable person to take contract for clearing ten acres. Phone 1882-K. 37-38c

Upper Valley Orchardists—I am prepared to do a limited amount of spraying with power sprayer. A. B. Coulter, Phone Odell 273. 37-44c

Wanted—Position by young Japanese as janitor for office rooms, early every morning. Address P. O. Box 282. 38-39p

There are some very desirable office rooms for rent in the Heilbronner Building at from \$10 to \$15 a month. 21tc

LIVE STOCK AND FOWLS

For Sale—Roan pony for either riding or driving. Phone 266-X. 32tc

For Sale—Single driving horse, weight 1000 lbs., 7-year-old. Cheap if taken quick. J. E. Hall, Oak Grove. 37-40c

For Sale—A good, fresh, young Jersey cow. Phone 1812-X. 37-38c

For Sale—One black horse, six years old, weight about 1200 lbs. Phone 200-M. 37-38p

For Sale—5-month-old colt, Clydesdale and Percheron mare, blocky build, gentle, halter-broke. Will sell cheap if taken at once. Call 3322-M. W. E. Cauller. 38-39p

For Sale—Thorough-bred S. C. White Leghorn chickens, also a few Buff Orpington cockerels. H. Glass. Phone 2082-L. 38-39c

BUSINESS ADVERTISING

Oakdale Greenhouses—Geraniums, salvia, verbena and other bedding plants. See the roses in bloom this summer and have stock reserved for Fall or next Spring. Plants and cut flowers at Franz's. Fletcher & Fletcher, Hood River. 19-tfc

LOST AND FOUND ADS

Found—Pair of spectacles. Inquire at News office. 38-39c

Lost—Between Hood River and Belmont Drive, one laprobe. Finder please phone 209s. 37-38p

Lost—Brown raincoat on road from Bloucher's station to Hood River. Return to Franz Hardware Company. Gus Westenburg. 37-38p

Lost—Heavy gold ring with one diamond. Finder please return to F. Morrison, 1106 State street, and receive reward. 37-38c

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE

For rent—Dowden Potato Digger Has record of 260 bushels per hour. Can hand work beat that? For terms call Scott; phone 111. 32tc

Great opportunity—Sunnyslope Fruit Farm, one mile south of Hood River Heights has for sale leading varieties of standard apple trees. I have good Jersey milk I can deliver on Hood River Heights; also ripe peaches. I can mow your hay, raise or move your house. For prices phone 218K. J. T. Nealeigh. 35tc

For sale—Chickering piano; may be seen at Mt. Hood Hotel Annex. Mrs. D. E. Rand. 35-38p

For sale—Seasoned wood, fir or oak, delivered. J. J. Knapp, phone 3232-X. 35tc

For rent—Three-room cottage. Just right for two. Mrs. C. J. Noble, West Sh'm'n. Phone 301L

Five 7-room cottage on Cascade Ave., west of 7th street, for sale cheap. 3 chambers and a sleeping porch, bath, pantry, attic and basement. Inquire at office of A. W. Onthank. 36tc

Wanted—To rent, a vacant lot. Phone George at 291L. 37-38p

For Sale—Big Elberta Peaches. M. R. Tucker, East Barrett District, R. D. 2. 37-38p

For Hire—Disc drill for seeding grain, clover or cover crops. J. E. Hall, Oak Grove. 37-40c

For Rent—Two pleasant front rooms down stairs furnished for light housekeeping; bath, water, electric light and fuel; 3 blocks from business section, 714 Cascade Ave. 37

For Sale or Exchange—A baby buggy in good condition. Phone 154-K. 37-38p

For Sale—First-class d'Anjou pear trees, thrifty stock with 3-year-old roots. Phone 2102X. Cutler Bros. 30-40p

For Sale—Peaches, \$1 per hundred at the ranch. Bring boxes. Geo. C. Gladen, Oak Grove. 37-38c

For Sale or Trade—Rooming House. Good location. Phone 343-X. 38-39c

For Rent—Furnished house, nine rooms, corner 12th and Eugene streets. Phone 87-M. 38-39p

For Sale or Exchange—Remington typewriter. Odell 5-X. 38-39c

For Sale—Dry pine and oak wood. Phone 320-X. 38-39p

For Sale Cheap—Good 2-inch wagon, 2 horse, suitable for apple hauling. Phone 277-M. 34tc

For Sale—Oak pole wood, \$4.50 per load delivered in Hood River. Phone 2063-K. 38-41c

REAL ESTATE SECTION

For Sale—Ten to 20 acres, sightly, good soil, two and one-half miles from town, 16 from Hood River, springs, close to school, \$39 an acre, easy terms. Address X, care News. 35-38p

For Sale—At a sacrifice. 20 acres orchard land in Willow Flat district. For particulars see E. Kline at Hood River Gas and Electric Co. office. 24tc

For Sale—230 acres of land, for \$50.00 per acre up. Will sell 20-acre tract with part in trees. C. J. Calkins, Phone 50-K. tfe

For Sale—Eighteen acres A1 fruit or garden land, some crop, 2 1-2 miles out, for \$630, at \$10 a month. Box 35, Stevenson, Wash. 35-38p

For Sale—20 acres East Side, 1 mile from Summit station, red shot soil; 8 acres in 2-year-old trees. Price \$200 an acre. For terms see owner or phone IX5 Odell. 38-41p

To Trade—Ten acres in the Oak Grove district, 3 acres in 2 and 3-year trees, 25 bearing peach trees. Price \$2500. Will trade for residence property in Hood River, or might consider good automobile as first payment. Address "P" care of Hood River News. 38-39

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