

SELL NEED OF ECONOMY

Levy for 1908 Should Not Exceed 13 Mills Says Taxpayers' League in Circular—Fears That County Will Indulge in Extravagance.

Multnomah county has no need for a tax levy to exceed 13 mills, according to a circular letter which has just been issued by the Taxpayers' league, appearing over the signature of Frederick W. Mulkey and L. T. Goldsmith, president and secretary of the league. The letter has been sent to the taxpayers of the county and to the officials of the various tax levying bodies throughout the county.

According to the letter it is necessary for the officials of the county to look well to economy in their administration for fear that the tendency to unnecessary expenditure lead them to indulge in expenses which are not necessary.

It is pointed out that from a levy of 13 mills on an estimated valuation of \$222,500,000 for 1907 taxes could be raised to the amount of \$2,897,000, as against \$2,778,450 for last year, with a 14-mill assessment. The letter written by the league is as follows:

Assessed at Actual Value.
"To the taxpayers of Multnomah county and to the various tax levying bodies and boards in said county and in the city of Portland: The Taxpayers' league wish at this time again to advise you that the levy for 1908 is levied to call your attention to a few facts and the necessity for the utmost economy consistent with the requirements of the county and city in conducting their affairs."

"While we recognize the needs of a growing city, the tendency to carelessness in the use of funds is a growing evil. Under our system of government the levy for different purposes is in the hands of four independent bodies and these again are divided into departments each honestly believing that its particular wants must be provided for regardless of the rest. It therefore behooves us to take a general view of the situation."

Great Increase in Roll.
"In 1905 for the first time the assessor of this county undertook to assess property at its actual value. The result was an increase in the tax roll of 25 per cent. It was then predicted by many that this policy, while reducing the millage, would tend to increase the actual taxes paid in money. This tendency is beginning to appear and now is the time to prevent it. The following table is self explanatory:

Assessment	1904	1905	1906	1907
Assessment roll	\$56,429,027	\$145,268,258	\$180,894,548	\$222,500,000
Mills levy	40	14.8	14.8	13
State tax	372,431	201,404	261,716	343,599
State school	282,145	202,106	243,599	325,610
County	361,145	202,146	225,610	243,599
Road	128,316	86,316	113,120	141,167
Library	14,386	14,386	22,611	22,611
Port of Portland	148,177	113,120	141,167	141,167
City	489,898	682,224	949,331	1,131,167
School special	266,469	216,061	421,692	421,692
Total	\$2,159,936	\$2,017,725	\$2,778,450	\$2,897,000

*Note—Estimated amounts which would be realized after deducting \$125,000 for property outside city limits.

City Also Gets Licenses.

"It will be observed that for the first year under the new system the taxes paid were actually less than for the year before. It will be remembered also that an extra effort was made that year to keep the levy down. The next year, however, covering the taxes paid, the levy was raised as well as the assessment, with the result that about \$750,000 more was paid than the year before. It should be remembered that the tax levied is not the only source of revenue the city has."

"From licenses and other sources in 1906 the city received about \$430,000, and for 1907, from like sources the amount is estimated at \$540,425. It will thus be seen by taxes in one form or another outside of special assessments for street improvements, etc., the taxpayers of this county will find into the various treasuries this year the sum of about \$8,400.00."

"Let us now look at the assessment roll for this year. In round numbers it totals \$222,500,000, or over 25 per cent increase. Are our taxes again to increase in like proportion? Last year the levy was 16 mills and produced \$2,778,450. The same levy this year would produce about \$3,720,000. Do the taxpayers of this county know of any reason why our expenditures should increase \$1,000,000 this year over last year? Do you propose to increase your personal expenses in any such proportion?"

Should Practice Economy.

"No more money should be raised this year than last, indeed it should be less."

"Municipalities, like individuals, should meet conditions and cut their coat according to their cloth."

Are You Sick?

Much sickness is due to a weak nervous system. Yours may be. If it is, you cannot get well until you restore nerve strength. Your nervous system is nature's power house; the organs of your body get their power from it. If the power is not there, the action of the organs is weak, and disease (sickness) follows. Dr. Miles' Nervine cures the sick because it soothes the irritated and tired nerves and gives the system a chance to recuperate. Try it, and see if you do not quickly feel its beneficial effect.

"I was given up to die by a leading doctor. Got one of Dr. Miles' Nervine and found that Dr. Miles' Nervine fit my case. From the very first dose I took I got better. I am better now than I have been for years, and do all my own work on the farm. That's what Dr. Miles' Nervine has done for me, and I am glad to recommend it to others."

JOHN JAMES RIVERTON, Neb.
Your druggist will be glad to return price of first bottle (only) if it fails to benefit you.
Sells Medical Co., Elkhart, Ind.

"The total levy this year should not exceed under any circumstances 13 mills. This will produce over \$2,900,000 and it should suffice. Of the taxable property \$187,000,000 is real estate and improvements thereon. We earnestly request every property holder who reads this appeal to examine his tax receipt for five years past and to ascertain for himself the percentage of the income received from his property taken for taxes."

"We unhesitatingly assert that from two to four months' income goes for taxes every year. That is from 16 to 23 per cent. Now is the time to give this subject attention. Not after the levy is made. The various boards will heed the taxpayer if he makes his payers. Their interests are identical with ours and we have confidence not only in their integrity, but in their judgment. Yet about all they now hear is the clamor for more expenditures and the pressure of department heads, each persistently pushing the claims of his particular department."

"Let the taxpayer be heard and his claim will receive attention. Our watchword should be not in large numbers, but efficient employees, not quantity, but quality."

MITCHELL AT WORK AS PRIVATE DETECTIVE

Government's Most Able Secret Service Man Starts His Own Agency.

William J. Mitchell, for a number of years in the employ of the secret service department of the interior department, has resigned from the government service and has started a detective agency. While in the federal employ Mr. Mitchell made an enviable record as an officer, his most notable effort being the detection of the gang of robbers who looted the St. Johns and Sellwood postoffices, and the Gresham bank, as well as a number of other crimes committed last winter.

Of this gang, Wayne and Anderson are serving terms of nine and 10 years respectively in the federal prison at McNeil's island, while Carter and Kelly are serving shorter sentences, the former at McNeil's island and the latter at Salem. To accomplish his work in the case, Mitchell passed himself off to Archie Turnbull, the captain of the fire department company, who acted as a fence for the robbers, as a burglar from Alaska wishing to dispose of some stolen property. Turnbull was easily taken in and Mitchell became well known to a number of the gang.

As soon as he had all of his evidence against the robbers, Mitchell turned over his information to Assistant United States Attorney James Cole, who issued warrants for their arrests. Before the arrests were made by the federal authorities the robbers had been arrested by the city police and turned loose because of insufficient evidence.

Mitchell also did good work in aiding Francis J. Heney and W. J. Burns in securing evidence against land fraud criminals. His best work in this line was in

the famous 11-7 and the Blue mountain cases. He is at present engaged in several important cases and those who know him predict a bright future for him in his chosen work.

MORE SCHOOL ROOM FOR PENINSULAR

According to S. H. Carter, Peninsular will get a six or eight-room school house next year. Mr. Carter with a delegation from the Peninsular Improvement association waited on the school board last Monday and reported last night at the meeting of the association that the board has promised them a suitable school house within a year.

There is at present a four-room school house at Peninsular that has stood there for the past 16 years and which the people fear will soon fall down. It will not accommodate all the school children in the district. Steps were taken last night to secure the widening of Phipps street to 80 feet so as to be the same width as the streets that cross it. The association endorsed the movement for an additional high school in North Albina.

MANY SIDES TO KILTIES' PROGRAM

The average band, playing a concert, confines itself to rendering a program, with a few epigrams, and then leaving the stage. The Kilties, the famous Scotch-Canadian band, is not satisfied with this. In the first place, the Kilties dress in the full uniform of the Highlands—brilliant in color and not often seen in this country. In addition to program consisting of the best music, with enough of the popular composition to lighten the other, there is a splendid male choir of 16 voices who sing Scotch and other ballads as only the Scotch can sing. Then, this year the Kilties have with them the American champion bagpiper, Angus McMillan Fraser, who plays the pipes as no man here has ever played them. Mr. Fraser is also the champion sword, Highland fling and sailor's hornpipe dancer, and dances at every concert. With all these attractions the Kilties not only give the audiences gathered to hear them a musical treat, but a spectacular one as well. The Kilties appear in this city on November 15 and 16, at the Armory, and will doubtless find a large audience assembled to listen to them. The band is under the leadership of Albert Cook.

HOORAH'S CRADLE BIG ENOUGH FOR ELEPHANT

When "The Heir to the Hoorah" comes to the Marquam Grand for a few nights, beginning Thursday, patrons of that playhouse will be introduced to the Broadhughian "father of all cradles." This massive article of household furniture, as it is described in the play, "hewn from the trunk of a giant redwood tree—one piece." To get this wonderful cradle into the house, so that it may be presented to "The Heir to the Hoorah," by his father's friends, requires the use of a block and fall and the best efforts of eight husky stage hands.

SPOKANE LEADS IN SCHOOL CONTEST

Portland was second in the Bible school contest between the First Christian churches of Tacoma, Seattle and Spokane last week. The City of Destiny was third and Seattle last. The attendance and offering was as follows: Portland, \$77, 114.62; Seattle, \$25, 315.93; Tacoma, \$22, 116.60; Spokane, \$12, 174.91. The total attendance and offering to date shows Portland in the second position, with \$1,172, \$53.94; Tacoma, \$4,409, \$72.91; Spokane, \$1,188, \$108.02.

SHEEPMEN FEAR TARIFF REVISION

President Burgess of Wool-growers Appeals to Members to Fight Movement.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

The Dallas, Or., Nov. 12.—Fearing the result of tariff revision from the sheepman's standpoint, President Burgess, of the Oregon State Woolgrowers' association, yesterday made an impassioned appeal to the members of that organization to "get busy." The association convened here yesterday morning with about 100 members in attendance.

Mr. Burgess told of the numerous questions that would come before the meeting and many of which might mean the continuance or the discontinuance of prosperity in the sheep industry. He mentioned the importance of the revision of some of the range laws, informing the convention that he personally favored the idea of leasing the range from the federal government.

The president of the convention spoke strongly in favor of protection as a business proposition with the wool-growers of the United States. "There is at present a great clamor in both the Democratic and Republican parties for a revision of the tariff laws and if the wool-growers do not get busy and let the people know that we must have protection, they will wake up some morning and find a big hole knocked in the tariff on wool."

Dan P. Smythe, secretary-treasurer of the association, read an annual report of the association during the past year. Several new county associations have affiliated themselves with the state assembly, bringing the total number of members in the state association up to nearly 200.

With but few exceptions the members of the association went on the excursion to the upper river. The excursion left this place via the O. R. & N. line to Celilo, where they boarded the steamer Itasca and were taken to Arlington. The main object of the excursion was to excite interest among the sheepmen on the open river movement. Resolutions regarding the proposition will be in order at this evening's session.

BURGLAR CAUGHT BY ROSEBURG OFFICERS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Roseburg, Or., Nov. 12.—A man named Judd was arrested here this morning by Deputy Sheriffs Stewart and Slocum, pursuant to a telegram from Eugene, Curry county, stating that the man was wanted here for burglary. When arrested here he made a confession to the sheriff that he was implicated in the burglary and is being held here awaiting the arrival of an officer from Curry county.

Livers Exchanged

If the active liver of the cod-fish could be put into the place of the torpid liver of the consumptive it would probably do him a world of good. Next best thing is

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BECAUSE NEWSPAPER MEN TRIED THE CASE

Harry Penna, Montana Woman-Slayer, Gets Second Trial—His Defense Insanity.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Butte, Mont., Nov. 12.—The second trial of Harry Penna for the murder of Mrs. Susie Bryant, April 28, 1906, has begun here. Penna was found guilty in the first degree on his first trial, and the first degree on his first trial, and sentenced to death, but the supreme court ordered a new trial on the ground that newspaper reporters occupied the position of insanity experts. Penna's defense is insanity, as in the first case. He claimed the woman lured him from Australia and then refused to desert her husband for him. He killed her on her doorstep. The case has attracted much attention.

LOG JUMPS TRESTLE, KILLS CHARLES KING

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Eugene, Or., Nov. 12.—Charles King died in the Eugene hospital yesterday afternoon. He was riding on a log that was being drawn along a high chute, and the log jumped off the chute, precipitating King to the ground. Both shoulder blades, both collar bones and the large bone of his right arm were broken. He was brought to Eugene yesterday, and died after arriving at the hospital. It is thought he was also injured internally. King was employed as engineer of a donkey engine by Fischer Bros., owners of a sawmill at Marcola. He leaves a family in Eugene.

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Prices of Wood and Coal Have Turned Attention Toward Gas as the Most Economical and Convenient by Far.

That gas is fast displacing all other fuels is being demonstrated to the many thousand fuel consumers in Portland, through the installation of the properly constructed gas burning fuel appliances. No better evidence as to the success that is being obtained can be presented for the consideration of the many readers of this pamphlet than that obtained from the testimonials from some of Portland's most prominent citizens which are quoted here today.

Owing to the limit of space, we are able to present but a few of the many high recommendations that are being received commenting on the success of these appliances and of the very reasonable cost of operation. GAS, AS AN EXCLUSIVE FUEL, is not only used by the average household, but, for example, by laundries, for all purposes; by coffee dealers, for roasting coffee; by newspaper publications, in connection with their linotype machines; by bakeries and restaurants for baking bread, pies and general pastry work.

We are prepared to make installations covering all requirements, thereby guaranteeing results in every instance. 'It is thus but necessary to try, to be convinced.

One well-known gentleman says:

Portland, Or., Oct. 22, 1907.
To the Portland Gas company, Gentlemen—The "Ruud" Automatic Gas Water Heater, that was installed in my house a few days ago, is the most satisfactory and useful article I ever had. It has given us no trouble whatever.

After using one, no one would be without it. We can have hot water in any part of the house in 11 seconds after the faucet is turned on, and in one minute at least the water is scalding hot. The extra cost for gas is a mere trifle. Mr. _____

Another commenting upon the same appliance writes:

Portland, Or., Sept. 1, 1907.
Portland Gas Co. Gentlemen—We are very well pleased with the Ruud Automatic Gas water heater which was installed in our house. We have used same over two months and have had no trouble with it. We have hot water whenever we want it and the cost is very reasonable. I am sure that anyone who has one installed would not do without it for it is an inestimable convenience. Yours truly, Mr. _____

A gentleman of the city in speaking of the Ruud Gas water heater says:

Portland, Or., Nov. 1, 1907.
The Portland Gas Co. Gentlemen—Regarding the "Ruud" Automatic Gas water heater, recently put in my residence, will say that I cannot speak in too high terms of the wonderful results it produces. We have boiling water, in unlimited quantities, any minute of the day or night all over the house and use it in the laundry exclusively. The cost of it is a mere trifle. To be candid I would not be without it for four times what it costs. Very truly yours, Mr. _____

All Gas Water Heaters, Portable Gas Heaters, Gas Stoves and other gas appliances installed by us are guaranteed in perfect condition, ready for work, and to be in every respect as represented.

THE GAS COMPANY

A business man who installed a baker's oven a short time ago says:

Portland, Or., Sept. 2, 1907.
Portland Gas Co. Gentlemen—The large gas-bakers' oven which we purchased from you several months ago is giving perfect satisfaction.

It bakes evenly and can readily be regulated to give a good baking heat, without difficulty. We are using it to its full capacity for baking bread, pies and buns. The gas consumed is a trifle more than coal for an oven of the same capacity but the difference in repair bills during the year's time, more than makes up the difference in favor of the gas oven.

The writer used two of these ovens in Oakland, California, during nearly three years, and in that time paid out nothing for repairs.

We take pleasure in recommending it to others. Yours very truly, Mr. _____

A lady prominent in the charity work of this city wrote a few days ago:

Portland Gas Co., city. Dear sirs—There's only one best fuel and that is gas. Indeed we could not keep house without our gas stove. I have used gas for cooking for three or four years and am only too glad to say that although almost every appliance the human uses has its drawbacks a gas stove has none that I have ever discovered. My stove bakes beans and roasts meat to perfection. Yours very truly, Mrs. _____

Portland, Or., Sept. 21, 1907.

To the Gas Co. Gentlemen—The gas heater I had you install last winter is a wonder. We have moved it all over our house. Now that an invalid aunt has come to live with us we shall demand another. A portable gas heater is as handy as a "pocket in a shirt." Yours very truly, Mr. _____