

WILLAMETTE VALLEY TAXPAYERS' LEAGUE WILL BE ORGANIZED

Benton County Citizens Take
First Steps Toward Affili-
ation of Many Branches.

WOULD REDUCE EXPENSES

Abolishment of Useless Offices and
Commissions One of Activities to
Be Taken Up by Association.

Corvallis, Or., Jan. 10.—About 250
taxpayers of Benton county met at the
courthouse Saturday and organized
what is expected to be the first unit
in a league of taxpayers of the Willa-
mette valley.

The organization was a county tax-
payers' league, but it is the object of
the organization to get in touch with
every county in western Oregon that
has similar organizations; to take up
the matter of organization in the coun-
ties that have none, and to then merge
them into a western Oregon associa-
tion. The object is to work for the
abolishment of useless offices and
commissions, either through a legisla-
tive committee or through initiative
petitions.

MacK Is President.
The permanent organization was com-
pleted with the election of H. L. MacK,
president of the Benton county school, as
president; M. J. Brown, editor of the
Benton County Courier, secretary and
treasurer, and the election of 23 vice
presidents, one from every voting pre-
dict of the county, who in turn will
organize an executive board. Each
precinct was urged to hold local meet-
ings and help to enlarge the mem-
bership of the league.

A constitution and by-laws were
adopted, very much after the form
of Douglas county's league. Under
them the work is so divided that it
does not fall into a few, but the large
board of directors spreads it over the
county.

The meeting was full of interest and
protest from the opening hour in the
forenoon until its close at 4 p. m., and
it was clear that the taxpayers of the
county are very much in earnest in
their proposal to reduce taxes. One
of the prominent taxpayers had copied
from the rolls a list of the amounts
of Benton county's taxes since 1903,
which he read to the convention. The
amazing increases are as follows, the
amounts being in even dollars:

Figures Are Given.
In 1903, \$10,000; 1904, \$10,578; 1905,
\$17,448; 1906, \$27,229; 1907, \$110,347;
1908, \$120,135; 1909, \$140,075; 1910,
\$182,705; 1911, \$225,015; 1912, \$241,371;
1913, \$295,006; 1914, \$301,984.

Many of the county taxpayers took
part in the open discussion of the
session, and it was the general opinion
of the speakers that but little would
be accomplished through a legislative
committee, but that the matter should
be taken up through state-wide initia-
tive petitions.

One speaker advocated that a bill
abolishing every office and commission
created since 1903 be introduced, and
with it power be given each county to
make and abolish its own offices and
fix the salaries by a vote of the people.
This sentiment was applauded, as was
also that of another representative
farmer, who advocated that when this
power should be granted to the coun-
ties, that Benton lead the way with a
business manager who is elected, have
full control of the management of the
county.

The executive committee will soon
be named, when action to merge the
several organizations is expected to be
undertaken. Other meetings will
be called after the organization work
is completed.

Says Unpreparedness Would Ruin America

Such Is Statement of General Charles
King, of Madison, Wis.—Says Phil-
ippines Better Prepared Than U. S.
Madison, Wis., Jan. 10. —(U. P.)—
"Unpreparedness has been the bane of
the United States since its inception
and, if the same policy is pursued in
the future, will prove its downfall."
This was the statement of General
Charles King and the theme of his
address before the Saturday Lunch
club here Saturday.

"It took 25,000 patriots eight years
to expel 40,000 British regulars from
American soil in the fight for indepen-
dence," King declared. "One brigade
of British landed in Chesapeake
bay in 1812 and created a state of
chaos without any serious interfer-
ence. This could have been averted
by a force of 10,000 regulars at its
outbreak. In 1898 we were still un-
prepared. In my experience, the na-
tives of the Philippines were better
prepared for military resistance than
the United States."

Neglected to Label Cough Syrup; Fined

E. J. Clarke, Druggist of Wenatchee, Is
Assessed for Violation of the Pure
Food and Drugs Act.
Wenatchee, Wash., Jan. 10. — Upon
complaint of Edward L. Jones, state
inspector of drugs, E. J. Clarke, a
local druggist, has been fined \$25
for violating the pure food and drugs
act. Mr. Clarke had neglected to la-
bel cough syrup prepared by him. The
syrup was found, upon analy-
sis, to contain 6 per cent alcohol.

Socialists Oppose Preparedness.
Wenatchee, Wash., Jan. 10.—A peti-
tion circulated by the Socialists of
Chelan county protesting against the
furtherance of President Wilson's pro-
gram of preparedness is being freely
signed by supporters of all political
parties.

School Building Burns.
Wenatchee, Wash., Jan. 10. — The
eight room brick school house at Pea-
hastin was destroyed by fire Friday
night. Only the walls remain. The
fire started at midnight and spread
rapidly. Its cause is unknown. Noth-
ing was saved. The loss is es-
timated at \$15,000 and is partially
covered with \$9000 insurance. The
building was built in 1912 at a cost
of \$15,000.

School Songfest in April.
Salem, Or., Jan. 10.—It is announced
that a songfest in which about 150
children of the Salem public schools
will participate, will be given in April.

ACTIVE WORKER IS ADVANCED RAPIDLY



William Linklater.

The newly installed noble grand of
Samaritan lodge, No. 2, I. O. O. F., is
William Linklater, one of the new
generation of Odd Fellows to whom
the old veterans are turning over the
administration of affairs. He is 25
years of age and a native of Scotland,
coming to this country eight years
ago. He joined Samaritan lodge in
September, 1912, and has been an
active worker since, and has advanced
step by step to the highest office in
the lodge.

Railway Superintendent Resigns.
Eugene, Or., Jan. 10. — George E.
Towner, for three and a half years
superintendent of the Eugene street
railway lines, has tendered his
resignation to T. L. Billingsley, gen-
eral superintendent of the Southern
Pacific company's system of city lines
in western Oregon, to take effect Feb-
ruary 1. Mr. Towner has bought a
cigar store in Eugene and will take
his active management when he retires
from the street railway business.

\$15,000 for Explosion Victim.
Washington, Jan. 10.—A bill ap-
propriating \$15,000 for the relief of Joe
Davis, of Portland, has been intro-
duced by Representative Sinnott. Davis was
lately injured by an explosion while
at work on the Cello canal. The bill
was introduced last session, meeting
defeat on a point of order.

MANY SPEAKERS AT HUGE PEACE MEETING DECRY PREPAREDNESS

Economic Pressure Advocated
as "Simplest and Most
Effective War Deterrent."

Washington, Jan. 10.—(U. P.)—
Thousands of prominent women and
many men crowded the meeting of the
women's peace party yesterday and de-
clared enthusiastically for world peace.
The meeting was under the auspices
of the section of the United States
of the International Committee for Per-
manent Peace. Miss Jane Addams,
chairman, presided.

Mrs. Lucia Ames Mead denounced
the word "preparedness" as another
form of "teach the boys to kill."
"Before the war the United States
was spending 57 per cent of its fed-
eral income on war, while Germany
spent 55 per cent, Japan 45 and En-
gland 37," said Mrs. Mead.

"Submarines and less costly sea de-
fense would give us adequate security
in place of the expensive battleships.
Nikola Tesla prophesies that in the
near future we shall have adequate
defense by wireless control of wireless
vessels."

"Let us peace workers encourage
development of this type of defense
for the hypothetical foe, whose ghost is
scaring the American public."

Miss Janet Richards advocated
"economic pressure" as one of the
simplest and most effective deterrents
of war. Miss Richards pointed out the
helpless state in which a nation would
be with all other nations combining to
paralyze its trade and industry.

"Without the arming of a man or
the firing of a gun, war would be
rendered impossible by means of an
industrial boycott against a would-be
belligerent," said Miss Richards.

Free Tailoring Class Tuesday
From 9 Until 12, and 2 Until 6
Conducted by Mr. Edmund Gurney
—Showing the simplified method of cutting and
making skirts. Free press irons and sewing
machines at your service. Instructions only when
materials are purchased here. —Eighth Floor.

The Last Word

Twenty alert and clever women,
trained shoppers, in different parts
of the United States were recently
employed to go into the largest and
the small exclusive shops at the
last moment each month, pick up
the choicest, newest ideas they
could find in the way of woman's
novelties for her person, her home,
her child, or her kitchen, and send
them by quickest mail to Phila-
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Annual Sale of WHITE

And Stock Reducing Sales Previous to Inventory

Undermuslin Offerings

Of Beautiful Paris-Made Garments

—Are the most attractive we have ever offered in any White Sale, in lowness of price, beauty of design and needlework, and the unusually fine materials. Every one of these dainty garments is hand-worked, every one an up-to-date new style. Also wonderful silk crepe de chine and pussy willow taffeta garments, simple or lace trimmed effects, so dainty that words cannot describe them. For instance:

Paris Gowns that were \$2.39 to \$46.50, are now \$1.98 to \$36.95.

Drawers, were \$1.25 to \$20.50, now 98c to \$16.45.

Corset Covers to wear under sheer waists, were 98c to \$14.45, sale 79c to \$11.19. Exquisite combinations, originally \$2.79 to \$30.00, choose at \$2.25 to \$23.98.

Skirts sold regularly at \$1.75 to \$20.00, now \$1.39 to \$15.95.

Philippine hand made gowns, worth \$4.00 to \$7.00, are now marked \$3.35 to \$5.95. Silk crepe de chine gowns always \$5.00 to \$7.00, White Sale, \$3.98 to \$5.95.

The Finest American-Made Underwear

—Of nainsook, crepe, longcloth, batiste and secco silk. You may select here at prices that you scarcely think possible. Plain, simple tucked underwear, to beautifully lace and embroidered, trimmed, and novelty effects, in variety unsurpassed in any sale. Every garment fresh and new.

Corset Covers were 40c to \$1.50, sale 29c to \$1.00.

Drawers that were 35c to \$1.50, sale 25c to \$1.00.

Night Gowns, regular \$1.00 to \$2.75, now 59c to \$1.98.

Combinations, originally 75c to \$3.00, sale 59c to \$2.29.

Envelope Chemise were 85c to \$2.25, sale 59c to \$1.69.

—Fourth Floor.

Nemo Corsets At Half Price

Regular \$5.00 for \$2.50

—Slightly soiled Nemo self-reducing corsets is the reason for this reduction. Medium and low bust models. Some with abdominal supports, and some with elastic over the abdomen. Made of heavy coutil, finished with lace at the top. Sizes 21 to 25. Large sizes 32 to 36.

Ferris Waists \$1.19

Regular \$2.00 to \$3.50

—Button and clasp fronts, medium high and low busts, some with brassiere top. Hose supporters attached. Sizes 19 to 29. —4th Floor.

The Linen Offerings

JAPANESE LUNCHEON CLOTHS—DIRECT IMPORTATION

—New designs in blue figures on white grounds.

36x36 Cloths 39c 62x62 Cloths \$1.15

48x48 Cloths 69c 72x72 Cloths \$1.39

Japanese Napkins to Match, 49c Dozen

COHASSET SHEETS OF PEQUOT SHEETING

2x2 1/2 yards 79c 2 1/4 x 2 1/2 yards 89c 2 1/4 x 3 yards 98c

PILLOW CASES, EXTRA HEAVY, PLAIN HEMMED

42x38 1/2 Inches 15c 45x38 1/2 Inches 16c

\$4.75 SATIN BEDSPREADS, RAISED DESIGNS, \$3.75

—Full size, fine weave, scalloped or cut corners.

\$2.25 HEMMED SATIN BEDSPREADS, SALE, \$1.69

—Full size, floral and set patterns.

PURE LINEN GLASS TOWELING, YARD 14c

—18 inches wide. Red or blue checks.

PURE LINEN 18-INCH CRASH TOWELING 14c

—White with borders. For glass or roller towels.

60c HEAVY WHITE HEMMED BATH TOWELS 49c

—Extra large, heavy double terry, firm weave.

30c Pure White Heavy Hemmed Bath Towels 25c

—Plain white, red or blue borders.

30c LONGCLOTH, 36 TO 42-INCH, 25c YARD

—Fine weave, closely woven, free from dressing.

10-YARD BOLTS ROSEMAID LONGCLOTH \$2.25

—Neatly boxed. Free from dressing. Soft finish.

10-YARD PACKAGES ROSEMAID NAINSOOK \$2.75

—Soft, mercerized finish, full 36 inches wide. —Second Floor.

Free Tailoring Class Tuesday

From 9 Until 12, and 2 Until 6

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—Showing the simplified method of cutting and making skirts. Free press irons and sewing machines at your service. Instructions only when materials are purchased here. —Eighth Floor.

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terns at Prices That Are Greatly

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—Come, secure your share of these economies, for it is the best time of the year to replenish your floor coverings. Our prices are lowest.

—Fifth Floor.

House Dresses, Aprons Our Annual January Sale With Greater Economies Than Ever

Dresses to \$1.75 for 98c
Utility House Dresses for \$1.00
Nurses' and Maids' Uniforms
Regular to \$3.50, special \$1.49
Dresses to \$2.00 for \$1.59

—Here are house dresses of most every kind imaginable, dresses for all sorts of house wear. Dresses of gingham, percales, chambray, in plain colors, stripes, checks, nurses' stripes—also some dresses of black sateen or soisette.

—Dresses with bands of self trimmings—with embroidery and contrasting trimmings—with long or short sleeves—with square, high, V or low necks—plain or gored skirts.

—Every size from 36 to 44.

\$1.35 NEW TWO-PIECE BREAKFAST SETS 98c

—In two different styles—made of percale and finished with black and white bias pipings. The other style is of gingham and trimmed with pipings. Both styles are belted and have full gored skirts. Sizes 36 to 44.

NEW CREPE MIDDY SETS, SPECIAL \$1.98

—In two pieces—made of soft plisse crepe in pink or blue flowered patterns. Made to slip over the head, laced in the front—band finish at the bottom. —Fourth Floor.

35c PERCALE OR GINGHAM BIB APRONS 25c

—Round, fitted style, with large bib fastening at back of neck. Of good quality percale and gingham, with white piping or colored rick rack braid trimming. Large variety of patterns.

50c FULL, LONG PERCALE COVERALLS 39c

—The kind to completely cover the clothing. Belted back, kimono sleeves, trimmed with white pipings. Light colors.

\$1.00 HOUSE DRESS APRONS, NEW STYLES, 79c

—Heavy gingham middy aprons, elastic waist aprons, and the new two-in-one aprons, in plain colors, checks, stripes. Slip-over the head, or open side front styles, neatly trimmed.

85c HOUSE DRESS APRONS, NEW STYLES, 59c

—The most complete assortment ever shown at one price. Billy Burke, Polly Ann, Puritan, Middy, Envelope, full or half fitted, slip-over the head, laced front, side closing, open back, and Princess front aprons, of heavy percale, in light or dark patterns and plain colors. Regular sizes and extra large sizes all at the same price, 59c.

45-50c WATERPROOF APRONS, 1 DAY ONLY, 39c

—All white, or blue or lavender stripes. Absolutely waterproof. Indispensable for nursery, kitchen and laundry.

TO 15c PERCALE DUST CAPS, SPECIAL 7c

—Fourth Floor.

Winter Wool Dress Fabrics Hurrying Out at Lowered Prices

\$1.50 Plaids and Checks, 44 inches wide, sale 98c
\$1.50 Mixed Suitings and Skirtings, 56 inches wide, \$1.23
\$1.75 and \$2.00 Checks and Stripes, 56 inches wide, \$1.47
\$2.50 Tweed Suitings, 56 inches wide, special, \$1.93
\$2.50 Stripe Poplins, 56 inches wide, special, \$1.93
\$3.00 Stripe Broadcloth, 56 inches wide, special, \$2.35
\$2.50 Winter Cloaking, 56 inches wide, special, \$1.93
\$3.00 to \$4.00 Mixed Cloaking, 56 inches wide, special \$2.49
\$4.00 Black Astrachan, 50 inches wide, special, \$2.95
\$3.00 Wool Velours, 56 inches wide, special, \$2.49
—Buy in this sale, and have your skirt cut FREE, from Mr. Gurney, in any style you desire.

—Second Floor

100 Newest Trimmed Hats \$7.00 to \$8.50 Models At \$2.75

—Another millinery offering that will solve the question of every woman's between season hat problem, for these hats will do service for many weeks to come.

—Made of a lightweight silk velvet in black, and trimmed with white effects, others with ostrich feathers, fancies and plumes. —Third Floor.

**White Fiber Silk
Boot Hose for 33c**

—In a new weight — closely woven fiber thread silk hose, made elastic at the top, seamless and with double spliced heel and toe.

**White Fiber Silk
Boot Hose for 45c**

—Extra fine gauge silk fiber hosiery—with extra long boot, double lisle garter top and double spliced heel and toe. —First Floor

**You Will Find Our
Special 25c
Hot Lunch**

—Both appetizing and delicious, served every day from 11 until 2 in the Economy Basement.

**Sale White Bath-
Room Fixtures**

15c White Tumblers 12c

75c Towel Rods, 18-

inch 59c

85c Towel Rods, 24-

inch 69c

25c Robe Hooks . . . 19c

65c Robe Hooks, large

size 49c

75c Robe Hooks, extra

heavy 49c

50c Robe Hooks, small

size 29c

\$2 Wall Soap Dishes \$1.49

\$1 Stand Soap Dishes 79c

\$1.25 Tumbler Hold-

ers 98c

\$1.50 Tumbler Hold-

ers \$1.19

85c Tumbler Holders 73c

65c Wall Soap Dishes 49c

60c Toilet Paper

Holders 49c

\$1.00 Toilet Paper

Holders 85c

\$3.95 Glass Rod Towel

Bars \$2.79

\$2