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The Chronicle is the Only Paper in The Dalles that Receives the Associated Press Dispatches.

THE SINGLE TAX.

The letter of Mr. Yates, published in another column is a very clear exposition of what single tax men mean by "unearned increment" or the community value of land; that is the value that attaches to land by reason of the presence of population, but it still leaves unanswered the question that gave rise to this controversy. What the CHRONICLE still wants to know is how can an annual revenue of \$62,500 be raised from real estate only, without increasing the taxes of the farming community in a county that has a million and a half of real estate and a million of personal property? If we drop the personal property and levy the \$62,500 on real estate only must not land owners have to pay the \$25,000 now levied on personal property in addition to the \$37,500 levied on real estate? In other words must not this levy be raised from 25 mills to over 41 1/2 mills, so that the farmer or land owner who now pays a tax of \$25, would, under the single tax system, have to pay over \$41.50? This is the question and the CHRONICLE submits that neither Mr. Yates nor anyone else has yet answered it. The argument of Mr. Yates, if it proves anything, goes to show that the community value of land should be taxed. This, the CHRONICLE has never denied. What we do deny is that the community value of land alone should be taxed and every thing else go free. Here is a man who located on a piece of land 40 years ago when it was a wilderness. In course of years it becomes an important town site. The man sold out his interest for a cool million. It was all "unearned increment," if you will. Shall we not tax him for his million dollars? And if not, why not? He never "earned" a dollar of this money. The community made it for him, yet the single tax system would let him free while it would tax the man who had scratched and toiled to earn the money to buy himself a home on the land so sold, while not a dollar of the value of such land so far as the purchaser is concerned is "unearned increment," but the fruit of his own honest labor. There is nothing morally beautiful in such a system.

It is needless to remind us of the difficulties attending the taxation of personal property and how much, in spite of the vigilance of the assessor, will escape taxation. In our own state, we are free to say, the law has never made any adequate provisions for taxing personal property. Men are allowed to pile up indebtedness sufficient to offset all they are possessed of and it is no part of the assessor's duty to see that the exemption is taxed; but this is simply the abuse of a principle otherwise fair and just. Because there are difficulties connected with the taxation of personal property, it by no means follows that it should be exempt. Because personal property is sometimes concealed it does not follow that it is right to tax only that which cannot escape concealment. Here is a man who has 20,000 head of cattle or sheep feeding off the public range. The owner may not have so much as a rod of land. The single tax system would let him escape taxation for everything he owns while it would tax the homestead of the man who is too poor to build a pasture fence for his family cow or team, against the depredations of his exempt neighbor. These are not simply incidents but a part and parcel of the single tax system and no amount of theorizing can make them right.

The CHRONICLE is not the organ of any party or system, political or otherwise. It must therefore be accorded the right to condemn or approve the principles and actions of all parties as these may appear worthy of approval or condemnation. The utmost that can be asked in this respect is fair and impartial treatment. If we cannot believe that every modern theory for the amelioration of the condition of the masses is just what is needed, it does not follow that we are not as honest as those who pretend to believe them. As between the rich and the poor, as between corporate wealth and power and the masses who are not infrequently the subjects of their oppression, the CHRONICLE will always be found fighting among the ranks of the weaker party. More than this we cannot do and more than this no man should ask.

Some persons don't need the bread they knead half as much as those who don't knead it.

CROP-WEATHER BULLETIN, NO. 11.

For the Week Ending, Saturday May 23, 1891.

OREGON WEATHER BUREAU,
CENTRAL OFFICE, PORTLAND, OREGON.
WESTERN OREGON WEATHER.

The temperature has steadily risen, ranging from 40 to 85 degrees. There has been absolutely no rainfall, and the weather has been generally cloudless. Light frosts on the 17th and 18th are reported from many sections. Fresh to brisk winds have prevailed, which dried out the soil.

CROPS.

All vegetation has had excellent growth during the week. The weather conditions were favorable to all crops. Winter wheat never promised better in Yamhill county; it began heading on the 22d. Early sown spring grain is ten inches high. At Langlois, Curry county, rye is seven feet high and heading. Potato acreage increased in Washington and Clackamas counties. In these counties and in Yamhill the number of hop yards have also been increased and lice are apparent. The hay crop will be unusually large, especially in Columbia county. Considerable buckwheat has been sown in Clackamas. The prune crop has been somewhat blighted and not more than an average yield is expected. Cherries have been somewhat injured by blight and frost. Peach trees are affected with blight in sections of Benton county. Strawberries are ripening rapidly in most sections. Jackson, Josephine and Douglas counties have excellent prospects for grain and fruit. The surface soil is becoming dusty and clay soils hard. Showers would be welcome and beneficial. The week closes with continued excellent crop prospects.

EASTERN OREGON WEATHER.

Warmer, cloudless and dry weather prevailed. The showers on the 15th and 16th were of great benefit, but did not cover the entire sections. Snow fell in Baker county in the mountains on the 16th. Frosts have been reported from the more elevated sections. The winds have been fresh to brisk.

CROPS.

Full and early sown wheat continues to thrive and do well. In sections it is filling. Late sown spring grain is generally poor, much of it failed to germinate on account of lack of moisture. The continued relatively cool temperature has been of great benefit to the wheat crop. Strawberries are ripening rapidly in Wasco county. Vegetables are plentiful in many sections. Fruit trees are thriving and doing well. Rain is badly needed, though the week closes with prospects for more than an average wheat crop. Wool is being hauled to warehouses and many head of cattle are being shipped. The grass is quite good and cattle are generally in very good condition. Good general showers within ten days will increase wheat outputs fully 20 per cent. B. S. PAGE, Observer U. S. Signal Service.

He Seeks a Position.

At a recent meeting of the California Board of Prison Directors, the following epistle was read:

DELANO, Kern county, Cal., April 26, 1891.—Honorable Board of Prison Directors: I here from the papers that all men who do a murder are to be hung in strait prison and as most officers think it onerous to hang people I herewith apply to you for the job I will hang every man you tell me too far \$8 dollars apiece I once helped to lynch a man in ministry it was me that tide the not so I no how too do it my duty has sowered on me and wont help me any more because I woudent marry wimen he wanted me to marry an married a pirt lookin girl that is hanstun and we now have a lot of children to support. She will doe to search the whmin prisoners as they cant hide anything from her we go in the best society her an you will help an onst family by given me the gob anser this quick and have no red tape about it I dont drink liker nur have no bad habits an I go to church ever sonday ride quick Your onerable servant JOHN O. SIDNER.

If it be true as reported that President Harrison's late trip cost him a round \$25,000 or half a year's salary, which he refuses to allow the nation to pay, we have only to say that we admire his spunk and wonder how those editors now feel who have been printing pathetic tales about the "\$50,000" the dear people would have to put up in the way of taxes to give the president an opportunity to strengthen his chances for a second nomination.

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ART OF PRIMITIVE MEN.

Two Totally Distinct Types Are Found Among Uncivilized Races.

Whoever has examined the handicraft of savage peoples knows well that from a very early age two totally distinct types of art arise spontaneously among uncivilized races. One is imitative, the other decorative. Paleolithic men—for example, the cave dwellers of prehistoric Europe before the glacial epoch—had an art of their own of a purely imitative and pictorial character. They represented on fragments of bone and mammoth ivory realistic scenes of their own hunting existence.

Here, a naked and hairy brave, flint spear in hand, stalks wild horses undismayed in the grassy plain; there, a couple of reindeer engaged in a desperate fight with their antlers hard locked in deadly embrace; yonder, again, a mammoth charges unwieldily with wide open mouth, or a snake glides unseen beneath the shoeless feet of an unsuspecting savage. All their rude works of art reproduce living objects, and tell, in their naive way, a distinct story. They are pictorial records of things done, things seen, things suffered.

Paleolithic men were essentially draughtsmen, not decorators. But their neolithic successors, of a totally different race—the herdsmen who supplanted them in post glacial Europe—had an art of an entirely different type, purely and solely decorative. Instead of making pictures they drew concentric circles and ornamental curves on their boats and dwellings; they adorned their weapons and their implements with knobs and nicks, with crosses and bosses; they wrought beautiful patterns in metal work as soon as ever they advanced to the bronze using stage, and they designed brooches and bracelets of exquisite elegance, but they seldom introduced into their craft any living object; they imitated nothing, and they never in any way told a pictorial story.

Now these two types of art—the essentially imitative or pictorial and the essentially decorative or aesthetic—persist throughout in various human races, and often remain as entirely distinct as in the typical instances here quoted. The great aim of the one is to narrate a fact; the great aim of the other is to produce a beautiful object. The first is to speak historical, the second ornamental.

In developed forms you get the extreme case of the one in the galleries at Versailles; you get the extreme case of the other in the Alhambra at Granada. The modern Esquimaux and the modern Bushman resemble the ancient cave dwellers in their love of purely pictorial or story telling art; a man in a kayak harpooning a whale; a man with an assegai spearing a springbok; these are the subjects that engage—I will not say their pencils—but their sharp flint knives or their lumps of red ochre. On the other hand, most central African races have no imitative skill. They draw figures and animals ill or not at all, but they produce decorative pottery and other ornamental objects which would excite attention at Versailles, and be well placed at the arts and crafts in the new gallery. Everywhere racial taste and racial faculty tend most in the one or the other direction. A tribe, a horde, a nation, is pictorial, or else it is decorative. Rarely or never is it both alike in an equal degree of native excellence. —Fortnightly Review.

An Artist Fooled.

Irving Montagu writes in "Wanderings of a War Artist": "One evening I met two very fascinating, Spanish, girls in a quiet quarter of Iran, one of whom, being a blonde, was enveloped in a white mantilla. It being customary on meeting a white mantilla to extend her somewhat similar homage to that paid to royalty, I raised my hat, and stepped on one side to allow the couple to pass. When, in doing so, I saw to my horror, by the light of the moon, that they were followed closely by a grim and grotesque reptile, half lizard, half frog, which with a series of spasmodic bounds, was making directly for their heels. Oh, the horrid beast, the indescribable monstrosity! To rush forward and trample on the uncanny thing was the work of a moment.

"I was dumfounded; my exploit of heroism, far from inducing the gratitude I expected, was immediately followed by roars of laughter, the merry ring of which reverberated on the still night air. 'Unconscionable fool' does not express the littleness I felt as I was subjected to the ridicule of those wily damsels, and if a man is capable of that becoming peculiarity, I must have blushed scarlet. I had trodden on El drag—a piece of cloth cut into the semblance of some monstrous lizard, and attached by a thread to the skirt of the maiden, so that by certain dexterous movements and hitches it could be made to leap after her as she hurried along. 'It was the Basque equivalent for the old English jokes practiced on the 1st of April.'"

Great Expectations.

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Mr. D'Argent—I thought the old gentleman never liked Tom.

Miss Lawson—He didn't. That's just it. He left the whole of his fortune to found a free library.—Kate Field's Washington.

Property Destroyed.

"They have queer laws out in Missouri."

"In what way are they queer?"

"Here's an account of the arrest of a man for breaking a horse's gait."—Munsey's Weekly.

After the Arrival of the New Baby.

Mama—Johnny, why don't you come in to see mama when she's sick? Don't you love me any more?

Johnny—Oh, yes, mama; but I didn't know but perhaps it might be catching. —Puck.

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