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## IS SALEM'S PROPOSED SCHOOL TAX LEVY EXCESSIVE?

The above question is one which the citizens of Salem will be called upon to decide at the school election June 20th. Taxes are high in Salem, although not as high as in many other cities, and everything within reason should be done to reduce them.

This means that the cost of operating our schools must be held down to a judicious minimum. To cut the cost below such a minimum would be very unwise. No other investment pays as reliable dividends, as does one in education.

This applies to the citizens of a city, state or nation as a whole, as well as it does to an individual.

Salem is the Capital City and the second city of the state in size. It has heretofore held a reputation of having first class schools for a city of its size.

The school authorities say that several parts of the school work must be cut out unless a 10 mill levy is voted to carry on the work of the schools this year.

Can Salem afford to run the chance of being "penny wise and pound foolish" by losing a dollar's worth of education of its children for every penny cut off of the school budget?

The following figures are very important in that they show that the levy in Salem in 1920 was not excessive compared with other cities in the state:

City	Levy	Number Students	Number Teachers	Pupils per Teacher
Corvallis	17.3 mills	1259	46	27.2
Astoria	16.2 mills	2746	97	28.3
Medford	20.0 mills	1475	52	28.3
Eugene	13.8 mills	2395	80	29.9
Pendleton	15.0 mills	1373	45	30.6
The Dalles	14.7 mills	1654	60	27.6
Salem	13.3 mills	3597	122	29.5

Are Salem children worthy of a first class education? Vote your answer Monday, June 20th, between 2 and 7 p. m.

## GOD IN US.

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A leading Episcopal clergyman of California, speaking recently at the funeral services of a prominent member of his church, is reported to have said: "He was ever conscious of the divine presence. Here was the great secret of his power; for the greatness of any man is but the greatness of God in him." Much too rarely is it acknowledged, even by the most devout, that God is the source of our capacities and powers. Still rarer is it in these days to hear from high authority that the Creator does not stop with creating the individual being but that He continues in him, the active, propelling force. Of course, no man with a deeply religious experience will fail to be "conscious of the divine presence," but conscious of His presence or not, men must come to know that God is not only the Creator of His universe, but that He is the animator of every part of it. The least individuality in it has no life or activity or force outside the life of the God who created it. He is not outside of His creation, but in it, still moving, working and, in a sense, creating.

This is the plain teaching of the New Testament and of the early Christian teachers. Jesus reveals to us a God, not outside of, but in, His creation with a loving care and watchfulness over the least of His creatures. He tells us that "God is a spirit" by whom "the hairs of our heads are all numbered"; that "not even a sparrow falleth to the ground without the Father's notice"; that He feeds the fowls of the air and clothes the field with verdure, and will provide for all our wants if we come to know and trust in Him. St. Paul, too, reveals to us a God "who," as he says, "is not

far from any one of us"; "who is in all and through all and in you all." He declares that, "In Him we live and move and have our being." Again he says: "Ye are the temple of the living God."

And certainly, many of the earlier Christian writers and leaders have the same conception. Clement, who lived and wrote in the second century, regarded God as immanent in His creation and continually working in and through it. According to his view God is not a localizable personality, outside of and remote from the world and acting upon it only occasionally. But the world, as well as man, is continually hallowed by the presence of the indwelling Deity.

The conception of God as a Creator who fashioned this universe and made His creatures, much as an artist would make a statue, and breathed into them the breath of life which stratified them young, since which time He has had little or no connection with them, is certainly not the conception of the founders of Christianity. A Creator whose work was fully completed, finished and perfect, in six short days of twenty-four hours each, after which He washed His hands of the whole business, as it were, is not the loving Father of whom Jesus speak to us in the Gospels. "An absentee God," as a great English author puts it, "sitting idle ever since the first Sabbath, at the outside of His universe and seeing it go," is certainly not the correct conception of the great, all-pervading, all-embracing, loving spirit—"the living God"—revealed in the New Testament.

These ideas of God so repugnant to the teachings of Jesus and the disciples and apostles have possessed the minds of men for generations because their minds were physical and the things of the spirit could not by them be spiritually discerned. Not being able to understand the universal God of spirit whom Jesus called "our Father" and not comprehending "the living God" of the New Testament, "who is in all and through all and in you all," unspiritual men have conceived of God as little more than a superman. Much of the pagan idea concerning Zeus and Jupiter, Thor and Odin seems still to cling to the conception that many have of God, although they may have outgrown the polytheistic ideas of the ancients. Let us try to think of God as a spirit, over us, all about us and in us and thus try to get the spiritual conception of Deity which Jesus and the disciples and apostles had—the New Testament conception, the Christian conception.

Under this New Testament view man becomes a being of much greater dignity and importance than he is usually accustomed to think of himself. He has not only God as his Father in the sense that God has created him, but this Father's spirit remains in him to be brought into dominating activity whenever the individual makes conditions conducive to His activity and control. Jesus commanded us to "make our bodies fit tabernacles for the indwelling of God's holy spirit," which is in effect saying that purity of thought, life and conduct are the necessary conditions for the development of this God-spirit within us; and the object of our lives should be to make this spirit the controlling influence, the dominating element in our lives.

As the chemical elements, whether in the universe or in the laboratory, will not unite to produce the varied and useful combinations, which shine in gem and plant, in tree and flower, and which bless and beautify the world, unless the proper conditions are provided to stimulate combining, so this God life and our human life will not perfectly combine to produce the perfect man until we ourselves produce the necessary prerequisite for this union. Our part of this work is to purify our thoughts, to eliminate from ourselves the grossness, hardness, and inharmonious of the physical life. When we have done this we may be sure that the pure, beautiful, powerful, blessed life and spirit of the Father which is all about us will come into our beings in its fullness to take the place of these beggarly elements of our nature just as naturally as the pure air which envelops us rushes into our lungs when we make room for it.

One of the next things on the carpet is the school election.

The soldier loan law will provide for a couple of hundred new houses in Salem. But that will not be enough.

Former Vice President Marshall says: "To my mind there is no beyond." That makes it a tough proposition for the Democrats who are looking ahead to 1924.

Dehydration is one of the biggest things in the world, and Salem is its capital. It is the Salem slogan subject for Thursday. Have you any suggestions?

Our idea of a job is the effort to lay aside a few dollars for the coming summer vacation. It simply can't be done. But, then, vacations are demoralizing—Exchange.

There is a movement in Egypt in favor of independence. The last time Egypt was independent was more than 300 years before Christ. It is a long time between independencies in Egypt.

There are too many folks in this world like the girl who became converted and, thinking it a vain thing to wear jewelry, gave all of the stuff to her sister. She kept it in the family, all right.

Geographers are organizing to climb Mount Everest, the only high peak in the world that is unexplored. But why not leave one place isolated from human kind? Unexplored, the giant mountain is a secret place for the Most High. But explored it will be nothing but a conquered mountain. Why not allow Everest to rest on and on and on? It stands as a shrine of the terrific forces.

## FUTURE DATES

June 14, Tuesday—Elks annual flag day program.  
June 15, Wednesday—Minnesota association picnic. State fair grounds.  
June 16 to 17—Annual encampment. Spanish war veterans at Astoria.  
June 18 to 20—Oregon National guard encampment at Camp Lewis and Fort Stevens.  
June 19, Thursday—40th Reunion of Oregon Pioneer association.  
June 20, Friday—Oregon Pioneer association meeting in Portland.  
June 21, Saturday—High school graduation exercises.  
June 22, Sunday—Annual law picnic. State fair grounds.  
June 23, Monday—School election.  
June 24, Tuesday—Mason conference.  
June 25 to 31—Salem Chautauque.

but he must take the consequences of his act.

One of the mysteries of life is in the fact that multitudes of men persist in doing those things which reason, judgment and common sense declare are injurious to themselves and that are bound to wreck the life in the end.

The man who stoals under stress of great temptation is not so guilty as the man who, after lying to the assessor, steals from the state by withholding just taxes that he may pile up more ill-gotten wealth.

However great the relative value of the things of this world about which we concern ourselves so much, their real value is shown in these words of God spoken by the prophet, "Behold I create a new heaven and a new earth, and the former shall not be remembered or brought into mind."

## BITS FOR BREAKFAST

Wanted, pickers and nullers.

The canneries will need strawberry nullers this week; all they can get.

Sunday mornings, and other mornings, the Statesman is saying good morning to a rapidly increasing number of farmers in the Salem district, through motorcycle and bicycle deliveries. One route that started with 110 a few weeks ago now has 650. These farmers get their copies of The Statesman earlier than the residents of Salem get theirs.

The beekeepers of Marion county effected a temporary organization at Silverton yesterday afternoon. The meeting to make it permanent will be held in Salem soon. Every beekeeper ought to take part, and there should be thousands more of them, and billions more bees. Again, all that is needed to make this the greatest bee district on earth is ample late bee pasture. The fruit men must provide this, as an insurance policy against failure of their crops through lack of pollination. The bees will do the business if they are given a chance.

The bakers of the United States are making a new market for honey; an immense market. Pastry sweetened with honey retains its quality and does not dry out and become brittle. So there is going to be millions in successful bee keeping; millions of money in the keeping of billions of bees.

There will be at least one marauding cherry buyer in the Salem district this year, and perhaps several. Negotiations are going forward now. If they all come, perhaps all the cherries may be used, and waste avoided, like that of last year, when \$200,000 worth were left on the trees. With a cold storage plant of ample size in Salem, all the cherries wasted last year could have been saved.

## Professor Hewitt Will Take McMinnville Chair

After a long consideration of his preferences, Prof. Herschel E. Hewitt, head of the physics department of Willamette university, has decided to accept an offer to take the chair of chemistry at McMinnville college. He will leave here soon, to be ready for his duties at the new place. Professor Hewitt came to Salem three years ago from Whitworth college, Spokane. He has wished to resume his work in chemistry, for which he has had a strong predilection, and finally the McMinnville offer to head the chemistry department made a strong enough appeal that he accepted the place and put in his resignation here.

The resignation comes too close to the big annual meeting of the Willamette trustees, which is to be held next week, for definite action to be taken then towards filling the vacancy. It will be filled later, however, from a long waiting list of expert educators, and bids will be held to help make the publication popular and win for it many subscribers.

## LATE HATCHED CHICKS ARE FAVORED BY MANY, AND THE REASONS GIVEN

World's Record Egg Producing Barred Rock Hen, Was Hatched on Third Day of July, With Record of 325 Eggs in Less Than Year—May, June and July Good Hatching Months.

By J. W. PARKS

In years gone by it used to be conceded that you simply had to set your chicks out in March and April if you wanted eggs the following winter.

Time and breeding has worked a great change along this line. May and June used to be our dull months in the egg and chick trade, but are now two of our best months.

Why? you may ask. The reasons are many. Breeders have learned that chicks do best when they can be given their liberty out on the ground a few days after hatching, and this cannot be done until we get settled weather, which as a rule does not come much before May.

## FLAG SERVICES TUESDAY NIGHT

Annual Elks Program is Arranged With T. B. Handley as Orator of Day

Flag day services will be conducted by the local Elks lodge Tuesday, June 14. The exercises will be held at the band stand in Wilson park and will begin at 7:30 p. m. The Cherrian band will furnish the music which will be its first concert this year.

Thomas Handley will deliver the flag day address and a reading "The History of the Flag" will be given by E. M. Page.

The Elks' flag service will open with the salute to the colors after which the opening exercises by the officers of the lodge will be conducted. The program will be as follows:

Address—Thomas Benton Handley.  
Vocal solo, "Flag of My Heart"—Oscar Gingrich.  
Patriotic selection—Cherrian band.  
Reading, "History of the Flag"—E. M. Page.  
Closing Ritualistic exercises, Salem lodge No. 336, B. P. O. E. Band, "America."

The Elks' committee in charge of the program is composed of F. T. Wrightman, chairman, B. Small and Dr. Ray Pomroy. The first band concert of the year will follow the flag day program. March, "Trento Trieste"—Felic DeMattee.  
Selection, "The Firefly"—Rudolf Friml.  
Waltz, "Visions of the Past"—T. H. Rollinson.  
a "Kentucky Blues."  
b "Wyoming Lullaby."  
c "Do You Ever Think of Me?"  
Selection, "Travista," arranged by M. C. Meyrelles.  
Porto Rican Dance, "Rosita"—Jean M. Misseud.  
March, "Grandioso"—R. F. Seitz.  
O. A. Steelhammer, Director.

## 11-Year-old Stayton Boy Editor of Paper

Don D. Goode, 11-year-old boy of Stayton, is editor of a creditable newspaper called the Santiam Junior, published by the sixth grade of the Stayton public school. His first editorial, "A Thing or Two Explained," is expected to be bright and interesting and bids fair to help make the publication popular and win for it many subscribers.

In favor of late-hatch chicks have been brought to our attention long ago. As a breeder and making a success with late-hatch chicks, he advocated May, June and July as the best hatching season, claiming he gets more chicks from the eggs, at less expense and with greater profits, citing cases of where he has had males hatched June 16, weigh as much as 9 1/2 pounds by January 1.

The worst drawbacks to late-hatch chicks are lice and the hot sun during the warmest parts of the day.

Artificially hatched and reared chicks seldom get lousy unless allowed to mingle with hen-hatched chicks. Lice, however, are not hard to get rid of, and at the first signs use some of the preparations advertised or a 10 cent bottle of sweet oil, add 10 drops of carbolic acid and shake up well, would probably be effective if you rub a little on the tops of chicks' heads and under the wings.

In order to get away from the ill effects of the sun during the hot part of the day, chicks should be brooded in a shady place.

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