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AND MORE PROPERTY TO TAX

"Is not the thing to do to fight any and all state income tax proposals, either before the people or the Legislature, rather than fool ourselves that we can escape worse evils by accepting this measure?"

Yes; prosperity that will build up more property to tax—And this kind of prosperity cannot be built up by driving capital and enterprise and consequently labor out of Oregon.

There are vast undeveloped resources in this state, and what our people should be doing, and what they should continue to do for a long time in the future is inviting capital and enterprise to come here—

To develop our immense water powers; to use our vast untouched timber resources; to work up our raw materials and make our millions of idle or partially idle acres highly productive.

The taxable property of Oregon can be doubled in a very short time, by united work along the line of more economical and efficient government—

And that would cut the tax rate in two. The government income tax is burden enough; too much; too unequal, and too costly to administer.

Oregon has no business at this time, or at any other time, planning to pile Pelion on Ossa in the matter of burdensome and unequal and expensively administered income taxes.

Build up prosperity and scale down taxes, and add no new forms of taxes, excepting indirect taxes. That program, and the working of all the people of this state in harmony together, without racial or religious or other quarrels, will make Oregon grow and prosper.

Picking will go on a long time yet. The apples are yet to pick, and the walnuts. And the late pears, etc. From gooseberries in the early spring to late apples in the winter, there is a long picking season in the Salem district.

grow fast again after a year or two.

Many growers still have prunes to pick. They can save them all, if they can get pickers who will work, rain or shine.

ITALY'S SALVATION

Italy, being devoid of coal deposits, has been forced in the past few years to develop her water

power to a high degree of efficiency.

During the World war Italy was constantly confronted with the problem of coal. At that time she was using about 12,000,000 tons of coal a year and was not then getting all she needed.

This shortage of coal not only affected the industries of Italy, but was affecting her whole national life.

In 1884 the city of Milan first developed hydroelectric power and since then the city has increased its output until now it delivers 450,000,000 k. w. h. per year.

Since this first development the hydroelectric power plants of Italy have increased until now over 1,000,000 horsepower is produced every year.

Italy has in the hydroelectric field a great potential business. The water resources of Italy are proportionately five times that of the United States.

The hydroelectric developments of Italy differ from any of those in the United States where large drainage areas are used for the main power.

One of the most interesting is a plant in the Alps. Fed by streams in the higher Alps, a reservoir is situated at the height of 7500 feet, consisting of a dam 400 feet in length and 200 feet high, with a capacity of 5,000,000 cubic meters.

The water for these houses is carried through nine-foot tunnels at the end of which it drops into a seven-foot steel tube.

At the latter of the two houses there are two supply reservoirs. During the day, when the horsepower is taxed to capacity, the water flows from the upper to the lower reservoir, but at night,

instead of the power being allowed to go to waste, it is used to pump the water from the lower reservoir back into the upper, thus insuring a supply for the following day.

PROFESSIONAL POLITICIANS

(Los Angeles Times.) America today needs clean fighting politicians, needs thousands of them—and needs them badly.

She doesn't want to rely solely in the few who have graduated into the statesman class; she wants the lower ranks of the profession to be filled with earnest, sincere, honest, two-listed fighters.

For politics is a profession—a profession on which the good of the country is vitally dependent—a profession which should command the best talent of the nation.

You hear people talk of professional politicians in tones of contempt and disgust. In truth, today we have hardly any professional politicians.

These the country must get rid of; they must be replaced with professional politicians.

No science requires deeper study or more thorough training than the science of politics. Unfit candidates could never win elections to any public offices in America if every politician were trained in his profession and were as jealous of its reputation as members of the army, navy, church, bar or medical professions.

A bunch of scallywags and amateurs have crowded out the professional politician. They know nothing of civics or public policy or economic government.

But politics has to be cleaned, a new type of politician must be forthcoming, else the officeholders in America will every year sink to the level of poorer stamps of citizen.

And for this regeneration America has an abundance of good material.

The right place to lay the foundation for the practice of good, clean politics is in our schools, colleges and universities.

First of all the reproach, the stigma, at present attaching to the word politician, must be removed. The coming generation should be taught that politics is both a business and a science.

FUTURE DATES

October 5, 6 and 7—Polk County fair, Dallas. October 7, Saturday—Football, Salem high school vs. Woodburn high school. November 7, Tuesday—General election.

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FOREIGN DOLLS—Lolly-Pop Folks for You to Make



No. 5. Hasan of Aroby (This is one of ten quaint little people from foreign lands. You'll find them just the thing for party favors and table decorations, and while you're making them you'll learn a lot about how boys and girls of other countries dress.)

ending in a long tassel of yellow, red, blue and green. The jacket and blouse are of the same, except that the blouse has flowing sleeves. The jacket is made of cretonne, crepe paper or of plain paper with spots of bright colored flitter pasted on. The trousers, of some plain color, are cut very full and pleated at the top and bottom.

Hasan's head is a chocolate lollypop with the features painted in black ink. His arms and legs are made of fine wire, the arms being wrapped in flesh-colored paper and the legs in black.

THE SHORT STORY, JR. WITH GRANDFATHER'S CANE Wilbur's grandfather and grandmother had come to make them a visit. Wilbur was very

obliging and polite to them, but he found it hard to get used to having older people in the house, for he had to be so much quieter and more thoughtful of little things.

Grandfather could tell very interesting stories when he chose, though he sometimes went to sleep in the middle of one, which annoyed Wilbur very much.

One afternoon when grandfather was asleep upstairs, Wilbur came in the house and found his blackthorn cane in the hall. He picked it up and examined it idly, and then began to walk with it, tapping along, the way his grandfather did. He found it fun and went on tapping down the hall.

"Thought you were asleep, Zekiel," said a querulous voice, and Wilbur looked up to see his grandmother sitting in a rocking chair in the living room right near the door into the hall.

"Every one's out now," she went on. "The house is quieter than ever. Land sakes! I'll have to hear some good lively noise. It's like a tomb around here."

Wilbur granted, the way his grandfather sometimes did instead of saying yes.



he knew he was beyond hearing, he slipped back downstairs, put the stick where he had found it, and went outdoors. In a few minutes he came running back in. "Grandmother," he cried, "how would you like some ice cream? I just thought I'd go down to the store," and he slammed the door behind him as he came in.

PICTURE PUZZLE

Form a word square from the words pictured here



Answer to yesterday's Washington (third letter every time): Adams (first and John Quincy, second letter every time); Arthur (beginning in square 16, every fourth letter); Taylor (rearrange column one); Pierce (rearrange column five).

and in an ideal state should be a form of religion.

Let our boys and girls be convinced that a politician does not of necessity have to be egrotic and venal; let them be further shown how to conduct successfully a clean political campaign; and they will supply, in after life, the big men and women to take the initiative in this essential first aid to good government.

Competent instructors must instill into their flexible minds the new theories of good political ethics; student bodies afford fair fields for putting these theories into practice.

Too long has the average American somewhat cynically acquiesced in the notion that, while

political campaigns are generally run on bunx and illusion and paper promises, nevertheless solid representative citizens are chosen and elected for the responsible task of running the country.

Politics is the means—statesmanship is the end. If the means are debaring, how can we expect the end to be satisfactory?

BITS FOR BREAKFAST

Showers and read rain.

Prune harvest is having a wet finish.

The loganberry will have the

right of way in The Statesman of tomorrow.

Tomorrow will commence another year of slogan campaigns for the basic industries of the Salem district.

Nothing is more perfect than an autumn day in Oregon after the state fair rains.—Eugene Guard.

Lenin in his convalescence is said to be studying with special interest the work of the American relief administration. He will find it eminently worth study and reflection.

No surplus of cars now exists on any of the railroads. Lack of labor, even at high wages, is

already an existing condition in a good many branches of trade, and further wage increases are now predicted."

Attacks on Bismarck by William II led even the monarchist press in Germany to the conclusion that the political difference between them are decidedly in Bismarck's favor.

A conference in December on reparations and debts, with the United States taking part, is now projected. Premier Poincare, it will be recalled, said some time ago that such a conference would not be held until after the American elections.

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