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State Declares an "Extra"

IN the halycon days of prosperity it was not uncommon to pick up a paper and see where one big company after another was declaring an "extra" dividend. Sometimes the distant that they may never be extras were "stock" dividends which were largely paper; but often they were real cash dividends which made the stockholders feel like big butterandegg men and pat themselves well on its course and preventing on the back for their astuteness in "picking a winner". The its wandering into fields entirely extras were cut off long since, and even the regulars have been omitted or pared till they are largely a memory. But now the state of Oregon is declaring an "extra".

Usually the state's dividend is what they say of mining briefly the "prevention of disease" stocks,-an "irish dividend", or an assessment. The state is constantly thinking up fresh ways to levy taxes. This time the split comes the other way and is to be paid in real money.

The occasion is not the prosperity of the state treasury but the operation of "due process of law". In 1929 the legislature enacted an intangibles tax. Under it the state collected 5% on income from interest and dividends. The validity of the law was questioned and the public was assured that if the law were declared unconstitutional the money would be often follows. This is averted by paid back. The law was attacked in court and the state supreme court ruled it unconstitutional. But no state officer had any authority to hand the money back to the taxpayers. So the last legislature passed an act providing for the refund, but authorized appeal from the state decision to the U.S. supreme court for a final decision. This has been attempted and the U. S. court has decided against the state's interest. so now the tax money will be paid back. Interest at 6% will also be paid, dating from Jan. 29, 1931 to the day the list of payees is filed with the secretary of state which will probably be today.

While the individuals will feel elated to get this rebate, and it may be expected there will be many places where this money will promptly be put in circulation again, from the standpoint of state treasury and our taxation system it is diet probably accounts for more regretted that the money could not be retained. The deficit physical handicaps than any other will be increased by the amount paid out, and it will take a sunshine, prenatal care are likemuch longer period for Oregon to get on its feet financially. wise important. In order to even-the Oregon State Agricultural so-The new 1931 act is under attack. The legislature thought it tually bring lasting results great-ciety was made by J. C. Peebles, had made the new enactment proof against successful attack; er emphasis must be placed on the prevention of defects than on but the case is in the courts with no decision yet. It is pro- the correction. More attention foundly to be hoped that the new act will be sustained in must needs be given to preventing principle, because it is a big step towards relieving real dental decay, infantile paralysis roperty from the excessive burdens it has carried in past and syphilis than to treating aching teeth, correcting deformities

War Rumbles in the Far East

ONE reads the news from the far east these days with a physical handicaps and of caring for the sick. There will be for heavy heart. Nations seem to be marshalling forces for years to come a great volume of another war. China delivers an ultimatum to Japan. Air- this work to be done. The major planes of the latter country drop bombs on a Chinese center. attention of public health however Russia is reported as mobilizing troops on the borders of Manchuria. Anti-Japanese riots break out in Canton and he old weapon of the boycott comes into use against Japanese products. Meantime the league of nations and the United States make rather frantic gestures to preserve the peace sential. But this alone is not n the orient without going much farther than to issue apeals to the chief participants in the controversy.

The grounds for the dispute seem too inconsequential as basis for war, unless Japan has made up her mind to make Manchuria Japanese the same as she has made Chosen (Kora). There were the usual small clashes following the murier of a Japanese officer, but Japan acted with thoroughness, seizing control at Mukden, the capital of Manchuria, deposing the Chinese authorities, mobilizing troops at various points in Manchuria, and periodically stafing the Chinese. It is not organized warfare, yet; because the Chinese have not fought back in any organized fashion. The condition is ritical however and the two countries may break off nerotiations and set about fighting.

There would be no question of Japan's military prowess n the event of war. But the Chinese have the effective weapn of the boycott which they have previously used to bring Japan to terms. Japan is so dependent upon commerce with Thina, that she will hesitate long before provoking such a

estly retaliation. All the machinery for preserving peace is present, and all the influence of the non-interested powers will be thrown in the scale against war. It would seem if peace pacts and reaties are to have any value they should prove effective in the present disturbance.

Scientists Gather at Rome

THEN the writer studied chemistry, and that is not such a great while ago, the integrity of the element was the rock on which the science was builded. "Transmutation of elements" was regarded as the alchemist's dream, something resident only in the realm of the imagination. But the last quarter century has made chemists and physicists rub their eyes to see if there be anything of permanence in this old

A group of world-famous scientists are meeting in Rome this week, and Senator Marconi in an introductory address pointed out the revolutionary changes which have come in the modern conception of matter. Instead of the indivisible atom of each of the limited number of elements, all matter has been found to reduce itself down to electrons and protons,-mere charges of positive and negative electricity. Marconi referred to the English scientist Rutherford who has obtained hydrogen from nitrogen, and aluminum; and raises the baffling question: "Who knows whither the future will take us?"

Perhaps physical science, as Dr. Millikan observed recently, has gone about as far as it may for some decades; and perhaps the imperative need now is for the social scienses to develop and catch up with the achievements of the sciences of physics, chemistry and biology. At least the petty problems of getting and keeping, of travel, of what to eat and wear, of politics and rotary clubs and charities sink into Insignificance in comparison with the weighty questions of he composition of matter, of the origin and destiny of the aniverse and the man's place therein which must form the mest and the drink of these scientists who now assemble at Rome. Even a world series or a football "classic" pales in e, though either may bulk larger in the headlines. no indication that the fighting days of the fiery "leatherneck" are over. Snapped in his home at Newton Square, Pa., as he sheaths a sword that has seen decades of valiant service, General Butler, for the first time in 23 years, is enjoying the life of a civilian.

to far as we have learned Salem got through this world series having to roll a pounut down States

Public Health **Objectives**

By YERNON A. DOUGLAS, M.D. Marion County Dept. of Health

Any organization which would

successfully carry on the duties which have been assigned to R must establish somewhere ahead in its program definte objectives toward which

to strive. On these objectives whatever they may be must be based all the olicies, procedures and methods of attacking problems the organization may

Dr. V. A. Douglas see fit to estab-

An army on the march or in battle always has a certain objective which it has set out to reach. Sometimes it succeeds: at other times it fails to reach the point set. But nevertheless it always has an objective. Public health organizations likewise have definite objectives. Some of these are quite easily attainable; others are so far reached. It is, however, the more distant ones which serve as the compass, keeping the organization foreign to its own.

The objectives of public health are not difficult to understand. Stated in general terms they are and the "promotion of health." These are worthy objectives and should receive full community attention. More specifically they may be enumerated as: 1. The complete annihilation of communicable diseases, thus preventing not only unnecessary deaths but also the damage to various structures of the body which education, isolation, immunization as well as control of milk, food and water supplies. Treatment is not included except possibly in those cases which would not otherwise secure adequate care and might therefore become a menace to others.

2. The improvement of living they begin. Numerous scientific investigations have conclusively demonstrated that many of the physical defects of today in children and adults are traceable to faulty health habits. Improper of infantile paralysis or institu-

tionalizing the insane. One would not of course overlook the importance of correcting must be continuously directed to-

ward prevention. How to finally reach the objectives which lie ahead is the problem. Widespread education is escompletely effective. The practice advocated must be easy to do or made very desirable. Individuals being human will follow the line of least resistance. Even the socalled well educated person will often not drink several glasses a day of water unless he may conveniently do so. Milk may not be obtainable for economic reasons. Employment makes it readily available. Finally a certain sirable in protecting the community against contaminated water, milk and food supplies and dangerous communicable diseases. something which individuals alone cannot do. These three made effective through community cooperation spells success,



VICTIMS OF PROHIBITION

HERE'S HOW



Tomorrow: "Teetotalers Have Alcohol in Their Systems!"

BITS for BREAKFAST

The 78th fair, again:

grounds, and that the next one will be the 78th. 5 5

It was shown that the Marion County Agricultural society, the first on the Pacific coast, organized April 6, 1854, that on Oct. 11 of that year held the first fair west of the Rockies, was still in grounds to the Oregon State Agricultural society-and that there was a reservation in the deed giving the Marion County Agri-

The deed of Marion county to Shaw and Wm. M. Case, county Q. Thornton, Chester N. Terry, Samuel E. May, John H. Moores, Thomas Cross, D. C. Stewart and John P. Welch, the board of managers of the Oregon State Agricultural society. The considerawarranty deed. The county had tor had not been invented. paid all the debts of the Marion County Agricultural society.

It is evident that the members been compromised, or there may that "the dairy products must have been payments on some of be manufactured by the persons them that did not appear in the producing them for exhibition, listing. The old records do not and who are the owners of the show; but, any way, the county dairies from which the same are amount of legal authority is de- warranted the property as free made." from incumbrances. If the Marion county taxpayers stood for more than \$1600 in assuring the permanency of annual fairs here,

many times.

ARE HIS FIGHTING DAYS OVER?

Although Major General Smedley D. Butler, renowned Marine Corps veteran who was recently retired upon his own request, is shown put-

ing based mostly upon the fact that the society was still intact in In this column, in the issues of 1863, when the deed was made of the past four hours and tried pipe again. September 27 and of Sunday last, to the county, and in 1864, when to banish for the time from his official proofs were presented the county transferred the prop- mind that anxious problem of showing that the last state fair erty to the Oregon State Agriculwas the 77th held on the same tural society, with the reservation of the use of it by the Marion County Agricultural society when "not required for the use of the Oregon State Agricultural society."

It will be recalled by the reader that the fair held at Oregon City in 1861 was not called the state habits to the end that physical existence on July 7, 1864, when defects may be prevented before Marion county deeded the fair nual fair" of the Oregon State Agricultural society.

The premium list for that fair grounds when not required by the Herefords, Ayrahires, Alderneys manifestly not then in evidence

> running horse. 4 4

Silver medals were offered for plowing matches with oxen, with tion was the holding of its annu- fourth of an acre. Horse and it into the background of his mind Katharine." al fairs on the grounds for 15 mule teams will be allowed two again. years, with a forfeit condition in hours, owen two and a half, in case of failure to do so. It was a which to do the work." The trac-

Prizes were offered for Chinese sugar cane seed, sweet potaof the Marion county court were prize for the best 25 pound exhib- ingly at Bill's head, though it was anxious to make sure the holding it of butter one year old. That always a foregone conclusion that of annual fairs here, on the or- seems rather old for the then ex- Bill would let her have her own iginal grounds. The consideration isting conditions here. A number way. "A caretaker's been livin the deed that the county took of prizes were offered on cheese ing there, so it's not as though from the Marion County Agricul- made on the farm, methods of the house needed airing or warm. tural society, April 1, 1863, was making to be given with the sam-\$1600. But the debts listed as ples. This was intended, no doubt, taken over by the county made a to be educational. Each pioneer larger total than that, on their farmer who had cheese evidently face. Some of them may have made his own. It was provided

A \$10 first and \$8 second prize was provided on the best gallon of sorghum syrup. No other the overplus has been justified, award half that high was offered in the class of domestic manufactures, excepting on brooms. In With all the facts as related in fact, only six other cash prizes of hundred dollars; a \$20 first on the two former articles in this | \$3 and \$2, on lard, soap, can-What health problems nave you! It the above article raises any question in your mind, write that question out and send it either to The Statesman or the Marion county department of health. The answer will appear in this column. Name should be signed, but will not be used in the paper. ent grounds; this assumption be- broom making in the homes of early Orego". One wonders, with what success? Probably not much, in western Oregon, then the only portion of the state much settled.

The father of the Bits man fashioned his own mill from two logs and a sweep to which was hitched a pony, and grew sorg-hum and pressed and rendered from it good syrup less than 10 years later, near Weston, Umatilla county, 20 miles from Pendleton-in plentiful supply for his own family and all his neighbors. The writer has long contended that a sorghum industry might be built up in the Willamette valley: and a broom making industry, too, from home grown raw materials. (Using improved varieties.)

Note especially the candles, oap, glue and starch, made in the homes of early Oregon, No coal oil lamps then, nor much "store" soap, starch or glue. There was a "silver plate" prize for the greatest variety of apples grown by one person, and extra offerings for the same in pears, peaches, plums and nectarines. The ploneers had not learned the futility of many varieties. Now one or two or three good ones are known to be medium ones. better than 100 or more poor or

Of course, there were prizes for equestrianism—for the "most graceful and accomplished lady rider," and gentleman rider; large and small silver medals. But "running will forfeit all elaim to premium," the list read, and "judges are required to ob-serve this rule strictly." . . .

The Czarina's Rubies" By SIDNEY WARWICK

of them then?"

anyone else.

whole mystery?"

"Which pretty certainly looks

Severn they hadn't even an ink-

"And that it was only later

they happened to get wind of

those hidden rubies?" Jim's voice

was suddenly excited, too. "My

hat, I believe you've got it, Bill-

and that I can make a good guess

how they stumbled on that secret!

(To be Continued)

Yesterdays

Town Talks from The States-

man of Earlier Days

October 13, 1906

and northwestern lumber compan-

ies of 54,000 acres of timber

lands are reported from Rose-

around \$650,000 for the several

Two boys who in circuit court

esterday faced charges of house-

breaking, apparently preferred

going to the state penitentiary

real ages, which probably would

Members of the Oregon rifle

and revolver association will

October 18, 1921

high school yesterday chose white

Economy is held to be one reason

An increase of four men in the

police department with a Ford

ment was allowed by the special

budget committee of the city

WASHINGTON-Sweeping de-

nial of charges that the Klu Klux

Klan contains within its ranks a

lawless band of hooded hood-

lums was made before a house

committee today by William J.

Simmons, of Atlanta, its found

New Views

Yesterday Statesman reporters

asked this question: "Would you

favor any reduction of Europe's

war debts to the United States by

our own nation? If so, how great

Clayton Rernhard, newsman: "That is a technical subject; one on which I am not expert; I would

not make a statement regarding

what should be done."

Girls of the senior class at the

range across the river.

council last night.

have resulted in their being re-

tracts.

Deals for the sale to eastern

. . Of Old Salem

Katharine's letter, of course."

"But what letter's that?"

CHAPTER KLII Milly was yawning prodig- and friends so much. lously.

arine's been keeping me com-pany. I made her promise to stay the night here, instead of going to a dull evening all by myself. Milly's week of late hours had known only to himself. Severn well, what exciting news have not robbed him of Katharine's had warned her that so dangerous society, too, as he said goodnight a secret must not had a secret must not had been as he said goodnight a secret must not had been a secret must not had been

"None at all, I'm afraid,' Bill said in his most casual tone. "We saw Sant, but-no, nothing of interest to tell you, Milly. My hat, its good to be back after a long, tiring day."

"No news, Bill-after Katharine and I have been waiting pre-pared to be thrilled?" cried Milly reproachfully.

"Sorry to be such a disap-pointing husband, old thing," Bill said lightly. "But all Jim and I want to do now is to put on our oldest and most comfortable slippers and forget for the time that there is an infernally worrying mystery at Beggar's Court."

They were not going to speak of tonight's attempt on Jim's life -which would only have needlessly alarmed Milly and Katharine, And Bill, knowing how difficult Milly found it to keep a secret, had decided, too, that as yet she must not be told that Sant was a proved traitor.

At Manorways they would necessarily see something of Sant. The latter might already have some inkling of their suspicion of him; but a pretense of good terms must be kept up for the him. You only recognized him by present at least-a pretense that his voice-darned poor evidence would have been difficult for for a jury. And then, too, there's bluntly outspoken Milly.

Jim dropped into a deep easy chair by the fire with a little sigh of content after the long strain

Frank Severn. ment and loveliness . . . a dif-ferent Katherine from that girl of And that but a few nights ago with the tion that Sant had suppressed had manded to the reform school when chance had brought her all the case. Had that letter with

unexpectedly into his life again. Severn's signature, that had tak-Jim Wynter felt he could not be en Jim Wynter down to Beggar's hold a shooting match on Sunday, is interesting. In cattle, awards grateful enough for that gift of Court, been as their anonymous October 28, on the state rifle cultural society the use of the were promised only to Devons, chance; for Katharine's sake, informant asserted a forgery? since she had needed a friend so Disquieting

Just for a moment the intruding thought recurred in his mind got to reconstruct all our ideas. It symbol of their class. The boys Mention is made of "thorough- of those two almost soundless Severa was already in his enemies will wear corduroy trousers. herses." The person who made at Beggar's Court-of how but sent to you, then this conspiracy commissioners. The deed ran to the list did not know that a thor- for a bare margin of inches he against him may date back five W. H. Rector, Simeon Francis, J. oughbred is only a horse; and a would not have been sitting here, weeks—when, as we know now watching the play of firelight that Severn came over to England by found wandering gleams of air, to become suddenly as silent bronze in the dark glory of her as a dead telephone wire. If it was hair, would never have seen her then he fell victim to this treachhorses and with mules. "Quan- again. An ugly intruding memtity of ground for each team, one ory. But impatiently he thrust never kept his promise of seeing

> They were going down to Manorways tomorrow. Milly, always impulsive, had decided on that. She was all eagerness, like a child with a new toy.

"After all, why not tomorrow? toes and peanuts. There was a \$6 She flung the question challenging first. We'll send the two maids over early tomorrow to get everything ready and we'll go down in the evening. You can be ready by then, Katharine? "Oh, yes. I shall love to go tomorrow. And I think it's awfully

good of you to have me. Katharine could not quite keep that little tremor out of her voice. It was so wonderful, had touched her so deeply, all this kindness, these new friendships that had come to her when things had seemed to hopeless and desperate,

made up a total of only a few "thoroughbred" and on "roadster" stallion being the highest of all. But there were many large and small silver medals, cups and denly: diplomas effered.

(There is something more to add later about old time fairs.) | their object? Those jewels hidden

when she had needed kindness at Monksliver? But could Sant and friends so much. and the others have even known

"Oh, rats," said Milly, "Jimmy "Here you are at last — I shall drive you over to your flat had come out at the time of Fedthought you were never coming," after breakfast tomorrow for you had come out at the time of Fedto do your packing. Well, I've eroff's murder. In his letter from been suppressing yawns for the abroad, which had brought Kath-last hour after a week of late arine her first intimation that the nights. Coming, Katharine?" Czarina Rubies were now in a

Jim could have wished that safe hiding place at Monksliver to them in the half.

From the foot of the stairs his eyes followed the slim, graceful as if he had kept even Sant in the figure as Katharine went up with dark-and as though when they Milly to her room. At the bend planned this conspiracy against of the winding stairs she turned to fling a smiling backward ling about those rubies. Jim, glance at him before passing out what if there was something bigof sight; and Jim went back to ger, more urgent even than these where Bill was sitting staring jewels behind this conspiracy," thoughtfully into the fire, with a pipe between his teeth that refuser; "something else altogether that as yet we don't even remoteed to keep alight.

Bill looked up as he dropped ly guess, but that's the key to the into the chair opposite.

"This damned worrying problem we're up against, Jim-I told myself I wouldn't think of it any more tonight, but I can't help thinking of it," he said with a frown. "We know pretty certainly now that Sant, Martell, Martin and Frome are behind this plot against Severn-with Ilsham a doubtful quantity so far. But have we an atom of legal evidence that would warrant the police ar

resting any one of 'em?"
"What about Frome? I'll swear he's the man I saw-or rather didn't see at Monksilver."

"That's just it. You didn't see only your word for it that Creyke was murdered. The actual proof, the dead man himself-where?" Bill Grayson paused and lit his

"And suppose we could have mind that anxious problem of Frome arrested. His arrest would burg. The companies are paying only alarm the big fish, give 'em The long low room was lighted time to swim out of the net—and only by one shaded lamp and the it would probably seal Severn's glow of the wood fire on the fate. If his captors got panicky, hearth, that left the remoter they might feel that Severn was spaces half in shadow. The re- more dangerous alive than dead flection of the dancing flames . . . men to whom murder comes touched Katharine's face, throw- merely as an item in the day's instead of to the state reform ing up to Jim's eyes its allure work. A damned worrying prob- school. They refused to state their

And that unsigned communica-"I admit it never crossed my Jim said. "But if it's a forgery

"If a forgery, why then we've middy blouses to be worn as a ts in the dark of the grounds power as the time that letter was patrol car as additional equipery, it would explain why Severn

Jim nodded thoughtfully at the "And that would mean when Sant and I went to Beggar's Court that night, to find that S. O. S. on the mirror and no Frank there Sant must have er and imperial wizard. savvied all the time what we should find at our journey's end; that it had all been stage-managed for my benefit. But why?" The thing was helplessly be-

"If Frank Severn was already their prisoner, what had Martell & Co. to gain by advertising this pretended kidnaping, when things were going all their own way, no suspicion aroused by Frank's supposed absence abroad? Instead of letting sleeping dogs lie, they seemingly go out of their way to stir Severn's friends and the police into bubbling activity. Where was the point of that? Seems so damn silly," Jim said irritably. Bill Grayson gave a shrug.

"Well they're not exactly fools, you know! You've still got that letter, I suppose? We've got to find out whether it's a forgery or

Katharine knows his handwriting. I'll get her opinion." . Jim Wynter paused. Then sud

"Suppose that Frank fell into those treacherous hands five weeks ago-what could have been

Carey F. Martin,

a reduction?"

attorney: "I'm not in favor of reducing or extinguishing them. I think a kind of moratorium would be better. There may be a time when we will have to make concessions but don't think that is yet."

Alvin H. Madsen, dairyman and "I don't know that I

Magda Hoff, business won Yes, in my opinion if we can possibly afford it we should assist England a little more in view of the tremendous sacrifices made in comparison to us during the world war. That's a personal opinion based on months of service in England during the war. It seems that upon the economic conditions of England depend much of the soundness of the whole European economic situation. If we can help her weather the storm we will be helping all of them."

Daily I hought

"There are two kinds of discontent in this world: the discontent that works, and the discontent that wrings its hands. The first gets what it wants; and the second loses what it has. There's no cure for the first but success; and there's no cure at all for the sec-ond.—Gordon Graham.

Mrs. George Mason Is Chosen President Of Methodist Aid

JEFFERSON, Oct. 11. — At a cent meeting of the Ladies' Aid lety of the Methodist Episcopal church, held at the home of Mrs. George C. Mason, the following of-ficers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. George C. Mason; vice-president, Mrs. G. Fontaine; secretary, Mrs. R. C. Thomas; treasurer, Mrs. C.

Plans were also completed for the birthday dinner and Mms. Lydia Lindgren (right), Swedish diva. are the principals in a \$500,000 breach of contract suit brought by the former "Swedish Nightingalo" against the wealthy grand opera "angel." Madame claims that Kahn blighted her operatic career by over-zealousness and an hy his failure to have her included in the Metropolitan Opera cast. held at the home of Mrs. Elmer Beach Friday, October 16. Charge for the dinner will be in accord-ance to the age of each person, a



MILLIONS, ART IN COURT WAR