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State Declares an "Extra"

IN the halcyon 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.

Usually the state's dividend is what they say of mining stocks,—"an Irish dividend", or an assessment. The state is constantly thinking up fresh ways to levy taxes.

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.

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 regretted that the money could not be retained.

One would not of course overlook the importance of correcting physical handicaps and of caring for the sick. There will be for years to come a great volume of this work to be done.

War Rumbles in the Far East

ONE reads the news from the far east these days with a heavy heart. Nations seem to be marshalling forces for another war. China delivers an ultimatum to Japan.

The grounds for the dispute seem too inconsequential as a basis for war, unless Japan has made up her mind to make Manchuria Japanese the same as she has made Chosen (Korea).

There would be no question of Japan's military prowess in the event of war. But the Chinese have the effective weapon of the boycott which they have previously used to bring Japan to terms.

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.

Scientists Gather at Rome

WHEN 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.

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.

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 sciences to develop and catch up with the achievements of the sciences of physics, chemistry and biology.

So far as we have learned Salem got through this world series without anyone having to roll a peanut down State street.

Public Health Objectives

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

Any organization which would successfully carry out the duties which have been assigned to it must establish somewhere in its program definite objectives toward which to strive.

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.

The objectives of public health are not difficult to understand. Stated in general terms they are briefly the "prevention of disease" and the "promotion of health."

The improvement of living habits to the end that physical defects may be prevented before 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.

How to finally reach the objectives which lie ahead is the problem. Widespread education is essential. But this alone is not completely effective. The practice advocated must be easy to do or made very desirable.

What health problems have you? If 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 publication.

HERE'S HOW By EDSON



U. S. Army Soldiers now are Trained to Keep Both Eyes Open When Firing Guns. One Eye is Supposed to Observe the Movement of the Enemy.

CATS BECOME TIPSY EACH DAY ON BOOT-LEG LIQUOR GIVEN THEM BY UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON PHYSICIANS, STUDYING THE HARMFUL EFFECTS OF VARIOUS OUT-LAWED DRINKS.

Tomorrow: "Teetotalers Have Alcohol in Their Systems!"

BITS for BREAKFAST By R. J. HENDRICKS

The 78th fair, again: In this column, in the issues of September 27 and of Sunday last, official reports were presented showing that the last state fair was the 77th held on the same grounds, and that the next one will be the 78th.

It will be recalled by the reader that the fair held at Oregon City in 1861 was not called the state fair, it was merely the "first annual fair" of the Oregon State Agricultural society.

Prizes were offered for Chinese sugar cane seed, sweet potato seed, and corn. There was a \$5 prize for the best 25 pound exhibit of butter one year old.

With all the facts as related in the two former articles in this series, the writer assumes that there was no hiatus in the holding of the annual fair of the Marion County Agricultural society in 1861, on the original and present grounds; this assumption being based on the fact that the fair was held on the same grounds in 1861, and that the fair was held on the same grounds in 1861.

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 putting away his uniform, cap and sword with a touch of regret, there is 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 33 years, is enjoying the life of a civilian.

"The Czarina's Rubies" By SIDNEY WARWICK

CHAPTER XLII Milly was yawning prodigiously. "Here you are at last — I thought you were never coming," she cried. "Like an angel Katharine's been keeping me company. I made her promise to stay the night here, instead of going back to her first leaving me to a dull evening all by myself. Well, what exciting news have you brought back, Bill?"

"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 prepared to be thrilled?" cried Milly reproachfully. "Sorry to be such a disappointing 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."

"That's just it. You didn't see him. You only recognized him by his voice—darned poor evidence for a jury. And then, too, there's only your word for it that Croyce was murdered. The actual proof, the dead man himself—where's that?"

"If a forgery, why then we've got to reconstruct all our ideas. If Severn was already in his enemies' power as the time that letter was sent to you, then this conspiracy against him may date back five weeks—when, as we know now, Severn came over to England by air, to become suddenly as silent as a dead telephone wire."

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 second.—Gordon Graham.

Yesterdays . . . Of Old Salem

October 13, 1906 Deals for the sale to eastern and northwestern lumber companies of 54,000 acres of timber lands are reported from Roseburg. The companies are paying around \$50,000 for the several tracts.

October 13, 1921 Girls of the senior class at the high school yesterday chose white middie blouses to be worn as a symbol of their class. The boys will wear corduroy trousers. Economy is held to be one reason for the girls' selection.

WASHINGTON—Sweeping denial of charges that the Klu Klux Klan contains within its ranks a swiftness hand of hooded hoodlums was made before a house committee today by William J. Simmons, of Atlanta, its founder and imperial wizard.

Clayton Bernhard, newsmen: "That is a technical subject; one on which I am not expert; I would not make a statement regarding what should be done."

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

Mrs. George Mason Is Chosen President Of Methodist Aid JEFFERSON, Oct. 11.—At a recent meeting of the Ladies Aid society of the Methodist Episcopal church, held at the home of Mrs. George C. Mason, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. George C. Mason; vice-president, Mrs. J. C. Fontaine; secretary, Mrs. J. C. Thomas; treasurer, Mrs. C. M. Smith.

MILLIONS, ART IN COURT WAR



Otto H. Kahn (left), millionaire New York banker and art patron, and Mme. Lydia Lindgren (right), Swedish diva, are the principals in a \$500,000 breach of contract suit brought by the former "Swedish Nightingale" against the wealthy grand opera "angel." Madame claims that Kahn lightheadedly over-zealously and by his failure to have her included in the Metropolitan Opera cast.