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BOURNE'S SOLUTION OF THE ROAD PROBLEM

EX-SENATOR Jonathan Bourne would appear to have satisfactorily solved the problem of providing adequate funds for the construction of better highways. As chairman of the joint committee on federal aid in the construction of post roads, Mr. Bourne proposes:

That, inasmuch as ordinary road revenues fall far below the amount required to build and maintain good roads, and that additional funds may only be secured by liens upon the property benefitted or by the sale of bonds, the latter suggests itself as the most equitable and satisfactory, providing the rate of interest be placed at the minimum.

That, for this purpose, federal bonds bearing three per cent be sold to create the fund necessary. That the proceeds of such sales be loaned to the states upon application, guaranteed by the security of state bonds bearing four per cent.

The small but vital difference of one per cent in the interest rates of federal and state bonds would automatically create a sinking fund that, with compound interest thereon at three per cent, would effectually cancel the face of the bonds in less than fifty years.

This is the Bourne plan. From any angle of view it appears to merit adoption. It would relieve the constant stress of striving toward proper highways without proper means, it would obviate the constant turmoil of agitation that accomplishes little while aspiring greatly. But best of all, it would place the responsibility of highway maintenance primarily with the state—where it properly belongs—that each community might receive its proportion of needed improvement without miring in the swamp of local bonded indebtedness. And the burden would be equally borne, as it should be.

Mr. Bourne points out the fact that he is in nowise the originator of the method; that it has been successfully employed in Great Britain for the financing of Irish tenantry desiring to purchase land under the Irish land purchase act of 1903, at an extremely low rate of interest. "In effect," adds Mr. Bourne, "the difference between the two rates of interest pays the principal".

BETTER LATE THAN NEVER

THE commander-in-chief of the United Confederate Veterans, General Bennett H. Young, in an address delivered at the Gettysburg reunion, voiced a plea for justice that has long laid dormant in the Northern breast—a plea for the equal recognition of the gallant old fellows who fought beneath the Star and Bars, by the government of a reunited people.

No more lasting illustration of "Woe to the vanquished" is afforded in history than the constant contribution of the southern veteran to the support of soldiers' homes which he may never occupy, of tribute to a pension fund which he may never enjoy. For the boys who went back to the charred and dismantled Southland find no recognition on the pension rolls or in the federal homes for heroes. These, according to the stern precept of a day when bitterness still rankled, are for the boys in blue alone.

Regardless of the vast injustice inflicted by taxation without benefit, it must be remembered that the lads who followed "Dixie" into battle offered their lives to an ideal as actual, to a purpose as high and holy in their estimation, as that which actuated the striplings of the North.

If the Union is a union indeed, it should render the meed of justice that devotion and sacrifice deserve—before the last of the gallant Confed's answers the roll call beyond the reach of more substantial appreciation than empty platitudes at Gettysburg.

The stockholders of the Rogue River Valley Fruit and Produce Association voted unanimously at a meeting held in Medford to issue \$40,000 in bonds for the erection of a storage and pre-cooling plant.

In the interests of the farmers of the state, the Pendleton commercial club and the Inland Grain Growers' association sent telegrams to the members of the Oregon congressional delegation protesting against the placing of a 15 per cent duty on grain bags.

James Vittitoe, who left Eugene several weeks ago, leaving over \$1000 in bad bills, was arrested at Missoula, Mont., and was recently brought back for trial on a charge of larceny by baillee, was acquitted by a jury in the circuit court.

The Lebanon creamery has been awarded the contract by the state board of control for supplying the state institutions with butter during the month of July. The contract price is 28 cents for cubes and 29 cents for pucks. About 3000 pounds will be supplied during the month.

According to the traffic manager of the O-W. R. & N. Co., several thousand acres of field corn will be grown in Oregon this summer. The company distributed 10,000 pounds of seed corn, and this was all planted by the farmers, together with much other seed.

Regardless of the fact that the pure seed law enacted by the last legislature says in section 16 that the law is to apply only to those dealers and warehousemen whose principal business is handling seeds, the attorney general has rendered an opinion that the law will apply to all dealers in agricultural seeds in the state.

Establishing a chair of political science, the university of Oregon board of regents took the first step in creating a preparatory law school at the university in Eugene. Hereafter university students may leave Eugene with one year's accredited law, which will permit them to enter the university law school in Portland or any first-class college as advance students.

Overdrafts (Secured & Unsecured)

B. H. L.

Tickets, Please!

It was the Fool who sallied forth when Life was young and fair, his eye was lit with tenderness, he drank the golden air; the road ran light beneath his feet, each hedge was gay with bloom, he courted to the passing fair but gave the aged room. O life was young and odorous and every hour was fleet—yet he bent down to stroke the ear that whimpered in the street. I do not know what folly lit the light within his eye, that flashed and gleamed as fleeces flit across the summer sky; for folly 'twas, indeed, that bade the youthful Fool to seek the comfort of the comfortless, the friendship of the weak.

"Sir Fool", they said, "the idle dreams that charm the youthful mind, however worthy they may seem, are ever blindly kind; the weak who run the race of Life must falter by the road, and he is thrice a fool who stoops to bear his brother's load. It is the Law that they who err and cast the goal away, though smitten sore as Lazarus, must by the wayside stay; the Christ we slew on Calvary is slain those thousand years—the debt you seek to pay He paid—in travail and in tears. 'Tis well to soothe the comfortless, but paupers do not pay; the wisest give their charity and haste along the way."

It was the Fool, who loved the world and all the folk therein, who passed in pleasant poverty beyond the vale of sin; the rime was on his kindly pate above the kindly eyes, the hand was tremulous with years that knocked at Paradise. 'Twas Peter through the wicket spake, "Are ye among the blest?" "Nay, I am but a weary fool, unworthy here to rest; no granite marks the friendly plot my neighbors delved for me, I bring no tale of largess large or princely charity." "Ah," quoth the Saint, "we do not weigh in gross the deeds men do—old father, enter here in peace; the friendless prayed for you!"

Near Neighbors

Riverside.

Mrs. H. B. Nye is spending the week with her relatives in Medford.

Mr. and Mrs. Driscoll of Medford made a week end visit with Mr. and Mrs. Wahl.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Champlin were in Medford on business the latter part of the week.

Mrs. Frank Elliott who spent several days at the W. A. Elliott home returned to Medford Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wake were down from Medford all last week to spend their vacation on their ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Early, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Alden, Misses Anna McKeown and Lois Early spent a very pleasant day at Ray Gold Sunday.

Prof. and Mrs. Reddy and son arrived from Eugene Saturday to spend the summer on their ranch. Mr. Reddy is one of the Faculty of the State University.

Miss Valdece Dorsey, of Council Bluffs, Iowa, arrived Wednesday for an extended visit at the Rozalis Ranch. Miss Dorsey owns a tract of land on Riverside which is set to fruit and will eventually make her home here.

BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

To foster horse racing and the development of good horses, the Lone Oak Driving Club of Oregon has been organized at Salem.

Citizens and members of the Roseburg school board are formulating plans whereby manual training may be added to the school courses.

The South Umpqua river is higher than it was during the flood last January, and the highest ever known in June.

In a fit of anger at Corvallis, Mrs. E. S. Tunell shot her husband and daughter and then turned the gun on herself. She is dead, but her victims may recover.

All the logging camps in the lower Columbia river district are now closed for the midsummer shut-down. Some of the larger camps will not start up until about August 1.

"Astoria, the town to tie to," that is the slogan which has been selected by the special committee appointed to select one to be used in advertising Astoria.

George Frye Herbert, son of Deputy Sheriff and Mrs. George A. Herbert, of Baker, has been appointed to the United States military academy at West Point, by Congressman N. J. Sinnott.

At a meeting of the Willamette Valley Prunegrowers' association it was decided not to form a pool for this season in securing prices for the crop, as has been done heretofore.

"Glass Eye," the chief mourner of the Klamath Indians, is dead. For more than a half century the squaw attended every Indian burial on the Klamath reservation.

A FEW REMINDERS:

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of Interior, U. S. Land Office at Roseburg, Or., June 5th, 1913.
NOTICE is hereby given that George R. Briggs, of Gold Hill, Oregon, who, on June 1, 1910, made Homestead Entry Serial, No. 06301, for S½ SW¼, Section 20, Township 35 S., Range 3 W. Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Three year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before G. A. Gardner, County Clerk Jackson county, Oregon, at Jacksonville, Oregon, on the 25 day of July 1913.

Claimant names as witnesses: Ike Coy, of Gold Hill, Or., F. M. Powers, of Gold Hill, Or., T. W. Ray, of Gold Hill, Or., G. W. Garrison, Gold Hill, Oregon.

—B. F. JONES
Register.

FOR SALE—New Alfalfa Hay

Of the best quality. \$9. per ton in the field, or \$10. delivered in Gold Hill.

—Sleepy Hollow Farm

O. I. Gregg, Mgr.

Suffragists Avoid Violence Question. Budapest.—Thanks to the tactful leadership of Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, the president, the Congress of the International Woman Suffrage Alliance closed without becoming entangled in a controversy over the question of militant methods in the advancement of the cause.

D. H. MILLER

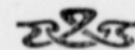
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