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WHY THE MUD SQUAD IS SO VICIOUS

SENATOR CHAMBERLAIN'S statement regarding the school fund loan made to Walter M. Pierce in 1903 shows the absurdity of the Portland mud squad's efforts to slander the good name of Mr. Pierce. The loan to Mr. Pierce in 1903 was perfectly regular, according to Mr. Chamberlain, who was then governor. The loan was granted by a state board on which there were two republicans and one democrat. The loan was repaid with interest and the state benefited by making that loan because it received six per cent whereas otherwise the money would have been unused.

The problem before the state board was how to keep the school fund working so as to get the maximum amount of interest allowed by law. It was good business to make a loan to a responsible Eastern Oregon farmer who offered ample security and who subsequently proved the soundness of the loan by repaying it and making prompt interest payments. It was better for the state to use its money in that manner as called for by law than to have the state treasurer keep the fund in some pet bank receiving in return a personal reward as was done in Oregon years ago.

If it is a crime for an Eastern Oregon farmer to borrow money on his land there are few farmers in this region who are innocent. Without borrowed money the farming business could not be carried on with success. Nor is there anything hazardous about loaning money with good wheat land as security. Possibly Mr. Pierce's critics think the school fund loans should be made only to hop growers and loganberry farmers, but if so they know little about loan values.

The methods used by the mud squad in trying to defeat Mr. Pierce should be sufficient in themselves to insure his election. After commenting on the facts as to the Pierce loan in 1903 and Senator Chamberlain's statement relating thereto the Oregon Journal offers this pungent observation today:

Yet, 19 years after, we have just had the miserable spectacle of this perfectly proper transaction dragged out in an attempt to blacken the name of a good citizen because he is making a state-wide struggle to secure reduction of taxes. We had front pages of Portland newspapers smeared over with face smiler signatures. We had huge headlines falsely alleging that a fraud had been discovered. We had insinuation, innuendo and other rotten bunk.

We had solemn questions proposed in Mr. Pierce. We saw journalism, which ought to be honest, dragged in the sewage and mire of misrepresentation. We saw newspapers as scavengers, smeared with offal and reeking with slime, and what for? Merely to beat Pierce because he has become a state-wide leader for the thousands of taxpayers in this state who are banded together in a movement to secure some relief from outrageous taxes.

That is a correct analysis of the motive back of the mud casting attack upon Walter Pierce. Mr. Pierce is assailed because he offers a practical and workable plan for equalizing the tax burden so that the farmer and the home owner may have relief. The mud squad speaks for those who don't want tax equalization. Portland's millionaire timbermen and others of that coterie are perfectly willing to have the farmer and home owner pull the load indefinitely. That is why they ask "What can be done, where will Pierce cut taxes?" They try to create the impression that the task is hopeless and that Mr. Pierce as governor could do nothing to help the situation. But in their hearts they know better. They know that the problem can be solved as has been done in other states along the lines suggested by Mr. Pierce and that his election will be a mandate from the people for tax equalization. That is why they are fighting Mr. Pierce so viciously, it is why they are lampooning him with cartoons, it is why they raised their \$25,000 slush fund to "fight Pierce."

Inadvertently the mud squad is paying Walter Pierce a splendid compliment and their motive when once understood will make his election certain.

MAKE IT A REGULAR THING

THE attendance at the Oregon-Whitman football game yesterday proves that this place is one of the northwest's big football centers and should assure one or more big conference games each year. We have an ideal football field and seating accommodations for a crowd of 25,000 people. It will be profitable for the colleges to stage a game here each year and likewise a source of enjoyment to local people. Because of our geographical position this is the logical battlefield for either the O. A. C. or University of Oregon teams against Whitman, Idaho and Washington State College.

Let's have a big game or two of them each year.

Portland is escorting members of the I. W. W. to the city limits and telling them to move on; why not care for them there, why shift the burden to other places?

It was a great day, an interesting game and a money making crowd.

SWISS FARMERS TO COME TO AMERICA

DENVER, Oct. 21.—From the peaceful valleys and slopes of the Swiss Alps to the rugged hills of the Colorado Rockies will be the transition of several hundred Swiss farmers, if plans under way here mature.

Negotiations for securing thousands of acres of farm land in Moffat and Routt counties, Colorado, are being conducted by representatives of young Swiss farmers who desire to emigrate to the United States and take up the manufacture of cheese and butter in the Western mountain country.

The plan is expected to result in the colonization of much land not only in Colorado, but also in the valley and mountain sides of Utah and Wyoming.

With the opening of the Moffat Tunnel, which will afford transportation facilities to thousands of square miles of rich farm land on Colorado's western slope, it is expected the colonization movement of the Swiss farmers will result in rapid and intensive cultivation of great areas of farm land.

SAP AND SALT

BY Bert Moses

Sap and Salt—The Good, the Bad, the Ugly.

Silence often tells more than a long explanation.

Your own freedom can be increased by letting others have more, too.

When you come to meet great men, you are astounded to see how ordinary they are.

It is almost a sure sign, when a man stops working, that he is about to stop living.

If you can't cooperate with the house that hires you, throw up your job and go where you can.

Knowledge may not be so essential after all, for so many get along without it.

Hez Heck Says:

"Some parents thrust marriage upon their daughters, while others let 'em make their own mistakes."

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TOM SIMS SAYS

People will put up with a bad egg until he is broke.

It isn't the baby's crying at night. It is the upkeep.

Lots of people go around hunting temptations to avoid.

In these days of divorce, you never know a movie actress' last name until she dies.

Rumor says Babe Ruth will be sold. It will take a good salesman.

What is harder than borrowing money the day before payday?

Steinmetz says four hours is a day's work. The boss says it is hard to get a man to work that long.

These hints on how to cook something should tell how to get it.

Astronomer says he can see crops growing on the moon. They don't grow that fast here.

One beauty secret is: frowns are wrinkles.

Houses are not as scarce as they were, but the rent is.

One man tells us he stays away from church because he was married in a church.

REALTY TRANSFERS

E. P. H. West to Pauline West, \$1, NW, 1-4 SW, 1-4 Sec. 8, Tp. 1, S. R. 35.

E. M. Mortimore to Samuel Snively, \$1000, lot 4, blk. 2, in J. H. Koontz's add. Echo.

Marion H. Watson exr. to G. B. Weis, \$2500, metc and bound tract in Sec. 22, Tp. 6, N. R. 35.

Fred Casteel to W. H. Seroggin, \$1, lots 3 and 4, Sec. 2 and lots 1 and 2, Sec. 3, Tp. 5, S. R. 32.

Dorsey P. Hays to B. P. Gill, \$1, SW, 1-4 Sec. 22, Tp. 1, S. R. 31.

28 YEARS AGO

(From the Daily East Oregonian, October 21, 1924.)

Lon Cleaver arrived this morning from Portland, to visit his brothers here.

J. M. P. Snyder and family have moved from their reservation ranch to Walla Walla.

Rev. J. C. Douglas will leave from Portland to attend the Baptist State Association.

Chas. Cole, bridge carpenter came over from La Grande last evening to visit his family.

Jacob Betz, Walla Walla councilman is here from the Garden City.

Miss Elsie Allen a niece of Mrs. E. F. Settlemer, arrived today from Salem and will visit her aunt during the winter.

George Snell, brother-in-law of Judge Joe Parke, is here from Walla Walla.

During the performance at Fletchers New LaDow Opera house last night an enthusiastic gentleman in the audience became enthused over an especially good number by the piano player of the company and sent up a \$20 gold piece by an usher. "The piano player, evidently not being used to Western ways or else thought the gold piece a "good for one drink" piece knocked it off on the floor. It was then returned by the usher to the liberal admirer who dropped it into his pocket where it landed with a dull thud as though insulted at being thus spurned by the theatrical man.

J. W. Nolf and P. H. Drake, two enterprising Pendleton boys have taken the agency for the Portland Daily Sun.

Tom Goracke, who lives west of Harrisburg, sold his hops at 10 cents a pound and says even at that low figure they netted him more than any other crop he could have raised.

ROY W. RITNER

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE for STATE SENATOR

(No Democratic Opposition)

Has lived in Umatilla county over forty years, is a farmer and a heavy taxpayer. In 1921, as president of the senate, saved Umatilla county from being taxed \$150,000 for Portland's fair. Vote for a man who has done, can do and will continue doing things for your county.

(Paid Adv.)

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A FINIS FOX PRODUCTION

Man's Law and God's

featuring JACK LIVINGSTON and ETHEL SHANNON

Written and Directed by Finis Fox A Romance of the Canadian Northwest and of a Mail Courtship by Proxy.

ROLIN COMEDY NEWS WEEKLY

China Pheasant Season Now Open

ARE YOU PREPARED FOR IT?

The greatest sport of all is hunting China Pheasants. There's lots of them this year. All you need is a good gun and a good shell—we sell both.

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