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Rippling Rhymes

By Walt Mason.

GREAT TIMES

There's nothing too rich for our blood; we blow with a rickety wind, the glittering bones we earned...

DRIVE FOR SCOUT FUNDS OPENED; \$5000 IS SOUGHT

At nine o'clock Monday morning the kickoff in the campaign to be conducted this week to raise the budget for boy scout activities in Salem was made.

The date of the boy scout movement in Salem hinges on the outcome of this drive for \$5000, according to members of the scout council.

Importance of Move Explained "It must be impressed upon the people of Salem," he declared, "that they are not doing a charitable act when they aid the boy scout movement, but that they are buying patriotism."

"What we do us toward the promotion of scouting we shall find later will be a direct blow to bolshevism."

The scout week opened in all parts of the United States Sunday with the creed of the movement being sounded from pulpits everywhere.

Unless the \$5000 is raised by the collectors now at work members of the various scout troops in the city will be directed to a house to house campaign, it was said.

Abe Martin



No matter how rich you are you can't look stylish unless it's in you. Have you noticed that about all the polite people you meet any more are foreigners?

DOUBLING THE TAXES.

IF THE people vote favorably at the May election upon all the referendum measures submitted by the legislature, state taxes, already high, will be doubled next year.

The state tax levy made last December totalled \$4,391,208. With the approval of the bills pending, the next levy will be for \$10,000,000.

A large percentage of the increased taxation will be permanent, as the millage bills submitted provide for annual levies. In addition, the proposed increase in the bonding limit from two percent to four percent for building highways, opens the door for another 20 millions of road expenditures by bonds.

The millage bill provides for an annual increase of \$679,155 for the Oregon Agricultural College, \$509,366 for the University of Oregon and \$59,426 for the Mouth Normal. As the levy already has been made for this year, it is provided that these amounts, totalling \$1,247,947 shall be appropriated directly from the funds this year, and as no funds are available, the levy must be doubled next year to provide the money.

There is also a millage bill calling for a levy of two mills for the support of the common schools of the state, which will produce nearly two million dollars. Another measure calls for a levy of two tenths of a mill for educational aid to returned service men, producing nearly \$200,000. These measures, like the higher educational bill, are also retroactive, and mean double taxation next year.

Another measure calls for a millage tax for an institution for the blind, which would, however, not be effective until next year, when it must be added to the regular expenses of the state, which this year totalled \$4,391,208.

Last December's levy was 3.23 mills. Last June 1.2 mills was voted by the people for war purposes, and the special session proposals add 3.57 mills more, making the state tax of 8 mills.

In making the millage bills retroactive, and thereby throwing the burden of two years taxation into next year, the sponsors for the measures over-reached themselves and have gone a long way to insure their defeat, despite their individual merits. Faced by double taxation, there will be a popular tendency to vote "no" upon the entire program.

HOOVER ON PARTIES.

I HAVE not sought, and am not seeking the presidency. I am not a candidate. I have no organization. No one is authorized to speak for me politically," states Herbert Hoover.

That is one of the reasons that Mr. Hoover is desirable as a candidate. He is not chasing the job.

Mr. Hoover declines to commit himself to either party until he knows what the party stands for. He refuses to commit himself blindfolded—as politicians do who place party above principle.

On one subject, however, Mr. Hoover is definite, and that is, the League of Nations. "If the treaty goes over to the presidential election (with any reservations necessary to clarify the world mind that there can be no infringement on the safeguards provided by our constitution and our nation-old traditions) then I must vote for the party that stands for the League," he states.

Mr. Hoover also makes it clear that he is opposed to the reactionary program and proposed legislation against sedition which nullifies bill of rights. He declares that he could not vote for a party if it was dominated by groups seeking to set aside constitutional guarantees for free speech or free representation, who hope "to re-establish control of the government for profit and privilege" and that he is equally opposed to any form of socialism, "whether it be nationalization of industry or other destruction of individual initiative."

Mr. Hoover, who left the Republican party to follow Roosevelt into the Progressive, is evidently convinced, as Roosevelt afterward became convinced, that there should not be more than two great political parties. Otherwise, he fears, that "combination of groups, could, as in Europe, create a danger of minority rule." Nor should any one man or group of men dictate the policies of great parties.

Mr. Hoover hopes for a realignment of the old parties under new issues—each taking a positive stand on the many problems confronting the nation, and selecting men whose "character and association will guarantee their pledges."

In other words, Mr. Hoover stands for the best American traditions—for the democracy that has made America a great nation and the extension of those ideals to the world.

LOVE and MARRIED LIFE by the noted author Idaho McGlone Gibson

What a Man Never Knows "I brought myself back quickly from my retrospection, but not quick enough for John not to notice my silence. "What are you thinking about?" he asked impatiently. "Your last remark," I answered with a somewhat wry smile. "It does not seem possible to me that you, an astute business man, who in your daily routine of 'putting over,' as you call it, advertising contracts, you who project your thoughts into the other man's mind in such a way that you make him think they are his own, can not recognize this mode of procedure when a woman practices it on you."

SLEEPY-TIME TALES THE TALE OF JOLLY ROBIN By ARTHUR SCOTT BAILEY

JOLLY IS LEFT BEHIND All of Jolly Robin's friends and relations were greatly surprised when they



"Then I shall have to try, after all," said Jolly Robin. He saw him bidding his wife and children good-by, on the day the Robin family

wanted any more when all your bills are paid. "The discussion is finished," I said wearily.

Arrangements For Shrine Club Ball Are Perfected

All arrangements have been perfected for the big formal ball to be given by the Arabian Knights Shrine club, Thursday evening, February 12. All Shriners who plan attending should secure their tickets by Wednesday evening from the committee.

Salem Men In Orchards Development Enterprise

J. J. Nunn and S. D. Nunn, of Salem, and H. M. Durland, of La Grande, are incorporators of the Grand Ronde Fruit company, capitalized at \$50,000. According to information from local sources Saturday the new company represents the reorganization of large orchard projects financed in Utah.

Ten Percent of Flu Cases In Budapest End Fatally

Budapest, Feb. 9.—Eight hundred new cases of influenza are reported daily and statistics would indicate that the malady is fatal to ten per cent of those stricken. Alexandria, Feb. 9.—Warm greetings were extended former Premier Clemenceau of France by representatives of the authorities upon his landing here yesterday. During a walk about the city he was given many hearty welcomes by the people.

***** WANTED—A HORSE FOR HOOVER With American Fust and World Pull ***** To give in exchange, I have: One team, consisting of one jackass 116 years old with revolutionary pedigree and reactionary performance, and one elephant \$4. of pure African origin and jingo habits. Both hard to wear; will work single or plural if permitted to suck all the time. Used for hauling trusts, tariffs, strikes, lockouts, injunctions, et al. Were overloaded with the h. c. l. and balk at leagues, treaties and price fixing. Several old platforms, planks interchangeable, good as new, used only for campaign purposes. Job list of political machines, steam rollers; bosses go, too. One deflated gold standard financial with plenty of gold that don't go. Batch of fussy statesmen, both supervivous and bolshevikous. No good for countries either with or without law. Slaters of old dinner pails, honest dollars, 18 to 18, square deans, bloody shirts, he kept us out of war, super per cent Americans, etc. Been used for hood winks. All goes as junk. My kingdom for a Horse for Hoover, reined with THE GOLD-RULE. (Verbal Cartoon) American Voter *****



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