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CAN YOU HEAT IT?

Initiating freak laws for the people to vote on is a popular pastime in Oregon and a prize is now proposed by asking the voters to amend the constitution and reduce the legal rate of interest to 4 per cent on open accounts and 5 per cent on contract obligations.

Homebuilders, merchants and industries would be absolutely cut off from borrowing money for who would loan on private account with attendant risks when they could buy government bonds, municipal and state bonds or sound corporation and foreign bonds netting much higher rate of interest and many of them tax free?

WOULD YOU?

The champion freak bill proposed in Oregon is the one fixing legal rate of interest at 4 per cent and 5 per cent.

We might just as well pass a measure fixing the legal price of wheat at 50 cents, hogs, 8 cents and wool 15 cents. The only effect would be that wheat, hogs and wool would be shipped outside the state where world prices prevailed.

POLITICAL BANKING

Banking is a business where facts and figures should govern instead of politics and personal ambition.

The facts and figures remain, however, that a little bank dominated by a political organization had loaned the activities of that organization three quarters of a million dollars.

GETS BIG SHARE OF ROAD MONEY

Southern Oregon most assuredly had not been neglected by the State Highway Commission. In its apportionment of highway funds, Counting money expended and contracts awarded, Southern Oregon is getting nearly 20 per cent more than the whole Willamette Valley.

The Social Realm

Civic Club Elects Officers

The annual meeting of the Civic club was held yesterday and the ladies who attended felt well repaid by the splendid lecture given by Mrs. M. K. Goldney.

Family Dinner

Mrs. Walter Herndon gave a family dinner at her home on Beach street Thanksgiving day, at which the members of the Herndon, Beaver and Yockey families who are in Ashland at the present time were in attendance.

Entertained Thanksgiving

Mrs. E. E. Gall entertained at her home in the Bellevue district Thanksgiving day Mrs. Lulu Van Wegan and daughter, Miss Nellie Perry, Mrs. E. J. Roberts, Mrs. James Beagle and son, all of Ashland.

Social Supper

The members of the Nazarene congregation held their annual chicken supper in Memorial hall Thursday evening. Upwards of sixty people were present and enjoyed the social entertainment.

Thanksgiving Guests

Mrs. George Robison entertained a company at dinner at her home on Laurel street Thanksgiving at dinner. Those who sat down to the table were Mr. and Mrs. Merle Robison, Miss Goldie Beeler, Mrs. O. B. Turner and daughter Alice, and Mr. and Mrs. Robison.

Kiddie Party

The Philothesian society Wednesday night held a party and initiation of new members at the home of Mary Moore. All came in the garb of children, and many dignified seniors temporarily forgot their dignity and lived in a second childhood.

MISSOURIANS MEET

The following friends and former neighbors in Missouri were entertained at Thanksgiving dinner at the home of Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Buchanan, 548 Iowa street, Thursday: Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Whillock and family, Mr. and Mrs. Alphon Whillock and son, Charles, Mr. and Mrs. Evans and Miss Mamie Ham of Medford, Miss Alma Ross of this city.

Teachers Entertained

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Elhart entertained a company of friends at their home on Bush street Wednesday evening. The latter were principally teachers of the city schools and a pleasant evening was spent playing games until a late hour, after which the hostess served refreshments.

Dinner Party

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Nittinger entertained at dinner Mr. and Mrs. Charles Abbott and Mrs. Hulien and son Billy at their home on Thanksgiving.

Wednesday Wedding

The wedding of Miss Myrtle Johnson of this city and John Fisher of Roseburg took place at the Methodist parsonage Wednesday evening. Rev. C. A. Edwards read the service in the presence of only the necessary witnesses. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Johnson of Ashland and is a winsome and popular girl with a large circle of friends.

Happy Surprise

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Merrill were the happy recipients of a big, fat earned turkey this week which arrived from their daughter, Mrs. Sharlow, of Biggs, Calif., for their Thanksgiving dinner. In order to share their good fortune with their friends Mr. and Mrs. Merrill invited in a circle of their acquaintances Thursday and all enjoyed a real Thanksgiving dinner.

Family Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. James Barrett and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Kincaid served a many course dinner at the former's home Thursday at 1:30 which was one of the enjoyable Thanksgiving events. Those in attendance were Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Shinn, Mr. and Mrs. James Barrett, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Kincaid, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Barrett, R. P. Campbell and family and Henry Williamson.

Thanksgiving Dinner Party

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Good entertained with a twelve o'clock dinner at their home on Bush street Thursday. The dining room was beautifully decorated in green and red with a table centerpiece of roses and mistletoe.

Entertained Friends

Miss Blanche Hicks had as her Thanksgiving guests at dinner Mrs. Swelling, Judge C. B. Watson and son, C. W. Watson, Thursday evening.

Elk Ladies Meet

The members of the Elk Ladies Card club will meet at the Elks club rooms next Tuesday afternoon at their regular fortnightly meeting, which will also be the last one of the year. All women entitled to attend are invited and may bring their fancy work or play cards as they desire.

Thanksgiving Dinner

Mrs. John H. Fuller entertained at dinner at her home in North Main street Thursday evening. A large company sat down to a bounteous Thanksgiving dinner, at which were present: Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Elmore and children, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Fuller, J. E. Fuller, Mrs. G. H. Way and Miss Dayton.

Ashland was visited Saturday afternoon by the members of the drill team or Brigands of Abd-El-Atel Temple, D. O. K. K. of Portland, who with their band were in Medford Saturday, installing Fahat Burkan Temple, Dramatic Order of Knights of Korhassan. The drill team, about 65 in all, with their band, were gorgeously attired in showy Oriental costumes and made a fine showing.

Applicants for appointment as cadets to the United States Military Academy at West Point may take the preliminary tests at convenient places in Jackson County on December 12 and 13, if applications for questions are made to County School Superintendent G. W. Ager, Jacksonville, on or before December 6.

With impressive ceremonies conducted by clergymen from various points in the Southern Oregon Presbytery, Rev. C. F. Koehler was installed as pastor of the local Presbyterian church last evening. Dr. J. K. Baillie of Phoenix preached the installation sermon, Rev. A. H. Gammens, of Jacksonville, gave the charge to the pastor, Rev. L. Myron Boozer of Medford the charge to the people and Rev. J. H. Doran of Ashland made the installation prayer.

Two hoboes were caught this morning at the camp this side of Helman's baths after picking up the milk bottles on the porch on S. Penniston's house on Helman street. At an early hour this morning Mr. Penniston's daughter, Mrs. Mary Broker, saw two men coming down the street, one of whom had a loaf of bread under his arm.

On looking after the abandoned car it was found that it had struck a bank, killing the engine and stopping it at once with no damage done. The man gave his name as Simms and appeared to be a stranger to Ashland.

The Jackson County Public Health association of which Mrs. D. Peruzzi and Mrs. S. B. McNair of Ashland are president and secretary respectively have taken up the responsibility of the 1919 Red Cross Christmas Seal sale for Jackson county, with Mrs. Peruzzi acting as chairman for the sale campaign. This organization has been formulating plans and arranging the campaign which opens December 1, and during the following three weeks, up to Christmas day a drive on the sales of the little Red Cross seals will be waged actively in the county.

"The whole church today stands in jeopardy. It has become a trite saying that civilization is imperiled; that revolution and chaos are imminent. At this very time the church shows her vitality. Hence the nation-wide campaign of the Episcopal church, which is using all the machinery of recent drives—but its objective is not money, but souls."

"This is the message Rev. F. S. Fleming, rector of the Church of the Atonement of Chicago, one of the most important parishes of America, has brought to the Pacific coast during his speaking tour of the past week. "Can it be possible that when every enterprise of man is being forced to a new vantage ground the church can remain at a standstill?" he asked.

"When the war came America resolved itself into two parties—Americans and hyphenates. The church is now on a war basis. "We have to come into the open and fight. We have to 'come through with the goods.' It's 'war, but it's the battle of Jesus Christ."

"There is but one influence today that can save the church and save civilization. That influence is the church itself. In this nation-wide campaign we are mobilizing our resources in men, in prayer, in service; we are organizing the church. We shall have the church on a war basis. "The objective of the campaign is to reach the last man in the church and have him prove his faith—his faith in Christ, with all that he is and all that he has. Therefore, the whole campaign resolves itself into a challenge to the last member of the church to prove up his position as a Christian."

"Mr. Fleming has been termed the most dynamic speaker in the American Episcopal church today. He has just concluded a speaking tour over Oregon and Idaho, following a hard trip over South Carolina. He is a notable figure in church circles and has been greeted with immense crowds at all of his Oregon meetings."

"Mr. Fleming termed the war a great foreign mission and said that the man who did not believe in foreign missions insulted his own flag. "Foreign missions mean that every churchman must be as willing to carry his liberty and Christianity to the end of the earth as Uncle Sam was ready to carry his flag to the 'same peoples,' said he.

"Some men went overseas, not for personal aggrandizement, but because they were engaged in a great mission for humanity. Our mission is one of education, of care for the sick, of relief for suffering humanity, that through these ways we may tell the story of the Master."

"The man who attempted to make way with the Ford of Joe McMahan last night is a sadder but wiser individual today, as he reposes in the Medford hospital, ruminating upon the way of the transgressor and nursing the many and serious bruises he received from the hands of the irate owner of the stolen car."

As McMahan came out of the Vining theater last evening he saw the tallights of his car disappearing down the hill toward the Plaza. McMahan caught sight of J. F. Murphy with his car standing just above him and hastily called the latter's attention to the receding car and asked him to follow. This Mr. Murphy did and drew up to the McMahan car on the Plaza, when the driver of the latter saw he was being pursued and immediately put on all speed and a merry chase started which held out until Medford was reached.

"Now he will attempt to ditch the car," Murphy said, and sure enough the pursued drove into a side street, pulled the throttle wide open and jumped, presumably thinking that the pursuers would turn their attention to the wrecked car. But in this he had not reckoned on McMahan. Almost at the same time McMahan also jumped from the car in which he was riding and took after the auto thief. After chasing him around the back streets for a time he finally caught up to him, and when Murphy appeared on the scene McMahan was holding the auto bandit under his arm and was giving him a plentiful reminder not to attempt to steal his car again, after which he turned him over to the Medford police.

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Domestic Science Department. Conducted by Mrs. Belle De Graf, Domestic Science Director, Sperry Flour Co.

Some Good Ways to Cook Eggs

SCALLOPED EGGS. Two-hard-boiled eggs, two cups white sauce, one cup chopped cold meat, half a cup of buttered bread crumbs. Chop eggs finely. Sprinkle bottom of a buttered baking dish with crumbs, cover with half the eggs, eggs with sauce and sauce with meat; repeat. Place in oven and bake until crumbs are brown. Ham is the best meat to use for this dish. Veal or fish may be used.

SPANISH OMELET. Melt two tablespoons shortening in a heated frying pan. Cook one onion. Add one small can of tomato sauce, or a cup of strained tomato, six olives, stoned and chopped, and one green pepper sliced. Place over a slow fire and simmer until onions and peppers are cooked. Pour around the plain omelet.

SHURRED OR BAKED EGG. Drop egg in buttered ramekin or custard cup. Cook in a pan of water in the oven. Ramekins may be lined with seasoned buttered crumbs and egg covered with the crumbs.

SOFT COOKED EGGS. Cover the eggs with boiling water, cover the pan and set it part way back on the range where the water will keep at a temperature from 160 to 180 degrees F., but will not boil. In five or ten minutes the eggs will be done. Or, they can be put into cold water and removed from the fire when the water comes to the boiling point.

colitis association. Spurred by a definite knowledge that the number of deaths annually is more than 150,000 the national association and its 1000 affiliated organizations, of which the Oregon Tuberculosis association is one, will spend \$6,500,000 during 1920 in an effort to check the disease through an intensive educational and preventive campaign. Oregon's budget is \$44,250 and so keenly alive are the people of the state to the fact that Oregon has a real tuberculosis problem, that practically every county in the state is already organized and ready to begin work December 1 in a three weeks intensive campaign for the sale of Christmas seals, 90 per cent of the proceeds will be used to fight the white plague right here in Oregon, one of the policies of the national association being to see that the money is directly applied to the benefit of the community in which it is raised.

McMinnville—Milk at the condenser is now worth \$4.25 a hundred.

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