

AGED WOMAN IS LEADER IN FIGHT

MRS. MATT MITCHELL, OF COVE, IS UNAFRAID.

Union County Lady Works Vigorously to Down "Wolf in Sheep's Garb"—Single Tax Distiked.

Although an old woman, Mrs. Matt Mitchell, who lives at Cove, Oregon, says she is never afraid to work when the cause is good.

Mrs. Mitchell's home in Union County, she says, is one of those threatened by the Single Taxers with their Single Tax propaganda. Accused by the efforts of what she describes as "U'Ren and his ilk" and their "false trash," Mrs. Mitchell has gone into the field herself.

Modern Joan of Arc.

Like a modern but aged Joan of Arc, this old lady organized them against Single Tax. At her own expense she received books on the subject of the fight against Single Tax and she distributed 200 of these herself over the great county in which she lives.

"It is people who own no real estate," said Mrs. Mitchell, the other day, "who are in favor of Single Tax, also the ignorant class, and those who take no newspaper at all. It is a shame that such men are allowed to vote at all on anything pertaining to taxation, while thousands of intelligent people, who are heavy taxpayers, must have their homes taxed away from them by such ignorant persons."

Whole Section in Arms.

"Union County is one of the counties selected by that 'wolf in sheep's clothing,' U'Ren, so we will all have to help in the fight. I am an old woman, but not too old to work in a good cause."

Mrs. Mitchell says that the whole of her section is up in arms. Every property owner in Eastern Oregon, from the man or woman who owns a small lot to the wheat farmers, is fighting what is known to be a confiscation of their homes, declares this old woman fighter for the "common good."

Ballot Numbers Told.

Mrs. Mitchell, despite her years, worked arduously in the campaign against Single Tax. She circulated petitions, distributed 200 books, circulated cards and gave her time freely. In addition, she expended her own money in the fight.

And when a person is willing to spend real money in a fight for a vital principle it must be conceded there is real enthusiasm for what she knows to be right.

The ballot numbers which will bar Single Tax from Oregon are 364, 306 and 308.

ATWELL DISLIKES SINGLE TAX.

H. C. Atwell, president of the Oregon State Horticultural Society, who lives at Forest Grove, declares that he is bitterly opposed to the Single Tax propaganda. "I shall be glad to talk against Single Tax whenever I have the opportunity," commented President Atwell. Mr. Atwell is one of the most prominent farmers in the State of Oregon and his views are considered valuable by many Oregonians.

TEAMSTER DOES GOOD WORK.

Traveling the whole extent of the country north of the John Day River, C. W. Bonham is making an ardent volunteer fight against what he feels to be the doctrine of Single Tax. Mr. Bonham makes his headquarters at Canyon City, Ore. "Although I don't get my mail regularly," said Mr. Bonham, "I am doing all I can in the good work. My friend, Phil Metschen, can tell you of the extent of the country over which I travel." Mr. Bonham distributed over 200 copies of "Single Tax Exposed," a work by Charles H. Shields, secretary of the Oregon Equal Taxation League. This book should be read by every voter in the State of Oregon. It proves conclusively that Single Tax is not a system of taxation at all, but a means to destroy private ownership of land.

GARDINER, ORE., MAN IS GLAD.

"I am glad to note the steps being taken," remarked Fred Assenheimer, a confectioner of Gardiner, Ore., the other day, "to stamp out such an unjust law as Single Tax." While Mr. Assenheimer would benefit personally under Single Tax by reduced taxation, he declared that he did not consider it fair that he should escape while his farmer friends were taxed out of existence. "I am glad there are not many Single Tax people around here," he told an interviewer

DENVER WOMEN DID IT

Judge Lindsey Declares Denver Victory Due to Colorado's Women Voters.

The Woman Suffrage party, of New York City, is rejoicing over a letter received by one of the workers from Judge Ben B. Lindsey, of Colorado. One of the recent New York Times letters opposing suffrage was so full of misstatements concerning the equal suffrage states that it was cut out and mailed to Judge Lindsey, with a request that he reply. His answer, printed below, carries the joyful assurance that Colorado women are "on the job," as all who know them felt they would be:

My dear Mrs. Suffren:—Your letter came at the close of our municipal campaign for city and county offices, consequently this delayed acknowledgment. Incidentally, let me say that I was re-elected Judge of the Juvenile Court on an Independent Citizens' ticket by nearly 30,000 majority. My opponent was a machine nominee on the Democratic ticket, with the endorsement of the Republican machine, put up by them to defeat me because of my story of "The Beast and the Jungle," and particularly of the fight on corrupt politics in Denver. The entire Citizens' ticket won by 10,000 majority over the bi-partisan machine candidates, and the result is due largely to the fact that women vote in Denver. I do not believe such a victory would have been possible had it not been for this fact.

I am tremendously tied up at this moment with a mass of correspondence and accumulated work, which has necessarily been neglected during the municipal campaign for my re-election, and to defeat the bi-partisan machine that we have fought here for the past ten years, and it is physically impossible to get up a letter just at this time, but I am going to try to do so at the earliest date.

Here in Denver there is no question of doubt that the great victory—the greatest in the history of American politics—over corrupt politics, was due primarily to the women's vote. It was the biggest single factor in the result. I suppose it would be impossible to get some of the anti-suffrage papers to publish the facts about it; however, if they will publish this statement for me, you are more than welcome to it.—Ben B. Lindsey in Woman's Journal.

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man of another distinct safety committee.

Between meetings, which will be held every month, each committee shall entertain suggestions that will tend to prevent accidents in all branches of the railroad service. Then these suggestions are to be brought up at the division committee meeting and then again at the general safety committee meeting. If a shop employe mashes his finger the shop committee will investigate and try and find a method whereby others fingers will be protected from a re-occurrence of the accident. The members of each committee are to be furnished with a button of artistic design.

Many of the suggestions that come from the employes may appear to be of minor importance, but at the same time easy to put in practice. This is to be encouraged by the committees as the men on the line see many things that mean for safety that may be improved and thus minimize danger to life and limb.

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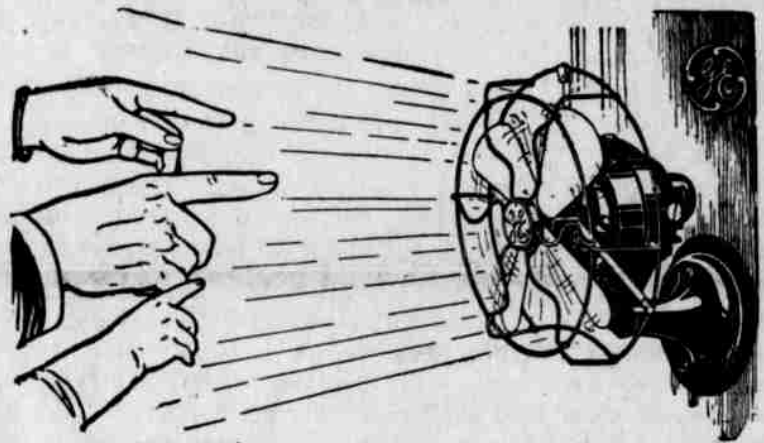
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