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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2.

Cleaver And Herwig Should Go.

No dishonesty has been proved against Cleaver at the legislative hearing, but none was charged at the outset or at all, except incidentally by a few witnesses. What was mainly charged was that Cleaver's whole conduct of the offices of state prohibition commissioner has been bunglesome and incompetent. These things have been amply proved by the evidence. There was a further grave charge that Cleaver has drawn and expended more money than he was entitled to, under a too-liberal interpretation of the law, whereby he claimed both a prohibition fund and narcotics fund. The committee thus far seems not to have gone very deeply into this charge.

The most sinister facts uncovered at the hearing concern the relationship of W. J. Herwig, of the Oregon anti-saloon league, with the state prohibition department. Cleaver charges that Herwig, with approval of the governor, has been allowed to direct Cleaver's conduct of his office, and that state moneys, in one instance the sum of \$1500, have been given to Herwig, who allowed male and female rouders to expend them in carousals whose purpose was the obtaining of evidence of liquor law violations. There has been evidence, too, showing that both Herwig and Cleaver have spent much time and money in laying traps with the hope of catching prominent men and officials in such violations. There is nothing to show that any such efforts succeeded, so far as is announced.

These disclosures discredit Herwig as well as Cleaver, and their general effect upon the cause of prohibition enforcement is undeniably bad. The anti-saloon league need to purge itself of Herwig no less than the state needs to purge itself of Cleaver.

Let's Have More State Inspection.

There are bills pending in the legislature for inspection or regulation or licensing or all three, of beauty doctors, plumbers, real estate dealers, optometrists, herds, dance halls, dogs on automobile running boards, chiropractors, public school pupils and county charges. A correspondent at Salem remarked that there was no provision as yet for inspection of inspectors, but his fears seem to be groundless. A bill is pending for inspection and licensing of detectives, and in some cities, notably Portland, detectives are called inspectors. The legislative session is only half over. Ere its end let us hope that there will be made full and ample provision for inspecting and licensing all occupations, vocations, avocations and things, animate and inanimate, with nobody slighted and none missed. Plainly we need this for the sake of the peace, health and safety of the commonwealth. Let's have an emergency clause on every bill.

There ought to be an inspector of barnyards, to see that nobody tries to milk a cow from the left side or mount a horse from the right. Barnyard etiquette is an important thing and one that has been too long neglected by the state. Many an absent-minded farmhand has found his milk pail kicked into the general configuration of a shiny-can or himself bucked clear over the back-lot fence by careless disregard of the simple rules of approach as above noted. Proper inspection by the state of all barnyard activities would correct this.

There ought to be careful inspection of radishes. Any radish found too large to go into a teacup should be carried by the inspector to the nearest newspaper office and shown to the editor without unnecessary delay. There should be similar inspection of eggs, to the end that a waiting world may be notified of any case in which an egg proves to have more than one yolk.

In the city there should be state inspection of laundresses, to the end that any promise by a wash lady to come Tuesday must be fulfilled not later than Friday of any week, and to the further end that only Oregon flour be used in making starch. There should be state inspection of peanut stands. Any peanut found to contain more than one blank among its compartments set aside for kernels should be fearlessly condemned.

These suggestions merely touch a few of the high spots of the possibilities for useful state inspection. Legislators and lobbyists can think of many others equally useful if they will only try, we feel sure. They ought to try. What we need above all things is plenty of inspection.

A Salem correspondent says the legislature is likely to "pass the buck" by referring the federal child labor amendment to a popular advisory vote. Why the expression? Nobody in Oregon knows or can know what a majority of the voters of the state desire in regard to the amendment. Why not find out? To refer the amendment would not be "passing the buck." It would demonstrate a wholly proper regard by the legislature for the rights and opinions of the electorate.

Mr. William Harrison Dempsey is outside the state of matrimony, planning to get in. Mr. Charles Chaplin is inside and they say he is planning to get out. Miss Gloria Swanson has just taken the in-going hurdle again. Mr. William S. Hart gets new publicity from the fact that he continues neither in nor out. Mr. Roscoe Arbuckle is engaged again. Aint love grand?

In sending to the United States senate its urgings that action be expedited towards entry by the United States into participation in the international court of justice, Eugene has done its part. If similar action be taken by people of all towns and cities of the nation, perhaps the senate will listen.

COMMENT OF THE PRESS

Concerning Mr. Cleaver (Klamath Falls Herald) So far as we can discern from this outlying vista, the legislative probe into the official affairs of George J. Cleaver, head of the state's prohibition forces is "Much ado about nothing." We hold no brief for Mr. Cleaver, but we share the belief of Governor Pierce that he is honest, fearless and absolutely incorruptible. Indeed, so

far as we have been able to glimpse it is his fearlessness—this total disregard of social and financial standing—that has caused this great furor in legislative halls.

There is no question but that Mr. Cleaver has made mistakes and many of them. His employment of known bootleggers, of disreputable and dishonest ex-convicts and of half-brained imbeciles has brought much of his criticism against him and against the state prohibition department. Our suggestion to the legislature would be not to abolish the state prohibition department but to place a stricter supervision over its activities. In those counties where the duly constituted authorities find themselves able to cope with the criminal element and keep liquor violations down to the minimum, the state officers should be restrained from interfering. But in those counties—and they exist in Oregon—where peace officers do not suppress liquor violations, the state prohibition department could render valued services to the public and to society.

Mr. Coolidge's Plea for the World Court.

(New York World) Certain senators may regard the world court of such remote prospect that they feel safe in barring discussion of American adherence to it. President Coolidge is a better judge of the strength of popular faith in it as an agency for world peace. When he speaks of it as he did to the women attending the Conference on the Cause and Cure of War it is as an advocate of cooperation by this country in the removal of the dangers of friction and conflict among the nations.

Mr. Coolidge takes his stand on principle and addresses himself to the common sense of people unswayed by petty political motives. That he is in the right of the argument, and that public opinion is strongly with him, as it was with President Harding, every week proves more clearly. In the restoration of the American Federation of Labor and the American Bar association, the churches and civic organizations that have lent him their support in urging action by the senate, the women who gathered at the Washington conference last week were solidly enlisted for the advancement of the cause of world peace.

The place where Mr. Coolidge would center his efforts is in the United States senate. There he has had to face indifference and obstruction. There by effective leadership, there by direct appeal as President of the United States to Senators of all parties, lies his real opportunity to win approval for American participation in the world court. There, and only there, can the fight be won.

The Long and Short Haul

(Portland Telegram) For once, the entire Pacific Coast was fairly represented at a hearing of a rate controversy in which the whole Pacific Coast is vitally interested. This occurred last Wednesday when the House committee on Interstate Commerce listened to arguments against the proposed repeal of section 4 of the original Interstate Commerce act.

The bill sponsored by Senator Gooding of Idaho would deny to any railroad the long established right to fix a rate for a long haul lower than for a shorter haul. It would nullify the natural law of advantage which Pacific Coast terminals enjoy by reason of water competition.

Curiously, the complex problems involved in the long and short haul controversy are not and they have not been discussed on broad principles. The inter-mountain interests are presented exclusively in their local bearing; the Pacific Coast interests in their national bearing. The two interests are incompatible. There can be no question concerning the effect of Senator Gooding's bill if it should become a law. It could not injure Inter-mountain interests; it could not fall seriously to injure the interests of the Pacific coast, not only the four great terminals, but the entire region west of the Cascade and the Sierra Nevada mountains.

In Lighter Vein

Serious Question. (The Humorist) Govern— "Methusalem was nine hundred years old." Robin— "What happened to all his birthday and Christmas presents?"

Needed Improvement. (London Opinion) A new patent has been invented which renders submarines practically invisible. This should be used in an endeavor to brighten up some of our states.

Wrong Advertisement. (Photo Digest) Druggist (to his stout wife)— "Don't come into the shop for a minute. I am trying to sell six bottles of my fat-reducing mixture."

When To Get Used To It. (Washington Star) "Don't ask advice," said Uncle Eben, "unless you has made up your mind and feels free to enjoy a little conversation."

Long Enough. (Norfolk Virginian-Pilot) A synthetic sugar "300 times sweeter than honey" is called Benzoylphenylhydrazide. Here's your "blended sweetness long drawn out."

Follow The Signs. (Union Pacific Magazine) "My goodness!" remarked the old gentleman as he stopped the young lad with the fine catch of trout. "You've had a very successful day, young man. Where did you catch all these fish?"

Just walk down that patch marked "Bait" and keep right on till you come to a notice. Trepanners will be prosecuted. A few yards farther on there's a fine pool in the river marked "No fishing allowed," and there you are, sir!"

Oregon Briefs

September 16 to 19, two weeks prior to the state fair, have been set as the dates for holding the annual Jackson county fair.

Richard in Baker county, has been completed, the result of work done in that community this winter to alleviate the lot of starving range horses.

William F. Gaerian is the new superintendent of the Butte Falls fish hatchery, having been appointed by

governor. "Much ado about nothing." We hold no brief for Mr. Cleaver, but we share the belief of Governor Pierce that he is honest, fearless and absolutely incorruptible. Indeed, so

The Last Soldier Going Strong!



the state game commission to succeed his father, who died some time ago.

Willy Harry, an Indian 25 years old, is dead at Klamath Falls from knife wounds and two of his fellow tribesmen are held on charges of murder as he result of a drinking party.

December was an unlucky month for sobacats. Three hundred and sixty-eight were killed in various parts of the state and the game commission was called upon to pay \$900 in bounties.

Sixty years a resident of Corvallis, former city councilman, prominent Odd Fellow and one of the founders of the Christian church, James Thomas Phillips is dead at his home in that city, aged 85 years.

An 18-year-old girl blind, another of the same age seriously ill and two young men under arrest is the result of a Saturday night party at Lakeview during which poisonous moonshine was used.

Eugene 25 Years Ago.

(From The Guard, Feb. 2, 1906) The Fortnightly club will hold its annual election of officers on Saturday, February 3.

County Clerk Lee has appointed Ed Bond of Irving a special deputy clerk to extend the tax rolls. Mr. Bond commenced work today.

The Noonday mine of Bohemia has suspended operations for the present.

J. C. Skeels shipped a carload of potatoes to California today.

Charles Horn returned from Portland today.

Professor and Mrs. Thomas Cotton left yesterday to visit their son at Oakland, California.

The president's car was attached to the north bound passenger train today.

H. J. Mercer has leased from Hanson Brothers the store room just west of Ax Hill's department store.

The receipts of the county clerk's office for the month of January amounted to \$422.

Mrs. C. E. Loomis went to Portland today for a few days.

Tom Sims Says—

What's in a name? Nothing. In New York City, Col. Sullivan is 43 and an usher at his church.

There is a very strong resemblance between a radio hook-up diagram and a cross-word puzzle.

Our big guns, it seems, will not go very far because they have not been raised properly, due, perhaps to other big guns who were near.

Before you hear about what has happened in Russia something else has happened there.

Headline says consumption of cigarettes is increasing. And, we guess, cigarettes are increasing consumption.

The quaint old custom of having a miners' strike every year may be resumed this spring.

The airplane flight around the world cost \$177,451. How extravagant! You could get a Leopold-Leeb trial for that amount.

After getting your degree as a crossword puzzle worker you can start trying to solve the market reports.

BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

"Thou art a God ready to pardon, gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness."—Nehemiah 9:17.

Bible Question. (Look Up The Answer) What is said of the wise?—Proverbs 3:35.

NATIONAL SHRINE FOR LEE PLANNED

Restoration Planned of Famous Old Mansion in Arlington Cemetery To Honor Confederate Leader

BY HARRY B. HUNT WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—A new national shrine, which will become second only in historic interest to Mr. Vernon, former home of George Washington, will be developed by the restoration of the famous old Lee mansion in Arlington national cemetery.

Even now this old mansion, which with its massive Doric portico and immense stone pillars dominates the Virginia hills immediately across the Potomac from the Lincoln Memorial, is visited by a quarter million tourists yearly.

But it is only the shell of the home in which southern chivalry and hospitality found their highest development that they see today.

The great rooms are bare and empty. Stripped of all furnishings, there is little to suggest the warmth and cheer and charm they must have held during the proud days when George Washington Parke Custis, who had been adopted as a son by General Washington, entertained there with a hospitality surpassing anything even Mr. Vernon had ever known.

Now the house has passed a bill authorizing the restoration of the old Arlington mansion to the condition in which it existed during the days of the Lees there, and to obtain so far as possible for this purpose the original furnishings and equipment used by the Lees. It is to be hoped the senate will add its approval.

The restoration of Arlington, in fact, would but carry forward as part of a unified scheme for perpetuating historic associations the work so far done at Mr. Vernon.

For there is a most intimate connection between Arlington and Mr. Vernon, which the public generally does not now know.

The builder of Arlington was George Washington Parke Custis, grandson of Martha Washington. John Parke Custis, his father, died at the siege of Yorktown.

General Washington, who wedded the widow Custis, John Parke's mother, adopted as his own the two Custis children (grandchildren of Mrs. Washington) and Eleanor Custis, better known as "Nelly" Washington.

Young Custis was a member of the Mr. Vernon household from the time of his adoption until after the death of Mrs. Washington in 1802. Then he removed to his Arlington estate and, in 1802, built Arlington house.

George Washington Parke Custis had a daughter, Mary. In the drawing room at Arlington, in the summer of 1831, Mary Custis became the bride of a young lieutenant in the U. S. army—Robert E. Lee.

Twenty years past, Custis has died and his daughter, Mary Custis Lee, has inherited Arlington. Civil war is declared between north and south. Robert E. Lee, now a colonel in the U. S. A., resigns from the federal service to take command of Virginia troops and later become commander-in-chief of the Confederate armies.

Today the Lee estate is Arlington national cemetery. And with its restoration, the old Lee home will be a center of increased interest to the thousands who go there daily to visit the burial place of our dead of three wars.

not definitely covered by the rules, allowed, is required to file a return, although no tax is payable.

Your Income Tax

This is No. 1 of a series of articles explaining the income tax to the layman. It has been prepared in view of recent changes in the income tax law.

BY R. A. CONKEY Tax Consultant

BETWEEN now and March 15, income tax returns must be filed by all individuals, partnerships and corporations for the calendar year 1924.

The revenue act of 1924, approved June 2, 1924, makes important changes in Federal taxes, especially as they affect individuals and partnerships.

Partnerships, as such, are not taxed, but they are required to file a return showing the net income and the distributive share thereof belonging to each partner, and each partner is required to include in his individual return such distributive share of the earnings, whether or not he has received them.

The net income of corporations is determined in much the same manner as that of an individual, but they are taxed at a flat rate of 12 1/2 per cent of the taxable net income, instead of the graduated rates applying to individuals, therefore the tax on corporations will not be specifically discussed in these articles.

Every citizen of the United States, whether residing in this country or abroad, every resident alien, and every non-resident alien receiving income from sources within the United States, may be subject to this tax.

An alien who is traveling through or temporarily sojourning in the United States is not a resident alien within the meaning of the law. A non-resident alien is not taxed on income paid in the United States which has its origin abroad.

Who must file returns: 1. Every married person (living with husband or wife) who receives net income of \$2500 or more, or gross income of \$3000 or more for the year, and

2. Every single person, or married person not living with husband or wife, who receives net income of \$1000 or more, or gross income of \$5000 or more, for the year, must file returns.

When the aggregate net income of husband and wife living together is \$2500 or more, or the aggregate gross income is \$3000 or more either joint or separate returns must be filed. In some cases an individual by

within striking distance of our coast. Or they could fly here in 60 hours.

Our nation says to Japan, "You must keep your people out of here," and to Russia, "We desire you and your government, and assume the right to tell you what government you shall have." A nation talking in such fashion should be able to make good its words.

In New York

BY JAMES W. DEAN NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—See-sawing up and down Broadway I saw Jim Corbett, the boxer, and he has not so much of a paunch as I, albeit he knocked out John L. Sullivan a year before I was born. . . .

Saw Myrtle Stedman, veteran of the flickering drama, and she looks not a day older than her son, though he is 22. He weighs 225 and seems quite a man of the world. . . . Saw Lila Lee in a glittering green frock, running around with Jim Kirkwood, her husband. . . . Saw a man step from a door of the Times building, strike a man passing by in the face and walk away. No word was spoken by either. . . .

In Central Park there is a miniature farmyard where cows moo, sheep bleat, chickens cackle, ducks quack and pigs squeal. It is here that many New York children gain their only glimpse of domesticated animals and fowl. And there are some New York children who do not see even these. They still believe milk comes from boiling works, as does soda pop and dad's nooch. . . .

The problem of the missing person is ever present in New York, but seldom comes to the attention of the general public. One of the morning papers prints a list of missing persons who are sought by relatives or friends. At present there are 79 in the list. About one-fourth of the names are of seamen. About one-half are of persons separated from relatives by emigration to this country and about one-fourth of the names appear to be of young women.

Charlie, bartender in a speak-easy, was bemoaning the good old days. "Many a busy a day I had as many as four or five shirts torn from my back," he said, "but I hardly ever have a scrap now. We bartenders always hit first when we saw we were going to have trouble. Most of the fellows who hunted a fight in a saloon had all the fight taken out of them if they were hit first."

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