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**The College Millage Tax**

Taxes are increasing by leaps and bounds for various reasons, so the limit seems to have been reached. But in spite of this, if a measure promises to be of material benefit to the state or county, additional taxes to promote it are willingly voted. But in deciding which are so important that money must forthwith be provided for them, and which are not pressing or can without detriment be either abandoned or indefinitely postponed, a nice discrimination in values is requisite. The test applied is usually a material one. This is especially true of those who have toiled long and hard for what they have accumulated. Their manner of life has been such that their senses are dulled to the finer things of life which cannot be estimated in dollars and cents. When such is the prevalent disposition life becomes sordid and gross. The law of life was enunciated centuries ago "Man shall not live by bread alone." If he attempts so to do the results are disastrous to himself and more or less to the community. Full support and encouragement should be given to everything which tends to lift life above the material and animal level. The community should welcome and foster churches, schools or any other institution which enhances the value of life. As the state has assumed a position of responsibility for education, it should be seen that it should be supplied with ample funds for adequately carrying out this responsibility. Money thus expended proves in the end the best kind of investment in developing the intelligence, culture and morale of the rising generations. Knowledge is power and the truth shall make us free, and the end of education is for the inculcation of the one and the impartation of the other.

A measure to provide an additional levy for the support of the University of Oregon, the State Agricultural College and the Normal School is to be submitted to the voters at the coming election. These three institutions of

higher education, are facing a financial crisis due to causes over which they have no control and which threatens to compel them if not to close their doors, to turn away a large number of applicants. As these causes have been fully set forth in the daily papers, it is not necessary to reproduce them in our columns; space forbids for one thing. But The NEWS earnestly urges its readers to vote an emphatic "YES" for the College Millage Tax. If these institutions are prevented from lack of means to properly fulfill their mission, it will be a disgrace to the state, injuring it in more ways than one, and in the end prove the most foolish and shortsighted policy.

**Time For Oregon****People to Think**

The special session of the legislature did not confine itself to the purpose for which it was called together but imposed new state taxes totalling 3.57 mills.

The regular session had already voted 1.20 mills additional state levy that will also go on the ballot at the May election, making a total of new state levies of 4.77 mills to be enacted by the people.

The regular state levy made in December to be collected this year was 3.23 mills, and if all that goes on the ballot is authorized by the voters in May the total state levy will be eight mills.

The jump from 3.27 to 8.60 mills made by the legislature may not all be sanctioned by the voters and they will be acting wisely to vote no on matters not absolutely essential.

If on top of this the voters of Oregon should be so shortsighted as to pass the measure to amend the Oregon constitution to limit the legal rate of interest to 4 and 5 per cent, this state would be in a sad predicament. It would be drained of money like a coconut is of milk.

Let the people think.—Oregon Weekly Industrial Review.

**"The Live Stock Producer and Armour" for 1920**

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"Aspects of Big Business Explained;" "What Efficient Distribution Means," "Why Prices Fluctuate," "Armour's Reinvestment and Expansion Policy," "We Stand or Fall Together," "Farming as a Business," comprise some of the important chapters of the book. Copies may be obtained from Armour & Co. Union Stock Yards, Chicago, Illinois.

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