

The Forest Grove Express

Published every Thursday at Forest Grove, Oregon.
W. C. Benfer, Editor and Publisher.

Entered as second-class matter Jan. 12, 1916, at the postoffice at Forest Grove, Oregon, under the Act of March 3, 1879.

THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 1917

NOTES AND COMMENTS

As a general thing, a measure which requires a lobby to push it through the legislature hasn't much to recommend it except a desire on the part of its backers to get their hands into the public coffers.

President Wilson is criticised for "allowing Germany to slap him in the face" and then Smoot and other reactionary senators would tie Wilson's hands so he can be slapped some more. Too much politics and not enough Americanism.

Having watched Reed Smoot's course in the senate for some years, the writer is not surprised to find Smoot opposing President Wilson's request for power to deal with the threatened war situation. As the mouthpiece of Big Biz, Smoot is opposed to giving more power to either the president or the people. He thinks Big Biz should rule—thru Reed Smoot.

In the list of officers of the Washington County Poultry association, published in the Express last week, the name of Walter Roswurm of this city should have appeared as vice president, but was left out by mistake. Walter is not only vice president, but he probably breeds more varieties of fancy chickens than any other poultryman in the county.

THE PEACE-MAKER

President Wilson has been forced to give up his place as world's peace-maker. The United States will not be a disinterested party when peace terms are arranged.

Some months ago the German ambassador, Count von Bernstorff, predicted that not President Wilson, but King Alfonso, of Spain, would be the leader in bringing peace to the world. But it is likely that Spain will be drawn into the mess. She's going to have a hard time in getting enough to eat.

With Alfonso out of it, the loud voice for peace would be that of the Pope. It would be an opportunity such as no head of a church has enjoyed in all the history of the world. And this head of the church of Rome surely has been a great sufferer through the war.—Portland News.

ABOUT "ROASTING"

The editor of the Express has been in the newspaper game a little more than thirty years and he has not yet learned, to his entire satisfaction, why so many kind and gentle-hearted men and women come to editors and ask that they roast the sox off somebody—generally a public official. Many of these people who want somebody verbally castigated would shudder if the editor asked them to sign a statement to the effect that one of their neighbors deserved horsewhipping or imprisonment, but perfectly respectable and, apparently, refined men and women have asked the writer to say worse things than these about his neighbors. Long ago this editor resolved that he would not publish anything about a man (or woman) that he would be ashamed to say to said man or woman's face. Even when striving to live up to this rule the av-

erage editor makes lots and lots of enemies. Sometimes, however, the public welfare demands that a rascal be exposed, to correct or arrest an evil, and when such a call comes, the editor who will remain silent isn't fit to be an editor. And at such a time the editor should not be kept from speaking through fear of losing patronage. Too many editors allow their pocketbooks to smother their consciences, and, while this detracts from the usefulness of the papers as policemen and watchdogs, there are few citizens who are not in the same unhappy predicament. So when you next feel like asking your editor-friend to hurt somebody's feelings, stop and ask yourself this question:

"Is it for the public good, or is it a desire in me to hurt somebody?"

If the first motive actuates you, by all means ask the editor to take a hand; but if you merely want to "get even" with somebody, wade in and do it yourself, leaving the editor to his task of earning a living for his family.

So if you see the Express "roasting" somebody, be assured the editor thinks the fellow needs it and the community will profit thereby.

THE NECESSITY OF TAX LIMITATION

Tax limitation has been enacted by the people of Oregon, and their example will probably be followed by other states.

Taxes cannot be increased in any one year more than six percent over the previous year except by a vote of the people.

The next step will be the separation of the tax levying and the revenue disbursing functions of the state government.

There is a growing feeling that for the people simply to be required to put up in taxes what the budget-makers ask is unfair.

Ordinarily the legislatures make the appropriations and enact new laws calling for more revenues and the state tax board levies.

But the idea is growing that there must be a limit, thus far and no farther, and let those on official beds adjust themselves to the covers.

Direct action by the people limiting the amount of money tax raising bodies, state, city, school or county, can take is needed.

In California the original limitation was one dollar on the hundred, but this has long been passed by devices of tax-eaters.

It is probable that six percent limitation is a fairer plan, with the power in the hands of the people of voting special levies.—Industrial News Bureau

Washington County Transfers

The following real estate transfers were recorded with the register of deeds at Hillsboro during the past week:

A. M. Darling to T. Belle Darling, 50x150 feet blk 9, Forest Grove, \$1,000.
Alice M. Darling to Dee N. M. Darling, 51.75x150 feet in blk 9, Forest Grove, \$2,000.

Henry West to M. A. Dodds, 70x184 1-2 feet sec 36, 2 N 4, \$10.

George O. Harris et al to M. J. Mahoney, NE quar of SE quar sec 12, 2 N 3; also right of way, \$10.

B. Kivich to J. S. Trumble, NW quar of SW quar of SW quar, sec 10, 1 N 5, \$1.00.

B. Kivich to B. L. French, S half of SW quar sec 10, 1 N 5, \$1.

The Artisan Concert Was a Rare Treat

(Continued from page One)

this organization. The band played a half-dozen numbers and responded to several encores, while H. E. Hudson, tenor, and George R. Thomas, baritone, sang solos and duets that were well received.

At the close of the program Harvey S. Hudson, supreme master Artisan, and a former resident of this city, told of the many excellent points peculiar to the Artisan fraternity; how it differed, to its benefit, from many of the other fraternal organizations and why, as an Oregon institution, it should be supported by every citizen of the state. It was wrong to send money out of Oregon for fraternal insurance, so long as there was so good an order as the Artisans in Oregon. This order writes policies for small amounts on the lives of boys and girls, as well as insuring adults.

Director Campbell deserves special mention for the excellent music the juvenile band handles, for he is a patient and talented director and looks after the boys just as if they were his own children. The band remained in town over night and members of the order took them to their several homes for rest and refreshment. The Express hopes that Mr. Campbell will find it convenient to bring the juvenile band to this city many times more.

The concert undoubtedly did much to popularize the Artisan lodge in this city.

Road Supervisors Abolished by Law

The new road law just passed abolishes road supervisors, after Jan. 1, 1918, and thereafter the county court may (or may not) appoint a road master or engineer to look after the work, under the supervision of the county court. This puts 53 road supervisors off the list in Washington County. The new law in no way abridges the right of road districts to levy special taxes, and in every September the county court shall make road districts. Three signers can call a special road meeting in each district. If a special levy is asked for, a majority of legal voters at such a meeting can vote a tax not to exceed ten mills. A voter must have real property in the district. The county court may or may not let work by contract, and where over \$2,000 is involved advertisements must be made and contracts awarded. The successful contractor must put up a bond in the sum of fifty per cent of the total contract.—Hillsboro Argus.

PUBLIC SALE

I will sell at my place, two and one half miles northwest of Forest Grove, and one mile south of Thatcher, on

SATURDAY, MARCH 10 beginning at 10:00 a. m. the following described Stock:

Twenty head of milk cows, four high grade Jerseys, the others from one-half to three-quarters Holstein, crossed with Jersey stock. All tuberculin tested by Dr. Coon. Free lunch at noon

Terms of Sale: All sums under \$10 cash; on all sums over that amount 8 month's time will be given, with 6 per cent interest and approved security. No property to be removed until terms of sale are complied with.

IRA E. PURDIN, Owner.
J. W. HUGHES, Auctioneer.
Geo. F. Naylor, Clerk. 8-2t



Be a Life Saver

SAVE THE LIFE OF THE TOWN.
It will die if you don't boost it.
The best way to boost it is to READ THE HOME PAPER CAREFULLY
Take an ACTIVE INTEREST in the town's affairs.
SPEND YOUR MONEY IN TOWN with the local merchants.

Jurors Are Drawn For March Term

Sheriff Applegate and Clerk Kuratli have drawn the jury list for the March term of circuit court, which begins next Monday. The venire comes from all parts of the county and only three were selected from Hillsboro proper. All are farmers excepting six.

The jurors:

John Wesch	Tualatin
Joseph Saunders	Portland R 2
Geo. Conzelman	Sherwood R 3
H. W. Emerson	Forest Grove
Wm. Kappel	Forest Grove R 2
J. N. Loudon	Cornelius R 2
J. F. Johnson	Buxton
Frank Mandel	Sherwood R 3
Ira W. Handley	Hillsboro R 4
Toni Sinay	Cornelius
Albert Oil	Sherwood R 3
Otto Hendrickson	Scapoose R 1
Joseph Peel	Tualatin
Willis Ireland	Hillsboro
Wm. H. Hiddink	Buxton
Wm. Boberg	Tualatin
Theo. Vanderzanden	Banks R 3
Harvey Baldwin	Forest Grove
H. R. Kaufman	Sherwood R 5
J. B. Kays	Hillsboro R 2
A. E. Luther	Hillsboro
H. L. Flint	Beaverton R 3
Henry T. Beach	Hillsboro R 3
Wilhelm Matzke	Beaverton
Wm. Nelson	Hillsboro
E. E. Berst	Beaverton R 2
Geo. Kieni	Portland R 2
Mike Sturm jr	Cornelius R 2
Joseph Rooks	Banks R 3
O. H. Butler	Sherwood R 1
Jos. E. Carpenter	Forest Grove R 1

The county court jury called for the year:

Wm. B. Wansbrough	Hillsboro
Thos. P. Goodin	Hillsboro R 1
John W. Pritchard	Gaston R 1
J. E. Peterson	Portland R 2
Edward Hanson	Dilley
Wm. V. Bergen	Hillsboro
B. R. Galbreath	Beaverton
F. E. Hartrampf	Hillsboro
B. B. Reeves	Portland R 2
Emer Murdock	Sherwood
L. S. McConnell	Sherwood
F. M. Kelsey	Hillsboro

BOOSTING THE SILO

The Tillamook Headlight of Feb. 15th contained many columns upholding the silo as the real money maker for the farmer and dairyman, and the following are some of the extracts from the paper:

"I don't see how any one can successfully dairy in Tillamook County without a silo."—A. G. Beals.

"Silage fed in the spring before calving and up till grass comes, puts the cows in shape to do their best."—Dolph Tinnerstet.

"Herd dropped 350 pounds milk in fall when changed from silage to green feed."—James Williams.

"Oats makes better feed in the silo than in any other form."—B. L. Beals.

"The Silo enables one to keep more stock on the same land. The dairyman cannot afford to be without it."—Kuppenbender Bros.

"Silage kept the flow up through the fall and winter and put the cows in shape for a good year's work this season."—R. O. Richards.

"The silo raises the feeding value of the farm one half, as it allows you to grow crops like corn and artichokes, which yield more per acre."—Herman Farmer.

"Silage with a little grain keeps up the flow through the winter when fat is high priced."—C. E. Donaldson.

"The best paying investment a farmer can make. Herd dropped one-half in milk three days after silage was gone."—William Maxwell.

"The only thing for a prairie farmer; I shall build another this summer."—George Tinnerstet.

"Kept up flow through the fall months."—A. W. Bunn.

"The silo is a feed saver. It will fatten the cow during the winter months so when they freshen in the spring they will start the season in better shape and do better for the season."—B. A. Folks.

"The silo gives me a method of killing the seed of yellow weed."—S. G. Reed.

We'll Make Good

on any promise we make to deliver work on a given date. The Express has one of the best equipped little printing plants in the Willamette valley, having added several hundred dollars' worth of material to the Williams plant for

... JOB PRINTING ...

purposes and more good material is on the way. The management would very much appreciate it if those in need of stationery, office blanks, or any other kind of printing would call at the office for samples and prices. If you're too busy to come to the office use the phone and a representative will call on you.

PHONE 821