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TAXES WOULD MOUNT

Julius L. Meier is without doubt one of Oregon's most able merchants and business men, the success of the Meier & Frank store in Portland under his management, is proof of that. But that the business qualifications which enable him to make a success of the merchandise business, indicate executive ability in handling state government does not follow.

Had Geo. W. Joseph lived, Mr. Meier would never have been thought of for governor. Nor would he have been able to carry out his ideas of developing public-owned power supply, without cost to the public, any more than Mr. Meier would be able to do were the state to elect him governor. What Seattle and Tacoma were able to do in furnishing cheap power was one of the points in the Joseph campaign, and yet the Seattle Times comes out editorially and concedes that municipal ownership of light and power utilities has fallen flat, and that both Seattle and Tacoma have gained nothing by these ventures. The latter has now a tax rate of 81 mills, highest in the entire Northwest, while Seattle claims second place with a tax rate of 76.85 mills. Comparison with Portland's tax rate (46.6 mills) shows favorably to the district south of the Columbia. The Times says both these Washington cities have "stripped the tax-rolls of millions of dollars worth of taxable property for their power projects." Oregon utilities pay more than \$5000 a day in taxes. Household rates for electricity were lowered in Seattle and Tacoma, but have been more than offset by heavy increase in taxes. The Times warns Oregon property owners against proposed power legislation in the form of a constitutional amendment, which is sponsored by the garage, and which on a state-wide scale would be disastrous, adding, "The people of Oregon will be well advised to turn away from the foolish thought of something for nothing." Power development "without cost to the taxpayers," says the Times "is a promise that never yet has been fulfilled." Oregon's total tax income from privately owned utilities for the year 1930 will exceed seven million dollars, according to Earl L. Fisher, chairman of Oregon tax commission.

NO NEW RAIL LINES BUILDING
 A subscriber in Los Angeles writes to the Sentinel, asking for information relative to the boom now advertised as being on in Coos county. He says it sounds like a repetition of the boom of 25 or 30 years ago, and wants to know if it is the fake he thinks it is. Coos county has been forging ahead the past few years, but what brings the particular booming of this section at this time is the effort to sell a large bunch of lots and tracts of land purchased last spring at a junk sale of land, bid in by Coos county for delinquent taxes.
 Our subscriber quotes the boomers as stating that two new railroads are to be built and some six million dollars expended.
 All the railroad building in Oregon the past year has been east of the Cascades, but there is still being an effort made to secure a rail connection between Coos Bay and Roseburg.
 However we cannot advise anyone to "pay \$99.50 for 25x100 foot lots on Willanch Slough which will be worth \$400 to \$500 when the improvements are completed." Decidedly not.
 That there may be another rail line into Coos county before many years is altogether probable, for the millions being spent, over a term of years for jetty and harbor work on Coos Bay and its entrance, assuredly indicate that large interests are getting ready to help develop the Coos county section, but with all the activity in railroad circles in central Oregon, there is nothing definite yet to report for the southwest Oregon empire.

RASKOB'S METHODS EXPOSED

Frank Kent, democratic political writer, is credited by Representative Will R. Wood, Chairman of the Republican National Congressional Committee, with disclosing a "plot" of John J. Raskob, democratic national chairman, to bring about a "systematic and malicious misrepresentation of the president." Chairman Wood

said: "The plot of Mr. John J. Raskob to bring about a systematic and malicious misrepresentation of the President of the United States is disclosed by Mr. Frank Kent, nationally known democratic journalist, in an article in the current issue of Scribner's magazine."
 "From Mr. Kent's article it appears that a Mr. Michelson was employed at a large salary by Mr. Raskob to develop these misrepresentations in every quarter of the United States, in an attempt to systematically undermine his influence to do service. These attacks, prepared by Mr. Michelson's bureau, are issued in the names of various persons who have shown themselves willing to be pawns in such practices. This scheme represents one of the most infamous incidents in American political history and it is to the credit of some democratic leaders that they have refused to lend their names to its furtherance."
 "I have a collection of these statements, issued almost daily over a period of more than a year, in which practically every act of the president, big or little, is challenged, slandered, maligned."
 "The American people do not countenance this kind of politics. It is right and proper for democratic leaders to criticize the policies of a republican administration, but for Mr. Raskob to set up a paid organization almost at the beginning of this administration for the deliberate purpose of personal misrepresentation of the President of the United States is without parallel in American politics."
 "That the president has endured this for seventeen months without a complaint is a tribute to his high-mindedness and patience and his sense of the dignity of his great office. Mr. Kent, himself a democrat, has done a national service by his expose, for those who read his article can no longer put credence in anything emanating from Mr. Raskob's propaganda bureau."

R. A. Easton's Weekly Letter
 Suppose Julius Meier, the ghost candidate for governor running on the ghost platform of "public ownership of public utilities without cost to the taxpayers" would try to run the Meier and Frank store without cost to the taxpayers, how would it work?
 That would be running the business without paying rent or light or heat. The help all to work for nothing and board themselves. Where would the taxpayer customers be benefitted when the business went bust?
 Or suppose he would start a new business "without cost to the taxpayers" and should sell certificates of ownership to the taxpayers, guaranteed to pay certain interest and then went bust, those dear taxpayers who paid out good money for the something for nothing certificates would hold the sack of empty promises. Seattle and Tacoma have had and are having unenjoyable experiences with windy fakers. That kind of a governor would not be a profitable investment for the state of Oregon.
 The proposed Bonus Loan constitutional amendment strikes me as a rotten proposition.
 If it is such a profitable thing for the state when a few get the benefit of it as the affirmative argument would have it appear, why would it not be more profitable for the state if everybody were to have the benefit of those same kind of loans from the state. The affirmative argument is political buncombe.
 The negative argument by W. C. North states plain facts as to the state's experiences thus far in the bond experience.
 My vote will be cast against that amendment.
 R. A. Easton.

Something to Talk About
 Many sections of the Pacific Coast are raving about their wonderful climate, but during the fiscal United States weather-bureau year ending August 31, Curry County established a weather record which is hard to beat, says the Curry County Reporter.
 Aug. 31, Curry County established a days there were 234 days with cloudless skies; 83 partly cloudy days and only 48 days on which the sun failed to shine. Probably no other section of the entire Pacific coast can boast of 317 days of sunshine.
 The temperatures were as remarkable as the sunshine. The mean temperature for the entire year was 53.21 degrees. The maximum temperature for the year was 82 degrees recorded on September 22 of 1929 and the minimum temperature was 24 degrees recorded on January 11, 1930.

Geo. Washington Bi-Centennial
 Beginning on February 22, 1932, and continuing until Thanksgiving Day of the same year, there will be observed throughout the United States a commemoration of the two hundredth anniversary of the birth of George Washington. The celebration is sponsored by the United States government, and Congress has created a commission charged with the responsibility of formulating and of putting into operation plans for the event.

News From State Capital

The state highway commission meeting here Tuesday afternoon at the call of Governor Norblad, approved of the governor's proposal for the issuance of a large block of highway bonds at this time with which to speed up road work and to relieve the unemployment situation this winter. Not that the commission was unsympathetic with the governor's attitude toward the employment problem but that it did not consider the proposal practical. Chairman VanDuser of the highway commission pointed out that the department was already speeding up its program to twice that of last year and that any new program started at this time would require so long a time in getting under way that it would have little or no effect on the situation this winter. The commission, however, promised to proceed with as much work during the winter months as was practical to carry out at this time of the year.

A safety conference held here on Tuesday afternoon at the call of Secretary of State Hoss, decided to make Marion county the experimenting ground for a proposed accident prevention program before extending the campaign to other sections of the state. The campaign which is to be launched in this county at once will be watched closely as to its practical value. It is proposed to carry the campaign into every school in the state ultimately. Representatives of the state motor association, state parent-teacher association, traffic department, department of education and highway department attended the conference here.

The proposed special session of the state legislature to consider added protection for Oregon's water power resources continues up in the air, in spite of State Engineer Luper's announced determination to hold up action on all major appropriations until after the regular session can convene. Governor Norblad on Tuesday of this week submitted to Attorney General VanWinkle a long list of questions, the replies to which will largely determine his attitude toward the proposed session of the lawmakers. These questions deal with the state's position, under existing statutes, relative to the preservation and conservation of its water resources from private monopoly.

Indicative of the rapid growth of state departments, once created, is the experience of the new state department of higher education which this week has been authorized to transfer its quarters from the new office building to the old capitol building where there is more room for expansion. Representatives of the department appearing before the board of control in behalf of the increased office space indicated that the personnel of the department, now limited to two stenographers in addition to the executive secretary, will probably be increased to 18 or 20 employees soon, especially if the bookkeeping of the several institutions of higher learning is concentrated in this office as now planned.

Continued criticism of his removal of T. A. Rafferty as chief of the state traffic force has at last impelled Secretary of State Hoss to issue a statement in defense of his position. In the statement Hoss charges that, among other things, Rafferty had attempted to "frame" one of his subordinate officers whom he feared as a rival for his position and that the former traffic chief had on one occasion gone over the head of a subordinate to "fix" a case and keep a friend out of court. Hoss denies that he had ever interfered with Rafferty in the removal of any member of the force when there was cause for such removal but admits that he did prevent the dismissal of several members of the squad when it appeared to him that the removals were without cause and only to gratify the chief's grudge.

Governor Norblad, in a proclamation issued this week, calls upon the citizens of Oregon to join in the observance of Constitution week, September 14 to 20 with suitable exercises in schools, churches, civic and fraternal organizations and "by re-establishing themselves as loyal citizens through a whole-hearted allegiance to the provisions of the Constitution."

Accident prevention and safety rules are to be emphasized in a campaign of education which is to be carried on by the state traffic department in cooperation with the American Legion, Oregon State Motor Association, State Parent-Teacher Association and the state association of county school superintendents. Secretary of State Hoss, as head of the department, has transferred Walter Lansing from Baker to the Salem office of the traffic division and placed him in charge of the educational campaign which is to be carried into every section of the state.


The high cost of lawmaking in Oregon, apparently, does not end with

We Thank You

Last month we announced that Clyde E. Niles, former Ford dealer of Sheridan, Oregon, and Ira E. Wilson from the Ford dealership at Golden-dale, Washington, had joined our organizations at Coquille and Myrtle Point. A cordial invitation was extended to the public to come in and get acquainted. The response during the month was most gratifying and we are happy to list below the names of those who expressed their confidence in us and in our product by purchases during August:

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the adjournment of the legislative session. The secretary of state's office is now preparing to distribute 90 sets of the new Oregon code—authorized by the last session—to the 90 members of the house and senate at a cost of \$35 per set or slightly in excess of \$3000 for the 90 sets. The new codes consist of three volumes bound in black pebble grained fabricoid cover and present a very high-grade appearance. The first volume contains all laws pertaining to court practice and procedure, laws relating to the administration of estates, all criminal laws and the state constitution. The other three volumes contain all of the other laws of the state arranged alphabetically by subjects making for a self-indexing arrangement.

Refusal of the state supreme court to grant a rehearing in the disbarment proceeding against Thomas Mannix, Portland attorney, is believed to mark the final chapter in that case which resulted in the permanent disbarment of Mannix from the practice of law in Oregon.

For the first time in more than two years there was a slump in the population of the state prison during the month of August, according to a report made by Supt. Henry Meyers to the state board of control. From a high peak of 915 prisoners established early in August the population fell to a total of only 880 on September 5. This was due largely to the fact that the courts were vacationing during the month but with reports indicating that county jails over the state are filled with men and women awaiting trial for various crimes, a big influx of prisoners is expected during the next few weeks.

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Keep The Fat Away

This is interesting—the figures given below are correct according to the leading authorities—Women over 50 should beware of fat—if your weight and height match the table below you are in luck—and should be thankful—Weigh yourself today.

Ages 50 and Over

If you are overweight cut out pies, pastries, cakes and candies for 4 weeks—then weigh yourself—go light on potatoes, rice, butter, cream and sugar—eat lean meat, chicken, fish, salad, green vegetables and fruit.
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