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THURSDAY, AUGUST 25, 1931

While Oregon's population was increasing 16%, assessed values of property increased 23%, and taxes went up 244%. On a per capita basis, allowing for the increase in population, taxes went up 196%. The average tax rate for the state went up 186%.—Oregon Voter.

These are amazing figures which we face and we must view them in the light of their consequence to the state's development and in order to fully realize the ultimate result. The Graphic is optimistic to a fault and we are ever ready to work for any improvements which we feel will advance the interests of the state or the community, but there is a point beyond which it is suicide for us to go, and we believe that we have reached that point. We are informed that the county clerk has said that taxes will be about one-third higher in Yamhill county this coming year than they were last. There seems to be no end to the increased tax burden and unless we call a definite halt, taxation will soon approach confiscation.

It is easy enough for us to make the above statement, but we realize that it is a much different matter to devise means by which this may be accomplished. The national government is pointing the way in this matter however, and the state and county officials will do well to follow in their lead. Economy is the keynote of it all and if the county officials and state boards and commissions will inaugurate a strict campaign of economy, it will have a most decidedly beneficial effect.

But it is not through these officials alone that economy must come. Care must be exercised among the public at large that economy is practiced with state and county government funds. We must not demand all kinds of improvements and appropriations, if we would see taxation reduced. Every effort should be made to ascertain just how necessary an appropriation is before it is given the sanction of the public. We must not join in asking for public monies until it is certain that the expenditure of those monies is a vital necessity. This is bitter medicine, but if we are going to pull ourselves out of a most serious condition, broaching on the very verge of bankruptcy and business suicide, we must take the dose. It is always unpopular to refuse to boost for every movement which comes along, but the Graphic feels that in the interest of getting our taxes back to normalcy and thus offering business

an opportunity to exist and increase, we must throttle useless ambitions and urge supreme economy.

We have a great state, powerful in its scope and its latent resources. But it must be admitted that to a large extent these resources are undeveloped. We have thousands of acres of excellent land lying idle. We have vast tracts of undeveloped lands. We cannot hope to develop these with the excessively high taxes which are at present put upon us. Let's wake up to the seriousness of the situation and to a realization of what is involved and demand economy and retrenchment all down the line.

Who is the biggest man in your city? It he the fellow who hoards up his dollars and refuses to help any civic movement? Is he the fellow who always criticizes every movement undertaken for the good of the community, if it doesn't meet with his single track idea of doing things? Is he the one who howls calamity all of the time and thinks his city is going to the dogs whenever an effort is made towards improvement? We don't believe that anyone would pick such a type of man as their ideal, and yet too often in one way or another, we are prone to do these things. Every community has some outstanding characters, who through their willingness to boost, regardless of personal loss or gain, have endeared themselves to their city or community. Newberg has them and we are all proud of them. But likewise, every community has its less desirable elements who knock and kick about everything. Newberg has these. It is easy to slip into the habit of knocking and oftentimes things come up which make it hard to maintain our good will toward men, but the examples of others should incite us all to harder efforts, that we may keep our city to the fore.

Do you offer your banker an apology when you make a deposit in the bank? Do you feel conspicuous when you go into your local store and make a purchase? Do you have an inclination to shrink from the notoriety of driving your car through the streets? If not, then please hold the same feelings about giving an item of news concerning yourself or your friends to your local paper.

Criticism is the easiest thing in the world to give and one of the hardest to take. If every person would only remember just how it seems to be criticized, before criticizing the other fellow, there wouldn't be so much criticism scattered about.

Highest Peaks in United States

The highest mountain within the United States is Mount Whitney, California, which rises 14,502 feet above the sea. Next in order is Mount Elbert, Colorado, 14,420 feet high. Rainier comes next with an altitude of 14,408 feet. Relative heights of these peaks were found in a recent bulletin of the geological survey.

OPENING PRICES ON NEW PRUNES ANNOUNCED

Opening prices on the new crop of prunes have just been announced by the Oregon Growers Cooperative Association and buyers are taking hold of the 1931 crop at the prices named in a way that is very pleasing. Five carloads were sold the first day following the opening announcement and during the first three days nine cars were sold.

The following are the actual selling prices of the prunes f. o. b. shipping point after the boxing cost has been deducted:

30-40s	10%
40-50s	9%
50-60s	7%
60-70s	6%
70-80s	5%
80-90s	4%
90-100s	4%

These prices are the same as those at which the Washington Growers Packing Corporation is opening its sale and are within a half cent of the opening prices on California prunes which have been sold for many years at a price which has been several cents in advance of prices on Oregon Italian prunes.

The fact that Oregon prunes are going at prices which are nearly equal to those on the California product indicates that buyers are looking on the northwest prune with increasing favor. This has been brought about largely by the efforts of the association in its advertising campaign and by putting out a standardized pack under the Mistland brand.

Though this year's prices are several cents under those announced in last year's opening, the prospect is much more promising because every indication points toward a rising market in contrast with the sharp decline which was experienced after the first sale of the 1930 crop.

Reports coming from the growers indicate that they are pleased with the prices. C. R. Thompson, manager of the Sheridan plant of the Association says, "I have personally interviewed a large number of growers in this vicinity and they all express satisfaction in regard to the new schedule of prices."

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Ella M. Breck & hub. to John M. Phelps; 40 ac. in Sec. 18, T4S R5W. \$300.

G. W. Myers & wf. to James E. Brown & wf.; 233.18 ac. in John F. Johnson & J. H. Berry D. L. claims, T4S R5W. \$10.

J. O. Cranford & wf. to J. C. Gilbert & wf.; 27 ac. in Madison Malone DLC, T4S R4W. \$10.

Marie K. Evans & hub. to C. A. Evans & wf.; 100x120 ft. in D. D. Deskins DLC, T3S R2W. \$10.

C. A. Evans & wf. to Marie K. Evans & hub.; 20x27 ft. in City of Newberg. \$10.

Alonzo Hadley & wf. to James Roberts & wf.; 19.66 ac. in S. D. Snowden DLC, T3S R2W. \$10.

Maggie E. Hale et al. to Union Oil Co. of California; blk. 4 & lot 7, blk. 3, Deskins 3rd. add. to Newberg and street. \$10.

Robert W. Henry & wf. to Joseph E. Ryan; 33.35 ac. in J. B. Graves DLC, T5S R6W. \$10.

Robert Henry & wf. to Joseph E. Ryan; lots 1, 2, 7 & 8, blk. 21, Faulconer's 2nd. add. Sheridan. \$10.

Clara V. Hughson et al. to G. R. Shipley & wf.; all of lot 1, & part of lots 2, 7 & 8, blk. 5, original townsite Carlton. \$2000.

G. R. Shipley & wf. to Clara V. Hughson & hub.; 24 ac. in C. S. Tustin & J. H. Gaunt DLC, T4S R4W. \$2000.

A. C. Southmayd & wf. to Mary E. Yocum; lot 12, blk. 1, Bibee's add. Sheridan. \$150.

J. F. Taylor & wf. to Union Oil Co. of California; lots 5 & 6, blk. 3, Deskins 3rd. add. Newberg. \$10.

J. F. Taylor & wf. to Union Oil Co. of California; W. 50 ft. of lots 1 & 2, blk. 3, Deskins 3rd. add. Newberg. \$10.

D. E. Wheeler & wf. to Benjamin F. Moore & wf.; lots 4 & 5, blk. 2, Sunnyside add. McMinnville. \$900.

Bank of Sherwood to Philo H. Willard; lot 1, blk. 9, Everest add. Newberg. \$10.

Margaret A. Ballinger to Minerva R. Dunn; N. 1/2 of lots 1 & 2, blk. 13, Johns add. McMinnville. \$1000.

B. W. Barber & wf. to Ina Heinrich; lot 8, blk. 6, Fairview add. Willamina. \$150.

George Dayton & wf. to Charles U. Sandoz & wf.; 43.22 ac. in S. D. Snowden DLC, T3S R2W. \$12000.

Jesse Edwards & wf. to J. Harlan Smith & wf.; lot 11, blk. 2, Edwards 2nd. add. Newberg. \$350.

F. L. Hockett & wf. to John F. Leaper & wf.; lots 9, 10, 11 & 12, blk. 31, Edwards add. Newberg. \$10.

Jonathan Hornbrook & wf. to Grace M. Wendt; 13050 sq. ft. in J. B. Rogers DLC, T3S R2W. \$10.

Wm. J. Kink & wf. to Ernest A. Stevens & wf.; lots 15, 16, 17 & 18, Hurleys Subdivision. \$10.

Hannah M. Kutch Estate by administratrix to James Spence; lot 3, blk. 1, Kutch's 2nd. add. Carlton. \$1200.

Wm. T. Lechband & wf. to Ella L. Woods; 30x75 feet in blk. 1, Newby's 1st. add. McMinnville. \$2000.

H. L. Pederson to Guy C. Haynes & wf.; 40 ac. in Sec. 21, lot 1, Sec. 27; 120 acres & lot 6, Sec. 22 & 1120 sq. rods in E. T. Washburn DLC, except sold, T2S R5W. \$3000.

Harvey Purdy to J. J. Jacob; lot 4, Bakeman's add. Carlton. \$10.

H. E. Rosencrans to Alice M. Rinehart; lots 1, 4, 4, 8 & 9, blk. 3, Jos. Watt's 2nd. add. Amity. \$10.

ELECTRIC TRAIN SCHEDULE

The following is the time of electric train arrivals at the city ticket office at Newberg:

To Portland	From Portland
6:04 a. m.	9:02 a. m.
9:50 a. m.	11:32 a. m.
1:15 p. m.	2:20 p. m.
4:06 p. m.	5:36 p. m.
7:04 p. m.	6:56 p. m.
2:50 a. m. Sun. only	12:45 a. m.

Portland-Newberg Motor Bus Schedule Effective August 15, 1931

Subject to change without notice.

Leave Portland	Leave Newberg
4th and Alder	Imperial Hotel
8:00 a. m.	8:00 a. m.
9:30 a. m.	10:00 a. m.
11:00 a. m.	11:00 a. m.
1:00 p. m.	1:00 p. m.
2:30 p. m.	2:45 p. m.
4:15 p. m.	4:00 p. m.
5:30 p. m.	6:30 p. m.
6:30 p. m.	6:30 p. m.
Sat. and Sun.—only—Sat. and Sun.	11:15 p. m.
11:15 p. m.	8:00 p. m.

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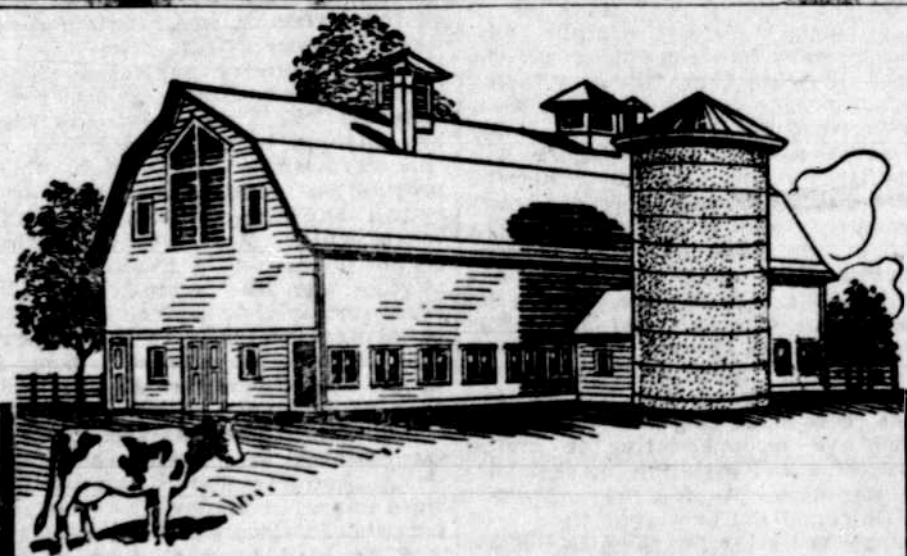
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