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## TAXES.

Now that the tax bills for the current year are being made up people are finding that they have larger bills to pay for public purposes than ever before and as usual, under such circumstances, they are trying to find someone to blame for the condition. So far, we gather, the blame is divided between two causes, the increase in assessed valuation and the unusual city budget for 1920.

Inasmuch as the word 'blame' suggests a fault it would perhaps be better to discover the cause rather than to place the blame, but if blame must be placed it belongs on everyone of us. What is going now is the thing that happens as often as tax paying time comes around. People get their tax bills and grumble. Then they pay them and forget.

Annually, when the grumbling is going on, we venture to point out a few facts about taxation and this now seems to be the time to mention them again.

Those who are giving the increase in valuations as the cause of high taxes are absolutely wrong. Valuations are merely a means of determining what proportion of the whole a taxpayer shall pay. They may be high or they may be low, but if they are placed on property in the same ratio the proportion always remains the same. Increase in assessed values in Bend may make us pay more county tax than before if like increases were not made elsewhere in the county, but if the values are uniform we have no right to complain. We are paying only our just share.

The thing that determines whether a tax is to be high or low is the money that is spent by the city or the school district or the county, or all three together. Assessed valuations play no part in the decision. All a tax is is the contribution made by a property owner toward the expense of the municipality. The expense, then, is what determines the size of the tax. If the district is spending a lot of money its taxes will be high; if it is not spending much they will be low.

The tax bill comes around once a year but every day and every week and every month the expense that the tax bill is to help care for is running on. If taxes seem high there is no use in grumbling over the bill. Pay the bill. It must be done. That is past history. Then if you are interested in keeping taxes down get in and help in your public administration. Watch what is being done. Suggest, take a part. After all it's your town, and your school district, and your county. If you will not help in its administration you have no right to grumble over paying its bills.

## A TREE WARDEN.

Along about this time of year there are being held all over New England those annual gatherings well known to all students of municipal government as the New England town meetings. In each town the voters congregate at the town hall, a chairman, known as the moderator, is chosen and the annual business is transacted, including the voting of taxes, discussion of town affairs and the election of selectmen and other officers.

We have no intention of proceeding with a discussion of this town meeting form of government, nor of comparing it with the other forms in use in other parts of the country, but we do want to call attention to the fact that in all these towns one of the officers elected is the tree warden to whom is entrusted the care of all trees on the public streets and highways. His job includes not only the care of these trees but also their protection against disfigurement or destruction in connection with street improvement work or the work of those public utility corporations that use the city streets. If work that involves a tree in any way is to be undertaken the tree warden is consulted and his permit obtained. Looking at the work from the view-point of one interested in the tree he is frequently able to suggest changes or modifications of plan that mean saving it. Or if it must be trimmed or cut in some way he will see that the least possible damage is done.

Frequently in the past the matter of protecting our trees has been dis-

cussed. Mr. Strahorn, on one of his visits here, made an especial plea to the Commercial club to take steps for their protection. The subject has more than once been discussed in The Bulletin. A few months ago another local newspaper took up the cause. No results have yet been obtained from any of this agitation, however, and it occurs to us that the reason is because there is no one official responsible for the work. What is everybody's business is nobody's business. Our Commercial club committees either will not act or are appointed too late to get results. There is no civic body sufficiently interested to care for the trees all the time and the trees get no protection.

Why not create the office of tree warden in the city of Bend and have our trees cared for and protected?

The esteemed Oregonian observes that "To date we have not heard anybody remark that Wilson put the lance in Lansing." The remark was made in The Bulletin about three weeks ago.

The best thing we have seen yet in the Miles Poindexter candidacy for the Republican nomination for president is the slogan, "No red without the white and blue."

## COMMUNICATION.

### CATS UNNECESSARY.

Editor Bend Bulletin:  
Your item in last Thursday paper regarding the valuable birds which were devoured by a hungry cat deserves more than cursory notice and should awake all bird lovers and indifferent people as well to the menace of the cat to our birds.

It is not only the hungry cats that catch birds but the sleekest most well-fed cat will kill them, at all times.

If we are to lure the birds to our grounds by feeding them and furnishing bird houses we must first de-

stroy their greatest enemy the cat. Of what avail are our efforts to cultivate the friendship of the birds and have them build their nests in our trees, when in the next yard there awaits a greedy cat to devour them at the first opportunity.

It is an established fact that a cat is of more harm than use. A few traps will catch more mice, and are far more sanitary and clean. A cat prowls in all the filthy places in a town, in alleys under houses, garbage cans and still people allow their children to handle them. There has been a fly-catcher around my house for several weeks, darting past my windows catching the first flies that the warm days have brought forth. It there was a cat here I'm sure that the bird would not have remained.

## REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

### First National Bank of Bend

AT BEND, IN THE STATE OF OREGON

AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS FEBRUARY 28, 1920

#### RESOURCES

Loans and discounts, including rediscounts.....	\$791,029.77
Total loans.....	791,029.77
Overdrafts, unsecured.....	791,029.77
U. S. Government securities owned:	10,910.22
Deposited to secure circulation (U. S. bonds par value).....	12,500.00
Pledged to secure postal savings deposits (par value).....	11,500.00
Pledged as collateral for state or other deposits or bills payable.....	97,750.00
Owned and unpledged.....	58,200.00
War Savings Certificates and Thrift Stamps actually owned.....	423.57
Total U. S. securities.....	180,373.57
Bonds (other than U. S. bonds) pledged to secure postal savings deposits.....	2,614.76
Securities, other than U. S. bonds (not including stocks), owned and unpledged.....	35,121.34
Total bonds, securities, etc., other than U. S. Stock of Federal Reserve Bank (50 per cent of subscription).....	37,736.10
Value of banking house, owned and unincumbered.....	1,500.00
Furniture and fixtures.....	23,044.30
Real estate owned other than banking house.....	6,470.01
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank.....	7,396.67
Cash in vault and net amounts due from national banks.....	8,902.87
Net amounts due from banks, bankers, and trust companies in the United States (other than included in Items 12, 13, or 14).....	120,542.47
Exchanges for clearing house.....	9,002.15
Total of Items 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17.....	4,122.62
Checks on banks located outside of city or town of reporting bank and other cash items.....	133,667.24
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer.....	4,375.00
Expenses and interest paid.....	625.00
	13,626.31
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>\$1,297,757.06</b>

#### LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in.....	\$ 25,000.00
Surplus fund.....	25,000.00
Undivided profits.....	\$ 11,042.93
Circulating notes outstanding.....	11,042.93
Net amounts due to banks, bankers, and trust companies in the United States and foreign countries (other than included in Items 29 or 30).....	12,500.00
Certified checks outstanding.....	3,805.21
Cashier's checks on own bank outstanding.....	470.51
Total of Items 29, 30, 31, 32 and 33.....	6,195.52
Demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve (deposits payable within 30 days):	
Individual deposits subject to check.....	10,471.24
State, county, or other municipal deposits secured by pledge of assets of this bank.....	736,590.53
Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve, Items 34, 35, 36, 37, 38 and 39.....	20,000.00
Time deposits subject to Reserve (payable after 30 days, or subject to 30 days or more notice, and postal savings):	756,590.53
Certificates of deposit (other than for money borrowed).....	50,410.69
State, county, or other municipal deposits secured by pledge of assets of this bank.....	50,410.69
Postal savings deposits.....	75,375.30
Other time deposits.....	7,929.41
Total of time deposits subject to Reserve, Items 40, 41, 42 and 43.....	323,437.16
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>\$1,297,757.06</b>

State of Oregon, County of Deschutes—ss:

I, C. G. McReynolds, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. G. McREYNOLDS, Cashier,

CORRECT—Attest:

C. S. HUDSON,  
H. C. ELLIS,  
E. A. SATHER,

Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of March, 1920.

J. A. EASTES, Notary Public.

My commission expires December 30, 1923.

## SEVENTEEN TIMES HER WEIGHT IN MILK



Mary, owned by F. W. Ayer of Bangor, Me., is the new champion Jersey milk and butterfat producer of the world. In one year she set the mark of 15,255 pounds of milk and 1040 pounds of butterfat. It was a remarkable feat—dairymen say it was about 17 times her weight in milk—and at the present retail price of butter her production brought in \$832. Her weight is 900 pounds.

I was down along the river a few days ago, looking for some signs of spring and there up among the rocks, I saw a cat, almost the color of the rocks, waiting for the first bird to come along.

Destroy the cats, if you would have the songs and beauty of birds around your home.

A BIRD LOVER.

## HAS \$300 MORTGAGE ON IMPERIAL LOTS

Easterner Writes to Ascertain Development of Townsite Marketed in Boom Days.

That the failure of the townsite of Imperial to materialize into a city, or even a town, is still unknown to owners of land staked out in the sagebrush, was shown Thursday when a letter was received in the sheriff's office from A. M. Holton, of Minneapolis, holder of a \$300 mortgage against 10 of the "city lots" marketed in the boom days. Mr. Holton asks whether the country has developed so that he can pay the taxes on the property and still have something left. It is the opinion in the sheriff's office that he might be able to get as much as \$5 for all his Imperial holdings.

## SWEET CLOVER WILL BE TRIED ON DESERT

Henkle & Haines, real estate dealers, are preparing to distribute more than 200 pounds of sweet clover on

## HOSIERY

### For All The Family

Ladies' cotton medium weight, black, cordovan, balbriggan and white, hem top, odd sizes and rib top.....39c  
Ladies' black, with white feet.....49c  
Ladies' fine ribbed cotton mercerized, black, white and tan.....68c  
Pure silk, pearl and cordovan.....\$1.49

### CHILDREN'S HOSE—ALL SIZES

Medium weight cotton, strong and durable, for school or play, black, white and tan.....39c  
Misses' fine ribbed combed yarn, black, white and cordovan.....53c  
Misses' fine ribbed mercerized, black and white.....79c

### INFANTS' HOSE—ALL SIZES

Mercerized, fine ribbed, black and white.....39c  
Mercerized, fine ribbed, heavy weight, black and white.....45c

### MEN'S HOSE—ALL SIZES

Cotton, fine ribbed black, cordovan and pearl, 35c, three pair.....\$1.00  
Fine ribbed, black, white feet.....40c  
Cashmere, black.....48c

If you want the best hosiery, wear Foot Rest

## Fair Store

the high desert this year. The experiment was tried earlier in the history of the country, and according to Mr. Haines, a good stand of the forage plant was obtained on a number of farms. A two years drouth, however, completely obliterated the last vestige of clover. Mr. Haines believes that it can be made to grow successfully on the semi-arid lands, and a high grade of seed, developed in dry countries, will be used.

Put it in The Bulletin.

## COUNTY SEAT ISSUE TO BE VOTED ON

(Continued from Page 1.)

of Portland, the club authorized the appointment of a committeeman to have charge of Bend's representation at the June fiesta.

The constitution of the Community Clearing House league was referred to the directors of the club for ratification.

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