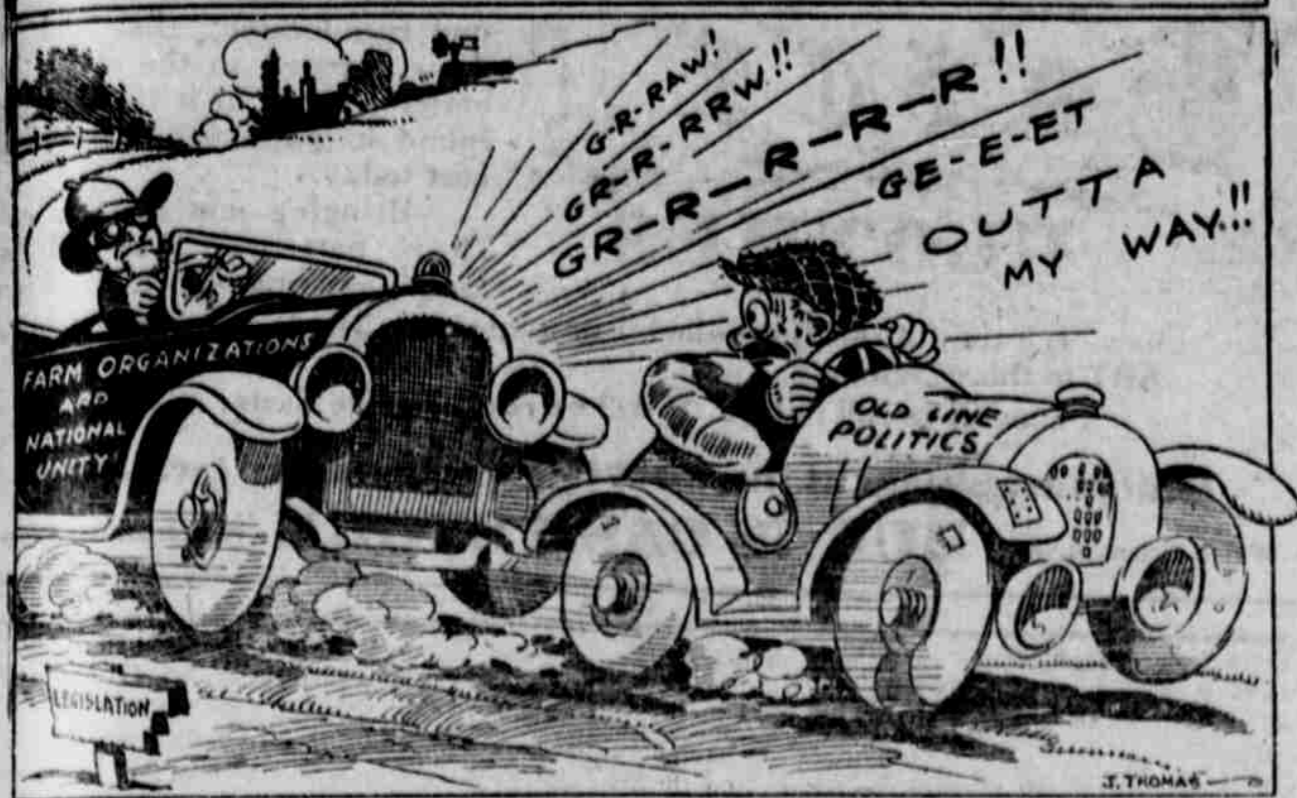


"GIVING HIM THE HORN"



Splendid Advice Threatened

The splendid advice of progressive agriculture to Oregon as well as agricultural education and higher education in general, is threatened with a serious check unless the relief prayed for in the Higher Educational tax act, to be voted on by the people of Oregon at the special election May 21, is granted.

The results of extensive research work by the experiment station at the agricultural college, Corvallis, and the seven branch stations representing the peculiar climatic and soil conditions of the seven agricultural regions of the state, have been rapidly brought into intimate touch with the farmer through the extension service. The practice of these results in production and protection of farm crops, livestock, dairying, poultry raising and farm and soil management have increased tremendously the production of high class produce and at the same time tended toward reduction of production costs.

Rapid as has been this extension of scientific agriculture, it has scarcely kept pace with the growth of college attendance—a growth in which the state university has shared. Rising living costs, the costs of equipment, buildings, supplies and instruction have climbed continuously throughout the war and reconstruction periods, while the funds for support of the institutions and the research and extension work have remained about stationary in nominal proceeds, but in reality have shrunk about 100 per cent in purchasing power.

Increased attendance at the state college and university since 1913, when the present millage laws were enacted, is exactly 150 per cent. The college budget was made to care for 1264 students at the time the millage act went into effect, with the assumption that the same rate on the growing value of taxable property would care for the normal increase. That this presumption was wrong is the result of two wholly unexpected developments the phenomenal growth of the school in resident students and experimental and extension activities, and the forcing down of as-

essed values in all counties to keep the county share of state levies properly equalized among the various counties.

From the 1264 resident students attendance has grown to 3378, and the station and extension work has grown in like ratio.

The increase from the millage law in all these years of expansion has been just 3.3 per cent.

Faculty resignations have been heavy. In the 18 month period ending January 1, 1920, 154 resigned—an average of one every 3 1/2 days. Some of the leading members have rejected offers topping their present salaries by 50 to 75 per cent.

In view of these emergencies the college and the university and normal school have joined in asking for an additional 1.26 mills for relief, and the matter has been referred to the people by the legislature to be passed upon at the special election in May.

Wise and Otherwise

If you want to become nationally known you have only to write a glowing testimonial for some patent medicine and mail it to the manufacturers. They will do the rest.

A few more weeks and we will be sighing again for the good old days of winter, for that which is temporarily beyond our reach we immediately desire.

There is a difference in mankind but in one respect we are nearly all of the same mind—that which we have ceased to admire we seek to discard. In Africa women are the property of their husbands, on a par with his cattle. If she ceases to be attractive to him or fails to bear him children he beats her to death if he feels like it, while ordinary beatings are merely an incident of the day. In civilization we employ a more refined method of cruelty. If we lose our love for them we lash them with our tongues, or get a divorce, or an affinity. In time, however, mankind may learn to seek the cause of family discord and apply the proper corrective remedy.

The wise man keeps his ear to the ground. The fool keeps it full of his own noise.

Monarchists of Germany yearn mightily for an opportunity to place some one of the old regime on the now vacant throne, but they will hardly succeed. There may be civil strife for a time as in the recent flare up, but the people have had a taste of ruling themselves and are in no mind to let go of the reins. The mailed fist of kaiserdom no longer appeals to them.

March, it seems, has been something of a windless month. That is, everywhere except in Washington.

Cleanliness is noted by a few people, but filth is seen by everybody. Let's all get busy and clean up this town. A little by each one means much in the aggregate.

All eyes are going to be turned on the supreme court for a time now. That worthy tribunal is to decide whether or not a man may be permitted to stock up his cellar with booze for his own use. Yes, there will be some anxious eyes turned toward Washington—very anxious.

For many years this country has been flooded with fake or shady concerns in which stock has been sold to a gullible public, generally to the small investor who can ill afford to lose his savings. Since the supreme court has ruled that incomes from stocks are not subject to taxation it

is possible that many more of these fakes will spring into existence, on the theory that the public will rush to place its surplus funds in stocks. If this be the case the people of our community should apply the acid test to any stock certificate offered them before parting with a dollar of their hard earned money. The fakir is a man with a smooth tongue, and he knows only too well how to use it.

JOE STECHER AGAIN CHAMP OF WRESTLERS



Sure they come back—in wrestling at least. For instance, Joe Stecher, Nebraska farm boy, is again world champion heavy-weight wrestler. He regained the title he lost to Earl Caddock of Iowa, in a one-fall match, which went 2 hours and 34 minutes, at New York.

BEADING AND BRAID ON SPRING FROCK



Beaded braid on the new spring-weight charmuse is the feature of this new one-piece dress, the belt being only a camouflage for the roll to the drape in the skirt. The black and white check in wool worsted is used for the skirt material. The turban is of velvet and straw.

When you hear a fellow shouting that money means nothing to him, you should be sure that your own is in a safe place.

The mighty have fallen, and they have fallen hard. In Austria and Hungary the nobility are in desperate financial straits—literally pauperized, many of them—not knowing one day from whence the meals for the next one will come. It is even said that hundreds of duchesses, princesses and baronesses are seeking employment as governesses, only to be rebuffed. Parents fear that they will implant extravagant ideas into the minds of the little children. Many of these women are even wait-

ing on table in restaurants—about the only thing left which they are capable of doing. America, rich in everything, can not help a feeling of sympathy for these unfortunate women who have had everything and now have nothing, just as we sympathize with all who are struggling in the depths of poverty, whether high born or or plebian birth. But will the lesson it teaches be taken home? Will women learn that from infancy every person should be taught to be self supporting in one way or another—that the day of the drones is rapidly drawing to a close?

Spring, we would remind you, has one eye fully hatched and the other is beginning to pip.



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