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SUSTAIN INCOME TAX

We hope no farmer will fall for the bunk that is being peddled by the knockers who are fighting the income tax.

Oregon is prospering today as never before. New industries have been springing up all over the state during the term that the law has been operative and old enterprises have been increasing their capacity. The state, too, has been filling up with settlers. The Portland chamber of commerce says that 500 families arrived and located in the state last month.

The Portland Journal says: "The increase of construction in the major cities of the state for September was 24 per cent."

"The increase in Washington was only 7 per cent. For California it was only 4 per cent. The comparisons are with September of last year."

"In spite of this marvelous growth in Oregon, a faction in meroe is broadcasting a statement that the state income tax the Portland Chamber of Commerce is broadcasting a program that the state income tax is building up California and Washington at the expense of Oregon. How about it? California's increase, 4 per cent; Washington's 7 per cent; Oregon's 24 per cent. The figures are from building records reported by S. W. Strauss & Co., recognized authorities on the subject."

The preposterous statement is made that because of the income tax this state has lost \$41,252,350 of investment that would have come here. A week ago the figures given was \$30,000,000. By election day the figures given by these knockers and tax shirkers may include all of Oregon and part of California and Washington as lost to us through the income tax.

Once in a while the Portland body quits knocking long enough to let a little truth escape. Thus it says:

"Oregon gained 24 per cent in new building construction during 1924, compared with a four per cent gain in California and a seven per cent gain in Washington since the first of the year and hundreds more are on their way. Real estate transfers are breaking any records since long before the war; Oregon is now going ahead more rapidly than in many years past."

And then it remembers the income taxes its members have had to pay and goes back to the howling of calamity.

Among the signs of progress noted within seven days and recorded by Hofer & Sons' Industrial Review, were:

Medford—Amount of new building indicates best period in city's growth.

Wheeler—Extensive program of new building now in progress. New hotel opened.

Oregon leads Pacific states in percentage of building gain for September, 1924, over September, 1923. Oregon gain for five principal cities is 24 per cent; nine Washington cities gained 7 per cent, and California cities gained 4 per cent.

Molalla—Commercial Club takes up job of contracting acreage for pickle plant. About 150 acres required.

Dee—Oregon Lumber company starts new dam for log pond and for additional power. Installation will cost \$50,000.

Cottage Grove—Spurgeon and Harbick completing sawmill near Goshen, with three years' timber cutting in sight.

Eugene—Two story concrete store building to be built at cost of \$80,000.

Klamath Falls—Building permits totaling \$110,565 issued first week in October.

Huntington—Mill of 150 tons

daily capacity to be installed at Bay Horse mine.

Dundee—New walnut packing plant opens for business.

The Dalles—King's Food Products Company factory starts on dehydrated apples, to handle between 4,000 and 5,000 tons before closing in February.

Astoria—City budget for 1925 calls for increase of \$126,371 over 1924.

Brownsville—Woolen mills, shut down since July, reopen with 40 hands.

The Dalles—Nearly \$400,000 building permits issued for first seven months 1924.

Carlton—A. H. Laughlin reports 85 acres of prune trees yielding 100 tons dried prunes, for which he is offered 6 1/2 cents per pound, or \$13,000.

Medford—A. S. Ash starts \$250,000 cold storage plant.

Medford—50 residences to be built at once; financing \$312,000 hotel now under way.

Myrtle Point—Commercial trout hatchery to be opened on Cherry creek.

Attorney B. S. Martin of Salem was in town Friday, shaking hands with old acquaintances. Mr. Martin was a Halseyite once upon a time and afterwards for many years was a practicing attorney located at Brownsville. He is a candidate for the circuit judgeship made vacant by the death of George H. Bingham, which death occurred too late to have the names of candidates for the position printed on the ballots. They must be written in.

S. H. Goin and A. K. McMahan are candidates for re-election, and they deserve it on the record they made in the last legislature. They have the advantage of experience—of knowing the ropes and being already in the game. In this they have a less steep climb before them than Mr. Nolan, who confronts a county clerk not only in the office but popular. In such offices partisan politics count for but little.

Opponents of the income tax are shrewd. They have achieved incomes, and from these they contribute to the fund to fight the tax. And they send their arguments to those whom they want to convert. To do this they advertise in papers which, like the Enterprise, uphold the tax. We accept this business not only for the money but for fair play. Read both sides. Then vote. Vote with your eyes open. Vote.

The Enterprise still regrets that the United States played slacker and deserted the cause of the league of nations. It does not believe, with Mr. Coolidge, that the naval treaty, or any other likely event outside the league, is likely to maintain world peace. Therefore, while admiring Mr. Coolidge as an honest and courageous man, and believing he will get the most votes Nov. 4, it prefers Davis, a friend of the league.

If the oleomargarine interests are permitted to continue to debase the quality of what is sold for butter and to lower the price of dairy products it will be because farmers neglect their duty to vote. The bill does not prevent anybody from using the cheaper breadspread but it forbids its masquerading as butter, which is isn't.

One reason the neuropathic bill ought to pass is that the organized medicos oppose it. They approve of \$250 or \$500-a-day "expert" testimony by members of their organization which is making our court trials a farce in which moneybags win, right or wrong.

If farmers stay at home next Tuesday and the oleomargarine and income tax bills are defeated it will be only one more case where the farmer will not be helped because he does not help himself. Rain or shine, vote.

A list of what it is claimed that Oregon missed on account of the income tax indicates that without that law Oregonians would have had no need of heaven. They would have been better off here.



**Grant never Said
Much, but he
Stuck to His Job
SO DOES
Coolidge**

Performances Are Better Than Promises—
Don't Trade Realities for Uncertainty.

Our country is in safe hands today—why chance? Conditions are sound and wages higher than they have ever been. Why not let well enough alone?

Excessive tax burdens have been lifted by Coolidge and his party. More than 4,000,000 heads of families were helped by the 25 per cent cut in income taxes.

Nuisance taxes were removed. There is no longer a tax on automobiles costing less than \$1000, nor on theater tickets costing less than 50 cents.

**"I WANT THE PEOPLE TO WORK LESS, FOR
THE GOVERNMENT AND MORE FOR
THEMSELVES"—COOLIDGE**

The administration passed three revenue acts slashing taxes. The latest one alone saved the people more than \$400,000,000 a year, or almost \$4 for every man, woman and child in America.

The people are being saved \$6,000,000 daily in taxes as compared with 1921. The cost of government has been cut that much. The national debt has been reduced \$2,750,000,000 in three years. Waste of public money has been stopped and billions saved to the people. There is a treasury surplus that will justify another cut in income taxes.

**PROSPERITY IS SWEEPING OVER THE
COUNTRY WITH A RISING TIDE**

When this administration took office, there were bread lines, unemployment and general distress. All this has been changed. Unemployment has been wiped out and prosperity restored. Liberty bonds, that sold then around 86, are worth more than par today.

**THESE ARE HONEST, SOUND, SENSIBLE,
CONSTRUCTIVE ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

Just as the Dawes budget fixed a policy of domestic economy, the Dawes plan gave the world new hope. German finances and credit are restored. She is again buying American wheat and the price has turned sharply upward.

The Dawes plan is a stroke of genius. It is the greatest peace measure since the armistice. It opens the way to the restoration of Europe and restores great markets for American goods and farm products. It assures the United States of payment of war debts owed by foreign nations.

Don't be misled by wild promises or wilder charges by the outs. Vote November 4 for the constitution and your own best interests. Vote for a government of common sense.

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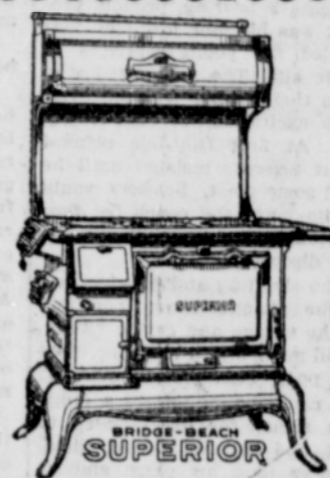
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