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A PECULIAR LAW

Oregon is sometimes called the fool state of freak legislation, and occasionally we are prone to admit that it is true, but the admissions are made not in contemplation of the laws passed either at initiative or referendum legislation by vote of the people but in contemplation of laws passed by the legislature duly and regularly assembled in the biennial session. We have in mind the recent law passed by the 1915 legislature of Oregon which makes cities road districts in themselves, separate and apart from the county. Now the county, as one is to be taxed to build, construct and maintain country roads, and the road money raised from city property will be returned to the cities for road purposes within the city, which means that less money will be available for road purposes in the future.

We desire to say that the benefit of good roads is of no less importance to the cities than to the rural districts, if not more and that the tax should be distributed where the benefit lies.

That the cities are not opposed to road taxes is shown by the good will with which they, with the dominating vote at road elections, as against the rural community, frequently vote special taxes by large majorities to improve important roadways. We regard this new law as politics, and machine legislation and a stumbling block in the way of those who desire to help themselves. It is an additional reason why we should hedge and limit the power of the legislature and regard that body with suspicion, and which will ultimately lead to the abolition of the state senate—a proposition that has been voted on at the last two elections and which will ultimately carry.

OUT FOR THE PLUM

North Bend is making a desperate effort to break into the United States congress. At last general election it launched a democratic possibility, which was swamped in a republican sea. It has started over again and at the next election will offer a republican possibility. It is prepared to sacrifice its one and only mayor in the effort, and commit to the uncertain game of politics its one and only mayor, in the effort and commit to the uncertain game of politics its one and only Louie. According to report L. J. Simpson has resigned as mayor of that city and announced his intention of running for Congress.

THE MAN FOR THE PLACE

We are thorough evolutionists. We believe in the growth of man, of ideas and better governments. We have

heretofore expressed our firm belief in the approach of the political millennium when the office shall seek the man and not the man the office. We believe that among the best material found in southern Oregon for Congress is Judge J. W. Hamilton of Roseburg. So far as we know he has not expressed any intention or desire in this particular regard which fact in itself, portends well for him. Coos county has no resident who better understands its needs and none within this county has more friends than he nor could begin a campaign with so little handicap.

COOS COUNTY'S FINANCIAL EBBING TIDE

Coos county has two principal sources of money from the great outside: namely the sale of her timber products and the incoming investor, both of which sources are at a minimum now. The channels by which money flows out of the county are numerous and each of them large. We raise a very small portion of the things we eat in Coos county, and spend an enormous sum each month in other cities for groceries, dry goods, wet goods, cigars, furniture, hardware, clothing, drugs, farming and logging implements, fire and life insurance and accident premiums, lodge dues, pianos, automobiles and moving pictures, and others too numerous to mention, and we wonder sometimes that there is enough money left in the county to carry on the ordinary business transactions, buy bread and pay taxes. We must to the utmost, conserve our present supply and endeavor to open up new sources and resources that will turn the financial tide from ebb to flood.

WILLIE THE IRREPRESSIBLE

President Wilson's note to the German Government has been largely commented upon by the American press, and irrespective of political affiliations this press is standing by the administrator in its present stand in what is generally regarded as the most serious crises so far facing our government.

Conspicuous, and almost alone in adverse criticism the New York American, a Hearst paper. The influence of this paper is adverse to anything not to the interests of its master, whose political ambitions have become soured by failures and disappointments. His presidential ambitions coupled with his failure in this regard is history. His energy and influence which are large are expended in creating dissension and opinion "ferriest" the administration, regardless of its political label or the principles which it represents.

The reading public may well accept the sane and conservative consensus of opinion of the American press and in preference to the warped opinions of such papers. This is no time to create agitation, nor to rock the boat.

WILL HIGH EUROPEAN TAXES DRIVE MONEY AND MEN TO AMERICA

The per capita debt of European nations was already greater than that of America before the war. Europe's public debt at the close of the war, will be the most colossal in the history of nations. The effect of

the consequent high taxes upon industries has been much discussed, but we have seen no mention of one result that seems inevitable. We refer to the immigration of workmen as well as capital from Europe to America after the war.

Almost every European nation collects a very large part of revenue by taxation of incomes. The tax falls heavily upon "unfunded" as well as upon "funded" incomes, upon the small as well as on the large. Whether an income be from an investment or from a wage a substantial part goes to the government. Hence the European worker as well as the European capitalist now faces a situation of the gravest economic aspect.

Many financial experts have been astonished because European investors have not hastened to sell their American securities. It was fear of such "liquidation" that led the New York Stock Exchange to close its doors eight months ago, and the same fear led also to the adoption of a "minimum price schedule" when the exchange opened again in December. The other day the restriction as to "minimums" was removed without causing the slightest flurry. It now seems that the fears of American stock brokers and bankers were without foundation.

Instead of seeking to withdraw capital from investments in America there is reason for a flow of investment capital to America. The pressure that will first cause this flow will be the greatly increasing taxes resulting from the war.

Where money goes there go men, but even if money does not go in advance of men, still men will leave Europe in greater numbers than ever before. America has always been the promise land, the world's El Dorado. When in addition to this lure, there comes before European workmen a realization that the tax gatherer is about to reduce their already meager wage, can it be doubted that America will look more attractive than ever? May we not anticipate an exodus from the old countries such as has never been witnessed before?

Let us consider another factor that will have its influence in causing the exodus. If that shoestring of land between North and South America had been broken by nature a thousand years ago instead of by man of a few months ago the Pacific Coast of this continent would probably have been as densely settled as the Atlantic sea coast now is. There are reasons for thinking that New York might have been located at the Golden Gate or on Puget Sound. Chauntically the Pacific Coast is more attractive than the Atlantic. Of natural resources there is wealth enough on the Pacific to support fiftyfold the present population.

The coal of the Atlantic seaboard finds its equal in the fuel oil and waterpower of the Pacific. In fact the latent power in the snow summits of the Sierras and the Cascades is vastly greater than that in all the "fossil sunshine" of Pennsylvania. An acre of bean land in Los Angeles County sells for \$1,000, and the price brought is only the capitalized annual income from several crops of beans. Citrus lands at \$5,000 an acre make it evident that the Golden State holds its title, not merely because of its baptismal name of '49.

In seeking to find some fault with the natural resources of the Pacific a New Yorker remarked to his Seattle cousin:

"But you have no lobsters indigenous to your coast".

"We have Dungeness crabs. However that make a taste for lobsters seem like the perverted appetite of a Digger Indian for clay".

There is a quid for every quo, and the quids seem, on the whole, to have the best of the quos, in comparing our Western with our Eastern Coast. But whether this be the general verdict matters little. The fact that deserves particular notice is that the undeveloped resources of the west are now made fully available through the use of the Panama canal. A stream of immigrants will now begin to flow through this new channel, for war loans will furnish a "security head" sure that enough to attract the traditional consistence of Bandon and the use of loans.

Editor Levar of the Coquille Herald thinks it an idiotic trick in a Bandon party to send him a false wedding notice because it was a slick trick when he was young and on the turf. He fails to remember that there is nothing new under the sun and for each succeeding generation the old is new from folk lore tales to false marriage notices. Cheer up. Maybe the suggestion gave the young people the courage to make the report true. At least some giddy things had a lot of fun out of it. Why be grouchy because we are old.

I REMEMBER \$

I remember, I remember the house where I was born, the little window where the sun came peeping in at morn. You'd hardly know the old place now, for Dad is up-to-date and the farm is scientific from the back lot to the gate. The house and barn are lighted with bright acetylene, the engine in the laundry is run by gasoline; we have silos, we have autos, we have dynamos and things, a telephone for goaship and a phonograph that jings. The hired man has left us—we miss his homely face—a lot of college graduates are working in his place. There's an engineer and fireman, a chauffeur and a vet., electrician and mechanic, Oh, the farm's run right, I bet. The little window where the sun came peeping in at the morn, now brightens up a bath room that cost Dad a car of corn. Our milkmaid is pneumatic and she's sanitary, too, but Dad gets fifteen cents a quart for milk that once brought two. Our cattle came from Jersey and the hogs are all Duros, the sheep are Sutherland beauties and the chicken Plymouth Rock. To have the best of everything that is our aim and plan, for Dad not only farms it, but he's a business man. —E. F. McIntyre.

MANY YEARS AGO.

(From the Recorder of May 1905)

Lee Cox was laid up for repairs. He had been in a logging camp near Prosper.

Frank J. Fahy had just moved to town. He was getting things in readiness to start the Bank of Bandon of which he was to be cashier.

Among the outgoing passengers on the Elizabeth were Jesse Leneve and daughter Sylvia. The latter was going to San Francisco to take treatment for spinal trouble.

J. Curtis Snook was the resident dentist of Bandon.

M. L. R. Edmunds, principal of the Bandon schools started for the Portland exposition with about a thousand small envelopes, containing collections of agates for exhibition purposes.

At the primary A. D. Morse was re-nominated for Recorder. Ten names were placed on the ballot for trustees.

Carl Danielson became landlord of the "Tupper house".

A school entertainment was to be held May 20th. Roy Corson was on the program for an oration and Victor Breuer was to give a recitation.

"Lookout rock" had been tunneled and it was planned to set off seven tons of powder within it on the fourth of July. It had been determined to dispose of the rock and the explosion was to be the drawing card for a Fourth of July celebration.

From the Recorder, May 17, 1895

Mrs. Emma J. Ericson opened up the "Central House" and asked for patronage.

Bandon and Coquille of the Coos county base ball league were scheduled to play a game on the following Sunday afternoon.

The schooner Long brought in about forty tons of freight.

Frank Rupert is reported to have bagged 219 snipe in ten shots.

White the pugilist who stole the spectacles from Fanberg was sentenced to 30 days in the county jail.

A. W. Kime converted his piccolo into an "E flat" by the use of cartridge shells and now has one of the finest instruments to be had.

The necessary machinery had been ordered for a broom handle factory and was expected to be ready for business in six weeks.

Axel Ericson and Mr. Jenkins were serving as jurors at Empire.

H. E. Smith of northern Curry sold a thousand pounds of wood to the Bandon wooden mill for 14 cts a pound.

Dyer and son had a fence of new fire proof new water works for the city. The old pump was to be superseded by a new one.

ENGAGEMENT EXTRAORDINARY

EXPOSE OF THE---

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IN FIVE WONDERFUL REELS

Prof. A. M. Harrison the noted Lecturer will give a Brief Talk on White Slavery.

This five reel feature was shown to 100,000 people in San Francisco.

SHOWN AT THE GRAND THEATRE NEXT WEDNESDAY, MAY 19

ADMISSION 20c Children 10c

ONE NIGHT ONLY

BINGEN ON THE RHINE

A soldier of the legion lay dying in Algiers, There was lack of woman's nursing, there was lack of woman's tears; But a comrade stood beside him as the life blood ebbed away, And bent with pitying glances to hear what he might say: The dying soldier faltered as he took that comrad's hand And he said I never more shall see my own, my native land, "Take a message and a token to some distant friends of mine, For I was born at Bingen, at Bingen on the Rhine."

"Tell my brothers and companions when they meet and crowd around to hear my mournful story in the pleasant vinyard ground, That we fought the battle bravely and ere the day was done Full many a corse lay gasping pale beneath the setting sun, And mid the dead and dying were some grown old in war, The death wounds of the battle field were hid with many a scar, And some were young and suddenly beheld life's morn decline, And one had come from Bingen, from Bingen on the Rhine.

"Tell my mother that her other son must comfort her old age For I was ere a truant bird that thought his home a cage; And my father was a soldier and even as a child My heart leaped up to hear him tell of struggles fierce and wild, And when he died and left us to divide his scanty hoard, I let them take whatever they would but kept my father's sword, And on the cottage wall I hung it where the light light used to shine As it shone on distant Bingen, brave Bingen on the Rhine.

"Tell my sister not to weep for me or stand with bowed head When the troops go marching home again with glad and gallant tread, But to let upon them proudly with a calm and steadfast eye, For her brother was a soldier, too, and not afraid to die; And if a comrade seek her love I ask her in my name To listen to him kindly without regret or shame; And hang the red sword in its place, my father's sword and mine, For the banner of old Bingen, famed Bingen on the Rhine.

"There's another not a sister, in the happy days gone by, I had here shown her by the power's ment that sparkled in her eye; Too innocent for coquetry, too fond for idle scorning, Ah, friend sometimes the lightest heart makes oftentimes heaviest mourning, Tell her, the last night of my life, for ere the moon be risen My body will be out of pain, my soul be out of prison, I dreamt I stood beside her where the bright light used to shine As it shone on distant Bingen, loved Bingen on the Rhine.

"I saw the blue Rhine sweeping close, I heard or seemed to hear The German songs we used to sing with chorus loud and clear, And up the pleasant river and down the slanting hill The echoing chorus sounded in the evening calm and still And her glad blue eyes were on me as we passed with friendly talk Down many a path beloved of yore and well remembered walk, And her little hand lay lightly, confidently in mine, We'll meet no more at Bingen, at Bingen on the Rhine.

His voice grew faint and husky, his grasp was childish weak, His eyes put on a dying look, he sighed and ceased to speak; His comrade bent to lift him, but the spark of life had fled; The soldier of the legion in a foreign land was dead, And the round moon rose up softly and softly she looked down On the red sand of the battlefield with bloody corse strewn Aye, calmly on that dreadful scene its bright light seemed to shine As it shone on distant Bingen, on Bingen on the Rhine.

—Caroline E. Norton

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the County Court of the State of Oregon for Coos County, by order made on the 19th day of May, 1915, appointed Russell J. Anderson as the Executor of the last will and testament of John L. Anderson, deceased. There fore all persons having claims against the estate of said John L. Anderson, deceased, are hereby notified and required to present such claims duly verified in the manner provided by law, to the undersigned at her residence in Bandon, Coos county, Oregon within six months from the date of this notice, to-wit: on or before the 20th day of November, 1915. Dated at Bandon, Coos County, Oregon this 18th day of May, 1915. RUSSELL J. ANDERSON, Executor.

NEW BUILDINGS

Building materials are cheaper now than they have been for 18 years. The increasing demand for building materials as well as the recent revision in the Canal Tariffs, exempting American coastwise vessels from paying tolls on deck load, of lumber, and several other important reasons, will in all probability cause increases in prices within the next 90 days.

BUILD NOW AND SAVE MONEY IS THE WARNING.

My system of management will save you from ten per cent to fifteen per cent. Why? Because only the most experienced and skillful contractors in this community are eager to figure from my plans and specifications, they know they are complete and leave no chance for a dispute with the owner, and enables them all to indulge in the keenest competition. The owner can not have close bids, competition without the service of an architect. FEES REASONABLE. 14 years of general and structural experience.

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