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## TAX COMMITTEE PLANS SCHEDULE

Figures of Occupation Tax to be Recommended to City Council for Adoption

Having worked for several weeks on a schedule for equalizing and making as easy as possible the occupation tax for the ensuing six months, the committee called a meeting of the business men of the city at K. P. Hall Monday afternoon and laid their plan of taxation before them. Chas. F. Pape was chosen chairman of the meeting and the rules of the committee was presented by John Nielson, chairman of the committee.

As the list of occupations was read off and the separate amounts taxed to each, few direct challenges were made. Afterwards it was decided to go over the schedule an item at a time and give each due consideration.

Perhaps thirty five of the business men of the city were present including the committee. Some few of them found grievances in the schedule as presented but the majority were willing to take the burdens as they were applied.

The real estate agent and insurance agent problem seemed to be the hardest not to crack of any. Relative to real estate men fear was expressed that it would be hard to define the term; that there were numerous dabblers in the business, people willing to make a sale and accept a commission with him the regular agent competes but he can not be reached with the tax. It was pointed out that in order to make a real estate deal for some one else a man must have a license would tend to bring all under the scope of the ordinance.

Again it was said that a man with a small amount of business in sight would take out a license for a month and then drop out again. To remedy this it was proposed to make the license for a term of three or six months. Pool tables and bowling alleys also came in for considerable discussion but it was finally decided to consider them under one heading and tax the first table or alley \$1 and additional tables or alleys 25 cts each.

Some few shining examples like Edward Boyle and F. S. Perry were willing to be taxed more than the committee had seen fit to assess to them and were accordingly raised through their own initiative.

The landlord problem was as difficult as any to deal with. This tax had been imposed as a last resort. When the committee had finished their work and had made an estimate of the amount of revenue the schedule would produce, they discovered they were about fifty dollars short of the required sum. The landlord tax was then brought into play. The willingness of various property owners to pay specified sums was ascertained and these amounts were levied.

Considerable discussion arose over how to differentiate between the big and the small dealer. Some were for a flat rate as being the easiest to calculate and collect but the idea of grades was maintained wherever at all practicable.

## REPORT OF CITIZEN'S COMMITTEE UPON PROPOSED TAX

We, the undersigned, a committee selected at a business men's meeting held in the K. P. hall for the purpose of establishing occupation tax rates to be imposed, beg to submit the following: based on monthly charges.

- Real estate agents, doing business on commission, each \$1.00
- Sewing machine agents, each \$2.50
- Agents for pianos or musical instruments, each \$2.50
- Attorneys, each \$3.00
- Bakeries doing \$500, each month, each \$4.00
- Bakery doing business under \$500 each \$2.50
- Barber shops, per chair, 50c
- Banks, each \$6.00
- Boot & shoe repair shops, per workman, 50c
- Blacksmith shops, per forge, 50c
- Contracting bricklayers, \$2.00
- Butcher shops, \$3.00
- Broom handle mills, in operation, \$2.50
- Club rooms, \$2.50
- Contracting carpenters, \$2.50
- Coal dealers, each \$1.00
- Bicycle & repair shops, 50c
- Dentists, \$3.00
- Drug stores, each store \$4.00
- Automobile agents, \$1.50
- Dry goods stores, doing \$2,000 each

- month and over, \$5.00
- Doing \$1,000 per mo. and over, \$3.00
- Doing less than \$1,000 per mo. \$1.50
- Express offices, \$2.00
- Foundries or machine shops, per lath, 50c
- Furniture stores, same as dry goods.
- General merchandise stores, doing over \$2,000 per mo. \$5.00
- Doing less than \$2,000, \$2.50
- Gents furnishings, boots, shoes and clothing stores, doing over \$1,500 per month, \$5.00
- Doing over \$500 per mo and less than \$1,500, each, \$3.00
- Doing less than \$500 per mo. \$1.50
- Billiard and pool tables and bowling alley, \$1.00 first table or alley, 25c for remaining tables or allies.
- Fruit, cigar or confectionary stores
- Doing over \$250 per mo. \$1.50
- Doing less than \$250 per mo. \$1.00
- Meat stores, doing over \$2,000 per month, each \$1.50
- Doing over \$750 and less than \$2,000 per month, \$2.50
- Doing less than \$750 a month \$1.50
- Hardware stores doing over \$2,000 a month each \$5.00
- Doing less than \$2,000 per mo. \$2.50
- Harness shops, each, \$2.50
- Hotels, over 50 rooms, \$5.00
- Under 50 rooms, \$3.00
- Hay or feed stores, wholesale or retail, doing over \$3,000 per mo. \$5.00
- Doing less than \$3,000 per mo. \$2.50
- Jewelry and watchmakers, \$2.50
- Livery stables, \$4.00
- Laundries, steam, \$2.00, Chinese \$5.00
- Millinery stores, \$1.00
- Music stores, 50c
- Notion stores without dry goods \$1.00
- Contracting painters, \$2.00
- Photographers, \$1.00
- Physicians & surgeons, \$3.00
- Paint & Oil stores, 50c
- Boarding and lodging houses, not hotels, under 6 rooms, 50c; over 6 and under 15 rooms, \$1.00; over 15 rooms \$1.50
- Restaurants, \$2.00
- Shooting galleries, \$1.00
- Soda water works, \$1.00
- Shingle mills, each \$1.00
- Tailor shops and agents, \$1.00
- Traveling tailor agents, \$2.50
- Telephone companies, \$5.00
- Theaters and show houses, \$2.50
- Dance and amusement halls, \$1.00
- Second hand stores, \$2.00
- Saw mills in operation, \$3.00
- Planing mills, in operation, \$1.50
- Veneer plants, \$2.50
- Oil distributors, \$5.00
- Print shops, \$2.00
- Insurance agents, each company 25c
- Music teachers, 50c
- Orchestras, from 3 to 5 inst. \$1.50
- Over five instruments, \$2.00
- Auto for hire, each \$1.00
- Lumber shops exclusively, \$2.50
- Warehouses and docks, each \$2.00
- Electrical supply store, 25c
- Electric power plants, \$2.00
- Peanut and popcorn vendors, 50c
- Owners of buildings for renting purposes, Buildings renting under \$20 a month, 50c
- Over \$20 and under \$50, mo. \$1.00
- Business building renting from \$50 a month and over, \$1.50
- Residences renting \$10 a month and over 25c
- Recommend that the license ordinance be amended to cover a license on all dogs in the city limits and see that the proper officials see that the ordinance is enforced.
- Regarding to occupation tax rates herein mentioned, wish to state that they are figured on a basis of approximately \$400 a month revenue, as the committee figured that there are chances of some of the business discontinuing running or remaining in business, and consequently figured or look into consideration such losses that might occur, and the revenue to be derived from the foregoing rates amount to a little over \$400, a month.
- We have eliminated the occupation tax on drays and teams as the city is now drawing up an ordinance covering this.
- Your committee also suggest that instead of an occupation tax being imposed that the persons, firms or corporations that will or might be taxed under an occupation tax be drawn up and considered as a loan to the city of Bandon and that warrants be issued in lieu of cash paid to the city and at the next regular city election if the matter of an additional five mills is carried, the warrants so issued on the general fund in lieu of cash be paid as soon as the city collects the tax so raised from the additional tax of five mills.
- John Nielson, Chairman; D. W. Carpenter, J. E. Walstrom, F. S. Perry, J. Ira Sidwell, Committee.
- G. E. Wilson, the Second street blacksmith tried out his new acetylene gas welder this morning and it works finely. Tom Griffith brought in a broken casting and in a short time the welder re-united the parts as good as new. Wilson has had the machine for some time but did not get it connected up until this morning. The machine will weld cast as well as wrought iron and any other kind of metal that will fuse.
- C. B. Zeck had business in Marshfield two days this week.

## PATRON-TEACHERS HOLD MEETING

Discuss Subjects of Mutual Interest. Next Meeting in February

The second meeting of the Patron-teachers' association was held at the high school auditorium last Friday evening. The assemblage was fine the most part made up of teachers and high school students, although a sprinkling of patrons, resisting the appeal of a comfortable evening at home, had braved the inclement weather and were on hand at the appointed hour.

Mrs. Smith president of the association, called the meeting to order. No unfinished business coming up Mrs. Smith called attention to the matter of serving refreshments at these meetings and suggested that the patrons serve refreshments at the next meeting which will occur early in February. No one dissenting, Mrs. Smith nominated a committee for planning the refreshments—Mrs. Robert Johnson, Mrs. Barrows and Mrs. Fisher.

A committee on the program was also appointed, consisting of Miss Venus, Mrs. Turnbull and Dr. Endicott.

The program of the evening was opened with a song by Miss Masterson who was heartily encored.

Miss Hilde read with excellent expression "The Freedom of the West". The subject "Elements of Leadership" was then discussed at length. Mr. C. R. Wade dealt with one phase of the subject that of elements of leadership in teaching. He named five which he thought applicable, namely, system, conservation, preparedness, knowledge of human nature, and common sense.

Mr. Maat discussed elements of leadership in social life. He said that the most striking characteristic of a leader is consideration for others. Emphasis was also laid upon character, will, and preparation.

Mayor Topping then gave a discussion on Leadership in Business. One of the best leaders is the man who knows, important elements are: Self-confidence, personality, physical health, unity of purpose, and keenness of vision.

Mrs. Pape being absent, the subject of leadership in the home was then very ably discussed by Mrs. Smith, who told what parents might do to develop common sense in their children. This quality is not always a matter of inheritance.

The songs "The Old Oaken Bucket" and "America" were sung by the entire assembly and the meeting adjourned.

## "Eternal City" Unusual Attraction

One of the best movie attractions of the year is on at the Grand Thursday evening. This is a dramatization of Hall Cain's powerful novel, "The Eternal City". The scene of the play, naturally is in Rome and the pictures were taken there. For the first time in the history of motion pictures the Vatican Gardens, the Coliseum, St. Peter's the Castle of St. Angolos and many other historic and impressive spots of the Italian capitol are used as settings for a screen production. Pauline Frederick carries the star part and her name is never associated with anything that lacks quality.

At the Grand Thursday night. One of the heaviest rainstorms ever experienced in this vicinity came last Thursday evening. It was a pretty well built house that kept the water out thoroughly and few exposed window frames but let in a little of the precipitation.

The recent high tides and heavy rainfall have had a good result in the deepening of the bar. The spit on which the Speedwell grounded last spring has been cleared out entirely and deep water prevails between the jetties. When the Bandon came in Sunday afternoon in tow of the Kliahman they passed over places in the bar that a few weeks ago showed the bar exposed at low tide. Now on that same spot there is twenty feet of water.

## LIBRARY MATINEE ATTRACTS MANY

Full Measure Program Given Saturday Afternoon in K. P. Hall

Large value for the money was what the promoter of the library matinee gave to their patrons at K. P. Hall last Saturday afternoon. The seating capacity of the hall was taxed to accommodate the patrons who gave the program an attentive and appreciative hearing.

The initial number of the program was the Virgin Sun Dance, adapted from the Klakahma pageant and presented by the camp fire girls. Miss Mildred Langley with a wealth of feathers and bangles was the medicine man and Miss Elva Webb as the flower girl, sang very prettily.

Then followed a piano solo by Miss Louise Strowbridge. This number was to have been a duet with Miss Gladys Jamieson sharing in the honors but as the latter was detained through sickness Miss Louise did the number alone and did it very nicely.

A male quartette consisting of Ray Watkins, Ernest Boak, Harold Quigley and Ralph Dippel then appeared with a song which was roundly applauded.

A Japanese tea drill was then staged by the Misses Alice Dell Johnson, Dorothy Bell Johnson, and Delilah Endicott. Rubber necks were all the vogue when this act was in progress as all were anxious to see the little ladies carrying on their act and it took some maneuvering to be able to do so. The girls did very nicely and were roundly applauded as they retired.

Mrs. Roy Corson in a reading presented with skill and fidelity a play by the same author in which she says their approach to liberty. The Frenchman, Englishman, Irishman, German, Italian and others all had varying sensations and each in Mrs. Corson found a very apt imitator.

A Schoolmaster's Drill next held the center of attention. Rufus Trueeman, in a bell crowned hat and a pair of 12-11-23 eye glasses was the teacher and when he was not engaged in keeping bad-boy Errol McNair in order on the dunce stool he taught his combined class of boys and girls various branches of learning to the tune of inspiring ditties. This feature, too, was warmly applauded.

Prof. Quigley followed with a solo, a beautiful little piece descriptive of the manner in which Ireland got its name, and which was very nicely sung. Miss Venus' class gave an exhibition of folk lore dancing, showing good drilling and thorough preparation, a number that was much appreciated and heartily applauded.

Miss Ione Thompson followed with a piano solo, well selected and presented. A Christmas Drill by Mrs. Rossburg's class brought out a number of motion songs and received its share of applause.

Little Edith Dippel presented a Fairy Dance, a skirt dance in which she showed surprising grace and won hearty applause.

The Fatima Octette then appeared and warbled through "Working on the Railroad" which was heartily applauded and which ended the program.

Regarded from every standpoint the entertainment of the afternoon was exceptionally successful and reflects much credit on the ladies who conceived the idea and carried it through; notably Mrs. Pape, Mrs. Geisendorfer, Mrs. Guy Dippel and others, not to overlook Miss Henry, librarian and the school ma'ms who worked up the drills.

L. L. Thomas the Marshfield music man was in Bandon a couple days last week looking after his interests in this section. Mr. Thomas is authority for the statement that there are in Coos and Curry counties, close to eleven hundred pianos, which any one will admit is quite a showing. It would be interesting to know where else in the United States can be found a district which has the same number of pianos per capita.

Hugh Davenport, best pianist on the Pacific coast is now one of the attractions at the Grand. He is known as the King of Rag Time.

## Circuit Court Notes

The regular term of the Circuit Court for Coos county opened at Coquille yesterday with Judge Coke presiding, with only a few attorneys present, and not many cases in sight ready for trial, most of the cases going over to the adjourned term to be held, beginning January 8th, when Judge Skipworth of Eugene will be present. A new jury panel was presented, the old grand jury having been discharged last week the following seven new Grand Jurymen were called and qualified and sworn: H. H. Stanford and Christian Moller of Myrtle Point, Geo. P. Robinson of Arago, Frank Hufford of Bandon, H. J. Russell of Sumner, and V. F. Ebbecka and J. T. Harrig n of Marshfield, the latter being appointed foreman by the court. V. F. Ebbecka was chosen clerk. The first matter supposed to have come up before the new Grand Jury is the case of Bart Hardenbrook who last January is claimed to have obtained \$50, by false pretenses from A. McAdams of Bandon, by appropriating a check belonging to and made payable to the order of Mrs. Dick Scott in Portland which was being sent to her by her husband then at the sixes in Curry county. Hardenbrook was supposed to be the messenger to carry the check, but instead appears to have cashed the check and dropped out of sight until last Saturday, when a warrant was issued by the Bandon Justice Court directing his arrest and presentment before the Grand Jury. He was arrested at Marshfield and placed in the county jail. The jurymen attending from Bandon, besides Frank Hufford, are S. Mundy, J. H. Gould and Walter Sabin. A number of cases from Bandon now at issue will go over to the January term, will most likely last for the entire month.

Circuit court adjourned today until Jan. 5th and jurors and grand jurors were sent home until the 5th of Jan. The judge will hold court for the consideration of minor matters.

## School Notes

Considerable interest was manifested in the high school last Thursday when the Springfield test in spelling was given to the entire student body. The juniors are jubilant over the fact that the highest average was made by their class, this being 60 per cent.

The first literary program of the year for the high school was presented by the Senior class on Monday morning of this week. All taking part acquitted themselves very creditably. The program following:

- Song... Belle Chatburn, Grace Gibson
- Review of Maeterlinck's "The Blue Bird"..... Helen Thornton
- Pantomime..... Sam Armstrong,
- Harry Brownson, Orlan Morgan,
- Harold Johnson, Helen Thornton,
- Iva Bates.
- Song... Memories... Miss Masterson
- Play "The Telephone".....

Cast: Mary, the cook..... Grace Gibson  
Emma, maid..... Ora Jamieson  
Mrs. Oakley..... Belle Chatburn  
Constance, Mrs. O's friend..... Delpha Langlois.

Reading—"A Literary Nightmare"..... Harry Brownson

Try out for the high school debating team will be held on next Friday at eleven A. M. Those who are preparing for the contest are:

- Belle Chatburn, senior
- Helen Thornton, senior
- Harry Brownson, senior
- Harold Johnson, senior
- Flora Philbott, senior
- Mildred Langley, sophomore
- Forest Matley, freshman

Others are considering entering, but are not certain on account of lack of time for reading. The question to be argued is one of interest to everybody. Resolved, That the United States Should Adopt the Swiss Military System.

Prof. Quigley has given his string of basket ball colts some hard work recently and sums up the conclusion that the prospects for basket ball this winter are good. He has some excellent material to chose from and it is fast turning into form.

On Christmas night he plans a tryout when they will have the Riverston team or the local all-stars as opponents. New Years the arrangement is to have a game with the celebrated Gardano family team of Coquille.

## TREE KILLED HIM AS HE WORKED

Details of Accidental Death of John Barrows at Two Mile, Tuesday

The funeral of John Barrows, killed by a falling tree was held Thursday forenoon of last week. Services took place in the chapel of the Ellingson undertaking parlors with burial in the Bandon cemetery. Rev. W. S. Smith of the Presbyterian church presided.

John Franklin Barrows was 43 years of age and was born at Astoria. His father was Samuel B. Barrows who died in Coquille a few years ago. The family came to the Coquille river when the first cannery was started 17 years ago. They had been fishermen on the Columbia and came to follow that calling on this river.

They settled in Coquille city and lived there for many years. Mr. Barrows is survived by a wife and five children, one boy and four girls, the eldest 15 years of age and the youngest a baby.

He is also survived by a brother, Dick Barrows, Santa Rosa, Cal., and a sister, Mrs. Henry Johnson of Lamona. Also a mother, Mrs. Julia Johnson, who lives with the daughter at Lamona.

Mr. Barrows was a hard working man who attended strictly to his own business. He was well liked and has many friends to mourn his untimely end.

Details of the accident as they come out show that Mr. Barrows was working for E. W. Elwell on the Clarence Foster place at Two Mile in a tie camp. He had felled a large tree and was cutting off the top when another tree uprooted in the strong wind that prevailed at the time. Mr. Elwell who was near by saw the impending catastrophe and shouted to Barrows to get out of the way. The second tree had been supported by the felled tree and weakened by the absence of the support. It was a dead spike with but a single branch. As the tree fell this branch struck the doomed man forcing his head down against the lower tree trunk and crushing his skull. A cut off piece of brush pierced his lip and cheek. Apparently Mr. Barrows did not hear the warning, and never knew what struck him. Death was practically instantaneous.

His heart beat a few times after he was picked up but soon this evidence of life was stilled.

S. C. Johnson was deputized as a coroner and hastened to the scene. He did not think the circumstances warranted the expense to the county of an inquest in which other witnesses concurred.

## Lampa Farmer Died Today

Joseph Rasette, a prominent citizen of Lampa died at his home here at noon today. Had Mr. Rasette lived until tomorrow he would have been 68 years of age. Death was due to a cancer of the stomach.

Mr. Rasette was a brother-in-law of T. P. Hanly and lived on a farm belonging to the latter. He was a native of Canada and has been in this section off and on for many years and is well known here although it is only two years ago that he made the final move here from Canada.

Of his home family he leaves a wife and a son Percy J. He has three daughters in Canada and one in San Francisco. Mr. Rasette was universally respected and the bereaved ones have the sympathy of all.

Mr. Rasette was a member of the Catholic church and his funeral services Thursday will be conducted by that church although because of the inaccessibility of the church building the services will be held in the Ellingson chapel.

Mrs. C. W. Ashton of Bandon who is visiting at Berkeley, Calif., is reported to be ill with Pneumonia. Mr. Ashton left Bandon on one of the last boats in response to a telegram from her.