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The tax question has been taken up by the Pendleton Commercial Association, with the result that a committee has been appointed to investigate and report on conditions as it finds them. Surely the Pendleton Tribune is in error when it states that the association has clothed this committee with authority that extends over the actions of the county court, and with power to supervise the expenditure of county funds. Such could be the case, hardly. There is but one Tammany association—that of New York City. Of course, the Tribune, being on the ground floor of affairs at the county seat, may have basis for its statements in the matter, but it will be necessary for that paper to inaugurate a campaign of education for the people of the county along this line. The Tribune should do it by degrees, too. To bolt the whole chunk, is a gastronomic feat which should not be expected of the Uxatilla county tax payer. He has more than a "white man's burden" on his shoulders, now. Additional ones on such short notice will not be tolerated. That there is room for discussion in the matter of taxes is evident, and the action of the Pendleton Commercial Association in moving for a meeting of tax payers of the county for the purpose of participating in this discussion, is commendable and should be properly encouraged.

The Weston Leader is enfling the sidewalk question, and says of the inactivity of Weston property owners:

"The Leader is impressed by the remarkable unanimity with which its preachers for better sidewalks and a cleaner town are disregarded by the Weston populace. After last week's editorial a hammer stirred, not a nail was disturbed from its normal repose. We see the same old holes in the same old sidewalks, and we tread gingerly upon the same old filthy boards. Weston, we deem, is lamentable. 'Oh God, thy yesterday, today and tomorrow!' Weston sleeps not alone in its lethargic neglect of sidewalks and property improvement. There are other towns in a like state of hibernation, but in this respect, with the exception of a few spots, Athena stands with a comparatively clean record. With the replacement of three or four crosswalks and the cleaning up of a vacant lot or two, the town would be all that could be reasonably expected of it, relatively speaking."

In last week's Press there was printed a communication from Mr. Chas. Brown, relative to his tax assessment. From the following answer made by Assessor Strain, Mr. Brown is undoubtedly in error. Mr. Strain says: "Mr. C. H. Brown is mistaken about his assessment. His six lots and two houses were assessed by us at \$510 and equalized at \$3040. The assessment appears in vol. 1, page 67 of the 1907 assessment roll. He has misread the figures. Our rating on the same property for 1908 is \$1720."

It will be remembered that Mr. Brown stated in his communication to the Press, that his property had been equalized at \$4020. Excessive taxation and discord and resentment in the ranks of the tax payers, and Mr. Strain undoubtedly is kept busy with explanations.

M. D. Wisdom of Portland, secretary of the Oregon-Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition commission, is compiling a booklet on the resources of Oregon, which is to be distributed at the exposition in Seattle, in 1909. This booklet will be printed on good paper and well illustrated with Oregon scenery. Besides this it will contain a write-up of the state's resources and each county will be given a special notice. The commission is figuring on publishing 300,000 copies at a cost of \$10,000. These will be distributed from the publicity bureau in the Oregon building.

A short time ago, following from the October stringency, common laborers in Boise City could find little or no work, but there is great demand now for men in all lines. Contractors experience considerable difficulty in securing sufficient help to properly push the projects in hand. One contractor even went to police headquarters and promised to give work to every man the city authorities had that they

could release on condition they be given work, offering \$2.50 to \$3 per day, but there were no prisoners in the city jail. Conditions in every line of activity are materially improved, and the year's business in and around Boise will be up to the average.

Dean Wright, of Yale, reports that the boys who live luxuriously do not make a good showing in scholarship. During a period of three years three times as many disciplinary warnings have been sent to young men who live in expensive private dormitories as to the students living in the rooms on the campus. The old tradition that frugal habits make good thinking has never been unsettled by facts. Still, a rich boy need not be discouraged from going to college. It is possible to study at a \$300 mahogany desk.

Toy dealers declare the teddy bear craze is dying out. When the stores closed late Christmas eve, most of the toy departments were pretty well cleared out except for teddy bears. During the holiday rush thousands of dogs, elephants, monkeys and rabbits, made of furry cloth and stuffed as are the teddy bears, were sold, but few of the great numbers of bears that went into the toy shops early in the season left the shelves.

Tuesday one-half of the 3,000 saloons in 84 of the 102 counties in the state of Illinois were voted out of existence. The result comes not as a surprise as it was generally predicted that the Anti-Saloon league would banish liquor from 900 of the 1200 townships in which local option was to be voted on. The liquor interests on the other hand made good their prediction statement, that they would be able to hold all the larger cities in the "wet" column.

In addition to the wireless telegraph, theaters, tarbers, elevators, cafes and newspapers, transatlantic liners are to be equipped with tailor and dress-making shops. The world is beginning to realize that they were truly "wise men" who put to sea in a plain bowl.

UNIVERSITY REFERENDUM

Certain Linn county grangers, aided by an element of misguided voters in that county, are endeavoring to have an appropriation for the University of Oregon. This movement is unwise and unprofitable. The grade of college work done by the University of Oregon is the highest in the state, and any attempt to withhold its appropriation is a serious reflection on the intelligence of our people.

All of our neighboring states are maintaining first-class universities, and if Oregon is to keep pace with her neighbors in educational work she should do likewise. The foundations have been laid at Eugene for a fine university, but there can be no growth or development so long as the institution is maintained on the present appropriation of \$47,000 a year. There is an urgent demand for more land, buildings, books, apparatus and additional instructors. The attendance has doubled since 1901, yet the income if the school has not increased. If the appropriation made by the last legislature is withheld the university will be in a deplorable condition before additional funds can be secured.

The University of Oregon has made an excellent record considering the niggardly policy of the state toward it in the past, and, if given the liberal support that is accorded to other states, it will become of great use to the people. The university has come to stay, and although it may receive occasional blows from cranks and demagogues, it will win out in the end. If this bill is submitted to the people we venture the prediction that it will be approved by a very large majority.

If these self-appointed reformers in Linn county were sincere in their desire to save money for the tax-payers they would call for a referendum upon some of the grafts that are enjoyed in certain localities, instead of trying to destroy the finest institution of higher learning in the state.—Falls City News.

ADVICE TO A YOUNG MAN.

Bob Burdette, of the Burlington Hawkeye, is a sage as well as humorist and much of his best philosophy is told with a vein of fun in it, that gives it relish to the reader, and at the same time carries conviction to the mind.

His "advice to a young man" applies equally well to the human animal in other and older stages of life. Read how he puts it:

Remember, son, that the world is older than you are by several years; that for thousands of years it has been so full of smarter and better young men than yourself that their feet stuck out of the dormer windows; that when they died the old globe went whirling on, and not one man in the million went to the funeral or even heard of the death.

Be as smart as you can, of course. Know as much as you can, without blowing the packing out of your cylinder head, shed the light of your wisdom abroad in the world but don't dazzle

people with it, and don't imagine a thing is so, simply because you say it is. Don't be too sorry for your father because he knows much less than you do; remember the reply of Dr. Wayland to the student of Brown University, who said it was an easy enough thing to make proverbs such as Solomon wrote. "Make a few," tersely replied the old man, and we never heard that the young man made any, not more than two or three, anyhow.

The world has great need of young men, but no greater need than the young man has of it. Your clothes fit you better than your father's fit him—they cost more money, they are more stylish; your mustache is neater, the cut of your hair is better, and you are prettier, oh, far prettier than "pa." But, young man, the old gentleman gets the biggest salary, and his homely, scrambling signature on the business end of a check will drain more money out of the bank in five minutes than you could get out with a ream of paper and a copper-plate signature in six months.

Young men are useful, and they are ornamental and we all love them, and we wouldn't engineer a picnic successfully without them. But they are no novelties, son. Oh, no; nothing of the kind. They have been here before. Do not be so modest as to shut yourself clear out; but don't be so fresh you will have to be put away in the cool to keep from spoiling. Don't be afraid your merits will not be discovered. People all over the world are hunting for you, and if you are worth finding, they will find you. A diamond isn't so easily found as a quartz pebble, but people search for it all the more intently.

Death Was On His Heels.

Jesse P. Morris, of Skippers, Va., had a close call in the spring of 1906. He says: "An attack of pneumonia left me so weak and with such a fearful cough that my friends declared consumption had me, and death was on my heels. Then I was persuaded to try Dr. King's New Discovery. It helped me immediately, and after taking two and a half bottles I was a well man again. I found out that New Discovery is the best remedy for coughs and lung disease in all the world." Sold under guarantee at Palace Drug Company's store. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

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Gilbert W. Phelps

(Present incumbent.)

District Attorney.

Candidate for re-nomination by the Republican party at the coming primary election to be held April 17, 1908.

Frank K. Welles

(Present incumbent.)

For County School Superintendent.

Candidate for re-nomination by the Republican party at the coming primary election to be held April 17, 1908.

T. D. Taylor

(Present incumbent.)

For Sheriff.

Candidate for re-nomination by the Democratic party at the coming primary election to be held April 17, 1908.

Fred W. Hendley

(Present incumbent.)

Recorder of Conveyances

Candidate for re-nomination by the Republican party at the coming primary election to be held April 17, 1908.

C. W. Steen

For Representative.

Candidate for the nomination by the Republican party at the coming primary election to be held April 17, 1908.

Chas. E. Macomber

For County Recorder.

I hereby announce my candidacy for the nomination by the Republican party at the coming primary election to be held April 17, 1908.

John Q. Peebler

For County Recorder.

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