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Rural credits received considerable attention and discussion at the governor's conference in Richmond, Va., last week, when a resolution was adopted which has for its object the abolishment of the farm mortgage system and the establishment of a new system of state banks governed by a uniform law. These banks under the resolution, would be financed by private capital and would operate under legislation sufficiently elastic to enable them to issue bonds for short or long terms upon American farms in lieu of mortgages. The bonds in turn, in the opinion of the governor, would be listed under state supervision on the stock exchange of the world. The resolution under which it is hoped to bring this about approves a plan of financing rural credits, yet to be detailed but similar to those abroad. It provides for the appointment of a committee of five governors to draft such a plan and a bill legalizing it. This bill must be submitted to the governor of each state of the union and upon approval of two thirds shall be sent to the legislatures of the various states for enactment. And here is where the farmer will be heard in the matter. It is a question whether he prefers having his farm bonded and the bonds bonded about by an unknown buyer as a speculative medium on the stock exchange rather than to raise money by mortgaging to some money lender of his acquaintance at a lawful rate of interest. It appears to us that rural credits are amply able to care for themselves without calling on the stock exchange for any assistance. The American farmer is about the only thing that has kept clear of the stock gambler's clutches and the proposition to let him have a whack at them, though emanating from an august convocation of governors, will undoubtedly find scant support.

Governor West is preparing, according to press reports, a bill which will be presented to the next legislature giving the governor the power to remove from office all sheriffs and prosecuting attorneys who fail to enforce the law. One of our exchanges observes that the governor is actuated by the best of motives in this matter, but probably has not considered what might happen with such power in the hands of the chief executive. In effect the proposed law would take the power of recall out of the hands of the people and place it in the hands of the governor. This would be all right as long as the state had a governor who was a perfect man, endowed with infinite wisdom and understanding. But what dangerous power it would be in the hands of the usurper, and Mr. West will some time retire from the office and another will follow. The supreme authority is the people. They choose their governor. They choose their sheriff and district attorney and reserve for themselves the power to recall the same. An absolute monarchy is the ideal form of government but it is contingent upon the monarch. The trouble is to get a good monarch or, as is the case discussed, a good governor. It is well that the power of recall remain where it is and that the legislature refuse to grant the executive the unlimited power asked for by Mr. West. Mr. West's plan in this regard would be a dangerous invasion of popular rights.

California has a habit of dividing its electoral vote to an extent that is not always remembered by the average person. Ottener than has any other state in the Union the Golden Gate commonwealth has split its vote, the division of 1912 constituting the third time. In 1880 according to the figures, California gave Garfield one vote and Hancock five. Twelve years later Cleveland received eight votes and Harrison one, a result duplicated in the memorable campaign of 1896, when McKinley received eight and Bryan one, the state having swerved into the republican column. Maryland is second in the frequency with which it has divided its electoral vote, having given seven to Roosevelt in 1904 and one to Parker, and in 1908 giving six votes to Taft and two to Bryan.

Some idea of the vast amount of business transacted in the automobile trade on the Pacific coast may be gleaned from the announcement of the Southern Pacific railroad company concerning a special train of seventy

five double-decked cars loaded with Buick machines now in transit from Flint, Michigan, to the coast. This special train contains 375 automobiles, valued at the enormous sum of \$493,400, and the freight on the shipment will approximate \$82,000. Other manufacturers are making large shipments of machines to the West, and when the cost of upkeep is taken into consideration, together with license fees and insurance, it is easy to figure that the automobile is cutting a wide swath in the country's finances.

When a man, coming from the east in search of health, gains 30 pounds during four weeks residence in Athens, it's a cinch that he will always speak a good word for the place. Blue Mountain ozone is a health builder without copyright or monopolistic frills. Once here, all you have to do is to eat, sleep, drink pure water and become well and strong.

Do your Christmas shopping early and shop at home.

TAKES YOU HAVE TO PAY.

No Escape From Extortion of Republican Tariff Law in Any Corner of the Household or the Farm.

Here are some of the rates of tariff taxation in force as a result of the Republican party's violation in 1909 of its pledge to revise the tariff downward and of President Taft's vetoes when Democrats did reduce these duties. Does the consumer wonder why the cost of living is high!

TAX ON THE PARLOR.	
Carpet, wool	60
Carpet, cotton or flax	50
Carpet, ingrain	12 1/2
Carpet, tapestry	64
Furniture, plush	35
Furniture, wooden	35
Looking glass, common	50
Window curtains	50
TAX ON THE BEDROOM.	
Common wooden bed	35
Commonest blankets	30
Feather beds	60
Wooden chairs	35
Cast iron bed	35
Sheets	42
Mattresses	20
TAX ON THE WARDROBE.	
Flannel underwear	91
Ready made clothing	65
Hats of wool	85
Knitted goods	65
Coats	65
Shawls	65
Jackets	65
Suspenders	65
TAX ON THE TABLE.	
Beef	23
Sugar	63
Rice	65
Eggs	35
Cheese	35
Salt	84
Lemons	79
Starch	57
TAX ON THE KITCHEN.	
Commonest glassware	60
Commonest chinaware	65
Average cutlery	65
Commonest stoves	45
Commonest linoleum	45
Common yellow ware	45
Scrub brushes	40
Matches	33
THE FARMER'S PLOW HORSE IS TAXED FROM HIS EARS TO HIS TAIL.	
Payroll, per cent	
Bridle	35
Harness	35
Backband	35
Hames	35
Plow	15
Boots	17 to 20
Trace chains	45
Clips	45
Clevis	45
Washers	5 to 10
Rings	45
Buckles	45
Bits	35
Grass rod	45
Heel pin	45
Plow lines hemp	19 to 25
Plow lines flax	22 to 30
Plow lines cotton	45
Plow lines leather	25
Horseshoes	4 to 23
Horseshoe nails	11 to 33
THE DRIVER OF THE PLOW IS TAXED FROM HAT TO SOCK.	
Hat of fur	47 to 180
Hat of straw	35
Hat of wool	35 to 100
Leather gloves	60
Sheep gloves	39 to 81
Kid gloves	39 to 81
Shirt, cotton	50 to 64
Drawers, cotton	50 to 64
Stockings, cotton	50 to 64
Stockings, selvaged	50 to 65
Coat	40 to 75
Coat, wool	65 to 94
Ready made coat	50 to 90
Ready made clothing	45 to 85
Collar buttons	90
Shirts	50
Neckties	50
Diamonds	Free
Pearls	Free
Shoes	25
Bone buttons	50 to 107
Horn buttons	65 to 83
Ivory buttons	50
Pearl buttons	57 to 113
HIS WIFE IS TAXED AS FOLLOWS.	
Woolen knit underwear	30 to 98
Woolen coat	35 to 90
Woolen jacket	35 to 80
Woolen shawl	92 to 108
Woolen plushes	50 to 140
Flannels	18
Belt	15
Dress goods	70 to 109
Gloves, leather	60
Gloves, schmoescher	35 to 90
Gloves, sheep	39 to 81
Gloves, kid	39 to 80
Stockings, knit	50 to 60
Stockings, selvaged	50 to 65
Neckwear	50
Shoes	25
Jewelry	60
Dress fabrics	52 to 78
Cotton ribbon	45
Silk ribbon	60 to 68
Fur hats	47 to 85
Straw hats	35 to 35
Wool hats	35 to 100
Waterproof cloth	54
HIS CHILDREN ON ALL THEIR CLOTHING ARE TAXED AS HE IS—AND ON THEIR DOLLS 2 PER CENT.	
Jumping Jacks	35
Marbles	35
Firecrackers	87 to 227
Sugar plums	60 to 100
Chewing gum	29 to 69
False faces	35
Molasses	35
Castor oil	35 to 38

Should there be a baby in the family he or she is not forgotten, but pays 25 per cent under the guise of "infant's food." His coffin pays 35 per cent and the house 45; flowers for the grave, 25 per cent, while the Bible and the hymn books used at the burial are taxed 25 per cent.

Figure It Out.
A man had sixty ducks for sale and divided them into two lots of thirty each. One lot was to be disposed of at three for \$1 and the other at two for \$1. In his absence his clerk sold the sixty ducks at five for \$2, realising the sum of \$24. If sold according to instructions one purchaser would have got thirty ducks for \$15 and the other thirty for \$10, making \$25 for the lot. What became of the missing dollar?

A Modest Violet.
"I have about furnished my house," said the eminent actress.
"How about pictures?"
"I have enough of myself to fill the parlor and the reception hall. I suppose I'll have to have some more taken for the other rooms."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

A Matter For a Higher Court.
"I don't understand why Matilda has sued me, Judge," protested the defendant in a recent bench of promise suit.
"I only did the asking, while she did the promising."—Judge's Library.

Sure.
A medical writer asks, "Does position affect sleep?" It does if the man is holding the position of a night watchman.—New Orleans Picayune.

Notice.
The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Athens, Oregon, for the election of directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of such other business as may lawfully come before it will be held in its office in Athens, Oregon, on Tuesday the 14th day of January, 1913, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m.
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For Sale.
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SHERIFF SALE UNDER EXECUTION.

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon in and for Umatilla County, and to me directed and delivered upon a judgment and decree rendered and entered in said Court on the 27th day of November 1912, in favor of F. S. LeGrow, as Plaintiff, and against Maggie Wilson, individually and as administratrix of the estate of Chas. Wilson, Deceased, as Defendant, for the sum of \$1423.53 with interest thereon at the rate of 10 per cent per annum from March 7th 1911; the further sum of \$200.00 attorney's fees, and costs and disbursements of this action taxed at \$27.00 in that certain suit in said Court then and theretofore pending, wherein the above-named F. S. LeGrow, as Plaintiff; and Maggie Wilson, individually and as administratrix, of the estate of Chas. Wilson, Deceased, and Blanche Wilson, Lowell Wilson, L. L. Rogers and Homer I. Watts as Defendants, and whereas by said judgment and decree that the hereinafter described real property to-wit:

The Northwest Quarter of Section 36, in Northwest Quarter of Section 36, in Township 4, North Range 34 E. W.

M., all in Umatilla County, Oregon, be sold to satisfy said judgment and all costs. I will on the 6TH DAY OF JANUARY A. D. 1913 at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon of said day in front of the Court House door, sell the right, title and interest the said Maggie Wilson, individually, and as Administratrix of the estate of Chas. Wilson, Deceased, and Blanche Wilson, Lowell Wilson, and Homer I. Watts, had in and to the above described property on the 7th day of March 1911, or since then have acquired, at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand, the proceeds to be applied in satisfaction of said Execution and all costs. Dated this 4th day of December, A. D. 1912.
T. D. Taylor, Sheriff.
by George Strand, Deputy.

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT.
In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.
In the Matter of the Estate of Hugh McLean (McLane), Deceased.
Notice is hereby given to all persons whom it may concern that Charles McLean, administrator of the estate of Hugh McLean (McLane), deceased, has filed his final account and report in the administration of the estate; that the County Judge, by order duly made and entered, has appointed Monday, the 30th day of December, A. D. 1912, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, as the time, and the County Courthouse at Pendleton, Oregon, as the place, where the said final account and report will be heard and the settlement thereof made. Dated this 29th day of November, A. D. 1912.
Charles McLean, by Peterson & Wilson, Attorneys for Administrator.

Notice of Final Account.
In the County Court of the State of Oregon.
In the Matter of the Estate of Lucretia C. Maloney, deceased.
Notice is hereby given to all persons whom it may concern that John Rothrock and A. B. Rothrock, administrators of the estate of Lucretia C. Maloney, deceased, have filed their final account and report in the administration of said estate. That the County Judge, by the order duly made and entered, has appointed Saturday, the 28th day of December, A. D. 1912, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon as the time, and the County Courthouse at Pendleton, Umatilla county, Oregon, as the place, where all objections and exceptions to the said final account and report will be heard and the settlement thereof made. Dated this 29th day of November, A. D. 1912.
John Rothrock, A. B. Rothrock, Administrators.

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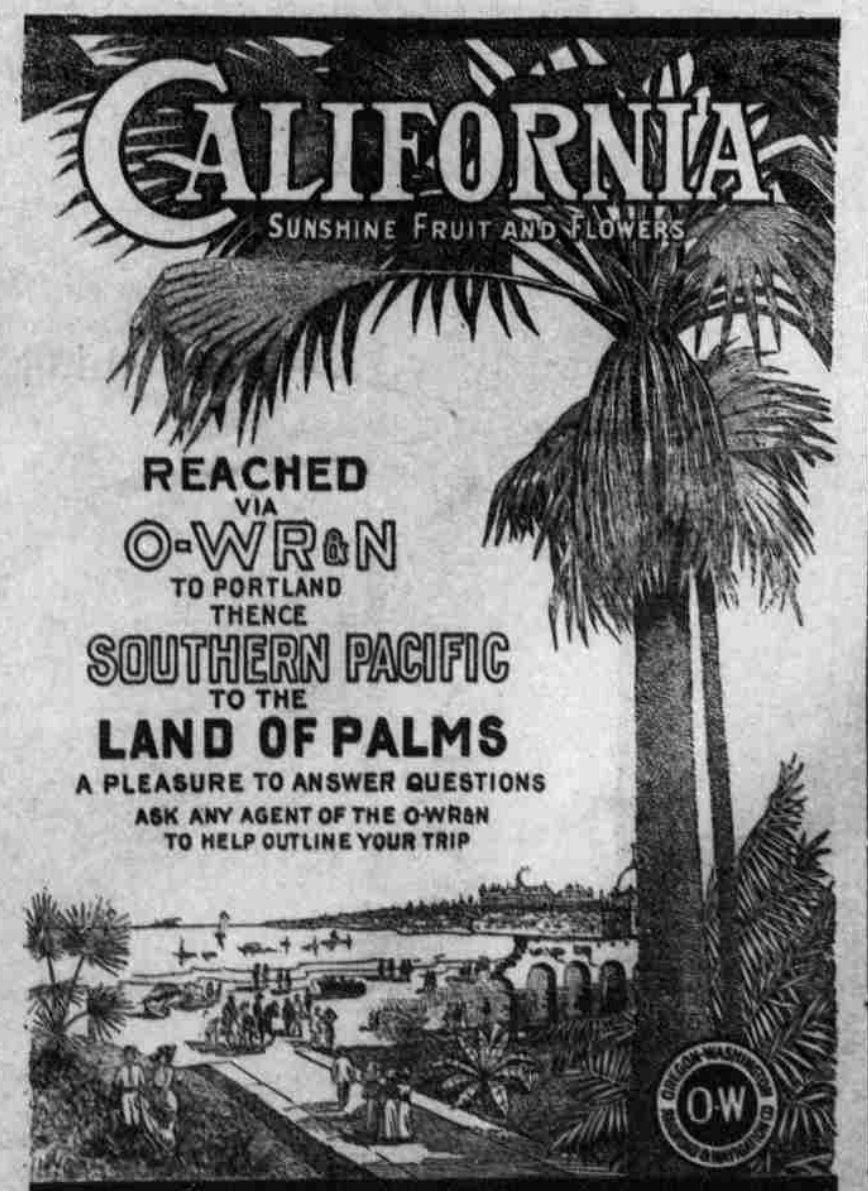
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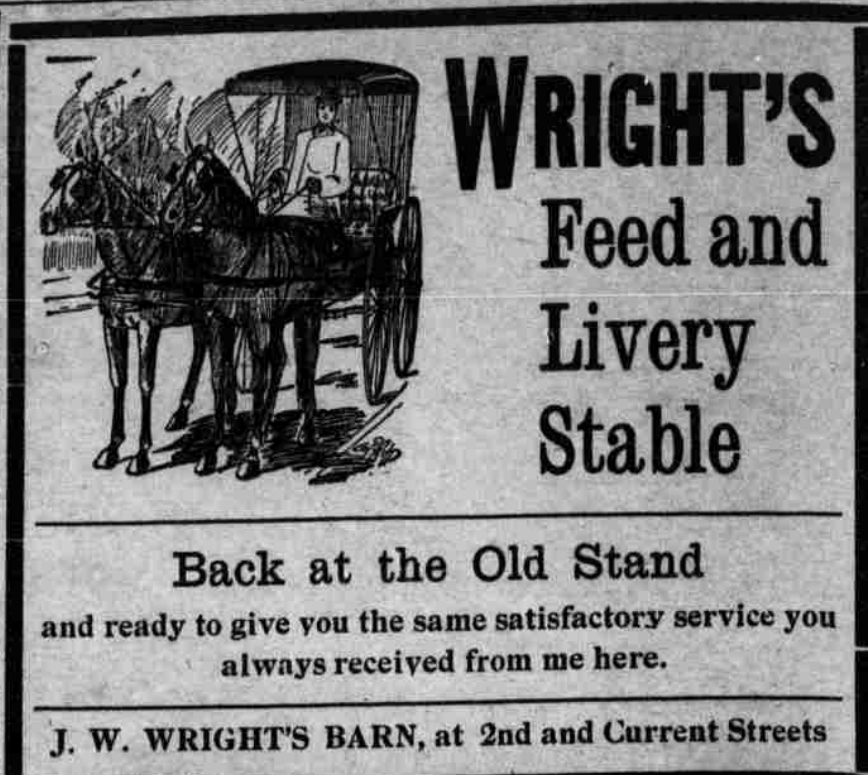
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