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One of our exchanges talks about it this way: Citizens in practically every city, county and state in the United States are facing much the same problem. Enormous expenditures are being made for all kinds of public undertakings. Local taxes have been constantly increasing. All of these taxes are added to the cost of living through increased prices and rents. The ultimate consumer and day laborer cannot pass the taxes on to the other fellow. They pay them all. Taxes and debts have wrecked more governments and impoverished more nations than all the wars of history. At the height of our prosperity, is a good time for us to check up on our debt and tax situation. The family that spends more than it can afford, is headed for trouble, and the nation which overerrows the tax payment, is following the same path.

Motor vehicle registrations and highway traffic have increased enormously in recent years and will undoubtedly continue to increase, but highway officials do not fear the development of a general condition of congestion or any breakdown in the roads constructed by reason of the increased traffic. Highway research and experience have developed types of pavement fully capable of withstanding present and expected future traffic. Eighteen feet has come to be the minimum standard width for main highways and except for roads in the vicinity of large cities and a few heavily traveled roads between certain cities this width will be ample for years to come, says the Bureau of Public Roads.

Presenting a unified position, the ports and shipping interest of Portland, Astoria, Marshfield, North Bend, Vancouver and Oregon City met shipping board Commissioners Teller and Myers at Portland and submitted a demand for stable American merchant marine policy. The result of the hearing was that federal operation until the lines pay their way will be sought. To use the words of Commissioner Teller, "federal aid must be given for the present." Which means nothing more nor less than the entering of a ship subsidy wedge to keep the merchant marine afloat.

It would appear that findings of Cook county grand juries have little effect in securing convictions of Chicago gangsters when we reflect that assistant prosecuting attorney McSwiggan was the companion of gangsters when he was killed by machine gun fire, and that a former prosecutor, O'Brien, was with the Weiss gang the other day when machine guns killed two of its members, O'Brien being seriously wounded. So long as Chicago tolerates prosecutors who chum with gangsters, Chicago will remain the scene of crime, murder and gang warfare.

The National Republic magazine finds that nearly as much American money was loaned to foreign as to domestic corporations during the first half of 1926. During that half year period we loaned \$1,223,635,096 to private foreign borrowers and \$302,764,000 to foreign government and municipal borrowers. European advocacy of repudiation is cooling somewhat the enthusiasm of American bankers for foreign loans. It is reported from Amsterdam and other foreign money centers that Americans are re-offering European securities at a sacrifice.

The Walla Walla Union says that day labor roads do not have the frills and the artistic finish of some but when it comes to wear they are as good. And what is more to the point from the standpoint of the hard-hit taxpayer, they do not cost as much. That is what the man who foots the bills wants—a road that will wear and one that is built at reasonable cost. He can do without a few of the frills when the money which would go into them will be used to build more roads.

The Knights of Pythias throughout the country are taking an interest in the eradication of leprosy in the Philippines. They will ask Congress for an additional appropriation of five million dollars to expand the successful work the United States has been carrying on in leper colonies in the islands, pronounced by experts the best in the world.

Once in a while a democrat does something. For instance, it was Senator Trammell of Florida, who instigated government investigation, which has been under way for some time to

determine whether the advances in prices of gasoline are due to restraints of trade, or systems of ownership controlling effective competition.

American organized labor again spurns the Russian soviet and declares itself for American institutions unalterably. The spectacle presented by the crushed masses of the dust by bolshevist tyranny, is too much for any American, and our federation of labor is composed of Americans.—Eugene Guard.

Highways should not be considered as speedways or race tracks. They were constructed for transportation purposes and with a view to reasonable safety to travelers and traffic.

The record at Berkeley would indicate that it's to O. A. C. this year.

Marie is with us.

The Churches

Church of Christ

Last Sunday morning we were favored with a sermon from E. J. Gilstrap, of The Eugene Bible University. The attendance at Sunday school was good in spite of sickness in the community. Let us increase the number present next Sunday. The sermon of the morning will be "The Holy Spirit." Come and study with us this important subject. The Endeavor society will meet at the usual hour. Let us all who can attend this helpful service. The Endeavor Society is the training school for our future church workers. And we should make each meeting as great a success as possible. We invite all who are not attending services elsewhere to attend with us. You will find a welcome. Come!

Baptist Church

Sunday school at 9:45 A. M., for Primary and Junior departments 10: A. M., for Senior. Morning worship at 11: A. M. Text, Eph. 1:13. Topic "Spiritual Blessings." Junior Young People at 5:30 P. M. Senior at 6:30 P. M., followed by Song and Praise service at 7:30 P. M. Text, Eccl. 1:9. Theme, Living in Circles. Every Tuesday evening at 7:30 P. M. Young Peoples Prayer meeting. Every Thursday evening at 7:30 P. M. Mid-week meeting. All cordially invited.

M. E. Church

Church school at 10:00 A. M. Morning worship at 11:00 A. M. Evening service at 7:30 P. M.

HARDER ARRAIGNED

The morning Union reports that Jack Harder was put in the Walla Walla county jail to await trial on a charge of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated. He failed to raise necessary bond for his release when arraigned before Judge Fred Hedger.

Lest We Forget

Roy W. Ritner, as President of the State Senate, was Acting Governor of Oregon for 35 days during November and December, 1922, and including January 1, 1923. During this time Mr. Ritner extended executive clemency to seventy-four inmates of the Oregon penitentiary including 28 paroles, 27 pardons, 7 paroles and restorations to citizenship and 12 commutations of sentence.

On November 1, 1922, there were 469 inmates of the state "pen" which had a capacity of 600.

Among those released by him during this time were 10 men convicted of murder in the first or second degree sentenced to life imprisonment and having served time ranging from 4 years 11 months to 11 years. Some of these crimes were of the most deliberate and cold-blooded kind, among them being murders by three Chinese gun men or hired assassins of rival gangs who shot down their victims on the street in reckless disregard of the lives of white citizens. In the case of one Chinese, Governor Olcott had refused a pardon and in the other two judgment had been affirmed by the Supreme Court of Oregon and the special prosecutor in the case said he never knew or heard of application for pardon for either until he read in the daily papers that they had been pardoned by acting Governor

NOTICE OF FINAL HEARING
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, as administratrix of the estate of Levi M. Main, deceased, has filed her final account and report in said estate with the Clerk of the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County; and that the Judge thereof has fixed Wednesday the 17th day of November, 1926, at the hour of ten o'clock A. M. as the time and the County Court room in the courthouse at Pendleton, Umatilla County, Oregon, as the place for the hearing of objections to such final account and the settlement thereof.
ROSE ETTA MAIN
Administratrix of the estate of Levi M. Main, deceased.
Raley, Raley & Steiwer and H. J. Warner, Attorneys for Administratrix, Pendleton, Oregon. O15N12.

Ritner. Four were released who had been convicted of rape after serving portions of sentences, the details of the crimes being revolting in the extreme.

One case of unusual local interest was that of a man convicted of securing over \$8000 from Umatilla County on forged road warrants, pardoned after serving 13½ months of a five year sentence. Governor Olcott's office refused consideration of this case in June, 1922.

The above statement of facts is taken from the report of a Committee of the Oregon Bar Association after an examination of the records at Salem. This report was signed by Joseph N. Teal, Chairman, and four other attorneys of Oregon.

Mr. Ritner after serving eight years in the Senate and in both elections unopposed by the Democratic Party is now a candidate for Joint Representative and is opposed by the undersigned Joseph N. Scott, Democratic nominee, a native of Umatilla county, a graduate of the Weston Normal School and a farmer by occupation.

I am in favor of a State income tax, The Grange Bill and believe in fewer, better and plainer laws.

If elected I will work for the best interests of this District and of Oregon. I regard a public office as a public trust.

Pendleton, Oregon October 22, 1926.

(Signed) JOSEPH N. SCOTT.
(Paid advertisement by Joseph N. Scott, 116 Lewis Street, Pendleton, Oregon.)

Vote For Henry J. Taylor

Henry J. Taylor, candidate for Senator, 19th Senatorial District comprising Umatilla, Union and Morrow Counties.

He was elected to this office four years ago and has served his district faithfully. He resides at Pendleton, was born in Missouri, moved with his parents to California in 1864, educated in public schools, came to Umatilla County 47 years ago and has been a farmer ever since. Owns large wheat farm, was school director thirty years, city councilman of Pendleton five years, has been a director in Inland Empire Bank ever since its organization, is a member of Elks, W. O. W. and I. O. O. F.; was Grand Master I. O. O. F., 1913 and 1914; Grand Representative, 1914 and 1915. Is now serving his 9th year as Trustee of I. O. O. F. Home at Portland.

His Platform: If elected, he will, during his term of office, faithfully and honestly fulfill his official duties with the least possible expense to tax payer. He favors a reasonable and just income tax, a Normal School located in Eastern Oregon, the completion of all state highways and retirement of bonds as they mature; the perpetuity of Pendleton Round-Up, proper legislation for protection of labor, reduced license for used automobiles, abolishment of useless commissions. He has no pet bills, no private or secret interests to serve, and stands on his record as Senator for 1923 and 1925 sessions of the Legislative Assembly. He believes in a square deal for all persons. (Paid Adv.)



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