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SENATOR TAFT.
Most observers say that Robert A. Taft has no chance to be the Republican nominee for the presidency. The reason may be that political writers are looking for glamour or that they are members of the guild which is affiliated with the CIO and doesn't like Mr Taft's labor bill, or that they just don't think he will make the grade.

Shower Given For Wasco Bride To Be

Friday evening Mrs Albert Dormaier was hostess at a miscellaneous shower for Miss Aileen Scott of The Dalles whose marriage to Gerald Nisbet will be held in Wasco soon. Games provided the evening entertainment and refreshments were served in the late evening. Fifteen ladies were present and many lovely gifts were received by the bride elect.

SALES TAX

This is the final editorial on the sales tax, the election being next Tuesday. This newspaper has opposed this tax and will attempt to sum up the reasons for so doing herewith.

1. The sales tax establishes the same tax theory for which the federal government has been extensively criticised. It raises money on a statewide basis for distribution to smaller sections of government. This causes extravagance. And each government body should be responsible for raising the money it spends.

2. No tax that is raised on a statewide basis and is then distributed to local governments on a population basis can ever return a just share to Sherman county or similar counties, most of which are in eastern Oregon. If Sherman county spends but half its income for taxable articles it will pay in well over twice what it can receive under this inequitable bill.

3. The sales tax is not necessary to balance state finances. State Treasurer Leslie Scott so stated at Gearhart last week. There is plenty of money in the state till although it might require a vote of the people to put it in a usable position because of unwise tax laws.

4. Measures that would have solved and simplified Oregon's rather complicated tax system were made by the Oregon Tax Study commission last year. These were shelved by the legislative committee which was intent on a sales tax. The sales tax would further complicate our tax system.

5. The present tax bill is undoubtedly the most carelessly written of any such measures that has ever been presented to Oregon voters. Even its most rabid proponents excuse it by saying it will be amended. No voter can be sure it will be amended the way he or she wants it amended. For instance, if the provision giving counties one-sixth of the sales tax income on an assessed valuation basis were changed to a population basis (which is very probable) Sherman county would lose another \$20,000 under the bill.

6. All sales taxes are regressive, meaning that they bear most heavily on those least able to pay. The Tax Study commission and the Griffenhagen & Associates, both of which made a long study of Oregon taxes, both opposed the enactment of a sales tax. There is almost no recognized tax authority in the United States who favors a sales tax.

For these reasons this newspaper urges all voters to oppose the proposed sales tax next Tuesday at the polls.

WHAT A RAIN

Sherman counties who have heard and read of the lightning exhibits of the middle west will be more inclined to believe the stories after Saturday night. The skies were alive with flashing light and the fields awash with rushing water for a couple hours that must go down as one of the most extensive and heavy storms this county has experienced.

Mud across the highways, debris in the streets, sheet erosion are all a little strange to us in this area. An inch of water falling within half an hour must go someplace—and fast.

Whatever damage may result to fields of sown grain, or from washing will probably be well offset by the plentifulness of moisture that makes seeding possible in good season this fall.

Nevertheless, when we have another inch of rain coming it will be perfectly alright if Mother Nature takes a day in which to send it.

Now that President Truman has said that American people should eat less the rabid laborites who criticized Taft for a similar utterance can be quiet for a spell.

The trouble in Portland seems to be that teachers are working for money instead of to educate the young.

It must be admitted that the populace doesn't flock around Taft as if he were a Messiah who had come to lead them from work and trouble into the Elysian fields of laziness and happiness. It is perhaps natural for people to look for that. Taft isn't that kind of a promiser.

Without giving much thought to the Taft-Hartley bill which seems to be the usual point of criticism of the Ohio senator, there is some very good reasons why he could be a satisfactory president. He isn't afraid. He is admittedly the best informed man in the senate and the hardest worker. He is a conservative but inclined to some modern social theories about housing and welfare.

No one knows what sort of an administrator he would be. That is very important for this country has been getting along without good administration so long that the people can hardly pay the bills. Dewey has a better record than any for that ability.

If the scribes are right and Taft lacks color to draw votes from the masses, it may mean that we are in for a series of glamorous individuals in public life. That will be a hard row to hoe.

Were the American people to select a president on the same basis as they would a manager for a company, or a director to a church or society Taft would stand an excellent chance. Maybe conditions will be so bad by next year we will be glad to forget the dramatics and be sensible.

Senators are much exercised because Russia won't let a group of them inside her borders. Maybe the Russians have a point in that. But retaliation will do no good. The trouble is that Russia doesn't want her citizens looking at fine clothes, or hearing about beefsteaks, or automobiles, or bath tubs. Also, we suspicion, the Russian leaders don't care about having us look down on their meager way of life. Perhaps some of the muzhiks might have thought, however, that antagonizing the U. S. Senate right now wasn't half smart.

In Other Days

From Observer Oct. 5, 1928

Mr and Mrs George Fox are happy parents of a daughter born September 29.

J. J. Wiley and wife have moved to the lower floor of the Art Holt house recently vacated by Frank Fortner.

A Citizens mass meeting held in the Moro Opera house Tuesday evening resulted in the following nominations for city officers: Treasurer C. V. Belknap; Councilmen, J. C. McKean, Tom Douma and Walter May. All were named to succeed themselves except Walter May who will succeed W. S. Powell, who declined further service for the city.

From the G.V. Journal, Oct. 4, 1918

field tells of meeting Ralph Brisbane and Henry Baker and Paul Buker in one day in France and finding Eugene Vinton later in the evening.

Lester Smith of Wasco has rented the Fred Krusow farm east of town.

Mr and Mrs Walpole and Barbara arrived Saturday with their household goods. Mr Walpole is a son in law of Harvey Smith.

Monday President Wilson drew the first draft number. It was 322.

From the Observer, Oct. 2, 1908

Messers Howell & Son made us an early call from Wasco traveling in their two cylinder Euick.

A. C. Thompson's crop brought in about \$4,000 this year.

Eight hundred head of Delaware bucks from Muddy passed down the CS Ry Sunday, destined for Montana.

Chris Anderson is having a new well made on his Monkland farm.

Bethlehem Chapter No. 78, O.E.S. Meets Every Second and Fourth Thursdays in each Month. Visiting Member Invited—Moro Oregon Genevieve Powell, W. M. Edna Melzer, Secretary

Vureka Lodge No. 121 A.F. & A.M. Meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday evenings of each month. Visiting members are cordially invited to meet with us E. E. Barzee, W. M. H. B. Pinkerton, Secretary

Houseguests for two weeks at the home of Mrs Desta Hoyt were her brother A. C. Haynes of La Grande, and Mr and Mrs C. W. Haynes of Bingen, Washington. Mr and Mrs E. F. Feldman returned from a ten days trip to Ellensburg, Wash., where they visited Mrs Feldman's four brothers.

Mrs Bertha Moon of The Dalles was a houseguest of her son and daughter in law, Mr and Mrs George Moon for a week. Mr and Mrs Robert Bish were weekend guests in Seattle, Wn. Mr and Mrs Roy Marshall and daughter Mary of Seaside are guests of the former's brother in law and sister, Mr and Mrs E. D. McKee.

Mr and Mrs Lewis J. Trounce of Victoria B. C. were weekend guests of the former's sister, Miss Vivian Trounce. Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr and Mrs O. W. Barnett were Mr and Mrs J. T. Brooks of Hermiston, Mr and Mrs Charles Everett, Mr and Mrs C. R. Morrison and Mrs Desta Hoyt.

Jerry Barnett of Kennewick, Washington was a Thursday guest of his parents Mr and Mrs G. W. Barnett. Mr and Mrs David Richelderfer returned Sunday from a wedding trip to Vancouver, B. C.

A special school-meeting was called September 24 to elect a director. Mrs L. P. Haven was elected for the unexpired term of Francis Watkins, who has moved from the district. The Eastern Star met Tuesday evening, honoring the Past Matrons and Past Patrons, each lady received a corsage and gift and each man a boutonniere and gift. Mrs Pauline Kaseberg, Mrs LeRoy Belshie and Mrs Leonard Fields put on a skit. Guests attended from Hermiston and The Dalles. Dainty refreshments were served by Mrs Kenneth Blau and Mrs Leonard Fields.

Mr and Mrs Charles S. Fulton returned last week after a two weeks vacation trip spent in Seattle, Washington. Weekend guests at the home of Mr and Mrs Joe Hilderbrand were George Larson of Portland and Andrew Jourgenson of Detroit, Michigan.

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Bell Girls Get Fair Firsts For Wheat

CHICKENS: New Hampshire - Cockerel Clnthy Bell 1st; Pearl Bell 2nd; Joan Oveson 3rd. New Hampshire - Hen, E. M. Eslinger 1st; M. A. Bull 2nd; M. A. Bull 3rd.

New Hampshire - Pullet, M. A. Bull 1st and 2nd; Joan Oveson 3rd. Pen of three Mrs Earl Gentry 1st; M. A. Bull 2nd; Joan Oveson 3rd.

Plymouth Rocks - Cockerel, Pearl Bell 1st; Clnthy Bell 2nd. Hen - Pearl Bell 1st. Pullet - Clnthy Bell 1st. Pen - Clnthy Bell 1st.

All other heavy breeds - Cockerel - Clnthy Bell 1st; Hen - E. M. Eslinger 1st; Pearl Bell 2nd and 3rd. Pullet - E. M. Eslinger 1st; Pearl Bell 2nd; Clnthy Bell 3rd. Pen - Pearl Bell 1st.

Leghorns: Cockerel - Mrs Clara Houston 1st; Clnthy Bell 2nd. Hen - Mrs Clara Houston 1st. E. M. Eslinger 2nd; Mrs Clara Houston 3rd. Pullet - Mrs Clara Houston 1st & 2nd. Pen - Clnthy Bell 1st; Mrs Clara Houston 2nd and 3rd.

All light breeds: Cockerel - Pearl Bell 1st. Hen - Pearl Bell 1st.

Ducks: Old Male - E. M. Eslinger 1st; Joan Ross 2nd. Young

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WHEAT—Soft White Fred Cox 1st; Sheaves Joe Peters 1st; Clnthy Bell 2nd; Pearl Bell 3rd. Rex - Pearl Bell 1st; Soft Federation - (Sweepstakes) Clnthy Bell 1st. Hard Federation 31 - Joe Peters 1st and 2nd; Fred Cox 3rd. Eighn - Joe Peters 1st and 2nd; John DeMoss 3rd. Orofest - Millard Eakin 1st.

BARLEY bearded - Pearl Bell 1st, Joe Peters 2nd and 3rd. OATS: An variety - Paul Atley 1st; M. R. Eakin 2nd; Pearl Bell 3rd. Oats in Sheaves Clnthy Bell 1st; Pearl Bell 2nd.

Crested Wheat Grass in sheaves, Mrs M. A. Pull 1st, General Farm exhibit, Pearl & Clnthy Bell 1st. General Fruits & Garden exhibit, Pearl and Clnthy Bell 1st.

Grange Exhibit Harlandview Orange 1st.

VEGETABLES: Beets and Cabbage Pearl Bell 1st in each. Carrots - Pearl Bell 1st Clnthy Bell 2nd. Cucumbers - Florence Johnston 1st; Mrs Jim O'Meara 2nd, Muskmelon - Clnthy Bell 1st. Parsnips - Pearl Bell 1st. Pumpkin - Clnthy Bell 1st and Pearl Bell 2nd. Onions - Theron Richelderfer 1st; Mrs Leo Watkins 2nd; Pearl Bell 3rd.

Squash - Pearl Bell 1st and Clnthy Bell 2nd. Tomatoes - Mrs Jim O'Meara 1st; Clnthy Bell 2d. Potatoes - Carl von Borstel 1st; and 2nd.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF SHERMAN HUGH A. WALKER and JEAN CURTIS, Plaintiffs,

vs GEORGE A. POTTER, as Administrator c.t.a. of the Estate of Eliza J. Dingle, deceased; LESTER BARNUM, as Trustee of the Estate of John D. McDermid, deceased; DOUGALD McDERMID; MARGARET VAN PELT; JANET WYMAN; WILENA HOUSTON; ANNIE LANCASTER; FLORA GRIEG; JANET BROWN; ARCHIE McDERMID; ALEXANDER McDERMID; JANET McNICHOLO; NEIL McNICHOLO; JOHN McDERMID; GRACE McDERMID; MALCOLM McDERMID; DONALD McDERMID; MARGARET BLAU; THE UNKNOWN DEVISEES UNDER THE WILL OF MARGARET BELL DECEASED; JOHN A. BELL; LYDIA SMALL; JEAN SMALL; NEWTON SMALL; THE UNKNOWN DEVISEES

UNDER THE WILL OF ANNIE McDERMID SMALL, DECEASED; MARGARET KULOW, ERNEST MAYHEW, McDERMID, MAYHEW, THELMA LYNDEN, KATHLEEN MALHEW, MRS ELI WHEELER, MRS MARY McDERMID, MARGARET McLAUGHLIN, LULU JOHNSTON, MAUD McCARL, JENNIE CURRIE, WILLIAM NEIL McDERMID, MARY MARGARET McDERMID, MRS AMELIA McDERMID, JOHN McCARL, DOUGALD McCARL, MALCOLM McCARL, CHARLES McCARL.

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Mind, I'm all for material improvements. But from where I sit, the real goodness of our country life is that spirit of tolerance, moderation, and good fellowship.

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IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON: You and each of you are hereby required to appear and answer the Amended Complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit on or before the expiration of four (4) weeks from the date of the first publication of this Summons, which time prescribed in the order for publication hereof, was fixed as the 12th day of September 1947:

AND if you fail so to appear and answer, plaintiffs for want thereof will apply to the Court for the relief prayed for in plaintiffs' Amended Complaint herein, to wit:

For a decree of the above entitled Court construing the last will and testament of JOHN D. McDERMID, deceased, and adjudging what legatee is entitled to distribution of the trust fund derived from the sale of the real property devised in trust by the said will of JOHN D. McDERMID, deceased, and adjudging the amount of the distributive share to which each legatee is entitled;

For a decree adjudging that the one-eighth (1/8) of the residue of said trust fund bequeathed by the will of JOHN D. McDERMID to his brother, ARCHIBALD McDERMID, became a part of and is merged with the five-eighths (5/8) of the residue of said trust fund which is by said will bequeathed to the surviving children of the testator's deceased brother, MALCOLM McDERMID, (except for his son Robert), to the surviving children of the testator's deceased brother, DONALD McDERMID (except his sons Donald and John), and to the surviving grandchildren of the testator's deceased sister, JANET McDERMID, to the surviving children of the testator's deceased sister, CHRISTINA WALKER, and to the surviving children of the testator's deceased sister, MARGARET McDERMID;

For a further decree adjudging: that said residuary five-eighths (5/8) (including said lapsed one-eighth (1/8) of ARCHIBALD McDERMID) is distributive only among those children and grand children of the last named deceased brothers and sisters of the testator as were living at the death of ELIZA J. DINGLE, widow of the testator; And for a further decree ad-

judging that HUGH A. WALKER and JEAN CURTIS, plaintiffs herein, are each entitled to three thirty seconds (3-32) of the entire residuary trust estate remaining after the payment of the specific legacies payable therefrom and after the payment of the costs of administration of said trust and the costs of this suit charged against said trust fund by the decree herein.

And for a further decree allowing and awarding to the plaintiffs herein their costs and disbursements in this suit together with reasonable attorneys' fees to be paid from said trust fund before distribution thereof;

And for a decree directing the defendant, LESTER BARNUM, trustee of said trust fund, to pay therefrom the said expenses, costs and attorneys' fees and to distribute the remainder of said trust fund to the persons and in the proportions adjudged entitled thereto by the Court; and for such other and further relief as the Court may deem meet and equitable in the premises.

This summons is published pursuant to order of the Honorable D. N. Mackay, Judge of the above entitled Court, made and entered on the 11th day of September, 1947, directing publication of this summons for four (4) weeks in the SHERMAN COUNTY JOURNAL, a newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in Sherman County, Oregon, the first publication hereof to be made on the 12th day of September, 1947.

Pursuant to Section 9-111 O.C.L.A. as amended by Ch. 233 Or. L. 1947, a copy of this Summons, together with a copy of Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint herein, both certified by plaintiffs' attorneys, is being mailed to defendant McDerMid Maybew, the defendant designated by plaintiffs' attorneys, and a copy of this Summons only, certified by Plaintiffs' attorneys, is being mailed to each and every other defendant above named.

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