

State Debt Nears

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Ohio, including cities and projects	510,266,468
Rhode Island	9,162,971
Tennessee	16,000,000
Utah	9,910,000
Utah, including cities and projects	41,000,000
Vermont	21,906,363
Washington	12,000,000
West Virginia	26,000,000

The figures represent only the states that have replied to the questionnaires, but the other states will in course of time make their replies.

It is no wonder when we ponder the immense indebtedness we have allowed ourselves to accumulate, that our load is getting heavier each year. It will be noticed by the above figures that only one state so far reporting has been far sighted enough to provide a sinking fund—in Oregon we place too much confidence in the men who are running for office and not enough judgment in ourselves. By judgment, we mean such as the speakers mentioned last Thursday when they called attention to so many leaches in the office of the public service commission, about 150, who do nothing but draw their salary, when we could make demands upon our law-making body that expenses be kept in running order the same as private business.

The speakers called attention to the fact that there was no way of reducing taxes now from the bonded indebtedness, but that retrenchment in officeholders might serve to palliate a little. The debt is with us, they said, and as they are legally contracted and work and money received therefor, they must be taken care of. Once upon a time, they said, a member of the State Highway Commission said the income from automobile licenses and gasoline sales would more than keep up the interest on the indebtedness and also make payments on the bonds. This was proven untrue when reports by the secretary of state shows that this income is eaten up by a multitude of salaries and thus the receipts will not more than pay half of the interest.

Oregon, the speakers said, is the fool state of the family, and has been running pell mell down the hill, and now the climb is beginning, and the taxpayers had forgotten to unload before the climb.

We publish the above figures because they tell their own story and in a way that cannot be refuted, if any one takes the time to investigate. We hope our readers will ponder well upon them, and do a little thinking for themselves. Let's be manfully and meet the obligations already here, and also let us be strong minded enough to lay aside whatever political prejudices we may have and elect men, real men, to the offices of responsibility, whether it be governor, legislator, commissioner, or what. It's time to call a halt on the reckless handling of public affairs. If it is building roads, let's only build what we can pay for this year, and so on—and this applies to all lines of activity in the commonwealth.

It was a good meeting, well attended, and the speakers were given rapt attention and much applause.

Baptist Church Services

Sunday school each Sunday at 10 a. m.

Preaching and public worship the second and fourth Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

Everybody welcome at all these services. J. R. Parker, pastor.

The Change.

"He was an awfully kind boss," said the former stenographer, "so considerate, so thoughtful, so manly and generous. And then, heaven forgive me, I married him!"

Picnic Today

County Club Leader F. N. Williamson informs us that a county-wide picnic for all the clubs of the county will be held today at the farm of Henry Preever, near the Thomas school.

State Club Leader H. C. Seymour will be present and make a talk in the morning, as will other speakers, who are to be there. At noon a basket lunch will be served. The afternoon will be devoted to recreation, including a ball game between the Shedd club team and the Scio club team.

It is probable a county organization of local club leaders will be formed, with E. T. Trofiter, state president of club leaders, presiding.

Makes Correction

The Enterprise would be glad, when an automobile runs into a moving railroad train, if the principal sufferer should be the fool who drives it. News dispatches led us to understand that this occurred when Ona M. Shelton was killed near Lebanon two weeks ago Sunday. We are now informed that this was an error and that Shelton was a passenger in the car of his brother-in-law, who drove it into a moving locomotive. The driver who wrecks a car in that way ought to be deprived for life of a license to drive, and if a life is lost in the collision he ought to pay the penalty for manslaughter.—Halsey Enterprise.

MAN ASKS AND GOD ANSWERS QUESTIONS ON SPIRITISM AND OCCULTISM

By The Laymen's Home Missionary Movement, 1327 Snyder Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.

How have the fallen angels, in spiritism and occultism, impersonated the dead?

(1) In Spiritism, 1 Sam. 28: 7, 11-16, 19: Saul said unto his servants, Seek me a woman that hath a familiar spirit. His servants said to him, Behold, there is a woman that hath a familiar spirit at En-dor. Then said the woman, Whom shall I bring up unto thee? And he said, Bring me up Samuel. And when the woman saw [the representation of] Samuel, she spake to Saul. . . . And the king said unto her. . . . What sawest thou? And the woman said unto Saul, I saw an old man. . . . covered with a mantle. And Saul perceived [concluded] that it was Samuel. And [the representation of] Samuel said to Saul, Why hast thou disquieted me, to bring me up? And Saul answered, I am sore distressed; . . . and God is departed from me, and answereth me no more. Then said [the representation of] Samuel the Lord will also deliver Israel with thee into the hand of the Philistines; and tomorrow shalt thou and thy sons be with me.

(2) In Occultism, Acts 16: 16: A certain damsel possessed with a spirit of divination. . . . brought her masters much gain by soothsaying.

How do we know that the fallen angels impersonated Samuel?

(1) God and His servants would have nothing to do with Saul. 1 Sam. 28: 6: The Lord answered him not, neither by dreams, nor by Urim, nor by prophets.

(2) God had forbidden necromancy—alleged talking with the dead—hence His servants shunned it, Deut. 18: 10, 11: There shall not be found among you. . . . a necromancer.

(3) God punished Saul with death for consulting with the demons through the witch of En-dor. 1 Chron. 10: 13: So Saul died. . . . for asking counsel of one that had a familiar spirit, to inquire of it.

(4) God would not permit one under His death sentence to disturb the death-sleep of faithful Samuel. Ex. 22: 18: Thou shalt not suffer a witch to live.

How do we know that a fallen angel in occultism impersonated Python?

(1) In the Greek of Acts 16: 16 the damsel is said to have been possessed by the spirit of Python: A certain damsel possessed with the spirit of Python [margin] met us.

(2) St. Paul cast out a fallen angel from her, Acts 16: 18: Paul. . . . said to the spirit. . . . Come out of her. And he came out the same hour.

How must we Scripturally consider spiritism and occultism with all their methods, like trances, visions, mental telepathy, psycho-therapy, materializations, table-rapping and tipplings, seances, planchettes, ouija boards, messages by card shuffling and writing, opening the Bible at random for answers to questions, etc., etc.?

(1) As methods through which devils—not dead people—operate. Deut. 32: 17: They sacrificed unto devils, not to God; to gods whom they know not. 2 Kings 21: 1, 3, 6: Manasseh. . . . did that which was evil in the sight of the Lord, after the abominations of the heathen. . . . he worshipped all the host of heaven, and dealt with familiar spirits.

(2) As heathen abominations, Deut. 18: 9-12: Thou shalt not learn to do after the abominations of those nations; . . . consulter with familiar spirits, or a necromancer; for all that do these things are an abomination unto the Lord; and because of these abominations the Lord, thy God doth drive the heathen out from before thee.

(3) As polluting practices, Lev. 19: 31: Regard not them that have familiar spirits. . . . to be defiled by them.

What are the Scripturally enjoined punishments of their devotees?

Lev. 20: 27: A man also or woman that hath a familiar spirit. . . . shall surely be put to death. 1 Chron. 10: 13: So Saul died. . . . for asking counsel of one that had a familiar spirit, to inquire of it. Mal. 3: 5: I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers. . . . saith the Lord of hosts. Rev. 21: 8: Sorcerers shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone, which is the second death.

What should be our attitude toward spiritism and occultism?

(1) Avoidance, Deut. 18: 14: For these nations which thou shalt possess hearkened unto observers of times, and unto diviners; but as for thee, the Lord thy God hath not suffered thee so to do. (2) Opposition, Eph. 6: 12: We wrestle against wicked spirits [margin] in high places.

By What means can our resistance overcome them?

(1) By the armor of God, Eph. 6: 13: Wherefore take unto you the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day. (2) The Word of God, Eph. 6: 17: And take. . . . the Sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God. (3) Prayer, Matt. 6: 13: Lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.

PROPER FEED FOR DAIRY COW

Animal Should Have All Roughage She Will Clean Up—Proportion of Grain Mixture.

Under most circumstances, the cow should be fed all the roughage that she will eat up clean, adjusting the grain ration to the milk production. Only when the cow tends to become overfat should the quantity of roughage be restricted.

A grain mixture should be fed in the proportion of one pound to each three pints or pounds of milk produced daily by the cow, except in the case of a cow producing a flow of 40 pounds or more, when the ration can be one pound to each three and one-half or four pounds of milk. An even better rule is one pound of grain each day for every pound of butterfat produced during the week by the cow.

Feed all the cow will respond to in milk production. When she begins to put on flesh cut down the grain.

Sire is Half of Herd.

The sire counts for half of the dairy herd. Remember this when you are buying a new head for your herd and don't be content with a scrub.

Water Needed by Cow.

A good milk-producing cow ought to have in the summer time at least 150 pounds of water a day, and in the winter time about 100 pounds.

Bring Small Returns.

Poor rations fed to poor cows are certain to keep the pocketbook thin.

Seek to Bribe Ghosts.

A firm belief in ghosts prevails among the inhabitants of Central Africa. If a native believes that he is possessed of a ghost he goes to his local medicine man and asks him to expel it. One method the medicine man has of doing this is to prepare a meal, hoping that the food will tempt the ghost to leave the body of the man.

According to B. L. T.

"The so-called human race appears to its best advantage, perhaps its only advantage, in work. The race is not ornamental, nor is it over-bright, having only enough wit to scrape along with. Work is the best thing it does, and when it seeks to avoid this, its reason for existence, disappears."—Chicago Tribune.

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