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Higher Education Millage Tax

The people of the state of Oregon should arouse themselves to strenuous action when they learn that the institutions of higher education in this state are facing the most severe crisis in their entire history.
Student enrollment and expenses of the schools has increased 150 per cent, while the income has increased but 6 per cent. It is readily seen that the income has been negligible when compared with the steady increase of operating expenses due to increased enrollment and the natural consequence of high costs of everything.

Naturally there could be but one result, with such an inadequate income. Buildings have been overcrowded. They have greatly run down and depreciated. It has been extremely hard to keep up efficiency. As one college president has said, "It has been hard work indeed, for us to hold our own under present conditions. Progress and improvements have been out of the question, owing to the shortage of finances."

Other states than Oregon are more favorably situated. Many of their state institutions are not only strongly supported by state tax, but they have been highly endowed by philanthropic people who have the welfare of higher education at heart. Therefore those schools have been in a position to command the highest talent in the educational world. Strong men who were connected with the state university and the agricultural college, have been lured to other institutions by reason of increased salaries. Oregon has been helpless. Her student bodies at her schools are increasing each year. These students must be properly cared for, if we are to make even a pretense at maintaining schools of higher learning.

Citizens of Oregon must keep ever before them the fact that the time for action is near at hand. The millage tax bill for the support of Oregon schools, the university, agricultural college and normal school, will be on the ballot at the coming election.

Let Washington Farmers Try It
Some agitators over in the state of Washington are criticizing Professor Hyslop of O. A. C. for his refusal to

take up their scheme to get all the wheatmen of the northwest to sign contracts under which they would be bound to turn over their yields for the next six years to a cooperative organization they desire to form. But since the professor seems to be supported in his stand by the wheat growers of Eastern Oregon he has no occasion for worry. It is his duty to help guide farmers from the pitfalls of impractical and questionable efforts and while striving in that direction he will be entitled to commendation, not to censure.

Various objections are raised to the Washington cooperative plan. One is that it would tie a farmer's hands for six years, yet would afford him no assurance whatever of obtaining the results he wants. He would have no way of knowing beforehand who would handle his wheat and necessarily he would be taking chances. On top of this is the fact that the men promoting the scheme are not in the wheat business and are noted more for elocutionary powers than for anything else.

From what it knows of this proposal, the East Oregonian is strongly inclined to support the views of local farmers and the judgment of Professor Hyslop. If the scheme is good, let Washington farmers try it themselves.—Pendleton East Oregonian.

Back to the Land Some Day

Those who want nothing but land taxed, or who are urging the reclamation of great areas of cut-over lands swamp lands and deserts, base their



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main argument on the necessity for more food. Grow more food and you reduce the cost of living.

They forget the main thing. Where are they going to get the men to farm the reclaimed lands? Young men, and older men, too, are deserting the farms every day, lured by the prospect of big money, shorter hours and easier work in the city. Thousands of young men who went to war from the farms never got farther back than the city. Thus the city itself is to blame for its own high cost of living.

There is today plenty of good land to farm without going to the desert and the swamp. This good land is idle because it is not profitable to farm it. Make farming more profitable—make the country as good a place to work as the city—and the abandoned farms scattered all over

this country will be taken up and farmed.

Man instinctively is a worker of the soil and only artificial conditions will keep him from his native element. The conditions in the cities are now so artificial that they can't last; as sure as fate they will wear out. But, in the meantime, they spend millions and billions reclaiming land when tens of thousands of fertile acres are lying fallow?

Agent Advises Newspaper Ads.

"The farm bureau is about to launch a publicity campaign through the county papers to get farmers to poison squirrels at this season, and I would suggest that it might be worth your while to advertise in these county papers which reach most of our farmers in the squirrel-infested

districts," wrote George W. Kable, agricultural agent of Benton county, to a large Portland manufacturer of a famous squirrel poison. Mr. Kable then gave the manufacturer the names of three papers. This is in line with the policy outlined at the county agent conference as most effective in getting farmer, dealer and editor together for most economical purchase of supplies and equipment needed in farm bureau projects. The O. A. C. press bulletins man recommends that advertisers mention the project in connection with their ads as a proper means of stimulating the demand.

Harry Duvall, north Lexington farmer, was in the city on business Wednesday. Mr. Duvall recently bought a Best tractor and he says it is giving great satisfaction and he is highly pleased. He has been plowing about 50 acres each day.

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