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TARIFF TINKERING.

Tariff laws are always subject to criticism, but none of them more so than the one now in existence which has proved to be an ignominious failure. Nothing could be clearer than this. Notwithstanding President Wilson's earlier insistence on "free sugar," to become a reality next May, Secretary McAdoo is reported to have said, while in Portland a week ago, that the duty on sugar will be retained.

Now comes word that the president has under contemplation further tariff changes, including an increase on liquor and tobacco. This may be cheering news to some but they are not necessities, and while the administration is at considerable pains to explain that no general revision of the existing tariff law is in prospect, it is noticeable that changes in present schedules are seriously contemplated without giving relief where it is most needed either to the consumer or to the national treasury. In addition to the proposed tariff changes, a reduction limit on the inheritance tax, to reach incomes as low as \$1500 a year is suggested.

The McAdoo announcement may be regarded as officially declaring the administration's policy. The intention is to remedy the situation, if possible, without reference to the tariff. Evidently the futility of such an effort as that has demonstrated itself already, as it was bound to do.

The plain, outstanding fact is that the democrats by their tinkering of the tariff, have reduced the income of the government while subjecting American manufacturers to the danger of unfair competition; and having sown to the wind, are beginning to fear the harvest of a whirlwind. It is better that they should see the effects of their iniquitous tariff policy now than at the close of the European war, when the depletion of the gold supply in Europe will inevitably produce an attempt at replenishment by means of tremendous shipments of foreign-made goods to this country in exchange for it.

The competition for dominancy of the American market is certain to be keen and merciless, and unless we are fortified against it, as by all means we need to be against physical invasion, whatever advantages we may have gained by reason of the war are in grave danger of being wiped out in a twinkling.

So far as sugar is concerned, there has never been any satisfactory explanation of its being put in the non-dutiable list in the tariff act of 1913. There were those who maintained that this removal of protection from a leading product of the democratic south was all a bluff, anyway, and that there never was any intention on the part of the administration to bring it to actuality. Be that as it may, sugar is but one of many items which will have to be seriously considered from a tariff standpoint if the administration is to save its face. Not only that, but the issue is a business as well as a political issue. The very existence of some American industries is at stake.

THE HYMN OF HATE.

The execution of Miss Edith Cavell, an English nurse by the Germans was doubtless the outcome of a bitterness engendered by a remarkable "Hymn of Hate," written by a German poet, which has aroused all the rancor of every Teutonic soul. The poem breathes the deepest feeling possible against anything English and is making a lasting impression upon everyone in Germany. Following is an extract from a translation:

We fight the battle with bronze and steel. And the time is coming peace will seal. You will we hate with a lasting hate. We will never forego our hate. Hate by water and hate by land. Hate of the head and hate of the hand. Hate of the hammer and hate of the crown. Hate of seventy millions, choking down.

The government of Argentina has employed a Japanese expert to conduct an extensive campaign to increase rice production throughout the republic.

MAKING A CITY BUDGET.

By reference to the letters of the Outlook's Portland correspondent it will be seen that Portland's city commissioners are endeavoring to prune down the estimates for next year's expenses and are having a hard time doing it.

Most people are inclined to blame the new commission form of government for the increasing cost of running the city's affairs, but it must be remembered that Portland is growing and has been carrying on a campaign of advertising that calls for an increased expense account.

It is nothing new that cities advertise themselves, usually through chambers of commerce which try to attract new residents because new residents mean new buildings, new customers for the shops, new fares for street cars, new work for builders, new depositors for banks and new business all around. They in turn call for an increased cost of administration, more policemen, more firemen, more parks, more of everything that costs money. So it is not to be wondered at that the city expenses of Portland are growing. The same may be said of Multnomah county.

Commission government has done one thing despite its other shortcomings: It has banished the secretive, obscuring policy of star chamber methods, so much in evidence in cities governed by a "ring" whose puppets are in the common council. There is in the commission form a policy of extensive publicity, with an eye single to hauling the light from under the bushel so that it may shine before all men.

What virtues rest in exposing open and frank budgets to public attention the people of Portland are not yet through finding out. It has been accepted as reasonable that a fast-growing city would have an equally fast growing set of expenses. The per capita rises with the number of citizens to be cared for; yet we have the phenomena of the five heads of the Portland city government tumbling over one another, under the spur applied by George L. Baker, to provide itemized estimates for next year's expenses which will bear the light of day in all their cracks and crevices.

EXTORTIONATE USURY.

According to a statement made recently by John Skelton, United States Comptroller of currency, there are ten national banks in Oregon that charge interest rates far in excess of what the law allows, which is a maximum of 10 per cent on special agreements. There are twelve in the state of Washington doing the same thing.

In all there are 25 states which are doing the same thing through 1020 national banks. In one state 131 banks reported that they charged from 15 to 24 per cent; sixty-seven banks charged a maximum between 25 and 60 per cent, twenty-two charged from 60 to 100 per cent, eighteen between 100 and 200 per cent and eight of them had a rate between 200 and 2000 per cent. These rates are for small loans, of course.

The reports received at the comptroller's office show that in some states and sections, borrowers, and especially small borrowers, have been and are being subjected to extortions and exactions which the average man would consider impossible in a north end pawn shop.

Seed wheat is said to be scarce all over the United States, and the variable quality of this year's crop makes it of the utmost importance that seed should be thoroughly tested before any sowing is done. Here is where the services of a county agriculturist would come in handy.

When it comes to singing Mary Garden has very little on Geraldine Farrar, says a Chicago critic. Another critic retorts that when it comes to singing Mary Garden has very little on herself.

Mount Hood was seen to be "smoking" several times lately and some thought it was endeavoring to imitate Mount Lassen. More than likely the smoke seen was from Elijah Coalman's pipe.

The cleanup movement was a little bit delayed as far as the Gresham front windows were concerned, but the goblins made it a necessity on Halloween, for everyone was well soaped.

Reed college has whittled the per capita expense of athletics down to 16 cents a year. At latest reports the college has not been declared "unfair" nor boycotted by the labor unions.

A dramatic note says that "The Girl From Utah" has a pressing engagement in Boston. She can get that anywhere, so why Boston?

Dan Kellaher should have had that Sunday closing law repealed or amended when he was a member of the state senate.

BETTER POTATO CROPS.

The statement of a young man at Drain that he raised about 1200 bushels of potatoes on an acre of land demonstrates beyond a doubt that the growing of potatoes is not a lost art, and that better and larger crops may be grown here.

The crops in this vicinity have suffered from blight, and it may be worth while to note that details as to the method of spraying, how to make the Bordeaux mixture, and the particulars concerning the system to be employed will be gladly furnished free of charge to anybody who will apply to the Oregon Agricultural college, at Corvallis. It is certainly well worth the small effort required to obtain this information. And here, too, is the need of a county agriculturist again amplified.

Speaking of potatoes, it is gratifying to observe a growing disposition on the part of Oregon farmers to select proper seed for this crop. That is to say, instead of assuming that they must depend on small seed, not a few farmers—and their number is happily increasing—pursue the approved course of taking the zest specimens in their own fields with excellent results. That policy could be improved upon by exchanging seed with other farmers on a different quality of soil. Everyone who has ever dug as many as a dozen hills of potatoes must have noticed the marked difference in yield between the best and the poorest. If poor and good together, we secure crops of 200 to 300 bushels to the acre, it is not difficult to conjecture what the yield might be if the average were made as good as the present best. Indeed it is not a matter of conjecture.

The selection for seed of the product of the best hills will, in a few years, greatly increase production, as well as quality. It is an easy and inexpensive process, and any farmer can try it for himself.

The mines of this country furnish 53 per cent of all the freight carried by railroads. This includes the crude material from the mines only. The manufactured products of the mines furnish 11 per cent additional.

Edison has constructed a little voice-mill which will work at the bidding of the voice. If a mother fixes one to a cradle, the cradle will rock as the baby cries, and continue to do so in proportion to the outcry.

The word "knave" originally signified only a boy, then as most waiters and pages were boys, it was applied to male servants, and as not a few of these were of roguish habits, it finally came to mean a rascal.

A Philadelphia college president says there is "an aristocracy of education now existing" under which the poor boy has no chance with the rich youth. He evidently overlooked the football possibilities.

The "want ads" have proven the "dawn of plenty" for many a man. The opportunities they offer are many and varied. Study their uses and apply them to your own profit.

New York is voting on a new state constitution today. Here's hoping that it is an improvement on the one adopted in 1787, from which some Oregon laws were taken.

The introduction of electric power recently started the exploitation in Chile of what experts declare to be the greatest known deposit of copper in the world.

Preliminary figuring indicates that there will be \$7,500,000 worth of newspaper space used on Mrs. Galt's wedding gowns and \$4,450,000 on the lingerie.

Turkish officials report that they cannot find certain Americans for whom offers of assistance were made. Did the Turkish officials try digging for them?

One of the joys of life knocked out by the jitney is the habit of reading the evening papers in the street cars while going home.

"What if Wall street saw its dead?" asks a newspaper writer. It would at once begin to search their pockets for their valuables.

In ancient history a "long winter evening" meant a portion of the day which existed before the era of moving pictures.

Loushkin, the giant Russian drum-major of the Imperial guards, was eight feet five inches high.

Great Britain's per capita consumption is about three times as great as that of France.

One ship in the British fleet in the North sea is required to be always in touch with the admiralty.

Ornamental handkerchiefs formerly were worn in the hat by gentlemen as tokens.

Cats are said to wash right over their ears when rain is approaching.

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Notice is hereby given by J. N. Mewhirter, Guardian of the person and estate of Johnie Winters, a minor, that by virtue of an order made and entered by the County Court above named, on the 16th day of October, 1915, he will sell at Public Auction, for cash, for the purpose of paying claims and expenses of guardianship, and in the best interest of the minor's estate, the following described real estate, situated in the County of Multnomah, State of Oregon, to-wit:

The undivided one-seventh interest in lots seven (7) and eight (8), in block two (2), Mt. Hood addition to the town of Gresham.

The sale to be held and made at the premises, on November 20, 1915, at 2 o'clock p. m., for cash, to the highest bidder; ten per cent thereof to be paid at time of sale and balance on confirmation of sale by the court ordering said sale, and delivery of deed.

J. N. MEWHIRTER, Guardian.
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