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AN EMPTY TREASURY TO RESULT

Despite the efforts of the county assessors of Oregon for several years to levy their just share of taxes upon the railroads the Oregon ballot this year includes a measure which would relieve the railroads from paying all but about 10 per cent of their present taxes.

This measure is the "Full Rental Value Land Tax and Homesteaders' Loan Fund Amendment," the radical single tax measure which heads the initiative part of the ballot.

The railroads are now paying taxes on \$102,000,000. The single tax bill provides for taxes to be levied upon land alone. As only \$14,000,000 of the railroads' taxable property is represented by land, this measure, if ever made operative, would automatically take \$88,000,000 from the list of taxable railroad property in Oregon.

The terminal yard improvements, station buildings and rolling stock of every class would simply go scot free when the assessor came around. Taxes would be levied on the rights of way, the most precious possession of the railroads, on the same basis as the pasture land adjoining the tracks.

If the schools, colleges, highways and all the public works now supported by the state are to be maintained, then the farm land owner and small home-owner, under this single tax scheme, would be forced to pay the share of the state taxes now paid by the railroads.

Altogether, \$230,000,000 worth of property would be wiped off the tax rolls by this plan, for stocks of goods of big department stores and every form of property but land are held to be tax free by the single tax bill.

The fate of such institutions as the University of Oregon and the Agricultural College, should the provision of the proposed single tax bill ever become effective, is puzzling to those who have closely analyzed the measure. It appears on the ballot under the title of "Full Rental Value Land Tax and Homesteaders' Loan Fund Amendment" to the state constitution. It was known as the "people's land and loan bill" when the petitions through which it obtained a place on the ballot were circulated.

It seems inevitable that within three years at the most from the time of passage of this measure the state treasury will be practically empty. The bill is drawn to force all land now privately owned to revert to the state, the owners preferring to relinquish it rather than pay the enormous "land rentals" that operation of the measure will entail.

Taxes are to be levied upon land alone. With the bulk of all land within the state thrown back upon the state by the present owners, payments of taxes will practically cease.

Under such conditions, where will the money come from for the support of the university and the state agricultural college as well as the other public institutions now maintained by appropriation? That is the question.

It is conceded that were the Single Tax so named on the ballot there would be little chance of its passage. But, taking advantage of the campaign for the state rural credits bill, its sponsors have succeeded in getting it on the ballot under a title which leads many persons to believe it is rural credits measure. They are two distinct and utterly different measures. The Single Tax bill is the first initiative measure. Its voting numbers are 306 yes, and 307 no.



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REPUBLICAN NOMINEE

FOR

CIRCUIT JUDGE

DEPT. NO. 5

Paid Adv.

LOCAL REBEKAH LODGES FORM NEW DISTRICT

A new district, which shall be known as District No. 32, was organized at the Rebekah assembly held at Gresham yesterday, by Mrs. Nellie Wattenberg, president of the Rebekah assembly. The lodges forming the new district are Gresham, Boring, Sandy, Rockwood and Estacada. The most of the lodges were well represented. A very profitable day was spent and many helpful suggestions were made by the president. An invitation was extended from the Boring lodge to meet with them at the next convention.

The following officers were elected for the next convention: chairman, Amy Moran of Boring; vice chairman, Olive Ekstrom of Gresham; secretary, Mrs. Mary Richmond of Rockwood; treasurer, Nellie Currin of Estacada; conductor, Mary Younce of Estacada; marshal, Ella Brumbaugh, Sandy; chaplain, Eliza Metzger of Gresham; inside guard, Pearl Dahlhammer of Rockwood; outside guard, Minnie Myers of Boring. Mrs. Metzger, Mrs. Currin and Mrs. Dahlhammer constitute the press committee.

A meeting of the Gresham lodge was held last night, when Mrs. Wattenberg was present. Four candidates were initiated. They were Miss Alberta Allen, Mrs. Minnie Clananah, Miss Miriam Brown and Miss Fannie Duley.

TROUTDALE

The Troutdale Ladies' Aid gave a tea Wednesday of last week. A pleasant afternoon was spent by the ladies present. A demonstration of a new cream whip was an interesting feature. The next Aid meeting will be Wednesday, November 1st, with Mrs. J. R. Knarr.

The Parent-Teachers' association will give a Halloween social next Wednesday evening, November 1st, at the Masonic hall. An interesting program is in preparation, one number of which is a comedy entitled, "Not a Man in the House," being rehearsed by the five ladies in the cast. A small admission will be charged, and candy will be sold during the evening, instead of refreshments.

The residents of Troutdale and vicinity were startled last Friday at daybreak by a man, apparently demented, who came yelling up the Sandy road from the direction of Portland. As far back as the Rockwood road he had been disturbing the slumbers of the residents along the Sandy. Soon after six o'clock he ended his journey by stopping in front of Herman Blazer's house near the Sandy bridge, where he refused the food and shelter offered him. He was taken into custody and taken back to Portland. He seemed crazed over religion.

The Troutdale chapter of the Eastern Star had an unusually good time at their regular meeting last Saturday evening, when the Gresham chapter of the same order came over and surprised them. After their regular work was done they enjoyed a pleasant social evening and the banquet served by the home chapter. There were about fifty present.

Earl Brewer and family moved Monday from the Parker place to Portland, and Mrs. C. D. Parker and children are moving back to their home from the Cherry park farm.

Mrs. Scott Milne, of the Dalles, was the guest of Mrs. L. A. Harlow the first of this week.

Mrs. Tom Hensley underwent a successful operation for gall stones and other complications at the Good Samaritan hospital Wednesday. Thursday morning she was reported to be doing fine.

Mrs. Jas. McGinnis left Thursday for an extended visit with her daughter Mrs. R. H. Hyslop, at Battle Creek, Michigan.

Russel Wilson, of O. A. C., came up Saturday to attend the football game in Portland, and spent Sunday with his parents in Troutdale.

Bids Wanted.

The Board of Directors of Union High School Dist. No. 2, Multnomah county, Oregon, will receive bids for the construction and installation of a drainage system in accordance with plans and specifications now on file in the office of the clerk at Bank of Gresham.

All bids to be in the hands of the clerk by 4 p. m. Thursday, November 2d, 1916.

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

G. W. STAPLETON, Chairman.
K. A. MILLER, Clerk.

Shingling and Lathing.

Work done promptly and carefully. Ben Hillman, Fourth street, Gresham, between Robert and Hood.

Read the Want Ads.

CONGRESSMAN M'ARTHUR PRAISED BY PAPERS OF EAST AND WEST

Patriotic Speech Against Philippine Bill Has Made Him a National Figure--Has Attained Position of Influence

It is seldom that a new member of Congress reaches the position of influence and distinction that has been attained by Congressman C. N. McArthur since he took his seat at Washington on December 6, 1915. Congressman McArthur is a member of the Important Committees on Pensions and Insular Affairs. As a member of the latter committee, he has had occasion to give careful study to the Philippine question and on March 31st, he electrified Congress and the country by a stirring speech against the Democratic policy of "scuttle" as proposed in the Clarke amendment to the Philippine bill. His work along other lines has attracted such favorable attention as to place him in the front rank of the new members of Congress. Here are a few of the many favorable editorial notices relative to Congressman McArthur:

New York Times: "Representative Clifton N. McArthur, of Oregon, stated in clear terms the whole truth about the Philippine situation in his speech in the House last week."

Morning Oregonian: "Mr. McArthur's manly, straightforward speech should strike a responsive chord in the heart not only of every Republican, but every true American who revolts at seeing his country shamed and his devoted countrymen slandered before the world."

New York Sun: "There are some important matters besides preparedness and appropriation bills before Congress. Representative McArthur, of Oregon, called attention to one of these when he said recently: (Here follows a lengthy quotation from Congressman McArthur's speech) *** Self government for these people is now only a grim joke, and a nation which pretends to take it seriously deserves to be judged harshly by the other nations, as it will be."

New York Tribune: "In terming the Philippine scuttle a shameful abandonment of a noble work which will cause future generations to blush, Representative McArthur, of Oregon, has stated the case against the Clarke bill vigorously and succinctly *** If the democratic leaders want to hand over the islands to the Filipino politicians regardless of America's pledges, they

METZGER BROTHERS' CAR WRECKED BY THIEVES

Walter Metzger returned a day or two ago from a trip into central Oregon, where he went with State Engineer Lewis, who was investigating possible routes for a highway. While at Baker, Metzger's car, an almost new Buick-six, was stolen and wrecked. A resident of Baker, unwittingly assisted the thieves in stealing the car by furnishing a key and unlocking it, supposing the men were owners of the car. He afterwards assisted in the search for the culprits, using his own car, and traded his car for the wrecked one. Walter was away twelve days.

BAND MUSIC AT REPUBLICAN RALLY

Beyers' silver cornet band will be in attendance at the republican rally tomorrow night. The speakers will be Governor James Withycombe and Congressman C. N. McArthur.

Metzger's hall has been tastefully decorated for the occasion. Governor Withycombe will address the voters in the interests of Charles E. Hughes, presidential nominee on the republican ticket, while Congressman McArthur will speak principally in his own behalf for re-election. The public is invited.

Night Session of Grange.

An evening session of Russellville grange will be held tomorrow night at its hall on the Base Line road. A good program has been arranged including a lecture by Mr. Robinson of the "Union Dry Campaign." Refreshments will be served to all grangers who attend.

Auction Sale of Stock.

W. F. Strack is advertising a sale of 40 dairy cows and young stock at his farm one mile north of Sandy on the Bull Run road. The sale will take place on Monday, Nov. 6, commencing at 10 o'clock. Among the animals to be sold are 16 good cows, all young and excellent milkers.

should at least stop talking glorified nonsense about it and get down to facts."

Manchester Daily Mirror: (Manchester, N. H.) "Already he (Mr. McArthur) has made his influence felt and he recently delivered one of the speeches which attracted national attention in favor of the retention of the Philippines. As a member of the committee on Insular Affairs, Congressman McArthur has given much attention to the subject."

Vancouver Columbian: "The people have always felt that they had particular claim on the services of the member of Congress from Southwestern Washington, and from time to time they have expressed their appreciation of the activities of Congressman Albert Johnson. Turn about is fair play and the Columbian feels that it can speak for all of the river counties in congratulating the citizens of Portland and Multnomah county that in Congressman C. N. McArthur they have a member, who, while keen for the interests of his own district, has shown his willingness to join hands with Johnson and the members of the Washington delegation for the whole Columbia River basin. The harmonious adjustment of the proposed appropriation for the improvement of the Columbia and Willamette rivers is a case in point; and both McArthur and Johnson deserve the warm support of the people on both sides of the Columbia river. May they remain long in Congress."

The Tacoma Ledger: "The state of Washington takes a friendly interest in the campaign for re-election of C. N. McArthur of the Third Oregon Congressional district. He is an able spokesman of the Pacific Northwest and it is important for this part of the country to have such a man as he on guard at Washington city."

In view of Mr. McArthur's ability and standing in Congress, it would be the height of folly for the people of the Third Oregon District to defeat him for re-election. He has made good at Washington and the welfare of the District demands that he be kept there.

Respectfully submitted,
REPUBLICAN CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE.
By J. F. ROACH, Secretary.
Paid Adv.

WESTON PRESIDENT FAVORS PENDLETON

Portland, Ore.—Professor R. C. French, ex-President of the State Normal School at Weston, Oregon, prefers Pendleton to Weston as the facilities for practice teaching at Pendleton make it the logical site for the Eastern Oregon Normal School. Here is what he says:

"The previous history of the Normal School in Eastern Oregon proves that a large number of young people to whom other educational institutions are not easily accessible are ready to avail themselves of the privileges offered by a Normal School to fit themselves for community service in public school work. The immediate establishment of such a school at some central point, such as Pendleton, would prove a great asset to the State of Oregon."

Rural Carrier Examination.

An examination for rural carriers will be held at Portland on November 25, according to a notice posted by Postmaster Roberts. The purpose is to fill a vacancy at Hillsdale and obtain a list of eligibles for other vacancies that may occur. Application blanks may be had at the post-office.

OPERETTA

"The Land of Nod"
By children of Grade School
In Assembly Hall of Schoolhouse
Gresham, Oregon
Under Direction of
MRS. ELLEN A. POMEROY
Friday, Nov. 3, at 8 p. m.

The King of the Land of Nod and 24 of his subjects with six little sleepy heads that visit his kingdom. About 30 children in songs and dialogues.

ADMISSION 25c

Proceeds to go toward purchase of Phonograph and Records for school.

ROCKWOOD REBEKAHS PREPARING PIE SOCIAL

Rockwood Rebekahs gave an old-time school entertainment on Wednesday evening at the grange hall. Miss Christina Cavanagh filled the role of teacher, the entertainment taking the form of a spelling bee and recitations. There was also a literary and musical program followed by a lunch which was brought in pails and baskets just like the school kids do.

The lodge will give a pie social and card party for the public on Wednesday evening, November 8th, in the grange hall. Everyone is invited to be there.

CORBETT

Victor Johnson, Oscar and Clarence Deverill left Sunday for the mountains to hunt deer.

Mr. and Mrs. John Stewart went to Knapp, Montana, to visit their son for a month.

Mrs. M. E. Reed visited her daughter, Mrs. Albert Fox, at Troutdale last week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Rasmussen, Mrs. Emily Jackson, Mrs. Clara Smith and Miss Abbie Stites attended Order Eastern Star chapter at Troutdale Saturday evening.

Union High School Notes.

Miss Fox, from the county department of the county library, Portland, was out last week and gave a short talk to the students. Among other things, she said they were adding a department of music. We are particularly interested in this as Union High School No. 1 is one of the first, if not the first, county high school in the state to have a department of music. Miss Fox was on her way to the Mountain school, where she was to open a branch library. She brought with her Miss Frances Gill, a talented violinist, to play at the opening exercises.

Some of the apparatus for the track team has arrived and the boys are full of enthusiasm. Practice will begin Wednesday. We have some excellent material and should make a very good showing.

Miss Gladys Barr will not be with us for a week or so. She has returned home on account of illness.

Tuesday the freshman class from Bridal Veil came to visit us. They expressed themselves as much pleased with the work we are doing.

LUSTED

Mrs. Mathew Rauw, who has been ill for the past two weeks, is being cared for by Mrs. Waltman at her private sanitarium in Gresham.

Mr. and Mrs. Coe and the latter's father, Walter Patison, all of Portland, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Jackson last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Hamilton entertained at dinner last Tuesday. Grandpa and Grandma Hamilton, Rev. C. L. Hamilton and wife and daughter, Miss Frances, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hamilton, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Smith and son, all from Portland.

Most all the farmers in this vicinity are digging their potatoes with the potato digger.

Mrs. Pappa and daughter, from Ohio, who have been visiting at the home of her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Davies, for the past three weeks, returned to their home last week.

COTTRELL

Mrs. Otis, of Portland, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. George Blackburn.

The Baptist Ladies' Aid society met with Mrs. George Lusted last Thursday afternoon.

Oscar Seaberg, of Gresham, Wallace Manary and Lawrence Craswell of this place, spent ten days at the Holley hot springs, returning home the first of this week.

Mrs. Ed. Andre will entertain the Ladies' embroidery club Wednesday afternoon, November 1.

Mrs. F. Halfpenny, of Portland, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Craswell the first of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Ruegg and daughter Pearl and son Clyde attended the wedding of Miss Elfa Doughton and George Gerity in Portland last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Andre spent the past two weeks visiting relatives at The Dalles.

Mrs. McCoy, of Wamie, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Arnold Ruegg.

Notice to Owner.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, residing about five miles south of Troutdale, in Multnomah county, Oregon, has taken up the following described animal running at large, west of the Sandy river in Multnomah county, Oregon, to wit: One bay horse about 15 years old, branded on left shoulder with ED. GEO. W. ANDREWS, R 1, Box 112, Troutdale, phone 43x2. Dated this 27th day of October, 1916.

Only twelve more days of talkful waiting.

TILING FOR DRAINAGE OF SCHOOL

After experimenting for two weeks in trying to dig a cesspool for draining the heating plant at the union high school, entailing considerable expense, the work was abandoned because it was found impossible to dig through a subterranean lake which was struck only a few feet below the surface.

By reference to an advertisement elsewhere in this issue, calling for bids on another plan, it will be seen that the district will have to go to considerable more expense before the desired end is accomplished.

The plans and specifications to be seen at the Bank of Gresham call for a tile drain leading from the basement of the furnace room of the building to the northwest corner of the school property, thence along the east side of Main street to the gully that crosses the farms of Ed. Cummins and Arza Smith.

The total distance is about 1700 feet, for which eight-inch tiling will be used. Of that amount it will take 1400 feet for the drain alongside of the street. The remainder will be necessary for crossing the school property. The drain will start at a depth of eight feet under the building and will then have sufficient fall to carry the water to the gulch.

The average depth of the ditch to its outlet will be three and one-half feet. About 375 cubic yards of earth will have to be excavated for the drain. This drain will be exclusively for the building, but there will have to be a surface drain which will commence at the southeast corner of the building and follow a curve around in front to the same point where the underground drain will enter Main street from the school property. It will be of cement, 220 feet in length and will be laid on top of the ground, but will lead under the cement walks.

It is thought that these drains, when completed, will solve the problem of carrying away the water. There seems to be no other way to accomplish the desired object, as a lake of water under the school property seems to be in the way of digging a pool deep enough to allow the water to sink into the earth.

The bids for the work will be received at the Bank of Gresham until Thursday next. Owing to the near approach of bad weather it is desired to have the work done as soon as possible.

SANDY BLUFF

Louis Hauglum is having a new well drilled on his place.

Byron Edwards has rented his farms to a Mr. Ruter, who has been living on a place up near Sandy. Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Brook made a business trip to Portland Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson have got nicely settled in their new house.

Mrs. Wm. Fallows is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Radford were Portland visitors one day this last week.

Ferdinand Floss, of the Egypt neighborhood, was in Gresham on Wednesday. He will not undertake to rebuild his recently burnt barn until next spring.



JAS. W.

BEVERIDGE

REPUBLICAN NOMINEE FOR

County Clerk

Number 116 on Ballot

Paid Adv.