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OREGON 1925?

The election in Portland came out as was expected; an overwhelming victory for the proposed 1925 fair. No one has doubted the benefit the exposition would confer upon Portland and there is no question but that the metropolis voted in accord with its interests.

The real fight however is ahead. Governor Oicott has called a special session of the legislature to pass the state wide millage tax for the fair. This will be referred to the voters who are the court of the last appeal in the question of whether the tax will be voted.

There seems to be some doubt if the legislature will pass the fair measure as many of the up-state representatives are certain to oppose. It is to be expected, however, that the measure will be approved by the legislature, especially as such approval is not final. It merely gives the people their chance to vote on it and they are the power that should decide the question anyway.

No one can doubt that the sentiment in this part of the state is at present opposed to the tax. Whether it will remain this way may be doubted, but if the election were held now it is pretty certain that the fair would be defeated in this county by a big majority.

Both of the Pendleton papers were boosting for the fair in the summer and both are now attacking the state wide tax. This is probably a fair indication of the way sentiment is swinging in the county.

This paper hopes the fair may be held and would be willing to see the proposed tax voted, but no one can ignore the fact that present sentiment is not running that way. If times do not improve and tax payers become more free with their money the fair tax will be defeated unless the city of Portland rolls up a large enough majority in its favor to override the protests of the outside country.

A better plan would be for the legislature to revise the financial plan of the fair to conform with the benefits to be derived. Those parts of the state which will profit most should pay most and those which will profit least should pay least. Otherwise the districts remote from Portland are going to swat the fair tax hard.

Another murderer has been sentenced to hang. It is just possible that if this continues murder may lose some of its present popularity.

WHAT OF 1925?

Weston Leader

Portland voted four to one for the 1925 fair. Portland knows of course that the fair will be of direct and positive benefit to her. Oregon's

canny metropolis, whom we all admire even though we do not always approve of her activities affecting other sections of the state, realizes full well on which side her bread is buttered. While the Portland vote is taken by the fair promoters to indicate that their measure will carry triumphantly in the state at large, we know up this way that it is due to receive hard sledding in the rural districts. Finding their tax burden already onerous, the farmers generally are opposed to it, and do not hesitate to say so. Its only hope lies in the attitude of the population centers, whose people may want to attend another big Oregon fair, and may also consider that their cities will reap some indirect commercial benefit. However, Pendleton's action in voting down every improvement measure on her local ballot with one exception, and in even disapproving her presumably essential city budget is not a hopeful sign.

THAT WORD "AFFORD"

Sanford (Fla.) Herald

When a merchant talks about "affording" advertising, he is getting ready for art live merchant to take his trade away from him. People do not "afford" advertising any more than the man who needs a suit of clothes "affords" them. It is not a question of "affording" advertising, it is a vital necessity.

A CHANCE FOR ALL

Philadelphia Ledger

The young man who says he has no chance willfully ignores the fact that no "golden age" of the past, in any land, ever presented such golden opportunities as America offers him today.

If there is "no chance" for those who come on the state to play their part in the drama of life, what chance is there for those who are born a thousand years from today?

Many, many centuries ago Solomon, in a fit of blues, said there was nothing new under the sun. But so much has happened since Solomon that it sometimes seems as if hardly anything happened before Solomon.

The best thing about America is not a mountain or a river, a magnificent city or a renowned cascade, a noble building or even a great man; the best thing is the chance it offers to each on a level with all to make his way to the front and to win a success of the right sort.

One who is aware of America and the privilege of an American becomes very weary of the talk of pessimists who rail at fate because their lot has been cast in with the manifest destiny of this glorious land of ours.

If they would but look abroad and if they could but realize how others earn for the blessed boon they earn! To stricken races and to

peoples bending low under the yoke of the burden of life from day to day it is inconceivable that an American should be blind to the blessing of his heritage.

OREGON PRESS COMMENT

Scrapping battleships to the amount of \$500,000,000 seems an awful waste. If women had the job they'd make them over into something useful.—Benton County Courier.

Judging from dope, Hood River county is about the only one in the state that does not cherish the idea that it will provide the next governor.—Hood River News.

It is really startling the way wrecks occur in Portland. Just think! in the first 15 days of this month there were 575 wrecks. It is enough to make a pedestrian long for wings so that he could fly over the danger zones.—Amity Standard.

There is a notion prevalent that towns, countries, states and individuals can borrow themselves rich. It can not be done. Every cent borrowed must be paid back with interest. Borrowed money, whether it is in the shape of bonds, warrants, mortgages, notes or just jawbone, is deferred grief.—Blue Mountain Eagle.

A newspaper editor relates this story about a green reporter. He was hurried off to write up the murder of a wealthy manufacturer. After describing the details graphically he concluded with this sentence: "Fortunately for the deceased, he had deposited all his loose money in the bank the day before, so that he practically lost nothing but his life."—Weston Leader.

BRIEF AND TO THE POINT

Germany is the land of promise.—Ashville Times

A tax a day keeps normalcy away.—New York Evening Telegram.

The peace left us taxes, but taxes leave us no peace.—Greenville Piedmont.

Santa Claus will settle the buyers' strike.—Boston Shoe and Leather Reporter.

The only thing that keeps the bootlegger in business is customers.—Canton News.

"Lenine Turns Honest," says a headline. That was the only way he could turn.—Greenville Piedmont.

The problems of the schoolboy serve to keep the home sires learning.—New York Telegram.

If Germany really wants to get rid of Bergdoll, all she has to do is to declare war.—New York Evening Mail.

The only concern that seems to be making money in Russia is the government printing office.—Seattle Times.

The present situation affords considerable food for thought, if hash can be called food.—Birmingham News.

And then, a tariff wall keeps our American goods from being seized upon by cheap foreign money.—Birmingham News.

Manufacturers report automobile is within the reach of all. In New York all are within reach of the automobile.—Wall Street Journal.

The Dutch Government is planning to build a larger navy so that it can take a more important part in the discussion about cutting it down.—Indianapolis Star.

Well, we guess every possible means of lightening the tax burden has received the careful consideration of our statesmen now except not spending so much money.—Ohio State Journal.

A truckload of baggage belonging to visiting diplomats was hit by a street car, but not enough damage was done to make the baggage spring a leak.—Washington Post.

Pullets Need Dry Straw

Poultrymen should not attempt to economize on straw litter at this time of year. With such unusual wet weather litter will absorb dampness and get soggy quickly. It is a good plan to stir the straw at night which practice tends to keep the birds active. Clean the litter out each week if necessary as clean, dry straw will promote exercise that helps to fill the egg basket. It doesn't take many eggs at present prices to pay for a bale of straw.—O. A. C. Experiment station.

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