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Different.
Hostess (at party)—Does your mother allow you to have two pieces of pie when you are at home, Willie?
Willie (who has asked for a second piece)—No, ma'am.
"Well, do you think that she'd like you to have two pieces here?"
"Oh, definitely," she wouldn't care. This isn't her pie.—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

High Cost of Life.
Wayne—Brown does a lot of entertaining at his country place.
Payne—Does he succeed in growing anything?
Wayne—His mortgage has grown from \$2,000 to \$5,000 since April, and will probably jump another thousand before August.—Pittsburgh Dispatch.

Profundity.
Judge—You let the burglar go, to arrest a motorist?
Policeman—Yes. The motorist pays a fine, and adds to the resources of the state; the burglar goes to prison, and the state has to pay for his keep.—London Answers.

Stark Realism.
Mother (entering the nursery)—Children, why do you sit about looking so solemn and unhappy? Why not play a game of some sort?
One of 'em—We are playing. We're group-up, slip us making a call.—New York Times.

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NEWS ITEMS
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About Oregon

Arguments in Favor of Three New Legislative Acts Are Filed

Salem—Arguments in behalf of the proposed tax limitation amendment, rural credits amendment and the amendment to repeal Oregon's Sunday closing law were filed with Secretary of State O'Leary this week for inclusion in the official election pamphlet. The tax limitation argument was submitted by Robert E. Smith, secretary of the Oregon Taxpayers' League, the rural credits argument by the committee in charge of the Oregon Referendum League, and the argument for the repeal of the Sunday closing law by Dan Kellaher and Ben A. Bellamy, of the Independent Retailers' association of Portland.

The arguments for the three proposed amendments in part are as follows: "Are taxes in Oregon high enough? Shall we limit their further increase to 6 per cent a year? These are the questions in considering the State-Wide Tax Limitation Amendment. "Oregon's per capita tax is higher than that of any other state in the Union. During the past ten years taxes have increased 37 per cent a year. Taxes have increased five times faster than population.

As a result, Oregon has been going backward in population and wealth for the past three years. Last year seven families left the state to each new family coming into it. In the face of these discouraging conditions there are those who have plans which will result in still greater increases in our taxes. Unless a limit is provided the legislature and our public officials will continue to increase our taxes as rapidly as they have in the past.

"The amendment limits the increase in taxation to an annual increase not to exceed six per cent unless a greater increase is authorized by the people. "The farm debt of Oregon, secured by real and chattel mortgages, is conservatively estimated at \$30,000,000. On this debt the farmers are paying an average rate of about eight and one-fourth per cent interest. Added to this the costs of renewal and commissions, the rate paid is probably little under nine and one-fourth per cent.

"The rural credits amendment proposes to take the burden out of the farm mortgage at interest of five per cent. The cost of title searching and appraisal will be from \$10 to \$50, according to the amount of the loan. The farmer must pay off one per cent of the original sum borrowed each year. That is, the payment of six per cent on the mortgage will pay interest, cost of operation and wipe out the debt entirely in a period of 36 years.

"This system would mean to Oregon an annual saving in interest and mortgage costs of \$750,000. It would mean an end to the perpetual worry and expense of mortgage renewing; practically an end to foreclosures, lost homes and blighted hopes; better equipped farms and greater rural prosperity.

"The continuation of the old blue law, which will be enforced if not repealed, simply means putting the people of Oregon in a straight-jacket on Sundays. If not repealed this antiquated law will be enforced strictly, as it is now being done in Washington, Lane, Linn, and other counties in Oregon, where now you cannot purchase a newspaper, a cigar, refreshments, gasoline or anything else on Sunday. "If enforced it means that all moving picture theaters must close on Sundays; it means that no baseball games can be played on Sundays; it means that all pool and billiard parlors, and bowling alleys or other innocent exercising sports and recreations operated for pay or profit must not operate on Sundays; it means that Sunday newspapers cannot be printed, sold or delivered on Sundays; it means that all pleasure resorts and recreation delights of all kinds, including picnics, must cease on Sundays, if entrance fees or charges are made.

"Ice cream, confections, foods of all kinds, and regular business of any kind except medicines, and medicines only, at drug stores cannot be sold or delivered on Sundays. It means that you cannot get a shoe-shine, or flowers, on Sundays, unless you can prove their necessities or charities."

School Terms Increased.
The school directors of Clatsop county have increased the length of their terms of school until the short term of six or seven months during the year has been almost entirely eliminated. The annual report of County Superintendent Byland, which has just been filed with Superintendent of Public Instruction J. A. Churchill, shows that last year there were but two districts in the county having six months of school, while more than three-fourths of the remaining districts had terms of nine months.

Prison Employees Quit.
Salem—T. E. Cornelius, head of the Oregon Penitentiary brick yard, has resigned, and his wife, who is matron in charge of the women's ward, will resign at the end of the present month. Mr. Cornelius has been connected with the penitentiary for six and a half years under four administrations and has served as deputy warden, chapel guard, farmer and superintendent of the brick yard. Superintendent Minto said that it was the intention to close the brick yard this month, as the men would be needed in the flax fields.

Timber Road Proposed.
Marshfield — A. E. Bradford, president of the Bradford-Culver Lumber company, passed two days on Coos Bay following an announcement from Roseburg that lumber interests with holdings in the district between Coos Bay and Roseburg were looking over the country with a view to constructing a railroad between the two localities. Mr. Bradford said that the timber owners along the middle fork of the Coquille in the region of Camas valley and Eastward and South from Camas valley felt the necessity of a railroad.

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He Didn't Suffer From That.
A good story is being told concerning the head of Cox's, the famous army bankers and a young officer client. The subaltern called one day and asked the cashier to let him have an overdraft of 50 pounds. "I am very sorry, Lieutenant Blank," was the answer, "but your account is already overdrawn 100 pounds, and, you see, we have no security, except your life."

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription makes weak women strong, sick women well, no alcohol. Sold in tablets or liquid. His Only Chance.
A short time ago on the shooting range a recruit was taking a lesson in firing, but not with very promising results. After repeatedly failing to hit the target at 300 yards, the instructor tried him at 200, with the same result. He then decided to try him in 100 yards, but the results were even worse than before. Losing all patience, the instructor exclaimed in disgust: "Fix your bayonet and go and stab the wretched thing; it's your only chance!"—Toronto Mail.

WOMAN HAD NERVOUS TROUBLE
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West Danby, N. Y.—"I have had nervous trouble all my life until I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for nerves and for female troubles and it straightened me out in good shape. I work nearly all the time, as we live on a farm and I have four girls. I do all my sewing and other work with their help, so it shows that I stand it real well. I took the Compound when my ten year old daughter came and it helped me a lot. I have also had my oldest girl take it and it did her lots of good. I keep it in the house all the time and recommend it."—Mrs. DEWITT SNICKERBOUGH, West Danby, N. Y.

ASQUITH ASKS COMMONS FOR NEW CREDIT OF TWO BILLIONS
London—Premier Asquith Monday asked the house of commons for a vote of credit of \$2,250,000,000 and the total since the beginning of the war to approximately \$14,160,000,000. The premier said the recent expenditure was approximately \$25,000,000 daily. All the expenditure from April 1 to last Saturday was \$2,795,000,000. Mr. Asquith said that the navy, army and munitions cost \$1,900,000,000; the loans to Great Britain's allies, \$785,000,000, and food, supplies, railways, etc., \$115,000,000. The average daily expenditure on the war, he said, was \$24,750,000.

The July total, continued the premier, probably would be higher than that of November and it was expected that the present level would be maintained for the near future. The munition expenditure had increased steadily and continuously up to May in the month and during June and July it was fairly constant. After a speech by Winston Spencer Churchill, criticizing Premier Asquith for not reviewing the war situation, David Lloyd George, secretary for war, replied, saying that it would be premature to survey a military situation and the prospects in the middle of the battle.

"The prospects are good," the war secretary said. "Our generals are more than satisfied with and proud of the valor of our men they are leading. Great as the British infantry was in Wellington's and Napoleon's day, they never have been greater than now."

Prudential Insurance Company Agents Called Out on Strike
New York—Agents and collectors employed by the Prudential Insurance company were called out on strike Monday by a union recently organized among them and known as the International Insurance Agents' Protective association, with a membership of 6000. Although assertions of the company and the union were conflicting, it appeared Monday night that at least 500 men in the district had responded to the strike call this far.

The men demanded more pay, recognition of the union and "more reasonable" working hours. Telegrams from branches of the union in different states in the territory east of Chicago, leaders here declared, indicate that unless the demands of the men are met the 6000 will follow the lead of those already out. About 18,000 agents and collectors are employed by the company. Lack of sufficient collectors to see that premiums are turned in at the proper time, the strikers assert, will result in the cancellation of thousands of policies. The company announced that none of the men who walked out would be reinstated.

Sixteen in Tube Thought Dead.
Cleveland—Imprisoned in a new water works tunnel under Lake Erie as a result of a terrific explosion of gas in the tube, 16 men are believed to be dead. The blast occurred shortly before midnight Monday and lifesavers and the crews of tugs were sent to the outer crib five miles from shore with lung motors, prepared to enter the tunnel and rescue the victims alive. That any survived the gas explosion is considered hopeless.

"Conscience Fund" Gets Record Sums.
Washington, D. C.—Contributions to the treasury's "conscience fund," for the fiscal year ending June 30 amounted to \$4,923,115, making a total of \$498,763,124 returned by persons whose consciences were uneasy over frauds against the government. Returns were much larger during the past year than ever before, chiefly because of two unusual contributions, one for \$30,000 and one for \$10,000. It was in 1811 when the first \$5 was sent in. It is an unwritten law of the department that no effort shall be made to learn the identity of the contributors, and even in cases where the writer has confessed to theft no effort is made to prosecute.

Loss in Officers Huge.
London—Casualty lists issued by the war office show that during June the British army lost 423 officers killed, 1032 wounded and 45 missing—a total of 1519. These figures bring the aggregate losses to date to 29,424, of which number 8997 have been killed or died, 18,456 wounded and 1971 missing. Heavy fighting around Ypres caused losses among officers in the Canadian contingent of 109 killed, 304 wounded and 51 missing. Of the Australians 14 were killed and 32 wounded.

Seattle Policeman Shot.
Seattle—Police Sergeant John Weed, in and I. Hiro, a Japanese porter employed in a drug store owned by Logan Billingsley, who has been arrested several times for violating the prohibition law, were killed and Police Chauffeur Robert Wiley was dangerously wounded late Monday night in a pistol battle between the policemen and Hiro. The shooting occurred in front of Billingsley's warehouse, which had been the scene of a liquor raid late in the day, when the police confiscated 15 oil cans filled with whiskey.

Boni Has New Evidence.
Rome—On behalf of Count Boni de Castellane his attorney in the suit before the Holy See for the annulment of his marriage with Adele Gould has presented to the Pope new evidence which, according to the attorney, will prove that Miss Gould married Count de Castellane with the intention of divorcing him if later she became dissatisfied with the marriage bond. This is sufficient to annul a Catholic marriage, the attorney says.

NORTHWEST MARKET REPORTS; GENERAL CROP CONDITIONS
Portland—Wheat—Bluestem, \$1.02 per bushel; fortyfold, 93c; club, 93c; red life, 92c; red Russian, 90c.
Milled—Spot prices: Bran, \$26@26.50 per ton; shorts, \$29@29.50; rolled barley, \$31.50@32.50.
Corn—Whole, \$38 per ton; cracked \$39.
Vegetables—Artichokes, 75c@81 per dozen; tomatoes, 90c@1.25 per crate; cabbage, \$2 per hundred; garlic, 10c per pound; peppers, 12c; eggplant, 15c; lettuce, \$1 per crate; cucumbers, \$1@1.25 per box; peas, 3@4c per pound; beans, 4@6c; celery, \$1 per dozen; corn, 50@60c.
Potatoes—New, 14c@2c per pound.
Onions—California red and yellow, \$2.75 per sack; Walla Walla, \$2.75 per sack.
Green Fruits—Apples, new, \$1.65@1.90 per box; cherries, 4@8c per pound; cantaloupes, \$1.10@3.50 per crate; peaches, 60c@1 per box; watermelons, 14@16c per pound; figs, \$1 @1.50 per box; plums, \$1.25@1.50; prunes, \$1.25@1.50; pears, 2@2.25; apricots, \$1.25@1.50; grapes, \$2.35 per box; loganberries, 75c@1; raspberries, \$1@1.25; blackcaps, \$1.50@1.75.
Eggs—Oregon ranch, exchange price, current receipts, 23c per dozen. Jobbing price: Oregon ranch, candled, 25c; select, 26c per dozen.
Poultry—Hens, 14@14c; broilers, 16@18c per pound; turkeys, live, 20@22c; ducks, 12@14c; geese, 9@11c.
Butter—Cubes, extra, no bid; prime firsts, 24c. Jobbing prices: Prints, extras, 27@29c; butterfat, No. 1, 26c; No. 2, 24c, Portland.
Veal—Fancy, 12c; prime firsts, 24@24c per pound.
Pork—Fancy, 10@11c per pound.
Cattle—Steers, choice, \$7.50@8; good, \$6.75@7.25; cows, choice, \$6.25 @7; good, \$5.50@6.25; heifers, \$4@6.50; bulls, \$3@5; stags, \$4.50@6.
Hogs—Prime light, \$8.50@9.05; good to prime, \$7.75@8.10; rough heavy, \$7.50@7.75; pigs and skips, \$6.60@7.10.
Sheep—Yearlings, \$5.75 @ 6.25; wethers, \$4.75 @ 6; ewes, \$2.50 @ 5.50; lambs, \$6@8.25.

Seattle—Wheat—Bluestem, \$1.02; Turkey red, \$1.01; fortyfold, 93c; club, 93c; fire, 94c; red Russian, 92c. Barley, \$28 per ton.
Tacoma—Wheat—Bluestem, 98c; fortyfold, 94c; club and red fire, 92c.

Washington's 1916 Apple Crop Estimated at 16,000 Carloads
Spokane, Wash.—Sixteen thousand cars is the estimated apple crop in the state of Washington this year. This is 3000 cars in excess of the yield of 1915. The peach yield is placed at 1063 cars, pears 1239 cars, and plums and prunes 395 cars.

R. G. Page, president of the Arcadia Valley Fruit Growers' association, announces that plans are being drawn for a storage warehouse to be built near Deer Park this season. The building will be 100x100 feet, of reinforced concrete construction. Announcement is made by J. M. Balfour that the Balfour-Greely Grain company will establish a plant here to store, clean and grade Montana wheat. The first unit will cost \$15,000. The company's plan is to bring wheat to the Spokane plant from all the railroads reaching into and through Montana, and to supply cleaned and graded wheat to the mills of the Inland Empire and to the Coast for export and to the East. The Montana crop amounted to 40,000,000 bushels last year.

Parable of the Sugar Bowl.
If there is just so much available fertility in an acre of soil and you use part of it in making a corn crop, part in an oat crop, part in wheat, and another part in grass, and then begin the rotation over again and keep selling off the larger part of it all the time, you are like the housewife who has a bucket of sugar and dips out one day with a teaspoon to make a cake; another time fills the sugar bowl and another time dips out with a spoon to sweeten lemonade or make cookies, without the bucket being refilled.—Green's Fruit Grower.

54,478 File for Land.
Spokane—The last week of the Colville land registration began here with a rush, notaries in the two booths here kept busy registering many land-seekers from out of the city. At the six registration cities in Eastern Washington up to noon Monday, 54,478 persons had paid the Federal government 25 cents each for the privilege of participating in a drawing here July 27. Most of the outsiders had been registered at both places here from Montana and Oregon. Few came from great distances.

Rain of Benefit to Crops.
Baker, Or.—One of the most beneficial rains of the season fell nearly all day Tuesday and ranchers say it did thousands of dollars' good to grain and hay in the vicinity. Nearly an inch fell, after two weeks of sunshine, so that ranchers have not only caught up because of the late spring season, but may get even more than last year's yield. Some hay was caught down, but no damage was done. Ranchers have cut the first crop of alfalfa and expect the second crop to be a bumper. The first lot sold was 400 tons at \$7.50.

Montana Wool High.
Billings, Mont.—The largest clip of wool in Eastern Montana has been sold to a Boston firm at the highest price on record, 34 1/2 cents a pound being reached in this transaction. George Herd, of this city, held his clip, estimated at between 240,000 and 250,000 pounds, to Claude Ketchum, representing a Boston house.

Her Next Branch.
Young Lady—How is it you don't come to Sunday school, Katie?
Kate—Oh, please, miss, I'm learning French and music now, and mother doesn't wish me to take up religion till later.—Boston Transcript.

Its Place.
"The steamer reports that the crew found an ox swimming about, probably escaped from a cattle ship, and took it aboard."
"Did they put it in the steerage?"—Baltimore American.

University Loses Four Million.
New York—Columbia University loses a bequest of \$4,000,000 under a verdict by a jury setting aside the will of the late Amos F. Eno. This amount now to be had. As a remedy for those easily recognized symptoms of inflammation—as scalding urine, backache and frequent urination, as well as sediment in the urine, or if uric acid in the blood has caused rheumatism, lumbago, sciatica, gout, it is simply wonderful how quickly "Anuric" acts, causing the pains and stiffness rapidly to disappear. Swollen hands, ankles, feet, are due to a dropical condition, often caused by disordered kidneys. Naturally when the kidneys are deranged the blood is filled with poisonous waste matter, which settles in the feet, ankles and wrists; or under the eyes in baglike formations. It is just as necessary to keep the kidneys acting properly as to keep the bowels active. The very best possible way to take care of yourself is to take a glass of hot water before meals and an "Anuric" tablet. In this way it is readily dissolved with the food, picked up by the blood and finally reaches the kidneys, where it has a tonic effect in rebuilding those organs. Step into the drug store and ask for a 50-cent package of "Anuric" or send Dr. Pierce 10c for trial pack. "Anuric"—many times more potent than lithium, eliminates uric acid as hot water melts sugar. A short trial will convince you.

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Banquet is Held in Barn While Cows Are Milked.
For the purpose of emphasizing the sanitary condition of the dairy of the state hospital at Napa, Calif., the Napa County Live Stock Association held its annual banquet in the barn where the cattle are kept, according to the August Popular Mechanics Magazine. Long tables were placed in an area between rows of stalls, and covers laid for 120 persons. In the same room with the banqueters were 200 cows in their stalls. While the men ate, the cows were milked by the employees of the dairy.

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"Getting washing for her?"
"Oh, no, sah."
"I suppose you carry home the washing after she does it?"
"No, sah; I doan do that."
"Well, what do you do, Sam?"
"Whell, I stay home and watch de house while she delivers de washin' boss."—Yonkers Statesman.

A Famous Physician's Wonderful Discovery
After a series of careful experiments and tests at the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y., covering many years—Dr. Pierce, the medical director of that hospital made an announcement that he could prove that a medicine which he called "ANURIC" was the best uric acid solvent now to be had. As a remedy for those easily recognized symptoms of inflammation—as scalding urine, backache and frequent urination, as well as sediment in the urine, or if uric acid in the blood has caused rheumatism, lumbago, sciatica, gout, it is simply wonderful how quickly "Anuric" acts, causing the pains and stiffness rapidly to disappear. Swollen hands, ankles, feet, are due to a dropical condition, often caused by disordered kidneys. Naturally when the kidneys are deranged the blood is filled with poisonous waste matter, which settles in the feet, ankles and wrists; or under the eyes in baglike formations. It is just as necessary to keep the kidneys acting properly as to keep the bowels active. The very best possible way to take care of yourself is to take a glass of hot water before meals and an "Anuric" tablet. In this way it is readily dissolved with the food, picked up by the blood and finally reaches the kidneys, where it has a tonic effect in rebuilding those organs. Step into the drug store and ask for a 50-cent package of "Anuric" or send Dr. Pierce 10c for trial pack. "Anuric"—many times more potent than lithium, eliminates uric acid as hot water melts sugar. A short trial will convince you.