

SCHOOL BUDGET DEFEATED, GARNETT WINS IN ELECTION

The overwhelming defeat of the board of education's tax budget and the walkaway of H. C. Garnett for three years term as member of the board were surprises at yesterday's school election, in that the most ardent opponents of the increased tax budget did not even suspect such a victory. Persons in close touch with the pre-election situation looked for the defeat of the budget by perhaps a close vote and for more of an even contest between Mr. Garnett and Harry Stoeckman for director.

However, the vote on these propositions indicates that the opponents of the budget were not only well organized, but were also allied to hand Mr. Garnett as director. The increased tax budget leaders can give no other interpretation to the outcome of the election. They admit that while the opponents of the increased budget were well organized their adherents were not, and not only that but that sufficient arguments and facts were not put forward to educate the voters as to the imperative need for the increased budget. With a better understanding generally of the public schools situation they assert that voters with the welfare of the schools and school children at heart would have voted for the budget.

Members of the school board would not discuss the election today but will hold a special meeting tonight to discuss the situation and decide on what course to pursue in the matter of submitting another budget. Friends of the defeated budget said that the same budget would probably be submitted to the voters again and this time would undoubtedly pass after the people were made thoroughly acquainted with the situation.

They pointed out that the budget voted on yesterday was down so close to the actual necessities of the schools that it can not possibly be pared down more than \$1000, unless the teachers and janitors would voluntarily agree to give up the increased salaries granted them for next year, which is not expected.

E. W. Phipps, president of the board and whom Mr. Garnett will succeed at the next regular meeting, stated this forenoon that within a reasonable time he would call a meeting of the board to reorganize. The law provides that this must be done within 10 days after the election of a new director.

The election drew out an unusually large number of voters for a school election, and the counting of the ballots was not completed until late last night.

For the election of director 359 votes were cast, 259 of which were cast for Mr. Garnett to 90 for Mr. Stoeckman. These were the only two candidates who had been announced and who consented to make the run. Two votes were cast for W. Barr, 5 for J. C. Mann, 3 for Ralph Cowgill, 1 for Wallace Woods, and there were 13 blank votes.

On the question of increasing the tax levy more than 6 per cent over

"What Every Woman Wants" at the Rialto Theatre Tonight



Grace Darmond in "What Every Woman Wants."

Another of the excellent Robertson-Cole feature will be presented on the screen of the Rialto theater tonight and tomorrow when "What Every Woman Wants" is shown for the first time in this city. This picture is based on a strong story by William Parker, having as its central figure Gloria Graham, a stenographer, just about as pretty as any stenographer could be, which is very pretty indeed. Gloria's love of good clothes sometimes runs away with her better judgment. She forgets that love doesn't always come with fine raiment, and so, after she has heard that the man she loves has been killed in France, she marries her employer, Horace Lennon.

Lennon doesn't make a very good husband. Gloria finds him faithless

and discovers that good clothes fail to constitute a happy existence. And when the report of Philip Belden's death proves erroneous and he returns Gloria finds herself in a sorry plight. How matters are brought to a happy conclusion is a section of the story powerfully told. There is a mysterious murder and both Gloria and Belden are implicated. Evidence brought in at the last minute frees them and they go their joint way happily.

Grace Darmond plays the role of Gloria, and besides furnishing a most capable performance looks and dresses her part to perfection. A cast of universal strength was assembled to support the star, and includes Wilfred Lucas, Forest Stanley, Percy Challenger, Barbara Tennant and Bertram Grassby.

The preceding year there were 222 votes against the proposition to 61 for it. Seven votes were blank.

This question appeared on the ballot as follows:

"Shall School District No. 49, of Jackson county, Oregon, levy a special tax for the year 1919-20, which exceeds by more than six percent the special tax levied by said district for the preceding year, by levying a tax of \$82,245 for the present year? It is necessary to increase the tax by more than six per cent for the following reasons: Added increase in teachers' and janitors' salaries and the increase in cost of fuel and all other supplies."

On the direct budget proposition the vote was 235 noses to 48 in favor of it. This question appeared on the ballot as follows:

"To vote upon budget for maintenance of schools of said District No. 49 for the school year of 1919-1920, said budget having been published in itemized form in the Medford Sun and the Medford Mail Tribune. Total

amount of said budget, \$95,995. Of this amount \$82,245 to be raised by direct taxes, \$19,500 by county fund, \$2300 by state fund, \$450 by all other sources. Shall said budget be approved, altered and authorized?"

TEDDY ROOSEVELT JR. MAY VISIT CITY

The report that Theodore Roosevelt Jr. is to be in Portland this month, in the interests of the American Legion, is a mistake. In a letter to E. S. Smith he says "There is some mistake in the report that I am to be on the coast in June. I have indefinite plans of being there some time in the early autumn but at the present moment do not know when. I will let you know later and may be able to visit Medford on this trip." A branch of the American Legion will be organized in Medford in the near future.

FRIDAY WILL BE RED LETTER DAY FOR LOCAL ELKS

Next Friday afternoon and night will be a red letter occasion in the history of the Elks lodge of Medford and one of the largest, most elaborate events in the history of Elkdom in the Rogue River valley.

The lodge announcement reads: "Big goat riding contests. Big parade. Big banquet. Big doings. And last but not least two hours of real American red-blooded entertainment. Absolutely the biggest time No. 1165 has pulled since the dedication of its building."

The occasion for all this fun, feasting and fun will be the initiation of a class of 125 candidates, and to do this event up properly the streets of Medford, the Elks' club house and temple and the Page theater will be used. It will be a continuous performance from 4:30 p. m. until midnight or thereabouts.

Since their drive for new members was started April 1st, 180 candidates were obtained all of whom have been initiated except the large class that will enter the mysteries of B. P. O. E. inner circles Friday night.

The big doings will start Friday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock with the big parade of the lodge and initiation class, led by the city band, and in which also the Elks ladies will appear riding in daily decorated automobiles.

Immediately following the parade the initiation ceremonies will be begun at the club house. This event will be over by 7:30 p. m., when the banquet, a really toothsome feast, will be served. As an indication of the character of this repast it can be stated without any violation of confidence that the banquet committee has several hundred spring fryers being fattened on milk for two weeks at a ranch. These fryers will be the piece de resistance.

Following the banquet the Elks and the new baby Elks will at once proceed to the Page theater for the entertainment wind-up of the big doings. The Elks have rented the theater for that night and only Elks will be permitted to attend. The program of this entertainment is being kept a secret.

The Grants Pass members of the lodge will be present in full force, and the Ashland lodge of Elks has been invited.

EPOCH MAKING MUSIC TO MARK METHODIST CELEBRATION JUNE 20

COLUMBUS, O., June 17.—A choir of 100 trombones, said to be the largest ever organized, will be a feature of the Methodist Centenary celebration here June 20 to July 13 which will mark the close of 100 years of missionary work by the Methodist Episcopal church.

Alto and tenor were the principal trombones used by the choir which has been rehearsing for weeks. To give the complete voicing necessary, soprano and bass trombones had to be produced in large numbers and those accustomed to playing the more common trombones had to acquire a new technique. The soprano trombone, in particular, had not been used in concert in more than 100 years, according to H. B. Dickson, organizing secretary.

Special scores had to be prepared for the simplest church hymns and for the greatest choruses of sacred and semi-sacred music. Besides the trombone choir, there will be a \$50,000 pipe organ, a mixed chorus of 1500 voices, a chorus of 500 negro singers, a group of trained oratorio singers and a band from the famous Rainbow division.

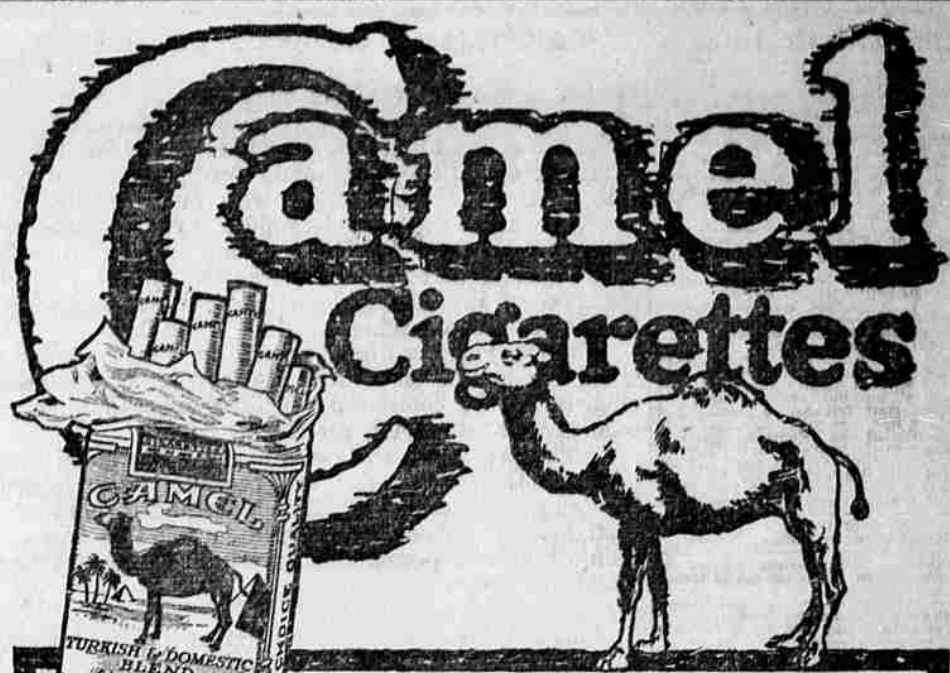
SWEDISH SOCIALISTS FAVOR BOLSHIEVIKI

STOCKHOLM, June 16.—The congress of independent socialists yesterday adopted resolutions favoring Bolshhevik measures.

The parliament members of the party vainly protested against the resolution. It is expected that the independent socialist members of the parliament will secede from the organization.

GENEVA, Monday, June 16.—Bolshhevik placards have appeared throughout Austria, according to a telegram from Innsbruck. The dispatch declares the people are clamoring for annexation with Bolshhevik Russia.

England Is After Oil. LONDON, June 17.—Five million dollars are to be set aside by the British government to conduct a search for petroleum in Great Britain, the financial secretary to the treasury told the house of commons yesterday. He also stated that one million dollars would be devoted to aid flax production, principally in Ireland.



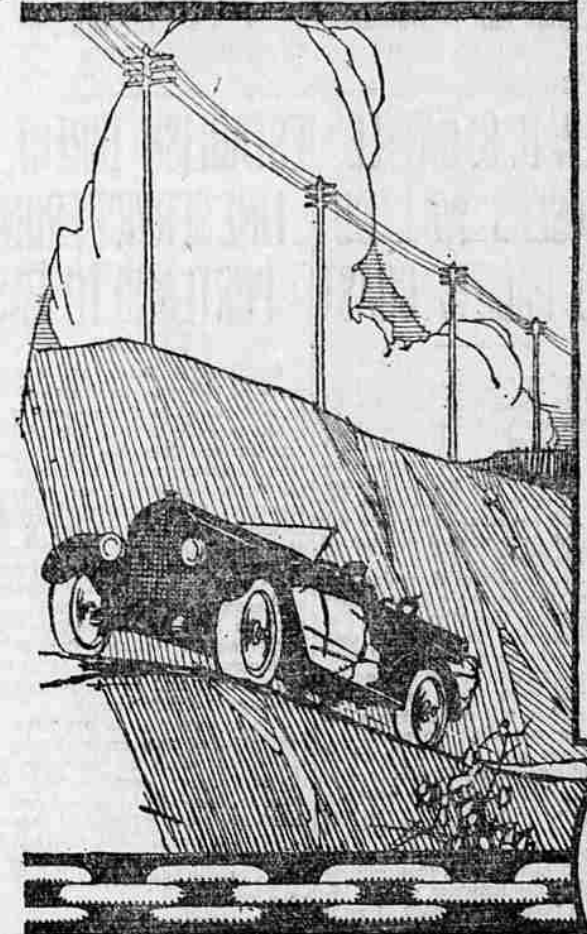
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