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Outclassed, Not Out Gamed

THE Thanksgiving Day football game in Portland, like the late unlamented election, left no doubt as to the result. Medford did well in the first half, holding their stronger opponents to one touchdown, but in the second half, the flood gates crumbled, and the local boys had to bow to a 33-0 score.

Disappointing as the result is, it should furnish no cause for discouragement, or bitter repining. Nor should it bedim the fact that the high school team, under the capable coaching of Darwin Burgher, has had a most successful season,—this defeat at the hands of Jefferson High being the first of the season.

INCIDENTALLY the score by which Medford was beaten WAS THE SAME SCORE made by the SAME team against Marshfield, winners of the Southern Oregon title a year ago. In fact it probably fairly represents the difference between the best high school team in the "hinterland" and the best that the state metropolis can NORMALLY produce.

Only once or twice, in a generation can smaller cities of the state expect to produce "wonder teams," such as Medford produced, under Prink Callison a few years ago. It was good coaching combined with the EXTRAORDINARY FLOOD OF EXCEPTIONAL MATERIAL that made Medford the football hub of the entire state and allowed the pear pickers to as easily vanquish the best Portland could produce, as Jefferson vanquished Medford on Thursday.

IT is that extraordinary Medford record, rather than anything unexpected in the outcome, that makes the turkey day debacle, such a hard pill to swallow.

But, we repeat, small city wonder teams happen only "once in a life time." Medford was outclassed a year ago, and just as nine times out of ten, out-of-town high school football teams WILL be outclassed by the Portland big leaguers.

In fact post-season games for the mythical state title, might well be confined to high schools OUTSIDE of Portland, except when comparative scores demonstrate beyond all question that another "wonder team" from the wide open spaces, has been produced.

The truth is that this year outside of Portland, there were no WONDER teams in sight.

Is King Football Dying?

SPEAKING of football,—a writer in the current Atlantic maintains college football has seen its best days. In fact as far as the East is concerned "football's day is done."

In a few years he predicts Harvard, Yale and Princeton, once the Big Three, will abandon varsity teams entirely, and go in for dormitory teams, with all-dormitory intercollegiate struggles at the end of the season the only "big games."

Football it seems has become commercialized and professionalized. It has killed itself, by allowing the desire to win, to kill the true amateur spirit. In the east big game attendance has already started to decline. In another decade, the professional teams will have crowded the college teams from the sporting page, entirely.

Well the demise of King Football has been predicted before. And there is no doubt that the true color and zest of the game, have been impaired by the growth of the professional, "big game" spirit. One can count the outstanding college teams, in which professionalism HASN'T entered, on the fingers of one hand. More and more success has come to be a matter of well financed and persistent recruiting.

NEVERTHELESS,—

We somehow expect to see college football hang on for some time. And speaking for himself alone the present writer will hate to see it go.

One thing is fairly sure. It will decline first in the effects East, and last here on the Pacific coast.

When during such a depression as the present one, the Big Game in California between three-defeated teams, can draw 70,000 people at \$5.50 per—there must be SOMETHING in college football, that still holds popular interest in this part of the world.

Personal Health Service

By William Brady, M. D.

Signed letters pertaining to personal health and hygiene, not to disease diagnosis or treatment, will be answered by Dr. Brady if a stamped, self-addressed envelope is enclosed. Letters should be brief and written in ink. Owing to the large number of letters received only a few can be answered here. No reply can be made to queries not conforming to instructions. Address Dr. William Brady in care of The Mail Tribune.

A BAD CASE OF DUPLICITY.

This is just terrible. What IS the world coming to? The lady confesses at the outset she is 44 years old, that she has always worked hard in her shop taking care of her business, also running her home on the side or by way of recreation or diversion. Then a few years ago she had her—

Operation. But we're not going to let her tell about that at all. If anybody is going to tell about his operation in this column it must be the conductor himself. Now when I had my operation (excuse it, please). Shortly afterward the poor girl went back to the shop, and by and by she had what her doctor good naturedly termed a nervous breakdown—

How kind most good doctors are about that! It is such a satisfactory ailment and so effectively disposes of the curiosity of make-believe friends. And change of life. Oh-oh, that wasn't so kind. But never mind. It didn't fool anybody, for the correspondent remarks that she has not had any change of life. If she takes my advice she'll never have any such thing. I don't mean that I am such a wonderful doctor or health expert, but just that there is no such thing; in any other words that explanation for any ill health or what have you is pure hokum.

Now comes the dreadful confession. Some one came along at this juncture and told the poor girl cigarettes would quiet her "nerves," so she commenced smoking surreptitiously, and now she is an abject slave to the habit. How many she burns per diem she does not say, but it is just ruining her morale, for every time the craving for a smoke comes on she has to run over to her home and hide in a closet or somewhere while she puffs at her rag.

She is constantly anxious lest her friends notice the odor about her, or, worse yet, lest her sons discover she smokes.

Now it seems the neighbors and the girls she comes in contact with on the course of business, have the most outspoken convictions about females who smoke, and altogether it is simply a miserable, wretched life of duplicity and all that sort of thing.

My advice to her is to explain to her friends that her doctor advised

her to indulge in smoking as a less harmful thing than resorting to medicinal sedatives or stimulants. This will be no lie, for I'm her doctor, for the moment. Unless the poor girl's sons are queer ones altogether, I'm willing to bet they'll think none the less of little old ma if she enjoys an occasional gasper right in her own living room. There is really no good reason why an adult female should not smoke as freely as an adult male does. A gentleman who wishes to smoke, smokes temperately and never inflicts annoyance on others who may not like it. A lady may enjoy the same privilege.

However, I sent this poor girl the best instructions I can give to help victims of the tobacco habit break the grip of the habit, and I'm glad to send such advice to anybody who tells me he or she is addicted to this habit.

Q. FETTERS AND ANSWERS.
 Missing: A Boy's Uvula.
 Son's tonsils removed two months ago. Comparing his throat with the throats of other children who have had their tonsils removed I find his palate completely gone. Would this do him any harm later in life?
 R. J. C.
 Answer—If fancy the boy's palate is still there, but his uvula is missing. The uvula is the tongue-like projection at the tip of the soft palate. Its absence will never harm the boy. We often snip the uvula off when it seems in the way.

Juvenile Languor.
 I am 15 years old and do not feel well at all. I am so drowsy all the time and low-minded without reason. I feel cold even when it is warm enough for everybody else. And I am getting too fat. I am five feet three inches high and I weigh 127 pounds.
 L. S.
 Answer—Are you getting your iodine? Most boys and girls in your part of the country should have a regular iodine ration, to prevent goiter and inertia. Send a stamped envelope bearing your address and ask for instructions for taking the iodine ration.

Personal Health Service.
 I should like to distribute to my classes copies of your monograph on the protective diet. (Supervisor).
 Answer—I am glad to mail to any member of your class who asks for it a copy of the monograph, provided he or she incloses a stamped envelope, bearing the address.
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PACIFIC HOPMEN BOY ANDALSV GET SEEK 27C BIDS WEEK IN COOLER

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 25.—(AP)—The Journal said today hop growers in all the states are refusing 25 cents a pound for their crops.

The only transaction was in the Yakima valley district, the paper said, "where three cars were purchased at 27 cents to grower. This is a new high figure."

"Bids of 26 cents have been rejected in the Sacramento district, as well as locally. Several bales of 1931 clusters have been sold in Oregon districts lately at 21 1/2 cents to grower."

NEW YORK, Nov. 25.—(AP)—Hops firm, Pacific coast, 1932, prime to choice, 34-35c; medium to prime, 32-34c; 1931, prime to choice, 30-31c. Medium to prime, 28-30c.

FREE—Pioneers and descendants photographed without charge for pioneer historical collection—SHANGLÉ STUDIO.

Kenneth Sutherland, 17, and George Haas, 18, of this city, appeared for hearing in juvenile court this morning on charges of malicious destruction of property and larceny. The charges were brought as a result of the two youths allegedly cutting a hole in the top of Johnny Johnson's car, while it was parked in front of a local theater a few nights ago, and taking from the machine his cigarettes.

The offenders were lectured by Judge C. B. Lamkin and each sentenced to one week in jail.

Called to Portland—Wesley Sonburger was called to Portland Tuesday by the serious illness of Mrs. Sonburger, who is a patient in a hospital there. He was accompanied to the northern city by George Wilkie.

Sales Tax With Shelter Exemption Is Explained

In Series of Short Articles, J. C. Barnes Explains Details of His Proposal to Lighten Tax Burden on Workers

VI.
 Shelter Value and Excess Value.
 In these articles I have not tried to follow the procedure that a scientific treatise on the subject would require. I thought more interest might be aroused in the discussion if, at the beginning I answered the age old objection to a sales tax by showing how this two per cent general sales tax on 75 per cent of a man's subsistence requirements would displace the present selective tax on shelter, which amounted to the equivalent of a five per cent general sales tax on all of a poor man's expenditures. For the same reason I followed with a discussion of how a general sales tax would be real tax relief for the farmer and would put some value back into his surplus land. Now I shall go more into a technical analysis of the subject of shelter tax exemption.

First we must determine whether there is some part of real estate that should have a special consideration when taxes are assessed for state, county and school expenditures.

The home a family owns and occupies, whether a dwelling in the city or a farm unit, has a vital, living, necessary characteristic that is common and of comparatively the same value in each individual home. This value in a dwelling in the city or in a farm unit we will now define and designate.

Definition of SHELTER VALUE: "THAT VALUE IN A HOME OCCUPIED BY THE OWNER THAT IS NECESSARY TO THE ACTUAL NEEDS, WELL BEING, HEALTH AND COMFORT OF A FAMILY OF MODERATE MEANS IS DESIGNATED BY THE TERM SHELTER VALUE."

This value indicates an ability to pay taxes and should not be taxed. Throughout this discussion I have had in mind a dwelling in the city of Medford or a farm unit in Jackson county, Oregon, occupied by the owner, of the assessed valuation of \$1500, or having a replacement value or actual value of about \$3000. If occupied by other than the owner it would not have "shelter value."

If a holding had a greater assessed value, that part of the value up to \$1500 only would be considered "shelter value." I have designated as "EXCESS VALUE" that value left in a dwelling in the city or in a farm unit after "shelter value" is taken out. All personal property, public utilities and general property not classified as "shelter value" would be classified as "EXCESS VALUE." This value indicates ability to pay taxes and should be taxed.

In Oregon all assessable property amounts, in round numbers, to \$2,000,000. Families owning their own homes in Oregon who would be entitled to shelter tax exemption at the start would number between 130,000 and 160,000. I will take 140,000 as the probable number. The average exemption would approximate \$1250. Twelve hundred fifty dollars multiplied by 140,000 equals \$175,000,000. This amount would be the shelter value of homes in Oregon at this time. This value should be exempted from state, county and school taxes; \$1,000,000,000 less \$175,000,000 leaves \$900,000,000, and this is the amount of "excess value" in assessable property in Oregon, and should be taxed, as this amount of value indicates ability to pay taxes.

I believe the failure to segregate the value in a home into these two units of value has led to confusion and worked an injustice upon the home owner, and especially an in-

justice on the poorer classes and families of moderate means. Especially has the uneconomic tax on shelter value and resultant high interest rates discouraged many families from seeking "sanctuary" on land. A correction must now be made.

The contentment of the individual requires it, the prosperity and security of the state demand it. It is difficult to change a habit, even if this habit is destructive to our own well being, but a fundamental economic law eventually will have its way. The 15 or 20 per cent penalty now imposed on a poor man's expenditures as a direct tax on shelter and excess interest rates must be abandoned or home ownership will be curtailed to such an extent that the very foundation of our democracy will be unstable.

J. C. BARNES.

SHASTA FIR TREE FOR CHAMBER COMMERCE

The Chamber of Commerce Christmas tree, being decorated today in anticipation of annual Christmas opening in Medford, is a Shasta fir, often called silver fir. It was brought in by N. C. White of the Rogue River national forest service from Huckleberry mountain.

The tree is of the same variety as those shipped into the California markets, where they are much sought and bring very good prices.

Leaking roofs repaired. For roof work of any kind call 629.

RUPTURED?
 Free Demonstration
 at the Holland Hotel
 on Sunday, Nov. 27
 By Dr. O. H. JAMES
 Hours, 9 a. m. to 5:30 p. m.

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 Stuart's Flapao-Pada are patentable different from the truss, being mechanico-chemico applicators made self-adhesive purposely to keep the muscle tonic called "Flapao" continuously applied to the affected parts, and to minimize danger of slipping and painful friction. Fabric soft as velvet—easy to apply—inexpensive. During 25 years thousands have successfully treated themselves at home—without hindrance from work. Awarded Gold Medal, Rome; Grand Prix, Paris and Honorable Mention, San Francisco. Process of recovery is natural, so no subsequent use for any kind of support.

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RHEUMATISM EASES PAIN FIRST DAY

New Medicine Drives Out Poisons, That Cause Torturing Stiffness, Swelling and Lameness.

You cannot get rid of rheumatism aches and pains, Neuritis, Lumbago, Stiffness, lame knotted muscles and painful swollen joints till you drive from your system the irritating poisons that cause rheumatism. That's why external treatments only give temporary relief.

What you need is RU-MA, the new internal medicine that acts on the liver, kidneys and blood, and helps expel through the natural channels of elimination, these dangerous poisons.

No long waiting for your suffering to stop—RU-MA eases pain first day—and gives rheumatic sufferers such safe and lasting relief from their stiffening, crippling lameness and torturing pain that it is recommended by druggists everywhere.

Jarmin & Woods urges every sufferer to get a \$1.00 bottle of RU-MA today, and agree to return the purchase price if it does not free them from all their aches and pains of rheumatism.

Medford Pear Sales, New York Auction

From New York Daily Fruit Report, furnished to The Mail Tribune by the Fruitgrowers' League

Eight cars and one part car Medford Bosc pears, one car Howells, four cars and one part car Anjou, one part car Comice pears sold in New York November 17. Bosc dull and lower. Anjou lower.	Bos.	70s	80s	90s	100s	110s	120s	130s	140s	150s	160s	180s	190s	210s	Avg.
Beacon, Fancy	385	145	145	150	155	165	175	175	175	180	185	190	200	210	163
Beacon, Fancy	385	145	145	150	155	165	175	175	175	180	185	190	200	210	163
Crater Lake, Fancy	408	145	145	150	155	165	175	175	175	180	185	190	200	210	163
Pic-O-Pac, Fancy	408	145	145	150	155	165	175	175	175	180	185	190	200	210	163
Trader, Extras	248	145	145	150	155	165	175	175	175	180	185	190	200	210	163
Growers Exchange, Fancy	272	140	140	140	145	150	155	160	160	160	160	160	160	160	150
Trader, Extras	210	140	140	140	145	150	155	160	160	160	160	160	160	160	150
Blue Diamond, Extras	593	170	175	180	185	185	178	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	171
Palmer House, Extras	476	220	220	210	190	200	205	205	225	225	215	205	205	211	211
Blue Maltese Cross, Extras	272	205	205	180	180	190	190	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	192
Red Maltese Cross, Fancy	248	170	170	170	170	175	175	175	175	175	175	175	175	175	174
Rosenbergs Cub, Fancy	424	200	200	175	175	180	185	190	200	200	200	200	200	200	186
Anjou—															
Rogue River Valley, Special	520	135	145	150	160	150	150	150	175	160	150				155
Red Diamond, Fancy	582	170	175	180	200	200	200	210	210	215	215				197
Blue Diamond, Extras	720	210	215	215	225	220	240	250	260	265					233
Stadelman, Special Pack	642	165	165	165	165	170	175	185	185	170					174
Stadelman, Unclassified	61	180	150	150	150	165	165	165	165	165	165	165	165	165	158
Howells—															
Express, Fancy	279	125	125	120	120	120	120	125	125	125					122
Express, Fancy	299	120	125	130	125	125	125	125	130	130					127
Comice—															
National Park, Fancy	40	175													178
170b box, extra fancy Bosc av. \$1.82; 260b box, fancy av. \$1.66.															
720 box, extra fancy Anjou av. \$2.35; 582 box, fancy av. \$1.97; 1162 box, specials av. \$1.65; 61 box, unclassified av. \$1.58.															
578 box, fancy Howells av. \$1.78.															
Eight cars and one part car Medford Bosc pears, two cars Anjou, one part car Comice sold in New York November 18. There was a somewhat better demand for pears, but no material change in prices.															
Bosc—															
Transport, Extras	568	165	165	165	175	175	175	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	177
Transport, Extras	128	140	140	140	140	140	140	145	145	145	145	145	145	145	140
Pinnacle, Extras	520	170	170	165	165	165	175	175	210	205	190	175	175	174	174
Pic-O-Pac, Fancy	520	145	145	140	145	165	165	165	165	170	170	165	165	160	160
Trader, Extras	200	160	160	165	170	175	165	170	170	170	170	170	170	169	169
Growers Exchange, Fancy	320	135	135	145	145	165	165	165	165	165	165	165	165	160	155
Palmer House, Extras	186	200	210	210											205
Red Diamond, Fancy	520	180	180	185	185	185	185	180	175	170					187
Polly, Extras	368	175	175	180	185	185	185	185	200	195	180	180	180	180	180
Top Day, Fancy	150	155	155	165	165	165	170	180	180	185	175	175	175	170	170
Blue Maltese Cross, Extras	18	175	175	185	185	190	200	205	205	205					194
Red Maltese Cross, Fancy	368	170	170	165	165	180	185	185	185	190	195				181
Cande, Extras	520	170	170	165	170	190	190	190	195	195	180	170	170	175	175
Comice—															
Palmer House, Extras	337	265	250	250	250	270	280								250
Anjou—															
Blue Diamond, Extras	720	200	205	210	225	245	235	235	235	235					206
Red Diamond, Fancy	80	215													215
Darby, Fancy	515	195	195	195	195	195	195	210	210	210	195	195			201
2612 box, extra fancy Oregon Bosc av. \$1.79; 1878 box, fancy av. \$1.63.	</														