

# SQUARE DEAL FOR TAXPAYERS AIM OF ORGANIZATION

## Paul T. Shaw Sets Forth Objectives of New School Relief League As Chairmanship Is Accepted

PORTLAND, Ore., March 1.—(Sp.) Declaring for a "new deal and a square deal for every citizen and property taxpayer in Oregon," Paul T. Shaw, head of Portland's school board, today announced his acceptance of the chairmanship of the School Relief and Property Tax Reduction league, and formation of a statewide committee of responsible citizens to support the new two-year emergency 1 1/2 per cent sales tax law in the May primaries.

The new law, which is far different in its purpose and application than the one defeated at the last election, provides specifically that 100 per cent of the sales tax must go directly for school relief, and that property taxes in every school district of the state must be reduced in the same amount.

Relief Needed Now. With almost half of Oregon's 2200 school districts on a warrant basis, property tax delinquencies up to 40 per cent, and Oregon's farmers, homeowners and general property owners facing a "tragic crisis," the time has come, said Shaw, "for the majority of citizens who pay no direct taxes to unite for the relief of the tax paying minority."

The new law, he asserted, is "fair to every man" and cannot work hardship on the poor "for give the rich a chance to dodge taxes nor corporation to secure exemptions from any taxes they now pay. For the average man, he said, the tax would mean an expenditure of two cents a day—something less than one-third of the six-cent tax that hundreds of thousands of Oregonians pay willingly every day for a "package of cigarettes." Yet, he concluded, "such small contributions from the many will keep our 200,000 boys and girls in school, safe from the destructive irresponsibilities that can so easily attend enforced idleness."

For New Deal. Follows the statement issued by Mr. Shaw:

"In accepting the chairmanship of the School Relief and Property Tax Reduction league, I have been moved by two impulses—the greatest good for the greatest number—and a new deal and square deal for every citizen and property taxpayer in Oregon."

"Months of study of the tragic crisis being faced alike by our elementary schools, by our farm owners, homeowners, our general property tax owners and by the state itself, has forced me to the inescapable conclusion that the two-year emergency 1 1/2 per cent sales tax enacted by the last legislature is the soundest and surest measure that Oregonians can turn to for immediate school and property relief."

"It is wholly fair to every man. It cannot, by the widest stretch of imagination, work hardship upon the poor, nor give the rich the slightest opportunity to dodge any existing taxes nor for corporations to secure exemptions."

No Heavy Sacrifice. "Certainly no changes of heavy sacrifice can be made when an expenditure of as much as \$400 a year on taxable merchandise calls for a contribution of only a trifle more than a cent and one-half a day. Such an amount is actually less than one-third of the six cent tax which hundreds of thousands of Oregonians willingly pay every day on a single package of cigarettes. Furthermore, the possibility of any injury to the poor man is reduced to an absurdity by the fact that there is no sales tax whatsoever on such big items as rent, doctor, dental bills, insurance, etc. Neither will the innumerable small purchases up to and including 25 cents be taxed, according to statements already published by the state tax commission.

"In view of these facts, therefore, I can see no reason why the people of the entire state cannot happily support this moderate measure that will result in prompt and direct reductions of property taxes on every farm and home in Oregon."

Would Solve Problem. "The new sales tax can solve the grave financial problems that confront every one of Oregon's 2200 elementary school districts. It can keep our 200,000 boys and girls at their studies and in school, safe from the temptations and destructive irresponsibilities that can so easily attend enforced idleness.

"It can stop the ever growing and long list of schools that are already closed, or are closing, or shortening their terms dangerously in every section of Oregon."

"Although the elementary schools have already reduced their current expenditures by more than \$3,500,000 this last year, they are at the ends of their financial ropes. Teachers' salaries have been reduced repeatedly and heavily. Approximately 1,000 of Oregon's 7,500 instructors now are being paid an average of less than \$10 per week on annual basis, and many of these with warrants that can be converted into cash only at discounts ranging from 10 to 35 per cent.

Warrant Interest Owed. "Approximately 900 of the 2200 school districts are behind from six months to three years in payment of their interest-bearing warrants, and have no hope of securing adequate funds to continue.

"Warrants of over 800 districts cannot be cashed at par. Five hundred districts report warrant discounts at more than 10 per cent. Approximately 180 districts cannot pay operating expenses unless they submit to discounts ranging from 15 to 35 per cent. June of 1933 showed an increase of 40 per cent in unpaid warrants over the preceding year. Official reports indicate that June of 1934 will disclose a situation that is far worse.

"Meanwhile, delinquencies in the property tax, upon which schools de-

pend, now has reached 40 per cent. Out of Oregon's million people only 24,000 returned income taxes last year. Their payments including excise and intangible taxes amounted to a mere \$1,500,000. Income tax revenues for 1932 were \$2,293,000 without either excise or intangible taxes to add to them. Last year's reports showed only \$78 net income in excess of \$5,000; only 18 reported incomes in excess of \$25,000, and there was just one solitary return that exceeded \$50,000, and it was for \$100,000.

Property Burden Limit. "To anybody who is not blindly prejudiced, it is evident that property which already bears 80 per cent of the tax burden cannot be milked further. Property taxes are already bordering upon the confiscatory. It is also evident to all save a demagogue, that those able to pay income taxes in Oregon compose only a small minority of our citizenship and the overwhelming majority of them are men, women and businesses of average means.

"It is evident, too, that the small majority of our citizens who carry this unbearable load of taxes must be given relief. Elemental justice commands that the majority who share in the benefits of government and public schools, without directly sharing the cost, shall now do their own bit and volunteer their help through this emergency.

All to Aid Schools. "The sales tax provides them with the opportunity to do it. The law specifically directs that 100 per cent of the money raised by this extremely small tax go wholly to support of the elementary schools, after administrative expenses of about 2 per cent are paid. It specifically directs that district school taxes shall be reduced in the same amounts. The funds cannot be used for any other purpose than to reduce property taxes. The state tax commission estimates that \$4,000,000 will be taken off property taxes annually as a result.

"The law provides that the sales tax shall operate for two years and no more. It ends July, 1935, and after that it would have to be re-enacted either by the legislature or by direct vote of the people before it could become operative again.

"If, at this time, it should have proved oppressive or unfair, I shall be among the first to move against its re-enactment. In the present emergency, however, I appeal to the public-spiritedness and fair-mindedness of Oregon's citizens to support the new law at the May primaries.

Patriotic Duty. "I ask the majority of citizens who do not now directly pay property taxes for support of government and schools to give the new sales tax their loyal support and their vote, because it is the square thing to do and a patriotic duty that calls for no actual sacrifice.

"Under the present sales tax law not a single dollar of taxable property is taken off the tax rolls. Not a dollar of it goes for anything except for actual property tax reductions in every school district. No corporations, utilities, big businesses or business men can use it to reduce their state income taxes, their excise or intangible taxes. The state tax commission has already held that sales tax payments cannot be used as offsets. It has also ruled that the sales tax cannot be applied on the sale of funds to livestock, dairymen, farmers, poultrymen and other commercial producers.

It's a Different Law. "In other words, the present sales tax law is a far different law in its purpose and application than the one that went down to deserved defeat at the last general election. The new sales tax law doesn't give the rich a chance to dodge taxes; it doesn't work a hardship on the poor. It merely asks that the majority of non-property owning citizens now enjoying the benefits of publicly built streets and highways, waterworks, lights, police protection, the courts, parks, schools and other services, shall contribute a cent or so a day for desperately needed school and property relief.

"The new law operates on the principle that it is easy for 10 men to carry a load that would break the backs of two. Under the circumstances, then, it seems to me that none of us should resent such a very small investment when it will assure education for our boys and girls and reduced taxes on overburdened property—especially when hundreds of thousands of citizens willingly pay six cents tax on cigarettes and a similar amount on every gallon of gasoline they buy every day."

PRIMARY MUSIC TOPIC AT TEACHERS MEETING

An interesting meeting of the Primary Teachers' council was held Saturday, February 24, at the court house. Primary music was the subject of the meeting and the program was directed by Miss Dorothy Baughman of Talent. Miss Haugman presented an interesting demonstration class in primary music with the second grade class of the Talent school. The program was enjoyed by the teachers.

The next meeting is to be held Saturday, March 31, at 1:30 in the court house. The subject to be discussed is "Primary Number Work," and all primary teachers are cordially invited to attend.

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# Pu-Yi Becomes Emperor



Henry Pu-Yi and his wife, Yueh Hua, (at top) enthroned today as first rulers of the new nation of Manchukuo. Principal indoor ceremonies took place in the modest palace (above) in Inshinking. A map of the 28-year-old ruler's realm is shown below. He will control the destinies of 37,000,000 people. Associated Press Photo.



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# ASHLAND BOURBON REGISTERED G. O. P.

Everett E. Baugh of Ashland, who was among the first to file for Democratic precinct committee, is registered as a Republican, according to a check of the registration cards by the county clerk's office. Informed of the discrepancy, Baugh has advised that he would change his registration. He filed for precinct committee from the Northwest Ashland precinct, and was under the impression that he was a registered Democrat. A check of the registration cards also showed that W. M. Walls, who filed for Democratic precinct com-

# PENDLETON CROP LOAN ASSN. OPEN MARCH 10

PENDLETON, March 1.—(AP)—Operation of the Pendleton Production Credit association is expected to start March 10, with Walter E. Moore of Heppner in charge as secretary-treasurer, it was said today. Floor space has been obtained here, and renovation of the building has started.

# ECZEMA ITCHING

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# PU-YI BECOMES PUPPET HEAD OF NEW MANCHUKUO

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they were forced to stand in the bare earth for nearly two hours with the temperature below zero.

The ceremony they witnessed was brief, and Mr. Pu-Yi, now Emperor Kang Teh, returned immediately to the palace for the secular ceremony. This was just as short; the two combined lasted scarcely half an hour.

Religious rites brief. Like the religious ceremony, the secular ritual was equally marked by Japanese military precision and stiffness. The spectators in the palace were restricted to highly placed Japanese and Manchurian officials.

The Emperor Kang Teh himself gave the only human touch to the occasion when, shortly after ascending his superlative throne, decorated with the orchid of the dynasty, he declared in the quaint, flowery Chinese language that the new empire was founded on the principles of love for men and heavenly will.

"The establishment of the monarchy," he declared, "effected the salvation of our peoples from the agonies and sufferings of water and fire."

"Today the country is bathed in the radiance of the sun, moon and stars. Heaven favors those who are virtuous."

Proclaims Construction. "I proclaim this the first year of Kang-te the era of construction."

"In cooperation with our great neighbor, Japan, our course will remain as unaltered as the sun in heaven."

"Heed our rescript! Hear ye, all people!"

One of the most modest yet most important figures present was the scholarly premier, Cheng Hsiao-Hsu, once the tutor of young Pu-Yi, and who was largely responsible for making his student emperor.

While the highest Japanese officials rode up to the palace door in de luxe American limousines, the premier, dressed in a drab Manchurian gown, walked shakily on foot and, like a Mahatma Gandhi, remained modestly in the background throughout the ceremony, a picture of dignity and humility.

Three Color Spots. The American spectators agreed that, except for Premier Cheng Hsiao-Hsu, there were only three picturesque characters in the spectacle—the frail and impassive Kang Teh, in his quaint Manchurian ceremonial, the pink sacrificial bull at the altar of heaven, and most important from the human standpoint, a little woman who is rarely seen, about whom nothing can be ascertained—the wifely Empress Elizabeth—the Empress Yueh Hua.

She remained in seclusion in the palace during the altar of heaven ceremony, but made a dramatic and unexpected appearance before the group which gathered in the palace.

She appeared pale and fragile, to receive a group of Manchurian and Mongolian bearing gifts. Her emergence from her convent-like seclusion caused a mild sensation.

# Meteorological Report

March 1, 1934  
Forecasts  
Medford and vicinity: Rain tonight and Friday. Moderate temperature. Oregon: Rain tonight and Friday. Snow over mountains. Moderate temperature.

Temperature a year ago today:  
Highest, 44; lowest, 30.

Total monthly precipitation 0 inch. Deficiency for the month, 0 inch.

Total precipitation since September 1, 1933, 6.92 inches; deficiency for the season, 5.67 inches.

Relative humidity at 5 p. m. yesterday, 44 per cent; 5 a. m. today, 90 per cent.

Sunrise tomorrow 6:44 a. m. Sunset tomorrow, 6:02 p. m.

Observations Taken at 5 A. M. 19th Meridian Time

CITY	High Temp.	Lowest Temp.	Last Night	Wind	Weather
Boston	30	14	14	Cloudy	Cloudy
Chicago	40	28	28	Cloudy	Cloudy
Cheyenne	32	22	22	Cloudy	Cloudy
Eureka	60	44	44	Foggy	Foggy
Helena	46	38	38	Cloudy	Cloudy
Los Angeles	75	60	60	Clear	Clear
MEDFORD	61	40	40	Cloudy	Cloudy
New Orleans	58	50	50	Cloudy	Cloudy
Omaha	40	30	30	Clear	Clear
Phoenix	75	60	60	Clear	Clear
Portland	58	48	48	Rain	Rain
Roseburg	70	50	50	Cloudy	Cloudy
Salt Lake City	48	38	38	Cloudy	Cloudy
San Francisco	64	48	48	Foggy	Foggy
Seattle	52	48	48	Rain	Rain
Spokane	44	34	34	Cloudy	Cloudy
Walla Walla	58	48	48	Cloudy	Cloudy
Washington, D.C.	26	16	16	F. Cdy.	F. Cdy.

# LYDA KING WINS HORSE FRIENDS

From New Mexico comes interesting news of Mrs. Lyda King, former country nurse here, who is now engaged as a nurse in the Indian reservation.

The item reads: "These Navajo ponies had horse sense."

"Lyda King, field nurse at Klagen-Tob, for the past several days has been treating wire cuts on the hoofs of two Indian ponies."

"Each morning a Navajo buck led his two injured ponies four miles to the nurse's quarters where evidently very soothing treatment was forthcoming."

"This morning Mrs. King saw the horses at her door earlier than usual. She made ready to treat them and discovered that they were unharmed and their owner was not present."

"An investigation revealed that the ponies had broken their collar and alone had made their way the four miles to the nurse for their daily treatment."

# PORTLAND EXPORT BUSINESS GROWS

PORTLAND, Ore., March 1.—(AP)—Foreign exports through the port of Portland in February showed a 23 per cent increase in value over the corresponding month a year ago, the merchants' exchange announced today. Bookings fully as heavy for March were predicted.

In the month ended yesterday the total value of foreign shipments from Portland was \$23,136,899, compared to \$1,957,856 for February last year.

The gain was attributed to several factors, among them being the better exchange balance of the government's subsidy program for clearing out the northwest's wheat surplus.



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Patrons of Mann's Department Store throughout southern Oregon will welcome the announcement that this old-established Medford concern has opened a men's footwear department, featuring shoes for men and young men in a wide range of popular prices. Three nationally-known lines, Florheim, Fortune and Friendly, will be handled in this fine new department and H. O. Thomas, formerly of Portland, and long-experienced in shoe fitting, will be in charge, according to John Moffatt.

"We have selected Florheim, Fortune and Friendly shoes because we believe these well-known lines represent the last word in correct styling, comfort, long wear and value at a popular price range," Mr. Moffatt said today.

"The selection of Mr. Thomas to handle this department of our store was also made after considerable investigation. We are convinced that he is thoroughly qualified to offer the very finest of service for men and young men who visit our shoe department."

The newest in spring styles are represented in the comprehensive showing of footwear. These shoes will be offered to southern Oregon people backed by both the nationally-famous name of the makers and the long-established reputation of Mann's.

Attractive displays of these new shoes are being prepared in both the Central Avenue and Main Street windows of Mann's by Harry Hinman, advertising manager of that firm, so that southern Oregon people may see the smart spring styles available in these three lines.

If you have not already made an inventory of your business and will soon re-stimulate the Commercial Printing Department of the Mail Tribune, 28-30 No. Grape, carry inventory blanks. Phone 75 and we will deliver the blanks to your place of business.

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If this bile is not flowing freely, your food doesn't digest. It just decays in the bowels, gas bloats up your stomach. You have a tickle, bad taste and your breath is foul, sin often breaks out in blemishes. Your head aches and you feel down and out. Your whole system is poisoned.

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