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BIGGER TAX ON PUPILS TRAIN AUTO BUSES URGED

Deschutes County Officials Plan Initiative Measure in Near Future

BEND, Ore., April 28.—R. B. Hamilton, state representative from Deschutes county and R. W. Sawyer, county judge, are preparing an initiative measure which will increase the tax on passenger buses and freight trucks above the scale provided in House bill 413 on which a referendum is being sought. While the scale to be provided for in the initiative measure has not as yet been decided, according to Mr. Hamilton, it will be high enough to make up for the loss to the state during the time when the law as passed by the legislature awaits the approval of the people. The backing of all of those in the legislature who favored house bill 413 and the county judges and county commissioners, is said to be behind the proposed initiative measure.

4 PEOPLE ARE HURT IN CRASH

PENDLETON, Ore., April 28.—Four Pendleton people, two men and two women, are in the hospital in College Place, Washington, not far from Walla Walla, as a result of injuries they suffered last night when the car in which they were driving left the highway and turned over on the Oregon-Washington highway near the Walla Walla river, this side of Walla Walla.

The injured are Mrs. Nell Thompson and Mrs. William Owens, and Dan and Jack Sullivan. The women were the most seriously injured, according to the reports received here by the sheriff's office. Mrs. Thompson is said to have had her collar bone crushed and to have been otherwise hurt. Mrs. Owens suffered a fracture of one leg and is said to have suffered injuries to her back. The men were bruised and shocked.

MOOSE LODGE WILL INSTALL OFFICERS

Installation of new officers of the Moose lodge, Klamath Falls chapter will take place Thursday night in their hall. Following the installation of officers, a social hour will be enjoyed. Officers to take chairs are Ralph Luscombe, dictator, with Clyde Thompson passing into past dictator's chair; Percy Twombly, vice dictator; Glenn Howitt, prolator; Bob Janick and Ed Duffy, trustees. The committee in charge of entertainment consists of Sam Francis, C. C. Johnson, Norman Gage.

LATE NEWS FLASHES

French Soldiers Slain

PARIS, April 29.—Captain and 14 men of a French colonial unit in Morocco were killed and 11 soldiers wounded in a fight with 400 rebels early in April, the government announced today. The battle, which occurred near Treiffia, lasted three days and three nights. The attacking rebels retreated, leaving forty dead.

Prohis to Reorganize

WASHINGTON, April 28.—A reorganization of the prohibition unit is in prospect, Assistant Secretary Andrews indicated today, as a result of the month's study he has given to the bureau since he assumed office. Secretary Andrews did not disclose the nature of the changes to be made but reiterated that Commissioner Haynes will remain for the present in charge of enforcement.

Anti-Alien Law Invalid

SALEM, Ore., April 28.—An ordinance of the city of Portland prohibiting aliens from selling soft drinks is held unconstitutional in an opinion of the supreme court today, written by Justice Burnett in the case of M. George and others against the city. The opinion reverses Judge George Tazwell of the lower court for Multnomah county.

YOUTHFUL BANDIT CAPTURED AFTER WILD ESCAPADES

EUGENE, Ore., April 28.—William Westrope, 19, who figured prominently in local police circles recently, was caught here late last night, after he had made his escape from the state reform school at Salem, and had caused considerable anxiety among local business men. Westrope escaped from the training school Saturday night and stole a truck. This he abandoned about a mile south of Salem, and then he hired a taxi from an auto rent agency, paying for the hire with another worthless check, and receiving \$3 in change. He was lodged in the county jail shortly before midnight.

MOE CASE NOW FULLY SETTLED

Frank Cassidy Explains Mixup Which Led to Manager's Arrest

The final touches were this morning placed upon the closing transactions in connection with the difficulties that arose out of the arrest of "Bud" Moe, former manager of the Pine Tree theater. Immediately afterwards Frank B. Cassidy, representative of the Mann interests who came to straighten out the affair, left for San Francisco.

The whole trouble arose out of laxity in the matter of bookkeeping and the non-payment of a sight draft given in closing the business of the theater at the time Mr. Moe retired as manager. When Moe and Cassidy got together and explanations were made, the matter was quickly adjusted by the former paying in cash the balance that had been covered by the sight draft.

In closing the affair Mr. Cassidy stated: "There should be no criticism of Mr. Moe in this matter. He did not act on his own initiative nor for himself, but for the Mann interests. His swearing to the complaint was not for Mr. Moe but simply as the agent of Mr. Mann. The best evidence of his reluctance is in the fact that for three days he refused to be a party to the proceedings and then signed the complaint only upon the insistence of county officials that immediate action must be taken."

It is generally recognized by those knowing the parties interested in the matter, that Mr. Moe was not actuated by any ulterior motives. While Mr. Moe was manager of the Pine Tree theater, his relations with Mr. Poole were those of friendly competitors in the same line of endeavor and when the latter purchased the Pine Tree, the transfer was made without the slightest friction between the two men.

FREIGHTER COLLIDES WITH GERMAN VESSEL

ANTWERP, Belgium, April 28.—The United States shipping board freighter Inniko was in collision with the German motorship Isis near here today. A dispatch to Lloyd's Agent says the Inniko, with a 15 foot hole in her number 1 hold, has been beached to prevent her sinking, and that the Isis is taking water.

BATTLESHIP OREGON TO BE IN PORTLAND FOR ROSE FESTIVAL

SALEM, Ore., April 28.—Carle Abrams, chairman of the battleship Oregon commission, today received a telegram from Admiral Chase, commandant of the Bremerton navy yards, saying that work has begun on the ship and that it would be ready for arrival in Portland on June 15 on the opening day of the Rose festival. The admiral also consents to the running of an excursion from Portland to St. Helens, where about 1000 Spanish war veterans and the festival queen and her attendants expect to board the ship and sail with it into Portland harbor.

MARSHAL'S VICTORY HELD SEVERE BLOW BY VIENNA PEOPLE

VIENNA, April 28.—Field Marshal Von Hindenburg's election to the German presidency is regarded here as a serious blow to the idea of an Austria union with Germany and is deplored by the newspapers of all parties. The Neue Freie press while hoping for the best, characterizes it as a misfortunate German people, while the Abend declared: "Von Hindenburg's is a victory of European discord over the Dawes plan and the London agreements."

DRAMATIC STORY RELATED BY DANCER

Mumtaz Begum, Maharaja's Favorite, Tells of Life as Prisoner

BOMBAY, April 28.—Mumtaz Begum, dancing girl and former favorite of Maharaja of Indore, broke into tears today when called upon to identify bloodstained bits of clothing that belonged to Abdul Kadir Baula, rich Mohammedan merchant, who was killed at Malabar Hill near Bombay, on January 12. Nine men accused of the murder of the merchant, who was the Nautch girl's protector after escaping Maharaja's household, pleaded not guilty yesterday when their trial began in the Bombay high court before a special jury.

Mumtaz today told the detailed story of her life with the Maharaja of Indore, in whose household she spent ten years as a dancing girl. During that time she was not allowed to leave Indore without the Maharaja and when her baby was born her relatives were not allowed to see her. The latter years she spent at Indore before escaping to her recent protector, the Mohammedan merchant, she declared, were she was not able to eat or dress as years of ill-treatment during which she lived. She virtually was held prisoner in the palace, she said.

THIEVES STEAL VALUABLE FURS

Livingston Brothers Depart- ment Store, San Fran- cisco, Looted

SAN FRANCISCO, April 28.—Thousands of dollars worth of furs and other apparel of women was stolen from Livingston Brothers department store here last night by three men who bound and gagged the night watchman and two janitors. A woman is believed to have aided in the robbery, soiled clothing has been found in a dressing room and presumably replaced with store finery.

The combination was knocked off a safe but it was not opened. The robbers apparently were frightened away.

PARIS OFFICIALS SEIZE COMMUNISTS

PARIS, April 28.—Police today searched 16 houses where secretaries of communist organizations reside, found literature and lists of members and seized daggers and revolvers. However, the police said they found nothing bearing directly upon the combat last Thursday between communists and members of the "Young Patriots" in which three were killed and 43 wounded.

LEGION THEATER SAFE IS WRECKED

WALLA WALLA, Wash., April 28.—Removing the Legion theater safe from the office to a lavatory room, where they blew it open with nitroglycerine, robbers secured \$1,500 here early this morning. The theater is owned by the local post of the American Legion.

BANQUET DATE SET

Replying to an invitation given the Klamath chamber of commerce by Lindsay Sisemore and the Fort Klamath people, the Klamath chamber today formally accepted the plans to formulate a caravan to Fort Klamath on Wednesday evening, May 6. The invitation was definitely accepted at a meeting of the directors today noon, when they held their weekly luncheon in chamber rooms. There will be no forum luncheon on Wednesday, May 6, as all time possible will be given to the formulation and completion of plans for the caravan which will be the last one of the year, until the fall months.

MAIN CANAL OF LOCAL PROJECT OUT ONCE MORE

For the sixth time in recent years, the banks of the main irrigation canal broke this morning at 10 o'clock and inundated several ranches eight miles south of town. The same cause that brought the first break this year—last week—was assigned for the break today. Pocket gophers had undermined the banks of the canal.

C. C. Kelley, division engineer of the state highway department, immediately dispatched a crew of road workers to protect the highway. At 1 p. m. the highway was inundated. The water at the headgate of the canal at Shippington was shut off, when the canal broke its banks. Repairs were in progress today. Damage of approximately \$250 was done to ranches of the vicinity.

PIERCE SCORES HIS TRADUCERS

Says Sportsmen Peeved Be- cause They Are Losing Their Soft Jobs

MEDFORD, Ore., April 28.—At the official opening of the Jacksonville Museum of Pioneer relics last night in the historic old United States hotel, attended by 300 people from all parts of Jackson county, Governor Walter M. Pierce was the principal speaker and guest of honor at the banquet.

The chief executive in a ten minute talk praised Jacksonville for its display of community spirit and lauded their efforts. Governor Pierce made mention of the threatened recall against him by the Sportsmen, and laughed about it. "Every time I do anything that bunch up state don't like, they threaten me with a recall, and every time I wear one of the bunch away from the public trough, there is a lot of howling."

FORMER RESIDENTS TO PLAY FROM KPO

According to word received from recent arrivals from San Francisco, Mr. and Mrs. Anton Polivka, former residents of Klamath county will broadcast from Hale's radio broadcasting station, KPO in San Francisco on Wednesday night. Mrs. Polivka will be presented in two piano solos, Mrs. Polivka giving four violin numbers, Mrs. Polivka accompanying him. The broadcasting will be received here at 9 p. m. Wednesday night.

Mr. Polivka was a former resident of Malin before moving to the city. Mrs. Polivka, was before her marriage, Miss Hortense Hogue, daughter of C. C. Hogue, who was for many years interested in the reclamation service of Klamath county. Their many friends will be more than anxious to hear them in their concert tomorrow evening.

TWO NABBED IN MOONSHINE RAID

MEDFORD, Ore., April 28.—In a raid this morning by the sheriff's and district attorney's office, a fifteen gallon still, 200 gallons of mash and seven gallons of moonshine were confiscated and "John Doe" Sears, 60, an invalid, is held as the proprietor thereof. The still was located eight miles northeast of Eagle Point, and was so cleverly hid in the timber that it was hard to detect.

When the raiding party arrived Sears was in the act of building a fire for the day's run, according to the authorities, who added that Sears had been operating for several weeks.

FORUM LUNCHEON

C. M. Granger, district forester, in charge of the entire northwest district, including Alaska, will be the main speaker at the forum luncheon of the chamber of commerce tomorrow. Granger is making a special trip to Klamath Falls in observance of National Forest week. Houston, Bell and Conter, the Klamath Falls trio, will furnish entertainment.

BUS LINE MAN WANTS CHANGE IN ORDINANCE

Mayor Replies That Others Would Be Satisfied With Arrangement

Pointed hints that if he was not satisfied, others could be found that would be satisfied were directed at W. E. Young, Astoria bus man, at the city council last night, when Young took exceptions to certain clauses in the ordinance that would grant him franchise to operate a municipal bus line in Klamath Falls. Young held that if through some negligence on the part of the city, one of his buses should be smashed up, that the city should be liable. In this connection he objected to the clause in the ordinance that stipulates the city would be held free from any and all liability resulting from the operation of the bus line.

Mayor Goddard intimated that if Young was not satisfied, that arrangements could be made with another concern which would be satisfied. The council remained silent and at the end of the discussion set tonight for further consideration of the matter.

No satisfaction was gained by the Merchant's bureau in its resolution disapproving establishment of filling stations on Main street between Third street and Eleventh street.

To the suggestion by several councilmen that M. M. Obenshain, former street commissioner, be appointed paving inspector, Mayor Goddard replied that he would look into the matter and acquaint himself with the logical candidates for the position.

The sum of \$30,000 was the total investment represented by building permits granted by the council last night.

NOTED MOUNTIE IS DEAD AT VICTORIA

VICTORIA, B. C., April 28.—George L. Service, member of the Royal Northwest Mounted Police from 1876 to 1900, died at his home here yesterday. He served in the war with the Klondike detachment during the gold rush of 1898 and was a veteran of the second Riel rebellion in 1885 when Louis Riel, French half breed, led the Meti Indians in the fight against allotment of Indian lands in western Canada.

TAX REFUNDS DUE PROPERTY OWNERS

Klamath county taxpayers thus far have paid excess taxes amounting to approximately \$75,000, it became known at the court house today. This was due to unfamiliarity with the new state law which provides that all persons who pay their taxes for 1921, 1922 and 1923 by May 1 of this year would have all delinquencies remitted.

Those who are now delinquent in their taxes for the past three years can save this added penalty if they will pay up all taxes by Friday night, it was said.

At the office of Burt Hawkins, tax collector, it was said today that no method has yet been outlined to refund sums which taxpayers have already paid on their delinquencies for the past three years. This was a matter which rests entirely with the county court, according to Garrett Van Riper, chief clerk in the tax division.

SAYS FEDERAL CONTRACT UNJUST

Washington Governor Re- fuses to Tie State to Reclamation Project

OLYMPIA, Wash., April 28.—Declaring that the proposed development of the Kittitas irrigation project under the terms of the contract submitted by the federal government involved a policy rather than a project, Governor Hartley issued a supplemental statement here today to the one issued last Friday, when the director of conservation and development was requested to return the contract unsigned.

Governor Hartley declared that section six of the proposed contract absolutely binds the state to assume full responsibility for the settlement of all the 70,000 acres in the project, including providing of dwellings and other buildings, fencing and fences. He said that the same policy might eventually involve financing the settlement of more than 3,000,000 acres of undeveloped land in the state.

"An attempt is being made to lead the public to believe that the governor has short sightedly and arbitrarily wiped the \$3,000,000 Kittitas project off the reclamation map. Such is not the truth. What the governor really has done is to refuse to launch this state upon a program which, if continued, will bankrupt it," the statement said.

PALLBEARERS NAMED FOR SLOUGH RITES

Rev. Arthur L. Rice will officiate at the funeral of William Sewall Slough, prominent Klamath Falls business man, whose death shocked Klamath residents at noon yesterday. The services will be conducted from the Presbyterian church tomorrow afternoon, 2:30 p. m. The casket will be closed during the last rites. Pallbearers have been named and those who will serve are A. M. Collier, Fred Fleet, George Grizzle, Dr. George L. Wright, Arthur Wilson and Bert Thomas.

LOCAL BOY HONORED

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, April 28.—Noah T. Truax of Klamath Falls has been initiated into Tau Beta Pi, national honorary engineering society. Mr. Truax is a junior in electrical engineering and a member of Sigma Nu social fraternity.

SMALL BOYS SET STACK OF HAY ON FIRE WITH MATCH

A diabolical conception of fun led two small boys this morning to set a match to a hay stack, owned by Ralph Smith and on the front lawn of Fred W. McManes on the Shippington road on the outskirts of town.

In a tree the stack was a mass of flames and the fire department was called. In a short time the fire was put out. A telephone pole was partially burned.

A hay wagon hauling the hay yesterday, had overturned last night and the load of hay rolled off the wagon into the McManes yard.

COAST LEAGUE SCORES

At Portland 1; Oakland 3.
At Seattle 4; Vernon 2.

Von Hindenburg Frets About Dress For His Inauguration

BERLIN, April 28.—Germany's new president not only has the cares of office to face in the near future, but one problem of an apparently minor nature which is giving him, and his advisers real concern in connection with his inauguration. This is the delicate problem of how he shall attire himself for the ceremonial. As head of the nation, Hindenburg also is commander in chief of the army and it is planned to have him review a military parade immediately after the ceremony in the Reichstag. When heretofore a president has reviewed the troops he has done so in civilian attire, but Hindenburg besides being a civilian president is a retired field marshal general and entitled to wear a uniform. According to the military etiquette under which the president-elect grew up, it is regarded as an insult to a military man that visits the troops in civilian dress. On the other hand, if he appears in uniform before the Reichstag it is considered certain he will give offense to that body. The president-elect thus seems to be facing a real dilemma.