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PITY THE POOR

Publication of income tax payments of Portland capitalists, though omitted by most of the Portland press and but gingerly handled by the Associated Press, ought to convince even Governor Pierce and the Portland Journal that the income tax doesn't reach the tax-dodgers, who seem as able to evade income taxation as they are other forms of taxation.

Simon Benson, long acclaimed Oregon's first as well as wealthiest citizen, pays an income tax of only \$329.13, which indicates a very modest income, not nearly as large as that enjoyed by many professional and small business men and some mechanics. Times must indeed be hard for poor multi-millionaires.

Particularly sad is the case of A. L. Mills, president of the First National Bank, of Portland, the oldest and biggest bank in the Pacific northwest, president of the Oregon Life Insurance company, president of the other large financial institutions and director of many others, super-patriot and fixer of primary laws. Poor Mr. Mills must do all his hard work for nothing, or give his all to the poor, for he pays no income tax at all. How he manages to get along on his evidently meager income is one of the secrets of penury.

It is certainly a shame the way these hundred million dollar banks treat their heads. Here is poor J. C. Insworth, representative of one of the big pioneer estates of Portland, and president of the United States National bank, which recently purchased the Ladd & Tilton bank. His condition is not quite as pitiable as that of Mr. Mills, for he does have income sufficient to pay \$57,56 tax, probably from his inheritance, about the same as his bank clerks pay. Certainly here is a field for the uplifer, a constitutional amendment to provide poor bank presidents with incomes. They shouldn't be expected to work for nothing.

In the long list of tax-dodgers, it is a relief to see some that are not. In this class must be placed W. B. Ayer, the only prominent Portlander who favored the state income tax. Mr. Ayer is listed as paying personally \$12,578 income tax, and for his business, the Eastern and Western Lumber company, \$94,181.78. Evidently Mr. Ayer is willing to pay for his prosperity.—Salem Capital Journal.

Merrill Schools Will Open Monday

Principal Lester Turnbaugh of the Merrill schools made announcement today that the Merrill schools both grade and high, will open on Monday morning, registration to take place before noon, after which the pupils will be dismissed until Tuesday morning.

The gymnasium has been taken out and three new, good sized rooms have been added to the school, which will house the third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades. With this arrangement, the high school will occupy the entire upper floor of the school, the grades to be on the lower floor.

The same staff of teachers will return to Merrill, as taught last year, including Lester Turnbaugh, principal; H. J. Hendrickson, assistant principal and athletic coach; Ellen McVeigh, English teacher; Caroline Vaerotti, grade principal; Florence McClay, Siven Langdahl and Mrs. Minnie Dillard.

All the teachers have returned from their vacations and were present at the teachers institute. Over the week-end they will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Turnbaugh at Crater Lake. Mr. Turnbaugh has been forest ranger at the south entrance of the park during the summer vacation.

VISITING TURNBAUGHS

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Hendrickson, are the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Turnbaugh, at Crater Lake. They will return Sunday evening to be ready for the opening of the Merrill schools on Monday morning.

RYAN GETS PUBLICITY

Lloyd Ryan, local clothing merchant, is in receipt of a letter today from the Weyenburg Shoe Manufacturing company, from the North Pacific branch of the house, with headquarters in Portland, telling that they recently read an article in the Oregonian in which they noted Mr. Ryan had recently received money from a man who had owed his firm since 1917.

The letter in part reads: "The writer was very much interested in noting a news item in The Oregonian of yesterday morning concerning one of the customers of your predecessor, who sent a payment covering an account of several years old. We have some accounts on our books during the past several years that we certainly wish would get a touch of religion and pay some of the accounts that we have had to charge off against bad debts."

WRIGHTS RETURN

Dr. George I. Wright returned to day from Medford where he attended the meeting of the Oregon State Medical Society. Dr. Wright was accompanied home by Mrs. Wright and their daughter, Miss Henrietta.

FROM KENTUCKY

H. N. Cartwright of Morganfield, Kentucky, is making a short visit in Klamath Falls with Father A. S. Looser, enroute to his home in the southern state. Father Looser formerly lived in Kentucky.

VISITING AT ROCK CREEK

Katheryn Connolly is enjoying a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Berkin at the Rock Creek ranch over the week-end.

FROM ALL OVER OREGON

Bits of News From Towns Throughout the State

WHAT OTHERS ARE DOING

PECULIAR ACCIDENT

Attorney Charles Reames, while fishing at Diamond lake last week met with a peculiar accident. He was fishing from a boat. He hooked a large fish, and in landing it, slipped on an oar. The oar flew up and hit the lawyer a hard blow in the ribs, which necessitated medical assistance, and the tapping of the left side. It was thought for a while that a rib was fractured.—Medford Tribune.

AUGUST PERMITS

Building permits for the month of August totaled \$48,214, being \$14,491 below the total for the month of July. A total of 28 permits were granted to local builders, two of which were for concrete business structures and the remaining number for houses and miscellaneous repairs. Of the two business structures, the Oregon Granite company is building one at the corner of Fourth and Front streets at a cost of \$9000 while J. P. Cooley and P. J. Neff are erecting the other at the corner of Central avenue and Sixth streets at a cost of \$11,000.—Medford Tribune.

PIONEER OF REEDSPORT

Joe Lyons is the pioneer of Reedspport; in fact he built the first store there and built it at a time when it could only be reached by boat. Naturally he is proud of his town. Mr. Lyons was at the Imperial hotel yesterday. In 1892, with others, Mr. Lyons purchased the present site of Reedspport, platted it, and later sold it. Later, with Warren Reed and Walter McKay, the site was repurchased, replatted and improvement commenced. It was a far-seeing move. The founders believed that it was the only place on the Empequa river where it could be crossed by any railroad going south in that section. And the railroad finally did cross there. Three of the four mills at Reedspport are running, and last week was commenced the \$100,000 fill which is part of an extensive proposition to put all Reedspport on ever-dry land.—Marshfield News.

ELECTED PRESIDENT

J. T. Coyle was named president of the American Legion drum and bugle corps organization at a meeting of the legion musicians in the hall at the corner of Oregon and Wall street Sunday forenoon. Plans for the training work of the corps were discussed and outlined at the meeting. Other officers of the organization are as follows: Leon Devereaux, secretary; Lloyd Kelley, treasurer, and Frank Prince, Charles Erskine and B. A. Stover were named members of the advisory committee. A temporary set of rules governing the organization were drawn up. The drum division of the newly organized corps is to hold a meeting Tuesday night at 8 o'clock in the legion hall. All legionnaires interested in the drum and bugle corps are being urged to attend. Final arrangements for the dance which is to be given by the legion

on September 4 to raise funds for the financing of the drum and bugle corps were outlined at the Sunday meeting. A prize of \$10 will be given to the girl selling the most tickets. Contestants are asked to turn their names in at the Horton drug store, where the tickets can be secured. Instructions will be received there.—Bend Bulletin.

OCCUPY NEW TEMPLE

The Salem Elks will formally occupy their new temple here Thursday night of this week, the regular meeting night, it was announced this morning.

The members of the lodge will gather as usual at the old temple, where a farewell talk will be given by Frank Wrightman, a charter member of the lodge, and then will march in parade formation to the new temple led by the band and drum corps.

At the new temple the initial meeting will be opened with a talk by Judge P. H. D'Arcy, which will be followed by a suitable program. The date of the formal dedication of the new building awaits the appointment of the dedication committee, which will probably be named Thursday night.

The dining room in the new quarters will be opened Wednesday noon.—Salem Journal.

AGED PARENTS

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Kelley of Grants Pass, parents of Ellsworth Kelley, were in the court room when their son was arraigned here today. They visited him yesterday at the penitentiary. They are aged and much depressed by the predicament in which their son has become involved. They declare he never was in trouble until he became involved with the Jones brothers by trying to help them out of jail, for which he was sentenced to serve 20 years.

The Kelleys were formerly in the lumber business, but later owned a farm in Josephine county which is now leased out. It is said they have practically retired from active work with enough to live on the remainder of their lives.—Salem Journal.

HOSPITAL HEAD ARRIVES

Miss A. Holbeth, new head nurse of the Salem hospital, succeeding Miss Gladys Steele, arrived in Salem recently and will take up her new duties today. She returned to this country recently from Finland where she attended an international conference of nurses. At a meeting of the hospital board of directors yesterday a silver tea set was presented to Miss Steele as an expression of appreciation of her work. Frank Deckebach made the presentation.—Salem Statesman.

TO BUILD GREENHOUSE

The Coos Bay Greenhouse company, with headquarters in Marshfield and capital stock of \$10,000, has been incorporated by William A. Keeling, Rosina Keeling and Ben S. Fisher. The articles were filed with the county clerk Saturday. The new greenhouse will be located on the highway between Marshfield and North Bend. Mr. Keeling will be in charge of the greenhouse and business will be carried on wholesale basis. Operations will not start for several months.—Marshfield News.

Taught Bryan



H. E. Storrs, of Los Angeles, probably the only living school teacher who ever taught the late William Jennings Bryan. Storrs was professor of physics in Whipple Academy in Jacksonville, Illinois, when Bryan was a student there. The school teacher is now an attorney in the southern city.

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ROTARY CLUBS PLAN PICNIC

The Rotary clubs of Salem, Medford and Corvallis are to hold a joint picnic at the state fair grounds Friday of this week. The local committee in charge of arrangements includes Walter Jenks, chairman; B. E. Sisson, H. L. Moore, Lester Barr, George Hug and Bob Boardman.—Salem Statesman.

STEWART'S WASHINGTON LETTER

By CHARLES P. STEWART
NEA Service Writer

WASHINGTON—Press accounts from Swamscott don't indicate that President Coolidge is as silent a man as he has the reputation of being. He, or rather his "spokesman," meaning the same thing, is quoted as doing considerable talking. His talk doesn't contain much information, to be sure, but, as talk it amounts almost to garrulity—around a column and a half of it every day—words, words, words.

The truth is, the president's tactfulness is largely fictitious. Every president has some such fiction suit up about him. The present chief magistrate does have a faculty for saying quite a pithy little thing now and then. A few of these observations got into print, the public noticed them, got an idea he said nothing else, and the White House chroniclers, who were aching for some peculiarity to wish onto him, for the sake of news interest, grabbed at this imaginary one and have worked it for all it was worth ever since.

It's a fact that President Coolidge is backward about discussing important questions but not more so than most politicians are. Indeed, less so, if anything. Individuals who are closest to him say he tends to let more cats out of their bags than he ought to, when he gets started, and they have to watch him to keep him from getting into trouble.

Given a subject of no particular significance, and he prattles indefinitely. This has often been remarked about him at his periodical receptions of the newspaper men in Washington. They don't tell about it, for they've already invested him with his title of "Silent Cal", so they can't, but they speak of it among themselves.

KIDDIES MOURN THEIR DADDIES

(Continued From Page One)

Zach died with his boots on. I intend to go through life with mine on. When a girl marries an aviator she takes a chance. I have gambled and lost."

Mrs. Klein, after consulting the bereaved, said: "They were all perfectly wonderful. Every eye was dry and their only thoughts were to help each other. They are great sports."

Fearful Disaster

Young, with black bobbed hair and blue eyes and dressed entirely in white, Mrs. Lansdowne said her husband had a premonition of disaster. Since last June, she declared,

the Lieutenant Commander used all his influence to call off this and a previous western trip because he feared the battle with Ohio thunderstorms would wreck the ship. But politics, she charged, demanded that the trip be made. Never before had Lansdowne failed to circle over their bungalow, but on this last trip she noted he sailed away without even approaching their home. "He knew conditions in Ohio," she said. "He was born in Ohio and killed in Ohio, 100 miles from the spot where he was born. The commander often said the ship was likely to get into trouble in thunderstorms with the hot air going up and the cold air coming down. A big airship getting into this would snap in two."

Too Much Politics

"He used every bit of influence he had to keep from going, but the Secretary of the Navy wanted to play politics by sending the ship over middle western cities. So he had to go. He never appeared worried over any previous flight but before starting on this one he was extremely nervous and fearful that he could not get through." Some officers at the station disagreed with Mrs. Lansdowne's assertion that politics caused the trip. The purpose of the trip, they said, was to experiment with untrained ground crews and test the new mast erected by Henry Ford at Detroit.

Wilbur's Death

A Washington dispatch to the New York World quotes Secretary Wilbur as saying in regard to Mrs. Lansdowne's comments: "Commander Lansdowne was allowed to choose his time. His judgment was that it would be safe to make the flight at this time. I would not have permitted the flight against the judgment or protest of Commander Lansdowne."

Commander Lansdowne was on his first day of his 17th year in the navy when killed. It was to have been his last flight, as he had been ordered back to sea duty September 15. He and Margaret Ross of Washington were married in 1921 after a war romance in France, where she was a Red Cross nurse. Two children survive, one by Commander Lansdowne's previous marriage.

Second Tragedy

Mrs. Joy Bright Hancock was brave under the second tragedy of this sort in her life. Her first husband was killed when the ZR-2 was destroyed. She had only recently married Lieutenant Commander Louis Hancock, Jr., who was killed on the Shenandoah.

One little girl, the daughter of James W. Callahan of Binghamton, N. Y., was waiting to celebrate her sixth birthday today. She has not been told of her father's death.

Several of the unmarried men who perished were engaged.

Secretary Wilbur sent messages of sympathy to the families of the victims.

MARKETS

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 3.—Eggs: 1c to 2c higher current receipts 32 1/2 a dozen; Pullets 32 1/2 @ 33. Pigeons 32 @ 33 1/2; Extras 37 1/2 @ 38.

Butter steady unchanged; Butter-fat steady unchanged.

Poultry steady unchanged.

Onions earlier; quats steady; onions 1.50 @ 1.65; Potatoes new 1.75 @ 2.00.

Nuts steady, unchanged. Casaca bark quiet unchanged.

Hops firm at 20c; 20 1/2 paid for fuggles; new crop 20c.

Cattle about steady. Receipts 235 cattle; 40 calves; unchanged.

Today's car receipts: Wheat 86; Barley 6; Flour 9; Corn 1; Oats 3; Hay 4.

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