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A State's Unfairness

One of the prominent pieces of unfair legislation is the case brought by the state of Oregon to grab money from the timber counties. The Stanfield bill which returned to the timbered counties many thousands of dollars from the government, was plain and decisive. The state of Oregon has been paid her taxes. Every county has paid what the state levied upon her and she has no just claim whatever on the money returned to the counties by the federal government in the Stanfield law.

Upholding this argument the Portland Journal of yesterday prints the following editorial:

Why a lawsuit in which the Oregon state government seeks to get part of the land grant tax refund?

The state lost the case in the lower court. It should have lost. It had no legitimate claim to any of the proceeds of the tax refund.

The Stanfield law was for the relief of the land grant counties and for their relief only. In effect, the law so provides. And everybody understood that it was relief alone for the counties when the Stanfield bill was pending.

The state lost nothing in taxes when the land grant was forfeited. The state government regularly made up its budget, computed the amount of taxes required and regularly collected. It was not out of pocket one cent by reason of the forfeiture. How, then, can the state government set up a claim for a share in the fund? How can it expect to share in a fund in which it never had a part?

It was the land grant counties alone that lost. When the railroad lands were forfeited the total of their taxable property was heavily cut and the rate of the tax they had to pay was proportionately increased. It was to relieve that situation that the Stanfield refund bill was passed. Not a dollar of it was intended for the state government, because the state government had not lost a cent.

When the refund bill was pending no state official took the slightest interest in its passage. The state offered no aid. It was not until after the bill became a law and the relief money began to arrive in Oregon that state officials took a sudden notion that the state ought to have some of it.

The state's effort to get some of the money is immoral if not illegal.

Rotten Gossip

A city can suffer from the gossip's tongue just as the young girl can suffer. Klamath is suffering today from that very source. Jealous communities start stories that Klamath is a rough town, that whiskey can be purchased by the drink in many places on Main street, that there are many bootlegging channels, that the morals of the town are bad.

Not content with such misstatements they now scourge us with the reports that Klamath is sickly and infested with disease, that the whole community is under strict quarantine and no one dares enter or leave.

Those are some of the stories being told.

What are the facts: No one can buy a drink on Main street or any other street in this city. Moonshine is peddle din the most under cover manner, just as it is peddled in Eugene, Salem, Portland and all other Oregon towns. And there is no more of it peddled or drunk here than in any other community of the same size. The morals of Klamath Falls are good. The finest children in Oregon live in this city and they represent good homes, for you can't have good children unless you have good homes.

As for disease, why bless your heart, Klamath Falls has never had the disease accredited to her. There never has been a time when people could not go and come with safety. She is the healthiest city on the coast. With her high mountain climate germs can't remain here. When they are carried in by some water-soaked person from the lower country they soon perish.

Get it right—Klamath Falls is a growing, going-ahead town and while she expects to be ridden by jealous neighbors she would much prefer they fight according to honorable rules of the game and quit slugging below the belt.

Pavement

We notice the work of repairing pavement on the different streets of the city, and there is a lot to be repaired, and we have been wondering if the city has a contract with the paving companies for any length of time guaranteeing their pavement.

The old guarantee was a much fought document but it was a shotgun behind the door, nevertheless, and paving companies hesitated in laying inferior pavement with poor base when they knew they had to maintain that pavement for a period of years. Their argument to city councils was that is was a useless cost to the city to add something to the cost for maintenance, but experience has shown that such is not a fact.

Klamath has more poor pavement than any city of its size in the country. People have been taxed to construct the streets and the construcion has been very poor indeed, in many instances.

It would be well for all pavement laid in the future to carry a guarantee that can be enforced.

EDITORIALS
FROM OVER THE NATION

PLAY BRIDGE AND EAT OR EAT AND PLAY BRIDGE?

Nebraska City News Press: There are very few bridge players in the world who are no so fortunate as to belong to bridge clubs. "Fortunate" is used advisedly, for bridge, like golf, takes people out of themselves. Many a woman has postponed or even forgotten her nervous breakdown in the anticipation of an evening out and a chance to eat party food. Many a man has taken a new lease on life after holding five honors or a hundred aces.

Bridge clubs may be classified as men's, women's and mixed. The mixed bridge club will be chosen for discussion as combining the characteristics of the other two. Of mixed bridge clubs there are two kinds, those that eat first and play afterward and those that play first and eat afterward.

In the first, refreshment takes the place of an ordinary dinner and the hostess must devise some food scheme that will look like a party and yet be as filling as beefsteak and potatoes. Otherwise the men members are likely to be disagreeable.

In the second, refreshment is one more meal than anybody needs and must therefore be tempting as well as reasonably digestible. Otherwise all the members will think dark thoughts next morning as they take their soda and water

Another problem is seating the players in such a way that no husbands and wives are at the same table, that three good-natured people are found to play with the dub and three hard-boiled people are found to play with the star. Guests help to solve the last two points. They may be bored or insulted without permanent hurt to the club.

Another initial problem is arranging things to suit members who play for money and those who don't. Luckly a compromise may be reached by playing for so much a corner. This is a sop to those who like something up on the game, while the higher moral courts have conveniently ruled that playing for so much a corner is no more than playing for a prize, which, of course, isn't gamblings. Other problems arise about the third meeting. They are what refreshments to serve that haven't been served already, what frocks to wear that haven't been worn already, who will volunteer to entertain a second time to fill out the season and who will take the couple home who haven't an automobile.

Bridge clubs are worth while, even if they only go to prove that man is a social animal. You may place the ascent where you prefer.

THE NATURAL ROUTE.

Louisville Courier-Journal: The Hoover commission, appointed in 1924 by President Coolidge to advise as to the development of a shipway from the Great Lakes to the sea, makes a strong case in favor of the St. Lawrence route over the other two proposals, the all-American and the Welland canal routes. The waterway, according to the report which has just been made, would be about a fourth of that of either of the other schemes, the maintenance would be about a third, while the tonnage capacity on the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence route would be greatly in excess of the other projects. Brought down to the question of freight rates, it is estimated that the Northernmost waterway would compare with the others as 43 cents a ton is to $2.06 a ton, navigation being restricted for little more than twenty miles on the former and for 137 miles on the all-American route.

Further, the Hoover report points out that only on the St. Lawrence waterway are there possibilities of developing hydro-electrical power in connection with the work, the rapids of the Canadian river affording this opportunity.

State specifically, the Hoover report places the cost of constructing the route it favors at between $123,000,000 and $148,000,000, while the Welland canal route would cost $506,000,000 and the all-American $631,000,000. As the St. Lawrence shipway would be a joint international undertaking, its cost to this government would be about half of the estimate, while the all-American, starting at Lake Erie and crossing the state of New York to the Hudson, would have to be paid for exclusively by the United States.

As to the need of such a waterway, there is no argument. Mr. Hoover's report calls it "imperative." It would be an outlet for the vast Middle West on both sides of the international line. It would take the farmers' crops to market at greatly reduced rates and remove the neutral transportation disadvantages from which they have been suffering.

If there is to be a Great Lakes-to-the-sea route from West to East, the St. Lawrence unquestionably offers the natural channel. Engineers have declared the undertaking is practicable. Canalizing and deepening the river between Lake Ontario and Montreal, have been held by the government experts to be cheaper and more feasible than connecting the Great Likes with the Hudson by a series of canals, and its value to the Middle West would be commensurate with that of the Panama canal to the two coasts of America.

FEW HOGS ARE ON THE MARKET

CHICAGO, Oct. 8. (USDA)—Hogs 1500; not enough hogs on sale to fairly test market values; most transactions around steady; good to choice 225 to 240 pound weights absent, top 11.75; 160 to 200 pound averages 10.85@11.50.

Cattle receipts 500; compared week ago strictly choice steers fed, strong; others 50 to 75c off; western grassers mostly steady; fat cows and heifers 50@75c lower; vealers 250 down; heavy fed steers reached 16.90, highest in seven years.

Seven years: All killing steers bringing new time prices; top yearlings 16.45; medium weighis 16.50; weighty Montana grass steers up to 13.50; bulk better grades 10.50@11.50; best grass cows 10.00; heavy heifers 11.50; western cows and heifers 7.00@9.00 and 8.50 and 10.50 respectively; vealers closed at 14.

Sheep receipts 1,000; for week: Fat lambs closing 15 to 25c lower; sheep strong; feeding lambs 25 to 50c higher; week's top prices fat range lambs 14.15; fat native lambs 14.00; slaughter yearlings 10.75; fat ewes 6.75; range feeding lambs 14.00.

LIVESTOCK AT PORTLAND.

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 8. (A. P.)—Cattle and calves steady. Receipts today none; for week 3230; calves 305. Hogs steady; receipts for week 5985. Sheep and lambs steady; receipts today sheep 1585 on contract; for week sheep 4155; prices unchanged.

Around New York Town

NEW YORK, Oct. 8.—This is the season when chorine fates are settled on Broadway.

In those brief weeks when humidity hugs the Manhattan highways, all the thousands of damsels who expect face and figure to carry them to fame and fortune run the gantlet of hope and despair.

From all the big producing offices the "call" goes out. A "call" means simply that Mr. White, Mr. Ziegfeld, Mr. Buck or some other big league producer of musical shows is ready to look over candidates for the chorus.

All the hopes, all the ambitions, all the dreams, heartaches, yearnings of a year, are suddenly crystalized in the darkened bareness of an empty theater. Out of thousands, 20 or 30 will survive. In a brief hour this vast pageant of beauty and grace will be divided into those who may enter the big league and those who will have to take the Broadway crumbs.

Day after day the drama goes on, now in this theater, now in that.

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Here is a typical "call" . . . 500 girls are crashing a theater gate . . . the doors are not yet open . . . the young and inexperienced have been there for hours . . . the older and harder boiled come swinging jauntily up at the eleventh hour . . . all lose confidence as the crowd grows . . . the old-timers know what this means . . . the greater the number the greater the competition, and this is a case of survival . . . they push and crush and crowd the sidewalk . . . police come up and keep them in order . . . and finally they enter.

They say that men whistle in graveyards at night to keep up their courage. Chorines hum songs, pretend to do little dance steps, and give other indications of bravado. But not the youngsters. They make no pretensions. This is the terrible, the fatal hour that strikes. They have come from a dozen small towns scattered over the map to crash New York. They have struggled to eat, have taken odd jobs, have danced around cafes, have taken places in third-class shows—just to hang on for the "big chance." Here it is and they're afraid.

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And it all happens so quickly. No two producers use the same method of selection. But they all work fast. They have to; there are so many girls to look at.

George White forms them in a circle on the stage and passes his eye around the circle. Ziegfeld sits in a front seat, wearing a pair of high powered glasses, and lines them in rows of 20. Gene Buck has them pass in review, as it were, in groups of ten or more, and go back and forth across stage. And so it goes.

One, two, three—and out. Just like that! A snap of the finger and it's all over. This one is chosen and an entire 100 are out. Oh, well, there's plenty of company for the misery!

They walk out in the street, the jaunty pretension returning when the eyes of the crowd outside are encountered.

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Somewhere in a back bedroom in the Bronx—a youngster will cry her eyes out before the morning comes. With the dawn she will get up and write a letter that will start: "Dear Mom and Pop—I'm getting along fine. Expect to get a chance. . . ."

And then she'll go out again to answer another "call."

And so it will go.

GILBERT SWAN.
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Soldiers Two

August Haucke, 71, who passed under the Arc de Triomphe in Paris as a soldier in the triumphant German armies of 1871 and his son, Frank, who marched beneath the arch as an American doughboy in the 1918 victory parade, reverently view the tomb of the French unknown soldier at the Arc during the Legion convention.

Out Our Way

NEWS of the CHURCHES

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
Pine at Sixth

Sunday school at 9:45. Fully departmentalized. Preparations are being made for Rally Day on October 16.

Morning worship at 11 a. m. Sermon "Filled from Christ's Fulness," by Rev. D. V. Haight. Anthem, "God is Love," by Shibley; Organ numbers by Mrs. McIntyre, "Contemplation" by Armstrong, "Adoration" by Lemare, "Postlude alla Marcia," by Grey.

Evening worship at 7:30 p. m. Sermon "Wisdom among the Lowly." Soprano solo, "The Publican," (Van de Water) Mrs. Francis Olds. Organ numbers: "Evening Star," by Wagner, "An Evening Benediction," by Diggle, "March in F," by Blair.

Wednesday evening Fellowship group will meet at 7:30 at the church. Friday evening the high school students will enjoy a party at the church. Mr. Walter of the Y. M. C. A. of Ashland, will be the special guest of honor.

FIRST CHRISTIAN
Ninth and Pine Streets

Bible school 9:45 a. m.

Sermon at 11:30 a. m. "Fundamentals."

Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. Evangelistic services at 7:30 p. m. Sermon "The World's Greatest Detective." Rally Day in the Bible school will be observed October 16. Special program of music will be given.

KLAMATH TEMPLE
Eighth and Oak Streets

Guy DeVries, pastor. 9:25 a. m. Sunday School; 11 a. m. Divine Worship; 3 p. m. A special message by Evangelist Crozier. Topic: "Dwarfs in Heaven." 7:45 p. m. Song service led by Joe Elliot. Sermon: "Behold The Lamb of God." Services will be held every night next week.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
City Library Building

Frank L. Wemett, minister. 9:45 Bible School.

11 a. m. Morning worship. Topic "Is It More Religion We Need or More Life." 6:30 p. m. Young People's meeting. This service is held in the parish house of St. Paul's Episcopal church. Strangers particularly invited.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Eighth and Washington

A. F. Simmons, pastor. Bible school 9:30 a. m. Classes and teachers for all grades. Morning worship and sermon 11 a. m. Complete the organization of B. Y. P. U. Sunday evening 6:30.

Evening worship at 7:30 p. m. You are invited to worship with us. Prayer meeting every Wednesday 7:30 p. m.

IMMANUEL BAPTIST
Eleventh and High

R. R. Mulholland, pastor. Why not have a full attendance at all services this Sunday? Bible school at 9:45; services at 11, and 7:30. Morning subject: "What is a Bible Christian?" Evening subject: "And—what?"

The only church in the county co-operating with the Oregon Baptist Convention. Everybody always welcome.

SACRED HEART CHURCH
Eighth and High Streets.

Rev. A. F. Loeser, Rev. C. B. Feige. Sunday masses at 6:30, 8:30 and 10:30. Evening devotion at 7:30. Week-day mass at 7:00 a. m. Merrill, first and third Sunday at 10:30. All are cordially welcome at our service.

THE SALVATION ARMY
619 Walnut

Meeting Saturday 8 p. m. Sunday, Holiness Meeting, 11 a. m. Company meeting for children, 2:30; Young People' Legion, 6:30. Salvation meeting 8 p. m. Subject "To Whom Will You Go?"

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL
The Friendly Church
Eighth at Jefferson

Rev. J. Henry Thomas. Holy communion, 8 a. m. Choral Lucharist and sermon, 11 a. m. Newcomers and strangers to town are especially invited to these services. Church school reopens next Sunday.

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH
1025 High Street

G. W. Hoffman, pastor. Sunday school at 9:30. Morning service at 10:30 with sermon on the subject "Sanctification." Bible class meets Monday evening at 7:30.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE
Tenth and Washington

Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Sunday service 11 a. m. Subject: "Are Sin, Disease, and Death Real?" Wednesday evening meeting at 8 o'clock. Free reading room and free lending library open from 2:30 to 4:30 p. m. on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. The public is cordially invited to attend the services and use the reading room.

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