

# FOUCH REPLIES TO TAX LEAGUE QUESTIONNAIRE

The first reply to the questionnaire distributed by the Taxpayers' League of the county was presented at the court house meeting of the association Wednesday night by Police Judge Roy Fouch. Although the answers discussed before the taxpayers made no allowance for possible reductions in city expenses, the group extended a unanimous vote of thanks to Fouch, the city council and the employees of the city.

The following is a reprint of the questions sent to the council by the league, including the answers returned last night:

**Answers Presented**  
Q—Cannot the city building inspector and the electrical inspector be put on a fee basis similar to the city plumbing inspector?

A—They could if their duties were of inspection only. The city electrical inspector cares for all the electrical wiring and engineering of Klamath Falls.

Q—Why are you paying the city attorney more than the charter provides?

A—In 1924 the city proposed to pay the city attorney the sum of \$25 monthly for the hire of a stenographer. This was paid in addition to \$50 for each improvement until the city attorney handles during his term of office.

Q—Why are you paying the city treasurer more than the charter provides?

A—Because the charter was formulated in 1913 and the conditions have changed until the treasurer has a responsibility and work that has increased four times over 1913.

Q—Why cannot you lower the budget \$25,000 by following the request of the league?

A—The present budget has been cut as far as practicable and any further cut would result in the statutory functions of the city being hampered to the point that bondholders would feel their security jeopardized.

Q—Why have you not complied with the 1931 Oregon laws relative to franchise taxes?

A—Because it is hoped that suitable arrangements could be made with existing public utilities to secure a franchise tax without resort to the provisions of the law.

Q—Are each and every one of you willing to go on record as opposed to any expenditures that is absolutely unnecessary?

A—Yes. That has been the conduct of this administration since taking office in 1931.

Q—Who is the poorest paid employe on the city payroll?

A—F. M. Glenn, paid \$30 a month for performing service as a patrolman. Part of this man's salary is paid by merchants as a private watchman.

The league passed a resolution supporting the city council in its efforts to investigate the California Oregon Power company with the view to bring the matter of franchise privileges to the front. Part of the resolution was as follows:

"The league further wishes to draw your attention to the 1931 Oregon laws, and suggest that after you determine whether this corporation has a franchise or not, proceed against them as prescribed by law. Should it be found this corporation has no franchise, pass a levy on it as prescribed by law and collect it; should it be found that they have a franchise, why did they say they did not have one when the shipping people asked for water service? Why did the state public service commission say that they could not force such service when the corporation had no franchise? The league goes on record as wanting the facts in the matter held up before public opinion and looks to your body for the facts, hoping that our city may collect money or service, or lower rates for this franchise privilege."

The franchisees of the California Oregon Power company, it was learned from Judge Fouch, were obtained through purchase from grants for a 50-year period issued to original companies in 1900, 1907 and 1917. Under these franchises the power company pays nothing to the city.

The general opinion of the members of the league was that the city should be entitled to some return for the franchises. Questionnaires will be sent to various departments in the county court house, and the justice of peace, the district attorney and the county sheriff, and others will be invited to discuss their expenditures before the league.

The league will meet again next Wednesday at the court house, and on Tuesday night it will conduct meetings at Merrill and Mallin.

## MOTT FILES SUIT

The Prudential Savings and Loan association and James W. Mott, corporation commissioner of the state of Oregon, filed a mortgage foreclosure suit in the amount of \$1,267.47 in circuit court Wednesday against Gordon Dixon, Irma Dixon, J. L. Sparreton, A. H. West, Lorenz company and J. M. Gray. J. H. Kelley is attorney for Mott.

## Painful Piles

Go Quick, No Cutting, No Salves It takes only one bottle of Dr. J. S. Leonard's prescription—HEM-ROID—to end itching, bleeding, protruding piles. This internal remedy acts quickly even in old, stubborn cases. HEM-ROID succeeds because it heals and restores the affected parts and removes blood congestion in the lower bowel—the cause of piles. Only an internal medicine can do this, that's why salves and cutting fail. Underwood Pharmacy says HEM-ROID Tablets must end your Pile misery or money back—Adv.

## Editorials on News

(Continued From Page One)

Southern Oregon is water in the growing season, and the beaver's chief business in life is building dams up in the high country to store water in the wet season when there is water to store. And he doesn't ask any wages; all he wants is to be allowed to work undisturbed.

**A LOT of damage to gardens** that is ascribed to beaver is really done by muskrats, which are apt to follow where the beaver have been. Damage to trees can be avoided by wetting a sack with sheep dip and wrapping it around the tree. Beaver won't touch a tree that has been handled that way.

**"CAN beaver be transplanted?"**

"Sure they can, if they are caught in the first place in net traps. When beaver are caught in steel traps, they're apt to gnaw themselves loose, even if they have to gnaw off a leg.

"Frequently enough, they damage their cutting teeth in biting at the steel trap. I've seen beaver that had broken either the upper or lower teeth, thus permitting the opposing tooth to grow abnormally long, because it is the grinding of the teeth against each other that keeps them sharp; and at the same time keeps them worn down to the right length.

"That is why beaver to be transplanted should be caught in net traps."

**YOU ask me if it wouldn't pay** the state to trap beaver and transplant them into the areas in Eastern and Southern Oregon from which they have practically disappeared, and then protect them rigidly afterward.

"It certainly would, in my opinion. Eastern Oregon and Southern Oregon need water in the summer, and the only way to get it is to store, in one way or another, the water that falls in the winter.

"The beaver does that, and he does it for nothing, asking no wages for his work."

**NOT only that, but in many ways** the beaver is a better engineer than some of his human imitators.

"Up on the Tumaio and at Crane Prairie, in the upper Deschutes country, the engineers have built dams, but they keep on leaking in spite of all that has been done. If there were beaver there, they'd find the leaks and fix them.

"I've even seen them build dams in lava and make them hold water."

**HERE in Southern Oregon,** as Mr. Wright says, we need summer water, and plenty of it. The only way to get it is to store what falls in the winter. The beaver will do that for nothing. We ought to give him the chance.

## Sugarman Outlines Plan to Aid Needy

"A new suit for you to help the needy," is the slogan for a relief campaign instituted by K. Sugarman's store.

A substantial credit on any suit or overcoat in the house is given by Sugarman to purchasers bringing in old suits or overcoats at the time of purchase. Boys' suits or overcoats are also acceptable in the exchange.

Old suits and overcoats will then be turned over to the governor's relief committee and distributed to those in need of warm clothing for the winter months.

## Klamath Court Sees Road Work

Members of the Klamath county court were in Chiloquin Tuesday inspecting roads which have been recently oiled and improved, and surveying the road situation which is under the direction of Jack Almeter in that community.

## GRAY HAIR AND DANDRUFF FOR YEARS BANISHED BY NEW TONIC

Prominent Teacher Gets Rid of His Gray Hair and Dandruff by Using Lea's Wonderful Hair Tonic

READ WHAT THIS GENTLEMAN SAYS

"I was troubled with premature gray hair and dandruff. It was turning gray at 19 years of age and quite gray at 35. Dandruff fell so profusely my coat was often littered with it, but nothing I found would stop the dandruff, until I bought Lea's Hair Tonic. This remarkable preparation easily kept my hair its youthful color and the dandruff entirely disappeared. I'm convinced Lea's Hair Tonic will do all the company says it will," writes Professor A. H. Bailey, teacher in High School at Mountain Grove, Mo.

Thousands of professional men, lawyers, preachers and business getters look years younger than their real age, and have a far better appearance since using Lea's. Just a few drops rubbed with finger tips into the scalp at night for

a short while does the work so natural-like and pleasing, one can defy even an expert to detect its use. Gray Hair or Dandruff are a detriment socially, or in business. Many not gray but troubled with Dandruff, use Lea's. It does not effect hair of natural color. Mothers often use it on the children's heads. Beauty shops often use Lea's but it may easily be applied at home by anyone. Obtain a bottle of drugist, or send dollar bill, check or stamps for bottle prepaid to your door. Results must please you in six weeks or money back. Lea Tonic Co., Brentwood, Md.

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# DEMOCRATS URGE CANAL ENCLOSURE

The Klamath County Democratic central committee held its first meeting of the pre-election season in the Oregon Bank building Wednesday night.

Chairman A. F. Graham presided and Harry D. Bolvin was elected permanent secretary. A committee consisting of Bolvin, N. H. Cantor and George Grizzle was appointed and instructed to draft a resolution urging the covering of the government canal within the city limits of Klamath Falls. The women's club will be invited to cooperate with the Democrats in this movement.

The extension of payments of water taxes and of payments under the federal farm loan was also referred to the resolutions committee. The organization will send copies of these resolutions to Oregon's representatives in congress and endeavor to secure the necessary relief.

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## Southern Pacific Offers Low Rates

Authorized for both the Christmas and New Year periods, cent-a-mile offerings of transportation will be made by Southern Pacific company for the benefit of holiday travelers throughout Oregon and other parts of the west, according to announcements yesterday by L. L. Graham, district freight and passenger agent for the company here.

At the same time, Graham revealed, the company has completed arrangements whereby the special low fare excursion tickets may be given this year as a new kind of Christmas present.

Prepaid tickets, purchased under the plan, will be delivered to all places on the railroad's Pacific lines, extending from Portland to El Paso and from San Francisco to Orem, Salt Lake City, included, he said.

The first series of excursions, Graham announced, will be conducted December 22, 23, 24 and 25, to be followed by another December 30 and 31. Return limit for both excursions will be January 5.

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# XMAS EVENT COMMITTEES ARE CHOSEN

Students in charge of each home room at Klamath Union high school have been selected by the H-Y club to supervise the collection of clothing and food to be given out at the Christmas tree celebration on the lawn of the high school.

The students selected with the room in which they are in charge are: Margaret Goldsmith 1, Alvina Huff 2, Beth Cummings 5, Mary Ann Botens 6, Jack McGeoghegan 8, Ruby Potts 9, Jack Harbour 10, Maria Gaskins 11, Bill Bartlett 12, Irene McLaughlin 14, Clyde Williams 16, Maxine Stamper 17, Lewis Clark 26, Margaret Glymmer 19, Jimmy Barnes 18, Herman Bremer 20, Ray Whitlatch 21, Bob Richards 22, Merrill Shepard 23, Dean French 25, Robert Linn 29, and Bill Stamper 24.

# Christmas Seal Sales Under Way

It has been two weeks since the annual Christmas seal sale opened, and returns are coming in fairly satisfactory, according to the reports Wednesday from the Klamath County Health association. Those who received their first stamps by mail are urged to enclose their check in the self-addressed envelope and return it.

Seals will be sold at the Cunningham Book and Stationery store and at Shaw's Stationery store, and school children who are eager to commence selling the seals will start Friday.

Next week booths will be installed in several of the stores for the convenience of those mailing packages from the business district, it was announced.

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INCLUDING OUR ENTIRE PRESENT STOCK. ALL SHARPLY REDUCED TO EFFECT IMMEDIATE CLEARANCE

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BUY ON OUR LAY-AWAY PLAN! A coat would make an excellent Christmas Gift. Pay a small deposit down now and we'll hold the coat until Christmas.

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# GAS RATES REDUCED

## From 2% to 28% Effective Dec. 13

### Your Greatest Lifetime Convenience —EASY GAS COOKING NOW EASIER THAN EVER TO ENJOY!

We give you a real holiday greeting! Depending upon the quantity of Natural Gas you use, our new rates make Fast Gas Cooking from 2% to 28% more economical than ever!

By this substantial rate reduction, we thank you for your quick appreciation of Natural Gas. And now clean, safe Gas—that actually saves an hour a day in the kitchen—is so easy for every one to enjoy. No cash down for fast, sparkling Gas Ranges—no payments until next year—and your new gas rate saves you money—month after month.

Please phone our office for full information on gas savings—and for a gas demonstration in your home today.

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