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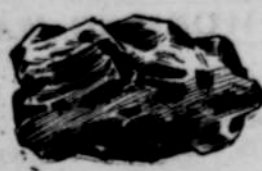
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What the Editors Say

Geo. Chamberlain will be elected to stay at home this fall if he is not defeated in the primaries. Whered Vane Geo. has seen his day in politics and is going to be retired in favor of a man who will put politics on a business basis.—Observer.

There seems to be a concerted effort to elect dairymen to the legislature to put oleomargarine fully and finally on the shelf. It is mighty easy to get into class legislation. Why should a poor man be forced to buy butter at a high price when oleo suits him quite as well at a much less price? Is this country always going to legislate for class interests, or will it reach a time when the good of the people as a whole will have consideration.—Telephone Register.

It is sad to see religionists disagree. Down at Roseburg an alleged divine healer had a debate Saturday night with an alleged evangelist as to whether or not God still performed defeted in the primaries. Weather did and the evangelist insisted that there had been no miracles since the time of Christ and but for one period before. Neither speaker could have been worth a whoop for the local paper describing the bout says that half the audience left the meeting place before the end of the first round. If alleged authorities are unable to agree on matters of religion it is not reasonable to expect the average layman to do so.—Gazette Times.

The fellow with a sweet tooth who is now being soaked for sugar might keep in mind that the national administration turned down the plan of purchasing the Cuban sugar crop of last year, a method which kept sugar down during the war, and argued that it would be an injustice to southern planters and manufacturers—and by the way, this administration has been very careful as to how things effected southern interests. Now it is asserted these same southerners bought the Cuban crop at the price the government could have secured it and after securing control of all sugar in sight have the world by the tail and are fixing sugar prices on a basis of "all the traffic will bear."—Independent.

Many schools are now undertaking to prepare young men for "business administration." No doubt young men entering business need a broader training, and many college graduates have not done enough work along business lines. At the same time, too many young men are fitting themselves for office positions, and too few are trying to obtain skill at the ordinary mechanical tasks in factories. Only a very small part of those who enter offices will ever become factory managers. Most of the others will have to content themselves with very ordinary clerical positions that any routine worker can fill. The "white collar" job is too popular. There should be a lot of men who are more anxious to learn the rudiments and fundamentals of business, and less who study how to add up figures and post books. The ambitious fellow is more likely to advance from the bench than from the office.—Roseburg News Reporter.

It is announced that Secretary Baker is unable to figure out his income tax and that the nearest he can get to it is approximately \$480 of being correct. Why not abolish this complex system and adopt one whose cardinal principle is common sense. It costs the government a million dollars to collect the tax it gets under the present system and costs the people of the United States every cent collected and more in increased prices of commodities. The only reason for the present tax is that the politicians in both parties want to be able to say that they are making the rich pay the tax and placing the burden upon those most able to bear it. There was never a bigger lie in politics. The tax is merely passed on to the ultimate consumer through manufacturers, wholesalers, jobbers and retailers till by the time it reaches the consumer has been multiplied several times. The consumer would be much better off, and so would the government, if he were permitted to pay the tax direct.—Gazette Times.

Financial Madness.

From the New York Sun Herald. Lord Rothermere warns his countrymen that Great Britain, like the rest of Europe, is afflicted with financial dementia. So is this country. It is financial madness for the United States government to be spending money—spending it seventeen months after the war—at the rate of more than seven billions of dollars a year. It is financial madness for the United States government to be piling up a deficit at the rate of between three and four billions of dollars a year. It is financial madness for the United States government, when it is pouring three-quarters of a billion of dollars into railroad losses, nearly half a billion of dollars into shipping board expenditures, and two thirds of a billion of dollars into interest on the public debt, to propose to pile on top of such prodigious outlays and deficits billions more of indiscriminate drains of the national treasure.

It is financial madness for America industries, when they are facing interminable taxes of stupendous volume, when man will not work and capital will not flow, to be borrowing billions of dollars to put into new construction, extensions and improvements at prohibitive costs of interest, prohibitive costs of materials, prohibitive costs of labor. It is financial madness for the American people, when they are fac-

ing like taxes, facing inordinate living costs, facing a desperate struggle to make both ends meet, to be spending money like men delirious on all sorts of nonessentials, pleasure, indulgence and follies.

When the only way to decrease prices of commodities is to increase production and the only way to have money enough to do the nation's legitimate work is to stop prodigal waste it is financial madness and is economic madness for hundreds of thousands of workers to be incessantly off their jobs on strike but for all the public to go on spending none the less wildly.

The United States Government must check its mad spending and pay up its billions of L. O. U.'s. the American people must cut off every penny of waste that can be trimmed from their careless, reckless spendings and get down to hard work. If the United States government and the American people both together don't slap on the brakes, then, with all the riches nature has bestowed upon this country, with all the opulence there is for its sons to gain by energy, industry and thrift, we shall go careening through financial squander and economic profligacy into disaster as terrific and lasting as fell upon Europe through war's carnage and destruction.

NEHALEM NOTES

Miss Ora Dunn of Tillamook paid a short visit with U. D. Steele and family last week.

Miss Anah Steele, Oscar Steele and Jim Walker spent Saturday and Sunday in Tillamook.

Clyde and Ivan Witcher motored to Tillamook on business last week.

Mr. H. J. Hickerson has resigned his place as minister of the Nehalem and Wheeler Methodist churches. A new minister will be gotten as soon as possible.

Mrs. Bud York is telephone operator this week while Mrs. Ida Eggleston is chief post-mistress.

R. B. Stastny, was in town last week from Salem, adjusting and repairing some adding machines for his company, The Burroughs Adding Machine Co.

Mr. and Mrs. William Gage visited relatives in Sheridan over Saturday and Sunday.

H. S. Brimhall, principle of the Public school had business at the county seat last Saturday.

Floyd Reddaway, while playing at the beach one evening last week, had the misfortune to get a severely sprained ankle by a log rolling over his foot. He will be in bed several days.

Ray Thompson, accompanied by his little daughter, Ada May and his father-in-law, H. E. Howard visited Mrs. Thompson who is taking medical treatment in Salem.

Mrs. Harry Bell was called to Portland last week to be in attendance when Mr. Bell's arm, which was broken some time ago, was being reset.

Postmaster Walter Mead, accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Josie Mead and Mrs. Ruby Brooten, left Monday morning in his auto for Boardman, Oregon, where Walter is installing a telephone system.

Alfred Anderson is carrying the mail this week while Mrs. Brooten is away on a short vacation.

HON. W. B. DENNIS of Carlton, Yamhill County, present representative in the lower house of the legislature, and the chairman of the Roads and Highways committee during the last two sessions, is a candidate for Joint Senator from Washington, Tillamook, Lincoln and Yamhill counties.

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