

### West's Statement Declared Wrong

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The writer's attention has been attracted to a statement by Oswald West, former governor of Oregon, in the Oregon Daily Journal of July 10th, regarding his views on Florida's tax situation.

It is true that the people in Florida, by a majority, voted to ratify the proposed constitutional amendment prohibiting levy of state income or inheritance taxes, at the general election held last November. However the real estate "boomers" had nothing to do with the matter as the great advance in real estate values has developed since the amendment was ratified, largely because business men throughout the nation recognized the opportunity to make investments where the state would not take a part of their income every year and then soak them a large tax levy in death taxes.

The following facts ought to satisfy the seekers of information: As a result of developments which have been made in Florida during the last few months, the total of assessed valuation in property has increased about \$50,000,000 and as a result Governor Martin announced this week that the state levy for the coming year will be reduced one-quarter of a mill on the dollar, or in other words, from ten and one-half mills down to ten and one-quarter mills.

Under our present laws Florida can levy not to exceed five mills on value of intangibles for taxation purposes, but that levy must be made by the state legislature. During the recent session a number of bills proposing a small levy on intangibles were presented but none of them got beyond the committees, the legislators were so well satisfied with present conditions.

Our people know that money is almost as fluid as water and if an attempt should be made to tax money it would quickly flow out of the state and be lost to our large development program which in the final analysis will return a much larger income on developed properties.

The deposits in Florida banks increased about forty-four percent in the period from January 1, 1925 to April 18, 1925, or an average of approximately \$2,000,000 increase for each banking day.

We in Florida are perfectly willing that Oregon should increase or maintain the present schedule of inheritance taxes and pile on any other taxes the politicians think they need with which to operate the state for it will mean so many more families of means migrating from Oregon to Florida to help us in the development of our state.

A. A. COULT.

#### A TIP

The Editor has little help to offer in the big Contest the Eagle is conducting, as the Campaign Manager is in charge. We have no favorites, hence our little tips are for each and all.

A citizens' committee are the judges. You ladies, a few being mentioned to us this week, who are after the automobile, big diamond or other prizes, have the entire county and state or United States to work on. In this county are many little towns, mills and camps—be sure you put lots of time on them, as they will prove as important to you as Vernonia.

It's a county paper and the cities over the Columbia should be canvassed thoroughly. The star mail routes should be covered thoroughly; the towns of Timber, Scofield, Mist, Berkenfield, Terhorne and a dozen camps. Even Portland, Forest Grove, Astoria, St. Helens, Clatskanie, Rainier. It's up to you and some people you will meet may subscribe for several copies to be sent to many different people. We wish all could win. Ask us any questions.

#### CHILD DIES

As we go to press we learn that the one year old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Overton died early Thursday morning in a Portland hospital, with whooping cough. The remains were brought home to Vernonia, and the funeral will be held this Friday afternoon.

#### GOOD NEWS

We just received word that our big mill goes back to a 6-day a week service, beginning tomorrow. They have been running five days a week

### Picked Up About Town

Mr. Kullander tells us that the diamond ring bought at his store for second prize in The Eagle contest, is certainly a perfect ring selling for \$175 and no less. It is a hand pierced 18k white gold, latest mounting with a perfect blue white diamond, absolutely guaranteed. See it at the jewelry store.

Mr. and Mrs. Asplund and Mr. and Mrs. Gilchrist spent last Sunday at the Gilchrist summer home across the Columbia.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Smith picniced Sunday on the Nehalem.

Messrs. Petersen, Kullander and Robinson were in southern Oregon the first of the week.

Mrs. McBarron is visiting in Wisconsin, leaving McBarron to do his own cooking and look after the home.

The band is practicing regular, and has made fine progress with their playing. Their Saturday night concerts are appreciated. Mr. McBarron is now the leader of the band and no one doubts the success of the organization.

Mrs. Barnes accidentally sprained her ankle at their home last Tuesday, keeping her in for a few days. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. McGee and baby were in Portland this week.

Mrs. C. W. Shipley was a Banks visitor this week.

Mr. Asplund and Mr. Brown were in Portland this week. Mr. Brown was shown the mysteries of the Eagle lodge while there.

Miss Atwood of Calgary, Alberta, and Miss I. K. Strong of Red Deer, Alberta, are guests of Miss Strong's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Strong Millview.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Du Perrier, Miss Wood and Mr. Carr of Calgary, Alberta, Mr. and Mrs. E. Du Perrin, Mr. and Mrs. Graves of Portland, were visitors at Mr. and Mrs. Strong Millview last week-end.

Mr. K. A. McNeil was in Portland on business the first of the week.

Mrs. J. T. Kirk of Heppner is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Bush. Mrs. Bush will take her mother and sister as far back as The Dalles and meet her father who will return with her for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Bryan of the Hutton Store have returned from Seattle where they took in the Knights Templar convention and witnessed that wonderful production "The Wayfarer."

Mr. and Mrs. Seseman of Portland, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Seseman, visited here the latter part of last week.

Mr. Francis Moore is here on a furlough to visit his sister, Mrs. Myrtle Daust. Mr. Moore is in the Marines.

We wish to correct the name of the little Daust boy. It was Master Raymond Daust that met with the accident. His head was badly hurt, the ear drums being ruptured and the collar bone fractured. The little fellow still suffers a great deal of pain.

A fire beyond Pittsburg, back of the Pringle place called the attention of a bunch of fire fighters Wednesday. It was reported today that it is under control.

W. M. Bastie of Pocatello, Idaho, visited friends here last week.

The Webster family has rented their home and moved to Portland.

J. W. Howell made a business trip to Portland last week.

W. M. Tipton and family have been visiting in Longview the past week.

Levi Jones and family have moved here from Longview.

A dinner was given at the home of Mrs. B. J. Clines, Sunday, by her children in honor of her fortieth birthday. Mrs. Clines received some useful presents.

Mr. Phelps will be laid up for probably ten days with a bad leg. While working this week at the logging operations he was struck by a big root and bruised and sprained his leg.

The W. B. A. ladies gave a woe-licious roast Wednesday evening. Mrs. Myrtle Daust was hostess for the party. Those present were: Mrs. Varner, Mrs. Billings, Mr. and Mrs. Megoff, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hankel, Mr. Blevins, Miss Aletha Hankel, Mr. and Mrs. Scott, Miss Irene Scott, Dan and Claude Scott, Mrs. Ingerman, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ellis, Mrs. Dollie Anderson, Mrs. Mable Ellinger, Mr. Daust, Mr. Tisdale, Miss Helen Imbeck, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Dunnehan, Mrs. Roberts, Miss Rustle, Mrs. Alta John, Mr. Francis Moore, Mrs. Imbeck, Clarence Dunnehan, Geneva Dunnehan, Leroy and Stanley Adams, Miss Moore, Miss Bertie Lester. Everyone reported a fine time. The refreshments were excellent.

### Exploitation Of Oregon's Resources

MOTOR COMPANY TO DEVOTE TIME AND MONEY TO PUT OREGON'S RESOURCES BEFORE PUBLIC'S EYE.

In direct keeping with its policy to deliver the greatest service possible in the development and exploitation of Oregon's natural resources that are of interest to the motoring public, the Oregon State Motor Association has but recently taken a step that is of vital importance to not alone the motorists, but to every man, woman and child interested in the growth and development of Oregon. By the creation of an educational and publicity department in its organization, this progressive association has made an exceedingly creditable expansion.

Through this department, magazine and newspaper articles will be sent out giving advice and information of value to the motoring public. Motion pictures will be made of the scenic and recreational value of Oregon's outdoors, as they appeal to the tourist. These films will be available for the use of community, civic sportsman's, or any other clubs or organizations that will spread the gospel of Oregon's outdoors where it will be of benefit to the tourist or the prospective motorist.

These pictures will be made and circulated by Otto M. Jones, former educational director of the State Game Commission, who during his incumbency in office with the Game Commission, made and put into circulation more than 24,000 feet of motion pictures that were a great feature with the clubs and organizations, of not only Oregon, but of neighboring states and states of the Atlantic coast.

Through this department, an affiliation will be maintained with the sportsmen of the state who are vitally interested in the fishing and hunting of Oregon and the outdoor recreational advantages in general. Through the sportsman's organizations an unlimited amount of benefit may be derived in the broadcast to the world, Oregon's wonderful offerings in fish and game and outdoor recreational advantages. This department, like the entire Motor Association will develop in direct ratio to the support given it by those who are interested, not alone in their personal welfare when on the highways of the state, but in the development of the state as a whole as a tourist's haven and a great outdoor playground.

There is no denying the fact that the club is entitled to unlimited support in such worthy endeavors to serve the public and to build up Oregon. Club exists entirely upon its membership, and like all clubs or organizations, is no stronger than its membership will make it.

This new expansion and service is in direct keeping with the club's policy of being "the only organization in the state that directly concerns itself with protecting and guarding the interests of the individual car owner."

#### GARDEN PARTY

Mrs. E. S. Cleveland has given over her beautiful home and grounds on Rose avenue to the Library association next Friday, August 14, where a Garden Party will be held for the benefit of the Public Library Fund.

A wonderful program will be arranged, including Oriental tea, cards, music, games and fortune telling. The hours will be from two to six. A cordial invitation is extended to all of the ladies of Vernonia and vicinity. As Mrs. Cleveland's home is quite spacious and her grounds so large and beautiful, the library association is expecting the Garden Party to be a huge success socially and also financially.

#### CLARK REPORTS DEALS

J. W. Clark reports the following deal the past week: Sold two lots to Carl and J. A. Davis, on North Rose avenue. They are building a cottage thereon.

August first leased Mrs. Webster's rooming house on First avenue to Mrs. G. W. Suiter and Mrs. J. E. Roberts, recently of Oklahoma.

On August fourth sold lot in Park Addition to J. S. Culbertson who will build on it soon.

#### BANKERS HERE

The Bankers Association of Columbia County will meet in Vernonia Tuesday evening.

Try Lincoln's home made ice cream and candies.

### MIST ITEMS

Some of those going up to Vernonia to see "Light of the Western Stars" from the village were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Keaton, Alberta De Rode, Mrs. Ernest Lane, Mr. and Mrs. A. Douliny and family and Mrs. Wm. Bridgers and Oscar Jones and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sundland were business visitors in Portland the first of the week.

Wm. Bridgers is spending the week in Portland.

P. De Rocis returned to his home in Portland, Friday.

Mist and vicinity were well represented at Clatskanie Saturday. All the grangers going out for Pomona Grange.

Most of the ranchers are cutting their grain now.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Parkerson from The Burn are spending a week or ten days in eastern Oregon.

L. P. Mathews was a Portland visitor Monday.

Mr. Emboden purchased an Oldsmobile from the Mist garage last week.

C. Kauppi purchased a new Ford last week.

Miss Helen Hill from Portland is a guest of Mrs. Lydia Burer at present.

Mrs. Walter Wagner drove to Oregon City last week, taking her son, Jewell that far where he will continue on to Chico, Cal., to attend high school this coming year.

Irving Knowles and family dined with the A. R. Mills family Sunday. Joe Checkmonck drove to Portland Saturday, bringing home his little girl. She is much improved and able to leave the hospital and return home, we are very glad to hear.

Forrest Hill is cooking for Cecil Lane for a while.

Oscar Jones is having a new foundation put under his residence in the village.

Rymal Johnson was a Vernonia pleasure seeker Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lindley and baby are visiting at Leavenworth in eastern Washington.

### OREGON COWBOYS TAKE PART IN CHICAGO RODEO

To capture for Oregon championship honors in the greatest of all western sports, more than a score of cowboys and cowgirls from this state will descend on Chicago August 15 to 23, for the Round-Up and World's Championship Rodeo. The rodeo, which will be held in the Grant Park stadium, is under the auspices of the Chicago Association of Commerce with "Tex" Austin; foremost of cowboy contest directors, in charge of the various events.

Mike Hastings of Pendleton, world's championship steer wrestler in 1921, and holder of the world's record for throwing a steer in seven seconds flat, is among those from Oregon who have signified their intention of taking part in the Chicago Rodeo. Others from Oregon who have taken notable part in previous world championship rodeo contests, and who are expected to attend the Chicago contest are: Fox Hastings, Loretta Butler and Opal Wood, all of Pendleton, and Everett Riggs of Lake View.

The Oregon group is anticipating no "soft business" at the Chicago rodeo, however, for there they are to meet a hundred or more cowboys and cowgirls from other western and southwestern states bent on the same mission as themselves. From the "brush" of the southwest to the ranges of Canada the challenge has gone out to the buckaroos and these together with the cowgirls and steer bulldoggers will there renew old rivalries and perhaps write new records into the classic of the cattle country. Winners in the Chicago rodeo will share in \$30,000 in cash prizes, the largest sum offered anywhere this year, as well as in the world championship belts and trophies.

Always buy home made ice cream and candies at Lincoln's.

Mr. Phelps who has been working for McGee and Marsh got his leg badly crushed between a root and log Tuesday forenoon. At last reports Mr. Phelps was getting along nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Shaffer of Portland visited Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Folger Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Diersch and baby of Forest Grove were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Folger Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Close have a new Essex car.

Mrs. Hughes and Mrs. C. Alexander were Portland visitors Thursday.

Mrs. Dr. Cole returned from her trip to California Wednesday.

### Ty Cobb Still Sparkles



Tyrus Raymond Cobb, veteran player and manager of the Detroit Tigers, still continues to put up a sparkling game in the field, on the bases and at bat.

### FAITH AND FAILURE

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I DON'T remember much about chemistry. I had it in my junior year in college, met with a good many disasters of glassware and chemicals, and passed the course after the ordinary amount of mental struggle. A few formulae linger in my memory, but these are not connected with any scientific interest which I might have but rather with undergraduate escapades made vivid and exciting because of the introduction of chemical accessories.

I do, however, remember my professor of chemistry and the fact that he was a man of faith. He believed absolutely in the principles which he tried five times a week to elucidate to us. Crucibles and test tubes filled with liquids that should have mingled with the utmost friendliness might be blown into splinters in unexpected explosions, salts might fail to crystallize and regular phenomena refuse to occur; his faith was unshaken; failure did not undermine its foundations.

"The experiment has failed," he used to say, "but the principle remains the same."

In the old Sunday-school library which I patronized when I was a small boy there were many stories of virtuous, honest youths, which I read with eagerness and interest. And never was faith followed by failure. Always virtue had its reward; always the experiment was successful; always the good little boy got the gold watch or the Shetland pony or the beautiful New Testament with his name on the cover. In real life it is not always so. Sometimes virtue must be its own reward; sometimes faith must, for a time at least, face a bitter defeat.

I was talking recently to a friend of mine who has helped as many young people in financial trouble as anyone else I know. I know that many of these have imposed on him, have ignored their obligations, and have broken faith with him sadly.

"I should think you would never trust anyone again," I said to him, referring to an especially annoying experience with ingratitude which he had recently gone through.

"Failure is simply a means of strengthening one's faith," he replied. "I believe in human nature. I want to help young men. I'm not going to lose faith in the world even if a score of men are dishonest with me. The majority can be depended on."

Job was a thoroughly good fellow. His neighbors would have said so; his family would have confirmed the opinion. He had performed his duty as far as he understood it, to God and to man. He had gone even farther than mere duty, and, according to human standards, he was entitled to some consideration by his Creator. He seemed to get little, but he kept his faith even though he failed.

#### Profanity

"Profanity," says J. Ogden Armour, "is used by poor talkers to fill in blanks in their conversation when their brains are missing fire. By the aid of profanity, a man with a one-candle power brain can talk steadily for a long time."

Dr. and Mrs. Hurlay visited the doctor's parents at Brush Prairie, Sunday, and also called on Mr. Childs, Mr. Hughes and Mr. Merton who are convalescent in the Portland hospitals.

### STRAIGHT WITH AUNT EMMY

ON A NARROW ESCAPE

"Oh, Aunt, I just have to talk to you," said Maud, bursting in on Aunt Emmy. "Those bonds Tom's father gave us for a wedding present have matured and Tom has the money. A man is trying to get Tom to invest in a radio company. I want your opinion on it."

"Don't hurry; tell me everything you can remember," said Aunt Emmy.

"Well, Tom didn't seem enthusiastic. Then Mr. Brown, the sales man, said that if he bought stock in the company, and wanted his money at any time, the company would buy back his stock."

"Are you sure he said that?" interrupted Aunt Emmy. "That is a claim that is not made by people connected with dependable investment houses. Unless you have an agreement with the company clearly stating that it will repurchase its stock, signed by one of its officers, you would have great difficulty in getting the company to buy back your stock. A company cannot be compelled to repurchase its own stock. Do you know who Mr. Brown is?"

"No," replied Maud. "Neither does Tom, but he seems awfully nice and Tom liked him right from the start. He is good looking, well dressed, and has beautiful manners."

Aunt Emmy sniffed. "Did he offer to sell you preferred stock on which dividends are guaranteed?"

"Why, how did you know, Aunt?" exclaimed Maud. "That is exactly what he did."

"I thought so," said Aunt Emmy. "Reliable stock salesmen don't promise that a company will repurchase its stock, nor do they promise guaranteed dividends. Unless a company operates profitably, it cannot pay honest dividends of any sort, guaranteed or otherwise. You can see how foolish it is to believe that you can get dividends just because some one says they are guaranteed. The only guarantee in the world for dividends is the successful operation of a company. Guaranteed dividends is a glib phrase used by unscrupulous persons to get money from unthinking ones. A white back the country was flooded with fake oil stock. Now dishonest promoters are trying radio stock."

"What shall I do?" cried Maud. "Tom is with Mr. Brown now at the store to buy the stock with the bond money."

"You just go to the phone and call Tom," said Aunt Emmy. "Ask him and Mr. Brown to meet you at the bank at ten o'clock. Tell him not to buy the stock until you talk with him again. Half the money is yours. Then call the bank and make an appointment with the vice president to discuss an investment."

About noon Aunt Emmy's telephone rang. It was Maud. "The queerest thing happened, Aunt," she said. "Mr. Brown agreed to meet us at the bank at ten o'clock. Tom and I waited until eleven and he never showed up. Then Tom told the vice president about it and he said we had a lucky escape. Only last week the bank looked up the company Mr. Brown represented and it is absolutely no good!"—A. B. Aymes.

### TO MAKE FARMING YIELD BETTER RETURNS

The outstanding possibilities of cooperative marketing are more largely along the lines of standardizing and improving production, eliminating excess varieties, standardizing and improving grade and pack, stabilizing production, regulating flow to market, improving distribution as between markets, developing new markets, collective bargaining, betterment of financing, correcting trade abuses, and representing producers before legislative and administrative bodies, says H. E. Erdman, associate professor in California College of Agriculture. All of these should, of course, result in higher net returns, he says, adding:

"If I were to list the limitations I should put them about as follows:

"1. Co-operation cannot fix prices that are out of line with supply and demand conditions.

"2. Co-operation cannot eliminate the middleman. It can, and does, of course, establish the farmers' own agencies to take the places of private agencies and often puts one cooperative agency where several dealers formerly operated.

"3. Co-operation cannot reduce costs greatly except in so far as an increase in scale of operations makes for lower costs. Some of the gains of large scale operation, however, are dissipated because of tendencies toward extravagance.

"4. Co-operatives will not run alone. Constant attention is required on the part of the membership because 'what is everybody's business is nobody's business.'

"5. Co-operation does not permit the farmer to hold his products for a higher price without also compelling him to assume the risks of getting a lower price.

"6. The outsider often gets as much of the benefit of cooperative marketing as does the member, and in some cases gets more because he does not have to bear his share of certain development expenses.

"7. A decided handicap to co-operation is a decided handicap to co-operation.



Even the cheap type of magazines often have good fiction—if you don't believe it, read the advertisements.

#### Father Sage Says