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THE TAX REVISION ISSUE

Fight Started to Do Away With All Direct State Taxes on Property

The Woodburn Farmers' and Shippers' congress inaugurated a reform that has long been needed in Oregon—establishing indirect taxation.

For the past ten years by the recklessness of the legislature there has been a constant increase in the state tax levy.

BILLS TO TAX GROSS EARNINGS OF CORPORATIONS OTHERWISE UNTAXED HAVE ALL BEEN KILLED AND THEN GREATER SUMS TAKEN OUT OF PROPERTY.

Now the McMinnville and Woodburn Farmers' and Shippers' congresses have taken the bull by the horns.

Indirect taxation shall take the place of direct levies on the property of the people.

TAX REVISION LEAGUES ARE TO BE FORMED TO INITIATE THIS BILL AND THE FIRST STEP WILL BE TAKEN AT SALEM THIS WEEK TO PUSH THIS REFORM.

It will be a waste of time for the people to wait until the official class bring about these reforms so often promised. The people must act.

The Oregonian correspondent at Woodburn had the following summary:

The climax of the convention came at the evening session, when the committee on tax revision, appointed at the McMinnville convention of November 11, made its report. This committee stated that it had compiled all the tax laws and regulations for 49 years back and from the mass had evolved a new law to be given to the people at the June election for their sanction. It was contended by the committee that a complete revision of the Oregon tax law was necessary before all property would bear its equal and just burden, and all the people of the state would share equally in the expenses of the state government.

According to the new law which has been drafted and is now being printed for distribution, the \$1 county poll tax will be transferred to the road fund and collected as the road poll tax is now collected.

The penalty on delinquent taxes will be reduced from 10 to 5 per cent and the rate of interest from 12 to 10 per cent. The 3-cent rebate on taxes is to be abolished.

The amount of state tax paid by each

county will be based on current expenses.

The assessment roll shall be published before being acted upon by the county board of equalization.

Taxes on gross premiums of insurance companies have been raised from 2 to 5 per cent.

A 1 per cent tax will be levied on the gross earnings of express, telegraph and telephone companies.

The state shall be represented at the appraisal of all estates over \$10,000.

Heirs will pay 1 per cent of the amount inherited. Heirs of the second degree of consanguinity pay 2 per cent, and all others 3 per cent, and for sums over \$10,000 and up to \$100,000 a graduate up to 10 per cent will be levied.

The governor, secretary of state and state treasurer will be created a state executive council for the determining of all railroad values, based on reports of earnings and all other information available.

Sleeping cars, dining cars, oil and tank cars not owned by railroad companies will also be taxed.

The bill, it is estimated, will produce an increase from insurance tax of \$30,000, railroad assessment \$40,000, cars \$10,000, inheritance tax \$100,000, publicity tax rolls \$25,000, gross earnings



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The committee suggests the creation of a tax revision league to circulate

the petitions for the enactment of the law.

Let the people of every neighborhood take up this battle to save the farms and the homes and the merchant's stock of goods from higher taxes.

THE STATE, IN ORDER TO DEVELOP, MUST HAVE LOWER TAXES AND THIS IS THE WAY TO GET IT.

Tax revision leagues to initiate this bill can be formed by three citizens anywhere, and petitions and copies of the bill will be sent them.

Then it is simply a question of getting names to the petitions and filing the petitions through one central organization.

The people must form these organizations and get up these petitions and do this work if they want relief.

This bill will meet with some opposition from interests that have heretofore escaped taxation.

The bill was drawn up by a committee of substantial business men, FOR THE DIRECT PURPOSE OF WIPING OUT THE PRESENT SYSTEM OF HIGH STATE TAXES.

Study the provisions of the bill, which will soon be printed in pamphlet form, and will be ready for distribution.

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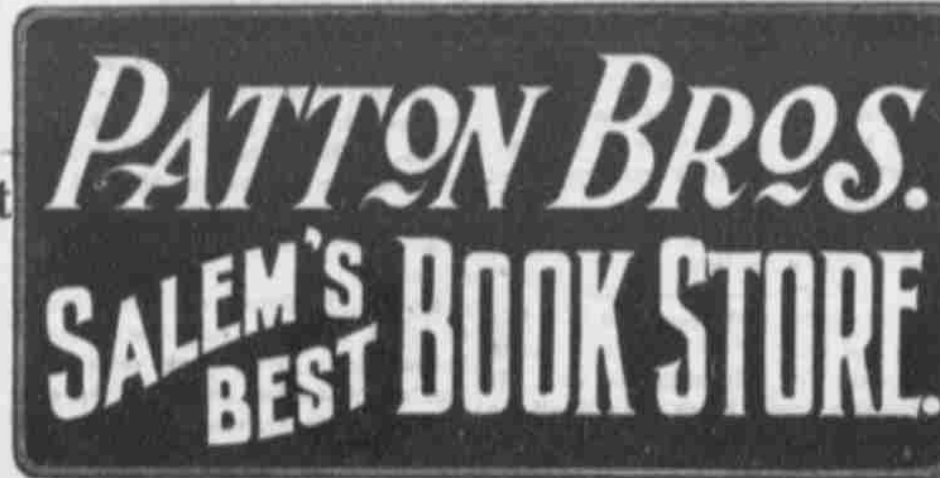
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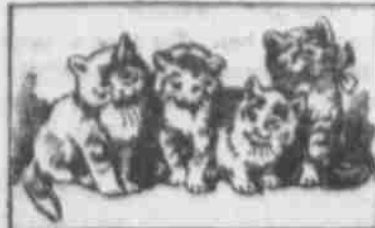
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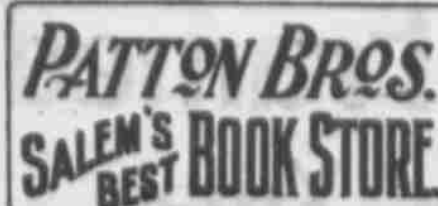
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