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STATEMENT NUMBER ONE

Opponents of Statement No. 1 Say "Something Might Happen" Even Where the Statement Blinds Over Half of the Legislature—Possible for Two or Three Irresponsible Men, Not Bound By It, to Sell the Senatorship.

The Labor Press of Portland reviews the political possibilities which might come to pass under Statement No. 1 in the election of a United States senator, as follows:

While the opponents of Statement No. 1 of the primary law are raising objections to it on the ground always of what "might happen," why don't they object to the sale of firearms, balloon ascensions, railway travel, deep swimming pools, and everything else that has in it the element of "what might happen."

Now it "might happen" that the people of this state would elect to the legislature 46 Republicans and 44 Democrats, and at the same time select an independent for United States senator by 90,000 majority.

Then if one of the 90 legislators was pledged to Statement No. 1 what "might happen?" It is up to the reader to answer. You know what would happen. The senatorship would be sold at Salem; probably to a Republican; possibly to a Democrat. You would then have this demonstration: Forty-six irresponsible public servants—agents of 90,000 electors—setting aside the expressed will of the entire body of the state's electorate. What for?

To comply with the provisions of the federal constitution? Technically, yes. But in truth for what? This is not a far fetched case. It has in effect already happened in Oregon's political history.

Let us put the "what might happen" phase of the case in another way. Supposing the next legislature shall be composed of 46 Republicans and 44 members of variegated political hues, and the people in June elect by 40,000 majority a Republican who has been duly nominated at the primary election, but who is not personally acceptable to the Republican members of the legislature who proceed to elect an in-

dependent to the United States senator?

In such a case of "might happen" the will of the party and the will of the people would be violated by 46 men setting their own judgment against that of some 65,000 voters of the state.

The whole point of objection to Statement No. 1 of the primary elections law is a covert assumption that 46 members of the legislature, or any other majority of that body either within or without party lines, should exercise a veto power over the expressed will of the people of the state—in effect, that these 46 creatures are independent of and superior to their creator.

Is the Moon Inhabited?

Science has proven that the moon has an atmosphere, which makes life in some form possible on that satellite; but not for human beings who have a hard enough time on this earth of ours; especially those who don't know that Electric Bitters cure headache, biliousness, malaria, chills and fever, jaundice, dyspepsia, dizziness, torpid liver, kidney complaints, general debility and female weakness. Unequaled as a general tonic and appetizer for weak persons, especially for the aged. It induces sound sleep. Fully guaranteed by J. C. Perry, Druggist. Price only 50c.

Cannery About Completed.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Salem Mutual Cannery, held Saturday, the following named officers were elected: Geo. W. Weeks, president; Noah Welch, vice president; C. A. H. Fisher, treasurer; S. P. Kimball, secretary and manager. L. K. Page, Noah Welch and Geo. W. Weeks, executive committee. The board consists of the following named members: Geo. W. Weeks, Noah Welch, C. A. H. Fisher, S. P. Kimball, L. K. Page, Wm. Zosel, H. W. Savage, T. J. Clark and E. Hofer.

The management is now prepared to announce that the concern will be ready for the strawberry crop, that they have ordered the machinery, and that the concern will be in full operation for the season's business. The building is nearing completion. It will be 60x180 feet in size, and is especially well adapted for the purpose for which it is being built. The fruit growers of the surrounding country are to be congratulated upon the progress they have made.

Somewhat Exaggerated.

A falsehood in the form of a dispatch from Baker City has been published in the leading papers of Oregon and Idaho to the effect that hay in Vale and vicinity advanced from \$30 to \$50 a ton during the recent cold snap. Whoever heard of hay being worth \$20 a ton. The truth is hay advanced from \$8 to about \$10 a ton, and very little sold at that high figure. It was also reported that much damage to stock was done, which is also false. The stock men say that very little damage of stock was done.—Nehalem Gazette.

Do Not Fall

To hear Rev. Howard Anna Shaw, one of the most brilliant speakers on the American platform at the First M. E. church, Friday, April 6th. Admission free; 7:30 p. m. Collection. 4-3-4t

A FAR SIGHTED MAN

Knowing of the mischievous things which are liable to block his pathway, early begins to prepare for them.

Against the afflictions of poverty you often find him buttressed with a well filled bank account. Many such accounts are on our books.

Salem State Bank

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TUTTLE ROAD LAW

Shown to Be Very Defective by the State Grange Bulletin.

This bill may be briefly stated to be an act to lay out and improve country roads, by macadamizing or otherwise, by special assessments upon the adjacent land owners. The body of the act gives the county court power to contribute an amount, not exceeding half the cost of the road, from the county treasury. No such power is set forth in the title of the act, and this special provision of the law is probably void on that account.

The county court acquires jurisdiction to proceed, under this act, on presentation of a petition, signed by a majority of the resident land owners within two miles on either side of and one mile beyond the terminus of the road.

It is thus possible that the majority of these signers will represent but a small portion of the assessed cost of the road. Non resident land owners have neither the right to petition nor to object. The petition may be dismissed if resident land owners representing two thirds of the assessed cost file a remonstrance.

Now here comes a peculiar provision! If any one—banker, or other capitalist, with money waiting for a safe investment in non taxable bonds—comes forward with a donation of money, the county judge has the power, if "in his opinion" the amount of his donation equalizes the expenses and benefits, to overrule all objections as to the expense of the undertaking.

This act gives the county judge very arbitrary power all through, and arouses a suspicion in the mind of the farmer, whose lands are assessed, that the act is more solicitous for the safety of the man who shall buy the bonds than for his own.

Upon remonstrance to the county judge that the aggregate expense of a proposed road improvement will exceed the benefits, his decision is final. From this cause of objection there is no right of appeal. Appeal is given upon some minor objections but it is burdened with a condition hitherto unknown in this state.

That is that if an appellant fails to reduce his assessment or increase his damage 20 per cent, he must pay costs. Even if he does bring himself within the statutory requirement and recover costs, the court turns round and assesses the costs he recovers upon the lands assessed for benefits, his own among the number! Like the darkey's trap, this provision affords a striking illustration of "estebin" "em a-comin" and a-gwine."

As soon as the contract for road work is let, the county treasurer shall issue county certificates non-taxable and bearing six per cent interest, which the county court may at once put upon the market. Thus the interest begins, before a stroke of work is done! These bonds are transferable, and are a lien upon the land, payable at any time, but drawn to run ten years, payable in ten annual installments. If any one installment becomes delinquent, the whole amount is then due and may be collected. This is similar to the high handed and often ruinous method of improving city streets by taxing the adjoining property. We believe the principle is wrong which would build public highways by special taxation upon private property. The foundation of the right of the county court to construct a road is that the road is for public benefit. The court has no right to build a road for private benefit. If any private benefit incidentally causes the assessor is the man to tax it up to its valuation, upon which the owner must pay additional tax; and so he pays and continues to pay for the special benefit received.

The power to tax in any other manner for special benefits, however, it may be in practice in other states, seems specifically prohibited in this state.

Oregon constitution (article 4, section 23, Against Special Legislation) declares "The legislature shall not pass special or local laws in any of the following enumerated cases—subdivision 7, "For laying out, opening and working highways and for election or appointment of road supervisors;" subdivision 10, "For the assessment and collection of taxes for state, county, township or road purposes."

Now this Tuttle act presents a clear case of special taxation for road purposes. Is not this a rock upon which the whole act must founder?

Likewise the constitution of Oregon makes no provision for issuing non-taxable bonds such as this act would burden us with.

It declares (section 1, article 9) that all property must be listed for taxation excepting such only for municipal, educational, literary, scientific, religious or charitable purposes as may be specially exempted by law. The Grangers have always upheld out constitution and they supported the late Governor Penoyer in 1889 when he vetoed the Portland water bill and its non-taxable bonds.

It is true that several farmers, both in the Grange and outside of it, voted for this Tuttle act in the last legislature. They had not time to examine its provisions and they believed it just and constitutional because a conference of county judges had endorsed it. The county judges wish to make a record for low taxes and economy and they also wish to point with pride to long lines of good roads built during their terms of office, hence this hasty endorsement of this act. This law is under test now, and in some places the county court has offered \$500 to \$1000 a mile aid, from the county treasury, for local improvement.

I never knew our bankers to exhibit such a lively interest in road improvement before. They express themselves as ready to buy up the county non-taxable six per cent certificate as soon as issued.

One pioneer citizen of Marion county was asked what he would do, if he owned a quarter section on either side of a road to be improved under this act. "Why," he replied, "I would give one piece to the county court and try to save the other."

Suppose a man owns a farm, adjoining a road to be so improved, which he rents. He will be taxed his share without a word to say, because he is a non-resident. If this road improvement benefits his land as the law declares it will, the assessor comes along and raises his valuation and he is thus taxed again. Then if this man lives in a city within a mile of the road terminus he will be taxed on his house and lot. If the city concludes to aid this road by levying a five mill tax, he must pay again. And when the county court gives \$1000 a mile, to the work from the county funds, he is again paying his proportion and he may thus count up five special road taxes besides his regular annual allotment.

Dr. Tuttle, who is the author of this bill, has been an honored citizen and practicing physician of Astoria for over 20 years. We are not advised that he owns farms or lands which may be assessed for road purposes under his act. Nor thus it seem that Clatsop county was urging the enactment of such a measure, since it has, as yet, made no use of it. Nor have the farmers anywhere in the state asked for such a law.

In whatever way you look at this act, it fits a despotism better than a free state. It makes a few pay for what others are to use and enjoy, and the best thing one can say of it is that it might have been worse!

\$100 Reward, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dread disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its own work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

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Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

The Passion Play.

Owing to some trouble with the electric lights last night, the Passion Play moving pictures, which were to have been presented at St. Joseph's church, could not be shown. Arrangements have been made for carrying out the program tonight and tomorrow night. It is perhaps one of the strangest and weirdest representations ever put upon the stage, or endeavored to be represented by any actors. The Passion Play, as produced at Oberammergau, has become world famous, and the moving pictures give one a realistic idea of its grandeur. Tonight and tomorrow night at St. Joseph's church.

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An Interesting Anniversary.

Queenstown, April 3.—Although no special celebration was held, it was recalled at the chamber of commerce and among the veterans of the shipping district that 68 years ago today, on April 3, 1838, the Sirius, the first steam ship that made the western trip across the Atlantic, sailed from here for New York, which trip it completed in 18 days. On June 16, 1897, the Sirius was lost off the south coast of Ireland. In May of last year the wreck was raised, and now most of the metal

has been made over into steam fittings and taps. Her crank shaft, which was of solid brass, has been sawed into small disks, which have been suitably engraved and distributed as souvenirs.

Cures Coughs and Colds.

Mrs. C. Peterson, 25 Lake st., Topeka, Kas., says "Of all cough remedies Ballard's Horehound Syrup is my favorite; it has done and will do all that is claimed for it—to speedily cure all coughs and colds—and it is so sweet and pleasant to the taste. Sold by J. Fry.

"Around The Camp Fire."

An unique entertainment to be given in the gym. by the Y. M. C. A. Boys' Club.

Friday, April 6th, 8 P. M.

GRAND PARADE AT 7:30 P. M.

SOME OF THE GOOD THINGS:

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RAISING THE FLAG
BOYS' BAND—25 INSTRUMENTS
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ELECTRIC FENCING BOUT.

Tickets for sale by all the club members or at the Y. M. C. A.

Prices—Girls under 13, 10c; others, 15c.

Kids under 13, 10c.

Numbered reserved chairs, 5c extra.

Sharples Tubular Cream Separators, Cut in Price.

The following letter from the Northwest distributors of the Sharples separators is self-explanatory. We have already announced the big cut several times, all needless to say it is bearing fruit. There will be more separators sold this season than ever in the history of the business.

If you haven't yet been interested now is a good time to investigate. Free literature for the asking. Following is the letter.

THE CHAS. H. LILLY CO.

General Agents for the Sharples Tubular Cream Separators.

PORTLAND, Ore., March 20, 1906

Mr. F. A. Wiggins, Salem, Ore.:

Dear Sir: We are in receipt of notification from the Sharples Separator Co. that they have put into effect an all-round reduction in price of every size of Tubular Dairy Separators.

This has been done to meet the cut made by competitors who have been forced into a position wherein their sales had so fallen off that they were unable to furnish their factories with sufficient work to keep them going in a satisfactory manner. One of the best known makes started a cut, but speedily followed by the third largest factory The Tubular was the last to follow suit, although being the real cause of the cut. In other words the wonderful popularity of the Tubular had reaped for it such an immense harvest of sales, that other makers, becoming alarmed at the big falling off of sales, had recourse to the cutting of prices. For actual capacity the Tubular will be found far lower in price than any other make, viz:

No. 1—Tubular (hand power) Capacity 200 lbs		4.00
No. 2—Tubular (hand power) Capacity 300 lbs		5.00
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No. 4—Tubular (hand power) Capacity 500 lbs		7.00
No. 6—Tubular (hand power) Capacity 700 lbs		10.00
No. 9—Tubular (hand power) Capacity 1000 lbs		13.00

These prices will doubly increase the Tubular sales, as no one now can afford to order any other make. In order to provide for this increased business we have doubled our usual factory orders, and you had better place your order at once to insure prompt shipment. Yours truly,

THE CHAS. H. LILLY CO.

We sell separators on easy monthly payments, so you can pay as you go your cream checks. Call and see the machines.

F. A. Wiggins

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