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### WAR TAXES TO BE PEACE KIND

The protected interests are going to try to make capital out of what they call the inadequate Underwood tariff law. It is common among the newspapers controlled by these special interests to speak of the "war taxes," which the administration has had to levy to make up for deficiencies in the revenues. By war taxes they mean such sources of taxes as are not or have not heretofore generally been levied in time of peace. That this has been done is true, and that more and more of the revenues of the government will hereafter be collected from these sources is also true.

Heretofore, the tariff was depended upon largely to meet the government expenses. It is the easiest tax collected, because it is an invisible tax. The person paying it is not aware that he is paying a tax, to the government, when he buys a foreign made article; and what is also pleasing to the American manufacturer, the consumer is not aware he is paying a tax to that gentleman when he buys the made-in-America article. However he is awaking to this fact and also to the fact that the tariff tax is the most unjust tax levied, for the simple reason that it is a per capita tax, or in a large measure such.

The man with a family when he purchased his sugar supplies paid a larger portion of the tax on sugar than did the late Hetty Green with her hundred million dollars. It was the same with all the other necessities of life. It is a tax that permits the shifting of the cost of government in a larger proportion than is just upon those least able to bear it. For that reason it will never again be used as about the principal source from which the revenues of the country will be raised.

The Voter suggests that we "should abolish the alphabet." By this it means the system of placing names on the ballots in the order of the initial letters of the candidates names be done away with. It points out that names beginning with the earlier letters get the largest votes, while those whose names begin with a letter toward the tail of the alphabet are handicapped. It seems a trifling matter but the statement is true. The primary ballots show this in a marked degree. It might be well, as the Voter suggests, to abolish the alphabet, and it might be still better to abolish the primary system unless it can be doctored into more workable shape than it is at present. Another thing this brings to the surface is the intelligence shown by a large fraction of the voters. They vote the first names they come to on the ticket. This is about as intelligent an exercise of the franchise as the electing of an unknown person from Chicago as candidate for vice president just because he paid the state the sum of \$150 for the privilege of nominating himself for that position.

A sufficient number of names having been secured the bill making it unlawful to import spirituous or malt liquors into the state will go on the ballot to be voted on next November. At the same time another bill will, if the names are secured, which it is claimed is assured, also be placed on the ballot making it lawful to manufacture 4 per cent beer in the state and sell the same under the same restrictions as now apply to the purchase of foreign beer. The fight will from all indications be a warm one. There were thousands of votes cast for the constitutional amendment prohibiting the manufacture of liquors in the state that will not vote for absolute prohibition. Whether this element is strong enough to prevent the new proposed law becoming effective can only be told for a certainty after election day. It is however extremely doubtful if the proposed law can carry.

Nearly every day the dispatches mention the fact that there is a rigid censorship established over the movement of troops on the Mexican border and in these same dispatches, telling about it will be a long story about where the different states' militia are stationed, when they will arrive, and over what road. If Europe maintained this kind of censorship we would know more of the details of the war there.

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J. N. Teal charges that the Great Northern and Northern Pacific railroads encouraged Spokane and other inland cities to reopen the famous Spokane race case which resulted in the coast cities getting a hard jolt at the hands of the interstate commerce commission recently. The roads named deny this. The matter can be easily settled and the truth arrived at. If the roads would be benefitted by backing Spokane and encouraging her to make the effort to have the case reopened, it is a safe bet they did. If that act would not help them financially, the evidence is pretty conclusive that Mr. Teal is mistaken. A railroad's conscience begins in its pocket and ends in its purse. That conscience is what governs its actions and all of them.

Attention is called to the fact that Hetty Green increased the fortune of \$10,000,000 left her, to \$100,000,000. This is pointed to as a wonderful achievement. Was it? \$10,000,000 placed at interest at 6 per cent, and compounded, would have doubled itself in twelve years, that is it would have been \$20,000,000. This in twelve years more would have been \$40,000,000, in 36 years it would amount to \$80,000,000, in 48 years to \$160,000,000, and in the 55 years she managed her nest egg it placed at interest as stated it would have amounted to more than \$200,000,000. As she only succeeded in making it reach half this amount was she, after all, much of a financier. Given a start and time, wealth comes in spite of one, if it is only let alone.

With six hundred acres planted to flax, and the most favorable growing conditions Oregon's flax experiment should be pretty well tried out this season. Last year there were several mistakes made, that will, in the light of experience gained, be avoided this year. As a result of this the showing in the way of fiber for the season's crop should be good, and demonstrate that the Willamette valley is to be the flax center of the United States. It means so much to the whole valley that every phase of the work will be watched with intense interest by all.

The allies are still making gains on all fronts, but outside of the Russian drive they are of comparatively small areas. That now in progress on the Belgian-French front, it is claimed, recovered some fifty miles of territory held by the Germans within the 72 hours following the beginning of the combined assault. It is quite probable the advance, if any along this front, will be much slower in the future.

At Baker City Sunday while the minister of the Methodist church was in the midst of his sermon on "Our Country," a flash of lightning came in at one window and passed out of an opposite one. Baker City lightning evidently patterns its church attendance after that of the old miners of that region.

The Cherry Fair is over and the Fourth of July, the nation's birthday, has been properly celebrated. Now we can all get back to our usual avocations and begin to get ready for the vacation which is due, and which comes about this time of the year whether we need it or not.

Carranza, according to the text of his reply to Secretary Lansing's note, published in the Capital Journal today, has decided not to drive the American soldiers out of Mexico. Somebody must have given the old man a straight tip which he has very sensibly acted upon.

Forty per cent of the water power of the United States is on the Pacific coast and fully one half of this is in Oregon. Some day if it is not frittered away it will be the state's greatest asset.

Those enthusiasts who ascend Mt. Hood and think they have had a hard climb should trade notes with the ball teams who are tail enders.

One feature of the trouble with Mexico is a pleasant one in army circles, and that is that it caused numerous promotions.

**Rippling Rhymes**  
Walt Mason

**THE SUMMER COLD**

In winter, when you catch a cold, it seems the sane and proper thing; with hosts of coughers you're enrolled, and you can dance and smile and sing. The man who isn't barking then, who doesn't sneeze and wheeze and yip, can't hope to class with other men who revel in the joys of grip. But when you have a summer cold, and cough a streak the long day through, you suffer agonies untold, and there's no sympathy for you. You sit and suffer in your flat, and feel like some back number dame, who wears around a last year's hat, and therefore can't get in the game. And e'en the druggist who'll dispense his cures, and collar your doubloon, will hint that there is little sense in having colds along in June. The doctor, who in winter days, would soothe you with a kindly smile, remarks he's tired of healing jays who have diseases out of style. The man who has a summer cold no comfort finds beneath the sky; if for a nickel he were sold, he'd think the price was rather high.



### STATE NEWS

**Klamath Falls Herald:** Klamath's rainbow trout sensation gained materially yesterday. Honorable Roy W. Witner, Marshal Spell and Roy Bachman all of Pendleton, and Round-up boosters, had received a tip on Four Mile Lake. They left Klamath Falls with Henry Stout, yesterday morning and returned the same day with the limit of the finest trout that have ever been caught in a country where fine fish are the rule. A number of camera men collected at the White Pelican this morning to get snap shots at the catch. It took three men to hold up the trout while he pictures were being taken. Every member of the party said he would gladly take a pack on his back and walk to Four Mile lake from Klamath Falls for one hour's fishing.

**Hatney County News:** How would you like to grow up in the interior and never have an opportunity of riding on a railroad train, or seeing one? Such was the experience of our postmistress, Miss Mamie Winters. She left Burns last Monday, and for the first time in her life saw a real train of cars at Riverside. Of course Miss Winters knew all about them, not as familiar with their ways as any of us, but had never had the chance to take a big trip away from home. She had planned several trips, but something always happened to keep her at her work and last Monday was the first time she had a chance to leave her duties and go away on a vacation.

**Silver Lake Leader:** Opening of the Klamath Indian reservation is regarded as an important move for the development of central Oregon. Resolutions of the Prineville Commercial club declare that "the conditions of the Indians will be improved and their interests conserved by the sale of a large portion of the land now within said Indian reservation; and that we urge our representatives in congress to secure the passage of such legislation as will secure the prompt opening of said reservation to settlement and development."

**La Pine Inter-Mountain:** Work on the Newberry Crater road via the Ullman and Erb ranches is progressing rapidly this week, the crew now being located about 10 miles east of La Pine. The worst grade on the entire route will not exceed six per cent, with an average grade of much less than that. The route selected is thought a wonderful volcanic region as it nears the Paulinas, in one stretch the highway passing over acres and acres of an extraordinary lava flow, the surface of which is hard and smooth and will make an excellent auto road.

**Bend Bulletin:** After more than 14 years of continuous work in development and experimentation by E. L. Young, of Paisley, the soda ash deposit at Alkali lake, now under the control of the American Soda Products company, of San Francisco, of which John D. Spreckles is the principal promoter, will be opened for shipments this summer to Portland and San Francisco markets. The shipments to Portland will be via Bend and the shipments to San Francisco will be made via Lakeview, distributed equally.

**Crook County Journal:** Over a half million dollars is represented in a deal registered at the court house, which conveys to the Shevlin-Hixson interests 25,000 acres of timber land south of Bend, from the Mueller Timber company, of Davenport, Iowa. The government stamps on the deed amount to \$540, thus placing the consideration probably at \$540,000.

### ASK YOUR NEIGHBORS

It used to be the custom—and may be now on remote farms—for the housewife to use her own knowledge, good sense and judgment in dealing with sickness in the family before sending for the doctor, unless in serious emergencies. After that, when there was no immediate danger she would talk with her neighbors, women who had had experience with sickness. Any woman who suffers from ailments peculiar to her sex will do well to ask her neighbors. She should easily find one who has used Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Just ask her about it!

**ONE OF HETTY'S HEIRS**  
Portland, Or., July 5.—Miss Mary Howland, a Portland nurse today claims to be a beneficiary of the will of the late Hetty Green. Her father she says, was a cousin of Hetty Green's mother, both being descendants of Gideon Howland.

### If You Suffer from Backache, Lumbago, Kidneys or Rheumatism Take Hot Water and "ANURIC"

American men and women must guard constantly against kidney trouble, because we eat too much and all our food is rich. Our blood is filled with uric acid which the kidneys strive to filter out, they weaken from overwork, become sluggish; the eliminative tissues clog and the result is kidney trouble, bladder weakness and a general decline in health. When your kidneys feel like lumps of lead, when your back hurts or the urine is cloudy, full of sediment, or you are obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night, when you suffer with sick headache or dizzy, nervous spells, acid stomach, or you have rheumatism when the weather is bad, get from your druggist—"Anuric." Because of uric acid in over-abundance in the system, backache, pains here and there, rheumatism, gout, gravel, neuralgia and sciatica result. It was Dr. Pierce who discovered a new agent, called "Anuric" which will throw out and eradicate this uric acid from the system. Dr. Pierce believes "Anuric" to be 37 times more potent than lithia, and consequently you need no longer fear muscular or articular rheumatism or gout, or many other diseases which are dependent on an accumulation of uric acid within the body. Send Dr. Pierce, Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y., 10c, for trial package or \$1.00 for full treatment "Anuric." Dr. Pierce's reputation is back of this medicine and you know that his "Pleasant Pellets" for the liver and his "Favorite Prescription" for the ills of women have had a splendid reputation for the past 50 years.

### Steel Business Breaks All Records

New York, July 4.—Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the United States Steel corporation, in a statement issued here yesterday, asserted that the steel business of the United States for domestic use and for export is better than ever in its history. Production is larger, profits are greater and workmen are receiving higher wages, Mr. Gary added.

Unfilled orders of subsidy companies of the corporation, he said, amount to nearly 10,000,000 tons. The corporation is producing at the rate of 51,000 or 52,000 tons a day.

Discussing labor conditions, Mr. Gary said: "There is little, if any, real ground for complaint on the part of employers or employees."

"To employers of labor," declared Mr. Gary, "I would say: Treat your men right; treat them justly and liberally. To employees I would say: Loyal, efficient service is sure to be rewarded. Do not permit outsiders to influence you to act contrary to your own interests. To both employer and employee I would emphasize the fact that each must rely upon the other for success; neither is independent of the other; they must succeed or fail together."

### STUDENTS WIN HONORS

Stella Friar and William Beck of the Perrydale high school have been successful in winning the graduation diplomas in penmanship from the A. N. Palmer company of Cedar Rapids, Iowa. These students are among the first in Polk county to win the coveted prize. Among the students to win the improvement certificate in penmanship are Enis Stone, Althea Bissell, Bert Lee, Kenneth Conner and Albert Burelback.—Dallas Observer.

### Clears Away Pimples

There is one remedy that seldom fails to clear away all pimples, black heads and skin eruptions and that makes the skin soft, clear and healthy. Any druggist can supply you with zemo, which generally overcomes all skin diseases. Acne, eczema, itch, pimples, rashes, black heads in most cases give way to zemo. Frequently, minor blemishes disappear overnight. Itching usually stops instantly. Zemo is safe, clean, easy to use and dependable. It costs only 25c; an extra large bottle, \$1.00. It will not stain, is not greasy or sticky and is positively safe for tender, sensitive skins. Zemo, Cleveland.

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