

BUDGET YEAR ENDS; THREE BIG CHANGES

Financial Report of Last 12 Months Will be Published Here Later

CITY HOSPITAL TO BE CLOSED TODAY

Health Inspector Discontinued—Municipal Band to Conclude its Activities at Tuesday Evening Program.

The city budget year will come to a close this evening, and beginning tomorrow morning, the municipal affairs will be conducted under the 1932 budget, approved by the commissioners about the middle of the month.

Until November salaries and bills are paid, it will be impossible to give an account of the finances of the city for the past 12 months.

With the beginning of the new budget year, three important changes go into effect.

First of these is the withholding of city appropriations from the municipal band, which will result, it is said, in the banding of the organization following a concert to be held here tomorrow evening.

Second of the changes is the closing up of the city hospital on Adams avenue. City Manager Angus McAllister this morning stated that the hospital would be closed today, although it would be kept in such condition that it could be re-opened in 24 hours or less in the event of an emergency. During the last year only five cases were handled at the city hospital. In the event of a re-opening it will be in charge of the same woman as at present, Mr. McAllister said.

Abolish Office

The third change is the abolishing of the office of city health inspector, the position held by Fred Huffman. Mr. Huffman, however, will continue to work for the city, taking a vacancy in the police department resulting from the reinstatement of Austin Arnett on the railroad.

The inspector work formerly handled by Mr. Huffman will be attended to by Mr. McAllister and the police force, and will not be discontinued.

FIREMEN ARE FIXING TOYS; MORE NEEDED

Firemen at the city fire department are about out of toys.

Each year they gather in old toys and repair them and then during Christmas week distribute them to needy children.

For the last two weeks they have been busy fixing up toys, but the supply has just about run out, and unless more are donated, there won't be so many toys for the youngsters. Santa Claus sometimes is unable to visit.

Any kind of toys will be welcomed—mechanical, wooden, dolls, etc. The station is open from 7 a. m. until about 9 o'clock.

HOMER L. LOVE DEAD TODAY OF PNEUMONIA

Homer Lewis Love, a resident of La Grande since 1921, died at his home at 1213 U. avenue early today. He was stricken with pneumonia Thursday evening. Funeral services will be announced later. The body is at the Snodgrass and Zimmerman mortuary.

Mr. Love, a sheet metal worker for the O-W. company, was born Apr. 4, 1865 and was 66 years, seven months and 26 days of age. He leaves his widow, Mrs. Edith Love, two sons, Homer LaRoy, 8, and Calvin Coolidge, 4, one sister, Mrs. J. H. Day, of La Grande, and one brother, C. A. Love, of Piler, Ida.

PENDLETON WOMAN KILLED BY HIT-AND-RUN DRIVER

PENDLETON, Ore., Nov. 30 (AP)—No trace has been found of the driver of the automobile which killed Mrs. Minnie Longley, 37, Saturday night. Mrs. Longley was almost instantly killed when the car struck her as she was sliding down a hill on a sled. Her skull was fractured, a leg and an arm broken.

WEATHER FORECAST

Oregon: Increasing cloudiness tonight and Tuesday; becoming unsettled Tuesday, probably with rain in northern portion; slightly warmer in north and northwest portion; gentle changeable winds becoming southerly offshore.

WEATHER TODAY

7 a. m.—3 above.
Minimum: 2 above.
Condition: cloudy, foggy.

WEATHER YESTERDAY

Maximum 20, minimum 8 above.
Condition: Cloudy, foggy.
Range—12 degrees.

WEATHER NOV. 30, 1930

Maximum 46, minimum 29 above.
Condition: Clear. Range—17 degrees.

Northwest Cold Wave Continues During Weekend

Baker Mercury Slips Below Zero — La Grande Experiences Fog And Chilly Weather This Morning.

PORTLAND, Nov. 30 (AP)—A definite break in the cold snap was predicted by the weather bureau here today after Portlanders experienced the lowest temperature of the season. The mercury skidded to the 26-degree mark during the night, two degrees lower than Sunday morning's minimum.

The forecast today was for "increasing cloudiness tonight and Tuesday, becoming unsettled tonight, probably with rain; slightly warmer tonight, easterly winds."

Scattered sections of the Pacific northwest were somewhat warmer today, particularly on the coast.

On the other hand Baker reported 2 degrees below zero; Kelima 6 above; Walla Walla 14, Seattle 24, Marshfield 36, Roseburg 30 and Medford 30.

COLDEST HERE SINCE 1930

Setting a new low record for November that dates back more than a score years, the mercury this morning dropped to two above in La Grande, according to the official reading. At 7 o'clock the temperature was one degree higher, but indications were that it would not reach freezing point during today. Sunday's maximum was 20 above and the minimum eight.

Incidentally, the coldest weather in La Grande last winter was five above, so this morning was the coldest since January, 1930.

Valley Foggy
Fog and the frigid temperature during the night resulted in a coating of white on telegraph and telephone wires, trees, buildings, etc. here this morning, a more or less unusual sight in La Grande.

Other Eastern Oregon points were reporting zero and sub-zero temperatures today, leaving La Grande in a somewhat "warmer" position than the others, although unofficial thermometers around the outskirts of the city ranged from a degree or two below zero to five above.

Two below at Baker.

Saturday morning the mercury at Baker dropped to two below zero, compared with 10 above in La Grande. Sunday Baker was four above, compared with eight above here. Pendleton shivered under a temperature

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Postal Receipts Show Increase Over Last Year

Postal receipts in the La Grande post office show an increase of \$501.10 for the first three quarters of 1931 over the receipts of a similar period in 1930, statistics compiled by Postmaster R. R. Huron show. The increase is divided between stamps, stamp stock such as envelopes, and box rents.

Each post office year is divided into three quarters, and while the first two quarters of 1931 showed a slight decrease over the previous year, the third quarter had a large increase. During the first quarter of 1930 the receipts amounted to \$10,423.60; second quarter, \$10,998.25; third quarter, \$9,095.59; with a total of \$31,417.44. In 1931 the first quarter's receipts were \$10,151.13; second quarter, \$10,017.10; and in the third quarter, \$11,750.32; with a total of \$31,918.55.

"The Rivals" To Be Staged Here Friday Evening

"The Rivals," with its satire and subtle sallies of wit, which has caused laughter among theatre-goers for generations, will be produced Friday Dec. 4 by the Eastern Oregon Normal school at the auditorium. Tickets are being sold now and indications point to a full house, the business managers say. Reserve seats will be procurable later in the week.

Members of the cast are showing unusual interest in the production which furnishes numerous opportunities for fine acting, and remained in La Grande during the Thanksgiving holidays to spend Friday and

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Lover's Quarrel Ends In Killing

CHICAGO, Nov. 30 (AP)—Ruth Wicklund, 13, was shot and killed today by Henry Rio, her 16-year-old sweetheart, who then wounded himself.

Police said the shooting was the climax of a quarrel.

TAKEN FOR RIDE

CHICAGO, Nov. 30 (AP)—John Alessi, 28, a barber and reputed bootlegger was shot to death early today and his body tossed from an automobile.

Skit From Play Given at Meeting

Several members of the Stock and Buckskin cast which will present "The Rivals" at the E. O. N. auditorium Friday, Dec. 4, presented a skit from the play at today's luncheon of the Lions club.

Other matters of club business occupied the remainder of the time of those in attendance.

CURTIS WILL NOT RUN FOR SENATE POST

If Nominated by Republicans, He Will Again Be Hoover's Running Mate

KANSAS POLITICAL SITUATION CLEARED

With Curtis Out of Race, Way Open for Others to Throw Their Hats Into the Ring For Seat in Senate.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (AP)—Vice President Curtis announced today he would not run for the senate next year, and would accept re-nomination as vice president if tendered the office.

His statement follows: "There has been presented for my decision the question whether I shall be a candidate for United States senator from Kansas in 1932, and if not, whether I shall accept another nomination for vice president in the event of its being tendered to me."

"Many reasons have been assigned by my friends, to support either course I pursue."

"After careful consideration I have decided not to be a candidate for the United States senate from Kansas in 1932; and further, that if the next Republican national convention nominates me for vice president, in 1932, I shall accept it."

The vice president's announcement was accepted by many Republican leaders as assuring him the post. It is regarded as unlikely that any administration Republican would go into contest against him without support of Mr. Hoover. Curtis was a candidate four years ago for the presidency against Mr. Hoover.

Returning early today from Chicago Mr. Curtis made it known that he would issue a statement of his intentions immediately. His brief typed-written announcement was handed to newspapermen at his office.

With Curtis out of the senatorial race, a free for all contest for the Republican nomination in Kansas, in prospect. It is believed here

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SOLO NUMBERS TO BE FEATURE

Band Concert at Tabernacle Tuesday Night—Mrs. Miller and Mr. Knautz to Sing

The music of Richard Wagner, one of the great masters, has rarely been played by the municipal band due to the fact that it is extremely difficult of rendition by an amateur organization, but the band has included in its final concert which will be played Tuesday evening, Dec. 1, at the L. D. S. tabernacle, the "Introduction and Bridal Chorus" from the 3rd act of "Lohengrin." Much rehearsing has been required to perfect this number and the band members are proud to be able to include it on Tuesday's program. Director Andrew Loney reports.

Mrs. Florence Lynch Miller, soprano soloist at this concert has chosen to sing with the band two well-known numbers, "Allah's Holiday," from "Katinka," and "Love Come Back to Me" from the opera "New Moon." Mrs. Miller's voice is particularly pleasing in this type of music and many will be glad that she has selected music of this character. Paul Knautz, prominent baritone, who has appeared with the band on all important occasions will sing "The Holy City." Many requests have come to Director Loney asking that Mr.

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Youths Missing On Uninhabited Island

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 30 (AP)—Fear was expressed today for the safety of Henry R. Dickel and three youths, all of Portland and vicinity, who left Sunday on a duck hunting trip to uninhabited Reed Island in the Columbia river opposite Corbett. The three youths accompanying Dickel were Fred Wilhelm, 18, a Washington High school student, Robert Davis of Linnton, a relative of Wilhelm, and another boy whose name was not learned.

Condition of Navy Generally Good; Plane Building Program Ahead

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (AP)—Secretary Adams directed administration attention anew today to sentiment in the navy for larger appropriations.

At the forefront of his annual report, he told President Hoover the navy has to be kept in tip-top shape—as a deterrent to war itself but adequate for combat if necessary.

"It should be borne in mind," he said, "that many of the most experienced and far-seeing officers feel that amounts reasonably in excess of those being annually appropriated can be used advantageously—in fact are essential to provide adequately for the navy's minimum requirements within treaty limits."

The secretary of the navy declared this situation existed especially because new construction and modernization "have averaged only \$43,572,000" during the last nine fiscal years. This falls far short of providing for

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Here's Champion Who Keeps Crown Without Trouble

By R. H. Hippelheuser
CHICAGO, Nov. 30 (AP)—Herman Trelle has little trouble in retaining his crown.

From his Canadian acres, far up on the arctic watershed, Trelle again brought the supreme sample of wheat to the international live stock show and grain exposition and retained the title of wheat king.

In 1928 and again last year, the grower from Wembley, Alberta, won this title. Today's victory gave him permanent possession of the wheat trophy.

Durum Wins For Trelle
Trelle was victorious this year with an exhibit of durum, the other times with hard red spring wheat. O. Edson Smith, of Corvallis, Mont., winner of the White Spring exhibit, was the reserve wheat champion.

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Trelle was gassed and wounded in the World war.

Elgin Pioneer, Mrs. J. A. Cates, Passes Sunday

Mrs. John A. Cates, pioneer of Elgin, died at Elgin yesterday following a long illness. She was known to her many friends over the valley as "Grandma" Cates.

Funeral services will be held at the Snodgrass and Zimmerman mortuary tomorrow afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. Burial will take place at Union.

Miss Catherine Payton was born in Champaign county, Illinois, on Jan. 2, 1862 and was 69 years, 10 months and 27 days of age at the time of her death, which occurred at the home of her son, Cecil C. Cates, the only living child. One daughter, Genie, died at the age of nine years.

Miss Payton, after coming west, was married to John A. Cates at Union on Sept. 2, 1881, and Mr. and Mrs. Cates lived in Union county the remainder of their lives. Her husband passed away Aug. 13, 1910.

Mrs. Cates leaves, besides her son Cecil, three grandchildren, Eugene, Leonard and Fannie Cates, also a brother, of Urbana, Ohio; and a half sister, Mrs. Harriott, of St. Lande, Florida.

PRESIDENT OF EAGLES WILL SPEAK DEC. 10

D. D. Hall, of Portland, president of the Oregon Eagles, will speak on the subject of employment stabilization Thursday, Dec. 10 at the Eagles hall. Mr. Hall is reputed to be one of Oregon's best orators, and Ray Patton, president of the local aerie, invites all business men in the city to hear the visitor discuss vital issues.

Employment stabilizations will be presented as outlined in a bill before congress, and Mr. Hall will also discuss old-age pensions.

Webster Refuses Frisco Vacancy

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (AP)—Senator Wesley L. Jones said today the president's nomination of Federal Judge Stanley Webster, Spokane, to fill a vacancy in the circuit court of appeals, ninth district, has been revoked at Judge Webster's request.

The president had decided to advance Webster to the San Francisco post but after the latter expressed preference for retaining his district judgeship, the appointment was withdrawn.

The Washington senator did not say who would be appointed to fill the vacancy.

DIES OF HEART ATTACK

GOLDENDALE, Wash., Nov. 30 (AP)—Apparently the victim of a heart attack, the body of Joseph D. Robertson, 52, Klickitat Valley farmer, was found near his home in the Hartland section last night. The body was frozen.

Expenditures in the fiscal year ended last June 30 were given as \$357,806,219. Those estimated to be expended during the present year are \$385,000,000, out of a total of \$489,000,000 available.

Recommend Higher Pay

Mr. Adams repeated his recommendation of last year for higher pay, "if and when the economic conditions warrant," for officers and enlisted men in the higher brackets as an incentive to younger men.

A "drastic cut" in ships to be retained in commission was reported. The enlisted personnel, exclusive of those paid for by the veterans bureau, was reduced from 84,500 to 79,991 at the end of the last fiscal year. He told the president navy withdrawals from the treasury were "materially less" in 1931 than in 1930.

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REPUBLICANS SELECT SNELL AS CANDIDATE

New Yorkers Wins on Seventh Ballot in Close Contest With Tilson.

FINAL VOTE WAS 96 TO 64, REPORT

In Democratic Camp, Crisp, of Georgia, Announces That He Will Not be a Candidate At Next Election.

By Cecil B. Dickson
WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (AP)—In a secret and embattled convulse, the Republican members of the house today nominated Representative Bertrand H. Snell to become speaker.

It took seven ballots before the New Yorker won. He was especially hard pressed at the start by Representative John Q. Tilson, of Connecticut.

The final vote between them was 96 to 64. While this lacked one of a majority, selection of Snell was conceded.

Representative Tilson himself then moved the nomination.

Others Receive Votes
On the last ballot Representative Mapes, of Michigan, received 16; Hoch, of Kansas 11; Laguardia, of New York 2; and four voted present.

Tilson led in the first two ballots, but as state delegations gave up hope for their favorite sons, Snell overcame the lead and advanced steadily.

The present house lineup is 218 Democrats, 214 Republicans, one Farmer-Labor and two vacancies. One of the vacancies, in New Jersey, will be filled tomorrow. The other, in New Hampshire, will not be filled until January.

Representative Garner, of Texas, is assured the speakership if the Democrats organize the house, as is almost certain. Representative Rainey, of Illinois, is ahead in the race for Democratic leader.

Another Problem
The Republicans will have the question whether Snell will lead the administration forces as minority leader in event the Democrats majority organizes the house. Tilson has maintained that since he was named floor leader at the conference last February, he would retain the post.

Snell has been chairman of the house rules committee for the past six years. He will succeed to the position held by the late Speaker Nicholas Longworth, of Ohio.

CRISP NOT A CANDIDATE WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (AP)—Rep-

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U. S. SECRET SERVICE WILL MEET "ARMY"

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (AP)—Unflurried but watchful, the secret service headquarters here today kept tabs on the advancing caravans of "hungry marchers," bound for Washington from points east, north and west.

When they get here, says W. H. Moran, chief of the service, they will be handled "in a manner satisfactory to all concerned."

The secret agents have been gathering data on the leaders of the movement, seeking—and finding, they say—evidence that the communists have an important hand in it.

Just what the reception of the marchers here will be has not been made clear.

Captain Hinkler On Way to Lisbon

PARIS, Nov. 30 (AP)—A Havana agency dispatch from Casablanca, Morocco, said Captain Bert Hinkler, who flew across the Atlantic from Natal, Brazil, last week, landed there today from Cap Juby, and planned to leave today for Lisbon if the weather permits.

From Lisbon Captain Hinkler expects to fly to England.

PEGGY RETURNS HOME

SOUTHAMPTON, England, Nov. 30 (AP)—Peggy Salmon, British debutante, who established a new flight record from London to Cape Town, arrived home today and was given a civic reception.

Boy, 17, Shot To Death by Officer

DENVER, Nov. 30 (AP)—A 17-year-old boy identified as Pasquel Hernandez was shot to death early today by Patrolman V. H. Key.

Key and Patrolman Arthur Shotwell reported the slaying was accidental.

The officers pursued a truck driven by the boy and forced it to stop by shooting at the tires.

Key said that on getting out of the police car he tripped and dropped his shot gun. The weapon was discharged and the shot entered the boy's breast.

Child Murderer
Is Electrocuted

BELLEFONTAINE, Pa., Nov. 30 (AP)—Harry Starchock, 25-year-old father of several children, was electrocuted at Rockview penitentiary today for the murder of six-year-old Betty Mowry.

After criminally attacking the child, Starchock strangled her.

Starchock admitted the murder, but later repudiated the confession.

NEW MINISTER



An American-educated former premier of China, Dr. V. K. Wellington Koo, above, has accepted the important post of minister of foreign affairs in China's Nanking government. He is a graduate of Columbia university and holds an honorary degree of doctor of laws from Yale.

WAREHOUSES IN U. S. RELIEVED

Hoover Receives Cheering Word Sunday From Secretary Lamont

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30 (AP)—President Hoover received the cheering word Sunday that America's bulging warehouses are being relieved of the glut of over-production of manufactures.

This was shown in Secretary Lamont's annual report. Stocks of manufactured goods had dwindled so at the end of the fiscal year that the situation was akin to 1928, giving reason to expect increased business.

As to raw materials, however, the secretary of commerce was unable to say the same. Surpluses in general were undiminished.

Mr. Hoover heard again that his moratorium proposal of last June "had a salutary effect on business sentiment in this country and abroad, which was promptly reflected in an upturn in commodity and security values."

Measure Industrial Activity
To measure industrial activity in this country, the commerce department chief selected the federal reserve boards' index of production, which averaged 20 per cent less last fiscal year than in the one before, and 25 per cent below the unprecedented volume of 1928-29.

But despite the abnormal business situation, Mr. Lamont emphasized, industrial production for the year ended June 30 was of greater volume than in 1929 and 1930, and 31 per cent more than in the depression year 1921.

During the past fiscal year the department of commerce index of domestic raw material stocks averaged 74 per cent larger than in the preceding year, while the index for June 1931 was 17 per cent above that of the same month of 1930.

"The situation with respect to stocks of manufactured goods is much more satisfactory," the report said. "After rising above pre-depression levels during the fiscal year 1929-30, the index has since turned downward and at the end of the past fiscal year was about 9 per cent below the preceding year, and at the same level as in June 1928."

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ALBANY, ORE. SADDLE FIRM SUFFERS LOSS

ALBANY, Ore., Nov. 30 (AP)—Loss estimated by the owners at \$150,000 was caused here last night when fire destroyed the Sternberg saddle factory. The flames were beyond control when the blaze was discovered. At Sternberg, principal owner, said the loss was partly covered by insurance. Today he had made no decision as to reconstruction. Destruction of the plant throws fifty men out of work.

Origin of the fire had not been determined today but it was believed to have started near the office and in a section of the plant devoted to manufacture of golf bags. The night watchman was in the boiler room when the fire broke out and was unaware of it until he heard the general fire alarm.



Columbia River Is Power House Of The Future

Army Engineers' Survey Reveals Great Possibilities—Congress to Receive Their Report.

By Leslie J. Smith
(Associated Press Correspondent)
PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 30 (AP)—A development project that ultimately may transform into the power house of the nation that corner of the United States drained by the mighty Columbia river, will in December be given congress for consideration.

Shortly after congress convenes on Dec. 7 the report of the United States army engineers' survey of the Columbia from the standpoint of power, irrigation, navigation and flood control, will be presented.

And it is known that this report will say "the Columbia river offers the greatest opportunities in the United States for development of hydro-electric power."

Some of Report Disclosed
While the engineers' report has not been made public, enough of it has been disclosed to support the statement that, viewed in its entirety, the survey of the Columbia reveals development proposals greater than ever planned for any other river in the world.

In general the engineers have proposed a series of eight dams on the Columbia and have divided their report into two major sections. One is the development of the Columbia above the mouth of the Snake river; the other, development below the mouth of the Snake.

Above the Snake river the Grand Coulee dam is proposed, providing water for irrigation of about 1,500,000 acres. The estimate of cost, including dam, power house and irrigation of the million and a half acres, is \$473,800,000.

Other Dams Proposed
Other dams are proposed at Foster creek, Chelan, Rocky Beach and Priest Rapids in Washington. The development below the mouth of the Snake river is divided into five projects known as series A, B, C, D, and E.

Series A calls for four dams, one at Warrendale to cost \$58,800,000; one at The Dalles to cost \$68,500,000; another at John Day costing \$109,000,000.

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Gandhi To Sail For India; More Jail Is Expected

LONDON, Nov. 30 (AP)—Mahatma Gandhi, despairing of the independence for India he came here to seek at the round table conference, today prepared to sail for home Saturday to wait what he predicted was going to be "H—," and probably more jail for him.

"There is going to be H—," the little man said yesterday as he plodded through slushy streets on his regularly early morning walk at 4 a. m., looking