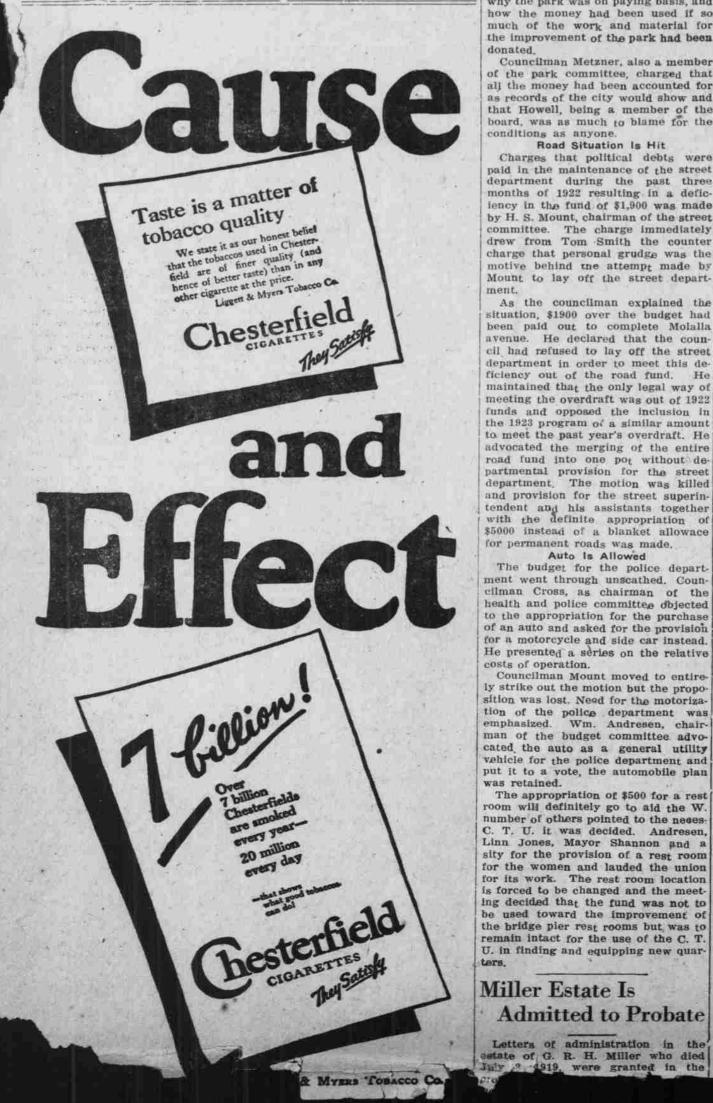
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A cash payment with funds drawn on the special property fund, was made. The question of locating the city hall has been the subject of an intense local fight, including various elections, court proceedings and secret agreements. The entire matter was thrown on the ballot November 7 in an issue to decide whether or not the hall should go on the hill or be-

actual purchase of the property would from the liner which created a trebe met by injunction suit, but if any action is to be taken it will be com- deputies today and threatens to deplicated by the fact that the city now owns the ground. A controversy over the legality of the election has grown up: The city did not file its notices with the county clerk in time to get on the regular county ballot, and as the result printed its own ballots and held the election under the city char- France ter, excluding the state law, Whether it is legal or not attorneys differ upon and a decision by the courts is the only way of determining. Proponents of the hill location threatened to contest the election in the event that friendship. the down town location won and

similar action by the advocates of the interview when Premier Poincare addown town site is considered prob- dresses the chamber of deputies toable. morrow



From Ship by Radio

PARIS, Dec. 14 .- Although former Premier Georges Clemenceau is far creases were made by cutting down away from France, returning home the amount to be paid on the principal are now going after them for addiupon the liner Paris, he made his po- of the fire department bonds from tional money to not only complete litical influence felt by wireless today. \$1500 to \$1000. Under the additional these two units, but to pave the high-Francois Crucy, correspondent of one mill tax voted November 7 an way from the Oregon line to Redding, low the bluff. The hill location won. the Petit Parisien, who is accompany- additional man is to be provided for which will then connect Portland with mendous sensation in the chamber of however, were arranged in the tentastroy party alignments.

The former premier made the following points in his statement: First-Opposed occupation of the

Ruhr by France. Second - Urged ratification of the Washington conference treaty by

Third-Approval of proposal that President Harding should arbitrate Anglo-French differences. Fourth-Warned France to make costly sacrifices to retain American

Political capital will be made of the

Rumors have been current that the ing the "Tiger," sent an interview the department and state accident in- San Francisco by a continuous pavesurance for the men. These things ment. tive draft of the budget submitted to the meeting last evening. Park Fund Is Cut even been graded.

The other exception was the Hawley auto park. The city virtually washed its hands of further financial support of the park which it was pointed out budget, set aside \$1,000,000 for a highshould be self supporting. The appropriation of \$150 was cut to \$75, the

was cut out. A few sparks flew in the first consideration of the park question. Wm. Howell, member of the water board and the park committee, wanted to know where the \$600 voted by the city

conditions as anyone.

ment.

why the park was on paying basis, and how the money had been used if so

Road Situation Is Hit

paid in the maintenance of the street

department during the past three

months of 1922 resulting in a defic-

iency in the fund of \$1,900 was made

by H. S. Mount, chairman of the street

committee. The charge immediately

drew from Tom Smith the counter

charge that personal grudge was the

motive behind the attempt made by

Mount to lay off the street depart-

As the councilman explained the

situation, \$1900 over the budget had

been paid out to complete Molalla

avenue. He declared that the coun-

cil had refused to lay off the street

department in order to meet this de-

ficiency out of the road fund. He:

maintained that the only legal way of

meeting the overdraft was out of 1922

funds and opposed the inclusion in

the 1923 program of a similar amount

to meet the past year's overdraft. He

advocated the merging of the entire

road fund into one pot without de-

partmental provision for the street

department. The motion was killed

and provision for the street superin-

tendent and his assistants together with the definite appropriation of

\$5000 instead of a blanket allowace

Auto is Allowed

ment went through unscathed. Coun-

cilman Cross, as chairman of the

health and police committee dbjected

to the appropriation for the purchase

of an auto and asked for the provision

Councilman Mount moved to entire

ly strike out the motion but the propo

sition was lost. Need for the motoriza-

tion of the police department was

emphasized. Wm. Andresen, chair-

vehicle for the police department and

put it to a vote, the automobile plan

for a motorcycle and side car instead

costs of operation.

was retained.

The budget for the police depart

for permanent roads was made.

Charges that political debts were

has been completed. much of the work and material for the improvement of the park had been

donated. Councilman Metzner, also a member sible to bring about the completion issue has been voted but not sold and of the park committee, charged that of the inland highway and thought it as the tax is gradually being paid all the money had been accounted for possible for you to bring about a di- into the treasury both interest and as records of the city would show and rect appeal from the governor of Ore- principal are accumulating to the that Howell, being a member of the gon and the governor of Washington city's credit. Included in the total

GOVERNMENT SURVEY

OF ASTORIA IS BEGUN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 .- Secretary

of War Weeks today wired war de-

partment officials at Portland to give

tion at Astoria, Or., where many

persons are homeless as a result of

last Saturday's fire. If the report

the county have not been completed 250 feet. More would have been voted unit, however, should have been inby Assessor Wm. Cook, and the asexcept that there were no funds. cluded for paving, but for some reason sessor's office is not yet in a position Provision for insurance on the ap- or other, they have not seen fit to to make an accurate estimate, alparatus was also made. The two in- include the paving of this unit. though it is believed that a slight increase in the local valuation is "We are after them again and we probable which will result in cutting down the millage a trifle.

School Levy Heaviest

"To acomplish this, and assuming that the road is paved from Yreka to Grenada, 109 miles will remain yet unpaved. Ten miles of this has not "Through good authority, we know that the commission in a recent mill increase voted November 7. To take care of the bonded indebt- tives.

way in the Feather River canyon. edness of the county, Oregon City This is not as essential as the compays a seven mill tax to meet interest on the park account. The extra \$75 to put the park in shape next year 000 set aside for this unit is only a new one and a hair mill IWO AMERICANS KILLED 000 set aside for this unit is only a | tax to meet \$30,000 funding bonds addrop in the bucket as there is no ditional. A one mail tax was voted question but that this Feather River with the passage of the \$35,000 bondhighway system would require from ing act to provide for the proposed \$5,000,000 to \$6,000,000 and we feel city hall.

satisfied that Governor Richardson will not permit the expenditure of The total bonded indebtedness of for the park last year had been spent, this money at this time, or at least the city is \$437,000 according to City cember 2. in which two Americans until such a time as the trunk line Recorder C. W. Kelly. This figure "It therefore appeared to us that funding bonds, of which \$70,000 is both Oregon and Washington should current without any tax provision for get busy and use what influence pos- its retirement. The city hall bond

voted this year.

West Linn.

poured out of the car and relieved the group remained at the wheel of the

lieved to have saved many lives.

for windows and doors began.

The heaviest tax in Oregon City ton. Work of extricating the dead is for school purposes, amounting to and injured was begun by Humble scribed as wearing a light overcoat

According to members of the crew For municipal administraton pur- of the switch engine, a watchman took effect.

Total Indebtedness \$437,000

includes a total of \$375,000 general

a levy of two and a half mills voted

voted for the year of 1922 for the

The estimates of the millage are

As soon as the fifty bundles of paper money were placed in the was while one of the bandits, de-

IN ROBBERY IN MEXICO

answer the call to the mint and as-

of a Mexican payroll robbery De for the bandits. A prohibition agent returning from and a Mexican were killed and an- a trip into the country reported shortother American injured, have been ly after noon that as he was driving made public by Clemmons West, into the city a large touring car, anbrother of one of the slain men, at swering the description of the bandit his home in Humble, near here | car, passed him going east at a high

off and flooded the street.

Guard Hits Bandit

The bandit was seen to throw his

rushed down the street. In their

flight the car forced an automobile

driven by A. L. Bethke, assistant city

attorney, into a fire plug to escape

a collision. The fire plug was broken

Officials Begin Search

Chief of Police H. R. Williams ac-

companied the police riot car con-

taining the first squad of police to

Manager of Safety Downer and

the other men in the car as it

hands into the air and was grabbed

West has just returned from Mex- speed. ico, where he was in the employ of Peter Kiedinger, one of the door the Cia Mexicana de Petrolo El guards at the mint said he saw the Aguila, a British subsidiary of the bandit believed to have been wound-

by

approximately 13.4 mills, an increase physicians and citizens before the re and hat, was entering the car that of two mills having been voted over lief train arrived, however, last year. poses Oregon City pays seven mills. named Smith had been left in charge A one mill tax for the library and while they went to a nearby restauthree mills for the fire department, rant for their supper. The first they the latter figure representing a one knew of the engine's "drifting" came

stifling victims. This action is beautomobile. One of the handits is

Panic followed the crash in the ne- believed to have been shot while gro coach. Wild, horrified yells and making an escape. shricks rang out as a mad scramble

A few minutes after the crash, a relief train carrying doctors and nurses bandit car the men entered it and was en route to the scene from Hous- the car headed east at high speed. It

a shot from the gun of a guard on duty on the second floor of the mint,

with the impact of the two locomo-



HOUSTON, Tex., Dec. 14 .- Details sumed active control of the search

Weeks receives warrants, a joint reso- year. The levies are made by the lution providing for the purchase of city in dollars, computed approximate. West left Puerto for the United States one hold-up in the city's police hissupplies, medicines and food, etc., will ly upon the basis of what a millage tax would bring. The exact percentbe rushed through congress as an age of the ratio is decided by the emergency measure. The resolution now drawn provides assessor on the basis of the current \$1,000,000, but this amount will be assessment sheet. changed to conform to the reports from army engineers at the scene of the **Duelists Both Miss**; Major R. Park, army engineer, is at Honor Is Satisfied Astoria today making a survey of the city's needs, in accordance with instructions received from Secretary MONTEVEDIO, Uruguay, Dec. 14 .-Weeks. He is expected back either to-The great Brum-Herrera duel was night or Saturday to forward details only a bloodless memory today, of his investigations. No report of his Baltazar Brum, dashing president of findings has been received at the en-Uruguay, who resigned his office to gineers' headquarters in the custom fight Luis Herrera, political opponent, was invited to retain his office, since He presented a series on the relative Shantung City Now Sans Government mortality. TOKIO, Dec. 15 .- Tsingtao, Shantung, which has just been turned back heen sustained had they fought with insurgents prepared to oppose the man of the budget committee advo- to China by Japan, in accord with the latter weapons. agreement reached at the Far East-Brum and Herrera were old enemies. The former won the presidency over ern conference in Washington is substantially without government, accor- Herrera at the last general elections. ding to dispatches from the Japanese Herrera promptly issued a manifesto, thanking his supporters and mention- bloc. Senator Norbeck urged enactconsul there

Two factions-one representing C. ing the fact that Brum was elected ment of some such measure as he has T. Wang, the Shantung commissioner largely through fraud and police coroffered in the senate-giving agricul of the Pekin government, and the ruption. The president replied in kind. tural paper the same status as other other apparently upholding the tuchun Herrera challenged him to a duel. commercial notes and removing com or governor of Shantung-are reported Brum accepted. The "court of honor" plains of disabilities in the present ruled Brum could not meet Herrera to have appealed to the Japanese to hand over to them the money in the because of the presidency. Brum

be used toward the improvement of whom the Japanese surrendered these War in Near East Is

Grand Jury to Act

Upon Larceny Case

L. A. Smith, charged with the ference broke up, was averted at the larceny of dump-carts and steel rails, eleventh hour today.

Letters of administration in the was given a preliminary hearing in accepted a British proposal for pro-state of G. R. H. Miller who died the justice court Monday and bound accepted a British proposal for pro-July 2 1919, were granted in the over to the grand jury. Smith was tection of Christian minorities in Con-pro-

Royal Dutch Shell Oil company. board, was as much to blame for the to the governor of California, and also is \$12,000 elevator bonds, for which way commission of California. The Of this latter amount \$12,000 is owned man was Charles Miller, who lived papers in Oregon, of course, should by the city cemetery irreducible fund. also lend their support." A tax provision for the retirement of in Walter county. A tax provision for the retirement of

this issue was included in the increase little village of Puerto, in the state bandits and which were the guards of Tobasco, and the camp of the oil Added to the various imposts which company. West, his brother, Snapp

go to make up the 36.4 mill total is and several other Americans were on vacation in Puerto when they were cies in the number of bandit as a special road tax. This levy is asked by officials of the company to ally engaged/in the holdup be the second special road impost in the accompany the monthly payroll back appear. Several witnesses d

history of the municipality and was to camp. first time to take care of Oregon row gauge railway operated between City's payment upon the Willamette the two points. Passing the foot of in the robbery, while a third ren river bridge which was financed by a mountain within a few kilometers at the wheel in the automobile. him an immediate report of the situat the state, county, Oregon City and of the camp, the train was fired on from ambush. The Mexican engineer five miuntes from the time the was killed instantly. Another volley dits appeared until they fled, based upon the valuations for the past and West and Snapp fell dead. Miller covery.

> Americans in the party dropped on tinuously. their stomachs and feigned death. The firing over, they ran for a nearby creek, but were captured by the bandits.

PROGRESSIVE BLOC TO

The slain Americans were: J. G; of the automobile as it started away from the highway commissions of no tax retirement provision is made west, 22, of Humble, and Charles E. from the mint. The bandit had a Oregon and Washington to the high- and \$15,000 fire department bonds. Snapp, 28, of Houston. The injured colored handkerchief around his face. "We were afraid to shoot right into the thick of it," said Kiedinger. The robbery occurred between the "We couldn't tell which were the

Discrepancies Are Noted

ed crumple up on the running board

As police began to questi witnesses to the robbery dis

they saw three and four men. The journey was made over a nar-ow gauge railway operated between but two men actually partic The robbery, which occupied said by police to involve the lar was shot through the hip and when amount of money stolen here in any was believed to be on the road to re- tory. During the five minutes that the robbery took place, the alarm After the first volley, the other gong in the mint was ringing con-

> Man Dies in Hospital Linnton died in a hospital just before noon.

An impulse to fire a final volley at the guards of the mint and federal reserve guards may have cost the youthful bandit who directed the robbery his life, according to Peter Kiendinker, one of the mint guards who witnessed the daring holdup and shooting.

"When the robbers turned into the civic center, less than a half block from the mint, the leader poised on revolver at the guards. Wearing a clearly against the baskground of the drawn side curtains. M bulle from. my gun or one of the other mint guards aimed directly at the pandit struck him. The bandit swayed and, collapsed. An auto door opened and Lenroot-Anderson bill as inadequate to he was pulled inside the car, which sped on," said Kiendinker.

> Vincent Astor Sends Stricken City \$5,000

ASTORIA, Dec. 14 .- One of the largest cash donations received or announced at local relief headquarters Wednesday was the one made by Vincent Astor of New York, head of the house of Astor, whose illustrious forebear, John Jacob Astor, founded this Dies at Canemah city in 1811. Astor telegraphed \$5000 to be used in general relief work here. His message follows:

"I am forwarding you by Western Mrs. Martha E. Graves, wife of E. Union telegraph \$5000 to be expended T. Graves, died last night at the home LAUSANNE, Dec. 14 .- War and of her son L. W. Smith, of Canemah. at your discretion for general relief. cerest sympathy in this great catasis survived by her husband and eight trophe, with a conviction that the initiative resourcefulness and energy dis-

prosperity."

ing decided that the fund was not to dispatch, however, fails to say to

disaster.

house.

remain intact for the use of the C. T.

The appropriation of \$500 for a rest room will definitely go to aid the W. number of others pointed to the neces-C. T. U. it was decided. Andresen, Linn Jones, Mayor Shannon and a

sity for the provision of a rest room for the women and lauded the union for its work. The rest room location

the bridge pier rest rooms but, was to

U, in finding and equipping new quar-

ters. Miller Estate Is

Admitted to Probate

is forced to be changed and the meet-

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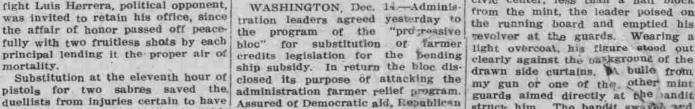
treasury and official documents The signed the presidency.

Believed Averted

massacre in the Near East, feared in. She was 65 years of age, and a na- May I not express to you and through evitable if the Lausanne peace con- tive of this state having lived in Ore- you to the citizens of Astoria my singon City for the past 28 years. She

ountain View.

co-operative marketing statutes Martha E. Graves



Improved marketing facilities in

addition to easier credits was an

nounced as the rallying point of the

meet the needs of agriculture.

FIGHT FARM PROGRAM