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## ROCKEFELLER LOAN IS FAMILY'S RUIN

IRON RANGE MAN LEFT WITHOUT DOLLAR AFTER DEAL WITH OIL HEAD.

### JOHN D. INVITED TO ANSWER CHARGE

Motion That Testimony of Merritt's Before House Committee Be Stricken From Record Is Lost.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—John D. Rockefeller and his almoner, Rev. R. D. Gates, of Montclair, N. J., will be invited by the House committee investigating the United States Steel Corporation, to reply to testimony given yesterday and today by Alfred and Leonidas Merritt, of Duluth, Minn., charging that Rockefeller, through Gates as his agent, took from them in 1892 \$10,000,000 in Missabe Iron mines and Duluth, Missabe & Northern Railroad securities to satisfy a call loan of \$420,000.

These securities were afterward sold to the United States Steel Corporation, which now holds them.

After Leonidas Merritt had testified today that he had gone to New York with \$10,000,000 in securities, he met Mr. Rockefeller and two months later had nothing except a "chance to walk from New York to Duluth on the ties," the steel committee had an executive session. Previously Chairman Stanley had announced that Mr. Rockefeller would be subpoenaed. The committee decided merely to ask Mr. Rockefeller and Mr. Gates if they wished to appear, and give them an opportunity to be heard.

If Mr. Rockefeller and Mr. Gates do not wish to come before the committee, Chairman Stanley announced, "the committee will not issue a subpoena for them."

When Leonidas Merritt had completed his testimony, in which he dramatically described how Mr. Rockefeller first had captured him with his proposal to form a consolidation of interests in the Lake Superior region, had lent him money and later foreclosed on him, leaving him and his brother without an equity in properties they had possessed and financed. Representative Danforts of New York, moved that the testimony of both brothers be stricken from the record on the ground that it was irrelevant to the inquiry. This motion was lost.



## SENTIMENT GROWS FOR HIGHWAY TAX

LEVY FAVORED AT ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING OF EAST SIDE ASSOCIATION.

DISTRICT LEADERS PROMISE HELP

President of Capital Highway Commission Writes Regarding Rock-Harmonious Action Urged.

Sentiment was unanimous for a special tax levy for improving the roads of the county at a meeting of the East Side Capital Highway Association in the Commercial Club Wednesday evening. Representatives of all parts of the county, including the Viola, Mount Hood and Canby neighborhoods were present.

A communication from George F. Rodgers, chairman of the Capital Highway Commission, appointed by the Governor West, regarding roads on the Wittenberg claim, near New Era, was received, but no definite action was taken. The road has been offered for road purposes at a reasonable price. Mr. Lee, of Canby, said the roads had been improved wonderfully in the past twenty years. He said when he was a boy the roads were in such condition that in the winter his father had to walk to Oregon City and back for groceries. Mr. Lee urged that all jealousies be eliminated and that all taxpayers work in harmony. He said Canby would levy a ten-mill special tax.

Gilbert L. Hedges explained what had been accomplished by the East Side Capital Highway Association. He called attention to what had been accomplished by special taxes in the Springwater section, and said the same system would prevail throughout the county.

"It will be impossible for the Capital Highway to pass all of your places," said Mr. Hedges, "but even if it doesn't it will benefit all. Lateals will be built eventually for use by all kinds of vehicles."

Recorder Stipp said special taxes should be levied and the roads improved as soon as possible. George Randall said heretofore the road workers had not given adequate returns for the money spent, and thought a tax levy should be made. Vice-President Morse said Jennings Lodge would aid in every way possible, and that the residents of that section were particularly anxious to have the bridge over the Clackamas River at its mouth built as soon as possible.

Others who spoke were Dr. A. L. Beattie, B. Lee Paget, O. W. Eastham.

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## ALLEGED SHOPLIFTER PRONOUNCED SANE

Frederick Manthey, the alleged shoplifter, who is said to have stolen more than \$250 worth of goods from local stores, was pronounced sane Wednesday by Drs. Mount and Strickland at an examination before the Grand Jury. The physicians, however, said that he was weak-minded. It is probable that an indictment will be returned against him today. It was declared by several persons who had known Manthey two or three years ago that he was always sane. At least for suits of clothing, which he is charged with having stolen, he presented to friends. He also gave away other articles.

## CHARTER BOARD TO MEET.

President Harding has called a meeting of the Charter Board for tomorrow evening at 7:45 o'clock in the Council Chamber. All members are urged to be present.

Literary Meeting Tonight. The annual meeting of the Oregon City Library Association will be held in the parlors of the Commercial Club this evening at 8 o'clock.

## ANOTHER RECORD MADE BY CUPID

TEN COUPLES OBTAIN LICENSES TO MARRY HERE IN ONE DAY.

EIGHT HIGHEST NUMBER BEFORE

Carl Simmons, of Oregon City, and Roy H. Knight, of Canby, Among Bridegrooms.

Cupid made a record Wednesday when licenses to marry were issued to ten couples. The largest number issued in one day heretofore was eight. Following are those who obtained licenses: Roxana V. White and T. M. Clester, Barton; Bessie Clester and Edward Douglass, Barton; George Coates and Claude E.

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## MYRES MAY ENTER MAYORALTY RACE

PROMINENT SOCIALIST ASKED TO OPPOSE ANDRESEN, BEATIE AND DIMICK.

### ANNOUNCEMENT EXPECTED TODAY

Success of Party in Many Cities Causes Several Politicians to Predict Socialist Victory Here.

With three candidates already in the field, none of them having more than a fighting chance to win, there is a well defined report current that W. W. Myers, one of the most prominent Socialists in Clackamas County, has been besieged with requests to become a candidate for the Mayoralty, in opposition to William Andresen, Dr. A. L. Beattie and Grant B. Dimick, who entered the race in the order named. It is also whispered in this connection that the laboring men of Oregon City are not warming up to the candidates who are aspiring for the toga, and that if Mr. Myers should consent to become a candidate he would immediately obtain a large following.

Socialist candidates for Mayor in many cities of the United States have been successful in recent elections, because of the political and social unrest existing in various sections of the country, and some of the closest political observers in Oregon City have little hesitancy in asserting that if Mr. Myers should enter the race in the field of four he would pull the largest vote. The rumor further complicates the local situation, which has for the last week kept the political wise-accres guessing. Mr. Myers is expected to make a definite announcement this afternoon.

### MRS. EASTHAM ENTERTAINS.

Mrs. Chapman and Mrs. Beattie Winners of Prizes. Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Eastham entertained the members of the Tuesday Night Bridge Club and a few of their friends at cards Tuesday evening, the prizes being won by Mrs. Eber A. Chapman and Dr. A. L. Beattie. A luncheon was served, and a most delightful evening was spent. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Tyra Warren, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Shewman, Mr. and Mrs. B. T. McCall, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Straight, Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Beattie, Mrs. E. A. Chapman, Mrs. Nieta Barlow Lawrence, Miss Clis Pratt, Miss Nell Caulfield, Percy Caulfield and Roswell L. Holman.

## CANEMAH DISTRICT VOTES ROAD TAX

SIX MILL LEVY AUTHORIZED FOR IMPROVEMENT OF THOROUGHFARES.

### FINE INDORSED FOR SUPERVISOR

Money To Be Spent On River, Mount Pleasant And Kelland Roads—Vote Is 76 to 13.

A six-mill road tax was voted at a meeting of the taxpayers of Road District No. 15 held in Canemah Wednesday evening. Ninety votes were cast, seventy-six voting for the levy, thirteen voting against it and one not voting. The best of feeling prevailed throughout the meeting, and the thirteen who opposed the special tax, accepted defeat gracefully.

William Fine was indorsed for road supervisor in the district by a vote of fifty at the meeting. Mr. Fine, and thirty-four for Ward Lawton, L. Mattoon, the present supervisor, was not nominated. The County Court will be notified of the indorsement of Mr. Fine and will be asked to name him supervisor.

L. Mattoon was elected chairman of the meeting and W. A. Hedges, clerk. After the voting of the special tax a resolution providing that the money which it is believed will be about \$2,900 be spent on the River, Mount Pleasant and Kelland roads. One-third of the money will be spent on each of the roads.

If you are not reading the Morning Enterprise, why not? Year-end Bargain Period is now on. See ad on back page.

## COMMUTERS HIT BY RATE DECISION

REDUCTION IN FARE TO PORTLAND BENEFITS OCCASIONAL TRAVELERS ONLY.

### COST OF BOOKS NOT TO BE LOWERED

Railway to Discontinue Monthly Rate of Fifteen Cents Each Way For Twenty Round Trips.

Good hard bricks, with straws in them, have been passed to the people of Oregon City by the Oregon State Railroad Commission, in its recent decision on the passenger rates between Oregon City and Portland on the lines of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, according to a brief analysis of the rates that will go into effect within twenty days from the date of the commission's ruling on November 7. It is apparent that practically all the saving in passenger fares will go to people who ride only occasionally, and that the passengers who ride every day or who should benefit by the use of commutation books will save nothing.

The reduction in cash fares is five cents, from twenty-five to twenty cents between Oregon City and Portland, but according to a statement made here Wednesday by F. D. Hunt, traffic manager of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, the only commutation books that will be issued will be those selling for twenty cents a trip, and the people who have been using the monthly books that have entitled them to make twenty round-trips during the month the book is purchased at fifteen cents for each ride will be cut off from the privilege they have enjoyed and will use the only commutation book offered, at the twenty-cent trip rate. While the reduction obtained is considerable, it is not as large as was expected. (Continued on page two.)

## Thanksgiving Warning

We warn our customers that now is the time to place their orders for fresh opened Olympia and Eastern Oysters. Also for dressed Chickens. We cannot guarantee with any certainty to fill orders handed in later than Tuesday the 28th. We will greatly appreciate orders given early this week. Our oysters come direct from the beds at Olympia, Wash., so we must have time to order and ship. Salmon, Halibut, Smelt, Tom Cod, Lobsters, etc., always on hand. Halibut extra fine this week. We also supply fresh cooked Crabs. No cold storage stock in fish or fowl. MAC DONALD'S FISH MARKET, Seventh street, next door Wells Fargo Express Office.

## FOOTBALL PLAYER IS BURNED TO DEATH

EUGENE, Or., Nov. 22.—(Special.)—Virgil Noland, a freshman at the University of Oregon, and left guard on the varsity football team, which played Washington Saturday, was burned to death in an electric bath-tub in his room at the Sigma Xi Fraternity House today.

Shortly after 6:30 o'clock the odor of burning cloth was detected in the house and when Noland's fraternity brother entered the room, the bed was ablaze. The flames were extinguished immediately and physicians arrived within a few minutes, but Noland was dead. His body was frightfully burned. The bath-tub was an electrical contrivance for the generation of heat by resistance similar to electrical foot warmers and electrical pads which which are used in hospital work, in place of hot water bottles.

### HEAR FAMOUS EVANGELIST.

Two hundred and twenty-five residents of this city went to Portland last evening on special cars to hear Gladys Smith, the famous evangelist. The cars left at 5:30 and the party returned shortly before midnight. The members were enthusiastic in their praise of the famous evangelist.

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The new Louise Rescue Home for Girls in Portland will soon be built at a cost of Ten Thousand Dollars. Portland's Citizens contributed largely on Tag Day, October 7th. Girls from many places, thirteen, fourteen, sixteen years of age, and older, are there now. Are they a hopeless class? Shall we set them Adrift? Will you help us? We will sell tags in Oregon City on Saturday, November 25th. Price 10c. Ladies bring your daughters and come to our help. Headquarters at First Baptist Church, Oregon City. Miss Michener and some lady from this place will have charge of the funds. Come early. We can have a large amount if there are plenty of workers.

# Thanksgiving Sales



**Men's Smart Suits**  
You can best celebrate your Thanksgiving in one of our celebrated Hart Schaffner & Marx suits. Our large assortment now offers you perfect security in style, fit and service, and our Thanksgiving prices are the lowest.

**Men's Fine Furnishings**  
Underwear, Dress Shirts, Neckwear, Suspenders, Halfhose, Gloves, Mufflers, Hats, Caps, Handkerchiefs. We have the best and you will want it for Thanksgiving.

**The Palmer Garment For Ladies**  
Suits and Coats. The up-to-date garment in style, fit and finish, at special prices for our Thanksgiving Sale.

**Dress Goods' Sale**  
Our Dress goods business is good because we have the goods, but for our Thanksgiving Sale we offer a large assortment of dress goods and suitings worth \$1.25 to \$1.35 at Special price of per yard 98c.



**Thanksgiving Linens.** Snowy White Table Linens fresh from the Irish Linen Looms. Make your selection now and secure the best patterns at lowest price.

**At Per Yard \$1.25**  
74 inch Linen, Snowy white Holly design, a very pretty table linen. at per yard \$1.25

**At Per Yard \$1.00**  
72 inch table linen. The Snowy White. All pure Irish linen at special reduced price for our Thanksgiving Sale, per yard \$1.00

**At \$2.00 per yd.** 72 inch snowy white table linen. Superior finish in delicate patterns at per yd. \$2

**At 50c to 75c**  
Bleached, Half Bleached and Colored table linens especially priced for Thanksgiving Sale, per yard, 50c, 60c, 65c, and 75c.

**Ten Thousand Handkerchiefs**  
Pre-Holiday showing just opened for our Thanksgiving Sale. Ladies' fine handkerchiefs 10c to 50c.

**Thanksgiving Furniture Sale**  
Handsome dining tables and chairs, bedroom sets and convenient Kitchen Cabinets at Thanksgiving prices.

**Stoves, Ranges and Rugs,**  
Our best showing of Ranges, Stoves, Heaters and Room Size Rugs now at Thanksgiving prices.

# L. ADAMS

72 inch snowy white pure Irish Linen, handsome pattern and low in price, at per yard \$1 65.

## OREGON CITY'S BIG DEPARTMENT STORE