

CITY FACES BUGABOO IN FIXING 1916 LEVY

Jitney Emergency Case as to Referendum Period Brings Up Legislation Problem.

RULING DISTINCTION CITED

Charter Provides That Tax Law Goes Into Effect Immediately on Passage—State Sets Date as Dec. 1, Not Enough to Fix Budget.

The possibility of the city being unable to pass an emergency ordinance fixing the tax levy for 1916 is the latest bugaboo to confront city officials in the jitney regulation ordinance case now before the Supreme Court involving the right of the city to pass emergency ordinances.

The question of the passage of the usual annual tax levy ordinance without the referendum period of 30 days following before its taking effect was brought to the attention of officials yesterday.

City Attorney LaRoche is out of the city, but Chief Deputy City Attorney Tomlinson said yesterday that he does not believe the tax levy emergency will be affected in this way because of the tax levy ordinance being in the nature of municipal business and not municipal legislation.

Distinction in Rulings Cited.

He says the Supreme Court in rulings heretofore has made a distinction between measures which were merely of a business nature affecting the administration of the city government and those of a legislative nature.

The city charter provides that the tax levy ordinance as prepared each year goes into effect immediately upon passage. The charter says "(a) ordinances making appropriations and the annual tax levy; (b) relative to local improvement and assessments; therefore; (c) emergency ordinances shall take effect immediately upon their passage."

Emergency Right Involved.

In the jitney case the question involved is the right of a municipality to pass an ordinance with an emergency making it immediately effective and precluding the possibility of a referendum. The tax levy ordinance while carrying no emergency clause, goes into effect without it and there is no chance for a referendum.

The state law requires the fixing of the tax levies by December 1 of each year. The Council on Portland always passes its tax levy ordinance a day or two before that time limit, but if the emergency did not apply it would have to pass it at least 31 days prior to December 1 to make it effective by December 1. A measure is not considered enforceable until it goes into effect. It will be impossible for the Council to get its budget complete so the tax levy ordinance could be passed 30 days prior to December 1.

RAILROAD HOPES HIGH

G. P. PUTNAM SAYS CENTRAL OREGON RESIDENTS ENTHUSIASTIC.

Portland Expected to Do Her Duty, According to Governor's Secretary, and Trade Will Be Won.

That there is more optimism and substantial development in Central Oregon than in almost any other section of the West is the statement of George Palmer Putnam, secretary to Governor Withycombe, who returned yesterday from a last trip to Bend. All the interior country is enthusiastic over the railroad plans projected by Robert E. Strahorn, and Mr. Putnam says there is not the slightest doubt that so far as Central Oregon is concerned, the Strahorn plans will receive substantial support.

"It is safe to say that the new railroad will get about what it asks for in the interior," said Mr. Putnam. "There is every reason to believe that shippers will be glad to co-operate financially, and the sentiment seems to be that right of way and terminal sites will be donated generously. For instance, I understand that already large terminal sites have been arranged for in Bend."

That the new project offers Portland its biggest opportunity of a decade is Mr. Putnam's assertion.

"The interior country, and especially South-Central Oregon, has in the past turned to California in a great measure, so far as trade relations are concerned," said Mr. Putnam. "The feeling toward Portland is most friendly, but tangible co-operation from this city has often been lacking. If Portland does its share in this project, it will tie this big territory to itself, commercially speaking. For all time, Central Oregon feels that it is Portland's move, and the communities of the interior are ready to co-operate to the fullest extent."

EAST GLISAN IS PAVED

Improvement Now Is Made as Far as Seventy-Fifth.

Another section of East Glisan street has been paved from East Sixth to East Seventy-fifth streets by the Oregon Independent Paving Company with hard-surface at a cost of \$37,674. East Glisan is slowly being paved to the city limits at East Ninetieth street. At present the pavement ends at East Seventy-fifth.

The district improvement of East Twenty-third, East Twenty-fourth and portions of Franklin streets has been finished, and the assessment made amounting to \$18,625. This is a hard-surface district. Chautauqua street, on the Peninsula, has been paved from the Williams to Willis boulevards, the cost being \$8519.

CLUB ARGUES PRESS VALUE

Rotarians Decide 'We Love, We Hate, but Can't Do Without Papers.'

Business men in various walks of life gave their opinions of what the newspaper means to them at the luncheon of the Rotary Club at the Benson Hotel yesterday. M. N. Dana presided over the meeting.

The speakers had been asked to give their views on the subject, and accordingly nearly all of them had some pretty sharp criticisms of newspapers to make in the course of their speeches. The general expression was that something in effect, "we love, we hate, but cannot do without them."

Speakers were F. W. Robinson, C. F. Berg, A. J. Bale, E. Snedcor, F. T. Rogers, A. H. Brown and I. M. Walker.

WAREHOUSE TO BE BUILT

Bids to Be Asked Friday for Reported Studebaker Home.

Bids will be invited Friday by the Brooklyn Field Company for the construction of a one or two-story brick building on a large plot of ground between East Eleventh and East Twelfth Divisions and Clinton streets, owned by the Ladd Estate.

It is understood that the building will be used by the Ladd Estate as a corporation of America as the distribution headquarters for the Northwest. The location is directly east of the Portland branch of the Ford Motor Company and has the advantage of tracking facilities.

According to the plans drawn by Whitehouse & Foulhoux, the building will cover 200 by 212 feet. The cost will not be known until the height of the building is determined. R. T. Hodgkins, sales manager of the Studebaker Corporation, will arrive in Portland Thursday to negotiate for the lease.

RAILROAD OFFICIAL VISITS

D. T. McCabe, Pennsylvania Lines, Studying Lumber Conditions.

D. T. McCabe, third vice-president of the Pennsylvania lines west of Pittsburgh, accompanied by Mrs. McCabe and other members of his family, is visiting in Portland. They are on their way to the California fairs.

"Business in the Pennsylvania Railroad territory is booming right now," reports Mr. McCabe, "on account of the war orders."

The present depression in the lumber industry is a subject to which Mr. McCabe is giving attention while in Portland. He notes with dissatisfaction that the withdrawal of many of the leading railroads from the market is one of the causes of the depression. However, he has no promise that the railroads will ever re-enter the market in their former buying strength. The substitution of steel for wood is the cause.

MRS. J. P. WERLICH IS DEAD

Wife of Former Lighthouse Inspector Succumbs in New York.

Friends in Portland have just learned of the death in New York last week of Mrs. Percival J. Werlich, wife of Captain Werlich, of the United States Navy, who for several years was the United States Lighthouse Inspector for the Oregon, Washington, and Alaska district. During her residence

in Portland Mrs. Werlich endeared herself to a wide circle of friends. Having traveled extensively her knowledge of foreign countries was most interesting.

Prior to the breaking out of the war Captain and Mrs. Werlich resided in Europe, dividing their time between Paris and the health resorts on the continent, which were visited with the object of benefiting Captain Werlich, who, after leaving Portland, asked to be placed on the retired list owing to impairment of health.

Mrs. Werlich, although far from being well, volunteered to do what she could to relieve the sufferings of the veteran. Her efforts were most successful, and she returned to England and was prominent in organizing a body of women who gave not only their time but their money to the cause which they had so much at heart and in aid of suffering humanity.

"Long will the name of this unassuming sweet, Christian woman live in the memory of those who knew her here in her everyday life and were privileged to enjoy her friendship and hospitality," said James McI. Wood, who was well acquainted with Captain and Mrs. Werlich. "Well may it be said that her Christian character should be an example to many."

ICE HIPPODROME WILL OPEN OCTOBER 15TH, SKATES AND SKATING SHOES IN BEST MAKES—FOURTH FLOOR

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50c Day in the Basement Underprice Store

EXTRAORDINARY OFFERINGS for WEDNESDAY

Double $\frac{1}{2}$ Green Trading Stamps Will Be Given Wednesday With Basement Cash Purchases

\$10 to \$20 Coats for Women and Misses

\$6.98

On Sale Wednesday at

Basement—About 200 Women's and Misses' Fall and Winter Coats are included in this unprecedented sale we announce for Wednesday. Many handsome styles in the assortment—models for street or dress wear, featuring the season's most favored styles. All are splendidly tailored from high-grade fabrics, carefully finished and perfect fitting. If you have put off buying your new Coat here's an opportunity which will not likely come again this season. A great many of these Coats are shown in the serviceable mixtures in various colorings—also fashionable new plaids and stripes. Nearly all sizes in the lot. Coats which would ordinarily sell at \$10.00, \$12.50, \$15.00 and \$20.00, underpriced for Wednesday at only, each **\$6.98**

\$7.50, \$12.50 Coats for Girls, Ages 6 to 14

\$4.95

On Sale Wednesday at

Basement—A history-making sale of Girls' Winter Coats will take place Wednesday in the Basement Underprice Store. Every mother, having girls to buy for, should make a special effort to attend this sale, for the savings are most extraordinary. Stylish, well-made Coats, every one of them—fashioned in smart models for school or dress wear. All are made from the better grade of fabrics—plushes, corduroys, novelty mixtures, etc. Some in attractive belted effects, others in tailored styles with fancy collars and deep cuffs. From every standpoint—a REMARKABLE SALE! Coats in the lot for girls from 6 to 14 years of age. The usual selling prices are \$7.50, \$10.00 and \$12.50. On Wednesday we will close them out at only **\$4.95**

35 Wonderful Bargains for 50c Day

Double $\frac{1}{2}$ Green Trading Stamps Will Be Given With Basement Purchases Wednesday

The Following Items Will Be on Sale Wednesday Only at Prices Quoted; No Phone or Mail Orders Will Be Accepted for These Specials.

\$1.25 Royal Worcester Corsets

On Sale Today at 50c Pair

An exceptional bargain offering in the celebrated Royal Worcester Corset no woman can afford to miss. 320 pairs are included in this sale—new, up-to-date models for the average figure. Made from splendid grade cotton, nicely trimmed, six good hose supporters attached. Graceful cutaway front. All sizes from 25 up to 32. Standard \$1.25 corsets. On sale Wednesday, special, the pair, for **50c**

Odd Lines of Women's Shoes

On Sale Today at 50c Pair

To close out a big lot of Women's, Misses' and Children's Shoes—odd lines of various kinds, which have accumulated from recent sales, we offer them at a ridiculously low price. Broken assortments of sizes and some slightly imperfect, but remarkable bargains at this price. No telephone orders filled, none sent C. O. D., and no exchanges. While they last your choice, Wednesday, pair **50c**

Fancy Silks of \$1 Quality

Today—50c Yd.

Basement—Hundreds of yards beautiful fancy silks in this offering for Wednesday. Splendid silks for waists, dresses, petticoats, trimmings, fancy work, etc. Scores of patterns and colors from which to choose. Full 24 in. wide. Silks formerly selling at \$1.00, special, **50c**

Laces Worth to \$3 Yard

Today—50c Yd.

Basement—Exquisite new laces in a wonderful assortment of dainty new patterns. Beautiful Chantilly laces, all-over laces, shadow laces, Venise and novelty laces, rich gold and silver laces in various widths, for all purposes. Only one piece of a kind. Laces worth up to \$3.00 on sale Wednesday at, special, the yard, only **50c**

For Women's \$1 Genuin Leather Handbags

50c

Women's Leather Handbags in fashionable new shapes and sizes. Fitted with inside coin purse. Black only, special **50c**

For Women's 75c House Slippers of Felt—Made from Heavy Quality Felt—warm and comfortable for wear about the house. Colors blue, red, maroon, gray. 75c grade

50c

For Women's \$1.00 Flannelette Kimonos—Full length styles. Made from good heavy flannelette in attractive patterns and colors. Nearly all sizes. \$1.00 Kimonos, Wednesday at

50c

For Women's 69c Aprons, Bungalow Style—Dependable grade gingham and percales in neat patterns. Several styles, cut in all standard sizes. 69c Aprons, Wednesday for

50c

For Women's 75c Outing Flannel Gowns—Women's Outing Flannel Nightgowns, extra good quality material. Cut full and long and nicely trimmed. 75c Gowns at

50c

For Girls' 65c Union Suits, Sizes 4 Up to 14—Girls' Pleece-lined Union Suits with high neck, long sleeves and drop seat. Extra heavy Winter weight. Standard 75c grade, Wednesday at

50c

For 75c Japanese Lunch Cloths, Size 42x42—Dainty blue and white Japanese Lunch Cloths of heavy quality, grade usually selling at 75c. Offered 75c for Wednesday at only

50c

For Children's 75c Umbrellas, 24-inch Size—Good sturdy Umbrellas for the children to take to school. Guaranteed rain-proof cover and neat handle. 75c grade, each

50c

For 65c Dresser Scarfs in Size 18x54 Inches—Only 200 of these, so be prompt! Several neat designs to select from. Scarfs such as usually sell for 65c, Wednesday at only

50c

For Women's \$2.50 Linen Mesh Underwear—Odd lines of women's linen mesh Underwear, mostly pants. These are of well-known make, selling usually at \$2 to \$3 garment

50c

For Women's \$1.00 House Dresses, Several Neat Styles—Made from excellent quality percale in assorted patterns and colors. Dresses of standard sizes. \$1 kind, Wednesday at

50c

For 85c Plain Tafeta Silk, 26 Inches Wide—Great assortment of the wanted colors for Fall. Rich chiffon finish for petticoats, waists, dresses, etc. Usual 85c Silks at

50c

For Two Yards of 35c Table Damask, 58-Inch—Fine grade mercerized Table Damask, 58 in. wide, and choice assortment of patterns. The usual 35c grade, two yards for only

50c

For 60c Japanese Napkins, Extra Good Grade—These will launder and wear well. Good size for table use. Usual 60c grade. Priced special for today at, the dozen

50c

For One Dozen 65c Towels, Size 14x24 In.—Hemmed Huck Towels with red border. Good weight and handy size for general use. Towels selling 65c at 65c dozen. Now, doz.

50c

For 3 Pairs Men's 25c Black Cashmere Hose—Of medium weight, seamless feet, soft woolen yarns. Complete range of all sizes. The usual 50c Hose for Wednesday, 3 pairs

50c

Sale of Notions, Small Wares

At the Bargain Circle, Between Elevators, 1st Floor

- 100-Yard Spool Silk—Black, White, Colors 5c**
- 15c Hose Supporters, pair 10c
 - 10c Hair Pin Cabinets, each, 7c
 - 25c Women's Sew-On Hose Supporters priced special, pair 16c
 - 5c Fancy Cube Pins, at only 3c
 - 5c Sheet of Cube Pins, only 3c
 - 15c Bone Hair Pins, 1/2 doz. 9c
 - 35c Shopping Bags, each 21c
 - 5c Common Pins, two pkgs. 5c
 - 25c Women's Fancy Round Garters, special low price, pair 18c
 - 5c Collar Supports, 2 cards 5c
 - 10c Featherbone, at yard 8c
 - 5c Stay Binding, all sizes, on sale Wednesday 2 bolts for 5c
 - 10c Bias Seam Tape only 5c
 - 20c Kid Hair Curlers for 13c
 - 5c pkg. Wire Hair Pins 2 1/2c
 - 25c Pin Cushion, Holder 10c
 - 5c Safety Pins, two cards for 5c
 - 5c Needles, all sizes, 2 pkgs. 5c
 - 5c India Linen Tape, bolt 3c
 - 15c Stay Binding, 25 yds., 10c
 - 5c Bone Collar Butns, 2 c'ds 5c
 - Set 4 Collar, Cuff Buttons 10c
 - 10c Pearl Buttons, the card 5c
 - 25c Clinger Waist Belts at 14c
 - 10c Stocking Darners, each 7c
 - 25c Sleeve Protectors, pair 15c
 - 5c Wire or Wood Hangers at 3c

- 10c Wooden Hangers, each 5c**
- 15c Sanitary Belts, each at 10c
 - 15c Sanitary Aprons, each 10c
 - 10c Shoe Trees, special, only 7c
 - 10c Colored Skirt Braids, five yds. per bolt, silk finish, bolt 5c
 - 5c King's Basting Cotton at 4c
- Naiad Dress Shields Reduced**
- Naiad No. 3 regular, pair 15c
 - Naiad No. 4 regular, pair 17c
 - Naiad No. 5 regular, pair 20c
 - 65c Bolero, style 85, each 40c
 - \$1.00 Brassieres, all sizes, 75c
- Housefurnishing Needs On Sale in the Basement**
- DOUBLE STAMPS with all cash purchases in Basement Wednesday.
- 25c Parlor Brooms, special at 20c
 - 35c Parlor Brooms, special at 25c
 - 50c Parlor Brooms, special at 35c
 - 75c Parlor Brooms, special at 60c
 - Blue Oatmeal Bowls, six for 30c
 - Blue Dinner Plates, six for 30c
 - \$2.50 Bissell Carpet Sweeper \$1.75
 - \$1.50 Clothes Racks, special, 75c
 - 40c Glass Wash Boards for 32c
 - \$2.25 Clothes Wringers for \$1.80
- Buy That Roaster Now and Save**
- \$1.25 Steel Roasters, 99c
 - size 10x10 inches, at only \$1.15
 - \$1.75 Steel Roasters, 89c
 - size 12x19 inches, at only \$1.75
 - \$1.40 Lisk Roasters, special at \$1.75
 - size 9x11 inches, for \$1.40
 - \$2.00 Lisk Roasters for only \$1.79
 - \$3.00 Guaranteed Wringers, on special sale Wednesday at only \$2.40
 - 85c Washers, specially reduced for Wednesday's selling to only 59c
 - \$2.25 Lisk Roasters, \$1.98
 - size 11x17 inches, for \$2.75
 - \$2.75 Lisk Roasters, \$2.48
 - size 12x18 inches, for \$2.48
 - \$1.40 Blue Enamelled Roasters, special at \$1.75
 - \$1.60 Blue Enamelled Roasters \$1.44
 - \$3.00 Guaranteed Wringers, on special sale Wednesday at only \$2.40
 - 85c Washers, specially reduced for Wednesday's selling to only 59c