

26.22 MILLS LIKELY TO BE LEVIED IN CITY

Estimate From Tentative Figures Indicates Increase of \$3.12 on Each \$1000.

FEW CHANGES EXPECTED

No Reductions Liable, but Addition to City Budget Possible; School Tax Higher in Preparation for New Bingham Law.

If estimates in all departments stay as they now are, the total 1915 tax levy in Portland would be 26.22 mills. This would be 3.12 mills higher than for 1914.

Every Portland property owner would have to pay \$26.22 in taxes on each \$1000 of assessed valuation under such a levy. In other terms, \$3.12 on each \$1000 more than for 1914.

The estimates are still tentative, but there will be only slight changes. Here and there a cent or a mill or so may be lopped off. If all these decrease total half a mill there will be surprise.

On the other hand, the city tax levy, now standing at 23.22 mills, will be increased if changed at all. Some special appropriations that the Commission had cut out may be restored by the budget advisory committee, which is understood to favor several items. This committee will report today.

The state levy will be virtually the same as last year, 2.5 mills. A small decrease is possible because of the saving in appropriations. The school tax, as legislation, as this tax has been equalized for some years ahead by the State Tax Commission, any decrease would be slight.

The state school tax probably will be 1.45 mills, as it was last year. This tax is practically fixed. Although the board of District No. 1 has tentatively cut its budget down to 6.5 mills, which is 1.5 mills higher than last year, an increase to 4.5 mills is probable. The school levy will be higher than it would be but for the passage by the last Legislature of the Bingham law. This law, effective next year, prohibits school districts from increasing any year's school tax by more than 6 per cent over that of the preceding year.

The Portland School Board held automatically to not more than a 6 per cent increase after the 1915 levy, no matter what the emergency. Therefore, putting the levy a little higher than absolutely necessary to guard against being crippled hereafter.

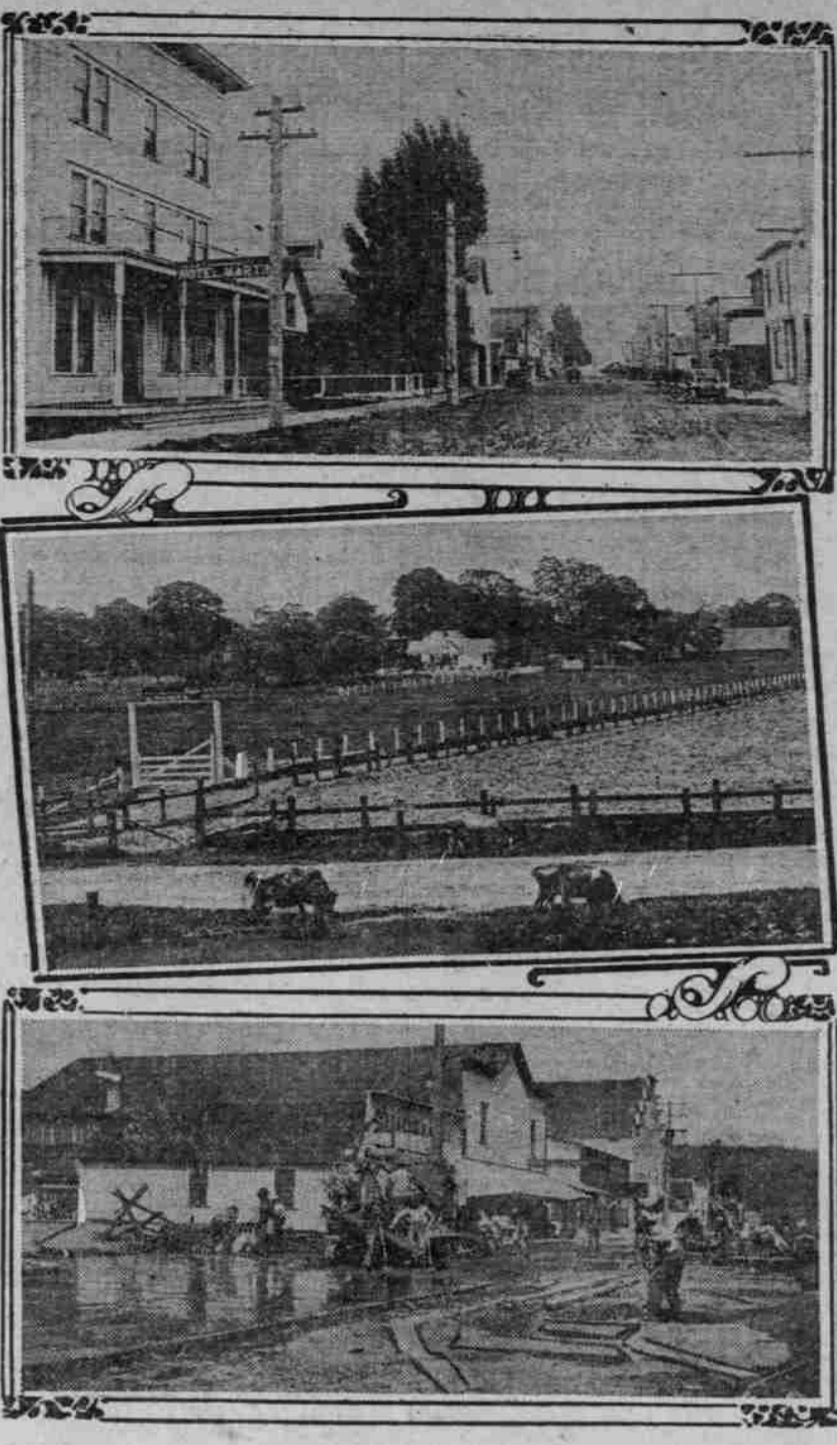
The Port of Portland Commission will not fix its tentative levy until next Thursday. John P. Doyle, clerk of the commission, said the tentative estimate would be about 1 mill, and that higher in any event. A 1-mill levy for the Port is a decrease of one-tenth of a mill from last year.

Election Precludes Reduction. Facing a general election next Fall, with a primary earlier in the year, the County Commissioners expect their tax levy to total at least 2.5 mills, the figure for last year.

The County Library tax will remain at .45 mill. County Roadmaster Yeon has presented road improvement estimates calling for a road levy of 1.8 mills. Recognizing the importance of continuing its policy of permanent road improvement, which is an increase of .3 mill, may go through as it is. If cut, it is not likely to be cut much.

No accurate estimate of the sum a 26.22 mill tax levy would raise can be made at this time, as the assessed valuation is not completed. Assessments will not be in until about December 1.

SCENES AT WOODLAND, WASH.



TOP, VIEW ON MAIN STREET. MIDDLE, IDEAL FARM NEAR WOODLAND. BELOW, STREET PAVING SCENE.

AS LEAD IS BOUND AS PORT CENTER

Little City on Lewis Inyoys Fine Train and Water Service to Portland.

BANK DEPOSITS \$111,600

Good Weekly Newspaper and Two Good Hotels Help Wonderfully in Making Vicinity One of Most Progressive in County.

WOODLAWN, Wash., Nov. 6.—(Special Correspondence.)—Woodland is the biggest town of its size in Cowlitz County, Washington, in placid States language, that it is a "bum-dinger" of a little place. And not so very little, considering that before the people got busy with civic pride and well-timed advice to the Allies and to the central powers.

Not that the Cowlitz has any special advice to give to either side, but we have observed that all of the other most reputable publications in the United States are coming through with advice to the Allies and the central powers at this time; and the Cowlitz is nothing if not right up to date in journalism.

Bank President Big Aid

One always finds some clever gentleman in a live place who is sort of gold mine of information. Here the man who knows all is L. N. Plamondon, the president of the Cowlitz State Bank. He not only knows all liberally of his time in his line of information, but took me in the fine automobile for several miles up the river, showing me the country and the farms.

Mr. Plamondon's bank is one of the largest in the county, having a capital of \$25,000, surplus and profits of \$179,633 and deposits of \$111,642.41.

While in Los Angeles the great film studios stopped work while Mr. Rothapfel talked to the directors and players. Everywhere he has been hailed as the first missionary for the advancement of a new art.

HOTEL DAMAGED BY FIRE. Destruction of Building in Albany Threatened for Time.

ALBANY, Or., Nov. 7.—(Special.)—The Hotel Albany caught fire at 3 o'clock this morning and while the actual damage was slight the destruction of the six-story hotel was for a time threatened.

JAIL IS USED BUT LITTLE. Crusade Against Bootleggers at Klamath Bears Fruit.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Nov. 7.—(Special.)—According to Sheriff Low and Chief Egan, the city police, business around the jail is exceptionally quiet. There are but one or two occupants now, and they will not likely be detained for long.

RATE PLEASES FALLS CITY. Business Men's League Adopts Resolution Commending Railroad.

FALLS CITY, Or., Nov. 7.—(Special.)—Falls City is grateful for the action

Monday Crawfish TILL OUR NEXT VACATION. IT NEVER CRABS. VOL. 2. PORTLAND, OREG., MULT. CO., NOV. 8, 1915.

EDITORIAL

At this time, when things seem to have come pretty near a crisis in the Balkans or maybe a crisis in the Middle East, the Crawfish feels that it is timely for it to come in with some well-timed advice to the Allies and to the central powers.

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THE MUT DOG IS TO HAVE HIS DAY SATURDAY. The Rev. Corbin Bennett, in his sermon yesterday, said, in part, that the mut dog is to have his day Saturday.

TO THE ARMORY. Rain was needed again. Sam Hill, of Astoria, Wash., was here, but we didn't learn what for.

RIGHT SORT OF INDICATIONS. There are strong indications that the chrome factory will be built at Hildreth in the near future.

POSTUM advertisement with illustration of a man in a suit and a dog.

FLAG USED IN CEREMONY

Eugene Candidates for Citizenship Swear Before Banner. EUGENE, Or., Nov. 7.—(Special.)—Five citizenship candidates swore allegiance to this country before a huge silk flag in an unusually stirring ceremony held yesterday in the Circuit Court room.

KLAMATH ELEVATOR BUSY

Farmers Store Products and Wait for Better Markets. KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Nov. 7.—(Special.)—One of the most recently established enterprises of this city is the new Farmers' Warehouse Company elevator, built this past summer.

CLUBS TO AID RED CROSS

Eugene's Women's Organizations Unite to Sell Stamps. EUGENE, Or., Nov. 7.—(Special.)—Six Eugene women's clubs have united to sell Red Cross stamps in Eugene this year in the hope of breaking all records for the total amount of money raised.

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GENIUS IS GENIAL

Visiting Film Magnate Rose From Bartender.

OVATION IS TENDERED HIM

World's Foremost Exhibitor Says Motion-Picture Industry Is Only in Infancy; Spoken and Silent Drama Not Conflicting.

When a man comes up from the very bottom to the top of the ladder of success he usually acquires an air of importance and self-satisfaction. Not so with S. L. Rothapfel, who seven years

ago was a bartender and today stands alone as the world's greatest motion picture exhibitor.



S. L. Rothapfel, the Foremost Exhibitor of Motion Pictures in America, Who is Touring the Country in Behalf of the Art.

HOME AT GRESHAM BURNS

William Duffina Barely Has Time to Escape Flames.

KLAMATH SEEKS NEW INDUSTRIES

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Nov. 7.—(Special.)—The Klamath Commercial Club has launched a campaign for a half-million monthly payroll for Klamath. The campaign for a time at least will consist of correspondence between the club and wage manufacturers of such raw products as are available here with a view to having other businesses or branch houses established at this point where the city pointed out abundant water power is to be found.

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