

PROPOSED LIMIT ON TAX MAY HIT CITY

Budget Prepared by Council in Present Form in Excess of What Law Would Allow.

SURPLUS IS \$311,435.48

Passage of Legislation by Voters in November Would Require Trimming by Commissioners From \$3,373,007 to \$3,061,571.52.

There will have to be a heavy cutting of the City Council's budget estimate of \$3,373,007 for the 1917 expenses of the City of Portland should the proposed state-wide tax limitation amendment, sometimes called the 6 per cent amendment, be approved by the voters at the November election.

In such event a little matter of \$311,435.48 would have to be topped off the budget as it now stands.

And in place of the present estimate of \$3,373,007—last year's budget was \$2,886,002—the Commissioners would have to content themselves with a maximum budget for the purpose, of not to exceed \$3,061,571.52.

Amendment is Specific. Unless specifically authorized by a majority of the legal voters voting upon the question, reads the proposed amendment, "neither the state nor the county, municipality, district or body to which the power to levy a tax shall have been delegated shall in any year so exercise that power as to raise a greater amount of revenue for purposes other than the payment of bonded indebtedness or interest thereon than the total amount levied by it in the year immediately preceding for purposes other than the payment of bonded indebtedness or interest thereon plus 6 per centum thereof."

The bonded debt items of last year's budget was \$462,580, which is exempt from the 6 per cent limitation. Subtracting this item from last year's total of \$2,886,002 leaves \$2,423,422, the amount, plus 6 per cent thereof, that may be raised next year for taxation purposes other than bonded indebtedness.

Bond Debt Not Included. Six per cent of this amounts to \$145,406.52. That is the maximum increase that would be permitted for general expenses over last year's budget.

The maximum the Commissioners would be able to appropriate for general expenses under the proposed law would thus be \$2,568,828.52, in place of the \$2,886,002 now reckoned for the purpose.

For bonded indebtedness the Commissioners in their tentative budget estimate \$492,723. As no limitation is placed on bonded indebtedness and interest, this item would not have to be slashed. The total maximum budget would thus be limited to \$3,061,571.52.

That is just \$311,435.48 less than the present tentative budget. Of course, this budget is still to go through the trimming-down process, in which \$100,000 or more may be lopped off. But to top off a cold \$311,435.48, as they would have to do if the tax limitation law carries, is probably a little more than any of the Commissioners are figuring on.

Even at that, the permissible budget maximum would be a little greater than this year's high expense total.

Commissioners Face Worries. The complications which will arise to plague the Commissioners if the amendment passed were pointed out yesterday by ex-Governor Oswald West, who has been looking into the question.

Governor West pointed out further that should the taxation limitation amendment be adopted it would become effective at once, being an initiative measure. On the other hand, the Commissioners don't make their tax levy, following the various required budgeting steps, until the first of January.

So if the law carries there doesn't seem to be any way out for the Commissioners but to cut down the tax levy as indicated.

LLOYDS TO GIVE OPERA

UNDERWRITERS PLAN SALVAGE ON RAIN INSURANCE.

Mme. Gadski and Other Principals Agree to Stay Over and Excess Profits Will Go to Charity.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 1.—Lloyds, of London, may assume the role of operatic impresario in San Francisco for one night, only if the request made by Lloyds' agent here today to London meets with a favorable response.

The open-air performance of "Aida," for the benefit of local charities, which was to have been given Saturday and which was abandoned on account of rain, was insured with Lloyds' for \$25,000 against such a contingency.

Lloyds lost. Seeking salvage, the agent suggested that the organization be held together, and that Lloyds stage the opera next Tuesday night, Lloyds to turn over to the charities all profits in excess of the amount of the policy.

Madame Johanna Gadski, who came here to sing the stellar role, and the other principals agreed to stay over for the performance, and the agent today called to London for permission to go ahead with his plans.

OCTOBER CHILL IN AIR

Maximum for Day in Portland 59 Degrees; Minimum 44.

No wonder an overcoat felt comfortable yesterday, or that the cold bath yesterday morning penetrated to the bone.

It was only 44 degrees above zero early yesterday, and that day the thermometer did not rise above 59 degrees.

It was brisk October weather, something of the kind when the "frost is on the pumpkin and the fodder's in the shock." It was general throughout the Northwest, Pocatello, Idaho, registering only 48 degrees at the warmest of the day.

Seattle, Spokane and San Francisco fluctuated between 54 and 58.

The forecast for today is fair weather with possibly warmer breezes.

Swiss-German Treaty Ratified.

BERLIN, via London, Oct. 1.—The commercial treaty between Germany and Switzerland, it is officially announced, was consummated on Friday, after an exchange of ratifications.

CLACKAMAS ROADHOUSE WHICH WAS RAIDED, DIRECTING OFFICERS, AND PORTION OF LOOT.



Top—Fellars' Club. Below—Left, Gilbert L. Hedges, District Attorney; Right, William J. Wilson, Sheriff. Between Them Is Confiscated Liquor.

35 CAUGHT IN RAID

Some Fair Ones With Escorts Other Than Husbands.

MUCH LIQUOR IS SEIZED

Fleeing Manager Arrested After Shot Is Fired—Sheriff Wilson Escorts 10 Auto Loads of Prisoners to Oregon City.

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"What's the matter with you?" French asked.

"I am going after my ball," replied the parking resort keeper.

Each member of the party brought to Oregon City was taken before District Attorney Hedges, Deputy District Attorney Burke and Sheriff Wilson at the Courthouse and examined. Several admitted that they had obtained liquor at the Fellars' Club before, and many said they had procured drinks of ginger ale. Bottles labeled "ginger ale" were found to contain liberal "shots" of whiskey.

Husbands Not With Women. Several women refused to tell their names until District Attorney Hedges promised them to keep their names out of print. They said they had gone to the Fellars' Club with men other than their husbands.

The list of those found in the resort include several prominent persons in the business life of the Coast. District Attorney Hedges made public tonight the following names of those whom he had examined:

D. W. Jenkins, Arctic Club, Seattle, Pacific Coast manager of Henry Ditsen & Sons; Iver Elde, 623 Marshall street, Portland, automobile driver; Fred F. Raymond, Portland; N. M. Strite, 728 Johnson street, Portland; A. J. Mills, automobile driver, with offices in Panjagos Theater building, Portland; D. C. Newman, insurance salesman, 964 Corbett street, Portland; R. Murphy, lumber salesman, Centralia, Wash.; Mable Greyson, Washington Hotel, Portland; H. H. Johnson, department manager and buyer for Lang & Company, of Portland; Gertrude Morehouse, California and Macadam road; E. C. Habel, secretary Dulmage-Manly Auto Company, 710 East Sixty-fifth street; Jane Roberts, 494 Forty-second street, Portland; J. H. Rohr, Palace Hotel, Portland; Mrs. C. C. Carlson, Salem; Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Anderson, Lafayette, Ind.; H. Goldsmith, traveling man, Centralia, Wash.; William A. Lemont, broker, Coalman building, Seattle.

The case will be taken directly before the grand jury, which meets at 10 o'clock Monday morning. District Attorney Hedges and Sheriff Wilson have been at work upon the case for several months, and three times had the raid on the club planned only to be forced to postpone their plans because of some unwise developments. Wilson has been convicted three times on a

liquor charge by District Attorney Hedges, who is confident that he can make this case the fourth conviction.

DR. WILLIAM BOYS DEAD

Past Grand Master of Masonic Lodge Succumbs to Long Illness.

Dr. William Boys, aged 71, who has practiced medicine here for about 26 years, died last night at his home, 545 Broadway, after a lingering illness. For the past year he had been retired from practice.

Dr. Boys was past master of Portland Lodge, No. 55, Masons, and his funeral will be conducted by that organization. It is expected the last rites will be held tomorrow from Holman's chapel.

Dr. Boys was born in Strausburg, Pa., and is survived by his widow and his daughters, Miss Bess Boye, Mrs. J. H. Franks, of Salt Lake City, and Mrs. A. L. Hagen, of Eugene.

MUSIC BRINGS CRIME

Failure of Mrs. Graven to Attain Ambition Upsets Mind.

NOTE HINTS AT INSANITY

Woman Who Slew Mother and Killed Self Known as Keen Piano Student—Bodies Are Sent to Astoria for Burial.

Art unrequited, or "music-mania," is the summary explanation given by some as the possible cause of the peculiar psychic condition which led Mrs. Ellen Graven, young Portland woman, to kill her mother, Mrs. Minnie Graves, and then to slay herself early Saturday morning, leaving a note: "Better this than the asylum."

In the ambitious fight to interpret music as she felt its artistic urge against her human limitations, and the distracting realization that the spirit infused in her from the works of masters could find no satisfactory agency of actual expression, may have caused her mental powers to crumble. This, at least, is believed a plausible reason for the violent action Saturday, by friends who knew Mrs. Graven and knew her to be constantly "visualizing" her music.

Mrs. Graven was not a music composer, but she was attached, passionately, to music. Her marriage was unhappy, and she separated from her husband, Carl Graven. Two years ago she awoke to the possibilities of music as an expression. From hearing other musicians play and sing, Mrs. Graven determined that she would give a musical message by performance. She began the serious study of the piano. But one difficulty came in the way. Try as she might, after the

ISLAND TO BE POOR FARM

Puyallup River Property Found to Have Been Ownerless.

TACOMA, Wash., Oct. 1.—(Special.)—Treasure Island, 20 acres in area, situated in the center of the Puyallup River, has become the property of Pierce County and will be renamed Reed Island by the next Legislature, if present plans carry. The island never was platted and only recently County Commissioner Reed learned that no one held title to it.

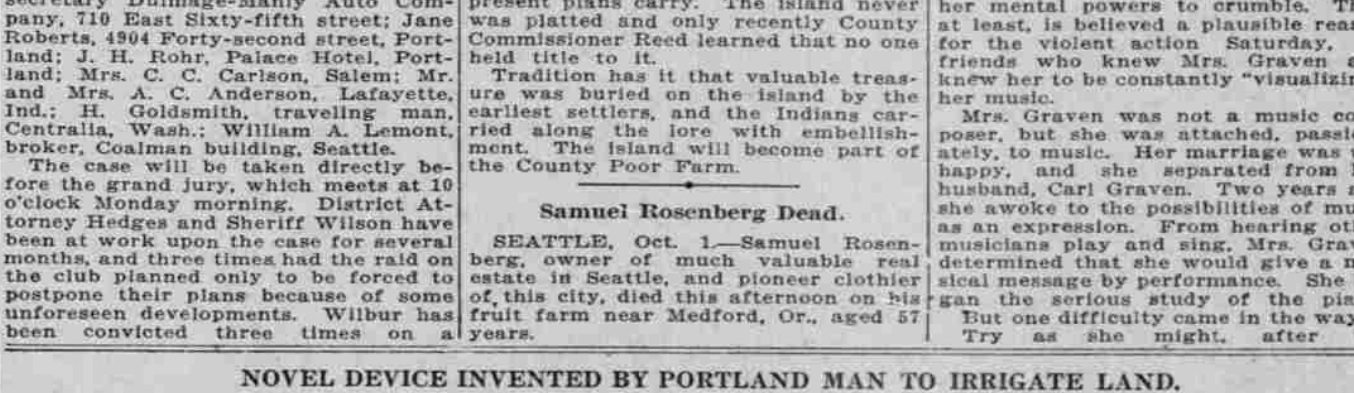
Tradition has it that valuable treasure was buried on the island by the earliest settlers, and the Indians carried along the lore with embellishment. The island will become part of the County Poor Farm.

NOVEL DEVICE INVENTED BY PORTLAND MAN TO IRRIGATE LAND.

FLOATING POWER PLANT, DEvised BY H. C. BERRY, AS IT APPEARS UNDER DEMONSTRATION IN CLACKAMAS RIVER.

A simple and inexpensive device for pumping water from streams for irrigation purposes has been patented by H. C. Berry, 261 Twelfth street, and is being demonstrated on the Clackamas River, at Gladstone. The inventor says his device will irrigate 150 acres of land from a five-mile current.

The device consists of a floating power plant to be anchored in the stream and having undershot water wheels, constructed to run the pumps mounted upon the power plant. The device may be anchored in any part of the stream and may be moved about at will. The power developed depends upon the speed of the current, and the device is manufactured to suit local conditions. It is asserted that irrigation may be accomplished by use of this device at less than 25 per cent of the cost of the present method.



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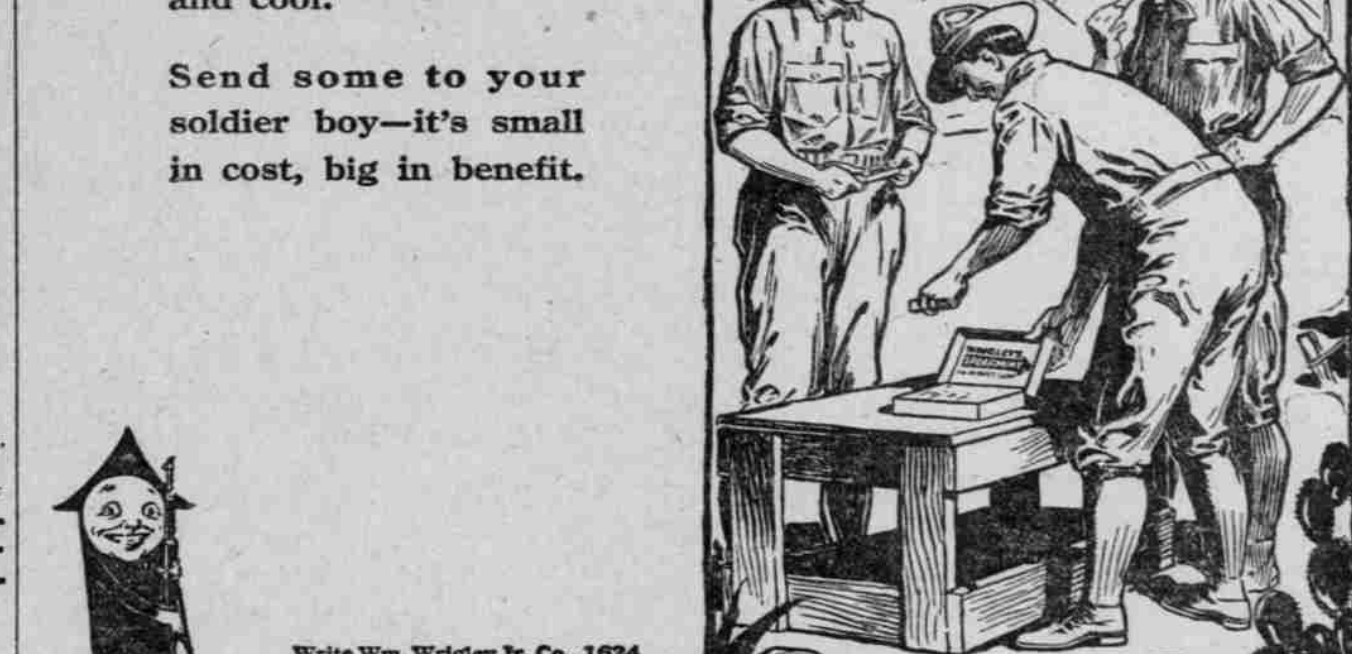
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NEAR SIDE STOPS ON

Streetcar Patrons Confused First Day of Change.

STRIKE MAY END TODAY

Seattle Longshoremen Expected to Accept Open-Shop Basis.

SEATTLE, Oct. 1.—Unofficial reports along the waterfront indicated that the strike of longshoremen, which has been in effect here since June 1, will be called off tomorrow.

The men will return to work on the open-shop basis under the same wage scale accepted by the San Francisco waterfront workers several weeks ago.

LAW UNKNOWN TO MANY

Streets of Alternate Paving and Dirt Cause Most Trouble—Commissioner of Public Safety Expects Good Results.

That part of the new traffic ordinance requiring streetcars to stop on the near side of crossings on paved streets caused all kinds of trouble for streetcar patrons yesterday.

The only part of the ordinance to become effective yesterday was that affecting streetcars. Streetcar patrons apparently had not learned of its passage or forgot that yesterday was the first of October.

There are parts of the city in which streetcars operate that have but few paved for a few blocks and then there is a strip of unpaved street, ending with pavement again. These particular strips of unpaved street caused the streetcar men almost as much worry as the ordinance did the passengers.

One streetcar man, operating on the Rose City line, stopped on the near side coming west until he got to East Sixteenth street. From there until Tenth street the street is not paved. The motorman kept stopping on the near side and one wise passenger who got on the car between Sixteenth and Tenth streets had a lot of fun at the motorman's expense.

Other motormen stopped on the far sides of streets that have but few strips of pavement. The condition of the streets makes strict observance of the ordinance rather difficult for both passengers and crews.

The Portland Railway, Light & Power Company dispatchers reported that no time had been lost on car schedules, despite the fact that many people walked from one side of the street to the other before they could board the cars.

Secretary Coffin, of the public safety commission, said yesterday that his observations led him to believe the new ordinance would be most advantageous. He cautioned passengers to look carefully after they alight from cars until the part of the ordinance regulating automobiles becomes effective.

The streetcar company has placed signs on the cars telling persons to board at the near side of crossings.

CHINA TRADE COMING

PORTLAND WILL HAVE STEAMER SERVICE TO ORIENT.

Company Organized in East, and Sailings From Atlantic, Pacific and Gulf Ports Are Planned.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 1.—Organization of the Chinese-American Exchange Company, a shipping corporation which proposes to inaugurate a general mercantile trade between China and American ports on the Pacific, Gulf and South Atlantic, was announced here tonight. It is headed by Dr. Clarence J. Owens, managing director of the Southern Commercial Congress, and is understood to have the backing of that organization.

Establishment of regular sailings is contemplated between Norfolk, Charleston, Wilmington, Savannah, Jacksonville, Mobile and Galveston on the East coast, and San Diego, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Portland on the West coast.

A Portland connection will be made with another fleet plying to and from the Chinese treaty ports. The company's Chinese correspondent will be Kai Fu Shah, formerly Chinese Minister to the United States.

J. T. M'UTCHEON TO WED

Artist and Writer Buys Island in Bahamas for Honeymoon.

CHICAGO, Oct. 1.—Announcement of the engagement of Miss Evelyn Shaw to John T. McCutcheon, artist and writer, today added romance to his purchase of Salt Cay, an island in the Bahamas, which has just become known. The honeymoon will be passed on the island, which also is known as Treasure Island.

Mr. McCutcheon said today the wedding would probably take place before Christmas. Miss Shaw is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Van Doren Shaw, of Lake Forest, Ill.

Test Met by Destroyer.

ROCKLAND, Me., Oct. 1.—With the exception of a six-hour run at 25-knot speed which is to take place tomorrow, the torpedo-boat destroyer Wilkes has met all standardization tests, according to the board of inspection and

survey. The destroyer had her four-hour endurance run in a choppy sea today averaging 29.55 knots. The contract required 29.50.

A four-hour run at 20-knot speed, using main turbines, also was within fuel economy requirements.

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