Better Wages Paid by Private Employers Is Making It Hard to Retain Good Men.

PROBLEM MUST BE FACED

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The city faces the serious problem of competing with private employers for competent man without being able to offer nearly as good a wage scale, according to a statement issued yesterday by Mayor Baker in behalf of the measure to be on the ballot at the special city election Friday providing special 1-mill tax to provide funds for war emergencies.

The city's service has lost hundreds of men, the Mayor says, and is powerless to stave off the resignations because of lack of funds to increase wage scales. The situation is particularly bad in the police and fire bureaus, he He urges that the public support the measure which has been submitted by the council as the only swallable means of keeping the city service up to any standard of efficiency.

Hundreds Have Quit.

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"The city's fire and police bureaus,
as well as some of the departments
requiring trained technical men, face
the very serious problem of having to
retain competent men at salaries be-

retain competent men at salaries below what is paid by private employers.
The result has been that the city has
lost hundreds of good employes and
more are leaving as better offers prement themselves on the outside.
"The city administration is handicapped in its efforts to stave off this
disintegration of its departments by
reason of inability to provide any additional fund to provide for increases
in wages so that the city service will
afford an attraction to competent men
and women.

"To overcome this difficulty and to provide money for many war emer-gency propositions which arise constantly the Council has submitted to the voters a measure to be voted on Friday giving the Council the authority to provide next year for an additional ene-mill tax levy. It is important to the welfare of the city that this meas-

Protection Is Now Imperative.

The fire bureau has lost somewhere mear 160 men in the last 12 months and the police bureau has lost a great

Milan, of Oregon Agricultural College: Sergeant Christie, of the Canadian forces, and John Robertson, of Dufur.

Read Harley's article, page 8 .- Adv.



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MOVING PICTURE NEWS



Marquerite Clark, at Liberty Theaten in "Rich Man, Poor Man."

TODAY'S FILM FEATURES.

- Sunset—"The Masque of Life"; Charlie Chaplin, "The Tramp." Liberty—Marguerite Clark, "Rich Man, Poor Man." William Farnum,
- "Rough and Ready."
 Peoples—Billie Burke, "Let's Get
 a Divorce." Columbia-Alice Brady, "The
- Knife." Star-Vivian Martin, "Unclaimed Goods." Globe-Louise Huff and House Peters, "The Lonesome Chap."

Many Diminutive Stars.

The five-foot favorites of filmdom would furnish pony ballets for all the musical comedies on Broadway—If they could be engaged for that purpose.

Look over the list of diminutive screen stars, and you'll agree that there are compensations for not being tall, aside from being able to sleep comfortably in a Pullman berth. Isn't it significant that two of the most popular actresses in the world—Mary Pickford and Marguerite Clark—are in the five-foot class? Far from being a The five-foot favorites of filmdon

max 180 men in the last 12 months, and 13 months, and 12 months, and 12 months, and 13 months, and 14 months, a

Burke Fans Ald Red Cross.

Wasco Holds Pienic.

DUFUR, Or., May 12.—(Special.)—
The annual industry club picnic for Wasco County was sheld Saturday at Tygh Valley under the direction of County School Superintendent Bonny, Patriotic addresses were delivered by Dr. Linney, of Portland; L. B. Harrington, of Oregon Agricultural College; Lou Smith, of the O.-W. R. & N.; Miss Milan of Oregon Agricultural College; Sergeant Christic, of the Canadian forces, and John Bohertade, of Defeat as to requests each day, and in returning the pictures inclosed a little note asking that the recipient send her such a sum as he or she could spare to devote to as he or she could spare to devote to the Red Cross. One little girl in Lin-coln. Neb., sent 25 I-cent stamps and a the Red Cross. One little girl in Lincoln. Neb., sent 25 2-cent stamps and a two-weeks' allowance from her father.

A little boy sent ten pennics in an envelope—and they were so heavy it cost nearly that to send them—but of course he never thought of changing them to one piece for the ten, as there must have been a sacrifice in every penny. Miss Burke received a splendid letter from the Red Cross thanking the kiddles through her.

Farnum Likes Fights.

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There is nothing that appeals more to There is nothing that appeals more to William Farnum's heart than a good, clean, square boxing match Mr. Farnum, the star of the new production, "Rough and Ready," is always present at every pugilistic exhibition of importance that is held anywhere near the city in which he happens to be. Mr. Farnum's prowess in the rugged, manto-man screen encounters is far-famed. Farnum can handle a pool or billiard cue with the same ready skill that he can a stage cue. He is a devotee of the game.

can a stage cue. He same.

"I'm not a Willie Hoppe," he confides, "but I've got hopes, and you can't arrest a man for that."

Mr. Farnum is also an adopt at bowling. "Unfortunately." he says, "I made a strike with the first ball I ever hurled, and of course I've never been able to live it down."

Aspirants Get Tryout.

World Mctures have determined to seek out new talent for their productions and for this purpose have set aside one afternoon a week to try out applicants and making final selections. The applicants are tried out by the various directors to test their quickness of perception, their success in depicting emotions and grasp the essentials of a scene. Then they are given a test. In other words, the directors a test. In other words, the directors put them through their paces before the camera, so as to determine whether

the camera, so is to determine whether or not they register well.

Recently at one of these tryouts, 35 young ladles were given a trial. Of the 15, six developed enough ability to warrant screen tests and of the six two were hired for work in new pictures.

Screen Gossin.

Marion Davice, stage beauty and mu-ical comedy star, made one picture, Runaway Romany," and it must have sen a success, for she announces that

she will devote her entire time to the studio hereafter. In her second pic-ture, "Cecella of the Pink Roses," the supporting cast includes George Le Guere and Harry Benham.

The Educational Films Corporation is to produce a seven-reel photoplay,
"The Romance of Coal." Within a fictional story will be shown every phase
of the industry, including the relation
of the American boal fields to the
world war and the success of the

Do you remember that little mongrel and in the Chaplin picture. "A Dog's Walthall has deserted Paralta and Life"? The canine died while Charlie signed with D. W. Griffith for Art-craft productions.

A negro mammy 114 years old will be seen in an early Mae Marsh pic-

Since Los Angeles adopted a new studio ruling requiring the presence of mothers at studios when children are posing before the camers, the cost of several productions has been material ly increased. Fox played host to 30 mothers for many days during the making of the Farnum subject, "Riders

cently in New York, a victim of pneu-monia, is survived by his wife, Ethel Fleming. He was playing at the time in Lou-Tellegen's "Blind Youth." His last film was "By Right of Purchase," with Norma Talmadge.

A few helpful hints to press agents, or a few gags that haven't been used for a few weeks: The Vamp from the Pyramids of the Sahara (all our near-vamps for some time now have halled from Russia); the daughter of an old Chicago fambly going into pitchers as an extry girl; the popular Blank star who in the "fight scene" walloped the professional heavyweight so hard he professional heavyweight so hard he was unconscious for 10 minutes.

sity. He made his stage debut at 15 in a Denver stock company, and later appeared in stock at St. Louis. During his stage career he supported Charlotte Walker, Amelia Bingham, Maris Doro, Hattie Williams and other stars. Hinckley deserted to the movies and played in many of the old Majestic and Reliance photoplays, with Dorothy Gish; he had important parts in the



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A Bowling Alley Symphony, in which everybody gets balled out.

Fine Arts productions, "The Lily and the Rose," with Lillian Gish, and "The Children in the House," with Norma Talmadge. Later he did "The Ama-zons," with Marguerite Glark, for Famous Players.

Goldwyn has two new leading men. Rodrique La Roque will be seen with Mabel Normand and Clarence Oliver with Madge Kennedy. This leaves Tom Moore with Mae Marsh.

G. M. ("Broncho Billy") Anderson has leased a studio in Los Angeles and will soon be making two-reel Western dramas. Sounds like old times.

Triangle lost a half dosen of its cowboys recently. They enlisted in the cavalry.

cial.)—Jack Guyton, campaign assistant to R. N. Stanfield, was in Coos Bay for the purpose of plugging some holes in the Stanfield fences. Several attacks were made on Candidate Stanfield's defenges and it appeared there and been breaches made which needed repairing. Mr. Guyton said he did not find the situation demanding any spe-cial attention and he looks for a heavy majority in Coos County for the East-



Tax Payers, Attention! The expense of the Coroner's of-

fice for 1915 was \$5,851.93, for 1916 \$5,080.02, for 1917 \$8,844.42. Why elect incumbent with such an increased expense without increase in efficiency?

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Republican candidate for Coroner. He has had four years' experience as Coroner for Spokane, Washington-100 per cent American citizen. He will perform the duties of Coroner in an efficient manner at an expense not to exceed that of 1916, saving you thousands of dollars. He is obligated to no special interest but the interest of all tax payers, all the time.

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Let 'er Buck!



There is a close relationship between the war and the Senatorial contest in Oregon. Here is how it works out:

Congress is loaded to the guards with lawyers, but war is now a business proposition, and the Government is appealing to practical business men to help. No one has heard of the Administration sending out a call for corporation or constitutional lawyers, as they are a drug on the market. The men who have the "know how," the men who have rubbed shoulders with real, hard work, men like Hurley, Schwab and others who have come up from the ranks of the toilers, are in demand. War is not conducted in a law library or a swivel chair—it calls for work, hard, grinding, gruelling work, and plenty of it.

Republican voters of Oregon have a choice between two men: Robert N. Stanfield, farmer, stockraiser and business man, and his opponent, a lawyer.

Which do you think the Government needs most at Washington in its war problems-the practical, efficient, self-reliant business man, or the corporation lawyer with a career punctuated by soft political jobs, to which he was in every instance appointed?

Which of these two candidates is best equipped to render genuine service to the Nation?

And when the reconstruction period comes after the war, as come it must, which is qualified to tackle the problems—the man who has met and solved the problems of life on the ranges and in the business world, or the man whose career has been on cushioned chairs?

of mere partisanship, for it affects, in a measure, the successful conduct of the war and the trying period which will come afterward. Oregon can again show its patriotism and will to win the war by nominating and electing Stanfield.

At the same time there is a political aspect to the primary contest. It is worth the consideration of every Republican voter, who has a regard for party. The Republican primaries is a family affair for Republicans. The Republicans are not attempting to dictate to the Democrats, but the spectacle is presented of a Democratic boss "butting in" on the Republicans with all the assurance of an over-lord and demanding that Republicans vote for Stanfield's opponent, who happens to be the friend, protege and appointee of the Democratic boss.

AND Republicans can rest assured of this:

IF STANFIELD IS NOT NOMI-NATED, THE REPUBLICAN PARTY IN OREGON IS DEAD FOR YEARS TO COME, FOR THE DEM-OCRATIC BOSS WILL BE IN CON-TROL.

The history of Stanfield's opponent discloses that while Stanfield is 100 per cent Republican, his opponent is a 50-50 per cent Demo.-Rep. And while Republicans are picking out a candidate in their own party why not select the man who is Republican all the time?

If Oregon wants results and not press-agent stories, Stanfield is the man. When Stanfield is Senator he will get results and not try to "film-flam" the public by posing for motion pictures and capitalizing soldier boys.

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