

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

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AMUSEMENTS. THELMA (Broadway at Taylor)—Portland Symphony Orchestra. Tonight. OLDFATHER (Broadway at Taylor)—Vaudville. This evening.

THIRTY STAMPS. WAH SAVING STAMPS. Business Office, Oregonian.

FEDERATION OF CHURCHES TO BANQUET. The churches are getting together for a banquet and dinner of members of the Portland Federation of Churches.

TELEGRAM FILES LABEL. DEFENSE BILL. The cost bill for the Evening Telegram in the recent \$50,000 label suit brought by Alaxson Ira Lucas and won by the defense was filed in the circuit court yesterday.

STORY OF ROBBERY FOLLOWS. Albert Beaudoin, 323 1/2 Couch street, who told the police a story of being pursued by two hold-up men and robbed of \$9, but making his escape before the robbers could secure his valuable watch at East Thirty-third and Stanton streets Saturday night, admitted yesterday that he was not held up.

SLOT MACHINES CLEANED OUT. Prompt action of a slot machine agent in collecting his machines and making arrangements to slot them out of the state when called upon to do so by District Attorney Evans left the city free of the devices.

DENIES ANY AGREEMENT. Executor Price Files Answer in Leadbetter Suit. Denial is made of knowledge of any agreement between the late Henry L. Pittock and his son-in-law, Fred W. Leadbetter, by which the latter was to be permitted to repurchase from Mr. Pittock stock sold in the Crown-Williams and Crown-Columbia paper mills, by payment of the original cost, plus 5 per cent interest and less dividends accumulated.

DAMAGES OF \$5000 DEMANDED. Damages of \$5000 for alleged malicious arrest are demanded by Nick Sabo of Fred Bader in a suit filed in the circuit court yesterday. The plaintiff asserts that Bader swore to a warrant last June which caused his arrest on a charge of stealing \$2000, and that the grand jury later returned a not true bill in the case.

SELLING TOMATOES BY MEANS OF RESERVES IN \$25. FINE. Charged with selling tobacco to a minor, Joe Filice, merchant at 255 Second street, received a fine of \$25 in municipal court yesterday morning. Filice was arrested by Officer Sperry after he is said to have sold cigars to Malcolm McCallum, 17-year-old bootblack.

MARION DAIRYMAN IS VISITOR. F. G. Denkbeach, a director of the Oregon dairy council, is visiting in Portland. Mr. Denkbeach is president of the Marion County Creamery & Produce company of Salem and is interested in the milk survey being made by the dairy council in Salem.

LINNTON WATCHMAN'S LEG FRACTURED. Hugh O'Neil of Linnton, a watchman for the Oregon ship timber mills, fractured his right leg below the knee when he slipped on a cable at the mill early yesterday morning. He was taken to Good Samaritan hospital. O'Neil is 59 years of age.

EPWORTH LEAGUE BAZAAR FRIDAY. Portland Epworth league will hold a benefit bazaar at the First Methodist church Friday afternoon and evening. The proceeds will be sent to the Methodist Deaconess home to be used in the home and to be distributed by it for the poor.

PAUL MURPHY RETURNS TO GOVERNMENT WORK. Paul Murphy, manager of the Laurelhurst company of this city and active during the war as a representative of the government in the "own your home" campaign, left Monday evening for San Francisco, having been summoned there by the United States department of labor to aid in the sale of government homes built on Mare Island during the war.

CHENEY ORDINANCE TO COME UP. An ordinance authorizing the city planning commission to hire Charles Henry Cheney, as consultant to the commission at a salary of \$300 per month will be considered by the council at its regular meeting this morning. The ordinance provides for retaining Mr. Cheney from January 1, 1920, to January 1, 1921.

INJURED WOMAN SEEN FOUR. For injuries received en route to view some land when the automobile in which she was riding collided with another, Josephine Johnson filed suit for \$7500 damages against John Ferguson, Lloyd Anderson, C. J. Anderson and Myrtle Underwood in the circuit court yesterday.

AD CLUB TO CELEBRATE. The Portland Ad club will celebrate "the end of a perfect year" at the regular weekly meeting at the Benson hotel at noon today.

EXECUTOR PRICE FILES ANSWER IN LEADBETTER SUIT. Denial is made of knowledge of any agreement between the late Henry L. Pittock and his son-in-law, Fred W. Leadbetter, by which the latter was to be permitted to repurchase from Mr. Pittock stock sold in the Crown-Williams and Crown-Columbia paper mills, by payment of the original cost, plus 5 per cent interest and less dividends accumulated.

LIQUOR SEIZURES HEAVY. EMERGENCY SQUAD SEIZES 40,916 QUARTS IN 1919. Lieutenant Thatcher Makes Annual Report of Activities to Chief of Police Jenkins.

CAR SALE BRINGS ARREST. Garage Watchman Charged With Larceny by Embezzlement. Jack McCleery, night watchman at the Mount Tabor garage, was arrested yesterday on a charge of larceny by embezzlement after he is said to have taken a machine from the garage and sold it for \$200, forging a bill of sale which he signed the name of J. W. Mendel.

NEW YEAR DINNER. At the College Inn. East Sixth and Pacific streets. 75c. 12 M. to 1 P. M. Green sea turtle soup, celery hearts, roast young turkey, cranberry sauce, roast domestic duck, celery dressing, mashed sweet potatoes, sugar corn, New Year pudding, caramel sauce. Special—10c. mince pie 10c, green apple pie 10c. New Year fruit cake 10c, chocolate ice cream 10c, combination salad 25c, head lettuce 15c, sliced tomatoes 15c.—Adv.

CAUTION. Wrappers of the New Year's Edition of The Morning Oregonian tomorrow will bear this label: NEW YEAR'S EDITION. Morning Oregonian. Portland, Oregon.

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LEVY OF 5 MILLS WILL BE ON GUINITY

Final Action on Budget to Be Taken This Morning.

LOOP ROAD QUESTIONED

Revenues Are \$886,022.80—Sum to Be Raised by Taxation Is \$1,607,888.14.

A tax levy of approximately 5 mills will be sufficient to run Multnomah county for the coming year, if interested taxpayers do not stampede the annual budget meeting this morning and boost appropriations. Of \$2,499,318.84 estimated to be necessary to carry on the county administration during 1920, it will be necessary only to raise \$1,607,888.14 by direct taxation, which can be done, figures County Assessor Reed, by a 5-mill levy.

The budget for the county will be passed on finally at the meeting to open at 10 o'clock this morning in room 520 courthouse. The chief fight expected is on an appropriation of \$170,000 desired for the improvement of that portion of the proposed Mount Hood loop highway lying in Clackamas county between Sandy and Zig Zag. This has not been included in the budget prepared by the county commissioners, who are opposed to it for the reason that funds for completion of the loop road, particularly that running through the government reserve, will not be available for a year or so.

POSITION MAY DEVELOP TO THE PROPOSAL TO APPROPRIATE \$20,000 FOR THE ROSE FESTIVAL THIS YEAR, BUT IT IS NOT EXPECTED AS THE GENERAL BELIEF APPEARS TO BE THAT THE MONEY WOULD BE SPENT IN ADVERTISING THE COUNTY DURING THE NATIONAL CONVENTION OF SHRINERS MEETING HERE ROSE FESTIVAL WEEK.

SLIGHT CHANGES SHOWN. Budget figures show a slight change from those previously published, the main differences being in the appropriation for bridges and ferries, which has been reduced from \$42,850 to \$24,826.96, and that of the new county hospital, which has been increased from \$200,000 to \$250,000. An election expense item has been transferred from the main division of the sheriff's office to the registration and election division of the county clerk's office, making a difference of \$12,300 in former figures.

THE SUM OF 5 MILLS DOES NOT INCLUDE THE SPECIAL TAX OF .99 MILL FOR ROSE FESTIVAL PURPOSES, THE SPECIAL TAX LEVY AT NOON TODAY FOR THE COUNTY LIBRARY, THE LEVY FOR COUNTY SCHOOLS WHICH DEMAND \$62,940, STATE TAXES OF \$1,584,040.50, OR THE SPECIAL MARKET ROAD TAX RAISING \$101,022.80. NEITHER DOES IT INCLUDE THE \$106,250 FOR PAYMENT OF INTERSTATE BRIDGE BOND PRINCIPAL INTEREST AS THIS IS PAID OUT OF BRIDGE EARNINGS.

REVENUE NEAR MILLION. The \$2,499,318.84 believed necessary for operation of the county during 1920 includes: \$1,154,852.20 for the general county fund, including all ad valorem taxes; \$248,926.94 for large bridges and ferries; \$543,850.80 for roads and highways; \$250,000 for the new county hospital, and \$134,375 for the payment of principal and interest on road bonds.

THE REASON THE COUNTY DOES NOT HAVE TO RAISE THAT SUM OF ALMOST TWO AND A HALF MILLIONS BY TAXATION IS BECAUSE OF REVENUE FROM OTHER SOURCES TOTALING \$886,022.80. THOSE SOURCES, INCLUDING A BALANCE ON HAND OF \$200,000, ARE: \$200,000.00 in delinquent taxes, \$85,000; penalties and interest, \$50,000; motor vehicle fund, \$100,000; \$1,607,888.14 necessary to raise by taxation can be done by a 5-mill levy on a county assessed valuation of \$335,277,750. For state taxation purposes the assessed valuation is \$26,751,819, the difference being due to certain vessels which are taxed for state purposes only.

CARD OF THANKS. We wish to thank my friends for flowers and deep sympathy shown our dear mother and wife. Adv. MR. GEORGE BUTCHER.

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RED ATTACK IS REVIEWED. PORTLAND WRITER CONTRIBUTES TO LEGION WEEKLY. History of Centralia Tragedy Given by Jerrold Owen, Member of The Oregonian Staff.

IN THE AMERICAN LEGION WEEKLY, OFFICIAL PUBLICATION OF THE GREAT ORGANIZATION OF FORMER SERVICE MEN, ISSUED DECEMBER 12, THE LEADING ARTICLE IS ENTITLED "CENTRALIA—THE INEVITABLE CLASH BETWEEN AMERICANISM AND ANTI-AMERICANISM." ITS AUTHOR IS JERROLD OWEN, FORMER LIEUTENANT, PUBLISHER OF THE PACIFIC LEGION and member of The Oregonian staff.

MR. OWEN'S ARTICLE IS A COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF THE CENTRALIA TRAGEDY FROM THE FATAL SHOOTING OF THE ARMY-DAY PARADE, THE SUDDEN, TREASONOUS CRACKLE OF HIDDEN RIFLE FIRE, TO THE CAPTURE OF THE I. W. W. PARTICIPANTS, AND THE FIRM STAND OF THE AMERICAN LEGION, THROUGH ITS CENTRALIA POST, FOR JUSTICE THROUGHOUT THE COURSE.

IN AN EDITORIAL COMMENT UPON MR. OWEN'S NARRATION OF THE CENTRALIA ASSASSINATIONS, THE AMERICAN LEGION WEEKLY SAYS: "MR. OWEN ALSO MARKS THAT THE LEAVEN OF SANITY IN THE TURMOIL FOLLOWING THE COWARDLY SHOOTING WAS THOSE SAME MEN IN UNIFORM, THOSE MEN OF THE LEGION WHO HAD BEEN THE TARGETS OF THE ASSASSINS. THE MEN OF GRANT HODGE POST NO. 17 WERE TRUE TO THEIR IDEALS. UNDER FIRE, UNDER THE GREATEST PROVOCATION, THEY SPOKE FOR ORDERLY PROCESSES OF LAW."

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