STATE DISBURSEMENT TOTALS 27 MILLIONS

51,000 Claims Draw on Every Fund Carried.

CAPACITY IS TAXED

Ex-Service Men Avail Themselves of Financial Educational Fund for Aid.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Approximately $27,000,000 was disbursed through the Oregon state department during the year 1920, as compared with $6,000,000 in the year 1918, according to a report prepared here today by Sam A. Kozer, secretary of state. Involved in the disbursements for this year were 51,000 separate claims drawn on practically every fund carried on the state ledgers.

Of the total disbursements $15,000,000 represented expenditures for road construction and improvements under the direction of the state highway department. Disbursements of the state industrial accident commission on account of the operation of the workmen's compensation law totaled more than $3,000,000, and for other governmental expenses there was expended approximately $8,000,000.

Receipts Over Two Million.

The receipts of the department, which are derived principally from motor vehicle licenses and the tax on gasoline and distillate, sold and distributed throughout the state, motor vehicle licenses and operators' licenses aggregated $2,085,000. This represents license fees upon 103,790 passenger and commercial cars, 3516 motorcycles and for the registration of 3234 chauffeurs, 751 motor vehicle dealers and 140,981 motor vehicle operators.

Other items making up the total transactions of the department include the issuance of 1885 notarial commissions, filing 3840 notices of migratory chattels, filing 161 farm names and filing and recording 401 miscellaneous appointments, proclamations, pardons and other papers of the executive department. Seventy-one trade marks also were registered during the year.

State Taxed to Capacity.

In a statement accompanying the report, Mr. Kozer said that at no time during his employment in the department, covering a period of 20 years, had the secretary of state's office been taxed to capacity as at the present time.

Adding to the duties of the department, said Mr. Kozer, is the item of distributing the soldiers', sailors' and marines' financial educational aid fund. Thus far 5036 ex-service men have availed themselves of the benefits of the law, with total disbursements in their behalf aggregating $642,000. More than 125 schools and colleges of the state are represented in the enrollment of these ex-service students.

It also devolves upon the secretary of state to prepare for the legislative assembly, to compile and have published the biennnal budget of requirements of the various state activities for the ensuing two years, to prepare and present to the legislative assembly a report of the business of the department during the biennium just closed, and to register motor vehicles for the ensuing year.

COUNTY FACES DEFICIT

NEW BUDGET EXPECTED TO SHOW $335,634 IN RED.

General Fund Budget Handicapped by Transfer of Motor Vehicle License Money.

There was a deficit of $262,786.29 in the general fund of the county last night. When the new budget starts February 1, it is estimated that the deficit will amount to $335,634.10, represented by outstanding warrants.

When the 1920 budget was prepared there was estimated that $150,000 would come to the county from motor vehicle tax and this amount was placed in the general fund. The results show that the county received from the motor vehicle tax $174,000, or $24,000 more than the estimate.

Instead of placing this motor tax in the general fund, as originally provided, the county commissioners shifted it over to the road budget, which had been set at $559,639.58. The motor tax swelled the road money to $733,762. The county commissioners have spent from the road fund $631,095.85, so that there is cash on hand in this fund of $102,666.18. What the comissioners did was to expend $71,457.12 in excess of their road budget and but for the transfer to this fund of the motor vehicle license money the road department would be "in the red" the amount of this excess.

There is a supposition that the motor vehicle license money is to be used by counties for the payment of interest and redemption of county road bonds. Apparently, when the 1920 budget was prepared and adopted, there was no intention that the motor vehicle license money should go for road purposes, otherwise it would have been so specified and not placed as an item of revenue in the general fund.

In November the county commissioners made the transfer of the license money from the general to the road fund, thus handicapping the general fund budget to that amount.

At the rate the deficits are climbing in various departments, red ink will have to be plentifully used to express where these departments stand financially January 31. The deficit of the general fund is now in excess of a quarter of a million and will pile up at least another $70,000 in the current month after all odds and ends of revenues have been accounted for.

JAIL SENTENCES IMPOSED

Youths Plead Guilty to Room Thefts, Go to Prison for 90 Days.

Harry Duvall and Walter Long, 19-year-old youths, implicated in a series of room thefts in which shirts and other articles of clothing were taken, pleaded guilty to charges of larceny in municipal court yesterday and were sentenced to 90 days in jail. A plea of leniency was made by Deputy District Attorney Deich because of their plea.

Ray Henderson and Leo Bushberg were sentenced to 90 days in jail for the theft of an automobile tire. Bushberg was found to have lead Henderson into the trouble. Henderson's sentence was suspended on condition that he return home.

Possession of five pints of moonshine and keys and notes which led to the location of a larger quantity of liquor drew a $200 fine and 90 days in jail for Pete Rocich on a charge of violation of the prohibiton law.

1921 SALES PLANS LAID

Department Heads of Mason, Ehrman & Company Meet.

Plans for the coming year were outlined at the annual gathering of the sales force and department heads of the Mason, Ehrman & Co., held at the Benson hotel, Thursday and Friday. A feature of the gathering was the annual banquet Thursday noon.

The gathering was called to order by Edward Ehrman, president and senior member of the firm. Among those speaking were: W. H. Ehrman, S. Mason Ehrman, Harry Meyer, A. H. Zinsley, manager of the cereal department; Charles L. Dick, manager dried fruit department; Edward Peterson, manager canned goods department; Mr. Robinson, manager of bakers' supply department; George H. Buehler, manager of cigar department, and W. J. Hopkins, manager candy and soft drinks department.

SALEM'S NEW CHIEF IS TO MAKE MANY CHANGES.

Verdin Moffitt.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—When Verdin Moffitt, newly elected chief of police, assumes charge of the department tomorrow morning he will announce a complete new personnel of subordinates, with the exception of one patrolman, who is at present employed by the city. The name of this patrolman Mr. Moffitt has refused to divulge.

Other proposed changes in the department include the purchase of a motorcycle for emergency calls, patrolling of the most remote districts of the city at night and installation of call boxes.

Mr. Moffitt has been a member of the police department for some time past and for the past year has acted as traffic officer.

Two to Take Office.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Only two changes will occur in the official family of Linn county with the beginning of the new year. L. G. Lewelling will become district attorney, succeeding Gale S. Hill, who has held the office for many years, and Charles C. Curry will succeed Mrs. Velma Davis Petterson as county recorder. The retirement of Mrs. Petterson leaves the county two women officers, both of the others having been re-elected in November. They were Mrs. Ida Maxwell Cummings, county school superintendent, and Miss Lenore Powell, county treasurer.

Oil Indications Reported.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—S. D. Truitt, a farmer of Adams county, was in the city yesterday and stated that on his ranch excellent oil indications had been struck at a depth of 164 feet. A short distance away a new hole developed strong indications of gas. Further drilling will be done.

Many Idle at Pasco.

PASCO, Wash., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Not for a number of years has work been so slack on the railroads and in the shops at this point as it is now. Reduction in force is the order of the day in all departments and further reductions are anticipated. Many men have been thrown out of employment and there are many idle men on the streets.

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LIQUOR PLOT IS CHARGED

TWO WOMEN AND THREE MEN AT NEW YORK HELD.

Clerks in Federal Prohibition Director's Office Are Taken Into Custody for Fraud.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—Two women clerks in the federal prohibition director's office here and three men were arrested Thursday charged with conspiracy to defraud the United States through the use of liquor withdrawal permits obtained by bribery and by forgery of telegrams and permits.

The women were Mary Perkins and Regina Sassone, clerks in the office, and the men were Edward Donegan, a Brooklyn contractor; Sigmund (Beansy) Rosenfeld and George R. Stibberson.

Donegan, Rosenfeld and the women were arraigned last night before United States Commissioner Hitchcock, who held Donegan under $100,000 bail and each of the others under $50,000 bail. Stibberson was not arraigned.

Besides the charges of fraud in the use of permits and telegrams, complaints sworn to by agents alleged that Donegan and Rosenfeld had offered the agents $25,000 to destroy evidence and release them and the women and that $6500 was paid to the agents.

Operations of the alleged conspirators were described in four complaints. They charge that beginning September 15 last the defendants agreed to obtain from the files of the prohibition director for New York state telegrams from distilleries in various parts of the country, inquiring about the genuineness of withdrawal permits presented by the distillers. By means of forged telegraphic replies and fraudulent permits, the complaints alleged, the defendents planned to obtain liquor.

Whisky Worth $50,000 Seized.

DENVER, Dec. 31.—Fifty cases and five barrels of bottled in bond Canadian whisky, valued at $50,000, were seized in an automobile painting shop yesterday by the Denver police. R. D. Wills and A. Alford were arrested.

REPUTED FOOTPADS HELD

Weinstein and Greenberg to Answer to Grand Jury for Holdup.

Waiving preliminary hearing in municipal court yesterday, Abe Weinstein and Joe Greenberg, alleged to have held up and robbed Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Cleveland, 448 Eleventh street, Monday night, were held for the grand jury on a charge of assault and robbery and being armed with a dangerous weapon. Bail was fixed at $5000 each.

Weinstein and Greenberg are said to have confessed to the robbery of Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland, in which approximately $2500 in diamond rings, bond coupons, watches and cash were taken. A third man who took part in the holdup is still at large. The more valuable portion of the loot has been recovered.

John Konopach, 24 years old, companion of Greenberg and Weinstein previous to the night of the robbery, was sentenced to 45 days in jail on a charge of vagrancy. Konopach admitted that he lent his overcoat to one of the men the night of the robbery, but denied any knowledge of the crime. Konopach served one term at Monroe reformatory for a grand larceny offense committed in Washington.

Harry West, also arrested as a companion of Greenberg and Weinstein, will have a hearing January 10.

LEGION IS BACKING ABELE

Appointment as State Health Officer Is Advocated.

Ex-service men are bringing pressure to bear to obtain the appointment of Dr. J. G. Abele as state health officer. Dr. Abele is now assistant in the municipal health bureau. The American Legion is said to have sent J. W. Morris to Salem to notify the governor of its indorsement of Dr. Abele.

At present there is a vacancy in the office of state health officer. Dr. David N. Roberg left Portland several months ago and submitted his resignation. Since then the state board of health has been considering various applicants for the position, but has made no selection, nor is it likely that the board will decide for a few weeks.

There appears to be a small storm brewing over the appointment, chiefly in the circles of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

The ex-service men are backing Dr. Abele, who is a veteran of the Spanish-American war. The members of the state board, who have the power of selection, are marking time. Meanwhile, Dr. Andrew C. Smith, member of the board, is giving a part of his time to the duties of the state health officer.

LABOR SCANDAL UNVEILED

Japanese Said to Have Tried to Sell Out Followers.

HONOLULU, T. H., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Charges that a well-known local Japanese labor leader attempted to "sell out the plantation laborers" for $110,000 during the strike early this year have been made in a Japanese daily newspaper.

The charges have been denied by the labor leader through another daily, owned by himself. The planters are saying nothing on the matter.

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