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One-House Legislative
Plan Turned Down
by Lawmakers.

SALEM—The "unicameral" or one-house legislature proposal did not meet with the approval of the Oregon lawmakers. Three resolutions which would have referred this problem to the voters were either killed or died in committee.

One of the proposals was for an assembly of 30 members elected for terms of four years each. Another provided for an assembly of 60 members and the third, sponsored by the state grange, called for an assembly of from 30 to 50 members to be elected to terms of two years each.

Members of the senate pointing to the "kick and promise" methods employed by the law makers in the house in disposing of bills, held that body up to view as a horrible example of what could be expected under a unicameral system.

The legislature also turned down a proposal to elect a lieutenant-governor as well as on numerous other measures which some of the members wanted to refer to the voters. These included the proposal to repeal of the criminal syndicalism act, creation of a state bank limiting the interest rate to five per cent, and a measure which would have the legislature from tempering with a statute which had been enacted by the voters.

The taxpayers are stuck for the expense of the flying trip to New York and back during which by William Kinzig in his last days as state purchasing agent. The United Air Lines which was holding the sack for \$200, the price of Kinzig's tickets, took their claim to the legislature, where it was approved and ordered paid. The new board of control refused to have anything to do with the matter. Records of the old board fail to show that the price was ever authorized, but the voucher covering the claim bears the "check" of Governor Meier.

The state payroll for activities supported through legislative appropriations, has been increased by more than \$270,000 for the biennium through action of the ways and means committee in restoring salaries and wages. Salaries up to \$100 a month have been restored to the pre-1933 level while employees drawing in excess of \$100 a month were given back 10 per cent of the 1933 salary cut.

A decided improvement in the tax situation is noted by the state tax commission in reports received from the several counties. During 1934 a total of \$13,677,412.89 in delinquent taxes was collected or within \$26,000 of the amount of the pre-1933 level which remained unpaid at the close of the year. Credit for much of this improvement is given by the commission to the act of 1933 which provides for quarterly payment of taxes with a rebate for advance payment of the interest charges against installments which are not paid on or before the due date.

With the legislature out of the way Governor Martin is expected to bring his attention to the task of house cleaning and reorganization of the state machine. So far only three of the ten institution heads have been re-appointed by the board of control. While it is expected that most of the others will be retained one or two changes may be looked for. Considerable interest centers in the appointment to the position of director of agriculture now held by Max Gehlar. Considerable pressure is being exerted to retain Gehlar, who has tendered his resignation, but who would probably remain if asked to do so. It is rumored that not one change is due on the industrial accident commission and one on the state tax commission. A. H. Averitt will probably be replaced as insurance commissioner but Charles H. Carey is regarded as assured of continuation in his job as corporation commissioner.

In announcing reorganization of the state relief commission Saturday Governor Martin struck quickly to head off a demand for an official investigation of relief administration which was brewing in the legislature. Four new members were named by the governor. They were Miss Cella Gavin of The Dalles, Mrs. Thomas Honeyman of Portland, Walter Shubolin of Portland, and E. R. Bryson of Eugene. They replace Judge Guy Boyington of Astoria, Judge Victor P. Moses of Corvallis, Ben T. Osborne of Portland, and Mrs. W. W. Gabriel of Portland.

Farmers and others who expect to claim gasoline tax refunds hereafter must take out a "permit" at a cost of 50 cents a year under the terms of an act of this legislative session. The permit, together with new safeguards set up by the act in an effort to curb refund chisellers, is expected to have from \$200,000 to \$300,000 in value in gasoline taxes to the state.

Solons Pass Enabling Act on Warrants

New Bill Allows Refunding Outstanding Vouchers in This County

Legislation Heavy Plan to Adjourn Assembly Last Saturday Afternoon

Refunding of outstanding warrants in Washington and Yamhill counties was authorized in a bill passed Tuesday by the state legislature. If the measure is signed by Governor Martin, Washington county will be permitted to refund approximately \$300,000 in outstanding general and road fund warrants.

That the county would take immediate steps toward issuing refunding warrants as authorized in the bill was the declaration of Donnelly T. Templeton, county auditor, yesterday. Although a definite procedure has not been adopted, it is planned to sell the new warrants to the highest bidder.

Large Warrants Planned

Provisions of the act permit county courts in the two counties to direct county clerks to issue refunding warrants when outstanding vouchers total \$100,000 or more. The warrants may be issued in denominations as low as \$500.

SALEM—The best laid plans of legislators, like those of ordinary mortals and mice, often go on the rocks. For example the plan to adjourn the legislative session last Saturday, the lawmakers just bit off more than they could masticate and had to come back for another hitch at it with indications that the session this year will run that of 1933 a close race for endurance honors.

While the session may fall by a narrow margin of equaling the 60-day record set by the session of 1933 it bids fair to exceed that session in its cost to the taxpayers. A check of the legislative roster reveals a total of 133 clerks, stenographers, messengers, doorkeepers and other employees on the house payroll compared to a total of 111 at the session two years ago while the senate gave employment to a crew of 75 men and women as compared to the last previous regular session. Employee expense alone, it is estimated, will approximate \$60,000 for the session in addition to the \$9960 earned by the lawmakers themselves for their services during the first 40 days.

Other expenses, including that of printing, will run the total cost to well in excess of \$130,000, it is believed.

Important measures acted on during the last few days include the liquor revenue bill, the free bridge bill and the forest land acquisition act.

First Quarter Tax Payable

First quarter of the 1935 county taxes will become delinquent at midnight tonight. The responsibility to obtain a rebate on the second quarter of the levy will expire at the same time, according to Miss Gladys Elmer, tax deputy. A rebate of three per cent will be allowed on the first three quarters of all taxes paid in full on or before Friday, she said.

Grade Speakers to Vie in Contest Here on Friday

Twenty-one students, representing seven schools, will here Friday night in the finals of the annual Washington county grade school declamation contest. The contest will bring together first place winners in semi-final events for the three classes of school and is scheduled for 7:45 p. m. at the local Baptist church.

Silver trophy offered by the First National Bank of Portland, Hillsboro branch, will be awarded to the championship school in the county. Pennants will be presented to schools having the highest number of points in each of the three classes, while ribbons will be given to individual winners.

Utility District Formation Set

Sponsoring Body Named to Act on Power Proposal

Sponsoring committee to form the proposed Washington county utility district was elected here Friday during an organization meeting at the chamber of commerce. J. E. Lewton of Forest Grove was named as chairman of the committee and L. C. Kramien, Hillsboro councilman, was selected as secretary.

Duties of the committee will be to devise ways and means to raise necessary organization funds, to circulate petitions, engage an engineer and attorney, and to handle publicity. Committee members named were as follows: Kramien, Hillsboro; W. C. Schultz, Forest Grove; O. Zimmerman, Beaverton; Joe Morback, Sherwood; Mr. Johnson, Tualatin; Ferd Langer, Sherwood, Farm Union; Bert Fleischauer, Gaston; and Lewton, Grove. Representatives from Banks, Gornelius and Tigard will be named later.

Cost of obtaining the required aerial map and engineering services was estimated at \$2500 by Loyal M. Graham of Forest Grove in outlining organization steps. Kramien declared later that the estimated part of the expense would be for the map and that this was already available for the major portion of the county. SERA funds might be obtained to complete the map work, he declared.

Care in determining the boundaries of the proposed utility district was urged by J. W. Cunningham, Portland consulting engineer. He pointed out that the cost of distribution of electric power depended on the density of population in the territory served. For the sake of economy and feasibility, he suggested that sparsely settled areas be excluded from the district.

Purpose of organizing the district is to provide and distribute electric energy, presumably from Bonneville dam, according to Lewton. He declared that the county had already taken the power when available. That the Grange, Farmer Union and many of the cities in the county favored the utility district program was Lewton's declaration.

Another meeting of the group will be called by the sponsoring committee.

Special Meeting Called by Council

Revised fireman's ordinance will be presented for passage Tuesday night during a special session of the city council. Other subjects that will be up for discussion will be the zoning ordinance, Fourth of July commission and sewage disposal.

The city planning commission will meet Monday evening.

Grand Jury Files Eight True Bills

Ten Persons Held to Face Circuit Court Here on Various Charges

Damage Suit Filed

R. E. Corene Trial Begun on Wednesday Morning

Eight indictments against 10 persons were reported Friday by the county grand jury. Members of the jury were dismissed following the report and a new body will be named for the March term of court.

Indictments returned were as follows: Monroe Smith of Hillsboro and Walter A. L. Kruger of Sherwood, assault and battery; LeRoy Johnson of Sherman mill, obtaining money under false pretenses; Fred W. Oberg of Daley, transporting untaxed and un-stamped meat food animal carcass; Joe Potvin of Tigard, selling alcoholic liquor to a person under 21; Edward and Myrtle Hawkins of Tigard, permitting a minor to sell alcoholic liquor to a person under 21; Russell H. Britton, Chris Benner and a juvenile, all of Forest Grove, larceny and wanton injury to personal property.

Delin entered a plea of guilty Monday to the indictment of selling liquor to a minor and was fined \$100.

Damages Sought

Second damage action arising from an automobile accident near Cornelius on November 24, 1934, was filed Tuesday in the circuit court. Plaintiff is Belle Beaman, driver of one of the cars, brought suit against Joseph Finegan of Cornelius and his daughter, Miss Blanche Finegan, who drove the other car, for \$31,322.50 damages. She alleges in her complaint that she suffered fractured ribs and numerous bruises and lacerations as a result of the collision. Three weeks ago Mary Elizabeth Ward of Forest Grove, a passenger in the Finegan car, brought suit for \$3750 damages against the above named defendants, the plaintiff and the plaintiff's mother.

Trial of R. E. Corene, formerly of Hillsboro, on a charge of larceny by bailie opened Wednesday morning in the circuit court here. Jurors drawn to try the case include Schull, Ethel Meek, Mae B. Crosby, Adah S. Moore, Fred W. Robertson, Elizabeth A. (Continued on page 4, column 4.)

Debt Program Aids Farmers

College News Service, Corvallis—Washington county farmers received \$1,100,000 in relief and adjustment work, according to the annual report for 1934 just filed with Governor Martin by O. M. Plummer, Portland, chairman, and L. R. Breithaupt, Oregon state college secretary of the Oregon Agricultural Advisory council.

The report shows that the various county committees or their individual members handled between 1800 and 2000 debt adjustment cases in the past year. Of this total 75 cases were reported from Washington county.

"Many additional adjustments were facilitated in Washington and other counties through the information distributed wholesale through the press and by radio, it is impossible to say," says Chairman Plummer. "They can be questioned because of the general conciliatory influence of the committees, they were effective indirectly as well as directly."

Washington county statistics included in the annual report are as follows, number first, then amount:

Total farms and valuation,	1930	3917,	\$7,838,739;
1934	3773,	\$7,238,239;	
in 1934	174,	\$5,780,813;	
Farm Credit Administration loans,	1933-	34-408,	908,150;
land bank-	170,	500,200;	
commissioner-	238,	407,950.	

The voluntary farm debt adjustment committee plan was first established in 1932 and was later re-organized as part of the national program through the appointment by Governor Meier of a State Agricultural Advisory council to carry on their work. A state committee of 33 members succeeded to the earlier organization and later conducted.

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Legionnaires Back Vinson Bonus Bill

Hillsboro legionnaires Tuesday night went on record favoring the Vinson bill in congress for the payment of the adjusted service compensation. The Vinson bill provides for the payment of the adjusted compensation, but does not provide the method. The Patman measure for payment provides for inflating the currency by two billion.

Plans were made for entertaining the legion Boy Scout troop at a meeting in April. Steps will be taken by the post to bring grave registrations of World war veterans in this community up to date.

After a short meeting here March 26 the local legionnaires will visit Forest Grove post, Alvin Abadie, P. L. Patterson, E. A. Griffith and Arthur Kroeger are on the refreshment committee for the evening.

Hilhi Basketball Lose Out in Race for District Title

Squeezing out a 24 to 23 victory, Tillamook hoopers eliminated Hilhi in the opening round of the district basketball tournament at McMinnville Thursday evening. The loss staged a thrilling, last-minute rally to tie the score at 22-22, but the Cheesemakers cinched the game with a field goal in the final 40 seconds of play.

Cox, Hilhi forward, came within an ace of saving the day with a desperate basket attempt just as the gun sounded. Following the field goal that put Tillamook two points ahead, Cox was fouled and made good on the free throw. Taking the final tip-off, he raced down the court and heaved a long shot. The ball nicked the edge of the hoop and fell out as the game ended.

Opening period of the game was a nip and tuck affair with the lead changing frequently. The winners held a 14 to 10 advantage at the half and a 19 to 16 lead at the three-quarter mark. Richardson of Hilhi was high point man with 18 points while Cox of Hillsboro and Moore of Tillamook were tied for second with eight points each.

McMinnville won the district title Saturday night by defeating Tillamook in the finals. Forest Grove lost to Newberg in the opening round, Independence was defeated by McMinnville and Dallas nosed out Silverton 20 to 19. In the semi-finals McMinnville trounced.

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Veteran Head to Speak Here

National Officer of Legion C. of C. Speaker Monday

Veteran legislation will be discussed at the chamber of commerce Monday at 8 p. m. Harrison Warner, national vice-commander of the American legion, the talk by Warner, who spoke at a recent county legion jamboree, is being sponsored by the local American Legion post.

Robert W. Beaubelle, traffic accident investigator of Portland, will be at the chamber of commerce luncheon the following Monday in the interests of the "Let's Quit Killing" campaign. Efforts are also being made to have Beaubelle address students at local schools.

Endorsement plan, designed to eliminate solicitation of local merchants for projects of little or no merit, was approved during a business meeting of the chamber Monday night. A committee of three will be appointed to handle the endorsement plan. The plan will be submitted to the chamber of commerce president to draft rules for the plan and to report at the next business session. The setup will be similar to the endorsement program in force here two years ago.

Committee to co-operate with William F. Cyrus, county agent, in disseminating information regarding local farming conditions to newcomers was appointed. Approximately 50 families from the growth area and now residing in the county will be invited to attend a meeting at the local chamber of commerce Saturday, according to the plan. Members of the committee include: G. Bromlewe, Nye, O. Bristol, W. G. Ide, W. Vermo, McKinney, E. A. Griffith and H. A. Kuratli.

Homemakers' Meet Held Here Friday

Homemakers' conference held Friday at the local Grange hall attracted an attendance of approximately 65 persons. Miss Corbel Nye and Mrs. Azalea Sager, both of the home economics staff at Oregon State college, directed the conference.

Various phases of "Better Family Living" were stressed. House plans adapted to this county were shown and materials and supplies for inexpensive interior housing improvements were exhibited.

Recreation Meets Planned at Grange

Entertainment, as well as instruction, is in store for persons attending the series of monthly recreational meetings which open at the Hillsboro grange hall Sunday at 8 p. m. In charge will be L. E. Francis, assistant county agent, Miss Gertrude Skow, recreational leader from the Oregon State college, will conduct these meetings.

Several community organizations are already making use of the recreational instruction received at the meeting held here last winter. Wherever this type of recreational program has been used it has met with marked success.

Organizations interested in sponsoring recreational work in connection with their program are urged to have representatives attend this series of monthly meetings.

County Jersey Cattle Club Meets March 22

Washington County Jersey Cattle Club will hold a business meeting at the Forest Grove chamber of commerce at 2 p. m. March 22. Spring activities of the club will be discussed. Ivan Loughary, field man for the American Jersey Cattle association, will be present.

Laurel Dairy Co-op to Meet on Tuesday

Laurel unit of the dairy co-operative association will meet at 8 p. m. Tuesday evening. Representative E. L. Ross and Manager W. W. Henry are expected to be present for the meeting.

Newcomers to County Attend Meet

Farming Problems of This Area to be Discussed Here on Saturday

Cyrus, Hill Speakers Spring Crops, Management Soil to be Explained

Newcomers to Washington county have been invited to attend a meeting of the local chamber of commerce Saturday afternoon for discussion of agricultural problems pertaining to this region. The meeting is called for 1:30 p. m. Approximately 75 families are listed as having moved into the county from the middle west during the past year and a considerable number of these people are now located on farms of one kind or another and it is for the purpose of presenting definite information regarding Willamette valley farming conditions that the proposed meeting is called.

Hill Facts Cited

D. D. Hill of the farm crops department of Oregon State college is scheduled to talk on spring grain crops and times for planting. Spring soil management problems in Washington county and farm garden problems will be discussed by William F. Cyrus, county agent.

Additional meetings are planned if interest is general in the session Saturday. These meetings would be held for the purpose of presenting more seasonal information according to Cyrus.

Local chamber of commerce is co-operating with Cyrus in entertaining the newcomers. Committee acting on behalf of the chamber consists of T. G. Bronlewe, Nye, O. Bristol, W. G. Ide, W. Vermo, McKinney, E. A. Griffith and H. A. Kuratli. Refreshments will be served following meeting.

Similar meetings to the one proposed for Washington county have been held or are now being planned by most of the other counties in Oregon. This program is being conducted due to the large number of families that have moved to Oregon from the drought area in recent months.

Farming conditions are considerably different from those with which the newcomers are familiar. Sponsors of the meetings declare. In Washington county the principal topics for discussion will be spring crops, varieties of spring crops and soil management.

Four-H Boys Given Awards

Gold medal diplomas were awarded to LeRoy Mills and Charles Kay, members of the Shady Brook livestock demonstration team during a 4-H achievement meeting sponsored by the Washington Grange Friday night. The diplomas were awarded in recognition of their having won the Pacific northwest demonstration contest.

Bronze medal diplomas were awarded to Ruth McDougall, Doris Stauss and Frances Sheerer for having won third place in the poultry judging contest at the Pacific International Livestock exposition. The Shady Brook poultry and calf clubs, led by D. M. McDougall, completed their work 100 per cent last year and received certificates of achievement. A five-year leadership pin was presented to L. H. Peters, former leader of the Mountaintale garden club.

Members of the Shady Brook calf and poultry clubs and the Mountaintale garden club who received achievement pins are as follows: First year—Leslie Roderick, Hollis Fleener; second—Stanley Schneider, James Meek, Frances Scheerer, Ermand Ermand, Dale VanDomelen, Melvin Erdman, Charles Kay, Millet Stauss; fourth—LeRoy Mills, Ira Stauss, Marian Northrup, Herbert Schneider, Frances McDougall, Ruth McDougall; fifth—Robert McNew; sixth—Nolan VanDomelen.

A program of entertainment and refreshments was provided by the members of the grange.

Self-Aid Project Planned by Group

Construction of a cannery to preserve fruits, vegetables and meats is planned by the Sherwood-Tualatin local of the National Economic Welfare federation as definite developments in the self-help program. The group also proposes to obtain a commercial fishery license in the name of the federation.

Cannery will be similar to the one used last year under SERA auspices. Members of the federation will assemble the cannery provided the government will furnish cans and necessary sugar as it did for relief canneries.

Under the fishing project, members will take turns using the license and the catch will be distributed among all families belonging to the local fish will be salted, smoked, pickled or canned as the members desire.

Forest Grove Gets New SERA Project

Project for repairing 500 feet of sewer in Forest Grove was approved Thursday by the local county SERA office. The work calls for an expenditure of \$1729 and will give employment to approximately 25 men.

Trophy Winner



Hilhi Athlete Gets Award

Neil Richardson, Hilhi senior, who was voted the best all-around player on the 1935 basketball squad and who was awarded the Rotary club trophy Wednesday. —Picture courtesy Seligman Studio.

Neil Richardson Receives Rotary Hoop Trophy

Neil Richardson, Hilhi senior and guard on the basketball team, was awarded the Rotary club trophy yesterday as the best all-around player on the 1935 squad. The presentation was made by T. G. Bronlewe during a Hilhi student assembly.

Richardson was selected by vote of his teammates in accordance with a scoring system announced at the first of the season. The winner of the trophy received 5493 points, while Ross Cox, high scorer of the season for the past two weeks at the Anderson jewelry store.

Trophy is a silver figure of a basketball player mounted on a small black pedestal. The award has been on display for the past two weeks at the Anderson jewelry store.

Richardson has just completed his third year of basketball and was outstanding on defense during the past season. In the final game of the season at the district tournament he was high point man, running up nine points against Tillamook.

Coach B. M. Goodman, who acted as chairman of the Rotary club luncheon Thursday when the voting by the players took place, and T. G. Bronlewe explained the scoring system used in determining the most outstanding player of Hilhi's 1935 basketball team. Points considered were training, checking, offensive play, teamwork, confidence in player's ability, sportsmanship and scholarship.

Albert Tozier, prominent Oregon historian and former Hillsboro resident, will be pleased to give his large historical collection to the city of Hillsboro, according to a report made by L. C. Kramien, Mr. Tozier explained that all his people had lived here and been buried here and that he had always wished that his collection would go to the city of Hillsboro. A proper place has been arranged for at the city hall.

Forest Grove Rotarians will meet with the local club at luncheon this noon (Thursday).

Series of Music Festivals Planned

Plans for a county-wide music festival during the latter part of April or early May are now being formulated by O. B. Kraus, county school superintendent. School and community bands and school choruses will be featured.

Festivals are proposed for the following schools: Hillsboro, Forest Grove, Beaverton, Tigard, Aloha, Huber, Sherwood, Tualatin, Corvallis, Gaston, Banks, North Plains, Gales Creek, Timber and Laurel. Rural schools in the vicinity of these centers will be invited to take part.

The program is planned in conjunction with "National Music Week."

Tuberculosis Tests Available to Local Children on March 27

School children of the Hillsboro area will be given an opportunity to obtain tuberculosis tests on the morning of March 27, according to arrangements made by Miss Margaret Dixon, county health nurse. The American Legion and auxiliary and the county public health association are co-operating in the program.

The skin test employed tells whether or not tuberculosis germs are in the body and has proven to be absolutely harmless, according to Miss Dixon. More than 1500 children in Oregon have already been given the tests.

This is the only year that there is any assurance that the tests may be offered to every child without respect to the financial status of the family. Parents and guardians are, therefore, urged by the county nurse to fill out and return the blanks requesting the test.

"The tuberculosis test is for the purpose of finding early cases at a time when the child need never be ill," Miss Dixon stated. "It is also a means of finding the child who is ill, placing him where he may be cured and where he will no longer endanger those with whom he plays and studies."

"Every medical doctor in Hillsboro is participating and parents

Valley Flood Control Plan Urged Here

Planning Body Recommends Tualatin River Project Engineer Declares

Estimates Prepared Officers of Local Group Re-elected for Year

That the Tualatin river flood control project had been recommended for federal aid in the report of J. W. Cunningham, consulting engineer was the declaration of H. A. Rands of the U. S. engineers here Saturday. He told members of the Tualatin Valley Drainage & Flood Control association that he was not at liberty to state what appropriation had been recommended for the work.

Studies of the Tualatin river problem now being conducted by army engineers will be submitted with the report for the Willamette valley. Rands stated. The huge demand for flood control in the Pacific northwest since the winter of 1933 has delayed filing of reports, he said.

Estimates Given

Estimated cost of controlling floods on the Tualatin river totaled \$432,550, according to the report of J. W. Cunningham, consulting engineer from Portland. Removal of the reef on which the Oregon Iron & Steel company dam is constructed was estimated at \$48,000, replacing the dam \$40,000. Rands stated. The project would cost \$116,800, three cut-offs \$55,500, dredging near Scholls \$78,000, remodeling bridges \$50,000 and clearing creeks \$44,250. An additional \$510,000 was suggested for dikes and pumps.

Range of hills between the Tualatin valley and Portland forms a barrier to the river and presents an unusual problem in flood control. Cunningham stated. The only solution available was to remove reefs, rebuild the dam and clear out the river. The project would give substantial relief from annual floods.

Expenditure of a huge sum of money for flood control was opposed by Ferd Groner of Scholls, who declared that nothing could be done on the lower river unless the D. I. S. dam was removed from the mouth of the river. Driftwood and the narrow waterways at the Scholls and Farmington bridges were other obstruction cited by Groner.

That dredging of the canal from the Tualatin gives to Lake Oswego would do away with the necessity of a dam at the mouth of the river was the contention of Clark L. Johnston of Sherwood. He declared that this work, together with removal of drifts and reefs, would lower water level in high flood.

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City Answers Tax Complaint

That taking of judgment in the county tax foreclosure suit may be held up a short time by filing of four demurrers and one answer to the complaint was the opinion expressed this week by the district attorney's office. The answer was filed by the city of Hillsboro and the demurrers by individuals.

City of Hillsboro contends that the taxes for the years 1925 to 1930 should have been cancelled when the city purchased the properties involved from the county at the last tax sale. The purchase at that time was made to protect liens held by the city.

Approximately 2200 persons were listed as defendants when the foreclosure action was begun last year. Since that time nearly half of the defendants have redeemed properties involved. Action was brought against all persons having taxes delinquent for the years 1925 to 1930, inclusive and who had not taken advantage of the installment payment program.