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The Store for the Economical
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TAXES COLLECTED IN GOOD SEASON

Only Ten Thousand Dollars Out, Condition Unprecedented in History of the County.

HOW MONEY HAS BEEN RECEIVED AND PAID OUT

Delinquent Taxes Will Amount to Less Than Six Thousand Dollars Next Month.

Of the total tax of \$1,985,000 for Multnomah county all but about \$14,000 has been collected since July 5, at which time Sheriff Word took charge of the office, and Chief Clerk J. W. Ferguson estimates that \$10,000 of this will be paid in before January 5, at which time the delinquent tax sale will be made, leaving less than \$6,000 uncollected taxes for the year. This is a condition without precedent in the history of the county. Never before have taxes been collected so effectively.

The money has been paid into the county treasury; its distribution among the several offices of the county is as follows:

Fall tax fund	\$ 248.96
State tax	29,650.72
State schools	19,768.88
County fund	25,301.88
Road fund	5,391.94
Special (library)	790.68
Port of Portland	10,729.21
City of Portland	32,508.45
City of St. Johns	42.16
School district No. 1, Portland	212.22
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The penalty on the taxes amounts to \$4,588.29, all of which goes to Multnomah county, as it is not distributed. With the tax money collected at this time the different departments of the county administration are able to provide for all contingencies, and there is less expense attached to the sale of the delinquent property when the amount is so small.

The money has already been appropriated and distributed, something that has hardly ever happened before the end of the year.

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Finest elastic web, put up in neat box specially for Xmas gifts.
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CATHOLICS HONOR GREAT FEAST DAY

That of Immaculate Conception Observed With Solemn Rites and Services in Portland.

FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF DOGMA'S DEFINITION

Celebration Co-incident With That of the Crowning of the Virgin at Rome.

The feast of the immaculate conception was of more than ordinary interest yesterday, as the day was the 50th anniversary of the definition of the dogma by Pius IX. This is one of the greatest events in the celebrations of Catholicism. Prior to 1854 the feast was understood and observed, but in that year the holy father dignified the date by establishing it in the dogma of the church and making its celebration compulsory. The service was coincident with the crowning of the virgin at Rome. At 10:30 o'clock yesterday forenoon pontifical high mass was celebrated at the cathedral by Archbishop Christie, who was assisted by the following members of the clergy: Father Thompson, assistant priest; Father J. D. Murphy, deacon of the mass; Mr. De Lorimer, subdeacon, and Fathers Hennessy and Mattingly, deacons of honor. Ignatius McIntee was master of ceremonies. The sermon was delivered by Father Hennessy and was largely devoted to an explanation of the meaning of the feast. The altar of the blessed virgin was

beautifully adorned with flowers and lights for the mass. Last evening services were held at the cathedral and a number of young women were received into the Blessed Virgin sodality. After the impressive initiation a reception was held.

Miss Delia Irene Daly of Seattle, formerly of Fremont, Neb., took the veil in the order of the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary at the services of the feast at St. Mary's academy yesterday afternoon. Archbishop Christie and Rev. Father Murphy conducted the ritualistic services, and at the conclusion announced that Miss Daly would hereafter be known as Sister Mary Rosalia. She has been connected with the work of the order for the past seven years. During the same service Sister Mary Bathildis made her perpetual vows.

HONOR TO FATHERS OF OREGON ORCHARDS

Seth and Hennison Luelling of Iowa, who came to Oregon in 1847, bringing the first 100 grafted fruit trees introduced in this state, are to be honored by the Oregon State Horticultural society at its January meeting by formal action looking to the erection of a monument to their memory. They are regarded as the fathers of Oregon's orchards, and the society wants their names perpetuated. On their arrival here they set the trees out on their homestead, the present site of Millwaukie, and the monument will be erected either there or at the state capital. Seth Luelling was the originator of the Black Republican cherry, and the Bing cherry, the latter being named after a faithful family Chinese servant.

LADIES' AID SOCIETY BAZAAR.

The Ladies' Aid society of Missippi Avenue Congregational church will give a bazaar this afternoon and evening. There will be a free entertainment including a literary and musical program. Refreshments will be served and plain and fancy articles and home-made candies will be sold. A fish pond will offer attractions.

ANTI-CIGARETTE BOYS' AND GIRLS' OFFICERS

The members of the Anti-Cigarette League of North Central school met in the basement of the Second Baptist church at 3:30 p. m. yesterday, and elected a full list of officers, who were installed by Mr. Struble, the organizer. The two presidents were decorated with badges distinctive of their office. Following is a list of the officers: Girls—President, Ida Wachter; vice-presidents, Lila Sengstake, Dorothea Wagner, Hazel Metcalf, Vera Backett; general secretary, Frances Patterson; assistant, Mildred Morgan; corresponding secretary, Lillian Gardner; assistant, Myrtle Harmon; treasurer, Royola Loomis; assistant, Lillian Cuddy; sergeant-at-arms, Hazel Holden; assistant, Dorothy Cleaveland; pianist, Madeline Barry. Boys—President, Gerald Thomas; vice-presidents, Arthur Kline, Fred Mosher, Robert Weber, Alexander Noble; general secretary, Ben Briggs; assistant, Jos Turner; corresponding secretary, Edwin Crouch; assistant, Everett Larry; treasurer, Arthur Heints; assistant, George Denholm; sergeant-at-arms, John Tauscher; assistant, Frank Herbert.

SALOON MEN FINED FOR VIOLATING LAW

Though complaints were recently issued against six saloonkeepers, accused of keeping open after hours, only four were present when their cases were called yesterday in the police court. Fred Frits and A. Shapiro, for whom warrants had been issued, were not present, and on inquiry Judge Hogue learned that Frits had not been served. "What is the reason the man Frits has not been served with a warrant?" inquired the court. He was informed that Frits was out of town, but would be arrested when he returned. Captain Bailey told of finding the saloons open after hours. No defense was offered and a judgment of guilty was entered. A fine of \$25 was imposed on Thomas Thwaites, J. Conrad and T. McGilvin. No evidence was offered against J. E. Blazier, as Captain Bailey was unable to obtain entrance to his place. The case of Shapiro was postponed until Saturday, as the defendant was out of the city. All the fines were paid.

RATS EAT THEIR WAY THROUGH LEAD PIPES

Investigation of the cause of leakage in the water pipes in a building in Salmon street, between Fourth and Fifth, owned by a church, revealed the fact that rats had gnawed large holes in them. The pipes had leaked for several days, and the usual methods adopted by plumbers to ascertain the cause of leakage were unsuccessful. The water continued to drop through the floor and much furniture was damaged. Finally the plumbers cut a hole in the floor and discovered the cause.

CLEVER WRITERS GET HANDSOME PRIZES

Col. E. Hofer of Salem and Miss Gertrude Metcalf of Portland have the gold medals offered by the Portland Commercial club in the Oregon story-writing contest. Mrs. Josephine Lisher, winner of the first Portland prize, decided to take a purse of \$50. The 10 prizes offered by the club were formally presented last evening, in the presence of a large gathering in the Commercial club parlors. Mayor Williams made the presenta-

BUTCHERS' STRIKE AGAIN UP

All Chicago Interested—A Strike Breaker Makes Confessions—Something Startling. The strike situation in Chicago has again come up in the most unexpected manner. This time, strange to say, the center of interest emanates from Portland.

The article is published in this city one of the most beautifully illustrated and attractive magazines in the country. It is, perhaps, as wide-awake and up-to-date a magazine as can be found anywhere. It is called the Pacific Monthly, and in its December number it contains a remarkable article on "Confessions of a Strike-Breaker" by one who participated in the recent butchers' strike. The magazine is on sale at news stands at 10 cents per copy, and the whole country as well as Chicago will be interested in the disclosures made in the December number.

The article is very elaborately illustrated, and has already caused a great demand for the December number among union men, who are especially interested in the disclosures. In Chicago the demand for the Pacific Monthly is far greater than the supply. The publishers state that they will be unable to supply the demand by between 3,000 and 5,000 copies.

BRIDGES WILL SOON BE INVESTIGATED

Investigation of Morrison street bridge, First and Front-street bridges over Marquam gulch, and Balch gulch bridge at Willamette Heights, for which the council provided two weeks ago, has not been begun. Chairman Rumlil of the committee states that reports of the agreements and plans and specifications are not complete yet, and that it is useless to appoint experts to commence the examinations until the specifications are at hand so that comparisons may be made. The copies were expected earlier, but a rush of work in the city auditor's office has caused a delay in preparing them. Work on the three structures embraced within the investigation, which

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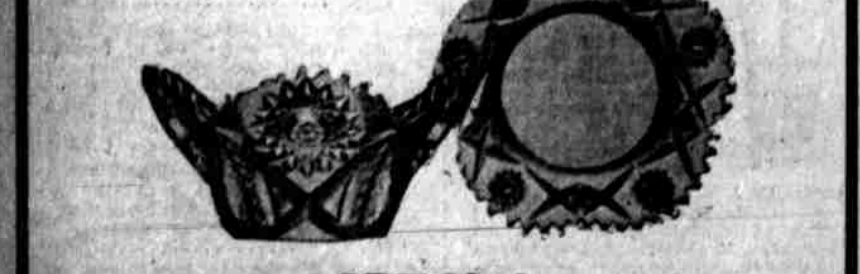
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are not complete, is being carried on street bridge is going up, much of the Most of the old pier for the swing span steadily. The swing span at Morrison- superstructure or frame being in place, has been removed.