

SCHOOL BOARD NEEDS \$2,000,000

To Provide Sum for 1911 the Property in District Be Assessed on Special Levy.

Upon estimates of the expenses of the Portland schools, inclusive of those at St. Johns and in other outlying districts, it will require more than \$2,000,000 to carry the institutions through the year 1911 and to adequately care for the 19,750 pupils in attendance.

To provide this immense sum of money the taxable property of the district will be assessed on a special levy of 6.7 mills, an increase of 1.7 mills over the levy of 1910.

It is proposed by the school board to expend \$150,000 for new concrete school buildings and \$185,000 for the ground on which to erect them.

In the report just issued by Secretary H. H. Thomas, the school board announces that it has purchased property in the past year to the value of \$141,478. Woodstock, Mount Tabor, Lewis and Fernwood have been provided for in addition to the acquisition of two sites in the city.

Grounds Cost \$24,637.

Outdoor playgrounds as they stand today have cost the district \$12,537, more than \$7000 being in the treasury for their betterment and extension.

For the new buildings erected during the past year \$101,735.32 has been expended, while additions have caused the use of \$23,698.01. It is estimated that more than 40 new rooms will be needed during the coming year.

The school board calls attention to the fact that it has been forced to vacate its quarters in the city hall and is now located in a small room in the Third block, where adequate space can not be secured. Arrangements will be made to locate the offices of the school board during the next few weeks. It may be that offices will be rented in some of the new blocks, but the majority of the board appears to favor the notion of building suitable quarters in one of the contemplated school buildings.

Estimates for the Year.

Permanent property, buildings and additions	\$150,000
Grounds (concrete) @ \$750.00	\$50,000
Equipment	13,000
Apparatus	20,000
Furniture	20,000
Manual arts	17,500
Library	10,000
Books and magazines	2,500
Repair shop	3,500
Maintenance	1,500
Janitors	500
Electricity	30,000
Fuel	30,000
Transport and drayage	1,200
Interest	1,000
Attorney's fees	1,500
Insurance	12,000
Interest	45,000
Light	3,000
Power	3,000
Printing	2,500
Rent	2,500
Repairs	51,000
Salaries	56,500
Janitors	500
Teachers	900,000
Sevens	600
Janitors	2,500
Manual arts	6,000
School	11,000
Telephones	1,500
Telephone	4,000
Bonds, matured in 1911	5,000
Amount due on contracts	107,000
Accounts payable	20,000
Total expenses	\$2,116,100
Receipts Approximated	\$15,000
County school fund	75,000
Tuition	100,000
Cash on hand	97,000
Interest	2,700
Special levy	1,384,700
Allowance for usual loss in collection of taxes	1,634,700
Total estimated receipts	\$2,115,100
The above levy of 6.7 mills and bond issue of \$150,000 are submitted as our recommendations.	

COURT GETS "SASSY" BY AN ANGRY WOMAN

Mrs. Anna Benson, an aged widow who appears intermittently at police court with some complaint or other was before Judge Taxwell this morning charging Hall Smith with breaking windows in a little shack which she owns near the Albion railroad yards.

When told that it was a civil action and not a criminal one, the woman turned on Judge Taxwell saying, "What is the reason, I would like to know why I can't get justice in this court. Every time I come, I am put off on some pretense or other and I can never get any protection. If it is a man he is helped but I am always getting the worst of it. I think it is a graft."

Judge Taxwell stated that he could not allow any such language to be used in the court, and threatened her with a fine if she did not desist. The woman was led from the court room muttering accusations against the judge and the police.

Chase S. Osborn recently elected governor of Michigan, is out with a no-second-term declaration.

THE KEYSTONE TO HEALTH IS HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS

"You are as well as your stomach"

HOSTETTER

A word to the wise is sufficient

MISS ALICE LLOYD TO HELP NURSERY

Clever Actress Volunteers to Hold Auction to Raise Money Needed.

Captivating Alice Lloyd will hold an auction tomorrow morning at 11:30 which promises to bring out more people than the reception rooms of the Meier & Frank building on the seventh floor of the new building will accommodate.

The clever English singer in herself would be attraction enough for any crowd anywhere, but in addition friends of the Flower Mission Day Nursery have donated a number of very handsome articles which will be sold to the high bidders with the help of Miss Lloyd.

Among the articles to be auctioned are two paintings by Rutledge, one of Mount Hood and one a moonlight scene.

Proceeds of the auction will go towards supporting the Day Nursery, where children of poor mothers who work during the day are cared for at a charge of 10 cents. More than that, and for the special treat of the children, Miss Lloyd will sing for the children of the nursery at their Christmas tree next Friday. But that of course is exclusively for the children. There'll be no outsiders. The grownups are to have their chance to enjoy Miss Lloyd at tomorrow morning's auction.

COAL TRUST AGENT OUT OF BUSINESS

U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals Orders Dissolution of Temple Iron Company.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Philadelphia, Dec. 29.—A death blow to the alleged combine whereby Pennsylvania's anthracite coal output has been virtually controlled by a single coterie of financiers, was dealt this afternoon by the United States circuit court of appeals here, when it issued an order practically dissolving the Temple Iron company, through which the combine is said to have worked.

The court decreed that railroads and other corporations interested in the Temple company should not be permitted to vote their Temple stock nor in any way participate in the company's management. The decision, it is expected, will force the Temple company out of business.

For a long time, it is said, the Temple company has been the medium through which several affiliated corporations have secured for distribution all the products of the Pennsylvania coal mines.

TACOMA ENGINEER LIKES PORTLAND'S NEW BRIDGE

Declaring Portland to be a "live town" and a strong competitor for the commercial supremacy of the northwest, a delegation of officers from Tacoma yesterday submitted their report to the city council of that city.

Tacoma's city engineer came here to investigate the vertical lift draw in use on the Hawthorne avenue bridge, and has not only recommended that Tacoma construct such a span, but pays Portland the compliment of being just now the most interesting feature of the northwest.

City Engineer W. C. Raleigh of Tacoma, asserts that his city can save \$100,000 by adopting the vertical lift draw scheme in the construction of the Duvallup and Eleventh avenue bridges in that city.

Lift draw bridges and the prosperity of Portland consumed the entire day in the Tacoma council meeting yesterday.

ATTORNEY YANKWICH IS TRIED IN JUSTICE COURT

The trial of Attorney Henry Yankwich, accused by a number of Roumanian laborers of larceny by bailie, in that he collected \$1633 and only accounted for \$128 of it, is on trial this afternoon before Judge Bell in the justice court.

DISCHARGE WICE IS ASKED BY JURY

Men Debating Kersh Trial 72 Hours Grow Tired; Sent Back by Court.

Two requests from the jury in the Kersh murder case have been made to Judge Morrow asking their discharge and stating they will be unable to reach a verdict. The court refused the requests and told the 12 men to continue their deliberations. They have been out since 5 o'clock Saturday evening.

The first request for a discharge was made yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock, after the members had taken many ballots. The second request was made this morning at 9 o'clock, when Judge Morrow told the men to make further efforts to reach a verdict.

No questions or instructions have been asked of the judge since yesterday noon, when the jurymen questioned Judge Morrow particularly about the degree of punishment. Further questions asked by members of the jury indicated that jurors were being made to reach a compromise verdict of guilty. The best information obtainable, however, is to the effect that the greater majority of the jury is in favor of punishing Mrs. Kersh, but is unable to agree upon a charge.

Mrs. Kersh has scarcely slept since the jury took the case. Neither has she eaten. She frequently inquires if any word or indication has come from the jury throwing any light on their deliberations. This sign of weariness is being shared only by Jesse P. Webb of murdering W. A. Johnson, a rancher, in the New Grand Central hotel, has a telling effect upon her. When brought into court yesterday noon while the jury asked for further instructions she swooned and was carried into an adjoining room.

BADGER GAMESTERS PLEAD NOT GUILTY

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Dec. 29.—Pleas of not guilty were entered today by Mrs. Benjamin Knott, her husband, and Alton Armstrong, under arrest for alleged blackmail charged by Henry Rosenthal, a wealthy Washington business man. The trio will plead that there was no conspiracy to lure Rosenthal to Mrs. Knott's apartments in a fashionable hotel. Nine photographs showing Rosenthal and Mrs. Knott in compromising positions, which Rosenthal says Knott and Armstrong wanted to sell to him for \$5000, the defense will attempt to prove were secured through a colonel. The photographs were taken by a commercial light with a hidden camera, which the defense will attempt to show had been arranged for experimental purposes of another sort.

Mrs. Knott, who comes of a respectable family in Detroit, whispered to her husband, who is a fast talker, that preliminary hearing today. Much interest is being taken in the case because of her connection with it. Her relatives have promised to aid her in securing her freedom if she will leave Knott.

COMMONS PLANS CHRISTMAS FEAST

Portland commons is planning to serve a Christmas dinner to the unfortunate of Portland next Monday from noon until 6 p. m. that will make that day, at least, one of happiness for the poor, women and children of Portland who are homeless and penniless. Arrangements have been made to feed the hungry through the entire afternoon at a rate of 100 at a sitting. The menu will include vegetable soup, roast beef, pork and apples, pudding, cranberry sauce, bread and butter, mince pie, coffee, apples, oranges and nuts.

In addition to this dinner boxes of food and clothing will be sent to the boys and girls at the houses of detention, and prisoners' wives and children are to be remembered with fuel, underwear, shoes and toys.

The commons is in need of one-pound rolls of butter, four-pound packages of sugar, individual glasses of jelly and individual cakes and meat and chicken are needed to supply all those plans have been made to help.

For the purpose of giving one of the roadblocks in the northwest, the North Bank line will be made free from bridges in the near future. It is announced that the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railway company will order a dredge built with which to dredge gravel from the river to be used in filling a number of gulches now spanned by trestles.

The dredge will be 120 feet long, 36 feet wide and equipped with an 18 inch suction pipe, and will have very powerful machinery. As the track parallels the river bank, it will be possible to deposit the sand and gravel exactly where wanted with one handling.

The contract for the dredge has not been let, but it will probably be awarded upon the return of President Stevens from Chicago in about two weeks.

CURTISS WILL ALIGHT ON WARSHIP IF HE CAN

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, Dec. 29.—In response to a request by Lieutenant Paul Beck and the San Francisco citizens' aviation committee, a naval vessel will be assigned for experimental duty in San Francisco bay during the aviation meet in January.

Glenn H. Curtiss and his assistants have signified a willingness to attempt to land on the deck of a warship in an airplane and it was decided that a vessel should be detailed by the navy department to make the trial. Rear Admiral Barry was ordered to arrange with the San Francisco committee for the experiment.

DECLARES FURNACE HAD BIG APPEETE

While the furnace in the sanitarium of Dr. Ella K. Dearborn, Lincoln Park addition, was vigilantly fed with coal and wood yesterday morning, she was compelled to eat her breakfast with the thermometer registering 83 degrees above zero, she says. It was all blamed to an alleged defective heating system installed in the home by Thomas Hulma against whom she has brought suit in the circuit court to recover the original cost of the plant.

"We kept pouring wood, coal and all kinds of fuel into the furnace," she told Judge Hamilton this morning, "and the heat scarcely got above the first floor. Why, while eating my breakfast yesterday morning it was so cold in the dining room that I could scarcely eat. The thermometer was at 53. The second floor was 10 degrees colder than the first floor and the third floor was 10 degrees colder than the second floor."

In order to get the third floor comfortable, said the physician, it was necessary to heat the first floor to such a temperature that it could not be occupied.

Dr. Dearborn further said that the valves leaked and had caused them much trouble in this respect. The trouble, she declared, was that the plumber installed steam valves on a hot water plant. On account of the failure of the plant to heat the second and third floors it was necessary to put seven gas heaters on the two floors. The plant is a hot water system and has been installed in the house more than two years.

HENEY WON'T TALK ABOUT FRAUD CASES

Special Prosecutor Francis J. Heney did not show up in the United States court or district attorney's office today. He left his room in the Portland hotel early in the morning and went to the office of Charles J. Reed in the Henry building where he spent the entire morning dictating.

Mr. Heney said he had no announcements to make yet concerning what action he would recommend in the Franklin P. Mays and other cases now awaiting his approval. He said he would be in Portland until Thursday evening, when he would leave for San Francisco so as to be home for Christmas.

ROAD SUPERVISOR IS ACCUSED BY RESIDENTS

Several property owners in road district No. 13 have petitioned the county court to remove Carl Nielson, supervisor and appoint William Bell. They charge that Nielson is in the habit of drinking more liquor than is good for him, and the road district. It is also charged that he is incompetent and has mismanaged the affairs of the district. In the petition, William Bell, the petitioner states they have a man who will do his duty and further meet their idea of a road supervisor.

The county commissioners called George Evans, a resident of the road district, before them this morning, and questioned him in regard to the matter. The court has also asked Nielson to appear before them, but he has not done so. Decision in the question is being withheld until the commissioners can secure the names of other applicants for the position. Road district No. 13 is in the vicinity of Corbett.

SON'S DEATH LEADS TO SUIT FOR \$20,000

Mrs. Williamina Easton of Roseburg mother of James Eastman, a lineman electrocuted at Roseburg, September 22, 1908, appeared in the United States court today to prosecute a suit for the recovery of \$20,000 from the owners of the Roseburg electric light plant, J. L. and S. A. Kendall of Pennsylvania.

Young Easton was an employe of the Pacific States Telephone & Telegraph company and was working on the wires in Roseburg when electrocuted. It is claimed the light company's wires crossed so closely to the telephone company's that they were dangerous and were so poorly insulated with old and rotten insulation that they were unforged no protection.

SAYS HER INSANITY CAUSED BY ROOMERS

Declaring that her roomers were driving her insane through pranks in which a telegraph instrument and cold draughts were intermingled, Anna E. Kennedy, arrived at the police station today, accompanied by a Saratoga trunk containing a few personal effects.

Mrs. Kennedy asserted that the men who roomed with her at 25 North Park street operated electric batteries at unreasonable hours, thereby causing draughts of cold air to circulate through the rooms and around the halls. The woman was taken to the county jail where she will be turned over to the officers for an examination as to her sanity.

CHAPMAN TO SPEAK ON VALUE OF PERSONALITY

C. C. Chapman, manager of the Portland Commercial club, will speak this evening in the auditorium of Lincoln high school, Fourteenth and Alder streets, on the subject of "Personality." This will be the first lecture in the board of education's free Tuesday night course on "Careers for Men."

Mr. Chapman believes that anyone can develop a pleasing personality, that each one should realize how important a factor in success personality is. The board of education extends hearty welcome to the people of Portland to attend this and the other lectures in the course.

VETERANS READY FOR FOOTLIGHTS

Boys Who Fought in Spanish-American War Have Surprise for Friends.

The "Merry Military Minstrels" by the Portland organization of Spanish-American War Veterans, will be the attraction at the Hellig theatre tomorrow night. This is to be the most pretentious effort in the dramatic line so far made by the khaki-clad soldiers who were on the firing line with Lawton in the far-away Philippines. The program is divided into two parts. In the first half will appear the Merry Minstrels with Jay H. Upton as interloper, flanked on either side by the "and men with tambos," con bells with songs and vocalists with songs and backed with an assorted and varied chorus with harmonious noises.

The feature of the second half of the program is a camp life scene by the drill teams, the S. A. W. V. quartet and the bugle and fife and drum corps from Vancouver barracks. A second interesting number on the program is the fancy drilling and wall scaling by the prize drill team of Vancouver barracks, composed of 25 men from company C, First United States Infantry, commanded by Lieutenant Buttencutter. Other numbers on the program are a xylophone solo by Jean DuRoche; Weber's juvenile orchestra, composed of 12 Portland boys and girls under the leadership of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Webber; Miss Marguerite Egbert in her original localized monologue, the Phil-Oxy quartet in comic and classic vocal renditions, and Seth Story and Harold Germania, popular entertainers.

Woodard & Clarke—Mrs. A. R. Shannon, Miss Palmer. Corbett Building—Mrs. Ray Matson, Mrs. J. Ellis. Sweetland's Candy Store—Miss Janet Thomas, Miss Florence Clary, Mrs. Kenneth Mackenzie. Oregonian Building—Mrs. Van Court, Wells Fargo Building—Mrs. Hallou. Chamber of Commerce—Thursday afternoon club. Commercial Club—Mrs. F. Swanton, Spaulding Building—Mrs. S. O'Gorman. Charlton's Store—Miss Evelyn Wilson, Miss Dorothy Newhall.

SUPREME COURT HANDS DOWN THREE DECISIONS

(Salem Bureau of the Journal.) Salem, Or., Dec. 29.—In an opinion written by Associate Justice Thomas McBride, the supreme court this morning awarded \$700 damages and costs to Hector and Margaret McDonald of Wallowa county because the Oregon Railway & Navigation company, in securing a right of way for its Joseph-Eagle extension, agreed to have the road finished in two years and failed to keep its agreement. The railroad corporation made a contract with the McDonalds to pay \$300 for a right of way, with the condition that the road would be completed and operated in two years. Owing to financial difficulties and weather conditions the road was not completed and the McDonalds sued for the right of way which had been graded only. The court held that the agreement was binding and that the clause was a condition and not a covenant, as the corporation attorneys contended, but Judge McBride held that the road had not been completed and was a public utility, damages should be awarded McDonald in the sum of \$700. The case was tried in the lower court before Judge J. W. Knowles and his decree was modified by the supreme tribunal.

The Crane company, a private corporation, appellant, vs. the Erie Heating company, the Oregon Railway & Navigation company and others, respondents, appealed from the circuit court for Union county, J. W. Knowles, judge, is affirmed in an opinion written by Associate Justice Slaten.

ARCTIC MOTION FILMS TO BE SHOWN HERE

Following is an excerpt from the Tacoma Ledger of December 14, commenting upon Debbs' Arctic motion pictures which will be at the Grand theatre Thursday and Friday nights, December 22 and 23.

"Without question the most marvelous collection of motion pictures ever seen in the city are those exhibiting the wonders of the far north, shown at the Tacoma theatre last night by B. B. Debbs, the Arctic photographer. The completion of the views shown by Mr. Debbs are examples of the highest plane to which a motion picture camera may be elevated. The pictures last night literally carried the audience into the beauties and mysteries of the silent northlands, revealing to them conditions as they actually exist in the far north—wonderful pictures that the most famous scenic artist or most able lecturer could not hope to depict."

SALE OF STAMPS INCREASES FAST

Visiting Nurses Expect to Sell 1,000,000 for Benefit of Consumptives.

With the workers increasing their energy and many more volunteers offering the services, the Visiting Nurse association officers still have hopes of reaching the coveted 1,000,000 mark in the sale of Red Cross seals.

One of the unique contributions came from Adams Bros. on the Columbia bough, who presented a dressed sheep of delicious quality. It will be placed on sale Wednesday at Jones' market, fourth and Stark streets.

Both Miss Alice Lloyd and Miss Grace Cameron are assisting the association. Miss Lloyd sells seals today and Thursday, and Miss Cameron will dispose of them Thursday and Friday. Yesterday a pretty young nurse, who said she came here from Washington, sold seals in the Owl drug store in nurse's costume and netted a neat sum.

Booth attendants tomorrow are as follows: Meier & Frank—Miss Angela Kinny, Miss Malda Hart, Miss Bertha Tongue, Mrs. John Cronan. Olds, Wortman & King—Mrs. George Marshall, Mrs. Walter Gates, Miss Caroline Benson, Miss Jessie Hurley. Lipman & Wolfe—Miss Marguerite Bosche, Miss Geraldine Hall. Tuil & Gibbs—Mrs. H. M. Carlock, Mrs. Glendening, Miss Inez Stockton, J. K. Gill—Miss Ethel Chamberlain, Mrs. J. C. Morrison.

Owl Drug Store—Miss Ruby Creighton, Miss M. Forbes. Woodard & Clarke—Mrs. A. R. Shannon, Miss Palmer. Corbett Building—Mrs. Ray Matson, Mrs. J. Ellis. Sweetland's Candy Store—Miss Janet Thomas, Miss Florence Clary, Mrs. Kenneth Mackenzie. Oregonian Building—Mrs. Van Court, Wells Fargo Building—Mrs. Hallou. Chamber of Commerce—Thursday afternoon club. Commercial Club—Mrs. F. Swanton, Spaulding Building—Mrs. S. O'Gorman. Charlton's Store—Miss Evelyn Wilson, Miss Dorothy Newhall.

Pleas Not Guilty.

Joe Fryer, who was arrested several days ago on a charge of attempting to pass a forged check on C. J. McPherson, was this morning bound over to the grand jury. The check claimed to be a forgery was for \$25. Fryer pleaded not guilty.

GREAT MERGER OF WIRES EXTENDED

Western Union Obtains Control of Four Atlantic Cables; Mackay Talks.

(United Press Leased Wire.) New York, Dec. 29.—Clarence H. Mackay, on being shown the announcement from London that the Western Union Telegraph company, with two submarine cables from the United States to Europe, had obtained control of the four submarine cables owned by the Anglo-American Telegraph company, said:

"The only competition now left is the Commercial Cable company on the ocean and the Postal Telegraph company on the land. The Bell Telephone company has combined with our only competitor on the land and with our competitor on the ocean. They have got together a vast combination and it is clear that if the public wants competition the public must rely on the Postal Telegraph and Commercial cable. We shall not enter into any combination. Neither shall we sell out. We shall continue to compete and give the fastest service."

"As I stated to the legislative committee in New York last winter, the Postal Telegraph company will be the last competitor in land telegraphy. I would now add that the Commercial Cable company will be the last competitor in ocean cabling. When that competition ceases there will only be choice between monopoly and government ownership."

Sues Tugboat Company for Damages (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Aberdeen, Dec. 29.—Suit for \$10,000 has been instituted by the Blaine Lumber company against the Gray Harbor Tugboat company for alleged damages to the barkentine Jane L. Stanford, which struck on the Gray's Harbor bar and was seriously damaged on October 16, while in tow of the Cudaby, belonging to this company. The vessel was loaded with lumber from the Slade mill, which owned her, and was bound for Australia.

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