

SECRETARY OLCOTT RECEIVES ENCOMIUMS ON HIS STATE BUDGET

First Similar Document Published Two Years Ago, Showed Need of the Work.

COVERS BULK OF NEEDS

Deputy Secretary Koser Got Out Present Statement After a Month's Hard Work.

Members of the legislature, state officials and others who are interested in the question of legislative appropriations and general governmental expense are loud in their praise of the "state budget" prepared by Secretary of State Olcott and his staff.

Secretary of State Olcott asked the legislature of 1913 for a statute requiring all units of the state government, touching its financial condition, to prepare and forward to his office, prior to December 15 of each year, before a legislative session, a statement of expenses and financial requirements for the succeeding two years.

Two years ago Mr. Olcott published the first state budget, which proved of great help to the legislature. It was incomplete, however, because many of the departments and other governmental units did not furnish their estimates as directed by the law.

The new budget for 1917-18 covers the entire financial needs of the state, with one exception. The fish and game commission failed or neglected to furnish its estimate of expenses or report of the expenditures of the past two years.

The budget gives a clear and comprehensive financial statement for the fiscal years of 1913-14 and 1915-16, as well as the estimates for the coming biennial of 1917-18. Undoubtedly it will be of great assistance to the members of the legislature. Especial credit for the compilation is due Sam Koser, deputy secretary of state, who worked steadily, late at night and on Sundays, for more than a month in order to arrange and tabulate the mass of statistics composing the budget.

Eilers Houses Give Tokens and Checks

Employees of the Eilers houses celebrated Christmas at a big tree set up in the main store. Gifts for all were found among the branches and the firm's remembrances included useful and substantial articles to say nothing of tokens and checks.

Old Folk Cared For By the Young People

Thirty young people of the Sunnyside Methodist church Sunday visited the Patton home, taking the 55 old folk who live there boxes of candy and otherwise spreading good cheer.

Snows Faster Than Plows Can Clear

John Day, Or., Dec. 26.—On the summit of the mountain, where the Sumpter Valley crosses the Dixie divide, there is over five feet of snow. Snow plows are constantly at work trying to keep the tracks clear, but it has been impossible to maintain traffic schedules and trains are tied up all along the track.

Parole Given as Present.

San Francisco, Dec. 26.—(P. N. S.)—As a Christmas present from Warden Johnson, of San Quentin, Edward Dales, sentenced to seven years' imprisonment about two years ago for embezzling about \$20,000 from the wife of his wife, received his parole yesterday.

Good Old Home-Made Family Cough Remedy

Much Better than the Ready-Made Kind—Easily and Cheaply Prepared. If you combined the curative properties of every known "ready-made" cough remedy, you would hardly have in them all the curative power that lies in this simple "home-made" cough syrup which takes only a few minutes to prepare.

Days Really Longer; Almanac Shows It

Man Who Walks to Work Makes Startling Discovery, and Then Starts Regular Morning Argument. The man who walks to work hustled into the office this morning with the importance of a new discovery.

Firemen Plead for More Time at Home

Appeal to People for Indorsement of Two-Platoon System is Made by Firefighters. An appeal for the adoption of the "two-platoon" system for firemen is found in a statement prepared by the executive board of the organization of firemen advocating the plan for more time off duty.

Movie Actor Wins a Place in Film Field

Waited His Turn; Beat to It and Won Out by Sheer Grit and Push; Says Success Requires Hard Work. A fifty dollar weekly stipend is not to be found every day, but W. H. Buehler, movie actor from Portland, found it in three months.

Eleven 'Cops' on Job To Stop Fist Fight

"Murder and Riot," Shrieked Into Phone Sends Seven Detectives and Four Patrolmen to South Portland. "Murder and riot at 323 Carrothers street" shrieked a voice through the telephone when Clerk Kellaher answered its insistent ringing in detective headquarters yesterday afternoon.

Gets His Liberty On Christmas Eve

With a full pardon from Governor Lister of Washington, a young man employed by the Eilers Music house in a nearby Washington city spent Christmas at home with his wife and children, who are now at Seattle. He had been in prison on conviction of embezzlement.

Detective Tichenor Loses Prized Star

Detective C. H. Tichenor is seeking to recover a highly prized silver star, a gift that he lost on Christmas eve. The star bore his title in the detective department and on account of its association he is very anxious to regain it.

Bryan Will Aid Prohis.

Madison, Wis., Dec. 26.—(I. N. S.)—William Jennings Bryan has promised the "dry" leaders of Wisconsin to assist them in their drive against the saloon and the rum-running mass meeting in the university gymnasium on Monday, January 8. Bryan will introduce a bill for a statewide referendum on the liquor question at the next session of the legislature.

Charge Purchases Tomorrow Go on the January Accounts And Are Payable February 1

Meier & Frank Co. THE QUALITY STORE OF PORTLAND. Established 1852. Retail, Wholesale, and Commission.

MANY FINE SPECIALS NOT ADVERTISED HERE—LOOK FOR THE "AFTER CHRISTMAS CLEANUP" CARDS

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Vogue Novelties. Clever Vogue novelties, French novelties and practical cretonne articles for Milady's boudoir.

Good Cretonnes. For living-room, dining-room and bedroom. Rich, dark foliage designs, in greens, blues and browns.

Second Day of Our Great Annual Sale Women's Apparel Our Entire Fine Stocks of Suits, Coats, Dresses and Skirts Are REDUCED!

Wednesday Is Notion Day

LITTLE THINGS AT BIG SAVINGS. 5c Charter Oak 6-cord 200-yd. Spools Cotton Thread, all sizes, black and white, six spools for only 25c.

THE greatest enthusiasm marked this, the first day of this extraordinary sale. Hundreds of women who appreciate the high standard of Meier & Frank apparel and these big discounts from our regular lower-than-elsewhere prices came to convert Christmas money into practical wearables.

ALL SUITS ON SALE AT WONDERFUL SAVINGS

—Not a single suit has been withheld from this big sale—every fur-trimmed novelty, every velvet, every serge, every mix-ture, every plaid—in a word, EVERY SUIT IN THE HOUSE IS REDUCED! Here are a few prices:

\$17.50 to \$20.00 Suits... \$13.45 | \$32.50 to \$35.00 Suits... \$18.75 | \$42.50 to \$48.50 Suits... \$28.45 | \$22.50 to \$29.50 Suits... \$16.85 | \$37.50 to \$39.50 Suits... \$21.45 | All \$57.50 Suits now... \$43.15

Extra Special on Five Lots Coats

—Broken lines and odds and ends of our splendid coats at these wonderfully low special prices: \$9.25—\$11.25—\$13.25—\$16.45—\$18.65 AND EVERY OTHER COAT IN THE HOUSE REDUCED

Every Dress in Stock Is Reduced

—Party dresses, afternoon and evening frocks—dresses for street and business wear—dresses for house wear—dresses of every color, material, style and description now at worth-while savings. Note these few examples of the reductions:

\$15 to \$19.50 Dresses \$11.45 | \$29.50 to \$35 Dresses \$17.85 | \$20 to \$27.50 Dresses \$14.65 | All Net Dresses at 1/2 PRICE. \$5.00 Skirts... \$4.25 | \$8.50 Skirts... \$7.25 | \$6.00 Skirts... \$5.10 | \$10.00 Skirts... \$8.50 | \$7.50 Skirts... \$6.40 | \$12.50 Skirts... \$10.00



Begin the New Year Right! '1917' Are The Magic Figures in This Sale Men's \$25-\$30 Suits and Overcoats

—It began today—our great annual New Year's disposal of fancy suits and overcoats from world's most famous makers. Adler-Rochester, Rogers Peet, Alfred Decker & Cohn (Society Brand) and Hickey-Freeman are some of the celebrants in this sale.

—An after-Christmas cleanup of dainty, hand-embroidered Gowns and Envelope Chemise. All are in the exquisite hand-embroidered patterns for which the Philippines are famous. Many are slightly soiled and mused from Christmas handling, but all are splendid values. Wednesday \$3.59.



TAKE ANY ELEVATOR OR ESCALATOR TO OUR MEN'S CLOTHING SHOP, THIRD FLOOR

1/2 PRICE SALE OF Haviland CHINA

—Odds and ends and broken lines of fine French Haviland in this sale at exactly HALFP PRICE! Included are Salad Bowls, Fruit Saucers, Coffee Pots, Plates, Almond and Vegetable Dishes, Celery and Relish Trays, Bread Trays, Dresser Sets, Manicure Trays and scores of other articles—all very artistic and beautifully decorated.

Women's \$10 to \$12 Union Suits \$3.95

—Sterling union suits—of pure silk. In high neck, long sleeve and ankle-length styles. All regular sizes—but limited quantity. WOMEN'S UNDERWEAR TO \$1 VALUES, 29c. —A cleanup of union suits and vests in medium and light weights and fine Swiss ribbed garments. Limited quantity. \$1.00 FINE COTTON UNION SUITS, 69c. —High, Dutch and low-neck suits, in long, short and sleeveless styles. While lot lasts, 69c. WOMEN'S "SECONDS" OF SILK HOSE ONLY 49c. —200 pairs of fine black silk hose—"factory seconds." Some all silk and others with lisle tops and soles. All sizes. CHILDREN'S GOOD 20c STOCKINGS, PAIR 12 1/2c. —Ribbed cotton hose, with seamless feet and elastic leg. All sizes in black only.

\$7.50 to \$10 Philippine Gowns and Envelope Chemise \$3.59

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Grocery Specials

Butter, Royal Banquet, our own fresh churning, 2-lb. roll 83c. Baking Chocolate, Ghirardelli's Premium, 1-lb. cakes 35c. Pure Lard, fresh stock, large cans \$2.05, medium \$1.05, small cans 62c. Chipped Beef, extra fine Government inspected, lb. 40c. Jap Rice, large whole grain, 5-lb. 9c. 2c. 2c., 2-lb. pkg. 35c. Tea Room Coffee, freshly roasted, 40c blend, the lb. 35c. Baking Powder, Carnation, pure, high-grade, 25c. lbs. cans 19c. Cocoa, strictly pure, high grade, 1-lb. pkg. 22c. Kipper Herring, McConnachie's Scotch, doz. \$2.50, large oval cans 22c. Minceed Clams, Monopole, Red Ribbon, fine brands, doz. \$1.65, can 14c. Sliced Peaches, fine California fruit, put up in heavy sugar syrup, dozen \$1.70, large cans 15c.

Boys' 2-Pants Suits \$4.85

AGES 6 TO 18 YEARS. —Good-looking, serviceable two-pant suits at a very special price tomorrow. Sturdy cassimeres, worsteds and fancy materials in brown, light and dark gray in smart mixtures. Several models to choose from, including suits with pinch-back and three-piece belt. Two pairs of full lined knickers with every suit in this sale tomorrow at \$4.85. —Good model forms covered in black jersey cloth with extra long hips to fit skirts over. Sizes 32 to 44. —Second Floor Fifth Street

Juvenile Overcoats at \$2.95. —Fine, warm Overcoats in handsome gray chinchilla, brown and blue chevots, fancy gray diagonals and chevots. Models with belt all around and pinch-backs included. Overcoats with military collar, some with shawl and convertible collars. All of these garments are flannel-lined. All sizes for boys 2 1/2 to 8 years. —Boy's Clothing Shop, Third Floor

