# STIR UP DISPUTES

Apprehension Lest America Take View Letter Represented English Stand Is Expressed.

LAW CRITICIZES

Chancellor of Exchequer Says Publication of Peace Message Was National Misfortune.

London, Dec. 1 .- (U. P.) -- England fervently hopes America is not misled by the Marquis of Lansdowne's letter. Apprehension lest the viewpoint taken by the statesman be mistakenly attributed as that of a majority of Englishmen, was foremost in the editorial comment today.

Publication of Lansdowne's views has created a bitter whirlwind of dispute. Supporters pro and con are both quot ing President Wilson freely in support of and against the former foreign min-The anti-Lansdowne adherents insis

the principles enumerated are utterly sed to the Wilsonian viewpoint, while supporters of the "no knockout" idea declare it is the essence of the American president's policies. Most of the press agreed with Bonar Law today, that publication of the letter was a "national misfortune."

Bonar Law's Speech Featured Bonar Law's speech denouncing Lansdowne's letter was prominently dis-played by all newspapers, particular of the exchequer's declaration:

"The letter is based on an assumption -and a strange assumption—that because the Germans say they are ready to have a pact of nations and talk about disarmament, therefore, peace is pos-

"We are told there has been a great change in German feeling. I believe there has grown up a considerable discontent in Germany with the present system, but what is its basis? It is a feeling that the military system is not giving expected results."

Sees Need of Decisive Victory Bonar Law continued emphasizing that peace now would merely mean continuance in power in Germany of the men who were responsible for the war; would mean that any pact of nations no force to punish violators of the agreement, and that a decisive military victory for the allies, plus the growing discontent in Germany, was the only way in which the war could be ended. The Evening News, one of North-cliffe's papers, dubbed Lansdowne "The of Hands Up" and bitterly de-

nounced his message.

The Globe referred to the marquis ing him to Caillaux in France The Westminster Gazetta believed that powerful interests were behind Lanswne. The Star defended the letter as likely at least to cause discussion out of which might arise some concrete fact

The Evening Standard likewise inter-preted it not as a slogan of pacifism.

LANSDOWNE PLAN AID TO RUSSIAN MOVE TO MAKE PEACE, IS VIEW

New York, Nov. 30 .- America's attitude toward Lord Lansdowne's plea for determine whether the end of the spirit of the conservative leader in the It is no secret that President Wilson

sires that a formal statement of the allies' terms be made as the result of present Paris conference. But there ossible difference between Presinake their views irreconciliable. The sident's reply to the pope's peace prosal declared that the United States ould not take the word of the present rulers of Germany in peace negotia-tions. Lord Lansdowne's statement is

Public Declaration Aim
This point marks a divergence between the Lansdowne spirit and the Wilson pirit. Nevertheless, Lord Lansdowne's support of a re-statement of the alprobably succeed in their desige to publicly on record exactly what emocratic nations of the world are ncements of this character

would fall in with Lord Lansdowne's proposal but it need not follow his sug-gestion the end. President Wilson's purpose would doubtless be served if the allies were formally to declare that their terms were subject to negotiations only with representatives of the Ger-man people, responsible to the reichstag. man people, responsible to the reichstag, and not with agents responsible solely

Russian Peace Boosted? Lord Lansdowne's declaration comes it an opportune moment for the new Russian government. It can readily be sterpreted as justifying the peace movewithin Russia. In this respect Lord Lansdowne's influence may serve to check the growing attitude of sever-ity in certain allied circles toward the barrassment the Russian revo reat embarrassment to

If, by chance, peace by negotiation should come suddenly, it would place in difficult position extreme critics of point of view apparently is receiving attention from the American diplomats

#### GERARD AGREES WITH LANSDOWNE AS TO THE

New York, Dec. 1.—(U. P.)—James W. Gerard, former American ambassador to Germany, agrees with that part of the Marquis of Lansdowne's letter urging that Germany be not annihilated. He so declared in a statement published here today. He did assert, however, that 'we must teach Germany that the war for conquest is forever ended and that wanton wrongs, like the invasion of Beigium and the murders of the Lusitania, must not occur again."

"The kaiser told me he would stand no nonsense from America after this war," Gerard declared. "We want to be and that after this war we shall be sure that after the sure of the they are not to be compelled to ofference defenses, they will the mest to be thought of or permitted even though all the men that after several conferences between M. Maklakoff and United Press learned that after several conferences they will be the united Press learned that after several conferences they will be the united Press learned that after several conferences they will be the united

England Once More

London, Dec. 1.—(I. N. S.)—England is once more face to face with a serious labor crisis. Most of the danger in its possible effect upon the conduct of the war is the strike of the employes of the Country strikes of the factor. the Coventry airplane factory. A grave warning has been issued by the ministry of munitions that unless a prompt settlement is reached the effect may be disastrous. The strike at the Coventry plant, caused by a deadlock in negotiations for higher wages, threatens to the up the whole aircraft industry.

A walkout at the same time threat-

A walkout at the same time threat-ened by the railway unions, who also demand higher wages. Local strikes have been called by some dockworkers'

## DONEY PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS

Annual Meeting at Salem Decides to Continue Scholarships to Standard High Schools.

Salem, Or., Dec. 1.-Carl G. Doney, president of Willamette university, was today elected president of the conference of presidents and faculties of independent colleges of Oregon, which as chairman. closed its annual meeting her this

T. Pennington, president of Pa cific college, was elegted vice president, and F. G. Franklin of Albany college was reelected secretary-treas urer and L. W. Riley, president of Mc-Minnville Minnville college, was reelected repre-sentative on the stadardization board. Because of enlistments in the mili tary service some of the universities and colleges have been hard hit in the standpoint of enrollment this year according to reports submitted, but as a whole for the entire group of schools enrollment will average almost

Scholarships Are Continued The conference continued its offer

of scholarships to every standard four year high school in the state. Under this offer the faculty of each standard high school selects a student entitled to scholarship and the student has the hoice of nine colleges to attend. conference on record as opposing action of railroads in discontinuing free transportation to presidents of depominational universities and colleges. Railwould be useless, since there would be roads give free transportation to repsented to show that the same consideration should be given denominational

Discussion This Morning This forenoon's discussion revolved

tional Program for Denominational Col-leges of Oregon," and "The Status of Enlisted Man," and "How to Retain Stuents Through the Full Cou Interesting addresses and discussion vere given yesterday afternoon, and at at a banquet, and last night President Pennington gave an impressive address

on the subject, "After the War, What?"

ROUMANIA IS TO BE AIDED

(Continued From Page One) "Your majesty's cordial message is the United States. I wish to express to your majesty the heartfelt pleasure we war has been brought nearer by the have had in welcoming your distin guished representative, Viscount Ishii The results of his visit will be as happy and as permanent as the endurfriendship of the peoples of the United States of America and Japan. "Permit me to hope that Viscount Ishii, in returning to his native land, Wilson and Lansdowne that may will bear with him memories of his visit as delightful as those he left

> Fear Felt for Roumania A Pacific Port, Dec. 1 .- (I. N. S.)-The commission sent from America to establish a Red Cross hospital in Rou-mania returned today aboard a Japa-Glasgow of London, Major Bernard Flexner of Chicago and Lieutenant Frank Connes of New York.

Major Glasgow says the Roumanian army has completely recovered from the of a year ago and would prove a for-midable ally if Russia returns to the tray, but that, without Russia, it will be completely lost. Russia, he said, still has a large number of divisions on the eastern front, and is holding 2,000,000 Austro-German prisoners of war. A denial that German staff officers are in Petrograd was made.

German staff officers would not live day there," stated Major Glasgow. Going from Russia to Roumania was like going from a riot to a peaceful neighborhood."

The commission left 12 American doctors and 12 nurses in charge of the newly established hospital.

## Draft Resisters

Muskogee, Okla., Dec. 1.—(I. N. S.)— Thirty-six confessed draft resisters re-main to be sentenced here today out of 96 who pleaded guilty to resisting the draft. Sixty were sentenced to terms varying from 90 days in jall to two years in the federal prison at Leaven-

DURATION OF THE WAR a nation except at the cost of blood and treasure that will began the world in men and money for two centuries.

"When the Germans themselves un-

# Facing Labor Crisis REPORT ON BISBEE DEPORTATIONS IS

Mediation Commission Urges Investigation by Attorney General and I. C. C.

NO JUSTIFICATION, IS VIEW

Usurpation of Court Authority, Obstruction of Draft and Interference With Wires, Charge

San Francisco, Dec. 1 .- (U. P.)-Recmendations that the attorney general and the interstate commerce commission investigate the Bisbee, Ariz., deportation of last July and that President Wilson urge congress to pass legislation making such deportations punishable under federal criminal statutes, are contained in the report on the deportations by the federal mediation commission to Presilent Wilson, made public here today. several weeks' investigation of the de portation of approximately 1200 miners tary of Labor Wilson signed the repor The report set forth that none of the vidence showed the deportations either

legal or justified. Draft Obstruction Found The commission found that while a sheriff and posse were rounding up the miners the telephone wires were interered with and a censorship was estabished so that no news could reach the world. It is this phase which is to be laid before the interstate commerc

After the deportations men attempt ing to return for exactination under the draft were arrested and interfered with answering the calls of the draf board, the commission found, and it asks the president to lay all evidence indiating obstruction of the draft before the attorney general. Where Arizona state laws were-vio lated, the commission asks prosecution nmenced by state authorities.

Court Power "Usurped" Reviewing the eyents which culminat ed on the morning of July 12 with the Resolution was adopted putting the round-up of the striking miners, the commission declares the miners originally struck without sufficient and that this was due to a lack o machinery for peaceable adjustment of resentatives of state schools, it was tling future disputes has been supplied pointed out, and argument was pre-

The deportation was arranged at meeting on the night of July 11, when the managers and officials of the cop per companies were present, and from July 12 until late in August, the report declared, a body of men amounting to a vigilance committee "usurped" power of the local courts. Public Opinion Affected

on comments, has been to disturb labor throughout the United States and even in foreign countries of detection. the government's efforts organize for war. The committee, discussing the de

portations, said in part: of an attempt to affect adversely public opinion among some of the people of the allies. Their memory still embarrasses the establishment of industhe period of the war, and it is indispensable to obtain and maintain industrial peace if the war is to be brought aries have not exceeded \$800. to the quickest possible successful con-clusion and if lives are not to be FREIGHT TO COME

Vigilantes' Stand Unjustified Discussing the treatment of the deported persons after they were taken to Hermanos, N. M., the report said: "The deportees were wholly without adequate supply of food, water and helter for two days. At Hermanos the deported men were abandoned by the guards who had brought them and they were left to shift for themselves." The commission found that the belief "in the minds of those who engineered" the deportations that life and property would be insecure unless such deportation was undertaken "has no justification in the evidence in support of it presented by the parties who har-bored it."

#### Libel Action Lost By Publisher Earl

Los Angeles, Dec. 1.-(U. P.)-E. T. Earl, millionaire publisher, who sued the Los Angeles Record for \$150,000 damages for alleged libel in a Record editorial, lost his action in superior court when the jury last night found or the defendant. Earl, through his attorneys, an-

nounced today they would move for a new trial and if this is denied, will take an appeal.

ALLIED WAR CONFERENCE

IS IN SESSION

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Sentenced to Jail possible for America to assist Russia in sia's sane elements in their efforts to defeat Bolshevilli propaganda, which asserts this is an imperialist war. This could best be effected by restating in unmistakable language the exact aims of America and of the allies.
Third, when Russia establishes a government, that America resume the

lendid material assistance heretofore "The second suggestion I have given is the most important of all—because Russia will listen to America. She knows America's unselfish purposes.

#### CASUALTIES IN FORCES OF U.S.

Washington, Dec. 1. — The following deaths in the American expeditionary force have been reported to the war department by General Pershing: PRIVATE WILLIAM E. M'GEE, en gineers, septicaemia general, following amputation of both legs; emergency ad-dress, Mrs. Marie McGee, Osgood, Maine. PRIVATE CLINTON J. HARDWICK engineers, cerebro spinal meningitis; D. M. Monroe, friend, Chadbourne, N. C. CORPORAL FLOYD MAY, field artillery, gun shot wound, possibly acci-dental; Mrs. Isabelle May, Liver-

SERGEANT CHARLES C. HART-MAN, medical enlisted, reserve corps; lohar pneumonia; Cora C. Hartman, CORPORAL FRANK J. HECON, infantry, bronchal-pneumonia; emergency CORPORAL PATRICK A. BERGIN. ngineers, November 27, embolism of

monary arteries; father, W. J. Ber-PRIVATE JOSEPH K. CANNON. engineers; November 27, acute sepiaemia; father, Elisha H. Cannon, 316 Baldron street, Memphis, Tenn. PRIVATE GORDON B. M'GREGOR infantry, November 28, cardiac dilitation acute: mother, Mrs. W. A. Craig.

PRIVATE RUSSELL. BYRD, field artillery, November 29, measles, complicated by broncho-pneumonia; mother. Mrs. Jane Byrd, R. F. D. No. 3, Roa-CORPORAL SYDNEY VENABLE. infantry, November 30, bronchial pneu-

Lieutenant Belfey Wounded wounding in action of First Lieutenant Wallace A. Belfey, medical reserve was reported today by General Pershing. Belfey's emergency address is Rev. W. Belfey, Belvedere, Ill.

Portland Man Wounded Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 1 .- The list of casualties today includes :

Killed in action-Bertram Bowran and C. Pope, both of Stellacoom, Wash.; Wounded—C. E. Dilley, Sumas, Wash.; Corporal Douglas Lowe, Portland, Or.

### FINES SUFFICIENT TO COVER COST OF HUNT FOR THE BOOTLEGGERS

District Attorney Evans Says Special Fund Will No Longer Be Necessary.

That Multnomah county will not ask for a special appropriation next year for the prosecution of violations of the liquor law has been decided by the The result of the deportations, the receipt of a letter from District Attorney Evans to the effect that fines received from violators exceeded the cost

The district attorney asks that money received from fines be placed in a special fund to be used in securing evidence and prosecution of offenders The board has practically agreed to accede to Mr. Evan's request. It is said that the activities of Spe cial Agents Scott and Jeffries, working through the district attorney's office trial peace throughout the country for against bootleggers, have produced in fines from \$3000 to \$3500 in two months' time and that the expenses and sal-

WHEN SHIPS COME

(Continued From Page One) railroad company to cooperate?" asked Farrell. He supplemented Mr. Winchell's statement by assuring that the Union Pacific system would the necessary freight.

Eastbound Freight Congester He pointed out 'the port's facilities as being splendidly adapted. He also called attention to the facilities owned here by the railroad company, adding that if they should prove inadequate more would be constructed. He praised the establishment of the St. Johns terminal and declared that another great step would be in the establishment of coal bunkers, asserting that they would be a proper adjunct to the por-"We have been criticized for building a wharf at Seattle," he continued. "But it was a case of have to to ment the competition and eliminate additional expense by having to use W. P. Olds presided at the meeting.

He first called attention to the reported congestion of freight on cars between Portland and Granger, asking why some of this freight couldn't be brought here for reshipment. Mr. Winchell replied that most of the congestion at present is with east. bound loads. He said this was due largely to lack of locomotives.

Engines Greatly Needed "At this time, it is not a question cars," he continued, "but of engines with which to move them. This is a condition over which the railroads have no control. The government is using every locomotive manufacturing plant the construction of engines to be used in France and Russia. We are accepting this situation in good part. how much energy it has required to move troop trains. Recently we moved five freight engines were set out on eight divisions to do this. We have had 109 locomotives due us since July count of war contracts. The date of he was given until Monday to provide delivery is indefinite but we have been a bail bond of \$1000 in lieu of the cash told that it should be sometime in

Others who took part in the meeting were Mr. Corbett, Julius L. Meier and Fifty Fines Levied

Fred Wyatt, proprietor of the Georgi-Fred Luchol and Harry Casey, paid \$50 fines in municipal court this morning were seized. The place had been under suspicion for some time. The officers taking part were Captain Jenkins, Ser-geant Oelsner, Long, Cameron, Collins, Schum, Burkhardt and Teeters.

Defective Flue Starts Fire

## FIRM UNABLE TO GET MONEY ON WARRANTS **SUIT ON AGAINST CIT**

Assessments for Improvements Not Met and Oregon Iron & Steel Co. Wants Its Cash.

The Oregon Iron & Steel company began sult in the circuit court Friday afternoon against the city of Portland to recover \$12,259.77, this amount being the total of two warrants issue by the city for \$7969.64 and \$4290.13 in 1913 against a special fund. The steel company alleges that has been unable to collect on the two warrants because there has not bee sufficient money in the special fund to pay them, and alleges that the city been negligent in collecting money

due the fund. The fund mentioned, the complain illeges, was coming from assessment of property for the improvement of Kingston avenue, Fairview boulevard, Rutland terrace. Hampshire street, Lafayette place, View place, Bennington street and Valley place

Plaintiff Unable to Collect The complaint alleges further that no attempt was made to collect the whole or any part thereof, that the plaintiff has no means of collecting the amount due it and that it is damaged in the sum of \$12,259.77 for erest from November 12, 1913. It is also alleged that \$13,579. pany, that subsequently a reassessment was made of the whole district, that the amount assessed against the Heights Trust company was omitted and the sum so omitted was assessed gainst the other property owners.

Assigned Warrants Unpaid The suit grows out of the impr of its right of way. city and the charges assessed against channel from Portland to the sea. property owners. Archie Mason, to the Oregon Iren & Steel company, merce. which had supplied materials. These assigned warrants have not been paid and the suit is to compel the city to make payment out of the general

GAS TO BE REPORTED

County Employes Must Show Daily Why They Made Use of Cars. Joy riding in automobiles belonging to a final stop beginning today. The board of county commissioners has orered blanks distributed to the drivers of all county cars upon which they will be required to make a daily report showing mileage, gasoline used and purpose which the trip was made. The will be required of the owners of private machines used in county business. In case the reports are not filed daily and properly, so the mandate says, the driver will be deprived of its further ise. In the case of private cars, no further use of them will be made by the county.

JUDGMENT \$11,405 WINS David Louth Victor in Suit Against

Former Employer. David Louth, at one time a swampe in a saloon at Grand avenue and Belont street, before the days of prohibition, has obtained a judgment in \$11,405 against Morell Woodard, proprietor of the saloon.

The sum sued for was a trust fund necessaries for life. the state went dry, Woodard moved his to shift for himself.

FRED LOVE IS EXONERATED

fter Thorough Investigation, Lad Is Released by Juvenile Court." Fred Love, aged 15, for a time suspected of being in some way responsible for the death of Charles Whitesides, has een exonerated. Will F. Spencer, chief robation officer of the juvenile court, nvestigated the matter thoroughly and found young Love in no way to blame. After a conference between Spencer and Deputy District Attorney Dempsey, Judge Tazwell signed an order for the

boy's release.
Whitesides died as a result of a scuffle in a garage used as headquarters by tion, the junior guards.

SENTENCE PASSED ON WILBUR Six Months in Jail and Fine

\$500 Imposed; Appeal Taken, Julius Wilbur, convicted Wednesday the district court of a violation of the chibition law, was sentenced to six nonths in the county jail and fined \$500 by District Judge Bell Friday afternoon Notice of appeal was given by his atorney, Frank Lonergan. Wilbur has been at liberty since his errest at Claremont tavern. Septembe 22 last, under cash ball of \$500. work was discontinued on ac- was raised to \$700 by Judge Bell, and

> Jennie Munson asks Divorce Alleging that she was obliged to work or board and room for herself and for board and room husband and that he purchase of food, cloti ted to the purchase of food, clother and other necessities, Jennie Munson asks for a for a decree giving her their house-hold goods, a two thirds interest in a lot in Whitwood Court, a third interest in two lots in Hammet, Idaho, and a sixth interest in three lots at War-

Ella M. Carr Seeks Divorce Ella M. Carr is suing Lemuel E. Carr for divorce, alleging in her complaint that he deserted her in May, 1887. The Carrs were married at Mount Ayr in Ringgold county, Iowa, June 2, 1881. No property rights or children are involved in the suit.

In order to provide ample quarters for the local exemption boards space in the registration room in the basement of the court house has been obtained. The boards will take up their work in their new quarters Monday.

#### Bonham Appointed Strike Arbitrator

R. P. Bonham, inspector of the United States immigration bureau in this district, has been notified from Washington that he has been formally appointed government arbitrator for the state of Oregon in the telephone strike. Mr. Bonham's appointment is the result of the agreement reached at San Francisco during the recent hearings. Representatives of the telephone com-Representatives of the telephone com-pany and the employes, including the electrical workers and girl operators, requested that he be appointed and the president's commission ratified the re-quest. The appointment was made through the department of labor at Washington.

Though the Oregon and California strike has been settled, the Seattle em-ployes are still holding out.

# WHAT IS BEING DONE TO GET SHIPS HERE

H. L. Corbett, C. B. Moores and R. D. Inman Deliver Addresses at Meeting:

which it demands judgment with in- to get the ships was discussed before by charter amendment, to purchase propthe Portland Realty board Friday afternoon by H. L. Corbett, president of the the delinquent bonded principal and inportionate part of the cost of the improvement, was assessed against the Portland Chamber of Commerce; Robright of way of the projected street ert D. Inman, chairman of the port of railway of the Heights Trust com- Portland commission, and Charles B. Moores, chairman of the dock commis

tions of the subject ever presented in Portland, Mr. Corbett said that a fundamental study of Portland's port situation involves consideration of: First, ment of Arlington heights and the channel and bar conditions; second, fa- tificates, which, if not redeemed within construction of the street railway now cilities for handling traffic; third, con- the period of redemption, three years, serving that district, and pavement ditions that control the movement of When the realty traffic, and, fourth, ships. syndicate promoting Arlington heights In the old days, he continued, the bar the municipality, which, having thus sestarted its improvements, the construct at the mouth of the river kept shipping tion of the street railway tracks to away; today the harbor entrance is secserve the district was undertaken by ond to none in the United States. To retire the refinencing bonds. the Heights Trust company, which had improve the channel the community has secured a franchise from the city. This made a greater investment than almost trust company was required to pave any other port in the United States, in the right of way, and when it failed addition to the expenditures made by to do so the work was done by the the government to produce a 30 foot But with excellent harbor entrance

contractor having the work in and channel, he averred, facilities have charge, assigned some of his warrants been lacking for great maritime com-The grain elevator authorised by the per declared, by the dock con help meet the need. Coal bunkers, he advocated, should be established now and in this he differed with Port Chairman Inman, who had asserted that it will probably be best to use privately furnished coaling facilities and have the port absorb the difference in cost between here and Puget sound, rather accomplishment of the plan. It was than to install bunkers at public ex-continued as a permanent committee

Mr. Corbett said people fre fer to the shipping "Portland has lost," a special election to be held on the Owing to the many automobile accir The loss, he insisted, consists in what same date as the primary election, dents at the circular park in Ladd ave other ports have also lost—tramps, the third Friday in May. ephemeral, transitory shipping. The port has now to gain what it has had to gain-the established service of perfor meeting present and accruing im-provement bond interest payments. The Mr. Inman discussed the channel and shippard dredging done by the port mission. He strongly advocates the

2 Aliens Enmeshed

In Waterfront Net

United States Marshals Arrest Frank Bulger at Front and Madison, and Hubert Kositzki on Front Street. The federal net for alien enemies spread this morning in the restricted Circuit, Judge Stapleton's court for waterfront areas by United States Mar-

shal Alexander resulted in the enmest ing of two Germans. Shortly before noon Deputy United given to Woodard by Louth with the States Marshal Pace took Frank Bulger understanding that Woodard would in custody in a hotel at Front and Madiprovide Louth with a home, supply him son streets. Bulger, who is an unwith sufficient clothing and other naturalized German, told Deputy Pace that he had read United States Attorney The testimony showed that after Reames' proclamation ordering alien enemies away from the river front, but business to California and left Louth said he didn't believe it was going to be enforced at once. He said he intended noving.

Deputy Marshal Tichenor arrested Hubert Kositzki at 2511/2 Front street. He declared he "just came to town" and did not know that Germans had been ordered away from the waterfront.

SCHOOL BOARD'S

BUDGET ADOPTED (Continued From Page One)

repairs and replacements, \$49,625; fuel, \$75,000; janitors' salaries, \$128,000; light and power, \$21,000; water, \$16,000; census, \$2700; attorneys' fees and litiga-\$5000; salaries for superintendent assistants and other employes, \$57,004 automobiles, \$4800; liability insurance \$5000; teachers' retirement fund, \$12,000 insurance fund, \$15,000; contract bal ances, \$210,000; interest on bonds, comon and exchange, \$37,147.04; sinking Receipts Are Estimated

Estimated receipts include: State chool fund, \$90,000; county school fund \$400,000; county high school tuition fund, \$8000; delinquent taxes, \$10,000; interest and bank balances, \$10,500; probable balance on hand, \$200,000. Olive Chenault was elected to the position of grade teacher. The request of Superintendent Alderman for the election of Marie Myers of Houston, Texas provide he cash G. Pike and Superintendent Alderman withdrew his request for the time being. Miss Myers is now serving as an exchange teacher in the Portland schools. Superintendent Alderman proposed that students at the Benson Polytechnic School for Boys be instructed in pipe and sheet bending to meet the demand from Portland shipyards. Mr. Alderman was authorized to confer with Principal divorce from Muns Munson and asks was authorized to confer with Principal for a decree giving her their house- Cleveland of the Benson school regard-

Get New Quarters

# **WILL NOT NOW BE**

Delinquent Street Assessments to Be Cared for Out of General Fund Temporarily.

BARBUR'S PLAN IS APPROVED

Committee Sees No Serious Legal Obstacle to Providing for Eventual Purchase by City.

The taxpayers of the city will not be equired, when they pay their taxes next pring, to dig up a 10 per cent increase in the city levy to pay delinquent street improvement bond interest. The council, at an adjourned meeting Friday after noon, gave no consideration to the ordi nance providing for a special levy of one mill, and it lapsed, as Friday was the last day upon which it could legally be enacted by the council.

Earlier in the day Commissioner Bar bur asked the council to consider a plan which included the refinancing of improvement bond and interest quencies by the issuance of refinancing onds, and the authorization of the city. erty for not more than the amount of terest and accrued cost indebtedness against it at the time of sale.

Would Force Payment plan that Commissioner mapped out contemplated that the city be authorized to purchase and hold certificates of delinquency, in cases where property could not be sold to private rsons, and that these certificates carry a 10 per cent penalty and 10 per cent interest. The proposed bonds would provide funds for the purchase of the would ripen into title to be confirmed by cured the property for the debt agains it, could sell it in the open market and

This plan, it was argued by Commissioner Barbur, would force the property owners to satisfy the bonded liens against their holdings speedily in order to escape the payment of the counting penalty and interest. would provide the city with funds to buy, through the bonds, which it cannow do, and thus force property owners into payment, or forfeiture. Committee Sees No Obstacle The special committee appointed by the mayor, consisting of City Attorney

McNary and Richard W. Montague, re-

ported to the council, at the aftern

meeting, that no insurmountable lega difficulties stood in the way of the to draft the necessary charter amend-Pending the submission of this plan to the voters, and their approval of it, the city commission will attempt to worry along without direct pro-

of the general fund to meet interpayments. The council yesterday a thorized him to continue to so the thorized him to continue to so the thorized him to continue to so the second states.

Must Cut Expenses At the same time it adopted a resolution, introduced by Mayor Baker, pledging the commissioners and the council to steel their official hearts against demands for any expenditure of city funds, "except such as are absolutely and necessarily required to maintain the city government in its essential activities."

This means in brief that the city man in the city man This means, in brief, that the city overnment will attempt to carry improvement interest delinquencies by advances from the general fund, as provided by this year's budget, which means that some things provided to be done will have to be left undone.

# LEVY AT 9.84 MILLS TO RAISE \$2,725,**000**

Tax Levy for 1917 Was 9 Mills: Loss in Revenue Necessitates Extra Tax.

The city council has definitely fixed the city tax levy for 1918 at 9.84 which will raise approximately \$2,725,-000. The levy had been tentatively agreed upon, but as the council had discussed an additional I mill levy to cover delinquencies in bonded street and sewer assessments the levy could not be finally fixed until the question of the additional mill was settled. The council Friday afternoon decided not to make the additional levy. The levy for the present year was 9 mills. of revenue from other sources than taxation and authorization of bond issues by the people are given as some of the reasons for the in-

The city's fiscal year began today. All 1917 accounts of the city were closed at 5 o'clock Friday night and all appropriations for next year will come from the 1918 budget.

#### War Savings Stamp Representative Here

H. D. Marshall, who is on a tour of the west under the direction of the war savings committee to assist the state directors in inaugurating the war savings campaign, arrived in Portland this afternoon to confer with C. S. Jackson, director for the state of Ore-

Mr. Marshall has been identified with Frank A. Vanderlip and the national war savings committee since the begin-ning of the movement and is thoroughly familiar with the purpose of the war

Danger Fence at Park to Be Erected

proposes to erect a white fence arouthe park and install red illumina danger signs where streets converge. The proposal follows a smashup near the park early this morning, when a large touring car hit the curb and was city treasurer is now carrying approx-badly wrecked an imately \$196,000 of "eash tags" in his slightly injured. badly wrecked and its seven occupants

## Students U. of O. Special Train to Eugene

Sunday, Dec. 2

Train stops at intermediate points named below:

Lv. Portland ..... 6:00 P. M. Lv. East Morrison ...... 6:07 P. M. Lv. Oregon City ..... 6:42 P. M. Lv. Woodburn ..... 7:23 P. M. Lv. Salem ..... 7:58 P. M. Lv. Albany ..... 8:45 P. M. 

Steel Vestibuled Cars.

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