

### CALCIUM LIGHT OF PUBLICITY THROWN ON CITY LANDLORDS

Landlords engaged in rent profiteering in Portland will be given full publicity as a means toward halting extortionate rental charges. This decision was reached by Mayor Baker's committee of eight investigators, who called five landlords to determine exact facts in each case.

The first apartments to fall under the committee's weapon of publicity were the Hanover, 127 King street, operated by Miss Altura Dorcas and O. A. Boone, and the Classic, 604 Gilman street, operated by N. B. Hendry.

**SALES BOOST PRICES**  
The lease and furniture of the Hanover were sold in March, 1919, for \$9000. In August of the same year they were resold for \$11,000, which caused a rise in rents. Later the lease and furniture sold for \$16,000 and again for \$21,000. The lease expires within 16 months and the owner admitted he would get \$25,000 for it.

Reselling and pyramiding of leases, says the committee, is responsible in large measure for high rents. It is a practice which is carried on readily, often loses money, and to make up the deficit are forced to raise rents.

The lease and furniture of the Classic apartments originally sold for \$3500, the committee was told. Two months ago it sold for \$12,000 and was resold last Tuesday for \$11,000. The last landlord was forced to sell at a loss to pay creditors. The lease expires in four years. Rent of apartments have increased 100 per cent at the Classic in two years, said the committee.

**OWNERS EXONERATED**  
Actual owners of apartment buildings are not engaged in profiteering as far as the committee has been able to determine.

Manager Buell of the Elmira apartments was summoned to appear before the committee on complaints to the mayor. No evidence of profiteering was found against Buell, however.

W. G. Rogers, manager of the Elbridge apartments, was another landlord summoned. He told the commission that he had been in charge of the apartment for only a week and possessed no available records. He expressed willingness to present his books at the end of a month.

**COMPLAINT DENIED**

Mrs. Sophia Zelinsky, manager of the Clayport apartments, denied a complaint that she rented a two-room apartment for \$55 a month. She declared that she rented two-room apartments for from \$32.75 to \$45 a month.

This manager said she received summons Wednesday night to appear before the committee. Up to 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon she had not appeared, she said, because she was too busy. She said she didn't care to offer her books for examination, although she knew they would divulge no evidence of profiteering.

**GOVERNMENT IS AFTER RENT PROFITTEERS FOR FALSIFYING**

Chicago, May 7.—(L. N. S.)—The government took a hand in the rent profiteering situation here today when special investigators for the department of internal revenue arrived from Washington and began an investigation of the income tax returns submitted by landlords.

Hundreds of landlords, it is reported, failed to account for rents collected in their schedules. They are subject to a 25 per cent increase in their tax, \$1000 penalty, and in the event of intent to defraud is proved, a year in prison and a \$2000 fine.

### Many Bankers Will Attend Big Meeting Of Foreign Traders

About 60 banking institutions of the country will be represented at the seventh national foreign trade convention at San Francisco next week, according to a message received this morning by the Chamber of Commerce from C. F. Converse, secretary of the Trade council.

The National Foreign Trade council, in charge of the convention, is said to represent three fourths of the vested wealth of the United States and to han-



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die two thirds of the national payroll," says Converse. "The intensive discussion of business which will take place during the convention will be watched closely by bankers all over the country."

### Chairmanship of School Board Is in Muddle in Sumpter

Baker, May 7.—Whether or not Sumpter has two school board chairmen will be determined by Miss Elnetta Bailey, county school superintendent. William Weed, chairman, resigned and subsequently a special election was held. Al Roberts and Mrs. Cora Wetherell were opposing candidates to succeed him and were supported by two factions, whose differences arose from a diversity of opinion in regard to the ability of one of the teachers. Mrs. Wetherell was elected by a vote of 14 to 24, but it is reported that only taxpayers and heads of families were allowed to cast ballots. Miss Bailey says that, according to the state law, any qualified voter may vote upon school officers and at all school elections that do not involve the levying of taxes. Moreover, she says, she has never received the resignation of Weed, and until she has accepted his withdrawal, no vacancy exists and consequently no legal election could be held. Unless other circumstances not reported enter into the matter, the election will be declared invalid, Miss Bailey says.

### Governor Ben Olcott Hooks Three Salmon At Foot of the Falls

Governor Ben Olcott went the limit at Oregon City Wednesday afternoon, when he hooked three salmon on a fishing pilgrimage to the foot of the falls. With him were Dr. R. E. L. Steiner, superintendent of the Oregon state hospital; Gilbert L. Hedges, district attorney of Clackamas county; Carl D. Shoemaker, executive secretary of the fish commission; A. E. Burghdoff, state game warden, and R. E. Clanton, master fish warden. Members of the party were guests of the commission. Other members of the party were reported to have caught their limit of three salmon, but none claimed larger fish than the gubernatorial catch.

### County Jail Doors At Baker Barred Due to Smallpox

Baker, May 7.—The Baker county jail has been quarantined and prisoners are being accommodated temporarily in the city jail. Eugene Bader, alleged pickpocket, has developed smallpox. Bader is awaiting a hearing before the grand jury, which will not be called until the jail has been fumigated and the patient entirely recovered. Smallpox has been prevalent in Baker for several months in light form.

Mrs. Jessie Paddock, 36, a native of Baker county, died Tuesday. She is sur-

### Bill Provides for the Sale of \$100,000,000 In Farm Loan Bonds

Washington, May 7.—(L. N. S.)—Representative Morgan of Oklahoma today introduced a bill authorizing the secretary of the treasury to purchase farm loan bonds issued by the federal farm land banks, not exceeding \$100,000,000, giving in exchange a special issue of non-taxable treasury 4 per cent bonds. The federal land banks can sell the government bonds and so raise money for loans to farmers. Present uncertainty as to the legal status of farm loan bonds prevents their sale.

**McCall Named for Tariff Commission**  
Washington, May 6.—(U. P.)—President Wilson today nominated ex-Governor McCall of Massachusetts to be a member of the United States tariff commission.

### DRIVER KNOCKS DOWN GIRL, THEN SPIRITS HER AWAY IN AUTO

The automobile driver who picked up 13-year-old Mary Hanna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hanna, 1020 Front street, at 8 o'clock Thursday morning, after his machine had knocked her down at Front and Gibbs streets, injuring her leg, is being sought by the police.

After being searched for all day, Mary Hanna came home by herself, late Thursday afternoon. Her leg was slightly injured, but not bad enough to prevent her walking home. She did not know what had become of the automobile driver, who disappeared immediately after leaving her at a house, the address of which she does not recollect, where she was cared for by a woman.

She was unable to give the police any information that would lead to the identity of the driver or of the woman or the location of the house. Thursday afternoon, A. J. Garmody, assistant pastor of St. Lawrence parish, called the traffic department stating that a Mrs. White had witnessed the accident and had seen the girl taken away in the automobile. Traffic Policeman Friberg was dispatched to investigate, and with the brother of the girl spent all afternoon trying to locate her. The girl is a student at St. Lawrence parochial school.

### 85-Year-Old Hubby Too Fond of Young Girls, Wife Asserts

Oakland, Cal., May 6.—(U. P.)—Mrs. Mark Swartz, 35, was today granted a divorce from her 85-year-old husband, whom she charged, was more attentive to younger women than herself. He often brought them to their home, she said.

### Bids for Umatilla Indian Lands to Be Opened Saturday

Pendleton, May 7.—Bids for the lease of nearly 20,000 acres of wheat lands on the Umatilla Indian reservation will be opened Saturday afternoon at the

agency. The leases on these lands expire September 30, and new leases for from two to five years may be made. The rental of these lands is appraised at from \$8 to \$21 an acre per year, based upon the value placed on them by the Indian agent. Rentals under the new leases will be higher than at present.

Grain grading demonstrations for Pendleton have been announced by the federal grain supervision bureau for June 11. Athena will be visited June 8.

B. F. Stubbfield of Portland conducted the school. President P. L. Campbell of the state university will speak here Tuesday in the interests of the higher educational mileage measure. District headquarters for the Maconbee lodges in Eastern Oregon may be established in Pendleton next fall, according to announcement by the district organizer.

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1/2 teaspoon salt  
1 cup milk  
2 eggs  
1 tablespoon shortening

Sift together flour, baking powder, sugar and salt; add milk, well-beaten eggs and melted shortening; mix well. Grease muffin tins and put two tablespoons of batter into each. Bake in hot oven 20 to 25 minutes.

**Eggless Muffins**  
2 cups flour  
4 teaspoons Royal Baking Powder  
3 tablespoons sugar  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 cup milk  
3 tablespoons shortening

Mix and sift dry ingredients, add milk and melted shortening and beat until smooth. Bake in greased muffin tins in hot oven 20 to 25 minutes.

**Corn Muffins**  
1/2 cup corn meal  
1/2 cups flour  
4 teaspoons Royal Baking Powder  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
2 tablespoons sugar  
1 cup milk  
2 tablespoons shortening  
1 egg

Sift together corn meal, flour, baking powder, salt and sugar; add milk, melted shortening and well-beaten egg; mix well. Grease muffin tins and drop two tablespoons of mixture into each. Bake about 35 minutes in hot oven.

**Popovers**  
2 cups flour  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
2 eggs  
1 cup milk

Sift together flour and salt. Make a well in flour, break eggs into well, add milk and stir until smooth. Pour into hot greased pans and bake 25 to 35 minutes in a very hot oven. If taken out of oven too soon they will fall.

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