

The Man "Out Front"
Who Who on Broadway—and Orr
is a new feature of The Sunday-Journal
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It's All Here and It's All True
THE WEATHER—Tonight and Wednes-
day, rain; easterly winds.
Minimum temperatures:
Portland ... 24 New Orleans ... 46
Pocatello ... 24 New York ... 48
Los Angeles ... 60 St. Paul ... 36

S. B. HUSTON
DROPS DEAD
IN COURTROOM

In Act of Chatting With Friends
and Awaiting Calling of Suit
in Which He Was to Appear as
Attorney, State Senator Dies.

State Senator Samuel B. Huston
died suddenly, presumably of heart
disease, at 1:55 p. m. today in Judge
Wolverton's courtroom in the fed-
eral building. Huston was sitting
in conversation with John Knight
and other attorneys, just before
court was to have convened, when,
without warning, he slipped for-
ward in his chair and expired.

Knight, assisted by court attendants,
carried Huston into the judge's cham-
ber and placed him on a couch. Dr. H.
C. Bean was summoned and at once
pronounced Huston dead. The body re-
mained in Judge Wolverton's chambers
pending the arrival of the coroner.

WAITED CALLING OF SUIT

Senator Huston was attorney for a
number of defendants in a suit being
tried in Judge Wolverton's court, in
which David Granger, trustee of the
action against the Clear Lake Irrigation
company and about 70 other defen-
dants. The case was about to be called
when Huston dropped dead. By order
of Judge Wolverton court was dismissed
for the day.

Senator Huston was born at New
Philadelphia, Ind., March 16, 1858, and
spent his early boyhood there. He re-
ceived his early education in a private
school at Grand Lake, Ind., and later
attended the Northern University of
Indiana at Valparaiso.

He studied law and was admitted to
the bar of Indiana at Salem, that state,
in December, 1879. He came to Oregon
March 18, 1883, and was admitted to
the bar of this state in October, 1884.

MARRIED IN PIONEER FAMILY

Senator Huston was married June 25,
1884, to Miss Ella Granger of Corvallis,
daughter of Dr. Granger, one of the
pioneer physicians of the state and a
member of one of the early families
of Oregon.

The senator commenced the practice of
law at Hillsboro and soon became recog-
nized as one of the leading lawyers of
the Willamette valley.

He made his entrance into Oregon poli-
tics by defeating Thomas H. Tongue,
afterwards congressman, for the state
senate from Washington county and
during the sessions of 1892 and
1895. He afterwards went to the
legislature at different times both from
Washington county and, after his re-
turn to Portland, from Multnomah
county. He was elected to the senate
during the 1917 and 1919 sessions, his
term expiring with the recent election.

He refused to run for reelection, though
urged to do so by many friends through-
out the district.

Senator Huston was recognized by
the bench and bar of the state as an
able lawyer and as a man standing
among the leaders of the senate. His
position in the state both because of ability
and because of the high regard he pos-
sessed for the standing and ethics of
the legal profession.

LOCAL CUSTOMS
RECEIPTS GROW

Steadily increasing volume of
business handled through the Port
of Portland is indicated by records of
Collector of Customs Will Moore
for the five months ending Novem-
ber 30. Total receipts of the office
in duties on merchandise for this
period amounted to \$1216,966.63,
compared with \$84,113.69 collected
during the corresponding period of
1919. Total receipts for November
were approximately \$35,000, com-
pared with \$18,000 for November,
1919.

Similar prosperous conditions are
reflected in bank clearings reported for
the month by the secretary of the Port-
land Clearing House association. The
total for the month being \$152,478,406.82
compared with \$151,701,278.59 for
November of last year.

Building permits issued during the
month numbered 725, calling for an ag-
gregate expenditure of \$580,452, com-
pared with 927 permits valued at \$694,730
issued during October and 711 permits
valued at \$700,855 for November, 1919.

Postoffice receipts for the month of
\$480,480 pieces of first and third class
mail matter handled by the cancelling
machines during November, compared
with a total of \$478,545 pieces handled
during October. The apparent decline in
the volume of mail matter handled was
due to an excessive distribution of cir-
cular matter during the recent election
campaign, according to Postmaster
Jones.

Mexican General of
Old Regime Sells
\$22,000,000 Estate

El Paso, Texas, Nov. 30.—(U. P.)—
General Luis Terrazas, who, under Por-
firio Diaz, owned two thirds of the state
of Chihuahua and all the cattle thereon
and who has been an exile in El Paso
since the overthrow of Diaz, has sold his
vast holdings for \$22,000,000, according
to a report today in local financial
circles.

The purchasers are New York capital-
ists backed by the City National Bank
and Guaranty Trust company of New
York city. It was stated.

Akron, Ohio, Nov. 30.—(U. P.)—The
Firestone Tire and Rubber company to-
day announced a 10 per cent reduction
in salaries. The company also reduced
the dividend rate from \$2 to \$1.50 per
share per quarter.

S. B. HUSTON
B A R I S T E R and state
legislator, who fell dead
in federal court chamber
here this afternoon.



LIGGETT DISCUSSES
NEW GUARD UNIT

To discuss the formation of the
Forty-first division of the national
guard and decide upon the location
of the headquarters for the unit,
Lieutenant General Hunter Liggett,
commander of the Ninth army
corps, the Pacific coast states, was a
Portland visitor today.

The formation of the Forty-first na-
tional guard division, named after the
Forty-first division of the war, will be
entirely in the states of Oregon, Wash-
ington, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming,"
Liggett said. "This division will also
have the usual special troops, called
corps, attached to it. These troops are
signalmen, engineers, trench warfare
and motor corps. The conference this
afternoon will be to discuss the location
of the headquarters of the division."

General Liggett was in command of
the famous Forty-first division overseas
and is much interested in the organiza-
tion of the guard unit to perpetuate its
name.

This morning the general, accom-
panied by his aide, Major J. G. Ord,
and Adjutant General George A. White,
made a trip up the Columbia river
highway. On his return a conference
at the Armyory will be held to discuss
the organization of the headquarters of
the division.

The business men of the city will en-
tertain the general at a banquet at
the Multnomah hotel this evening.

After the banquet the general will at-
tend the organization meeting of the
old Forty-first division at the Armyory.

"The Forty-first division was unfor-
tunately," said the general, "in not get-
ting together as an organization. Our
detail was as a replacement depot.
The men of the division and different
units did get up on the line, but they
were attached to some other division or
corps."

Discussing the new army reorganiza-
tion, the general said: "The national
guard movement is to give the army a
basis to turn from peace to war in the
shortest possible time. The way in which
the plan is being received by the people
shows they now realize the futility of
sacrificing men by sending them under
fire before they have been properly
trained. There are only 13 states in the
Union that have no guard, but it is ex-
pected that they will be organized
shortly."

IS DIVISIONS PLANNED

"The new plan calls for 18 divisions
throughout the United States. These di-
visions will be grouped and organized to
form two field armies, each army hav-
ing four corps of two divisions each."

"The Pacific coast will have two di-
visions, the Forty-first and Fortieth,
one from the northern and one from the
southern states. Beside this, there will
be one division of regular army, now
stationed at Camp Lewis. After the
guard units are fully organized there
will be three divisions of reserves as-
signed to the Northwest. As yet, this
organization is only on paper, but in
time they will become an actual fact."

The general will leave for San Fran-
cisco Wednesday morning.

Contract Let for
Josephine Library

Grants Pass, Or., Nov. 30.—The
county commissioners of Josephine
county have let the contract for the con-
struction of a Carnegie library. A. J.
Green of this city was the successful
bidder. The contract price was \$11,700
and will be paid from the Carnegie
fund. The building will be erected on
the court house block in this city.

Teal in Washington
For His New Duties

Washington, Nov. 30.—(WASHING-
TON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL.)—
Joseph N. Teal and Chester H. Rowell,
Pacific coast members of the new ship-
ping board, arrived last night after in-
specting Pacific and Gulf ports. They
will be sworn in tomorrow morning when
the board will hold a meeting for organiza-
tion.

Tire Company Cuts
Salaries 10 Per Cent

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Firestone Tire and Rubber company to-
day announced a 10 per cent reduction
in salaries. The company also reduced
the dividend rate from \$2 to \$1.50 per
share per quarter.

U. S. MOVES
\$10,000,000
STOCKS TO
FOR HIGHWAYS

Attorney General Asks Court to
Take Over Packers' Interests
and to Sell Same; Allege
Failure to Divorce Holdings.

Washington, Nov. 30.—(I. N. S.)—
Attorney General Palmer filed a
petition in the district supreme
court late today asking the court
to issue an order appointing trust-
tees to take possession of all the
packers' stockyards interests and
sell under such terms as the court
may deem wise.

The attorney general, in a brief mak-
ing sweeping exceptions to all of the
plans submitted to the court by the big
packers' interests, said that they had
exhausted nine months of time without
submitting to the court the depart-
ment of justice any satisfactory propo-
sals that would divorce packer control
from these properties, embracing 75 per
cent of the stockyards and terminals in
the United States.

Attorney General Palmer told the
court that careful analysis of the plan
submitted by Armour & Co. and Swift
& Co. revealed to the government counsel
a plain intent upon the part of the pack-
ers to retain dominating control of these
interests through "cleverly devised
stock transfer arrangements." Equally
firm objection was raised as to the plan
submitted by Morris & Co.

A general hideaway survey of the pre-
sented by their clients, informed the
city council this morning of their will-
ingness to accept a further reduction
and to settle on payment by the city of
\$36,702.41 plus interest, a total of \$39-
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ROAD PROGRAM TO
AWAIT JANUARY 4

In addition to electing R. A.
Booth chairman to succeed Simon
Benson the state highway commis-
sion Monday decided not to formu-
late its construction program for
1921 before the beginning of the
new year. In the meantime Com-
missioners Booth and Yeon will
make a trip over the Pacific high-
way and other sections to see
where construction can be best ap-
plied.

The commission is anxious to complete
the improvement of the Pacific high-
way next season as far as possible. This
personal tour of investigation will begin
next month.

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take the responsibility of voting such
an amount of money necessary to keep
the road construction program running
in high gear as it now is, without
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and provides for a sliding scale of co-
operation between public land states and
the federal government. Interest of fifty-
five per cent is at present. Opposed to
the Chamberlain bill is the Townsend bill
which plans to create a federal system
of highways and provides for a federal
commission. Under this measure it is
apprehended that the West will not re-
ceive the benefit it does under the pres-
ent system of federal aid.

BUSINESS TRANSACTED

Besides designating January 4 as the
date of the next regular meeting the
commission took the following action:
Ordered the advertising of the sale of
\$1,500,000 of bonds at the next regular
meeting, approved as a federal aid
project the paving from Corvallis south
a distance of nine miles for which the
contract has already been let, authorized
a loan to Umatilla county for the main-
tenance of state roads in that county,
agreed to improve the Central Oregon
highway in Harney county between
Burns and Suntut in 1921 and ordered
a distribution of the balance of the 1920
market road fund.

DISTRIBUTION PLANNED

The balance was \$98,699 and will be
distributed as follows: Baker \$21,230,
Benton \$11,000, Clackamas \$27,375, Clatsop
\$25,889, Columbia \$13,155, Coos \$20-
086, Crook \$28,21, Curry \$2568, Deschutes
\$1917, Douglas \$13,892, Gilliam \$8825,
Grant \$1860, Harney \$2325, Hood
River \$8160, Jackson \$22,271, Jeff-
erson \$4541, Josephine \$3628, Klamath
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Lincoln \$6652, Linn \$27,507, Malheur
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man \$3805, Tillamook \$14,635, Umatilla
\$40,280, Union \$18,635, Wallowa \$12,851,
Wasco \$14,968, Washington \$25,155,
Wheeler \$4478, Yamhill \$14,498.

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OSWEGO PUMPING
STATIONS BURNED

The pumping station at Oswego
of the Oswego Lake Light & Power
company burned to the ground Mon-
day leaving Oswego, Briarwood and
Rockspur with only a 10,000 gal-
lon supply in one high pressure water
reservoir. Belief was expressed
at Oswego that service would be re-
stored in 36 to 48 hours. The tank
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\$23,860, Part of
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Robbery, Is Found

Council Bluffs, Iowa, Nov. 30.—(U.
P.)—Federal officials this morning lo-
cated \$23,860 in currency which Keith
Collins had secreted in Omaha before
his flight to Oklahoma, where he was
captured Sunday. All the currency was
in \$10 bills and was part of the \$5,000,000
loot taken from a Burlington mail train
here November 11.

Dirty and unkempt, with his natry an-
iform soiled and torn, "Captain" Collins,
self-styled "war hero," came back to his
home town last night in chains.

Collins, whose self-made war record
was shattered by official army records,
which showed him to be a private who
never left the country, was bound over
to the federal grand jury by United
States Commissioner Byers on a charge
of helping to rob a Burlington mail train.
His bonds were fixed at \$50,000.

Council Votes
Settlement of
\$36,702 Claim
On Auditorium

At an informal meeting of the
city council this morning, the long
delayed settlement of the claim of
the bondsmen of Hans Pedersen,
Seattle contractor, for building
Portland's municipal auditorium,
reached what promises to be a final
settlement by a tacit agreement be-
tween the council and attorneys for
the bondsmen of the payment by
the city of \$36,702.84 to N. A.
Schanen and J. F. Kelly, Pedersen's
bondsmen.

Mayor Baker and Commissioners Bar-
bur, Mann and Pier voted in favor of
the compromise, with Commissioner
Bigelow representing the bondsmen, while
Attorney La Roche represented the
council at the hearing.

Contractor Pedersen, on completion
of the Auditorium, filed a claim with
the city for \$75,000, claiming that
amount was justly due him because of
an error in estimates and the delays
which he charged to the city and the
increased cost of labor and material.

Later an arbitration committee recom-
mended a compromise of \$65,492. This
amount the city commissioners deemed
excessive, and so the matter dragged
for months.

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STATE FILES
LAKE COUNTY LAND

Applications covering approx-
imately 33,000 acres of swamp land
in the Warner valley, Lake county,
were filed with the local land office
by Assistant Attorney General Mil-
lard McGilchrist Monday afternoon.

It is estimated that the lands are
worth not less than a minimum of
\$330,000, for similar lands in the
vicinity, held in private ownership,
have been sold within the last year
for as high as \$25 the acre.

This action on the part of the attor-
ney general's office is the result of the
appropriation of \$25,000 granted by the
legislature of 1919 for the investigation
of the state's public land matters by
the land board and the attorney general's
office and the recovery of swamp school
lands to which the state is entitled and
of which it has been deprived by fraud
or otherwise.

RECORDS ARE CHECKED

Soon after the appropriation had be-
come available Attorney General Brown
assigned McGilchrist the task of checking
up the records of the Warner Valley
land board for the purpose of ascertain-
ing all of the land contiguous to Warn-
er Lake swamp in character and for which
the state could make application of the
federal government under the swamp
land act.

Cattle owners and other settlers in
the days gone by had secured large
tracts of land in the Warner valley by
means of the swamp land act. They,
however, selected the tracts desired by
themselves and returned to the local
board of the state land board. The
board, in turn, made application for the
lands so selected, and when title was
given by the government under the
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Wilson Offers
His Personal
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President Wilson today in-
formed President Paul Hymans of
the assembly of the League of Na-
tions, now sitting at Geneva, that
while he was without authority to
offer or employ military forces of
the United States in the project for
the relief of Armenia, he was will-
ing to use his good offices and to
proffer his personal mediation
through a representative whom he
might designate to end the hostil-
ities now being waged against the
Armenian people.

The text of President Wilson's cable-
gram to President Hymans follows:
I have the honor to acknowledge
your cabled message, setting forth
the resolution adopted by the as-
sembly of the League of Nations, re-
questing the council of the league
to arrive at an understanding with
the governments, with a view to en-
tering into necessary measures to stop
the hostilities in Armenia.

NO MANDATE REQUIRED

You offer to the United States the
opportunity of undertaking the hu-
manitarian task of using its good
offices to end the present tragedy
being enacted in Armenia and you
assure me that your proposal in-
volves no repetition of the invitation
to the United States for Armenia.

While the invitation to accept a
mandate for Armenia has been re-
jected by the senate of the United
States, this country has repeatedly
declared its solicitude for the fate
and welfare of the Armenian people
in a manner and to an extent that
justifies me in saying that the fate
of Armenia has always been of spe-
cial interest to the American people.

PROFFERS PERSONAL AID

I am without authorization to
offer or employ military forces of
the United States in any project for
the relief of Armenia and any mat-
erial contribution would require the
authorization of the congress which
is not now in session and whose ac-
tion I could not forecast. I am will-
ing, however, upon assurance of the
moral and diplomatic support of the
principal powers, and in a spirit of
sympathetic response to the request
of the council of the League of Na-
tions, to use my good offices and to
proffer my personal mediation
through a representative whom I
may designate, to end the hostilities
now being waged against the Ar-
menian people and to bring about
accord to the contending forces, re-
lying upon the council of the League
of Nations to suggest to me the av-
erage through which my proffer
should be conveyed and the parties
to whom it should be addressed.

(Signed) WOODROW WILSON.

The president's cablegram was made
public through the state depart-
ment. President Hymans' invitation to Mr.
Wilson to act as mediator was trans-
mitted to Washington on November 22.

President Hymans, in a cablegram to
the president, asked the
good offices of this country "to end as
speedily as possible the present terrible
tragedy."

There are serious problems ahead, and
it is the duty of all to help as we
can in establishing the country on a
sound basis."

One of his first calls today was
Dr. Charles J. Smith, chairman of the
Oregon Democratic state central com-
mittee, who was passing through the city.

Another material witness, who told the
police that the alleged plot was en-
gaged from New York, has left mys-
teriously.

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Further important developments in the
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