

### EXAMINATION OF HOFF'S RECORDS NOW UNDER WAY

Grand Jury Not Likely to Consider Evidence Before Next Week

PROBE TO BE MINUTE

Employers Under Compensation Act May Proffer Service to State

George M. Brown, attorney general, has set in motion the official machinery which is designed to lay bare the transactions in the department of O. P. Hoff, state treasurer, which in any way may have a bearing on purchases of securities which, according to recent charges, have resulted in exorbitant profits to the firm of Morris Bros., Inc., of Portland, a bonding concern through whom most of the state's purchases of bonds have been made.

Preliminary to actual investigations by the Marion county grand jury, it is understood the most searching examination of the state treasurer's books will be made by the Marwick, Mitchell, Peat company, chartered accountants of Portland, together with records in Portland. Also the attorney general, it is probable, will run down every line of evidence which has come into his possession, and indications about Saleff are that he is quietly assembling a volume of data having a bearing on the case.

Accountants Begin Work.

Two of the accountants arrived in Salem Friday, A. L. Andrus, manager of the Marwick, Mitchell, Peat company, and an assistant. After a conference with the attorney general, Mr. Brown took them to the state treasurer's office, introduced them to Mr. Hoff and his assistants, and their work began.

The attorney general is understood to have instructed the accountants minutely as to the work they have been employed to do in the way of gathering evidence which is to go before the grand jury. It is believed the attorney general will spend most of this week with the

auditors both here and in Portland, probably going to Portland the latter part of the week. The Marion county grand jury, which meets for a regular session Monday, is not likely to consider any evidence in the case for at least a week, but is expected to proceed with its regular business pertaining to Marion county.

Some observers here express the opinion that if the auditors carry their investigation to Portland they may uncover evidence which will lead to placing the case before the Multnomah county grand jury. Also there is believed to be a possibility that grand juries in other counties will be called.

Employers Hold Meeting. Employers of Oregon who are under the women's compensation act may decide to offer their services to the state in the probing of affairs connected with the state treasurer's office. Funds of the accident commission were used by the state treasurer in purchasing the bonds which are said to have brought big returns to the Portland bonding house. A committee of the employers already has held one meeting in Portland. Another meeting, it is said, will be held next week when the employers will decide whether circumstances warrant an offer of their assistance to the state.

While the accountants employed by the state are making an examination of the books, the Whitfield, Whitecomb company, Portland accountants, has experts going through the records in the Morris Brothers company, R. H. Pinney, another expert, is representing the surety company in which Mr. Hoff is bonded.

### Woman Fatally Hurt in Portland Auto Accident

PORTLAND, March 13.—Mrs. Amelia Newbury of Aberdeen, Wash., was injured fatally and her 9-year-old daughter Grace was knocked down tonight while crossing a street in the business section of the city.

Mr. Wheatley was arrested by the police when he reported the accident and held in the city jail under \$5000 bail. He was charged with reckless driving.

### Reckless Driver Found Guilty of Manslaughter

LAS CRUCES, N. M., March 13.—Major P. M. Scanland, charged with murder in connection with the death of John M. Hutchins, race car driver in the El Paso-Phoenix automobile race on November 2, 1919, was found guilty tonight of involuntary manslaughter.

An appeal to the supreme court was granted and the defendant admitted to \$10,000 bail.

### Oregon Livestock Will Be Sold Under Hammer

YREKA, Cal., March 13.—Plans for marketing cattle by extensive auction sales in Oregon-California were formulated today at a meeting at Monticello, Cal., of stock raisers from Jackson and Klamath counties, Or., and Shasta, Tehama and Siskiyou counties of California.

Auctions will be held in Jackson, Klamath, Shasta and Tehama counties, according to the plans. E. L. McKenzie of Red Bluff, Cal., and Miles Cantrell of Euch, Ore., were appointed a committee to handle interstate co-operation. Farm Advisors Talbot of Shasta county and Flaherty of Jackson county were named as a committee to plan the dates and other details and arrange interstate meetings.



**HAWLEY**  
Features 'AFGHANITSAN' on The Wurlitzer

TODAY—TOMORROW AND TUESDAY  
**CHARLES RAY**  
IN  
**"ALARM CLOCK ANDY"**  
A Rousing Tale of a Stuttering Salesman  
LAUGHING ROOM ONLY—BETTER COME EARLY  
**HAROLD LLOYD**  
In  
**'HAND TO MOUTH'**  
His latest 2-Reel Laugh Getter  
Continuously Today  
2:15—4—5:45—7:30—9:15 P. M.  
**OREGON**

### What A Business Man Wanted

A business man, who called on us a few weeks ago, said, "We want a lady in our office; a typist who has a thorough knowledge of business and can use her own head. We want such a person as Mrs. ... who is secretary to Mr. ... I presume you know her."

The fact is, the Mrs. ... referred to, took her course at this school several years ago, later attending night school to do some special work.

The business man was told that we could not then refer him to any available person. He left with instructions to keep him in mind and telephone at his expense when we found such a lady. Could you have filled this place?

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### TIMBERWORKERS SAY 4-LS ARE NOT IN RUNNING

Committee Finds Only Five Men in Spaulding Yard Are Members

### PEACE REIGNS AT MILL

Union Men Claim Membership of 95 Per Cent Among Employees at Plant

Conditions at the mill of the Charles K. Spaulding company are thoroughly satisfactory both to the management and to the workers, says the report of a committee of the Salem Central Trades and Labor council which recently was appointed to conduct an investigation.

The investigation was the result of published articles which the timberworkers' union claimed misrepresented conditions and overestimated the strength of the Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen. The report says there are now no differences to adjust at the mill, that Mr. Spaulding has advanced wages to a point quite satisfactory to his men and has promised another advance soon.

The report in full follows: "There have been several articles published regarding labor conditions at the Spaulding mill and that there has been a strong organization of Loyal Legion of Loggers effected; also that there has been a welfare man employed, to look into and assist in adjusting conditions and differences between the Spaulding Logging company and its workmen.

"At a recent meeting of the Salem Trades and Labor council, this matter was brought up and a committee was appointed to look into the matter, and upon investigation reports that these articles referred to were misleading; that about 95 per cent of the men employed by the Spaulding company are members of the timberworkers; that only five men in the yard, and a few of the office force, belong to the Loyal Legion of Loggers; that employing timberworkers and there is no need for one; that there are no differences to adjust between Mr. Spaulding and his workmen; that Mr. Spaulding has advanced wages quite satisfactory to his men, and promised another advance soon, in keeping with the high cost of living; that the workmen are a contented lot of men, and all is harmony as far as they and Mr. Spaulding are concerned."

### PLUMBERS HERE MIDDLE OF MAY

State Association Accepts Invitation to Hold Annual Session Here

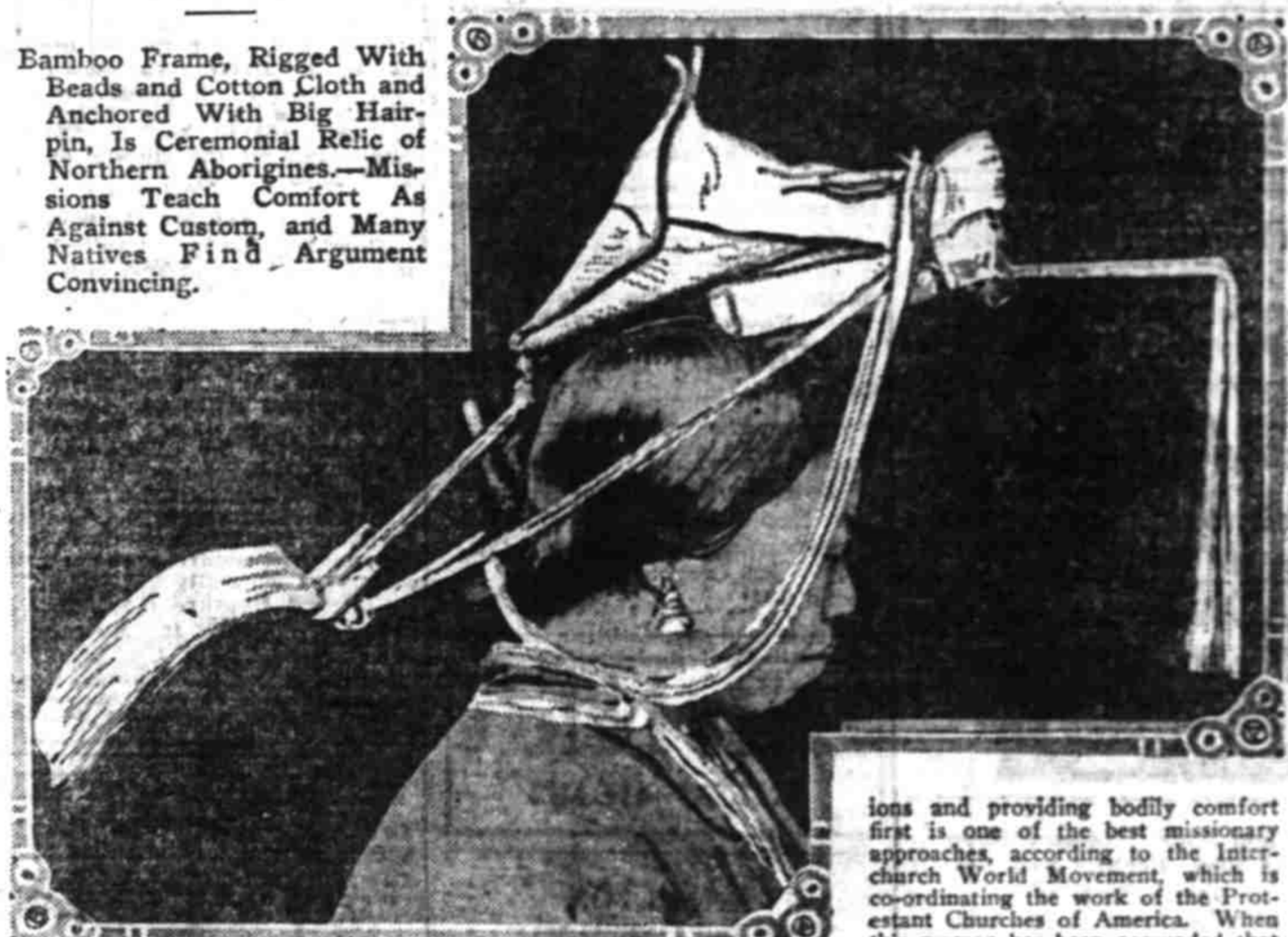
The Oregon State Association of Master Plumbers through its president, Charles Fullman of Portland, has accepted an invitation from T. E. McCroskey, manager of the Salem Commercial club, to hold its annual convention for 1920 in Salem. The dates are May 14 and 15. The event will be the 19th annual session of the employing plumbers and 40 or 50 visitors are expected to be present. The letter from Mr. Fullman says that some officials from the national organization also may be present.

### Johnson Flays Article Ten of Peace Treaty

SAGINAW, Mich., March 13.—Senator Lodge's proposed compromise amendments to article ten of the league of nations, declaring that the United States will not interfere in matters of territorial integrity or

### Seaplane Floating on Her "Permanent Wave" Proves Chinese Woman Is in Height of Fashion

Bamboo Frame, Rigged With Beads and Cotton Cloth and Anchored With Big Hairpin, Is Ceremonial Relic of Northern Aborigines.—Missions Teach Comfort As Against Custom, and Many Natives Find Argument Convincing.



The life of the Chinese women in the aboriginal tribe north of Foo Chow is no simpler because they do not have to decide between a pedicled and a permanent wave. It

might be easier to dress smooth hair, but not with this ceremonial head dress, constructed on a bamboo frame and hung with beads and cotton cloth tassels. Changing such inconvenient fash-

ions and providing bodily comfort first is one of the best missionary approaches, according to the Inter-church World Movement, which is co-ordinating the work of the Protestant Churches of America. When this woman has been persuaded that there is more charm in her simple, every-day coiffure, she is in a more receptive state of mind, the American missionaries have found. Could you solve the big problems of the reconstruction period with this creation attached to your glory crown?

ness says: "Like most of the contract being used, by successful co-operative societies, it is binding upon the grower over a considerable number of years. This is considered by most authorities on co-operation to be necessary to insure success. In Denmark, the country which leads the world in successful co-operation among farmers, association contracts generally cover a period of about 14 years."

Challenge Is Hurdled. Edward C. Johnson, dean of the Washington State college, at a recent public meeting of the Whitman county wheat growers, said:

"Without this contract, neither volume of business, stability or permanency would be assured."

The full text of the challenge to Hyslop is as follows: "Washington Wheat Growers' association denies accuracy of statements and deductions by you in open letter in the press and challenges you to a public debate on your own written statements with its chief counsel, Aaron Sapiro, in Corvallis or Portland any evening selected by you between 15th and 19th of March, inclusive. Please wire acceptance with time and place."

### SAVE FORESTS IS SLOGAN OF ENTIRE WEEK

Period From May 23 to 29 Given Over to Campaign of Education

### OREGON STATUS SHOWN

State Forging to Front in Production, But Conservation Necessary

BY A. G. JACKSON  
Forest Examiner

The purpose of forest protection week, which takes place May 23 to 29, 1920, is to enlist the hearty cooperation of every citizen in the important work of caring for the forest resources of Oregon. It is only necessary to look at any of the 4,000,000 acres of the state which have been fire swept in the past, to realize the fate in store for our wonderful forests if adequate protection is denied them.

Much of the forest area of Oregon is fit for no better use than the production of timber. If left to the mercy of fire, part of the present forests will disappear each year and the land be left a worthless waste instead of a productive area.

There is plenty of timber land in Oregon which grows annually from 500 to 1,000 board feet an acre of Douglas fir. The forest service has records of careful measurement taken on the sluslaw national forest, in western Oregon, which show that during a five year period the timber grew at an average rate of 1754 board feet per acre annually.

Oregon is forging to the front as a lumber producing state. The cut of her mills was two and a half billion feet in 1918. Given the proper forest management, which includes protection, conservative lumbering, and restocking with trees—Oregon's forests will produce twice her present lumber cut annually for an indefinite period.

Mushroom Towns Decried. And putting the forests under management will mean permanent and prosperous forest communities instead of the mushroom shack towns, and temporary camps, which are typical of the destructive logging methods where no attempt at forest management is made.

If the campaign for forest protection week is not under way in your town there is still time to get it started by taking action at once. Suggestions for observing this week will be furnished by the forest protection committee of the Portland Chamber of Commerce on request.

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### PAPER AND HELP NEED OF OREGON

Publishers Meet in Portland and Start Investigation of Shortage

PORTLAND, March 13.—Publishers of a number of Oregon newspapers, published outside of Portland, met here today in conference to discuss ways and means for obtaining supplies of news print and labor for their mechanical departments. Plans were formulated for investigating the sources of paper supply and the prospects for relief. Reports made to the meeting disclosed a general shortage of printers in Oregon newspaper plants, with little prospect of relief in the near future.

Frank Jenkins of the Eugene Register and others present were Lee Drake, representing the Pendleton East Oregonian and Astoria Budget; Colonel Carl Abrams of the Salem Statesman; E. M. Reagan of the Albany Herald and Lloyd Riches of the Oregon City Enterprise.

### TAXES ON WAGON ROAD LANDS PAID

Coos and Douglas County Get Large Sums From Federal Government

PORTLAND, Ore., March 13.—Oswald West, who represented the Oregon counties of Coos and Douglas in efforts before congress to obtain the taxes due on the reverted Coos Bay Douglas lands before congress to obtain the taxes due on the reverted Coos Bay wagon road grants announced today that drafts covering the delinquent taxes have been received in Portland by Harry E. Laughlin, chief of the field div-

### HYSLOP TARGET OF CHALLENGE FROM SPOKANE

Washington Wheat Growers' Association Wants Debate With Oregon Man

STATEMENTS RESENTED

Aaron Sapiro Is Slated to be Pitted Against College Professor

SPOKANE, March 13.—The organization committee of the Washington Wheat Growers' association has challenged G. R. Hyslop, agronomist of Oregon Agricultural college to a public debate on the accuracy of statements, deductions and recommendations recently made by Hyslop to Oregon wheat growers not to organize under the plan proposed by the Washington wheat growers.

Simultaneously, the Washington Wheat Growers' association announces that in the first 16 days of its campaign for membership hundreds of Washington wheat farmers have signed the much discussed contract pooling over three and a quarter million bushels of wheat for the next six years.

College Man Speaks. Joseph Passonneau, director of the state office of farm markets of Washington state college, Pullman, has come out as favoring the plan and form of contract. Passonneau in a statement made public this week says:

"It is my belief that the plan of organization is economically sound." Speaking of the contract, Passonneau says:

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