

# BIG DIVIDENDS ARE DECLARED

### Unfavorable Tax Legislation by Next Congress is Anticipated

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—Stock dividends totalling \$91,500,000 were announced today by seven large industrial corporations and banks, bringing the total stock dividends declared in the last few months to more than \$1,500,000,000.

These sums, in virtually all cases have been provided for out of undistributed surplus, apparently in anticipation of unfavorable tax legislation in the next congress.

The Studebaker corporation increased its capitalization \$15,000,000 by declaring a 25 per cent stock dividend. Directors expected that the customary annual 10 per cent dividend would be continued.

The Vacuum Oil company distributed \$45,000,000 of surplus in the form of a 300 per cent stock dividend.

The William Wright, Jr., company declared a 10 per cent stock dividend of \$1,500,000 to common shareholders.

The Bank of Manhattan company, one of the oldest in the country, increased its capital from \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000 by capitalizing surplus and declaring a 100 per cent stock dividend.

The Equitable Trust company announced plans to increase its

capital from \$12,000,000 to \$20,000,000, one-half of which would be a 33 1/3 per cent stock dividend and the remainder a new issue of stock to which holders of the bank stock might subscribe.

The E. I. Dupont de Nemours declared a 50 per cent stock dividend, amounting to \$20,000,000.

The Whitman Mills of New Bedford, Conn., called a stockholders' meeting to consider a stock dividend of 40 per cent by increasing the capitalization from \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000.

## GREAT GOSPEL OF OREGON TO WORLD

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Who They Are  
The visiting delegation included Harlan Smith, representing the company that will have the work in charge. The railroads were represented by R. W. Foster, general agent, and W. P. Powers, traveling freight and passenger agent, C. B. & Q.; C. E. Arney, western immigration agent, H. G. Smith, chief clerk passenger department, and W. H. Ormsby, traveling freight agent, Northern Pacific; E. R. Schultz, traveling freight and passenger agent, Oregon Electric; R. H. Crisler, assistant general passenger agent, S. P. & S. Oregon Electric and Oregon Trunk railroad; and F. W. Graham, assistant general agricultural agent, John H. Running, traveling passenger agent and F. G. Smith, traveling freight agent, Great Northern railroad.

City Toured Today  
These men are to start at 9 o'clock this morning for a brief auto tour of Salem. They were in Eugene and Corvallis yesterday. They are to go to Albany today. They will cover the whole of the state on this flying trip, and then come back after this first brief survey. They say that nobody need try to tell them that it's a good country, for they already know it, but the man who can tell them some new argument that will break through the crust of the hesitant easterner and start him to the depot to buy a ticket for the new home fronting on the Pacific is the world's friend for life.

The whole matter will be taken up exhaustively at the open forum meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, next week.

Parents Still Worried Over Elopement of Pair  
The parents of Edris Turpin of Roseburg and James Henry Coon of Dallas, who were married at Dallas Thanksgiving day, after procuring a license in Salem under what is said to have been misrepresentation, are doing some worrying over the affair.

The girl, it is said, is only 17. A friend of Coon who helped him get the license, swore that she was 18, and that her home was at Turner, Marion county. The father of the girl, is said to have visited Dallas Monday and persuaded the girl to visit at her home in Roseburg for a week or two. Yesterday young Coon and his mother appeared at the county clerk's office here to find out if the bride's father had started proceedings to annul the marriage, which had been threatened.

## TRY SULPHUR ON AN ECZEMA SKIN

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Any breaking out of the skin, even fiery, itching eczema, can be quickly overcome by applying mentho-sulphur, declares a noted skin specialist. Because of its germ-destroying properties, this sulphur preparation instantly brings ease from skin irritation, soothes and heals the eczema right up and leaves the skin clear and smooth.

It seldom fails to relieve the torment without delay. Sufferers from skin trouble should obtain a small jar of Rowles Mentho-Sulphur from any good drug-gist and use it like cold cream.

—Adv.

## THE SKIN GAME HERE TONIGHT

### Most Notable Play of Famous English Dramatist Comes to Salem

William A. Brady, in association with the Reandean company of London will present John Galsworthy's "The Skin Game" at the Grand theatre tonight.

In "The Skin Game," Mr. Galsworthy is said to have written a play that grips the ordinary every day man in the theatre, and at the same time he has made an irresistible appeal to the theatre-goer who is more exacting. It has been described as the English dramatist's finest play.

The story, as nearly everyone knows, is of the feud between the Hillierists and the Hornblowers, the former representing on one side the aristocracy and the latter the bustling, self-made, self-assured newcomer who has no patience with the traditions which envelop his opponent.

While Galsworthy has placed the action of "The Skin Game" in England, and while the characters, of course, are English, the stirring whole human story of the play is universal in its application. Wherever men are fighting to gain what they believe should be theirs, regardless of those who may now possess what they desire, wherever there is conflict between families, and wherever the old order is challenged by the new, there play-goers will find in the newest Galsworthy play, a compelling drama of intense interest.

"The Skin Game," which enjoyed a notably successful season in New York, is the first of the Galsworthy plays to score lasting popular success on both sides of the ocean. In London where it was first produced, it rounded out a year's run, and its success in New York was equally notable.

Barclay Dean, who staged the original production in London, performed a like service in connection with the American production, which is a duplicate of the original. For the tour this year, Mr. Dean has secured an exceptional cast approved by Galsworthy himself. It includes the English players proclaimed by the entire press of San Francisco as the best company that has visited the coast in years.

## CLEMENCEAU SAYS OBJECT ABOUT GAINED

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him at the White home. He then started a round of social calls, visiting Mrs. Robert W. Bliss, wife of the third assistant secretary of state, and dropping in at the French embassy for tea.

Returning to the residence of Henry White, his Washington host, he gave an interview to the greatest array of newspapermen he has faced in America. There were present nearly one hundred representing the Washington corps of correspondents, many of whom had confronted the Tiger frequently at Paris during the peace conference.

Mission Thought Successful  
Discussing with them his self-imposed mission to the United States—that of stirring up public opinion on certain matters—he declared that it was almost accomplished.

"If my opinions are asked as to what you should do," he added, "I would ask for a kindly intervention. But of course, behind words there must be some sort of acts. A few lines on a piece of paper would be enough.

"If the people of America think the league of nations will do this, that's your business. I'd rather have one good guarantee from England or the United States than a league of nations."

Asked if America's entry into the league would be a sufficient guarantee he declared he would not answer yes or no for fear of being misunderstood.

America Must Decide  
"There was before one league of nations," he said, "which brought about the great war that killed Greece. My own private opinion is that the guarantee of England would be delightfully received by France and that the



Scene from Galsworthy's "The Skin Game."

American guarantee would be delightfully received. We could do without the guarantees from the lesser nations in the league."

Asked if he did not feel that America again would come to the aid of France if she were attacked without provocation, the Tiger said:

"Ah, that I cannot say. That I dare not say. America is a democracy. She would have to decide at the time. We in France have to act as if we were alone in the world."

The Tiger has another strenuous day ahead of him tomorrow. The program includes a visit to the grave of America's unknown soldier in Arlington National Cemetery, an address before army officers at the war college, a sail down the Potomac to Mount Vernon, a call on former President Wilson and an address before the Southern society.

## PROGRESSIVES FIND DISFAVOR FROM HARDING

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senting President Harding's views on the proposal, represented the executive as feeling that constant changes in the constitution were unnecessary, and in some cases unwise. Mr. Harding, it was said, returned the procedure under the constitution whereby a new congress does not meet for more than a year after its election as one of the wisest steps made by the nation's founding fathers, as it allows passions to cool.

Desired by People  
The agricultural committee in its report, however, took an opposite view, declaring "the present condition of affairs is not only unfair to the citizenship at large who have expressed their will as to what legislation they desire, but it is likewise unfair to their servants whom they have elected to carry out this will."

The resolution was reported as a substitute for one recently proposed in the senate by Senator Caraway, Democrat of Arkansas. The Caraway resolution would have declared in the sense of congress that defeated members should not vote on other than routine legislation, at the session following an election, and was referred to the agricultural committee by request of its author, who said reference to any other committee would bring about its death.

No Action Taken  
At the same time the agricultural committee was in session, a judiciary sub-committee heard an endorsement from William Lowell Putnam of Boston, representing

the American Bar association for the pending Ashurst resolution, amending the constitution so that the terms of president and congressmen should begin soon after the elections. No action was taken by the sub-committee on the resolution.

## DRIVE STARTS HERE FOR WILLAMETTE

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Salem, when an indignant citizen with proper local pride said, "Why, the old fool started to abuse Willamette. He didn't know he was hitting every family in Salem." Mr. Bishop ridiculed the idea of anyone ever giving himself poor—"all bunk," he said.

"The gifts one makes, if wisely given as in giving to Willamette, that builds a better citizenship, are investments, and not losses. There is nothing else so good for Salem as to be known all over the country as the home of such a monumental college as Willamette. We're all back of it to the last."

## Generals Ready to Go

"Generals" Henry Morris and Paul Wallace spoke briefly, outlining their plan for their canvassing teams. General Morris reported a subscription of \$1,000 made by Mrs. Gertrude J. M. Page, one of his most enthusiastic workers, to start their campaign. "I wanted to be the very first page in the new book of Willamette progress," she said, when they called her to respond to an ovation. If there were not tears of gratitude in the eyes of a score of good, honest, public-spirited Salem men as they heard this liberal offering and challenge, there is not much in signs.

Another Meeting Today  
The committee meets again today noon, and every noon this week, to report progress. Dr. Smith, in general charge of the Willamette Forward Movement, announced yesterday that if Salem fails to raise its quota of \$250,000, the university is whipped, but that if Salem raised every dollar of the \$400,000 remaining, it would still be a splendid investment, compared to which losing the university as a strong, fighting educational force by refusing to invest, would be a dead loss that figures could hardly compute.

The committees will wait on you at your home or place of business. But anybody can beat them to it, by calling at headquarters in the Marion hotel and writing it down there.

## PUBLIC POLICY OF STATE PROTECTED

### Supreme Court Hands Down Opinion in Twohy Against Ochoco District

On grounds that the public policy of the state would be violated to rule otherwise in the case, the supreme court yesterday affirmed Judge Robert Tucker of the lower court for Multnomah county in the case of Twohy Brothers company, appellant, against the Ochoco irrigation district, in which an accounting was demanded. The opinion was written by Justice Brown.

The Twohy company sued for more than \$300,000 alleged to be due the company for services performed.

"Fair dealing would seem to demand payment on a return of that which was furnished and unpaid under the alleged contract. However, a return cannot be had. Nor can we hold that the reasonable value of the material and services supplied may be collected by the plaintiff from the defendant, for that would destroy the effect of a statute declaratory of the state's public policy and enacted by the legislature for the protection of property holders and taxpayers. The big fact in this case is that it involves the public policy of the state. That policy is lawful and must be sustained regardless of the plaintiffs' claim as to the sum owing it. The principle of law is the same, whether the amount involved be \$100 or \$100,000."

Other opinions handed down today were:

Northwestern Clearance company vs William Winters, et al, appellant; appeal from Multnomah county; suit for partition and sale of real property. Opinion by Justice Bean. Decree of Judge George Tazwell modified, and appellants declared to be entitled to proportionate share of property of Henry D. Winters, deceased, for the proceeds thereof after deducting costs and expenses as decreed by circuit court.

Southern Oregon Orchards company, appellant, vs Alfred A. Bakke, appeal from Douglas county; action on promissory note. Opinion by Justice McBride. Judge J. W. Hamilton affirmed.

Motion to recall and correct mandate denied in Strong vs Moore.

The following attorneys were admitted to the Oregon bar on probation: Bernard Hicks, Klamath Falls, on certificate from Missouri; R. B. Parsons of Bend, on certificate from New Mexico.

## Salem Elks Pay Tribute to Departed Members

Paying the tribute of remembrance to departed members of the Salem lodge of Elks, the Salem lodge held memorial services Sunday for those who died during the last year. D. C. Drager, exalted ruler was in charge of the ritualistic service.

Eulogizing the 14 departed members, C. E. Knowland made a feeling tribute to lives and works of the departed. Judge John L. Rand gave a patriotic address in which he pointed out that the ideals of the United States were those to which the Elks were dedicated.

Mrs. Ruth Emory Riddle sang two solos and the Elks orchestra played several selections, including Chopin's Funeral march.

The Elks marched from the lodge rooms to the Grand theatre where the memorial service was held.

## CASHIER HELD UP

SEATTLE, Dec. 5.—Two armed bandits this afternoon held up W. F. Cooper, cashier of the Union Oil company's Seattle office and robbed him of \$5000 in currency and checks. The men

escaped in an automobile which had been stolen from W. G. Smith, for rent car driver, officers said.

## BANDITS ATTACK CASHIER

WEST NEW YORK, New Jersey, Dec. 5.—Three bandits today attacked the cashier of the Public Service Gas company and a policeman, who guarded him as they left the company's offices. They fled with pistol butts and fled with a bag containing \$3,770 in cash and checks calling for about \$5,000.

"Don't be afraid, said an aviator to a timid passenger. "All you have to do is sit quiet." "I know all about that," retorted the passenger. "But suppose something happens and we begin to fall?" "Oh, in that case," the aviator reassured him, you are to grasp the first solid thing we pass and hold tight."—Legion Weekly.

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