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IN THE CITY OF SALEM
and elsewhere in
Marion and Polk Counties
Nearly everybody reads
The Oregon Statesman
THE DAILY NEWS-PAPER

CIRCULATION
Average for May, 1923:
Sunday only 5040
Daily and Sunday 5543
Average for six months ending May 31,
1923:
Sunday only 5044
Daily and Sunday 5502

SEVENTY-THIRD YEAR

PRICE FIVE CENTS

TAX REVIEW TALK GIVEN TO MORMONS

President Brings Question
Before 12,000 People of
Utah in Big Tabernacle;
Thousands Wait Outside

STATE GOVERNMENT EXPENSES GAINING

Only Five Have Made Any
Reductions—Declares
Harding

SALT LAKE CITY, June 26.—(By the Associated Press.)—President Harding brought to Utah today an exposition on the views of the administration on the tax question and received in return renewed faith in the future of the republic through the welcome accorded in Ogden, Salt Lake City and a half dozen small towns.

Making the sixth prepared address on his western trip, the executive in the Mormon tabernacle tonight discussed taxation. The address of the president was made here because Utah is the home state of the chairman of the senate finance committee, Senator Smoot.

The Mormon tabernacle, which seats 12,000 persons, was jammed to the doors. Thousands more were gathered outside the tabernacle grounds to hear the address, by means of voice amplifying apparatus. The assembly hall nearby in the temple grounds likewise was comfortably filled.

Given Figures
"Recently I have been furnished with some specific figures on this subject of the cost of government by the bureau of the census," the president said. "I am not going to discuss specific figures, but I will give you a general idea of the situation. The cost of government in 1913 aggregated \$368,000,000, and that in 1921 they had increased to \$959,000,000; that is, they had increased 161 per cent, and every dollar of that increase had to come in some way or other from the public. The expenditures of the states in 1913 aggregated \$383,000,000, and in 1921 they were \$1,005,000,000; an increase of 163 per cent. The indebtedness of the states in 1913 amounted to \$223,000,000, and in 1921 to \$1,912,000,000; an increase of 139 per cent."

City Taxes Grow
"Turn now to the cost of city government. The census bureau has compiled data on the governments of 227 of the large cities. It is shown that these cities in 1913 collected \$894,000,000 in all revenues, and in 1921 they collected \$1,557,000,000; that is, they were compelled to take 76 per cent more in taxes in 1921 than they had taken in 1913. The same group of cities expended in 1913 \$1,010,000,000, and in 1921, \$1,796,000,000—an increase of 71 per cent. The total debt of this group of cities in 1913 was \$2,391,000,000, which by 1921 had risen to \$4,324,000,000—an increase of 49 per cent."

County administration appears from the rather limited information which at this time the census authorities have been able to produce, to have shown a much larger proportionate increase in cost and tax collections than did the government of cities. It is stated that for 351 counties, distributed among 35 states, and regarded as fairly typical, the increase in receipts from principal sources of revenue increased 127 per cent from 1913 to 1922; that is, for every hundred dollars of revenue collected in 1913 \$227 was collected in 1922. And that is not all of it. The total indebtedness of these same 351 counties in

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THE WEATHER

OREGON: Fair Wednesday.

LOCAL WEATHER
(Tuesday)

Maximum temperature, 76.
Minimum temperature, 52.
River, 1.6 feet.

Bathair, none.
Atmosphere, partly cloudy.
Wind, northwest.

BUSINESS VOLUME OF 12TH DISTRICT SHOWS FINE GAIN

Industrial Stride Declared to Have Slacked in Report
by Federal Reserve Agent; Full Employment Reported
From Many Districts; Wheat Yield is Expected to be
Greater Than That of Last Year.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., June 26.—The boom stride of industry throughout the western part of the country slackened slightly during May as compared with the first four months of the year, although most declines were largely seasonal, according to the monthly report of John Perrin, San Francisco, federal reserve agent for the twelfth district, made public here today.

DALLAS IMPROVES ITS SEWER SYSTEM

City Council Instructs Health
and Police Committee to
Take Action

DALLAS, Or., June 26.—(Special to The Statesman.)—At last night's meeting of the Dallas city council a number of needed improvements were planned. Foremost among the proposed improvements is the Maple street sewer, which for several years has been up before the council.

The time has arrived when this sewer is badly needed and the health and police committee was instructed to have the necessary preliminary work done relative to its construction.

It was also decided at the meeting to construct a storm sewer to take care of the surface water in the western part of town and in the business district where the streets are hard surfaced. With the present sewer systems overloaded most of the time the storm water clogs the sewer and in many instances the sewage flows out of the manholes and along the streets, making it exceedingly unhealthful.

It was at first planned to build a combination sewer on Maple street, but after consulting engineers about the matter it was found more practical and less expensive to build two separate systems. An option has been secured from Abel Uglow for a site to build a new septic tank which will be needed when the Maple street sewer is constructed, and when plans and specifications have been prepared bids will be called for the construction of the three projects.

The city council thought it better to construct the storm sewer at this time as it is planning the hard surfacing of some of the macadam streets in the near future, and this would be impractical unless the sewer systems were taken care of first.

NEW STAGE FIRM TO ENTER FIELD

Court Decision Enables Inter-
state Company to
Compete in State

A court decision in Portland yesterday will enable the Interstate Stage company of Seattle to operate its stages in Portland. It was said at the offices of the public service commission. The company has obtained permits under the Oregon law and will operate a line of stages between Seattle and San Francisco. The company starts operations with eight stages, each of 20 passenger capacity.

In obtaining permits from the public service commission the company was represented by A. M. Schoenfeld. The company operated for a time last year under state permits. It was then delayed in making a start because the city of Portland would not allow the company to operate there.

It is proposed to operate cars through from Seattle to Portland and from Portland to San Francisco, and to book passengers from steamships. Large booking contracts already are claimed.

NURSES END MEET
EUGENE, Ore., June 26.—The annual convention of the Oregon Graduate Nurses' association ended tonight.

DRUGS OPEN PRISON DOOR FOR CONVICT

Scopolamin Test Clears Man
of Murder Charge at San
Quentin; Others Found
Guilty

LYING IMPOSSIBLE UNDER ITS POWER

Reasoning Faculties Disap-
pear and Truth Alone
Is Told

SAN QUENTIN, Cal., June 26.—(By Associated Press.)—Scopolamin, an alkaloid was used in experiments on three inmates of San Quentin prison here today, as a result of which John L. Farrar, convicted of murder of a Chinese in Sacramento, was proved innocent; Eugene O'Leary, a former service man sentenced from Sacramento on a grand larceny charge, provided authorities with information as to his identity and John L. Johnson, negro, admitted his guilt and confessed to participation in other crimes, according to the experimenters. Dr. R. E. House of Ferris, Texas, conducted the experiments before several prison officials and criminal investigators.

Test Successful
Dr. House declared the scopolamin rendered the subjects incapable of mental inhibition and deprived them of reasoning power so that they were incapable of lying while under its influence. Other faculties, however, remained intact, he said.

Farrar, while under the influence of the alkaloid, confessed that he participated in the attempted robbery of a Chinese merchant in Sacramento during which the Chinaman was killed. Farrar was convicted of the man's murder but according to his story told while under the drug's influence, the fatal shot was fired by Roy Carver, an accomplice in the attempted robbery.

Mystery is Cleared
Much mystery had surrounded O'Leary's case. His court testimony and war department records disagreed widely. Johnson readily related incidents of his career and admitted other criminal acts, according to the experimenters.

O'Leary declared he had been wounded five times while fighting in the Argonne forest. Physicians examined him and found four wound scars.

PILOTS PLAN 4-DAY FLIGHT

Five New Records Will Be
Sought By Two Army
Aviators

SAN DIEGO, Cal., June 26.—Capt. Lowell H. Smith and Lieut. John B. Rieher of Rockwell field, army aviators, went to bed early tonight to get a good sleep, in preparation for a flight which they will start at dawn tomorrow, and in which they hope, by taking on fuel in midair, to break several speed, endurance and distance records and to establish five more records.

SCHOONER BURNED
PORTLAND, Ore., June 26.—The schooner Vancouver burned in Honolulu today.

BARGAIN DAY EVENT LISTS MANY STORES

Bargains! Bargains! Bargains! Everybody will be having bargains on next Friday and Saturday, when Salem merchants offer the public their Sixth Annual Bargain day.

This is an event extraordinary, and will command the attention of the buying public for miles around as most every one is always on the market for real bargains in clothing, groceries, fruit, drugs, meats and the many other things being offered by the enterprising and live wire merchant.

The history of bargain day has been told over and over again and each year finds more merchants and a greater buying crowd being attracted to the altar of King

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ORPHANAGE COLLAPSES; 39 ARE DEAD

Mohammedan Boys Asleep
When Accident Occurs;
Many in Hospital

CALCUTTA, June 26.—Thirty-nine Mohammedan boy orphans were killed today in the collapse of a section of the orphanage building in the heart of Calcutta. Thirty-three injured were sent to the hospital and 25 others were slightly injured.

Two hundred and twenty-nine inmates from three to 18 years of age, were asleep in the dormitories when the building, which recently had a second story superimposed, collapsed, burying about a hundred of the children in the debris. The others escaped.

GARDNER HEADS LARGE PROJECT

Stayton Man Proposes Wat-
er Power Development
to Cost \$250,000

A permit has been issued by Percy A. Cupper, state engineer, to A. D. Gardner of Stayton to appropriate 1000 second feet of water for power development from the North Santiam river. Mr. Gardner, according to present plans, proposes to develop a total of 13,636 horsepower at four points between Mehama and the present development at Stayton at an estimated cost of \$250,000.

It is proposed to utilize the power for general commercial purposes and to supply additional power to the industries at Stayton which are now using 1500 horsepower that has been developed at Stayton for a number of years. Any surplus power that may be developed will be sold at wholesale.

The development of this power is considered to be of considerable importance on account of its accessibility to Salem, Jefferson, Albany and other towns in the central Willamette valley.

OLINGER ELECTED BOARD CHAIRMAN

New Members Organize, and
Old Ones Close Up Un-
finished Affairs

All the old members of the Salem school board were on hand at the regular meeting Tuesday night to perform their last official acts and close up their administration in good form.

They discussed some of the matters that had been hanging fire with the board, over which they had the rightful control. One was the payment of several bills for wood that has been delivered for heating the schools for the coming year. Another was the order for the payment to Architect F. A. Legge, of the contract sum due him for the architectural work on the new high school annex.

And then the two retiring old members, Paul Wallace and Walter Winslow, retired. Clerk Burghardt read off the last minutes; Chairman Winslow signed them, and the board adjourned sine die.

The new board organized by nominating and electing Dr. H. H. Olinger as chairman and L. J. Simerál vice chairman of the board for the year to come. Directors P. M. Gregory and William Galsdorf were sworn in, and the board is now a working body on the hardest job in Salem or any other town—that of making one dollar do two dollars' worth of service; while everybody expects them to make it do the work of five or six, and stack in the bank and draw interest all at the same time.

The board discussed a number of building conditions for the high school. The matter of a separate heating room plant was gone into at some length, the board adjourning to the back yard to see just how it would all work out.

The plans adopted for the present smokestacks, for two of the present hot air furnaces, and the installation of the steam boilers for the new addition to be connected to the same stack, while two of the present furnaces were to be diverted to the old central stack that was abandoned when the new ones were built. The board

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LIQUOR NEED IS STRESSED BY DOCTORS

Medical Men Declare Gov-
ernment Restrictions Are
Hampering Treatment of
Diseases

RADIUM SAID TO ERASE BIRTHMARK

Scientist Reports Cure Is Ef-
fective; Apply When
Young

SAN FRANCISCO, June 26.—A series of resolutions attacking the Volstead act for hindering the work of the medical profession was presented today to the house of delegates of the American Medical association.

Three offered by Dr. T. C. Chalmers, New York delegate, protested that the government restrictions are hampering the efforts of physicians in treatment of diseases. Action is expected.

Dr. V. G. Veckl, San Francisco, submitted a fourth resolution asking modification of regulation so as to make unnecessary the signing of a prescription by a patient. "To disclose the patient's name is a violation of medical confidence," he said. Action on the resolution is expected Thursday by the house of delegates which the executive body of the organization whose membership is composed of 90,000 doctors.

At the first general meeting conference Dr. Ray Lyman Wilbur, head of Stanford University, California, was installed tonight as president.

REMOVE BIRTHMARKS

SAN FRANCISCO, June 26.—Birth marks, notably those of the "strawberry" variety, are being eradicated through application of radium. Dr. Lawrence R. Tausig of the University of California told the American Radium society today at a meeting in connection with the American Medical association's convention here.

Dr. Tausig and Dr. Sanford Withers, Denver, and Dr. H. N. Cole of Cleveland, agreed that better cosmetic results were obtained if children were treated as soon as the mark was noticed. Instances were cited where a brief application of a tiny amount of radium had in a few minutes removed all traces of these birthmarks.

WASHINGTON GAR MEET, SPOKANE

41st Encampment Now in
Session; 350 Are
Ex-Soldiers

SPOKANE, Wash., June 26.—More than 1000 members of the Grand Army of the Republic and associated organizations assembled here today for the first sessions of the 41st encampment, department of Washington and Alaska. About 300 ex-soldiers of the Union armies belonging to this department have passed on since the last encampment, Commander Enoch Sears told the combined assemblage at the Armory today. It is estimated that this leaves about 1200 veterans living. Three hundred and fifty of those here today are ex-soldiers. The rest of the 1,000 are ladies of the GAR, Daughters of Veterans, Sons of Veterans, and members of the Women's Relief corps, in order of number.

Excess Liquors Are Taken From Vessels

NEW YORK, June 26.—The French liner Paris and the White Star liner Cedric, the third and fourth vessels to defy American laws by bringing liquor into New York under government seals today lost their excess beer, wine and liquor when customs officials went aboard and seized all but medicinal supplies.

ACCUSATION UNJUST DECLARES MANAGER OF LOCAL HOSPITAL

Superintendent Wedel and Nurses of Deaconess Institution
Aver That Punishment Meted Out to Girls Not as
Severe as Represented—Refusal of Person Making
Complaint to Give Name Resented.

Direct refutation to a complaint filed yesterday in the justice court, signed by Chief of Police Birtchot, in which it was stated that three of the Deaconess hospital employees, Mrs. Martha Rooney, Anna Dirksen and Frank Wedel, were guilty of assault and battery upon the person of one of the inmates, 18-year-old Aileen Cory, who, it was alleged, was cruelly and brutally treated while punishment was administered recently, is made by F. D. Wedel, superintendent of the Deaconess hospital.

When interviewed yesterday afternoon, to give the hospital people an opportunity to state their side of the question, the attitude was taken that the Deaconess hospital had been openly and publicly condemned before they had been given an opportunity to be heard.

EX-CONVICT IS AGAIN IN TOILS

George McCallister, Par-
doned From Penitentiary,
Accused of Theft

DALLAS, Or., June 26.—(Special to The Statesman.)—Sheriff John W. Orr yesterday arrested George McCallister, who lives near Reynolds station, 10 miles west of Silverton, on a charge of stealing in Polk county.

McCallister, who is an ex-convict, was sent to the state penitentiary several years ago from Malheur county for horse stealing to serve a term of from one to 10 years. It is said that he was anything but a model convict while in the penitentiary, and after four years was pardoned.

Last Thursday night or some time early Friday morning he is alleged to have driven to the ranch of Jessie Walling near Spring Valley and took a carburetor, spot light and wiring from Mr. Walling's car. About 10 days ago he is said to have stolen two front wheels, including the tires, two pipe wrenches and two crescent wrenches and a pair of pliers from William Gausline, living near Spring Valley, and at the same time he stole the things from the Walling place he is accused of lubricating oil and a tenly from the E. L. Gibson ranch in the Holt Hills.

Sheriff Orr had been notified immediately after the thefts and took prints of the tires of the car the man was driving. He also picked up a small combination tool McCallister had dropped off one of the places and with this evidence and other information he had picked up, proceeded to the man's home Monday in company with a Marion county officer. McCallister at first denied the theft of the articles, but afterwards admitted he took them, according to the officers.

He will be given a hearing this morning before Justice of the Peace Ed F. Coad, at which time, he states that he will plead guilty.

YOUNG GIRL IS SHOT BY FATHER

Parent Makes Denial; Says
Elder Daughter Did
Shooting

OGDEN, Utah, June 26.—A shot rang out in a leading hotel here today just as the automobiles carrying members of President Harding's official party were parading past the lines of hundreds of persons gathered to greet the chief executive. Police who investigated found Sirron Mousign, 13 year old, shot twice and in a serious condition in a room at the hotel.

The girl's father, Madaras Mousign, a bacteriologist, formerly of the University of California, and his eldest daughter, Nvart, 19, were detained by the authorities.

Mousign, according to the police, asserted that Nvart shot her younger sister, while the two girls, it was alleged, declared their father did the shooting.

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"OLD GLORY"—The outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace. EVERY FLAG flying this Independence Day will be a tribute to the boys who fought and fell "Over There." SEE FLAG ANNOUNCEMENT on page 4.

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