Says Supreme Court, in

Portland Case

Municipalities are not exempt

rom the gasoline tax laws, ac-

cording to an opinion of the su-

preme court, written by Justice

Bean, and handed down yester-

day in the case of the city of Port-

land against Sam A. Kozer, sec-

retary of state. The case was an

injunction proceeding to prevent

the secretary of state from col-

It involved the legislative acts

of 1919 and 1921, the former im-

posing a general tax of one cent

a gallon on gasoline and one-half

cent on distillate, and the latter

applied to the act of 1923.

made by the city."

N. Gatens reversed.

court for Marion county.

Other opinions were:

ion by Justice Burnett. Judge W.

pany, appellant, vs. Fannie E.

county. Petition for rehearing

denied in opinion by Justice Mc

Emma G. Robinson, appellant,

vs. E. E. Cable et al; appeal from

Multnomah county; suit to recov-

er money. Opinion by Justice

Rand. Judge George W. Staple-

Western States Finance com-

lecting the gasoline tax.

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THE WEALTHIEST PEOPLE

The great English economist, Alfred Marshall, in speaking of wealth, says: "Other things being equal, one person has more wealth in its broadest sense than another, if the place in which the former lives has a better climate, better roads, better water, more wholesome drainage; and again struction."

Judging by the above standards the residents of Salem are among the wealthiest in the world. Year in and year out, our climate is the best; and season in and season out. There is no city of Salem's size any where with as many miles of paved streets; no district of equal population with as many miles of paved highways as are found in the Salem district; either built, being built or projected. Salem's water supply situation lends itself to perfect drainage. Our public library is well stocked with books, with a high percentage of circulation; and we have here the great state library, supreme court library, Willamette University library, and others. We fine public playgrounds, public band concerts in a beautiful avenue, country club, and many others.

We have a public school system and facilities com; city of welcome. parable with the best; and our people have provided by a vote of \$500,000 of bonds to keep adding to the facilities as demanded by the growth of population. We have a great lions of poultry products annuber of Commerce wants to send university and many private schools, musical and other. We ally. Salem has to go some, but two of them to Petaluma. See will have more public parks in time. We will have museums.

Education started for the whole Pacific Northwest in Salem. It has radiated from here. Salem will become one of the wealthiest cities of her population in the whole world, but this will be one of the most beautiful of all cities, and one of the most highly cultured.

As for better newspapers, the writer begs to be excused

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Magie Jewelry for the Sum-

On that lazy summer day

when your hands are just

itching for something to do.

put up your parasol and go to

town for some sealing wax.

Then spend the rest of the day

making lovely pieces of jewel-

ry that will give the finishing

touch to your summer outfits.

make those gay, tinkly brace-

lets you've been longing for.

Next week you'll learn how to

make bright ornaments for

Peter Puzzle Says-

Opportunity

Exception to Every Rule

Pessimist: "Can you see good

Answer to Today's Puzzle: Crow,

That Would Help

"It a burglar entered the cellar

"I can see good in

By replacing the first letter of

summer hats.

to enlarge.

dollar bill?"

Optimist:

all things."

in the dark?"

brow, prow, grow,

would the coal chuts?"

Fred: "Surely."

Today you'll learn how to

from the standpoint of modesty, admitting, however, that ficial revaluation would pay there is vast room and high ambition for improvement—but many times its expense in making inviting comparison with any newspaper published any where in a city and field of the same size.

BEAUTY AND STRENGTH

Sir William Orpen, the famous English portrait painter, worth much more than their capmaintains a low opinion of the pulchritude of women. Those italization and that they cannot Municipalities Not Exempt, of former ages, he states, were lovely enough, but the pres- be replaced for anything like ent generation is much less beautiful, and what attractions their bonding charges. Most of the girls possess are constantly diminishing. He even goes Senator LaFollette's political capso far as to state that he has never seen a truly beautiful ital comes from his capacity for woman, one entirely free from imperfection, which is a most ungallant remark.

He blames the automobile. The use of this is responsible for the "bony shoulders and skinny legs" that the painter that Americans have paid \$85,particularly objects to. His criticism has aroused the ire of 000,000 in money merely to prove Chicago artists and clubwomen, who have issued a defi to the that he was wrong. This is enrenowned painter whose especial talent appears to be walking tirely unnecessary. It should be on the toes of his own countrymen and the nationals of other taken for granted. That Senator lands as well. If the artist wants to see some exquisite women, the Chicagoans aver, just let him visit the Windy City and be prostrated before beauty's shrine there.

Should he come to Salem, however, a real treat would be in store for him. Joaquin Miller, who had an artistic eye as \$85,000,000 to disclose this frailwell as poetic genius, said the women of western Oregon are ty. That had also been suspected. the most beautiful in the world-and especially that they have the most beautiful complexions; on account of the absence of alkali and our freedom from the extremes of glaring better newspapers, books and places of amusement and in- summer heat and biting winter cold; and for other reasons connected with our mild, soft climate—the qualities in our climate that develop the tulip to even greater perfection than it may attain in Holland.

And the use of the automobile here in no way curtails the The educated classes not only redevelopment of the strength that the artist so much admires. fused to write for the papers, but Our main roads are paved. Even our outlying market towns are connected or are being connected by paved county market treme duliness finally palled on roads, and the paved state highways lead to the larger cities is adequate and pure. The drainage here is perfect. The all up and down the coast. We have many women who drive automobiles, and they average well in point of pulchritude, even from the standpoints of the knighted portrait painter, with their sisters who do not thread the traffic congested streets and main arteries of travel or glide over the less have a large number of places of amusement; good theaters, frequented highways and byways with their cars or go bumping abroad with their flivvers.

Sir William is invited to come to Salem. This is the

she will one day sell more.

Postmaster General New is in charge of the Harding campaign for 1924 and he is remaining silent in any number of languages.

Who are the three prettiest

Edited by John M. Miller.

Petaluma, Cal., sells 17 mil- girls in Salem? The Salem Cham-Slogan pages tomorrow.

> fine. It will make great twine, so many of the correspondents and it is to be hoped that the were murdered, from which we spinning period in the industry may judge how atrocious were fiber is disposed of.

The Salem Commercial club and the Statesman are looking for the THREE PRETTIEST GIRLS in Salem or the Salem district. Preferably the daughters of poultrymen. But any girl will do, if she is prefty. And what Salem girl is not? They are to be entered in the contest for Queen of Poultry Day at the Petaluma, Cal., poultry fair. The judging is to be on protographs. There is to be no voting. Each candidate must submit two photographs, one front view or three quarters and the other a distinct profile, giving weight, height and complexion. The protographs must be in the hands of the secretary of the Salem Chamber of Commerce by Saturday, August 4. The judging will be on August 9th, in San Francisco, from the photographs. The winner will be Queen of Egg Day at Petaluma, and she will have all her expenses paid, including costume. So will her chaperon. If a Salem girl wins, she may choose whom she pleases for chaperon. This will be a chance to advertise Salem as the poultry center of Oregon, contest, in the Slogan pages of tomorrow. The above is a mere outline. Salem has the prettiest girls on earth. Let's send two of will be entertained royally, without a cent of expense, and let us towards being the Petaluma of

THE FALSE, ALARM

could be valued at a cost of not and the final admission rates so exceeding \$2,400,000. It was his cheap that everybody in town got were overcapitalized and were the magnified peepers. The town paying dividends on watered is stocked up with opera glasses stock. He promised that an of- for 20,000 years ahead.

FUTURE DATES

uly 28, Saturday-Printers and picnie at Silverton city park.

ulv 29, Sunday-Union church services. Willson park, July 30, Monday-Second term of Willa-

nly 31. Tuesday-Annual picnic Marion Community Club state fair grounds. ugust I to 29-Annual encampment o Scouts at Cascadia August 5, Sunday-162nd Oregon infan

August 16-9 - National guard

many times its expense in making possible a reduction of freight GASOLINE TAX rates on the strength of the showing made. Now it turns out that the people have paid \$85,000,000 to find out that the lines are not overvalued, that they are, in fact, baiting corporations. It doth now appear that he is not only unjust, but grievously in error. On top of that it further appears

COMMUNIST PRESS FAILS

A prominent Moscow Bolshevik gloomily remarks that "we have no press: all we have is an elaborate machinery for spoiling paper." even to read them. And their exeven the rank and file of the Reds, who became weary of perusing nothing but highly colored propaganda when they were in search of news. They are so poor and crude, he complains, that they are beneath criticism.

Nothing but selected Communist news can be printed in them. One large daily enthralled its readers with character sketches of factory directors written by the workmen, many of whom had only recently acquired a working knowledge of the intricacies of Russian grammar. Snappy sketches of Communist doings in the villages, written by the local The quality of the flax crop is wit, had to be abandoned because may be reached before all the their efforts. The Pravda lost two of its choicest raconteurs in this fashion.

The leaders of the Communist government have come to the conclusion that a singletrack newspaper is not a success. People of gleaning further news of a political program with which they are already painfully familiar, but to learn something of the world's news and the latest scandals. But the radical element will not permit information of the capitalistic world to be printed, unless presenting an unpleasant picture of existence there. So the press is expiring, unwanted and unread by the very people who uphold the Communist doctrine.

NATURE FILMS

The largest theater in York is just now running a pro gram of three pictures in none of which the human actors dominate the story. All the films are foreign-as the house seems to have a grudge against Hollywood this month. One of the plays is based upon a ski race in the Alps and is a fox-and-hounds affair. Another is a film of English bird which it is, but she must hustle life called "The Cockoo's Secret" to keep the place. There will be and is the life story of a lazy and a lot more information about this selfish bird. The third is called "Ivan the Great" and is the story of a huge brown bear. All the plays are full of action and also furnish much interesting scenery. them to Petaluma, where they The program is attracting crowds and is said to furnish a touch of excitement for all classes of specthus get Salem further onto the tators. In Europe they have map of all poultrydom the world made more progress than we have over as the center of the poultry in this country in the matter of industry. Let's get along the way making films without the use of high-priced actors. The salary list for the performer in these pictures would not exceed \$100 a week. Some of these \$2000 birds of paradise are not as esential to the movie game as they would have us believe.

STILL LOSING

Almost everybody went broke on the Dempsey fight except Dempsey and Jack Kearns. Some of the spectators at Shelby got hold of about 3000 pairs of opera and field glasses which were to be sold or rented to those who could not get seats near the ringside. The crowd was so small to see the fight from a coign of vantage. Nobody had any use for

THE INCOGNITO

The Prince of Wales is going n visit Canada that fall, but is oming over as a private citizen. It is not to be an official tour of the heir to the British throne. It is a safe prediction that some of those keen-eyed Canadians will who are subject to urinary dishis disguise.

THE RETTER PART

There is a strong feeling in

Justice Brown. MUST BE PAID

Carty vs. McMenemin.

ENGINEER MAKES

Rev. M. E. Lewis Thrills Audiences at Fair Grounds

the Marion County Holiness asso- planting English walnuts. Some The annual camp meeting of ciation which began last week in the state fair grounds has grown in interest and attendance each day. The crowds of Sunday something like this: capacity of the large tabernacle ers and lasy-bones who told us were large and taxed the seating on the grounds.

imposing an additional one cent tax on gasoline used in motor vehicles operated on the public roads. The case was instituted prior to the legislative act of 1923 which again imposed an additional one-cent tax on gasoline in the same manner as the act of 1921. Had the injunction been upheld, however, it would have In the opinion the court cites the fact that "it is a general rule that in the absence of a constineeded in the world today. tutional inhibition the right to make reasonable exemptions from

taxation rests with the legislature but where there is a doubt in regard to a statute attempting to make an exception, the uncertainty will be resolved in favor of the state and against the exemption." The court concludes "that the statutes in question do not provide for levying the tax upon the municipalities of the state, but against the seller or dealer prior to the purchase of the gasoline The opinion affirms Judge George G. Bingham of the lower Schiller B. Herman vs. John T. Clark, appellant; appeal from Multnomah county; controversy over exchange of property. Opin-

> this week. There is preaching take them to come into bearing. each morning at 10:30 and in the fternoon at 2:30 and in the eve ning at 7:30. The number of dreams," says the word of the tents on the grounds is increasing. The meeting will close next Sunday evening. Next Thursday will be missionary day. A number of missionaries will be pres-

ton affirmed. R. H. Coker and P. K. Bellamy known as Eastern Oregon Music company, vs. G. M. Richey, appellant; appeal from Union county; appeal from decree overruling objections to cost bill. Opinion by Justice Harris. Judge Gilbert W.

Phelps affirmed. Herman F. Rhode vs. State In dustrial Accident commission, appellant; appeal from Multnomah county; suit for compensation Opinion by Justice Burnett. Judge

Walter H. Evans reversed. State of Oregon vs. Dan Case;

Take Salts to Flush Kidneys and Help Neutralize Irritating Ac.ds.

Kidney and bladder irritation often result from acidity, says a noted authority. The kidneys help filter this acid from the blood and pass it on to the bladder, where it may remain to irritate and inflame, causing a burning, scalding sensation, or setting up an irritation at the neck of the bladder, obliging you to seek relief two or three times during the night. The sufferer is in constant dread; the water passes sometimes with a scalding sensation and is very profuse; again, there is difficulty in voiding it.

Bladder weakness, most folks call it because they can't control urination. While it is extremely annoving and sometimes painful, this is often one of the most simple ailments to overcome Begin drinking lots of soft water. also get about four ounces of Jad Salts from your pharmacist and of water before breakfast. Continue this for two or three days. This will help neutralize the acids bladder and urinary organs which then act normal again.

Jad Salts causes no bad effects seen.

Here you have a pleasant, efrifle certain circles that if the Filipin- bladder irritation. By all means trip across the Palos Verdes

mah county; motion to recall mandate denied, in opinion by

Petition for rehearing denied in

GOOD PREACHER

With Messages

Rev. M. E. Lewis the "engineer In the afternoon Mrs. Lewis

sage was well received. At the ing filberts and walnuts. close of her strong appeal a large tar. In the evening Rev. Mr. who, though less than half Un-Lewis gave another of his char- ruh's age, has never carried a acteristic sermons on the subject gun, planted a walnut, or done to the Central Station on Time." ter. "What's the use of working at the request of the railroad of- in the future to enjoy it?" ficials in taking a special train from Terra Haute, Ind. to the my fathers made for me," said Central station in Chicago, a rec- the warrior. "They won this ord run. This message sparkled country from the wilderness, and with truth and fairly swept the they built a better government congregation off its feet as he de- than anybody ever had on earth scribed the successful run, reach- before their time. I'd be as ing the grand Central station much of a coward and a cad as three minutes ahead of time and some others I know if I didn't was congratulated personally by look for the good of the next gen-

ent and will give addresses.

Former Phoenix Mayor

former mayor of Phoenix, Ariz., is glad to do his part. He is said ound Salem, and these have been to be the farthest off member on generally filled.

he whole list of members. time to adjust bills payable and habits to the new prices. But the The report is turned in by Emcotton is now coming back, so that they are faring better, and they look for a cycle of better times after the great deflation.

Bill Hunt and Jackson Fight Draw in Portland

heavyweight boxer, appeared in a six-round contest in Portland Friday night against Young Peter Jackson, colored battler of Portland. The two fought in Salem last winter. Hunt winning the decision by a narrow margin. In take a tablespoonful in a glass this second match, the referee declared the bout a draw. Jackson shed his ring name and appeared under what is said to be his rightin the system so they no longer ful monicker, Chester Dupree and are a source of irritation to the Hunt appeared under the warlike name of Billy O'Leary. Hunt made one bad start in Portland last Jad Salts is inexpensive, and is fall when he met a ringer pugilmade from the acid of grapes and ist from back in Ohio, and the lemon juice, combined with lithia imported slugger beat him to the and is used by thousands of folks start but he has come back and showed the Portlanders some of recognize the Prince in spite of overs caused by acid irritation. the gamest sparring the yhave

It is claimed by scientists that fervescent lithia-water drink, the cucumber is the oldest known which may quickly relieve your vegetable. Correct. We took a matches at Clacksmas rifle range.

September 19. Wednesday Willamotte self-government they wouldn't kidneys at least twice a year.

September 24 to 29 — Oregon state fair.

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Two Willamette Valley Octogenarians Still Building For Future

Here are two examples of the kind of courage that won Civil war, that redeemed west, that has made Oregon something better than a howling wil-

derness. L. E. Britt of Newberg, a Grand Army octogenarian is buying and one told him, "You'll never see 'em bear fruit-what's the use?" And the sturdy old man said

"There were cowards and slackwe'd never keep the Union to gether; but we did-and I've lived evangelist" has given some pow- under the old flag for 60 years erful sermons which are enjoyed since the last shot was fired. The by the large congregations man who won't do something for which greet him from time to the future that he'd like to have time. Sunday morning he gave enjoyed himself, is a scoundre his great message on the "super and not worthy to live in free Heater" the type of engine known America. But I'm doing it for among railroad men as the hun- myself, at that, for I'm going to dred per cent engine. He made live and enjoy walnuts off of this many telling applications of this very orchard!" And he squared truth in saying that it is the hun- up his shoulders and marched off dred per cent Christian who is like a grenadier who has just been knighted by the king.

William Unruh of Dayton, anspoke to the congregation. She other Grand Army veteran, blind is a forceful speaker and her mes- and past 80 years of age, is plant-

"You started too late in life number came forward to the al- to enjoy 'em," said the croaker "A Successful Run; Getting In- anything to make the world bet-He described a trip that he made like a slave for some easy mark

"I'm living in the future that the general superintendent and eration as they did for me," and other big officials of the road. he went on planting walnuts and The meetings will continue all figuring up the years that it will

"The old men shall see visions, and the young men shall dream prophet.

Employment Bureau Puts Many Men on Local Jobs

According to the federal employment bureau, the local branch of which is with the Salem YMCA Pays Dues to Club Here the bureau is placing a large number of workers in a number

Peter Carpstein, lumberman and of lines of work. The demand exceeds the supply n Salem looking after his farm for straight ranch work, and also nterests south of town. He has for logging. There are too many 200-acre farm at Sunnyside vacant place in these two importwith which he is so well pleased ant industries, and a few more hat he plans to keep and improve applicants would be welcome. t. He dropped into the Chamber There is a surplus of female labor of Commerce with his check for because of the short run in the year's active membership in the loganberry picking and canning, lub, with the remark that every- which is about the only important body who is benefited by these industry for this season of the boosting organizations ought to year. A good many short jobs help sustain them, and he was have been picked up in and ar-

Flax pulling promises to call Mr. Carpstein tells an inter- for more men than have been reesting story of the ebb and flow gistered for such employment. of the cotten business in Arizona. Some new flax-pulling machines They started in to raise the Egyp- are to be set to work the first tian long-staple cotton, for the of the week, and if they work manufacture of automobile tires, satisfactorily, the crop will be and for a while they were on the handled without difficulty. But top of the financial world, when the flax fields promise to give cotton was worth a dollar a pound jobs for a large number of men, and they couldn't get banks big with or without the machines. enough to hold all their money. The flax business is the one big-The slump came, when cotton fell gest, surest crop of the year in to 50 and 52 cents a pound, and the Willamette valley, and it is they have had a difficult enough calling for the largest number of

men. ployment Director Phillips.

Washington County Sends Annual Report on Schools

Washington county has 117 school districts and 232 school rooms, according to the annual report of the county superintendent filed with J. A. Churchill, state Bill Hunt, who is well known superintendent of schools.

The enrollment in the elementary grades of the school during the last school year was 5058. while in the high schools it was 256. The number of teachers employed was 232, the men receiving average monthly salaries of \$144, and women \$103.

Out of a total enrollment of 104 in the 12th grade in the high schools, 100 received diplomas of graduation last June. From the eighth grade 530 were graduated.

> An ugly cut?

MENTHOLATUM is antiscptic and gently helps the neaung.

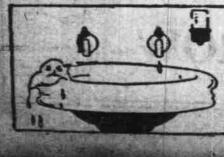
THE SHORT STORY, JR. THE UNPOPULAR WASHRAG

The washrag dripped mountainous tears. How he hated to scrub bad boys' cars:

Now his spirits are higher Popularity gives him no fears.

Big tears dripped from the corners of the washrag. It lopped disconsolately across the edge of the washbowl too sad to take interest in anything. Did you ever stop to think that life is very sad, indeed, for wash rags?

"Nobody likes me," sobbed the poor little fellow, nearly dissolving into tears, so great was his grief. "And the boys, whose friend I would rather be than any thing in the world, just hate me They always grumble and growl whenever their mother makes them even so much as look at me. And I just about break my back



being nice to them, too. I scour | Max said, "but I'm sure I don' their necks and ears till they know where we can get one." shine, but somehow they don't

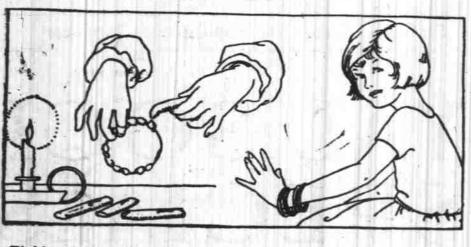
of the washrag and formed a

little pool on the floor. "Here come the boys now!

in store for them. The boys floor with enthusiasm. At last stopped right in front of him.

only insulate the wire," Harold

"Well, all we need then is a



Summertime Jewelry Making

four letter word change a black bird to a fore-head, a forehead to the bow of a vessel, the part of more you have the more they will the vessel to a word that means tinkle. With some wire and sealing wax you can make these bracelets in all the colors of the "Have you change for a raibow, or in combinations of colors to match your dresses. The best part about them is that they Jack: "Fine; lend me a quarare more comfortable to wear than metal ewelry in hot weath-

THE BOYS AND GIRLS NEWSPAPER

The Biggest Little Paper in the World

drop on the wire until it is com- melt enough to bled together. pletely covered and thick enough to cover over the joining smooth-

"No, but perhaps the kindling ly. Hold the bracelet over the red and blue, black and silver, flame and twist and turn it white and pale yellow and green.

> seem to appreciate it. "My friend, Kayka Soap, does not seem to be very popular among the fellows, either. But he doesn't mind it like I do. He hasn't the friendly disposition and sensitive nature that I have. I just can't bear not to be liked." More tears dripped off the edge

The washrag suddenly straightened up and tried to dry his many eyes. "Just watch them! They'll go right past me with never so landed, Plop! right at the feet much as a glance in my direction. Oh, I do wish I could do something to make them like me. It must be great ta be liked by

the fellows. But the washrag had a surprise "It would work if we could own.

declared. "What under the sun does he mean by that?" wondered the washrag. "I never heard the word before. Wonder if it's Latin or Greek. I wish I knew, then maybe I could help."

rag to wrap around the wire,'

Tinkle, tinkle. Here they are, the wax melts and runs until i the Music Box bracelets, and the is as smooth as glass. If you find that too much wax has been applied and the bracelet is too thick, heat the wax a little more and let a few drops run off. The bracelet should not be more than half-inch thick.

If you haven't enough different colors of wax to suit, you can blend several colors in one bracelet. To do this cover the wire with one color and hold it over the flame until it is smooth. Cool To make a bracelet make a cir- it by dipping in cold water, and cle of wire large enough to slip dry thoroughly. With a stick of very easily over your hand. Hook wax of a contrasting color put the ends together and pinch flat small dots here and there along with pliers. Now heat a stick of the circle. Hold it over the flame sealing wax over a flame and and twist until the two colors

Pretty color combinations are

The washrag pricked up hi corners and listened. They wanted a rag. As usual they had forgotten all about him. If he could only get their attention somehow. He racked his stitches, but

couldn't think of a single way. "If I were only a good slider like Kayka Soap." he thought, 'or if I could only bounce like Rubber Sponge. But I can't do a thing but weep." The washrag drew himself up prepared to weep harder than ever at this new cal amity whensuddenly he slipped off the edge of the bowl and

"Why, here's the washrag." Harold cried. "Let's use it. It's the very thing. Funny we didn't think of it before." They grabbed their old enemy from the the washrag had come into his

Oregon-plus.

One of the leading railroad officials of the country demonstrates that the cost of making complete survey of the valuation of the railway systems of the country has exceded \$85,-000,000. Of this the government has paid \$23,00,000, while the roads have contributed \$62,000. 000. Senator LaFollette was responsible for the valuation act and he solemnly assured Congress at the time of its adoption that all the railways of the nation idea that the valuation would show that the American railways

lishers of the Willamette valley to

metta university summer school to federation

try to picnic at Clackamas.

LaFolette is wrong is further emphasized that he now refuses to

accept the findings of his own

commisioners. He is not even a

good sport. It is hardly worth