

# ZONING COMMISSION QUILTS

## ECONOMY PLAN IS TESTED OUT

\$390,000,000 Treasury Surplus is Announced by President Coolidge

## FURTHER CUTS TABLED

Another Tax Reduction Will Not Be Made Until Fall Test is Completed of New Revenue Laws

WASHINGTON, June 21.—(By Associated Press.)—Announcing a probable \$390,000,000 treasury surplus for this fiscal year ending June 30 and promising comfortable balances for the next two years, President Coolidge tonight warned that another tax reduction must await a full test of the new revenue law.

Outlining a program of "constructive economy" the department and bureau chiefs of the government in an address to the semi-annual budget meeting, President Coolidge said the treasury should end next year with a surplus of \$185,000,000 and the following fiscal year with a margin of \$20,000,000.

But it would be "unfortunate," to promise additional tax reductions on the basis of the figures, Mr. Coolidge declared, "until we are sure that the state of our finances justifies it."

This was the first official declaration by the executive on the tax question which has aroused considerable discussion recently in the congress as the surplus for this year jumped far beyond the experts' estimates.

"What the complete result of 1926 law will be," he cautioned, "is still a matter of estimate. The correctness of the theory that reduction of tax rates economically applied will stimulate business and thereby increase taxable revenue, is being demonstrated. To that point further reduction may be carried cannot be stated until the new tax law has had sufficient opportunity to become fully effective and experience has shown what revenue it will produce. The question is on the lips of many as to whether there is prospect of another tax reduction in the near future. I think the answer to this question should be delayed until we know definitely the revenue producing ability of the present revenue act."

## REWARD IS NOW OFFERED

\$1000 LISTED FOR CAPTURE OF GIRL'S KILLER

SEATTLE, June 21.—(By Associated Press.)—King county Sheriff Starwick today offered \$1000 personal reward for the capture and conviction of the slayer of Miss Sylvia Howard Gaines whose mutilated body was found here Thursday. The American Legion petitioned King county commissioners to vote a \$5000 reward.

## SON KILLED IN ACCIDENT

HAROLD BERRY LEAVES FOR SOUTH FOLLOWING WIRE

Harold Berry, 1165 N. Fourth street, received a wire from Loyton, Cal., last night stating that his son, Clay Berry, 19, had been killed in an accident, no additional details being given. The youth, formerly of Salem, is survived by his father and mother, a sister, Chrystal, and a brother, Jack. Mr. Berry left last night for the south.

## Monday In Washington

Cotton spinning declined in May, census bureau figures disclosed.

Federal judgeship legislation became jammed in a senate-house agreement.

A move to set a date for adjournment was balked by a 191 to 133 vote in the house.

Semi-annual budget meeting was held with President Coolidge Director Lord on program.

Grand jury investigation of the Pennsylvania republican primary was suggested by Senator Reed.

Modification of the Illinois waterway project in the rivers and harbors bill failed to appease its opponents.

## City in "Inland Empire" Will Challenge Portland

Development of State Seen in Romance of Irrigation and Unexploited Wealth With Future Metropolis Rising in Redeemed Fields

By COL. E. HOFER  
"Most beautiful valley in the world," says world travelers—the Willamette from Portland to Cottage Grove—for, after all, Portland is a Willamette valley town. To the outside rest of the United States of America, Portland is on the Columbia river. In reality you have to travel 25 miles from Portland before you are on the Columbia highway. The Columbia river is not big enough for the ambition of Portland. To many it is the port of the Columbia, and it is really the metropolis of the Columbia basin that includes a great part of Montana, Idaho, and the greater part of Washington—this Willamette valley town. But the great fact remains, the valley from Portland south for 150 miles, is the prettiest valley in the world.

The real romance of the Oregon of the future is founded on the building of a rival city, a dream metropolis in the interior to compete with Portland. The real development of the state hinges on competition. Men of brains build cities and states. The men of brains will erect the shining city of palaces, skyscrapers and manufacturing units in the interior of Oregon.

These knights of intellect and financial wizards have not arrived. Men with this type of mind have built Spokane in the Inland Empire and are building Longview on the lower Columbia peninsula. If the Portland Chamber of Commerce keeps up its fight on the Longview bridge across the Columbia it will force great blocks of capital to building this or another big city in Washington and retard the secondary metropolis in Oregon. But we are traveling south in the Valley Beautiful.

The grand highways on the east and west sides unite at Junction City, and we have come 100 miles through orchards, berry and grain fields, hay-cocks so thick there is not room to drive between them; dairy ranches, herds of Jerseys, Alderneys, Holsteins, and Herefords—Governor Pierce's popular white-faced brand. A hundred miles by 50 miles wide of mingled forest and prairies, of cities and towns, with valleys leading into the foothills is our cashmere vale of the Willamette.

Looking back from the red hills south of Salem one is aroused to wonder at the way the Capital city is spreading over the valley. If Salem ever stretches over the west side, as it has on the east, and as it is liable to if it becomes the center of the linen and papermill industry of the west, Salem will become a rival Willamette valley town of Portland. Eugene has the same opportunity with its main line railroads to Klamath Falls and Coos Bay.

Here we are at Eugene, boasting already two large hotels and 10-story office buildings, with one of the finest expanses of farming, orchard and dairy ranches in western Oregon. On to Cottage Grove where the Willamette forks off into further valleys of great beauty and richness of Douglas conifers. Pouring into the richest and most beautiful valley in the world, of which Portland is the metropolis, are the Clackamas, the Santiam, the Calapoos, the Mohawk and the Mackenzie, on the east. On the west side are great valleys like the Yamhill, the two Lackiamutes, the Marys and the Long Tom, all little fruit, farming and dairy kingdoms of their own. But now we turn east, to go up the Mackenzie and over the pass.

But do not overlook the fact:

## KIMBALL CAMPAIGN OPEN

RESIDENTS ARE ASKED TO MEET BUDGET SHORTAGE

A drive to raise \$2500 for financing this year's budget of the Kimball School of Theology was launched yesterday, to end Wednesday noon. Solicitations will be limited to the people of Salem.

This drive, which is generally held earlier in the year, has been postponed because of the unsettled conditions of the school's affairs. The stable condition now prevailing permits the raising of money with the assurance that it will be used in Salem.

Dr. E. C. Hickman, president of the school, is in charge of the campaign. He is being aided by a finance committee consisting of Ronald Glover and J. O. Goitra of Salem, together with C. W. De Graaf, A. L. Howarth and W. J. Gill of Portland.

## FIRE MARSHALL ASKS TO HELP

Council Requests State Official to Investigate Local Hazards

## LOW GETS PAY INCREASE

Committee Named to Study Public Market Problem, Street and Junk Handling Thrashed Out

Under the law of averages, Salem will be due for a devastating fire in the future unless new equipment is obtained, or some of the fire hazards that exist are removed, was the statement made by Alderman W. W. Rosebraugh at city council meeting last night.

## HUGE CROWDS MEET FOR GREAT RELIGIOUS EVENT

Thousands of Worshippers Attend Solemn Pontifical Mass in Stadium

CHICAGO, June 21.—(By Associated Press.)—Pilgrims from all the earth met on the shores of Lake Michigan today in the most impressive demonstration of religious zeal ever witnessed in America if not in the world.

Defying threatening skies and a wind which approached a gale, more than 200,000 worshippers pressed into the great memorial stadium extended along a half mile of lakefront for the celebration of the solemn pontifical mass by John Cardinal Bonzano, the legate of Pope Pius XI, to the twenty-eighth international eucharistic congress.

A choir of sixty thousand school children, clad in white and papal gold, seated in the vast green mall between the towering concrete stands, sang the responses to the altar. The sermon of the mass was delivered by Archbishop Curly of Baltimore. After the pontifical

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## FOOD PLANT DESTROYED

YAKIMA COMPANY FIRE LOSS ESTIMATED AT \$0,000

YAKIMA, Wash., June 21.—(By Associated Press.)—Fire starting at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon destroyed the Washington Dehydrated Food company's plant in the produce section here. The damage is estimated at \$80,000. The fire started when a workman upset a can of carbon bisulfide, a highly inflammable disinfectant, on the third floor. The plant was built in 1923 following a fire which destroyed former plant.

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## SWIM IN POOL NEARLY FATAL

Charles Meuchel, 15, Dragged From Nine Foot Water Unconscious

## FIRST SUMMER ACCIDENT

Ben Taylor Picks Body Out With Grappling Hook, Revives Youth on Life Raft While Doctors Rush In

The first swimming tragedy of the summer was narrowly averted yesterday afternoon, when the apparently lifeless body of Charles Meuchel, 15 year old son of John Meuchel, 527 North Liberty street was pulled to a raft with grappling hooks handled by Ben Taylor, from the nine foot water near Taylor's bath house.

"He looked like a dead boy, when I reached down, caught his arm and pulled him onto the raft," said Mr. Taylor last night, though the youth was declared recovered and eating well, when his parents were interviewed later.

According to the story, Charles with his brother, Don, and a friend, were swimming in the deep water. They seemed in no trouble and are declared to have been having "just a good time." Suddenly Charles is thought to have become exhausted, is said to have grabbed his brother, Don, pulling him under the water. Don, it is understood, tried to save his

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## GOLD DIGGERS TO START

CURRY COUNTY BEACHES TO BE COMBED FOR ORE

Extraction of gold from the sands along the Curry county beaches through a special process is proposed by the Pacific States Refining company which was yesterday given a lease on approximately a mile of beach a few miles south of Bandon by the state land board.

According to Gus Moser, attorney for the company, who appeared before the land board, the company proposes to spend \$100,000 in erecting and equipping a plant on this site for the purpose of extracting gold from the beach sands. Experiments already conducted by the company are said to have proven conclusively the feasibility of the project.

## Editorial

BOOZE, UNKNOWN AT ROTARY CONVENTION

(Denver Post.)

IN AMERICA John Barleycorn is legally dead and buried. To judge from the speech and actions of 10,000 visitors in Denver this week, he is not only legally dead and buried, but he is mentally and spiritually dead and forgotten. He is absolutely ignored in speech and in psychology, and there could be no greater proof of his complete passing.

Mingling incessantly with the throngs in Denver this week, and participating in the various activities and conversation, the observer is impressed by the total absence of the booze element. The booze taint is absent from the breath of crowds. No matter how dense and close-packed the jam of people, the nostrils of the most sensitive person are not offended.

Booze is as absent from the conversation as it is from the breath.

Even the time-honored jokes that passed current in the first years of prohibition have disappeared into the discard. The people gathered from all parts of America in Rotary this week represent a fair cross-section of every state in the Union and give a fair test of American thought and action.

By that test and the actual demonstration of sobriety in act, word and thought, the conclusion is inevitable that prohibition has conquered and is here to remain.

To old-timers who remember the huge conventions of former days, with their inevitable sights of besotted idocy, the vivid contrast exemplified by Rotary International is an intense and welcome relief.

So, hats off to the Eighteenth amendment and the Volstead act!

Booze is dead and forgotten, and even unregretted.

(It should be explained that the Denver Post is one of the leading newspapers of Denver, and of this country, and that it is not devoted to prohibition, but is merely giving the news and telling the truth.)

## DOWN, M'CALLISTER WIN SCHOOL ELECTION

LIGHT VOTE CAST SHOW WINNERS WELL IN LEAD

Will Take Places at Board Meeting Tonight—School Plans Will Come Up

In a light poll cast to name two school directors for the next three years, Dr. C. A. Downs led with 264 votes, other candidates following with Mark D. McCallister 257; William Gahlsdorf, 210, and Dr. Henry E. Morris 71.

Dr. Morris did not file his official acceptance in time to have his name appear upon the ballot, and it was written in by friends.

By the vote, Dr. Downs and Mark McCallister will take places in the school board at its meeting this evening, Mr. McCallister taking the chair left vacant by Mr. Gahlsdorf, and Dr. Downs having been requested by voters to succeed himself following his few months' service by appointment to succeed P. M. Gregory, removed from the city.

Plans for the new South Salem school building will be considered by the school board this evening, when sketches will be submitted by several architects for study.

BEND, Ore., June 21.—(By Associated Press.)—Dr. John Beeson and Dr. R. D. Ketchum were elected members of the school board at the annual election today. Their names were the only ones printed on the ballot but a warm contest developed late and the names of two women were written in on about 150 ballots.

## JEFFERSON WOMAN DIES

MRS. E. RACY, 68, PASSES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

JEFFERSON, Ore., June 21.—(Special.)—Mrs. E. Racy, 68 years of age, died in a Portland hospital this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, following an illness of three months. She had been a resident of Jefferson for 23 years and was a whole-hearted worker in the Methodist church here.

Mrs. Racy is survived by two daughters and a son; Mrs. Pansy Arantout, Everett, Wash., Mrs. Mark Miller, Jefferson, and S. C. Eacy of Glendale, Cal. Five grand children and three great-grand children also survive her.

## CAPITAL POST ELECTS CONVENTION DELEGATES

WILL ATTEND STATE MEET AT COOS BAY IN AUGUST

Auxiliary Names Representatives, Will Suspend Activity Until Fall

Election of delegates for the American Legion department of Oregon convention at Coos Bay to be held August 5, 6, 7, was a feature of the meeting of Capital Post No. 9 last night. The following were elected to represent Capital Post: Raymond Bassett, Clifford W. Brown, Biddy Bishop, Carl D. Gabrielson, Lyle Dunsmoor, Vic Mackenzie, Lloyd T. Rigdon, L. A. Shaver, Carl Steiwer and Brazier Small.

Alternates were: Newell Williams, Naymal Jones, Morris Rack, Frank Durbin Jr., Fod Milson, Geo. Maynard, Robin Day, King Bartlett, Breyman Boise and R. C. Stevenen.

Legion members welcomed a delegation from Mollala, recently affiliated with Capital Post. The Mollala boys were arrayed in cowboy garb advertising the rodeo to be held there July 3-4-5.

The Salem delegation will leave for Coos Bay on the evening of August 4 by Southern Pacific. Capital Post drum and bugle corps will be a part of the Salem contingent.

Capital Unit No. 9, American Legion Auxiliary, also met and elected their convention delegates and alternates. Mrs. Al Gragg, Mrs. Jesse George, Mrs. Lloyd Demarest and Mrs. King Bartlett were named.

A report from Mrs. H. R. White, chairman of the poppy committee, showed a sale of 1931 poppies. Sixty-five large poppies were made and placed on veterans' graves.

The Auxiliary will discuss meetings during July and August starting again the second Monday in September.

## GERVAIS SCHOOL STAYS

DISTRICT VOTES TO KEEP "HIGH" ENDING FIGHT

The much debated and hotly discussed question as to whether or not the junior high school at Gervais should be dissolved, was decided Monday night when supporters of the school voted down the proposal to dissolve the district.

## GIESY TO PICK SECOND GROUP

Personnel of New Zoning and Planning Commission to Be Announced

## ACCEPTANCE UNANIMOUS

Forced Curtailment of Original Program Cited as Reason for Action Taken by Former Board

Almost without comment, the Salem planning and zoning commission last night presented its resignation to the city council, and found that resignation accepted, almost without discussion.

Immediately following unanimous acceptance of the resignation by the aldermen, Mayor John B. Giesy announced that the personnel of a new zoning and planning commission, consisting of seven members, will be made public at the council's next meeting.

Declaring that the curtailed program of the former commission was one that could be carried out just as effectively by the city council, the resignation declared that the "comprehensive bridge program" and activities formerly planned had become impossible, following the refusal of the public on May 21 to grant \$15,000 for expenses and expert engineer service.

W. E. Dancy, alderman from the Third ward, declared there seemed nothing to do save accept the resignation, and without more discussion that action was taken.

Feeling that there is room for zoning and planning in the city of Salem, which can be done by a commission without authorizing the expenditure of a considerable sum in public money, attention will be turned at once to selecting the personnel of a new

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## KOZER LOSES PORTFOLIO

STREET CAR STARTS WHILE HELPING FRIEND IN

Secretary of State Sam A. Kozar had the misfortune to lose a portfolio containing valuable papers and an endorsed check for \$50 while in Portland Sunday afternoon. Mr. Kozar had laid the portfolio on the sidewalk while assisting B. F. Irvine, editor of the Oregon Journal, onto a street car.

Before he could leave the car it started, carrying him two blocks before he could dismount. When he returned to the place where he had left the portfolio it had disappeared. Kozar has hopes that some one picked it up, thinking it had been lost, and will at least return the papers to him.

## DETECTIVES, GET BUSY

PRIZE TO BE GIVEN ANY-ONE WHO CRATCHES HER

Mysterious Miss Salem is coming to town.

At a definite hour, morning and evening, on Wednesday and Thursday, she will make an actual purchase in each of four Salem stores, remaining for several moments in each store.

A valuable prize displayed in the windows of each store will be presented to the person who identifies Mysterious Miss Salem while in either of these four stores, morning or evening of Wednesday or Thursday.

The four stores are Director's Department store, 151 N. Commercial; J. O. Wainwright Co., 150 N. Liberty; Price Show Co., 326 State and Worth's Department store, 177 N. Liberty.

Watch tomorrow's Statesman for a schedule telling the exact time Mysterious Miss Salem will be shopping in each store.

Who wins the prize displayed in the store in which Mysterious Miss Salem is identified, a person need only single her out and say "are you not the Mysterious Miss Salem?" That exact phrase must be used. There is only one condition. The person identifying Mysterious Miss Salem must have with him or her a copy of that morning's Statesman.



THE BIGGEST PARADE YET!