

# The Oregon Statesman

SALEM, OREGON, TUESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 14, 1926

SHOP EARLY—Only 10 shopping days remain before Christmas. Do your shopping early and avoid the rush. You will find a new delight in this early shopping and also you'll bring happiness to the merchants and the post office clerks.

WEATHER FORECAST—Fair and continued cold; zero temperatures in the east portion; moderate easterly winds. Maximum yesterday, 33; minimum, 28; river, 4.5; rainfall, .21; atmosphere, clear; wind, northwest.

SEVENTY-SIXTH YEAR

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## MINORITY PLAN WAY TO REVIVE TAX REDUCTION

Petitions to Be Circulated for Signatures to Bring Up Measure

## OLDFIELD BACKS MOVE

Democrats Unwilling to Accept Action of Ways and Means Committee as Final on Tax Legislation

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—(AP) A rusty parliamentary key, the house rule permitting discharge of a bill from committee, is to be resorted to by democrats in an effort to pry open the padlock republicans have hung on tax legislation, including the president's tax credit plan.

The rule, used only once in recent years, provides that a majority of the house—218 members—can, by circulating a petition, take a bill from committee and call it up on the floor for consideration.

Decision to employ this procedure was agreed upon today by democratic leaders as a last resort to bring from the ways and means committee the \$335,000,000 democratic tax reduction measure which was tabled Saturday along with all other revenue proposals.

The vote in committee then was strictly along party lines, republicans solidly lined up against democrats as a unit voting for consideration of the tax bill at this time.

Circulation of a petition, however, must be postponed 30 days as the rule cannot be made operative until a committee has been given that much time to act, even though it has voted to sidetrack a measure.

While house democrats were determining on a course of procedure, Secretary Mellon at the treasury made the calculations that the public debt would be reduced nearly \$1,000,000,000 during the present fiscal year if credit to take tax payments is authorized and no revenue bill passed.

In addition to the \$333,000,000 surplus which he figures will be available for debt reduction and can be applied without congressional authorization, \$556,000,000 will be available from the regular sinking fund and from war debt payments.

At the house both Representative Garrett, the minority leader, and Garner, of Texas, the democratic financial spokesman, asserted they would not accept the verdict of the republican majority in the committee. They contended the treasury surplus, estimated by Garner at \$500,000,000 warranted a lowering of revenue rates.

Representative Oldfield of Arkansas, asserted a majority of the house favored immediate tax reduction, and that as democratic whip he was confident he could muster sufficient signatures to a petition to bring the Garner bill to the floor.

There were 182 democrats in

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## MINOR CRASHES MAR WEEK END

SLIGHT INJURIES SUSTAINED BY SIX PERSONS

Bruises, Cuts, and Scratches Inflicted; Little Girl Knocked Down

Five minor accidents marred the week end for Salem motorists, resulting in minor injuries to six persons. Eleanor Marie Evans received a skinned face when she ran in front of a car driven by Gibson Falls and was knocked down, according to a report made by Falls at police headquarters.

Falls was passing a street car at the time the accident occurred, he said, and the girl ran out before he had time to stop completely. She was apparently not seriously injured, he said.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Wilmer were badly bruised when their car was hit by one driven by R. L. Rowmann at High and Lincoln streets, the Wilmer car being wrecked. Excuse appeal was alleged by Mr. Wilmer as cause for accident.

Marie Stanton was cut on the head when the car in which she was riding, driven by R. L. Stanton, turned over on the Wacoona road. Stanton was trying to pass another car, he said, and it did not give him clearance. He slid off the road and turned over.

Bright lights on an approaching car caused J. W. Rogers to fail to see John W. Mickey walk in front of his car late Sunday night. Mickey was knocked down, but was not injured beyond a badly bruised hip.

Mrs. A. H. Broadhagen was slightly injured when the car in which she was riding, driven by her husband, collided with one driven by L. Kelt at 17th and D streets.

## The Statesman Christmas Cheer Fund

There are many kiddies, who are worthy and yet they may not receive so very much at Christmas time unless a few more of us enter into a partnership with Santa Claus. The good old Saint is working hard in order to make his yearly trip to every home and he welcomes assistance.

He says The Statesman Christmas Cheer Fund is a wonderful way in which to spread the real spirit of the season. Send the money to the Christmas Cheer Editor of The Statesman or food and clothing to the Salvation Army. Join the cheer crowd and help the worthy kiddies to enjoy a real Christmas.

Previously acknowledged \$55.75  
A Friend 1.00

## GIRL REMANDED TO TEXAS JAIL

HUSBAND TO DEFEND YOUNG WOMAN BANK ROBBER

Grand Jury to Consider Unusual Case at Meeting in February

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Rebecca Bradley, 22 year old Texas university graduate and alleged bank robber, is the wife of Otis Rogers, young Amarillo lawyer, Rogers revealed tonight.

Previously the girl, who is charged with having robbed the Farmers National bank of Buda, Texas, last Saturday, had denied she was married. She had been working as a stenographer in the office of Attorney General Dan Moody, governor-elect, under her maiden name.

Rogers came here to defend his bride. The announcement of the marriage was made in a statement by Rogers given out in the presence of his wife and John Cofer, Jr., Austin attorney, retained to defend the alleged girl bandit. It read:

"Rebecca Bradley is my wife. She and I were secretly married Texas, in 1925, at Georgetown, University of Texas at the time, and I later received my law degree in June, 1926, and went to Amarillo to start the practice of law. She did not go with me because I was just beginning my practice, and was financially unable to provide her a home there. She remained in Austin to finish her work toward her 'M. A.' degree. As soon as I heard of the charge against her, I came immediately to Austin to assist her, Otis Rogers."

Mrs. Grace E. Bradley, mother of the girl, said the announcement was a complete surprise to her.

At a hearing this afternoon at San Marcos, Justice of the Peace A. M. Ramsey denied bail and ordered the girl remanded to jail.

She had been released previously, however, on a writ of habeas corpus and bond of \$5000, and since Judge George Calhoun of the 53rd district court will not pass on this bond until tomorrow, she was allowed to return to Austin tonight.

In the event the girl is not granted permanent bond, she will have to remain in the Hays county jail until the second week in February, when the Hays county grand jury will consider her case.

Cofer waived preliminary hearing and asked Justice Ramsey to reduce the bond from \$5000 to \$3000, explaining that the girl's family was in "moderate circumstances," and that although the alleged offense carried a capital punishment, reports in newspapers showed that the robbery was not "aggravated."

B. G. Neighbors, Hays county attorney, said the state had no testimony to offer at this time. He declared the charge was a capital offense and insisted on the bond remaining at least \$5000.

"Owing to the gravity of this charge, robbery with firearms, a capital offense, I deny the defendant bond, and remand her to jail," Justice Ramsey announced.

The defendant merely smiled.

## YESTERDAY IN WASHINGTON

Concluding arguments began at the Fall-Doheny trial.

President Coolidge signed the bill increasing federal judges' salaries.

Impeachment charges against former Judge English of Illinois were dismissed by the senate.

Agricultural supply bill carrying \$138,000,000 reported to house while \$260,000,000 interior bill was considered.

Muscle Shoals fight opened in the senate with joint committee asking fifty year lease authorization.

## FALL-DOHENY DEFENSE HIT BY ATTORNEY

Concluding Arguments for Government Given in Three Hour Plea

## VERBAL BOMBS HURLED

Numerous Tenders of Instructions for Jury Cause of Much Quibbling and Heeling Between Counsel

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—(AP) The government today began its assault upon the structure of defense testimony in the Fall-Doheny oil conspiracy trial.

Owen J. Roberts, special prosecutor, began the concluding argument for the government with a vigorous three-hour plea for conviction of Albert B. Fall, former secretary of the interior, and Edward L. Doheny, veteran California oil man, for conspiracy to defraud the government in the leasing of the Elk Hills, California, naval oil reserves.

He hurled verbal hand grenades at the arguments of the defense case with pointed emphasis upon Doheny's \$100,000 loan to Fall on November 30, 1921, upon the "war scare patriotic motive" as a factor in the building, Hawaii, oil storage plan, and upon the "veil of secrecy" which shrouded the negotiation between Doheny and the cabinet officer prior to the signing of the Pearl Harbor contract on April 25, 1922.

Touching on the defense contention that Doheny hid on the Pearl Harbor project because of anxiety over the strategic situation in the Pacific in 1921, Roberts said in a slow deliberate voice:

"Patroleum, bunk! They were out after the business. Its so much moonshine.

The competition which the defense contended preceded the Doheny awards was described by the prosecutor as "an illusory sort of competition."

"I don't think there was a lot of real competition," he told the jury. "This doctrine," said Roberts, alluding to Doheny's testimony that he saw nothing wrong

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## MAN KILLS CONSTABLE

Blacksmith Commits Suicide Following Fray With Police

WATERLOO, Quebec, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Refusing to surrender to a cordon of police, formed about the hotel to which he had been traced, Wilfrid Delorme, Savage Mills blacksmith, committed suicide here today after killing a constable and wounding the son of a sheriff.

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## FIRST NATIONAL BUILDING SOLD

AMERICAN FIDELITY INVESTMENT COMPANY BUYS

Growing Concern Plans to Enlarge Activities; Will Handle Bonds

The American Fidelity Investment company of Salem has bought the historic building of the First National bank, and occupied for 41 years, since 1886, by that bank, and its predecessor, the Capital National bank.

As most readers know, the First National bank is to occupy the 11 story First National bank building, at Liberty and State streets, about the first of February.

By the terms of the purchase, the American Fidelity Investment company gets everything in the bank in the way of furniture and fixtures, with the exception of the bookkeeping and money counting machines and typewriters. The investment company will get the big vault, fireproof and wired for burglar, and the round safe.

The price paid for the property is \$29,000. The building has a frontage of 22 feet on the west side of Commercial street, between State and Court, with a wider space in the rear, running to the alley.

A Historic Building This is a historic building, constructed under the direction of R. S. Wallace, who organized the old Capital National bank. The new owners of the building have plans for subletting some of the space. They will also represent one of the largest concerns in the United States in the handling of a complete line of bonds, in addition to their own financial and investment bonds and certificates.

Remarkable Growth In four and a half years, the American Fidelity Investment company has grown from an installment bond house with a capital of \$3000 and one \$1000 bond sold to a concern with a paid up capital of \$70,000, and with assets of over \$210,000, with

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## RUMOR REMOVAL ANNUAL TOURNEY

QUESTION MAY COME BEFORE PRINCIPAL FOR DECISION

Annual Tournament Special Athletic Feature Here for Several Years

Willamette university and Salem are faced with a possibility of losing the state high school basketball tournament, one of the biggest athletic features of the year, which has been an annual event here for several years.

The source of the information cannot be disclosed, but it is regarded as practically a certain fact that pressure is being brought to bear in some places to start a movement at the annual meeting

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## OFFICERS WILL HOLD ORMISTON

CHICAGO AUTHORITIES WAIT RECEIPT OF PAPERS

Los Angeles Grand Jury May Return Indictment Against Radio Man

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 13.—(AP) Robert E. Crowe, state's attorney for Cook county, Illinois, will order the arrest of Kenneth G. Ormiston, wanted as a defendant here in the Almie Sempie McPherson conspiracy trial as soon as the papers arrive in Chicago, he told E. J. Dennison, deputy district attorney here long distance telephone today.

Dennison said he believed the fugitive radio man would be in custody before night as postal officials had informed him that the warrants charging Ormiston with perjury and conspiracy to obstruct justice would arrive in Chicago late today.

The former Anselmus Temple radio operator, though located in Harrisburg, Pa., several days ago, has not been placed in custody for local officers.

Dennison announced he would ask the county grand jury tomorrow to indict Ormiston on three felony charges. Such action was expected to facilitate the radio man's extradition.

Nine witnesses have been subpoenaed to appear before the jury. The trunk seized in New York recently containing feminine wearing apparel, part of which the district attorney says belongs to the evangelist, will be exhibited to the jurors.

The witnesses under subpoena include Mrs. Lorraine Wiseman-Sielaff, chief accuser of the evangelist and a co-defendant; a Hollywood modiste and two of her assistants; Miss Emma Schaeffer secretary to Mrs. McPherson; W. E. Clark, employe of a Pasadena luggage shop where the trunk is believed to have been purchased; Joe Ryan, deputy district attorney, and Herman C. Cline, captain of police detectives, both of whom participated in the McPherson kidnaping story investigation, and a "Mr. Graham."

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## FINE COOKING SCHOOL OPENS TODAY 2 P. M.

Sessions Continue for Four Days at Grand Theater, Everyone Invited

## USE MODERN KITCHEN

Many Salem Merchants Cooperate With the Statesman in Making School Possible for Local Housewives

The four-day cooking school, sponsored by The Oregon Statesman, will open at 2 o'clock this afternoon in the Grand theatre under the leadership of Jeanette



Jeanette Beyers

Beyer who will close her 1926 tour with the Salem engagement.

Miss Beyer has come to Salem all the way from St. Paul, Montana, to share with women of this locality new and finer methods of culinary art. Although the holiday season is at hand, and local women are more than ordinarily taxed for time, this is an engagement which will take precedence over the many it is so difficult to choose between. Miss Beyer has been enthusiastically received wherever she has been, and she gives each lesson the air of a great, delightful party where

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## BUTCHER FILES APPEAL

22 Cases Docketed After Ruling of Supreme Court

As a result of the recent order of the supreme court that all criminal cases must be entered on the document for argument within 60 days of their filing, 22 such cases are now docketed. These include the appeal of John Butchek of Portland, sentenced to hang for the murder of his wife, and the appeal of James S. Trent of Corvallis, under sentence to serve seven years in the state prison and pay a fine of \$500 for killing George Oscar Hamlin of Portland.

Trent shot Hamlin on the night of September 15, making the members of his automobile party for watermelon thieves when they stopped their car on the road in front of his farm.

## POLICE JAIL TRANSIENT

Garageman Attacked When Request for Money Refused

ROSEBURG, Or., Dec. 13.—(AP)—Angered because his request for money was refused, Clyde Lewis, a transient today attacked Peter Weaver, Myrtle creek garageman, and using an automobile jack, inflicted three deep scalp wounds in Weaver's head, before he was overpowered by other employes of the garage.

Lewis was bound over to await action of the grand jury, charged with assault with a dangerous weapon. Unable to furnish bond of \$1500, he is in the county jail here.

## RAIL WAGE DISCUSSED

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 13.—(AP)—A wage increase affecting Northern Pacific shop and roundhouse employes is being considered at a conference, between executives of the railroad and representatives of the various crafts, which began here today.

## AGITATORS ARRESTED

PARIS, Dec. 13.—(AP)—An anti-Briand demonstration was carried out on the arrival of the French foreign minister from Geneva tonight. The police interfered and a clash with young royalists followed. Fifteen ultra-nationalists were arrested.

## EARTHQUAKE FELT

PARMA, Mo., Dec. 13.—(AP)—A slight earthquake occurred here at 5:05 p. m. today. Buildings were jarred but no damage was reported.

Parma is in New Madrid country in the southeast portion of the state.

## PUBLIC HEARING ON ZONING HELD

FEW PERSONS APPEAR TO DISCUSS PROPOSED LAW

Audience by City Council Postponed Because Quorum Not Present

With but three persons present to offer protest, the city zoning and planning commission last night adopted the tentative zoning ordinance as previously drawn up, and made it into a final report to hand in to the city council.

Only one minor change was made, providing that the portion of the ordinance requiring 10-foot setbacks from property lines should not apply on the side facing an alley.

The scheduled public hearing by the city council, called for 9:30 o'clock following the zoning commission hearing, was not held because only four aldermen were present besides the mayor. The hearing was postponed to next Monday night at 10:30 o'clock.

Little serious objection to the ordinance was presented at the meeting except from C. B. Phillips, attorney for Berger Bros., who have filed suit against the city to get permission to erect a filling station at Capitol and Center streets. According to the new zones, this will fall in zone 1, a restricted residence zone.

City zoning is practically a new and untried proposition, according to Mr. Phillips, although he admitted the idea had been introduced as early as 1895 in an eastern city.

He also intimated that the city was trying to hurry the zoning matter through in order to kill the Berger brothers' suit, and said that the ordinance was unconstitutional.

Frank N. Waters of the City Ice Works asked what provision was made to let a factory such as his, already in existence in a restricted zone, enlarge and improve its plant in the future.

It was pointed out in the proposed ordinance that provision is made for such buildings, and that they can be enlarged and improved through local option.

Walter N. Downs, 830 North 21st street, said he objected to the entire ordinance as he thinks that Salem is too small for it, and that the cost would be prohibitive.

The only cost for preparing the ordinance, according to Lewis Campbell, chairman, is for clerk hire and labor used in drawing the zone maps, all of which was provided for in the city budget.

The majority of the people are against the law, Mr. Downs said he believed. Only six persons besides himself had appeared for the hearing, and few of these had any objections to offer.

One woman said she objected to such a law because it would put too much authority about her property into the hands of her neighbors.

W. H. Dancy, member of the city council, asked what provision there was in the proposed ordinance for erecting public buildings, such as fire engine houses. Such houses would be of a residence type, he said.

The city has power to erect such buildings if it sees fit, was the opinion of those present.

Under the proposed ordinance, the city is divided into zone 1, residential district; zone 2, residential district, including apartments and the like; special temporary residence district, in which temporary buildings may be erected and maintained for two years; zone 3, business district, in which assembly buildings, general business stores and the like, may be erected; special business district, and zone 4, unrestricted business district.

## YOUTH FURNISHES ALIBI

Officers Continue Search for Missing Eugene School Girl

EUGENE, Or., Dec. 13.—(AP)—Harry Jacobs, Portland youth, suspected here of having knowledge of the disappearance of Anna Bowers, 15 year old school girl, has been cleared of the suspicion and has established an alibi that he left Eugene a week prior to November 22, the day the girl left in company with a man.

Chief of Police Judkins talked with young Jacobs today following a quiz by Portland police detectives who have been working on the case. The chief says he is certain now that Miss Bowers left with another person, although the description of this man is vague.

The Jacobs youth came to Eugene Sunday with a friend, to clear himself. He said he knew the Bowers girl and had been in her company at times while he was in the city, but could throw no light on her disappearance.

## SCHOOL TEACHER HURT

Sister Pauline of Mt. Angel Taken to Portland Hospital

PORTLAND, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Sister Pauline, 48, a teacher at Mt. Angel, Or., was received at a local hospital tonight suffering from a fractured collar bone, received earlier in the day when a Silverton bus collided with a Portland bound stage near Oswego.

Leg. payment, according to reports, was responsible for the accident. Four other people were slightly shaken up and bruised, none seriously.

## FLOUR PRICES DROP

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 13.—(AP)—Flour sold here today at \$2.85 a barrel wholesale, a drop of 50c since December 5. Last Monday flour fell 50c a barrel, which was followed by a 20 cent decline Saturday.

## ZERO WEATHER CLAPS STATES WITH ICY GRIP

Cold Wave Felt From Aleutians to Alleghenies Taking 11 Lives

## OREGON GETS SNOWFALL

Government Weather Observer in Portland Declares Cold to Remain Several Days Longer in State

PORTLAND, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Portland is in line for two days more of continued cold, Edward L. Wells, weather bureau observer, declared tonight. He predicted the mercury would sink to 15 degrees above zero before sunrise tomorrow. The temperature of 24 degrees, registered at 6 p. m. today was the lowest recorded for two years.

With freezing weather prevailing, the snow that fell here Sunday night and Monday morning, remained on the ground, with no indication of a thaw. The storm netted .30 inches of precipitation, the equivalent of 2.2 inches of snow, Wells said.

Other cities throughout Oregon reported their share of the cold wave which has swept across the continent. Eastern Oregon was preparing tonight for real winter temperatures with the maximum today reported at 15 degrees above.

The Southern Pacific railroad's operating department reported difficulty in keeping the new Cascade line open between Eugene and Klamath Falls, following a fall of four feet of snow at the summit of the Cascades. There was little delay of trains. E. L. King, superintendent, said.

The mid-Columbia district was under orders ranging from five to 14 inches of snow, and Hood River expects the mercury to reach 10 degrees before morning. Pendleton thermometers registered 17 above zero as the minimum for the last 24 hours. Three inches of snow fell in that city yesterday.

Baker reported a minimum temperature of 13 above.

Three inches of snow covers the Daughters county, with Bond preparing for zero weather with the temperature at 8 above at sunset. Snow was still falling today at La Grande and a minimum temperature of 9 above was reported Sunday night.

EUGENE, Dec. 13.—Predictions of temperature as low as 25 degrees were made for tonight. The minimum last night was 29. A light coating of snow which fell early this morning melted during the day.

CHICAGO, Dec. 13.—From the Aleutians to the Alleghenies winter clamped its bitter grip today.

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## SENATE DISMISSES CASE

Reed Surprises Group With Suggestion on Impeachment

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—(By AP)—A shadow of further impeachment proceedings fell over the senate today as it voted 70 to 9 to dismiss the charges against Federal Judge English of the eastern Illinois district, who resigned November 4.

Senator Reed, democrat, Missouri, apprised the senate by suggesting that it devise means of obtaining testimony in impeachment proceedings without the necessity of sitting as a court, because he explained "there are other impeachment proceedings necessary, if I have been correctly informed."

He did not amplify this statement on the senate floor, and when questioned later, he declined to discuss it.

## TRAINS COLLIDE IN FOG

Three Persons Injured When Day Coaches Leave Track

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 13.—(AP)—A Reading railway passenger train was derailed and two Pennsylvania passenger trains were in rear-end collision early this evening in the dense fog that hung over New Jersey in the vicinity of Trenton and New Brunswick.

Three persons were slightly injured in the collision and none reported injured in the accident of the Reading, said reports received at the general offices of the two companies here.

