

FIRE DEFENSES TO FACE FUND DEFICIT, SEEN

Appropriation Will be Gone in November at Rate of Present Cost

Salary Reduction or Cut in Number of Firemen to Prove Necessary

By STEPHEN C. MERGLER
Unless retrenchments are made in expenditures of the fire department, Salem toward the end of this year will be without funds for fire protection, the quarterly report of City Bookkeeper Alfred Mundi reveals.

The greatest drain on the fire funds has come in the item of salary expense. Although the 1932 budget called for either reduction of the number of firemen employees from 45 to 40, or reductions in salaries, neither has been done.

Firemen's salaries during the first three months of this year have amounted to \$18,179.72, leaving a budget balance of \$47,340.28. At this rate, no money will remain for firemen's wages during the last week and a half of November and all of December. If salary expenditures are to balance the budget appropriation at the end of the year, the monthly outlay must be reduced from the present \$6059.90 to \$5077.69 or \$1022.21 per month.

Firemen Voted for Reduction in Force

When the new budget was made up, all firemen voted by ballot against salary reductions and in favor of cutting down by five the number of men in the department. The council fire department committee, of which W. H. Dancy is chairman, however, has deferred action on the matter while the expenditures have piled up above the pro-rated amount.

Of the two methods of reducing department expenses, it is expected that salary reduction will be invoked. Action on one way or the other is imperative, says the council since no other source of funds will be available for fire protection purposes.

Cutting down by even five members of men employed, would cripple the department, it is said. The result would have to be abandoned one of the substations, which action probably would not be stood for by the residents of that particular district. The central and three substations already are at minimum manpower to operate the equipment, it is claimed.

Next Meeting

This matter will be brought up at next Monday's council meeting. The fire committee has not yet come to a decision as to the preferred course of action but expects to have a recommendation to make by Monday.

Annual expenses of the fire department also loom large when it is considered that but one-fourth of the year has passed. For the item listed as expense, which includes gasoline, oil and repairs for trucks, laundry and insurance, \$2700 was appropriated and \$991.57 already has been paid out. This expense, however, is not subject to pro-rating by month, since it varies according to the number of fires occurring.

Of the \$8000 appropriation for fire hydrants, \$1916.59 has been expended.

ALBERT IN AFRICA

NAIROBI, British East Africa, Mar. 30—(AP)—King Albert of the Belgians landed at Butiba, Uganda, on the eastern shore of Lake Albert, today in a flight to the Belgian Congo.

Job Relief Levy Planned

Beyers Hands Resignation "Hoarded" Money is Found Auto Kills Lad Aged Six

WOULD RAISE \$750,000

PORTLAND, Ore., March 30—(AP)—Multnomah county commissioners decided today to place on the May primary ballot a proposal to levy a special tax to raise \$750,000 for relief of the county's indigent unemployed.

The commission also asked in a petition to the state highway commission that the commission rescind its decision to abandon the emergency employment program.

RUNS FOR OFFICE

ROSEBURG, Ore., March 30—(AP)—David H. Beyers, principal of the Sutherland schools, said today he has submitted his resignation to the school board to become effective at the end of the present school year.

Seek to Return Lindbergh Baby To His Parents; Claim Contact



Reported in communication with the kidnapers of Baby Lindbergh these prominent residents of Norfolk, Va., want to act as negotiators for return of the infant son of Colonel and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh unless he was "satisfied" he and his associates are dealing with the kidnapers of the Lindbergh baby.

"I wouldn't have gone into the case," Admiral Burrag said, "and I wouldn't be in now unless I was satisfied that we were dealing with the abductors of the Lindbergh baby."

Admiral Burrag, speaking for himself and the negotiators, Rear Admiral Peacock and John Hughes Curtis, the other negotiators, told a conference of newspapermen he could not give an approximation of the time that would be required to bring the negotiations to a successful conclusion.

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GOLDSTEIN TO TAKE EMPIRE CASE LEAD

The lead in the trial of the Empire Holding company's former officers, charged with devising a scheme to defraud will be taken by Barnett H. Goldstein, special prosecutor, District Attorney John H. Carson explained here this week. Carson said his office would cooperate to the full but would not take the case to court.

ATHLETIC CONTROL VOTED TO SPENCER

SEATTLE, Mar. 30—(AP)—The board of control of the athletic students of the University of Washington tonight approved an amendment to its charter turning control of the organization over to President M. Lyle Spencer.

Late Sports

PORTLAND, Ore., Mar. 30—(AP)—Ted Thye of Portland returned to the wrestling mat here tonight and won an easy victory over Dick Raines, Texas heavyweight. Thye, who went into retirement about a year ago, dropped the first fall to Raines but won the last two. Raines knocked him to the canvas with rabbit punches and pinned him with a body press in 19 minutes. They won the second in 18 minutes with a shoulder butt and the third in three minutes with a wristlock. Thye weighed 195 pounds, Raines, 220.

BURRAGE SURE NORFOLK CLUE IS RIGHT ONE

Satisfied Trio is Dealing With Kidnapers; Hints At Delay Reason

Negotiations Paying Their Own Expenses; Give Out few Details

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Basin Project is Declared Doomed

WASHINGTON, March 30—(AP)—The Columbia basin project will cost the republican party many votes next fall as issued in a statement today by Representative Horr (R., Wash.), the report is a great disappointment to the Pacific northwest, he said.

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Claim Spirit Of Salwt is Own Painter

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Lofgrin today filed suit against the church for \$50 for a likeness of the bearded leader which he said he painted from a photograph of Salwt.

The church officers have refused payment, Lofgrin said, saying that Salwt appeared in spirit and did the painting himself.

A tract issued by the church officers sets forth that on last October 10, Salwt's spirit entered Lofgrin's studio, complained the artist was too slow and the spirit had but five minutes to spare.

Thereupon, the tract added the spirit seized a brush in each hand and with a single stroke completed the likeness.

DEPARTMENTS WILL AID KOAC SUPPORT

Funds to Keep Station in Operation Until July May be Advanced

Funds appropriating \$6000 for continuing the operation of KOAC in the period April 1 to June 30, will probably be contributed by various state departments, it was agreed here yesterday at a conference of various department heads. In return the departments will use KOAC for broadcasting news. The decision was agreed upon at a meeting held at the executive offices with Governor Meier and President Kerr of Oregon State college outlining the plan.

Dr. Kerr explained that because of federal regulations placing the station on a 12 hours basis, the operating funds had been exhausted and there would be a deficit of \$6000 by the last of June.

After voting to maintain the station, the state department heads appointed a committee to study the situation and to make a report to the state board of higher education, Kerr declared.

Reports at the meeting showed that the state college radio station has been used for more than a year by the state forestry department and state fire marshal's office.

Kerr said that a recent survey showed that 75 per cent of the radios in Oregon are within 75 miles of Corvallis. He also submitted figures showing that within two days the college received 2800 letters from 28 counties asking that the station be retained.

Crew Coach Has Offer to Move

SEATTLE, Mar. 30—(AP)—Al Ubrickson, University of Washington crew coach, admitted here tonight that he had an attractive offer from another major school, after Prof. H. McIntyre, faculty member of the university board of control, had told the organization that Washington faced the possibility of losing two of its mentors unless financial difficulties are solved in the near future.

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POSTAGE RATES INCREASE GETS HOUSE DAKING

Total Approved Taxation is Now \$743,500,000 of Needed Billion

First Class Letter to Cost Three Cents, Expected To Yield big sum

WASHINGTON, Mar. 30—(AP)—Dolefully following party leaders, the House drove hard today to complete the billion-dollar revenue bill by Friday. It voted new taxes to produce \$238,500,000.

Inspired by Speaker Garner yesterday in his appeal for a bill to balance the budget, the members brought the total approved to \$743,500,000.

Strong resistance to the ways and means committee proposal to increase first class postage from two to three cents, to yield an additional \$135,000,000, melted before the demands of former leaders of the opposition for revenue to meet the projected \$1,241,000,000 treasury deficit for 1933.

Approval is Given

By 147 to 68 Vote
This is the biggest item among the substitutes for the defeated \$600,000,000 sales tax provision. It was approved, 147 to 68.

The second largest proposition, to levy a tax of one-fourth of one per cent on the value of the stock transactions for a yield of \$75,000,000, will be the first to receive action tomorrow.

Fulfilling his promise yesterday that he would take an active part in the bill's consideration, Garner took the floor again today and successfully brought through to approval the compromise proposal on consolidated and affiliated returns which imposes a fifteen per cent rate, including a penalty of 1 1/2 per cent above the measure 1 1/2 per cent on single corporate income tax returns.

241 Millions Yet To Be Provided

The new proposal is expected to yield \$25,000,000, while the one-half per cent income tax, the single corporate tax is estimated to bring in \$5,000,000.

Before Garner addressed the House yesterday there was \$180,000,000 in the measure. Levies to be added in \$199,500,000 were voted yesterday, including the \$238,500,000 voted today there remains \$241,000,000 to be acted upon. Other proposals are to be submitted by the ways and means committee.

MERCHANT AIRSHIP SERVICE PROPOSED

(AP)—Establishment of a merchant airship service was proposed today by Senator McNary (R., Ore.)

Operation would be by private interests, the government's support coming through mail contracts to be awarded when service over any proposed foreign route is considered necessary by the postmaster general and the secretary of war, navy and commerce.

McNary explained the measure was intended to aid aerial development along the lines of the merchant marine and promote air transportation in foreign commerce.

Representative Johnson (R., Wash.) ranking member of the house immigration committee, today introduced a bill to exclude "alien international communists."

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O'LEARY RAIDED; MONSTER LIQUOR PLANT IS SEIZED

Restaurant man Arrested for Possession, Place Closed At Same Time but not by Police Action; State and City Officers Cooperate in two Raids; 100-Gallon Still Seized on South Commercial

Francis Krebs Arrested as Attendant of Distillery of Large Capacity; Both men Held Will Have Hearings in Justice Court Today; Long-Planned Move Made by Forces of law Without Slip-up

COMBINING forces, city and state police last evening swooped down on the apartments over Mother O'Leary's restaurant, 862 State street, and on a house at 2327 South Commercial street. Two arrests resulted.

At the house, they found a 100-gallon still in operation and arrested Francis Krebs, about 24, alleged attendant.

Richard C. O'Leary, the restaurant manager, in bed with the "flu", was arrested on a charge of possession of intoxicating liquor, in the apartments. He was taken to police headquarters, then transferred to Salem Deaconess hospital. The officers found one-half gallon of whiskey in the apartment, they said.

Coincidentally with O'Leary's arrest, the restaurant was locked up and the windows whitewashed. This was not done under police orders, but was understood to have been brought about by a creditor.

BOB SHORT TO BE PAID HIGH HONORS

Mother Agrees to Burial in China at Urgent Plea of Government

TAOOMA, Wash., March 30—(AP)—Robert Short's body will lie forever in a Christian cemetery in Shanghai and full military honors will attend his funeral as the young Tacoma aviator is buried with the posthumous rank of colonel, it was revealed today by Mrs. Elizabeth M. Short, mother of the flier.

After long consideration, since the time Bob Short was shot down by Japanese planes and killed in the air raid over Soochow on February 24, Mrs. Short has decided that "this is the best way," she said today.

With her younger son, Edmond, Mrs. Short will leave for Shanghai Saturday on the President Taft.

According to the flier's mother, tentative arrangements for the burial of her son include high honors bestowed by the Chinese government and people, many of whom, both in China and in this country, have flooded her with condolences and pleas to allow her son to be buried in a Christian cemetery in Shanghai. According to the present plans, Short will lie in a tomb of his son on a high hill, surrounded by a strong fence and guarded by soldiers at all times.

Doughton Agrees To be Candidate For Water Board

I. M. Doughton, hardware dealer, consented yesterday to become a candidate for the Salem water board. While reluctant to get into the race he agreed to serve if elected. Sam Hughes will circulate his petitions today.

Another name mentioned for a place on the board was that of C. K. Spaulding, former highway commissioner. Spaulding would not consent to file, but agreed to think the matter over further.

Those urging him to enter the race pointed out the need of some one on the board experienced in the handling of large-scale financial operations. Spaulding was a member of the Newberg council when that city acquired the water plant.

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