

COUNTY FINANCES TO GET AID FROM NEW LEGISLATION

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through the work of Commissioner Crowe of Lane county in committee and on the convention floor.

In the matter of automobile license laws there is always a fight between those who believe in flat rates and those who believe valuation of the car should be the sole factor in assessing the license cost. Crowe worked out a plan whereby both factions are served. His plan will bring more money to the counties and guarantee more to the state.

The plan adopted calls for a \$5 flat rate license fee and a tax of two per cent on the valuation of the car which must be paid at the time the license is purchased. The present four cents gasoline tax is retained and one half of this will go to the county. Crowe's plan would have the two per cent tax based on the factory price valuation instead of blue book listing, and the tax would be scaled down as the car gets older.

All Get More
Under the new setup the state will get \$7,500,000, an increase of \$700,000 over the \$6,800,000 it used to get. The money would come from the following sources:

\$5 license	\$1,250,000
Truck fees	1,250,000
2% tax	2,000,000
Gas tax	3,000,000
Total	\$7,500,000

The county will get \$3,000,000 also from the gasoline tax, which is \$300,000 more than the \$2,700,000 formerly received. The county used to get \$1,100,000 from the secondary highway fund and \$1,500,000 from the license fees. The secondary highway law will be repealed if the county officials have their way. The counties will make sure that they will receive as much, or more than under the present plan.

Secondary Plans Hit

The secondary highway system has been unpopular with both state and county highway officials. Too much road tape has been required, and there is a feeling among county officials that they can give more consideration to the county's needs than the state can. They passed a resolution asking that the secondary highway law be repealed. The state will be asked to pay the county the same amount of money the county receives under the secondary highway law.

A resolution was passed to allow the counties to turn over to the state treasurer only money due the state for state tax. This amounts to about \$100,000 a year. The state will be asked to take its percentage of tax money collected only. At present the state takes all its share, whether it is collected or not, and this practice has made it hard on the counties, which sometimes have little money left for their own purposes.

Collection Change Asked
The counties also will go into the legislature to repeal the law which now requires counties to pay the cost of non-violent insane kept in the state institution. If they force the state to pay this Lane county will save about \$10,000 a year.

Another part of the counties' program is the proposal to collect taxes every month instead of making them payable only twice a year. Twelve per cent interest would be charged instead of eight on delinquent taxes, but a provision to give rebates of two or three per cent on taxes paid at the first of the year is included. The counties feel that the money would be brought in as it is needed under this plan, and keep down warrant indebtedness.

Commissioner Crowe presented a resolution to repeal the initiated law to prevent petition pushers from collecting money on signatures. His plan was turned down by the resolutions committee, but he carried it to the floor and put it over. Its purpose is to prevent racketeering.

PORTLAND HERE

Charles H. Elroy of Portland came to Eugene Thursday on business.

DRESSMAKING-HEMSTITCHING

KATY ANN SHOP, 76 E. Broadway.

Order On or Before Sat.

Suit or Topcoat orders taken on or before Sat. will be delivered before Xmas.

FULTON-30 W. 10th

SPRINGFIELD NEWS NOTES

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 15. — (Special.)—A pot-luck dinner at 6:30 will precede the regular meeting of Springfield post No. 40 of the American Legion Thursday evening. The post will meet in Taylor's hall. Ted's dance band is to furnish music during the program.

R. N. A. Needle Club Has Christmas Party

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 15. — (Special.)—Twenty-three members and guests attended the Christmas party held by the Royal Neighbors of America needle club Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. H. Stearns. Gifts were exchanged and Christmas games played during the afternoon. Mrs. Ina A. Scrivener was the assistant hostess.

Guests of the club were Mrs. J. K. McKenzie, Goshen; Mrs. Anna Faust and Mrs. H. L. Faust, Oakridge; Mrs. Roy Stearns, Mrs. C. W. Barkholder, Mrs. L. Baldwin, and Mrs. O. H. Waddell of Springfield.

Mayor W. P. Tyson Ill at P. C. Hospital

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 15. — (Special.)—Mayor W. P. Tyson was taken to the Pacific Christian hospital on Thursday morning suffering with pleurisy pneumonia. Mr. Tyson has been ill for several days with pleurisy but it developed into pleurisy pneumonia Thursday morning and he was removed to the hospital. Dr. Carl H. Petterplace is the physician in charge.

Needy Children Guests at Party

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 15. — (Special.)—A Christmas party for needy

children in this community will be given Friday afternoon by the Girls' League at the high school. The party will begin at 3:15.

Poor children from the first, second, third and fourth grades in the city schools will be guests at the party. Each girl at the high school is to be in charge of one child during the afternoon.

Gifts will be given each of the children at the party. A program of games has been planned, and refreshments will be served.

Committees in charge are as follows: Refreshments, Virginia Christie; games, Essel Adams; decorations, Mildred Divine.

N. O. W. Party Held Wednesday Evening

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 15. — (Special.)—The annual Christmas party was held by members of Neighbors of Woodcraft, Wednesday evening, following their regular business meeting.

A duet was given by Mrs. Rachel Thatcher and Mrs. Hazel Burnett, and Mrs. C. F. Eggenmann gave a reading. At the Christmas tree, when gifts were exchanged, Alex Stevens acted as Santa Claus.

The lodge planned to have a Christmas tree party for the juvenile group and Mrs. Stella Findley will be in charge of this. The date has not been set.

P. T. A. MEETING

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 15. — (Special.)—Monthly meeting of the Parent Teacher association will be held at the Lincoln school at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon, when room representatives from the two fifth grades will be in charge of the program. Miss Goldie Smith, in charge of week-day religious education in the schools, will speak.

had again proved her word as good as her bond.

FRANC SHIRKINS

PARIS, Dec. 15. — (AP)—The American dollar, shortly after the exchange market opened today, was quoted at 25.0275 francs, which was a quarter of a centime above yesterday's closing.

The pound was at 84.13 francs, compared to yesterday's closing of 83.97.

PRECEDENT SET

BERLIN, Dec. 15. — (AP)—Berlin newspapers reached an almost unanimous agreement today that France, in failing to pay the United States, had broken the sanctity of treaties.

One newspaper said Germany might now default its own debts and another said Germany was no longer morally bound to comply with the Versailles treaty.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA PAYS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15. — (AP)—Ferdinand Verbeke, Czechoslovakian minister, presented Secretary Stimson with a formal notification today that Czechoslovakia will meet its war debt payment of \$1,500,000.

CHAIN GANG STORY

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ture dealing with the Georgia prison system followed.

Now he operates a small store in East Orange, and before his arrest was a familiar figure in downtown Newark where he was taken into custody.

Interviewed by a local newspaper only last Sunday, he expressed the hope of obtaining a pardon.

"I wish to be a free man once more," he was quoted as saying, "and be able to hold my head high in any part of the United States. I'm still a 'fugitive from a Georgia chain gang,' but, believe me, it's an empty honor." He related his experiences to the reporter, retelling many of the incidents he had written, but he said the most dramatic moment in his life was meeting another escaped convict in Newark April 1, 1931.

The other fugitive was John Moore, who with Burns and a third man, held up a grocery in Atlanta, Ga., in 1921. The trio was captured and Burns was sentenced from six to ten years. He escaped in 1922 and was free until 1929 when, according to his story, a woman brought about his return to the "chain gang."

After his first outbreak, he chose Chicago as a place to live and became a success as a magazine publisher. He married but later fell in love with another woman and asked his wife for a separation. She agreed but in time asked for more alimony. When he refused, the story goes, she notified Georgia authorities and Burns was arrested in 1929.

A lengthy legal battle followed, with high Chicago officials taking an interest in the case. Burns said he waived extradition finally when Georgia officials promised a pardon within sixty days if he would take such action.

But the pardon was denied and a new fight for freedom began, with his brother, the Rev. Vincent Burns, taking an active part by seeking the aid of scores of prominent persons. The brother declared the prison commission told them if the prisoner's conduct was good for a year his pardon would be only a matter of routine.

There was a hearing in July, 1930, from which no word came for weeks.

Plan for Better Control-of-Colds Proved by Tests

Greensboro N. C.—Clinical tests—made use of thousands of homes—have proved the new Vicks VapoRub better Control-of-Colds. The number and duration of colds reduced by half! More than half of the costs of colds saved! Full details of the plan are in each package of Vicks VapoRub and the new Vicks Nose & Throat Drops.

The next news was that Burns again had escaped.

The small, 125-pound fugitive—a prisoner once more—is 41 years old.

Chamber Invited to Meet With Roseburg

An invitation to the Eugene chamber of commerce to send an official delegation to its annual meeting, Friday, Jan. 6, was received here Thursday from the Roseburg chamber.

The Roseburg chamber asked that the local delegation include a quartet and the matter has been turned over to the entertainment committee of the local chamber, E. G. Harlan, secretary, said.

Willakenzie Will Present Program

People of the Willakenzie community will present the play "Mammy's Little Wild Rose," Thursday at 8 p. m. at the grange hall. Members of the grange have been asked to bring candy, which will be sold at the meeting.

CHRISTMAS PHOTOS

HOLLYWOOD STUDIO-713 Will.

NEW LOCATION, RUSSELL'S SHOP

HEMSTITCHING, 56-140 W. Bdwy.

THE TOT SHOP-174 E. Bdwy.

Christmas Gifts-Hemstitching

A Xmas Gift for DAD

SLIPPERS—
Leather
Felt
Sheep-lined

\$1.29
to
\$2.50

"Star Brand Shoes
Are Better"

Gilbert
SHOE CO.

881-Willamette-881

COLD WAVE STORY

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with ice, it was thawing somewhat and danger of ice in the power canals at Leaburg and Waltherville was thought passed.

Two fire fires, one at 1025 Washington street and one at 1358½ Oak street, called out the fire department Wednesday afternoon. A check on fire hydrants made by fire department officials Wednesday revealed no

damage from freezing as they were all open.

RELIEF PROMISED

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 15. — (AP)—A definite break in the weather with warmer temperatures and rain predicted, was forecast by the government weather bureau here today. Tonight, the meteorologists said, a ten-day period of unusual cold will end.

Southeast storm warnings were ordered up on the Oregon and Washington coasts from Marshfield to Tacoma Island for strong southerly winds tonight and Friday. The wind was expected to reach gale force at times, and to be accompanied by heavy rain.

Minimum temperatures last night included Pendleton 3 below, Hood River zero, La Grande 4 above, Medford 18, Marshfield 26, Portland 27.

Western Auto Supply Company

great Year-End Sale

Ends Soon—BUY NOW TO SAVE
on Tires, Batteries, Auto Accessories, Seat Covers,
Radios and Many Christmas Gifts.

**Give Something
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HUNDREDS OF BARGAINS
TO CHOOSE FROM

GIFTS under \$1

Gear Shift Balls.....15c up
Interior Mirrors.....27c up
"Leader" Auto Horn.....98c

Radiator Ornaments

Several Models

66c
Chromium plated—very handsome

Keychains.....14c & 22c
Accelerator Foot Rests.....34c up
Ladies' Heel Protectors.....39c up
Gas Tank Caps.....42c up
Wedge Cushions.....49c up
2 Cell Flashlight.....55c
O-S-Soft Air Cushions.....68c up
Luggage Carrier.....69c
Step Plates, each.....69c up

GIFTS under \$2

Spe-D-Car Toy Auto

Always popular with the kiddies—

2 models.....\$1.19 and \$1.57

40 Hour Auto Clock.....\$1.17
Driving Gloves.....\$1.47
Motor Heat Indicator.....\$1.79

GIFTS over \$2

All Wool Robes

\$2.95
and
up

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