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# Capital Journal

Salem, Oregon, Friday, November 19, 1920

OREGON: Tonight and Saturday rain; frost to strong weatherly winds.

LOCAL: Minimum temperature 49. Maximum temperature 59. Temperature at 7:30 a. m., 50. Rainfall 2.05. River 11.4, rising.

Price Three Cents

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## Black and Tan Raids in Ireland Made Without Provocation Is Charge

Washington, Nov. 19.—Charging that the "black and tan" militia in Ireland made raids without provocation, John Derham, town commissioner of Balbriggan, Ireland, gave today to the committee of one hundred investigating the Irish question what he described as details of the September raid on his home town which he said, resulted in the death of half a dozen persons.

## Bomb Wrecks Farmers Home Killing Three

Germantown, Maryland, Nov. 19.—James Bolton, a farmer, whose home near here was dynamited yesterday died last night, increasing the death list to three. Two small children of Mrs. Hattie Shipley, Bolton's housekeeper, were killed instantly, and she is believed to be mortally injured.

## Governor Will Attend Session Of Executives

Governor Olcott will leave Salem about the middle of the coming week for Harrisburg, Pa., where he will attend the governors' conference, at which it is expected a very large number of the governors of the various states of the United States will be present.

## Price of Foods Falling, Says Census Bureau

Washington, Nov. 19.—A decrease of three per cent in retail food prices in October throughout the United States was noted in statistics of the cost of 22 articles of food made public today by the department of labor.

## Increased Lumber Freight Tariffs Are Protested

A protest against the recent increase in freight rates on lumber shipments to the east and middle west has been filed with the public service commission by the Union county Ad club of LaGrande which asks the commission to institute an investigation into the reasonableness of these rates.

## Henneman Heads Walnut Growers

Portland, Or., Nov. 19.—H. A. Henneman of Portland was chosen president of the Western Walnut association at the closing session of the convention of that organization here late yesterday.

## Woman and Three Men Caught in Booze Raid; May Forfeit Auto as Bail

Smith, of this city, pleaded guilty to this afternoon to a charge of driving an automobile without license. He was fined \$50 by Police Judge Easton, while three persons, who bore the names of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Spencer, who are charged with disorderly conduct and who have been with Smith at the time of the arrest, failed to appear in court. An automobile belonging to the property of the Spencers was held by police for the Spencers' residents' bail, aggregating \$150.

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## Steel Prices Will Remain As at Present

New York, Nov. 19.—The United States Steel corporation announced today its decision to recommend to presidents of subsidiary companies that "the present base selling prices of all commodities continue in force unless and until it becomes necessary and proper to make change to meet altered conditions."

## Need for Stabilized Business Conditions Makes Reduction Inadvisable, Claim

This action was taken, according to Chairman Elbert H. Gary, because of the importance of stabilizing business conditions at this time. His statement follows: "Our subsidiary companies have consistently and uninterruptedly maintained the base selling prices of all iron and steel commodities which were mutually fixed by representatives of iron and steel interests of the United States and representatives of the government March 21, 1919."

## Liquor Agents Raid Breweries Booze Is Found

Cincinnati, Ohio, Nov. 19.—Important developments are expected to follow raids made yesterday by federal prohibition agents on eight Cincinnati breweries and approximately 100 saloons. The raids were conducted by 35 prohibition agents brought here from northern Ohio points by Supervising Federal Prohibition Agent Thomas E. Stone, of Baltimore, officer in charge of the Ohio-Maryland division.

## Yeon Refuses to Accept Place on Highway Board

Portland, Or., Nov. 19.—Following a report from Salem that Governor Ben W. Olcott intended to attempt to induce John B. Yeon, Portland timber man, to succeed Simon Benson as state highway commissioner, Mr. Yeon today said he could not accept.

## Dalziel Would Eliminate Gas Now in Use

A change in the gasoline test law of Oregon, eliminating the specific gravity test and substituting therefor a provision requiring that all gasoline sold in the state shall comply with the requirements of the federal government is recommended by Wm. A. Dalziel, deputy state sealer of weights and measures, in his biennial report to the legislature submitted today to State Treasurer Hoff. This legislation is necessary, Dalziel points out, to avoid a repetition of the gasoline famine with which Oregon had to contend during the past year.

## Mayor Wilson In Smash-Up; 2 Cars Are Damaged Here

An automobile owned by Mayor Otto Wilson and another car piloted by Dudley Porter, 2705 Maple avenue, were damaged in a collision at the intersection of Maple and Center streets yesterday, according to police.

## Garage Employee Asks Court To Judge Wages

L. S. Hickman has instituted a civil proceeding against the Great Western garage, naming James M. Smith and W. P. Watkins as associates in the enterprise. The complaint cites that L. S. Hickman is a skilled mechanic and automobile repairman and that by the terms of a contract entered into some months ago, the defendants agreed to a recommission of his services. Later, the wage was reduced to a one-half portion of the net profits.

Mr. Hickman states that he was permitted to withdraw certain sums, but demands definite court settlement, asserting that the garage firm's books were not open to him.

## German Admission to League Advocated by Delegates of Britain

Geneva, Nov. 19.—Immediate admission of Germany and the formation of a league of nations was urged before the league assembly today by George Nic Barnes of the British delegation. Representing the laboring people of Great Britain Mr. Barnes said he knew the great majority of the delegates that all enemy states admitted without delay.

## Famous Tetraxini and Galli-Curci Excelled at Own Game by Boy of 12

New York, Nov. 19.—Among boy prodigies Edward Roche Hardy, 12 year old Columbia freshman, may boast the mastery of a dozen languages, and Samuel Raeschewski, 9 year old Polish chess wizard, recently checkedmate nineteen West Point strategists in a row—but neither of them can sing.

## Sale of Home Brew Stuffs To Be Halted

Portland, Or., Nov. 19.—Federal officers today made six arrests on warrants issued by United States District Attorney Clarence Reames after revenue agents reported they had purchased material for making home brew. The arrests followed the imposition yesterday in federal court of fines of \$350 each on a proprietor and clerk of a store who sold. The men arrested today were a hardware wholesaler, four proprietors of a grocery store and a clerk in their establishment.

## Extension of Right to Water Is Requested

Petitions for an extension of water rights on Bear Creek in Jackson county were filed with the state water board in session here Wednesday by the Rogue River Canal company, the Medford Irrigation district and the Talent Irrigation district. Protest against the extension of time to the Talent district were entered by the Rogue River company and the Medford district.

## Indians Want Commissioner of Their Own Race

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 19.—Resolutions urging the appointment of a member of their race as commissioner of Indian affairs and advocating increased educational facilities for Indians who are wards of the government were prepared for introduction at the ninth annual conference of the Society of American Indians here today.

## Portland Market For Hogs Slumps

Portland, Or., Nov. 19.—Following a drop of \$1.50 a hundred in hogs from quotations yesterday the hog market here today was demoralized. Prime grades were offered at \$12.50, but there were no buyers. The quoted price was the lowest in the total market since February 1917. The decline within the past week has been \$2.75. Dressed meats broke earlier in the week, dealers reporting they were overstocked and no demand. Dressed hogs and calves were offered by commission firms as low as 15 cents, a new low record for the past two years.

## Northland Not Frozen Plain As Is Generally Thot, Says Stefanson

The Northland! A land of homes! The mysteries of 150,000 square miles of buried land cleared away for the civilized world! A region where resources of animal life, minerals and oil are already being directed into avenues of commerce.

Not boasting boastfully, but as a mere recounting of an enterprise of which he had never doubted the successful outcome Stefanson replies to questions asked by the layman who has pictured the far north as a frozen tundra.

## Labor Seeks Admittance of Enemy, Claim

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## Constantine's Brothers Hold Return Is Sure

Rome, Nov. 19.—Princes Andreas and Christophoros of Greece, brothers of former King Constantine, stated to the Associated Press today that they believed the plebiscite for the purpose of deciding upon the occupant of the throne would be held next week. They declared it would be a demonstration in favor of Constantine that would eclipse that of the recent election in that country.

## Spaulding Is In Lumber Concern Just Organized

The Spaulding-Miami Lumber company, with headquarters in Portland, has filed articles of incorporation with the state corporation department here. The company is capitalized at \$500,000.

## Expenditures Of Republican Party Mount

In addition to more than \$12,000 already accounted for as expended in behalf of the republican ticket in Oregon in the recent campaign John L. Day, chairman of the Multnomah county republican central committee, has filed a statement with the secretary of state's office showing expenditures of \$1,442.91 in behalf of the republican ticket.

## Alleged Slayer Of Girl Caught

Broken Bow, Neb., Nov. 19.—Dennis Chester, alleged slayer of Florence Eaton, Kansas City city girl who escaped from a Burlington train at Broken Bow Monday night, was captured this morning six miles from Broken Bow, by Deputy Sheriff Hanson and a Dr. Hanson while walking along a country road.

## 16 Loggers Lose Lives In Water

Bangor, Me., Nov. 19.—Sixteen loggers were drowned in a lumbering district, late yesterday afternoon when a motorboat crossed the lake from Chewaucan to Cuxabessia. Efforts to quench the fire failing the party came panic stricken and nearly all perished, according to reports brought here today.

## Police Officer Indicted In Probe of Tr

Little Rock, Ark., Nov. 19.—Charles Cooper, negro, indicted in Ouishita county for the murder of Otis Pickett, a white farmer, May was electrocuted here today.

New York, Nov. 19.—See Birmingham, a member of the police department, was leaved today to be manager of "compensation bureau" maintained by Robert P. Brindley, labor leader, in connection with joint legislative committee's report into New York's "building trust"