

Circulation
Average for 1920, 5250.
Circulation of Salem 1900, 4255;
1910, 14,094; 1920, 17,679.
Oregon County 1920, 47,177; Polk
County, 14,131.
Member of Audit Bureau of Circulation.
Associated Press Full
Dial Wire.

Capital Journal

The Weather
OREGON: Tonight and Friday
fair, colder east portion tonight;
galeic westerly winds.
LOCAL: Rainfall, .12; southerly
winds; cloudy; maximum 53; minimum
40, set 41; river 5.8 feet and
rising.

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Price Three Cents

Ships Principal Val Power

General Board Airplane and Marine Are Not Units

Feb. 2.—The major
basis of seapower
who argue that the
submarine have sup-
plying the country
hopes for a accomplish-
may general board
report to Secretary Dan-
public today.
general board, having kept
with naval progress along
the report, "referred
in the battleships as
principal units of the
about them the United
hope to cope with ex-
"equality in power
continuing naval policy of
States," the board says
no thought of instituting
competitive building"
no other nation can in
exception to such a po-
justly be construed as
the report continues
of equal or substantially
ments may well tend to
their growth to lessen the
hidden war."
signed by Rear Ad-
Admiral J. B. Palmer, president,
and by Secretary Dan-
submitted by him to the
committee for its in-
in considering pending
and "naval holiday"

Attempted Bomber of Aberdeen Legion Hall Still At Large Today

Aberdeen, Wash., Feb. 3.—After
all night search, police today
again took up the trail of the
bomber who attempted last night to
blow up the American Legion
building here. The attempt was
frustrated only by the timely pas-
sage of Henry Lancaster, a Legion-
naire, whose curiosity, when he saw
a man crouching near the building,
led him to investigate with the re-
sult that he discovered a smoking
fuse attached to 26 sticks of dynamite.
Fifty Legion men were in
the building at the time, most of
them making out applications for
the state bonus.
Lancaster was able to furnish the
police a good description of the
man. Every avenue of escape from
the city was closed at once, all
trains and boats have been watch-
ed and it is believed the man is still
in hiding here. The paper in
which the dynamite was wrapped
is believed, however, to provide the
best clue to the bombers identity.
It was a copy of a Montezano
weekly publication and addressed to
S. Tagaya, Japanese section fore-
man at South Montezano. Tagaya
was taken into custody and ques-
tioned for four hours by the police
and Sheriff Elmer Gibson but was
released at the end of that time,
the authorities coming to the conclu-
sion that neither Tagaya nor any of
his crew had anything to do with
the bombing attempt. Lancaster
was unable to identify Tagaya or
any of his crew.
Two other suspects were arrested
by the police as they were attempt-
ing to board the blind baggage of a
train for Seattle. One of them had
a quantity of fuses and the other a
small bottle of explosive. Neither
is believed, however, to have had
anything to do with the attack,
though they are being held in con-
nection with the attempt to blow a
safe at Cosmopolis early yesterday
morning.
Officials are still working on the
theory that the bombing attempt on
the Legion building has a connec-
tion with the Armistice day
murders at Centralia and the sub-
sequent trial of the alleged murder-
ers at Montezano.

Sponsors For Disarmament Congress Win

Washington, Feb. 3.—A resolu-
tion authorizing the president to
invite the nations of the world to
send delegates to a conference "to
provide for disarmament" was re-
ported favorably today by the
house foreign affairs committee.
The measure was sponsored by
Representative Brooks.
Under the resolution the propo-
sed conference would be held in
Washington but the calling of
it would be left to the discretion
of the president.
This is the first definite action
taken by any congressional com-
mittee looking to a conference for
general disarmament. The senate
foreign relations committee has
reported out a resolution by Sen-
ator Borah, republican, Idaho, pro-
posing negotiations between the
United States, Great Britain and
Japan, looking to a reduction of
naval building in the future.

Congress May Probe Escape Of G. Bergdoll

Washington, Feb. 3.—Possibility
of a congressional investigation of
the escape to Germany of Grover
C. Bergdoll, wealthy draft evader,
was revived today when the house
military committee instructed
Chairman Kahn to confer with Dis-
trict Attorney McAvoy of Phila-
delphia, regarding the case.
A resolution proposing an in-
quiry is before the committee.
Chairman Kahn announced he
not only wanted an investigation of
the escape, but favored a "most
thorough and sweeping" investiga-
tion of the allegations, reported to
have been made by Bergdoll in Ger-
many that he had been offered his
freedom if he "would come across
to some American army officers
with a bribe of \$100,000."
Representative Johnson, republi-
can, South Dakota, said he was
"in hearty sympathy" with the
plan to investigate Bergdoll's
charges and escape. Declaring
Germany had imprisoned two
American sergeants "perhaps a lit-
tle over zealous" in their desire to
capture a slacker, Mr. Johnson de-
clared that the German government
at the same time was asking the
sympathy of the American people
regarding payment of indemnity.
"Germany is in no position to
ask our sympathy in view of what
has taken place," he added, "and
wouldn't get any if I had my way."

Court Restrains Hospital

Roseburg, Ore., Feb. 3.—A per-
manent injunction was issued yester-
day against the Welchster hospi-
tal for the care of tuberculosis,
prohibiting the building the san-
itarium near here.

Bulletins

Washington, Feb. 3.—President Wilson vetoed today a bill authorizing patenting of 77 acres of public lands in Montana for game preserve purposes by the Milk River Valley Gun Club. "In my opinion," the president said in his message, "the legislation proposed is not in the public interest."

Copenhagen, Feb. 3.—A procession of the unemployed, estimated to number 48,000, carrying flags, left the city hall square here this afternoon marching toward the parliament buildings and the king's palace, demanding work.

Minneapolis, Minn., Feb. 3.—K. M. Stewart, Chicago, pilot in the Minneapolis-Chicago air mail service was instantly killed when the plane he was piloting fell three miles out of Mendota, near here, according to information sent here. The machanician was injured.

Washington, Feb. 3.—Favorable report on the resolution providing for the return from France of the body of an unidentified soldier for burial in the new amphitheatre at Arlington national cemetery was ordered today by the house military committee.

Washington, Feb. 3.—Relief for wheat growers of Montana and the Dakotas was proposed today in a bill introduced by Representatives Young and Sinclair, republicans, North Dakota. It would authorize the secretary of agriculture to contract with the growers in those states for production of grain through advances of part of the production cost out of government fund of \$4,000,000.

Patriotism

Theme Rules Lower House

Dawes Tells Probers He's Glad Army Was Not Composed of Partisans

The house of representatives devoted a large part of its time Thursday towards insuring patriotism in the educational institutions of Oregon. The Gordon bill, H. B. 23, requiring the oath of allegiance to be taken by all teachers in public, private and parochial schools and other institutions of learning, passed without opposition, as did the Belknap bill, H. B. 186, prohibiting aliens and disloyal persons from teaching in public schools and state institutions and providing a penalty for violations.

Belknap called attention to the growth of socialism and un-American theories and the promulgation of disloyalty in the colleges and schools. Davey of Marion, as an American born on foreign soil, heartily supported the measure.
Hindman of Multnomah protested against the measure as drawn as tending to provincialize higher educational institutions by barring foreign teachers. Inasmuch as an amendment provided that temporary foreign lecturers were not barred from instruction, his point was deemed covered.

Punch Board Knocked Out.
The house delivered a knockout blow to nickel-in-the-slot machines, punch boards and slot boards by passing H. B. 230, introduced by Hindman at the request of the district attorneys association of Oregon.
Bennett of Coos opposed it as a futile attempt to make people good by depriving men of a chance to get a box of candy for 10 cents and make respectable citizens criminals.

Davey supported the bill and held the punch board an unfair gambling device and tending to promote the spirit of gambling. Hindman declared that if the legislature was going to legitimate gambling, it throw open the doors.

Only 11 votes were cast against the measure.
H. B. 108, by Hyatt, amending section 10050, relating to assignment of widows dower, passed with out opposition.

H. B. 158, by Sheldon, to repeal an absolute section regarding location of mining claims, so as to harmonize with federal laws governing mining locations, and enable miners to locate more than two claims as prohibited under the old Oregon laws, was passed without opposition.

H. B. 82, amending chapter 172 of 1919 laws, and licensing and regulating the same brought forth a spirited debate over the salary of the real estate commissioners. The majority report recommended a salary of \$3000 a year and the minority report \$2200. A motion was made to substitute the minority report and it was lost, and the majority report adopted.

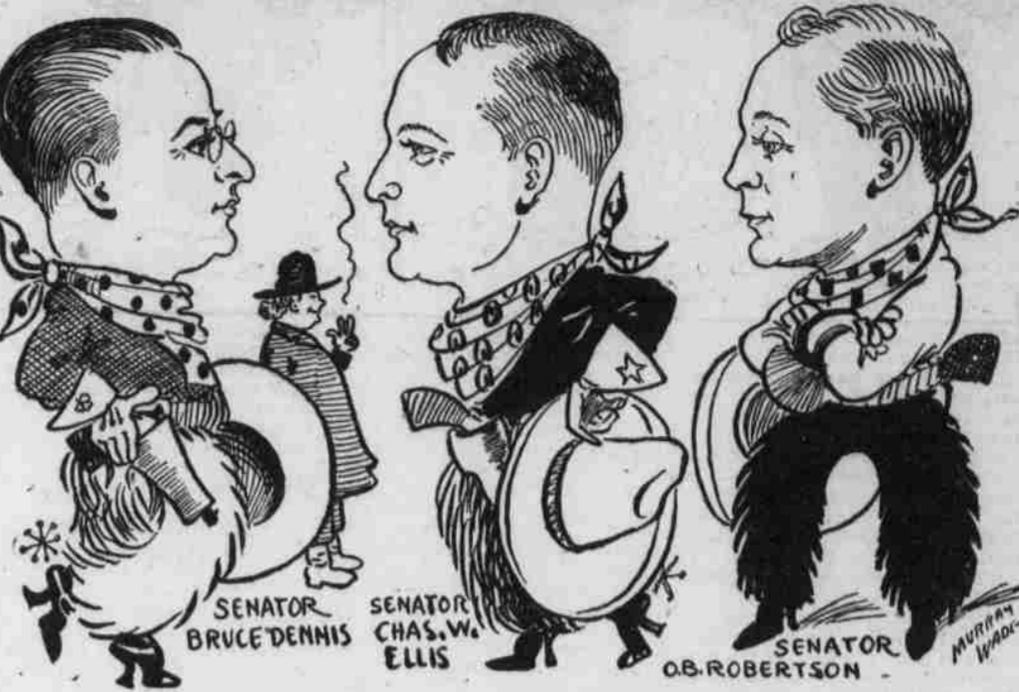
Kay of Marion viewed the measure as one built a fence around the really brokerage business and made entrance difficult. Martin of Marion favored the majority report. Other speakers were Wells, Korrell, Johnson, Woodson and Gordon.

S. B. 116 was taken from the table and referred to the committee on revision of laws.
Senate bill 77, by Joseph, amending the inheritance tax law came forth with a divided report. The bill makes any transfer of property made with decedent directly or within two years before death shall be presumed to have been made in contemplation of death within the meaning of the law.

The minority report opposing the measure was championed by Stone of Clackamas. Kay of Marion also opposed the measure, holding the law at present sufficiently strong.
Korrell spoke in favor of the measure which was tabled until printed amendments were received, on motion of Davey.

H. B. 23, by Hyatt, was withdrawn on motion of its author.

The Wild and Woolly Trio of The Senate



Jury Finds Frost Innocent; Other 9 Cases Dismissed

After deliberating some 12 minutes, the jury in the "test" case against Jack Frost, charged with selling cigarettes to minors, returned a verdict of not guilty yesterday afternoon. The jury was made up of W. E. Anderson, R. C. Halley, J. A. Baker, G. S. Newberry, B. E. Edwards and D. Webster. Cases against nine other local merchants, against whom like charges had been preferred, were dismissed by Police Judge Earl Race this morning on motion of City Attorney Smith who held that the evidence was insufficient for conviction. The other dealers, arrested January 22 by Chief of Police Moffitt were Fred Walker, J. C. Campbell, Joe Bonomalia, R. P. Rowdy, H. G. Damon, Payne Morley, Louis Cohn, Jim Engle and J. Streator.

The trial took up several hours yesterday afternoon and was witnessed by a packed court room. Considerable difficulty was experienced in securing a jury. Jack Frost did not take the stand during the hearing.

Organization Of Improvement Areas Favored

Organization of improvement districts for logged off and burned over areas was approved by the senate this morning without opposition. The bill which was introduced by Senator Norblad in collaboration with Representative Miles, provides for the organization of districts similar to those obtaining in the case of irrigated lands, to provide for the improvement of logged off and burned over areas. And in the improvement of these areas would be extended to the owners thereof in the form of loans made from a fund derived from the sale of bonds to be authorized by vote of the land owners in the district.
Salaries of \$3500 a year for the county treasurer, auditor and superintendent of schools of Multnomah county were also approved by the senate in passing bill No. 94 introduced by Senator Joseph and amended by the committee on county and state officers, to include the treasurer and auditor along with the school superintendent. At the present time the treasurer receives \$2500 a year, the auditor \$3000 and the school superintendent \$2500. Senator LaPollet went on record against the salary increases which he characterized as an epidemic.

2 Men Enter Hospital, Carry Away Big Safe, And Steal Over \$300

Quietly driving up in front of the tuberculosis hospital about 2 o'clock this morning, two men possessing the combined talents of safe crackers and house movers, stole the hospital's safe, placed it in an automobile, drove down the road for about one mile, smashed open the combination and escaped with more than \$300 in cash and \$150 in checks. The safe, its parts disseminated and battered, was left lying in the middle of the road.
No clue which might lead to the identity of the thieves has yet been found, Sheriff O. D. Bower, who staged an investigation early this morning, stated this afternoon. Dr. G. C. Bellinger, who is in charge of the hospital, admitted that there are two or three persons under suspicion.
Safe Not Heavy
Fresh tracks of an automobile that had stopped in front of the building were found by Dr. Bellinger early today after he had found the safe to be missing. The safe, although rather large, is comparatively light, he said, weighing less than 200 pounds. It might easily be carried by two men.

Iron Worker Falls 16 Stories Works Again Today

New York, Feb. 3.—Nathan Cohen, structural iron worker, who plunged from the top of a new sixteen story building in Broadway yesterday, reported for work this morning.
His fall was broken by a heavy canvas debris receptacle, stretched from the fifth tier. His little finger was sprained.

Seen In The Crimelight

Salt Lake City, Utah, Feb. 3.—Alexander Holmes, bricklayer, 60, was stabbed to death at his home here today when he resisted robbers who called upon him to deliver his money.
Holmes staggered to a neighbor's house, furnished a description of his assailants and died.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Feb. 3.—Harry Proctor Beckham, alias H. Beckham, alias Walter Charles Warren, alias W. L. Edwards, under arrest at Butte, Mont., will be brought here for trial on a charge of forging and cashing checks, calling about \$1500 on local firms. Beckham is said to be the son of a prominent business man of Louisville, Ky.

Ritzville, Wash., Feb. 3.—Negotiable notes worth \$10,000 liberty bonds owned by employees, and other securities to a total value of \$15,000 to \$18,000 were stolen by burglars who cracked the safe in the office of the Miers-Shepley department store here last night. It was discovered today. No arrests have been made.

Mitchell, S. D., Feb. 3.—R. G. Stapleton, assistant cashier of the Corona, S. D., State bank, was shot and killed this morning by robbers who escaped with a considerable amount of money, according to a report received here by L. J. Welch, secretary of the South Dakota Bankers' association.

Huns Consider Reparations Is Yet Unsettled

Berlin, Feb. 3.—Germany does not consider the terms of reparation decided upon by the supreme allied council as being the final settlement of the indemnity question, out the basis of future negotiations. This was indicated by Dr. Walter Simons, foreign minister, who spoke before the Reichstag yesterday.
His address was viewed as a cautious statement by party leaders who were willing informally to discuss it. The prevalent opinion was that Dr. Simons had not burned his bridges behind him, and that his presentation of the German attitude might enable him to gain important time, both in anticipating the attitude of the new American administration and in reaching a definite settlement of the fate of Upper Silesia.
Rumors have been current that the German cabinet would resign, but they have been given little credence. Only the communists stand out as the opposition. The opinion was expressed that the independent socialists could adopt no other attitude than one of stern opposition to the reparation conditions, under which the proletariat would be the greatest sufferers. This view was promptly subscribed to by majority socialists who have made it known they would stand by the present government.

Sunday Baseball Held O. K. If Not Commercialized

Columbus, Feb. 3.—"Sunday baseball is all right when it isn't commercialized," declared Rev. Dr. J. J. Tisdall, pastor of the Wilson Avenue Church of Christ, discussing the subject, "What Can We Do on Sunday?"
Expressing the belief that every one should go to church on Sunday morning, he advised that people, after noon, "get out and enjoy God's great temple."
He recalled the adverse comment and denunciation heaped upon the heads of another clergyman and himself when they started Sunday amateur baseball games in another city.
The reparation demands are above all a blow at the German workman, Dr. Eduard David, majority socialist leader, and former member of the ministry declared to the Associated Press.
An authority on finance finds that only one rich man's son in seventeen dies rich.
The farm bureau movement is growing rapidly in Texas.

Huns Preparing Data To Oppose Allied Demands

Copenhagen, Feb. 3.—The German government has summoned its financial experts to prepare counter proposals on reparations for submission to the supreme council in London February 28, according to the Politikens Berlin correspondent.

London, Feb. 3.—While offering determined objection to the allied reparation demands, Herr Severing, Prussian minister of home affairs, declared at a meeting of majority socialists that Germany should not decline all the demands in an angry fit but should try to convince the allies that Germany was doing what she could to satisfy reparation requirements, says an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Cologne today.

Substitute for Bill Regulating Packers Favored

Washington, Feb. 3.—Favorable report was ordered today by the house agricultural committee on a substitute plan for the senate bill for federal regulation of the meat industry. Under the substitute, control of meat packers would be vested in the department of agriculture and stockyards be placed under the interstate commerce commission.
The committee voted to ask for a special rule to expedite the legislation in the house.

President Calls Special Session

Washington, Feb. 3.—President Wilson, acting on the recently communicated request of President-elect Harding, today issued a proclamation calling a special session of the senate to convene March 4.

Shoe Prices Will Slump Here Soon, Mr. Price Thinks

Prices of footwear in Salem will again drop in the near future, in the opinion of O. E. Price, of the Price shoe store, who was yesterday inadvertently misquoted as holding that prices would either remain as they are at present or even rise. The statement erroneously credited to Mr. Price was made by J. B. Litter of the Bootery.
"Although it will affect me unfavorably in a financial way, it is my honest belief that price of shoes will take another drop before long," Mr. Price said. Although the price of leather is back to a pre-war basis, wages have not yet been noticeably reduced, he added.

Funds for Army Of \$150,000 Pass

Washington, Feb. 3.—The house voted today to make an appropriation sufficient only for the maintenance after July 1 of a regular army of 150,000 men.

Politics Make Investigation Joke, Claim

Representatives Ap- prove Proposal to Make All Teachers Take Oath

Washington, Feb. 3.—Turning sharply upon house war investigation committees as a whole, Charles G. Dawes, former head of the army supply procurement service in France, told one of them today that the value of their work had been rendered useless through injection of partisan politics.
"I bitterly resent this effort to reflect upon the entire army because some poor devil blundered in Switzerland," he shouted. "You cannot put a blotch on the army. What the hell did we go in for—so steel money? It was not a rebellion or a democratic war. It was an American war and yet as a rule these committees try to bring in partisan politics."
Says Investigation Joke.
"You could use your time investigating to a better advantage right here trying to save disgraced government waste. You could save more money for the people. But as to these you haven't got evidence to make a case if one existed and I don't believe it does."
"I am not here to make charges that would blacken the name of a soldier who cannot come in to be heard."
Asked about grafters who followed the American army to France, General Dawes said:
"For six weeks here, some of the most despicable characters on earth, trying to help the army by selling it things it needed at exorbitant figures. There was one man we caught and deported. What's his name? Oh, what's the use? I am not a muckraker. He was a traitor and I wish we could have shot him."
Words Are "Expressive."
There were many women at the hearing, but it did not seem the general, who swore constantly.
"Long after this committee is dead and gone, the achievements of the American army will stand as an everlasting blaze of glory," he declared. "You have tried to make a mountain out of a mole hill, but thank God the army was American, not republican nor democratic."
Asserting that the people were tired of war talk and fault finding, General Dawes, hanging the table, said:
"There's no news in it. If I wasn't here strutting around and swearing there would be no news in this."
Pershing Defended.
Mr. Dawes flung out a streak of oaths as he took up the attempt to criticize General Pershing.
"It will be 25 or 30 years before Pershing's place in history is fixed," he said. "He could not have won the war had he sought to put popularity above duty. And let me tell you—the doughboys now complaining will live to see the day when they will be proud that they fought under him."
Declaring authority and responsibility in the army should be centralized in peace times as well as in war times, General Dawes said the American army was "deteriorating again into a bureaucracy which is bound to prove inefficient."
Says "Pinheads" Prattle.
"Look at the pinhead politicians who are raising hell about nomination for men who earned their name in France," he exclaimed. "They're doing it for petty reasons. It's a dirty shame, I wasn't in the regular army but I can be fair."
The committee was told "the next war" would "break out overnight," and that the army and navy probably would get into a row as to which was to boss the affair.
General Dawes declared the United States aviation program had been "a terrible failure" largely because of "overconfidence and inexperience."
"Even if we didn't have the planes, we had the aviators—the best in the world," he added.

Salem Needs Dog Catcher; Want the Job?

Wanted, a dog catcher! Salem has the dogs, the ordinance and a place to put 'em but no one to catch the canines which are allowed to run loose.
Street Commissioner Low and other city officials are up a stump. They can't get anybody for the job. Nevertheless, they say that section one of ordinance No. 1404 is going to be enforced if they have got to do it themselves, and it looks very much like they'll have to.
The ordinance reads that anybody allowing their dog to run at large within the city limits will be subject to a fine of \$100.

Gasoline Price Again Reduced

New York, Feb. 3.—The Standard Oil company of New Jersey today announced an additional reduction of one cent a gallon in the price of gasoline in New Jersey, making the wholesale price 24 1/2 cents.
The price in Louisiana was reduced two cents a gallon, making the wholesale price 23 1/2 cents.
Police Ambushed
Sillobergen, Ireland, Feb. 3.—Four policemen were ambushed last night at Dromoleague, County Cork, by twenty men. One of the officers was killed and one seriously wounded. The others escaped.