

Average for 1920, 5260. Population of Salem 1900, 4255. 1910, 14,094; 1920, 17,078. Marion County 1920, 47,177; Polk county, 14,181. Member of Audit Bureau of Circulation. Associated Press Full Leased Wire.

Capital Journal



Salem, Oregon, Wednesday, February 23, 1921

OREGON: Tonight—fair and colder east portion; Thursday fair; moderate easterly winds.
LOCAL: No rainfall; westerly winds; clear; maximum 48, minimum 40, set 41; river 10.5 feet and falling.

Price Three Cents

Legislature Rushes On Toward Adjournment

State Marks House Action

House Grinds Measures Through Morning and Afternoon

The hands of the senate clock to eleven thirty the morning of the adjournment session die, and the legislature for a period of two days is in a waiting position. The lower house to wind up its session, which is to be consummated by the adjournment of the senate in a concurrent session this morning.

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Governor To Get More Pay Unless He Vetoes Legislative Measure

Will Governor Ben W. Olcott, who made a plea for great economy when the thirty-first session of the Oregon state legislature assembled, veto senate bill 378, passed by the house last night? It raises his salary from \$5000 a year to \$7500 a year. The bill passed with 36 ayes and 15 noes as the record.

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Bulletins

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