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THE WEATHER
OREGON: Rain west, snow east por-
tion; moderate southerly winds.
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min. 33; cloudy; south wind; river 5 ft.

FORTY-FOURTH YEAR NO. 303

SALEM, OREGON, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1922

PRICE TWO CENTS

ON TRAINS AND NEWS
STANDS FIVE CENTS

STATE TAX BILL SET AT \$8,835,295.39

WILLAMETTE ENDOWMENT FUND RAISED

Success of Campaign Is
Assured Before Final
Hour; Campaigners and
Students Celebrate.

The forward movement cam-
paign for an endowment of \$1-
\$10,000 for Willamette university
went over the top well before the
midnight deadline last night, and
reports dribbling in today indi-
cate that the amount has been
oversubscribed by several thou-
sand dollars.

Up to 2 o'clock this afternoon
there had been received and offi-
cially booked pledges totaling \$1-
\$15,978. It was also reported that
about a thousand dollars more had
been received in pledges but had
not been officially checked. It is
expected that pledges which were
taken in far parts of the state up
to midnight last night will not arrive
for at least another day.

Celebration Staged.
Assembled at Eaton hall from
about 9 o'clock on were approxi-
mately 300 students and friends of
the university who were receiving
the report of the progress of the
campaign as it was being made.
At 10 o'clock the word was given
that there was about \$16,000 lack-
ing with the next report stating
that the amount was within sight.
A few minutes before 12 o'clock
the word was given out that the
amount had been pledged with a
margin to spare.

Almost simultaneously with the
sheering of the students was heard
the blowing of the whistle of the
spinning mill which continued

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RAFFETY RAPS FOOL DRIVERS

Reckless drivers should be
placed in the same category as
those who attempt to drive auto-
mobiles while in an intoxicated
condition, according to T. A. Raffety,
chief of the state traffic squad,
who has included such a recom-
mendation in his biennial
report to Secretary of State Koser.
The term "reckless driving"
should also be clearly defined,
Raffety points out.

Raffety would also require ap-
plicants for a driver's license to
pass a thorough examination be-
fore being granted such a license.
Other recommendations includ-
ed in Raffety's report include:

A reciprocal arrangement with
other states for the licensing of for-
eign cars operating temporarily in
Oregon.

Encouragement of greater use
of pneumatic tires on truck
equipment in excess of three and
one-half tons capacity.

Stricter adherence to the rule
of the road against parking cars
on the hard surfaced portions of
highways outside city limits.

Compulsory inspection of motor
vehicle equipment such as brakes
and lights with certificates of such
inspection filed monthly with the
secretary of state.

The use of only one spotlight,
its location on the car to be fixed
by law.

Raffety also expresses opposi-
tion to the employment of traffic
officials on a fee basis, as prac-
ticed in some Oregon counties.

RIESSBECK IS NOT GUILTY

John Riessbeck of Salem was
found not guilty of a drunken-
ness charge by a jury in the police
court yesterday afternoon. Riess-
beck was arrested several days
ago.

The case against Oliver Riess-
beck, charged with operating a
car while intoxicated, was indefi-
nitely postponed by Judge Race.

Begonia, Sask.—Jack Taylor, Can-
adian heavyweight wrestling cham-
pion, defeated L. A. Johnson, St.
Paul, in straight falls.

STOCKINGS WELL FILLED; NEED MORE FOOD

Old Bedstead and Chairs Are Needed At Once

An appeal was made this morn-
ing by Harry Levy, president of
the Associated Charities, for a
bedstead and some chairs.

There is a family which has
been brought to his attention
which has been deserted by the
husband for over a year and the
mother is doing all in her power
to support herself and five chil-
dren. However, to and but
for the generosity of neighbors
the case would have been a
Mr. Levy's attention was
drawn to this case by a
woman who is best
described as a case where the moth-
er is doing her best without complain-
ing. This is what appealed to Mr.
Levy.

At present part of the family
are sleeping on the floor. There
are enough bed covers to keep
them warm but they find the
floor pretty hard. Chairs are a
minus article and boxes are used
both for chairs and a table.

NEW MARKET PLAN NEEDED

Cooperative System Held
To Be Salvation; Dod-
son Cites Examples Of
Others' Success.

Discussing "Cooperative Mar-
keting," W. D. B. Dodson, sec-
retary and manager of the Portland
chamber of commerce, speaking
last evening at the Sunnyside
school house before members of
the Marion county federation, de-
clared that within a few years the
Willamette valley will be regard-
ed as one of the greatest produc-
ing areas in the west.

California grows about 200-
000,000 pounds of prunes each
year, and records of plantings
show that this will increase to fully
500,000,000 pounds within the
next few years, Mr. Dodson said.

Industry Growing.
In Oregon and Clarke county,
Washington, the average prune
crop is 60,000,000 pounds. Yet
there are enough plantings in the
state to produce 1,000,000,000
pounds.

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PIERCE TALKS TO REALTORS HERE

"It is my intention to do all that
I can to aid in the redistribution
of and cutting down the taxes where
possible so that the farmers will
not be forced to carry the brunt of
the burden as is now the case," said
Walter M. Pierce, governor-elect of
Oregon, in a short talk today noon
before the Marion-Polk county
Realtors at their weekly luncheon.

"The taxes have advanced in Ore-
gon at such a rate that Oregon tak-
en as a whole is forcing its farmers
to pay half the rental value of the
land for taxes. I want your friend-
ship and advice."

A resolution was passed which is
to be directed to Senator Charles
McNary, Washington, D. C., asking
him to use his influence in seeing
that a number of farmers are ap-
pointed as directors of the Federal
Loan banks. At present there is
not a farmer on the board.

HEARING DATE CANCELLED

The hearing before the inter-
state commerce commission on the
petition of the Oregon commission
for railroad construction in cen-
tral and southern Oregon, which
had been set for January 15, at
Portland, has been cancelled, ac-
cording to information received by
the commission here this morning
and a new date will be set later.

SECOND ARMS CONFERENCE IS PROPOSED

Untangling Of Economic
And Financial Snarls
Is Borah's Aim; Arms
Reductions Sought.

Washington, Dec. 21.—A con-
ference of the world powers to
consider economic questions to be
called by President Harding for
discussion of possible agreements
to establish more stable financial
and business conditions and also
to bring about a reduction in
land and sea armaments was pro-
posed by Senator Borah, republi-
can, Idaho, in an amendment of-
fered today to the pending naval
appropriation bill.

The bill carries cash appropri-
ations of \$295,604,000, an in-
crease of \$1,797,000 over the
house, and authorized transfer of
\$35,000,000 additional from un-
expended miscellaneous funds to
the new construction fund, which
was left at \$55,000,000 by the
senate appropriations committee
without change from the house
authorization. The bill as re-
ported to the senate exceeded the
budget bureau's requests by about
\$450,000.

Of the committee increases,
\$1,000,000 was added to the \$3-
000,000 fund for the new naval
reserve corps and \$550,000 addi-
tional provided for torpedo con-
struction.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The
navy appropriations bill with the
house provision requesting the
president to call another naval
disarmament conference to limit
construction of vessels under 19-
000 tons was reported today to
the senate.

The man who was seen in the
vicinity of Liberty and Owens
streets today had a black
moustache and wore a black
overcoat.

Subscribers to The Journal
are advised that the only au-
thorized collectors for The
Capital Journal are the boys
who deliver the papers.

WOMEN PROTEST RETURN OF FATTY

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 21.—A meet-
ing of the city federation of wom-
en's clubs has been called to con-
sider the reinstatement of Roscoe
Arbuckle in motion pictures.

Mrs. Charles Siegesmond, chair-
man of the moving picture com-
mittee of the federation, today de-
clared that the organization would
oppose the return of Arbuckle.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 21.—
"Complete oblivion" as far as the
public is concerned, is demanded for
Roscoe Arbuckle, film comedian, in
a statement today by the fifth dis-
trict federation of women's clubs.

A copy of the statement was sent
to Will Hays, chief of the motion
picture industry, and Jesse Lasky,
vice-president of the corporation
which formerly distributed the Ar-
buckle films.

ESPEE DENIES BLAME FOR FATAL ACCIDENT

In the suit filed by W. L. Sun,
administrator of the estate of
Cooley Sun, who died Sept. 5, 1920,
against the Southern Pacific rail-
road, the defendant has filed an
answer stating the following
facts:

That when Cooley Sun was killed
in the accident, he was riding on
an automobile near the switching
tracks of the company, between
Front and Ferry streets. That the
auto on which he was riding was
suddenly turned in front of an
approaching car. That the driver
of the auto was not watching, as
the approaching car and engine
could have been plainly seen.

That although the car and engine
stopped within car length, it was
too late to avoid the accident.

New York—Walter Kinsella,
world's professional squash tennis
champion, retained his title by de-
feating James Reid in the second
of three matches scheduled.

KIDDIES TO MEET SANTA CLAUS AT JOURNAL OFFICE



Santa Claus will be at the office of The
Capital Journal Saturday afternoon at 3:30
o'clock. He has invited all little Salem boys
and girls to meet him at that time.

His visit, primarily, is made with a view
to learning, at first hand, what each little
Salem boy and girl wants. While at the of-
fice of The Journal he will distribute a sack
of candy and nuts to each youngster who
shakes his hand.

Over long distance telephone Santa Claus
explained this afternoon that his visit here
will be necessarily brief, due to the fact that he is exceptionally busy.
"But I want to meet all your little boys and girls who can be at
The Journal office," he said. "I want to shake hands with them, have
them tell me what they want for Christmas, and give them a little
candy and nuts as an opener. Of course the boys and girls will under-
stand that, some time, I can not give them everything they want for
Christmas."

Santa Claus expressed satisfaction when told of the assistance he
had been given in Salem.

"I want every little boy and girl to tell me whether or not he's
been good, too," he said. "Tell all them to come down Saturday
afternoon."

PUBLIC WARNED FIND BODIES OF AVIATORS

Salem people are warned to
look out for and asked to re-
port to The Capital Journal the
appearance of a man about
45 years of age, who has been
visiting Salem homes purport-
ing to be a collector for The
Journal.

The man when seen in the
vicinity of Liberty and Owens
streets today had a black
moustache and wore a black
overcoat.

San Francisco, Dec. 21.—The
charred bodies of the missing avia-
tors Colonel Francis C. Marshall
and Lieutenant Charles Webber,
have been found on the Pablo In-
dian reservation about 75 miles
west of Tucson, Ariz., the South-
ern Pacific railroad offices here
were advised this afternoon in
dispatches from Tucson.

A cowpuncher, the advices
stated, came upon the bodies near
what is known as Indian Oasis.
The bodies lay in the wreckage of
the fliers' machine. It is not
known whether Colonel Marshall
and Lieutenant Webber were
killed when they crashed to earth
or burned to death afterwards.

BOARD TO REVISE RULES FOR NAVY

Washington, Dec. 21.—A joint
committee of five reserve officers
and five regular army officers has
been appointed by Secretary
Weeks to revise regulations of the
officers' reserve corps in connec-
tion with the particular questions
of promotion, dual status of offi-
cers with both reserve and national
guard commissions and also
with reference to examination of
reserve officers for commissions as
general officers.

The statement said objections
had been made to the present
"complicated arrangement" in-
volved in the dual status of offi-
cers holding both national guard
and reserve corps commissions and
the suggestion was made that com-
mission in the army of the United
States be substituted so that "as-
signments could be made to any
component" of the army.

BELIEVE MINT THIEVES FOUND

Denver, Colo., Dec. 21.—Police
riot squad armed with machine
guns left Denver at 3 o'clock
this afternoon for Greeley, in re-
sponse to summons from Sheriff
Hall, who stated that he had a
gang believed to be the robbers of
the federal reserve truck sur-
rounded in a ranch house and
that they were beating off per-
sons sent to arrest them with
shotguns.

The armored police riot car
and two automobiles filled with
detectives carrying machine guns
and sawed off shotguns were sent
by Chief of Police Williams in re-
sponse to the call for help from
the Greeley sheriff. Greeley is
about 50 miles north of Denver.

KELLER HEARING ENDED

Washington, Dec. 21.—Hearing on
the Keller charges against Attorney
General Daugherty were closed to-
day by the house judiciary com-
mittee, which is expected to report
to the house after the Christmas hol-
idays.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 21.—Police in-
spectors announced early today after
long questioning of Miss Helen
Leary, a waitress, aged 29, and
Cash Weir, a riverman, aged 63,
that they were unable to reach any
definite conclusion as to the accu-
racy of a story told by the woman to
the effect that she had witnessed
through a knothole of a houseboat
on the Willamette river here the
killing of an unidentified girl, aged
about 15 by Weir September 23,
last.

ASK CHICKENS AND BEANS TO FILL BASKETS

Sugar, Milk, Also Wanted
Elks Basement Flooded
With Yuletide Presents
And Money Is Given.

More chickens, beans, sugar and
milk are needed by the Salvation
Army for its Christmas baskets. If
goodfellows in Salem will contri-
bute these, their task is completed.

Today donations were pouring
in at both the Elks lodge and the
army headquarters. Salem has
given as it never gave before and
workers were confident that none
who need help will be overlooked
December 25. They declared that
Salem, with its goal so near, will
not quit now.

No less than 200 contributions
have already been received by the
Elks who, with the Salvation
Army and The Capital Journal,
are conducting the Christmas
work. Over in the basement of
the lodge are long tables weight-
ed down with gifts which are to
make Salem's needy happy on
Christmas morning.

Today the Elks were somewhat
behind in their work, due to the
large number of calls from con-
tributors who were unable to de-
liver packages. Special automo-
biles were put in action and Harry
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CONSPIRACY TO ROB NAVY YARDS FOUND ON COAST

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 21.—An
alleged conspiracy to steal thou-
sands of dollars worth of govern-
ment property from the United
States navy yard at Bremerton,
Wash., has been uncovered by fed-
eral agents, it was announced here
today after a federal grand jury
had returned indictments charging
Clifford G. Mekeel, navy yard em-
ployee, and Gerald Lee Clarke,
Bremerton merchant, with steal-
ing equipment from government
warehouses.

The specific charge in the in-
dictments against Mekeel and
Clarke is the theft of vacuum
tubes and radio head sets valued
at about \$70. Officers working
on the case have, however, recov-
ered radio equipment valued at
several thousand dollars, alleged
to have been stolen from the navy
yard and have traced shipments of
other goods to many cities and
towns in Washington and the Pa-
cific northwest, federal agents de-
clared. More than a score of other
persons were said to be involved
in the alleged conspiracy.

Six secret indictments were re-
turned by the grand jury and
bench warrants were immediately
issued for the persons involved.

COURT HOUSE LAWN WILL BE BEAUTIFUL

The four corners of the court
house lawn will be planted in
specia shrubbery, including ever-
greens and flowering shrubs, un-
der the auspices of the Salem
Floral Society, and under the im-
mediate direction of a committee
of which Mrs. H. J. Clements is
chairman.

Work began this morning in
the way of preparing the ground
on the northwest corner of the
square, and will be rapidly pushed
forward. The two large flower
beds, which were planted to
gladioli, will be grassed over.
About \$250 will be spent by the
society in beautifying the court
house lawn.

GIRL MURDERED WOMAN ALLEGES

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spectors announced early today after
long questioning of Miss Helen
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racy of a story told by the woman to
the effect that she had witnessed
through a knothole of a houseboat
on the Willamette river here the
killing of an unidentified girl, aged
about 15 by Weir September 23,
last.

Both are held pending further in-
vestigation and police were endeavor-
ing to find Earl Weir, son of the
riverman, for his version of the al-
leged affair. According to the wo-
man's story, the son had entered the
house boat just after the girl had
been killed and had aided his father
in placing the body in the river from
a launch.

The elder Weir continued today to
assert the story, declaring it had
been entirely manufactured and the
police and deputy District Attorney
John Mowry were closely question-
ing the accuser to test her state-
ments.

Miss Leary said she had been in
Portland since September 1, that she
came with her brother, his wife and
children from Omaha, Neb., and that
she remained in Portland and they
went on to Ashland, where they are
now.

Heart Throbs Prove Burglar's Undoing; Pulse Identifies Him

New York, Dec. 21.—Harry
Sinclair, arrested last night as a
burglary suspect, has been
identified by his heart throbs.

Thinking the prisoner's de-
scription tallied with that given
by Dr. Henry Moeller as the
man who last Sunday
night entered his office as a
patient and beat and robbed
him, police sent for Dr. Moel-
ler. Assisted by his son, also a
physician, Dr. Moeller exam-
ined Sinclair with a stetho-
scope and declared the prison-
er's heart beat was the same
as that of a man he examined
in his office Sunday. Sinclair
said he was an actor.

FARM LOANS ARE SUCCESS

Annual Report Of War
Finance Corporation
Shows Farmers Succeed
When Financed.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The
American farmer has demon-
strated that when properly fi-
nanced he can weather the worst
economic storms, the war finance
corporation declared in its annual
report sent to congress today. The
report set forth that 41 per cent
of the money advanced to the agri-
cultural industry had been repaid
either in advance of maturity or
when due.

Advances by the corporation
saved the industry many millions
of dollars, the report declared, ex-
plaining that the corporation's of-
ficers believed its activity had
proved as beneficial in the restora-
tion of confidence as in the actual
pouring of cash into spots where
credit was tightest. The loans
had made it possible for thousands
of farmers to handle their products
in an orderly fashion, it was add-
ed.

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CORN FEEDING OF CATTLE INCREASES

Washington, Dec. 21.—Cattle
on feed in the eleven corn belt
states of December 1 showed an
apparent increase of 25 per cent
over a year ago while stocker and
feeder shipments for the 11
months ending November 1, were
very heavy having been exceeded
only twice in his history of the
country, the department of agri-
culture announced today. Out-
side the corn belt there were mix-
ed increases and decreases. Ap-
proximately 20 per cent more
sheep and lambs were on feed than
a year ago, with the eleven corn
belt states showing 10 per cent
more.

Shipments of stocker and feeder
cattle and calves from 67 public
stockyards for the four months
preceding December 1 were the
heaviest on record, being 2,620-
000 head, compared with 1,868-
000 during the same period last
year.

STAD BOSTON WOULD STUDY OREGON ETHICS

The department of education of
the commonwealth of Massachu-
setts is interested in the code of
ethics as adopted several years
ago for teachers in Oregon.

Today Mary L. Fulkerson, coun-
ty superintendent of schools, re-
ceived a letter from Boston, in
which the department of educa-
tion of the bay state stated he had
heard of the code of ethics for
teachers in Oregon. He request-
ed a copy and also the privilege
of using certain ideas and phrases
of the Oregon code. His request
will be granted.

TOTAL LEVY IS \$540,993 BELOW 1922

State Expenses Will Ab-
sorb Over \$6,800,000
Of Aggregate Amount
To Be Raised.

A total of \$8,835,295.39 must
be raised by the taxpayers of Ore-
gon for state purposes under the
levy for 1923, according to the tax
levy promulgated today by Gov-
ernor Ritner, Secretary of State
Koser and State Tax Commissioner
Lovell of the state tax commission.
This is \$540,993.72 less than the
amount raised for state purposes
this year which totalled \$9,376-
289.11. Both levies include the
special millage levies for educa-
tional, bonus, road and plement-
ary school purposes. Deducting
the elementary school tax, which
is levied by the state but retained
in the various counties for the
support of grade schools, the net
state tax for 1923 will be \$6,816-
297.07 as compared to \$7,334-
680.72 in 1922.

The 1923 levy, in addition to
covering the estimated needs of all
state institutions and departments
for the coming year, also covers all
deficiency appropriations for the
biennium 1921-1922 aggregating
\$210,000, all appropriations made
by the legislature at the special
session in December, 1921, aggre-
gating \$212,000, interest amount-
ing to \$10,196.45 paid during the
past year on warrants endorsed by
the state treasurer "not paid for
want of funds," and \$400,000 esti-
mated as necessary to cover the
cost of new buildings and repairs
on existing buildings at the vari-
ous state institutions during 1923.

The estimate of needs for the
maintenance of state departments
(Continued on Page Seven.)

TRAFFIC FINES GROW STIFFER

The high cost of "steppin' on
the gas" and otherwise violating
the state traffic laws has increased
more than 400 percent in the past
year, according to T. A. Raffety,
chief of the state traffic squad.

In his biennial report to Sec-
retary of State Koser, Raffety points
out that the average fine imposed
upon traffic law violators which
only \$3.28 in 1921 had jumped to
\$13.60 in 1922, "showing clearly
the desire of the courts to coop-
erate," with the traffic officials in
the enforcement of the rules of the
road.

Several jail sentences were impos-
ed during the past year but prac-
tically all were suspended, the report
points out. Courts also suspended or
revoked operators licenses in cases
brought before them by local offi-
cers.

THE PRIDE OF PALOMAR

The Capital Journal an-
nounces as a Christmas offer-
ing to readers publication in
serial form of "The Pride of
Palomar."

By Peter B. Kyne
Author of "Kindred of the
Dust," "Cappy Ricks'" stories,
etc., for which it has secured
exclusive rights in this terri-
tory. This is the best book Mr.
Kyne has yet produced and it
ranks as one of the season's

Best Sellers

It is a colorful romance of
the west, glimpsing western
life and western problems, full
of action, of absorbing interest
and well worth while.

Publication begins Saturday
next.

Watch For It