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FORTY-SEVENTH YEAR No. 264

SALEM, OREGON, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1925

PRICE THREE CENTS ON TRAINS AND NEWS STANDS FIVE CENTS

ZONING COMMISSION NAMED

\$300,000,000 TO BE LIMIT OF TAX CUTS

House Ways And Means Committee Accepts Estimate Of Treasury As To Possible Reduction.

Washington, Nov. 5.—(A. P.)—Widespread reduction in income tax rates were voted today by the house ways and means committee.

The committee, which is drafting a new revenue bill, decided to recommend reduction of the maximum surtax rate from 40 to 20 per cent.

Personal exemptions were increased from \$1000 to \$1500 for single persons and from \$2500 to \$3500 for married persons.

The normal rates were reduced from 2 per to 1 1/2 per cent on the first \$4000 of taxable income.

From 4 per cent to 3 per cent on the next \$4000 and from 6 per cent to 5 per cent on taxable income in excess of \$8000.

The committee also voted to extend the \$400 exemption for dependents to apply to children who are in school up to 21 years of age.

Million Escape Tax. The increase in personal exemptions was estimated to remove more than one million persons from the income tax rolls.

The total reduction approved in these rates was placed at \$200,000,000 annually. Secretary Mellon had recommended a reduction of about \$140,000,000 in the revenues from income taxes.

The 40 per cent maximum surtax rate now applies on incomes in excess of \$200,000 but the 20 per cent maximum set by the committee would apply over \$100,000.

The graduated scale of surtax rates applying on incomes under this amount is yet to be worked out.

The committee also voted to retain the present 25 per cent reduction for earned incomes up to \$10,000.

Washington, Nov. 5.—(A. P.)—A tentative limit of \$300,000,000 as the total amount of the forthcoming tax reduction was determined today by the house ways and means committee.

This is the figure set by Secretary Mellon. It was agreed to by the committee after it had gone over estimates of government expenses for the next fiscal year with Director Lord of the budget.

Although some members favored a greater reduction, Director Lord stated there was little likelihood of a treasury surplus exceeding \$500,000,000 at the end of the fiscal year.

Chairman Green, announcing the committee's decision, said it was not absolutely binding and indicated the limit might be exceeded if necessary to accomplish the widespread tax revision desired by the committee.

AD CLUB HEARS SELLING TALK

Joseph King, advertising manager for Katoany Bros., addressed the Salem Ad club at its noon luncheon today.

"Advertising is a great medium for spreading truthful knowledge of merchandise," Mr. King said in part.

"Modern advertising presents to the shopping public ideas about the stock carried, a medium where by contact may be established between merchant and customer so most necessarily be conservative, not exaggerated or misleading."

Mr. King related how he has started in the advertising business years ago by ringing a bell and calling out his wares much like the old town crier of the seventies.

GOOD EVENING WORDS AND MUSIC

PILGRIM'S PROGRESS Once, when the world was very young. And full of pomp and pride. This phrase adorned the sage's tongue.

"Let conscience be your guide." Wild oats or wheat a person sowed Depending on his private code.

Whether that was the proper gait Is neither here nor there— But think of what a dreadful weight

One's conscience had to bear; Always deciding, late and long. If this or that were right or wrong.

It's rather less uncertain now. When neither I nor you Need sit up late with furrowed brow.

Deciding what to do. For there's a law, in terms exact. To cover each and every act.

The world do move; where once each man His own opinion took. Now everything proceeds by plan.

And some men fall, while others soar— Which was, I think, the case before.

Earlier this month it was announced that the world's population is 1,804,187,031. As a loyal member of commerce member, we instinctively demand a recount.

In figuring the population of the world, how does one count the people who are leading double lives and those with dual personalities?

The New York hospital that is using radio concerts to put its patients to sleep will accelerate the demand for recordings of their own works by minor poets.

SALEM AS CITY OF 150,000 IN 15 YEARS VISIONED

"The Pacific northwest is the talk of the east from one end to the other," Frank N. Derby, recently returned from an extensive tour of the country, told the Marion-Polk county realtors' association at its weekly luncheon this noon.

People throughout the east are at present more interested in Oregon and the northwest than in any other section, even Florida, he said.

"Fifteen years from today Salem will be a city of 150,000 people without a question. You can't stop it. Within the next 10 years I am convinced that there will be half a dozen or more new factories here."

The growth of this section, Mr. Derby stated, will be due in a large measure to the increased travel due to the advent of the automobile and good roads.

Conditions in the middle west are prosperous so far as the cities are concerned, the speaker indicated, but for the most part very poor in the way of farming conditions.

"There isn't a farm that one of you would live on," Iowa, he declared, is nearly as bad, and Ohio is a little better.

Chicago Heiress Who Left M'Cormick at Altar, Now Engaged

Chicago, Nov. 5.—(A. P.)—Mary Landon Baker, the Chicago girl who twice left Allister M'Cormick waiting at the church and who several times since has been reported about to be wed, figures again in an engagement story.

This one comes from London, where the Daily Graphic says she has pledged her troth to Captain Ralph Peto, 45-year-old World war veteran, divorced two years ago by a cousin of the Duchess of Rutland.

Captain Peto and Miss Baker are in Venice, from where she has sent word that she will sail for home November 17. She did not mention any engagement and relations could not be reached.

Mr. Alfred L. Baker, her mother, is with Mary.

Later she fled from Chicago with the titled bridegroom-elect in not pursuit. His further plans for a marriage were futile and later, in England he married another.

Washington officials hopeful of outcome of Peking customs conference if civil war does not interfere.

SORHUS ASKS GUN AND MAP BE RETURNED

Man Held For Alleged Attempt To Plant Pistol On Prison Grounds Says Seizure Unlawful.

Nagel Sorhus, under arrest for endeavoring to place a revolver on the penitentiary grounds during the trial of Tom Murray in circuit court here, has filed with the county clerk a petition asking the court to direct the district attorney, sheriff and clerk to return to Sorhus, the revolver and a letter and map taken from his rooms in Portland, on the grounds that Sorhus and his room were searched and the article taken without warrant or authority of law.

Sorhus declares that in taking the articles in question he was deprived of his constitutional rights. He asserts that the district attorney threatened to use the revolver, letter and map against Sorhus and that consequently his rights under the constitution are threatened.

Sorhus declares in his affidavit that on October 10, this year, and for a long time prior thereto he resided at the Ohio hotel in Portland.

He states that on October 10, while in Salem certain officers of Marion county, without warrant or authority of law took from his person and against his will and defense, a revolver.

He declares that afterward officers of Marion county and Portland entered the defendant's home in the Ohio hotel in Portland and without warrant and authority of law took a letter addressed and signed by Frank Falten and a certain map.

The letter in question was one from Falten in convict, in regard to Sorhus placing a gun on the penitentiary grounds and the map indicated where it should be left.

Sorhus is being held to the grand jury here to answer to the charge of attempting to leave the weapon on the prison grounds.

ASSASSINATION IS FRUSTRATED

Rome, Nov. 5.—(A. P.)—Announcement of the frustration of an attempt against the life of Premier Mussolini, which was to have been made yesterday while Rome was celebrating the seventh anniversary of the Armistice with Austria created a political sensation throughout the country today.

In Rome the former socialist deputy, Zaniboni, was arrested just at the moment, police said, when he was leaving his hotel to make the attempt. At Turin the retired general Louis Capello, a prominent Mason, was arrested on a train leaving the country. Zaniboni's secretary also is held.

HEAD OF SCHOOL FOR DEAF QUILTS

O. L. McIntyre, who has been superintendent of the state school for the deaf since October, 1922, today presented his resignation to the state board of control, and it was accepted to be effective November 27. Mr. McIntyre resigns to accept the superintendency of the Iowa School for the Deaf at Council Bluffs, where he will receive a salary of \$4000 a year, just twice what he receives in Oregon.

Also he has received indications that there may be an increase in the salary in Iowa in the near future.

McIntyre came here from Oklahoma to succeed E. S. Tillingshast, former superintendent of the Oregon school.

The state board has not yet decided on a successor to Mr. McIntyre and no applications have been received. The resignation was expected some months ago, but after the school year opened it was believed he would remain here.

TWO CONTRACTS LET ON THEATER

Indicating the steady progress being made on construction of the new Elmore theater on South High street for George Guthrie, the contracts for the plastering and the seats in the new house were let yesterday.

The plastering contract, which includes all of the plain and ornamental plastering as well as the stucco work on the front of the building, was let to David L. Hogan of Portland, who expects to be able to commence work in about three weeks.

The 1416 seats are to be supplied and installed by the Heywood-Walfield company. The seats will be of three types for the main floor, Mezzanine balcony and main balcony, and all will be upholstered, the colors harmonizing with the interior decoration scheme.

Mr. Guthrie announces that he expects to have the structure roofed over in about two weeks.

AERONAUTICS REGULATION IS ADVOCATED

Creation Of Control Bureau In Department Of Commerce Advocated By Probers.

Washington, Nov. 5.—(A. P.)—Creation of a bureau of civil aeronautics in the department of commerce with broad powers to regulate and promote all civil and commercial flying in the United States forms the central recommendation of the committee on civil aviation which was appointed by the department and the American council last June to make an exhaustive study of the question.

Possibilities Great. The committee, of which J. Walter Drake, assistant secretary of commerce is chairman, declares in its report, made available for publication today, that the possibilities which it sees for the development of commercial aviation in the United States can be realized only through a continuing program of government assistance for the industry. The lack of this of a definite legal status and government control for the industry it found, have been the chief causes for its failure to keep pace with the development in Europe.

In addition to its function of regulating air navigation, including licensing of pilots and inspectors.

SCHOOL PUPILS ARE VACCINATED

Following on the heels of a smallpox scare that had been thought to be subsided, a general vaccination of pupils of Richmond grade school was staged yesterday. Approximately 200 of the 300 pupils in the school were vaccinated.

It was found on Tuesday that the school had been exposed to the disease, Pauline Herron, who up until that time was thought to have chicken pox, was on Tuesday pronounced by her physician to have smallpox. The name of Etta Vickers, a pupil at Richmond school, was also reported to the city health officer as having smallpox, but no report of the fact was made to Richmond school authorities. It was stated at the school this morning, Clarence Wolfe also came down with smallpox. He is a Richmond pupil.

Clark, a gold beater, died early yesterday after being beaten on the head at his garage with a stone mason's hammer. A few hours before the attack, according to Mrs. Clark's statement as given out by police, she had promised the friend, an unemployed, hand-some young iron worker named Joseph H. Cowen to follow him next week to Florida.

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She said, according to Hillside police, that Cowen had given her \$500 of the \$2000.

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Cowen has been a jewelry salesman and insurance agent. He was arrested four years ago charged with abandoning his wife and four year-old daughter and is under bond to give \$5 a week. Under New Jersey law he can be held on suspicion until 5 p. m. tomorrow. Police expect little from an examination of finger prints on the hammer as it had been handled by several persons. Clark was attacked when he got out of his automobile to open the garage door after spending Monday evening with friends.

LOCKWOOD WILL LEAVES \$40,000

The estate of Andrew Fletcher Lockwood, who died near here recently, is valued at \$40,000, according to a petition for letters testamentary filed in probate. Apparently from the document, the property being admitted to probate includes shares of stock in the W. and A. Fletcher Co., a marine engine manufacturing company of Hoboken, New Jersey, founded by the grandfather of Andrew Fletcher Lockwood.

In a will disposing of the shares the deceased provides that they shall be held in trust for his wife, Ruth Lockwood, the Security Savings & Trust company of Portland being designated trustee, and the trust company also being named as co-executor under the will with his wife, Ruth Lockwood.

The will provides that in the event of the death of Ruth Lockwood, the shares are to be transferred to the children of the deceased's uncle, Andrew Fletcher. Should these children die before his wife dies then the shares are to go unconditionally to his widow.

William S. Walton, G. H. Grabenhorst and L. P. Aldrich are named as appraisers.

If You Were a City Councilman?

NOTE—For the best letters of 300 words or less submitted during November the Capital Journal will give three prizes of \$10, \$5 and \$2.50. The letters must be on "What You Would Do If You Were a Councilman" and should be addressed to the Contest Editor. The letters must be signed by the name and address of the sender, but the letters will be published by number only, and the judges will judge them before learning the names of the writers.

Number Four. Contest Editor: A safety zone so that all traffic would not be blocked while a few people are getting on or off a street car. A municipal auditorium so that a decent sized crowd could meet at Salem on a cold or rainy day—Eugene investing in a \$500,000 one. Issue \$20 twenty year bonds at six per cent and sell them to the resident taxpayers in \$100 to \$1000 denominations.

Abolish the city council. Have three commissioners just as the county has, and pay them no more as they handle less business for less people.

Make motor cars stop where cross streets cross a main highway.

Prohibit newspapers reporting minor or major operations on men or women.

Number Five. Contest Editor: Vice-President Marshall once interrupted a profound discussion of our country's basic needs, as propounded in the United States senate, with this statement: "What this country really needs is a good five cent cigar."

It might be well to take heed of the thought that must have inspired the late Mr. Marshall to make his statement. Perhaps in the case of Salem something seemingly more less useless and out of place in a serious discussion of the city's needs, might prove in the end to be of real benefit.

Now upon every hand we hear the plea that the Willamette valley, of which Salem is the heart, needs more advertising. "What we

Love Tangle Is Suspected In Brutal Murder

Newark, N. J., Nov. 5.—(A. P.)—William J. Clark's best friend is in jail at Hillside, N. J., on a suspicion of murdering him with a hammer, and Clark's pretty young widow has admitted, police say, that she and the friend had a \$2000 "elopement fund" on deposit in a Newark savings bank.

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Change in Road to Silver Creek Falls Is Asked

Sam Matheny, well known strawberry raiser of the Silver Falls country, and others have filed a petition with the county court asking for a change in the routing of the road to Silver Creek falls from the Union Hill school house to the falls.

The petitioners claim that under their proposed route they can secure a 5 per cent grade to the falls, while under the route now used there are heavy grades, and there is one steep hill, which has a 20 per cent grade or better.

The petitioners urge that the road follow in a general way the old south road which is more or less neglected and they outline a change whereby three miles of old road would be put in on the old south road which they declare would perfect a highway with a maximum grade of 5 per cent as required on market roads by the highway commission. The proposed new route would follow Drift creek a considerable distance of the way and furnish a water grade down from the falls, the petitioners say.

Because of the difficulties and expense which would be involved in cutting down the steep grade at the present route and changing it over so as to make a moderate grade, it is understood that county officials will carefully look into the proposal before the road is finally permanently improved into the falls.

Teacher In County's Smallest School Has Two Pupils Enrolled

County Superintendent Fulkerson yesterday visited Marion county's smallest school—that is with the smallest enrollment—at Oakdale near Taylor's grave in the San Juan county.

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Mrs. Fulkerson also visited the Mehana school yesterday and found the enrollment there unusually curtailed because of the closing down of the Silverton lumber company's camp children of families connected with the camp having figured largely in the enrollment in the past. The Powell school where there are only two pupils enrolled and was eight pupils enrolled.

CITY SCHOOL BUDGET CUT TO VERY BONE

Excess Item of \$9,600 For Increase In Salaries Of Teachers Next Year Is Eliminated.

With the announcement this morning by George Hug, superintendent of schools, that the school budget in this city would be cut sufficiently to eliminate the \$9600 deficit originally carried in the budget, that the expected special election would be held this year. The budget, as presented to the special tax committee tonight, will provide for expenditures to come within the 6 per cent increase in revenue as provided by state law, Mr. Hug says.

Sacrifices Made. "In eliminating the extra amount, I have cut the budget to the quick," declared Mr. Hug this morning. "Things have been eliminated that are really needed and doing without them will mean reducing the efficiency of our school system to a considerable degree."

Reason for his decision to cut the budget was his belief that in case of a special election there would be a strong probability that the budget would not be sanctioned by the voters, Mr. Hug stated. In which case "we would be left without any budget at all."

With the probability that the special election will not be held, the chance of city school teachers to secure their increase in salaries, as requested by them, is considered to have gone glimmering.

Insurance Reduced. A cut has been made at every possible point where contracts for expenditures have not been made, Mr. Hug stated today. In his estimate he reduces the amount to be expended for insurance on school buildings in the city, from \$1650 to \$1000. Five hundred dollars has been cut from the estimate for personal service, which will be felt when extra work of repairmen is to be done. The same sum has been cut from the amount allowed for fuel. "We'll just have to let some of our oil tanks get empty and not fill them until next summer," says Mr. Hug. "The sum allowed for grading the athletic field east of the Parrish junior high school has been eliminated. The bill will be paid out of a small sum left over from last year's expenditures, the superintendent stated. The total amount expended on the field has been nearly \$2000.

The sum allowed in the new budget for library supplies and educational equipment has been practically eliminated. Whatever new books and other current supplies are needed this year, the system will have to do without, Mr. Hug indicates.

Whether or not a special election will have to be called next year cannot be determined. Revenue

Board given Wide Powers Under Ordinance Fulfilling Provisions Of Legislative Act.

Appointment of the seven citizens who, with the mayor, city attorney and city engineer are to comprise the city planning and zoning commission created by the council under an ordinance passed July 22, was announced by Mayor John B. Giesy this morning. The commissioners selected are:

George H. Grakenhorst, real estate broker; C. B. McCullough, state highway department bridge engineer; Cornelia Marvin, state librarian; Harry N. Crain, managing editor Capital Journal; William Bell, insurance agent; Guyler Van Fatten, contractor and builder; and William Hamilton, local manager for the Portland Electric Power company.

The delay in the appointment of the commissioner, authorized more than three months ago, was occasioned by litigation pending in the state supreme court over the constitutionality of the Portland city zoning ordinance which was declared legal in an opinion handed down this week. The local ordinance follows closely in form the Portland ordinance, both being enacted under the provisions of a legislative act of 1919 giving to incorporated cities control over city zoning, planning and building.

Powers Are Wide. The powers conferred upon the commission under the ordinance in conformity with the state statute, while principally of an advisory and consulting nature, are wide, and practically gives to the commission control over "the laying out widening, extending, parking and locating of streets, sidewalks

MITCHELL LETS WITNESSES GO

Washington, Nov. 5.—(A. P.)—Further compromise in the matter of witnesses and documentary evidence were made today between the prosecution and defense counsel of the court martial trial of Colonel William Mitchell, accused of conduct during the air controversy prejudicial to good order and military discipline.

Colonel Mitchell agreed to withdraw requests for subpoenas for Major General Robert C. Davis, adjutant general of the army, Rear Admiral Henry Jones, president of the Shenandoah inquiry court, and Major A. N. Kropfstaff of Luke Field, Honolulu.

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