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UNSETTLED
Probably rain late tonight or Wednesday in north portions. Strong southerly winds, moderate temperature.
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Forty-seventh Year No. 268 SALEM, OREGON, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 1925 PRICE THREE CENTS ON TRAINS AND NEWS STANDS FIVE CENTS

NUISANCE TAXES VOTED OUT

CITY BUDGET TENTATIVELY FORMULATED

Estimated Needs for 1926 Show \$16,405 Increase Over This Year; Salary Boosts Proposed.

The tentative budget for the city of Salem, to be considered at an important meeting of the city council tonight, and finally considered at a joint meeting of the council and the citizens' budget committee next Thursday night, totals \$268,723.65, according to figures at the office of City Recorder Poulson. This is an increase of \$16,405.50 over the budget for 1925, which totaled \$252,318.15.

The new budget estimate has been calculated according to the provisions of the 6 per cent tax limitation amendment to the state constitution and takes up all the increase that is possible under that amendment.

Matron Gets Raise.
Among the increases provided for in the new budget is an increase of \$300 in the allowance for clerk hire in the city recorder's office. This contemplates among other things a small increase in the salary of the deputy recorder.

Another item of increase is in the salary of the police matron for whom a rise from \$1200 to \$1320 a year is proposed.

In the expenses of the police department in which an increase from \$2115 to \$4000 is noted, the jump is accounted for by accident insurance fees which are to be paid from the fund.

Very interesting is the result of the new drunken automobile driver.

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GOOD EVENING WORDS and MUSIC

By Stoddard King

THAT QUESTION!
When Horace wrote his famous odes And made them popular in Rome That well known burg to which all roads Are said to lead—each new-penned poem He read aloud at some soiree, And always some bespangled friend Hastened to roll her eyes and say: "How do you think of that stuff?"

The situation was the same When William Shakespeare wrote his plays; He had to meet the girls who came to weep at all his mutinies; "Oh, Mr. Shakespeare," they would cry, "Come to our house some night to sup, "We want to hear, Mamma and I "How you think all those speeches are!"

Possibly Milton didn't find The gushing sort so hard to bear, For he, you may have heard was blind, And went—well, hardly anywhere. But Chaucer, who was always one That loved to tarry at an inn Was used to hearing: "It is fun To write? And how does one begin?"

The smaller fry, the lesser lights, Whose work is something less than great, Of whom 'tis murmured: "Yes, he writes," Can not escape the common fate, No matter though their stuff be poor, Some sweet young thing, with earnest look, Will gently warble: "Oh, Pa, sure 'Tis different since I read your book!"

It is the opinion of the Herbert Hadley, chancellor of Washington university at St. Louis, that a college should be an educational institution, not a country club. He is right. It is the exceptional college that has a campus large enough for a good 18-hole course.

It may after all be necessary to apply to Al Smith the jocular epithet once given another famous democrat, namely, the Beeslee Leader.

The government weather bureau has found, upon careful examination of its records, that 1925 has been an abnormally warm year. It is a great thing to have a weather bureau that can, with fact and figure, corroborate the unscientific recollections of the laity.

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ARMISTICE DAY PLANS COMPLETED

Legion to Have Charge of Celebration; Civic and Lodge Groups To Participate in Parade.

ARMISTICE DAY PROGRAM
9:15 a. m.—Football, William et al. vs. Albany College, Sweetland Field.
10:30 a. m.—Grand Parade, starting from Marion Sq.
2:30 p. m.—Football, Salem High vs. Eugene High, Sweetland Field.
9:00 p. m.—Fourth Annual American Legion Dance, Crystal Gardens and Armory.

Wednesday's Armistice day celebration in Salem will be the only one of its kind in Oregon to be staged under the complete charge of a local American Legion post.

The grand parade, now an annual affair, will form at Marion Square beginning at 10 o'clock. Marching is slated to begin at 10:30, immediately following the close of the Willamette university-Albany college football game.

From Marion Square the parade will march south on North Commercial street to the intersection of State and Commercial streets. There it will turn east, marching as far as Church on State street. Going north to Court on Church street, the parade will go a block west to the intersection of Court and High streets, turning south on High. The head of the parade will stop at the corner of State and High streets for the special exercises of the day, which will be held in front of the monument on the court house grounds. Everyone in the entire parade will face

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GOVERNMENT AIR POLICIES ARE ASSAILED

Witnesses Back Mitchell in Charges; Lack of Flyers on West Coast Pointed Out.

Washington, Nov. 10.—(A. P.)—The government's air policies both at home and in faroff American possessions were assailed today in defense testimony before the Mitchell court martial.

Captain Robert Oldys of the air service, called to support Colonel Mitchell's charge of near treasonable disregard of national interests in aviation, declared he had in his possession a letter written by the American minister to Guatemala in 1923, warning of a scheme by "alien interests" to establish a foothold in Central America near the Panama canal.

The minister, the witness said, unsuccessfully urged the Washington government to establish an air mail service to Central America. Actual presentation of the letter in evidence was delayed, temporarily at least, by objections from the prosecution.

Captain Oldys also quoted at length from the aviation report presented in 1923 by the Lasater board of army officers, containing recommendations for air defense of the Philippines and Hawaii, which the witness said, had been approved by the secretary of war, but never carried into effect. This report, he said, described the situation in the air service as "unfortunate and critical."

So many objections were interposed by the prosecution that Colonel Blanton Winship, law member of the court, reminded Colonel Sherman Moreland, the prosecutor, of his previous statement that he would not object to testimony intended to prove the truth of Colonel Mitchell's charges if it was offered in extenuation or mitigation.

Colonel Moreland said he must continue to object on the ground the witness being offered was "incompetent, irrelevant and not obtained from the best sources."

Captain Oldys then told the court that while he was stationed in Hawaii there were so many forced landings and airplane

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Reports of Change In Wardenship at Prison Rife Again

Persistent rumblings to the effect that the Oregon prison administration scandal, which came to a head with the escape of three convicts and the killing of two guards on August 12, has not been quieted by the hearing influence of elapsed time, and that Warden Dalrymple is to be deposed in the near future continue in circulation even in semi-official quarters around the state house.

Today the report comes that Dalrymple, whose position was thought secure through the fact that he was sent east last week to attend the national prison conference and to inspect other prison plants, is to be displaced during his present week and that Governor Pierce has already settled up on his successor. The resignation of Robert Crawford, superintendent of the prison fax plant, yesterday is said to be the first gun to be heard fired in the governor's clean-up campaign.

Whisperings that the Marion county grand jury which reconvenes the latter part of this week

or the first of next is to undertake the investigation of the prison escape demanded by the Capital Journal several weeks ago are said to have a bearing on the decision to name a new warden at this time. Observers are at a loss to otherwise interpret the action of the grand jury in recessing last Saturday when they had only two more criminal cases to consider. With Tom Murray, Ellsworth Kelley and James Willos convicted and sentenced to hang for the murder of the guards killed in the break, it is said that the grand jury is desirous of placing the blame for the negligence which made the escape possible.

Persistent demands of the churches for a prison administration which will wipe out the gambling and other various vices prevalent at the prison are also said to be behind the governor's purported decision to replace Dalrymple as warden.

Sheriff J. E. Reeves of Washington county, a democrat, is said to be the governor's choice for the appointment.

PAVING LEVY ON NORTH WINTER BASIS FOR SUIT

To prevent the city from levying what the plaintiffs believe would be an unjustly heavy assessment for the pavement of North Winter street, several property owners whose lots abut on Market, Belmont and E streets today filed a suit against the city.

The suit is to quiet title to portions of the property involved, this being deemed the simplest way to get at the case which is without precedent.

Because of the unusual size of the block it has two alleys running north and south and one alley running east and west between the north and south alleys. The city ordinance says relative to paving assessments that the property shall be assessed to the alley, or, in lieu of an alley, to the center of the block. The city is attempting to assess to the center of the block on the lots that do not have alleys back of them.

The suit was filed by Carl T. Pope as attorney for himself and wife, Elmer E. Armstrong and wife, Marvin E. Moore and wife, George Benson and wife, Dr. Fred W. Lance and wife, Amel Timm and wife, William Neimeyer and wife, Henry Schott and A. F. Schmale.

HIGHER PAY FOR TEACHERS UP TO BOARD TONIGHT

Final action on the question of referring the proposition of an increase in salaries of Salem school teachers is expected at tonight's meeting of the school board. The teachers this morning were unable to announce an exact schedule of the increases desired, but it was stated that the total would amount to an annual increase of approximately \$35,000.

The matter of exactly what to be regarded as a less of salary increase is expected to be threshed out by the board tonight. At previous meetings some discussion has been held over the question of whether salary will be given on the basis of the kind of instruction the teacher is doing, or the preparation the teacher has had. Members of the committee appearing before the board at its meeting a week ago declared that similar preparation should be rewarded with similar pay no matter in what part of the school system the teacher happened to be placed. Under the suggestion as offered college graduates would all be paid on the same basis, no matter whether they taught in high school or in junior high. Normal school graduates would all be paid the same whether they taught in the grades or in junior high school.

The present system of considering where a teacher works is said to result in a desire on the part of many teachers to get out of junior high school into high school, and out of the grades into junior high school. Supporters of the new basis of salary payment insist that pupils in the earlier grades of the school system are as competent as the pupils that are farther advanced.

CHURCH VOTES FOR EXECUTION OF DOOMED MAN

Denver, Colo., Nov. 10.—(A. P.)—The board of directors of a Denver church has officially voted in favor of a "warrior blooded execution" for Barney Haughey, prominent attorney and politician, who is suffering from a malignant disease, provided Haughey is found to be insurable and desirous of dying, and a way can be found to take such action legally.

The directors voted on the question at the request of Haughey, who lies in a hospital while physicians battle for his life. Haughey is a member of the institution—the Liberal church—which according to its bishop, Frank H. Rice, has members in every state in the union.

Bishop Rice announced that the directors voted "as an official act of the church" favoring "the warrior blood killing, based on our love and affection for Barney Haughey."

Haughey is 67 years old and was an independent candidate for mayor of Denver at the last election.

EIGHT EXAMINED FOR WEST POINT

Portland, Or., Nov. 10.—(A. P.)—Eight Oregon national guardsmen, three from Portland, took preliminary West Point entrance examinations today at the Fort-Land army post. The two high men in the rolls will be eligible to take the entrance examinations. Major Clarence M. McMurray headed the examination board.

Those who took the examinations were Corporal Jackson Jr., howitzer company; Corporal William Hamilton Jr., company H, all of 162nd infantry, Portland; Sergeant Weldon J. McEee, company T, 156th infantry, Medford; Sergeant Herman L. Walrunn, company C, 162nd infantry, Eugene; Private H. DuBois Lewis, company M, 162nd infantry Corvallis; Private Roy J. Laughlin, company A, 162nd infantry, McMinnville, and Private Emil Klinka, battery D, 249th, O. A. C. Corvallis.

COURT UPHOLDS VERDICT GIVEN CHRISTENSEN

The supreme court today affirmed a decree of Judge Percy E. Kelly in the case of M. Christensen against Clifford Reid, appellant, an action for damages for an alleged breach of warranty, appealed from Marion county.

Christensen bought from Reid four head of Guernsey cows at a public auction. He alleged that Reid warranted the cattle to be free from disease, but that after the purchase was made it developed that the cattle were afflicted with contagious abortion. Christensen sued for damages and won a jury verdict in the lower court. The defendant appealed, assigning errors in the admission of certain testimony and improper remarks made by one of Christensen's attorneys. There were 16 assignments of error.

The following opinions were handed down today by the supreme court:

Jack Starvangel, appellant, vs. Mary Ludden; appeal from Multnomah county; appeal from decree dismissing suit to foreclose mortgage. Opinions by Justice Brown, Judge George Taswell affirmed.

R. A. Davis, et al, plaintiff, vs. A. Bertschinger, appellant; appeal from Multnomah county; appeal from decree foreclosing mechanics lien. Opinions by Justice Hand, Judge George Roseman affirmed.

A. C. Billing vs. Portland Stevedoring company, appellant, appeal from Multnomah county; motion to dismiss appeal allowed in opinion by Chief Justice McBride.

Anthony Neppach, appellant, vs. Florence C. Norval, and Anna E. Nerval, executrix of estate of Kate M. Neppach; appeal from Multnomah county. Opinion by Chief Justice McBride. Judges J. W. Hamilton reversed.

Fred G. Hale of Albany was admitted to practice law in Oregon on a certificate from Ohio.

Petitions for rehearing were denied in *Rosier vs. Rosier*, and in *City Motor Trucking company vs. Franklin Fire Insurance company*.

A motion to advance on the docket was allowed in *State Bank of Portland vs. the State of Oregon*.

DEFENSE RESTS; BLAZER INSANE SAYS ALIENIST

Littleton, Colo., Nov. 10.—(AP)—The defense testimony of witnesses for Dr. Harold Elmer Blazer, Englewood, Colo., physician, who is charged with the murder of his daughter, Hazel, the 34 year old "child woman" who never grew from infancy, was brought to a close shortly before noon today when Lewis Mowry, chief counsel for the accused man, said briefly:

"The defense rests."

Dr. Howell T. Pershing, Denver alienist, was the last witness summoned by the defense. He testified that in his opinion the country doctor was insane on the day he was found in the Blazer home in a stupor, lying beside the lifeless body of his first born.

Pershing, a cousin of General John J. Pershing said that Blazer was ill from melancholia on the day the homicide was committed.

"The letters Blazer wrote, directing the disposition of his and his daughter's bodies, alone are enough to indicate to me that he was suffering from severe mental disorder," Pershing declared.

The courtroom was less crowded today than yesterday. The sensation seekers apparently had their fill and did not care to listen to the highly technical testimony of alienists, called by both defense and prosecution.

Walsh On Ship Board
Washington, Nov. 10.—(A. P.)—John Henry Walsh of New Orleans, today was appointed a member of the shipping board, succeeding Frederic I. Thompson, resigned.

SHERIDAN SAFE BLOWN BY YEGGS

Sheridan, Or., Nov. 10.—The safe in the postoffice was blown open here at 3:24 o'clock this morning and although there was a large amount of cash in the strongbox the three yeggs were frightened away before they had a chance to get their hands on the money. Hearing the explosion H. P. Karsten, a merchant who was sleeping in his store opposite the postoffice, looked out the window and shouted at the trio. One of the men fired a bullet through the window just above Karsten's head. As they ran the men scattered. They left their tools behind.

JURY IN M'MINNVILLE MURDER TRIAL PICKED

McMinnville, Or., Nov. 10.—As court recessed at noon today the jury had been selected to try J. F. Trent, McMinnville farmer, charged with second degree murder for the slaying of George O. Hamblin of Portland and the serious shooting of the latter's father, F. E. Hamblin.

Trent, it is charged, killed young Hamblin and wounded the father, on the night of September 25, when he believed them to be robbing his watermelon patch.

FATHER AND SON LUNCHEON HELD

"If we fathers don't do anything else let's be cognizant of our responsibility," said C. B. McCullough, president of the Salem Kiwanis club, at this noon's father and son luncheon of the club. Two main speakers, both members of the local club, spoke this noon. L. M. Gilbert, head of the boys' training school, spoke on the subject, "The American Boy." J. M. Devers, former district attorney in Lane county, made a speech on "The American Home."

"I think the father is the chief obstacle to be overcome," said Gilbert. "The boy will respond if he is given something to respond to." The only difference between boys of today and boys of former days, Gilbert declared, is that now the boys say what they think, while formerly they "were seen and not heard," although they had the same general thoughts.

TWO FAMOUS PILSEN BREWERIES CLOSED

Pilsen, Czechoslovakia, Nov. 10.—(A. P.)—Two of the celebrated breweries which produced the beverages which spread the name of Pilsen throughout the world, have been compelled to close because of the decrease in demand for beer and the rising cost of operating.

The depression in the brewing trade is not confined to Pilsen alone, for in the last few weeks, 20 breweries in Bohemia have ceased operations.

CONFERENCE SLAPS AT ADVERTISING BY RADIO

Washington, Nov. 10.—(AP)—The national radio conference today went on record as opposed to the sending of direct advertising matter over the radio. A resolution adopted in general session said the good will of the radio audience was obtained and kept only through the broadcast of entertaining programs of a high order.

FRENCH PLAN OF CAPITAL LEVY LOSES

Second Painleve Ministry Suffers Reverse When Committee Defeats Tax On Securities.

Paris, Nov. 10.—(A. P.)—A capital levy, described as a 15 per cent on securities, was defeated today in the finance committee of the chamber of deputies which is studying Premier Painleve's plan for financial restoration of the French treasury. This was considered a heavy reverse for the government.

The failure of M. Painleve to include real estate and landed property, confining the levy to securities alone, arrayed the deputies representing towns and cities against him. Following the vote, decided that it was necessary to consult President Doumergue and accordingly left the chamber for the Elysée palace.

Efforts to effect a compromise between the conflicting elements in the Painleve majority failed this morning and block of the left is now thought to be disrupted beyond repair. A cabinet meeting has been called for 5 p. m. to consider the situation.

The socialist leader, M. Blum, demanded the vote in the finance committee of the chamber of deputies on the socialist proposal for a capital levy.

Despite the defeat in the chamber committee it was declared this evening that the government would carry on, feeling that the decision must rest with parliament.

LEVIES UPON CIGARS AND ALCOHOL CUT

Washington, Nov. 10.—(AP)—Reduction of the automobile taxes and repeal of many of the special levies was voted today by the house ways and means committee. Under a provision approved by the committee, which is writing a new tax bill, automobile pleasure cars would be taxed at 3 per cent instead of five per cent and the levy on automobile trucks, wagons, tires and accessories would be wiped out.

The tax on all grades of cigars was reduced and the levy on alcohol was cut in half.

Many Articles Exempt
Other taxes which the committee would repeal are those on jewelry, camera lenses, photograph films and plates, firearms and ammunition, smokers' articles, coin operating machines, works of art and mah jongg sets.

No change was made in the taxes on admissions and dues, although the committee voted to exempt legitimate theaters housing the spoken drama from the admission tax if the treasury deems it advisable.

The following occupational taxes, which apply on proprietors, were repealed:

Brokers, including pawnbrokers, ship and custom house brokers; billiard rooms and bowling alleys, shooting galleries, riding academies, autos for hire, tobacco manufacturers and yachts and motor boats.

Tax Cut \$100,000,000
It was also agreed to reduce from \$3 to \$1 the annual tax on physicians who dispense narcotics and to cut from 50 cents to 25 cents the tax on each deed or conveyance amounting to \$500.

The total amount of revenue which the government would lose as a result of the changes would amount to slightly more than \$100,000,000 annually, Chairman Green said, and would wipe from the statute virtually every so-called nuisance tax.

Many of the levies which the committee voted to repeal yielded less revenue annually than it cost the government to collect taxes, said Chairman Green.

In reducing the alcoholic tax the committee would cut the rate of \$2.20 a proof gallon to \$1.65 a gallon effective as of January 1, 1927, and to \$1.10 a gallon effective January 1, 1928.

The cuts ordered in the taxes on cigars follows:

Small sizes from \$1.50 to 75 cents a thousand; class A from \$4 to \$2.50; class B from \$6 to \$4.50; class C from \$9 to \$7; class D from \$12 to \$10.50; class E from \$15 to \$13.50. It was estimated this would take \$12,000,000 annually from the tax burden on the industry.

Site For Linen Mill To Be Selected This Month By Directors

Board of directors of Oregon Linen Mills, Inc., at a meeting yesterday called for the purpose of considering the question of selecting a site for the new mill, decided to put over the whole question until a meeting next week at which time it is expected it will be thoroughly gone into. It is hardly likely that a site will be finally selected at that time, although the possibility will be marginally narrowed down and it is considered probable that a site will be purchased before the end of the present month.

So far about a dozen sites have been offered for consideration, some in the north end of the city along the river bank, some in the south end and some a little way out of town.

According to flax men, it is preferable that the mill will be located where running water is available in considerable quantities, which gives initial preference, without anything else being taken into consideration, to a site

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which is on a stream, although this is said to be not absolutely essential as a deep well could provide the water necessary if it came to a final show-down.

Another thing that the directors will take into consideration, it is understood, is the fact that there is a feeling among the board of directors that zoning agitation should be given thought in the selection of a site. The feeling is that wherever the mill is located it should have little as possible interference with residential development and be put in a place which will naturally fall into line for future factory development.

The directors at their meeting yesterday also issued a call for a 10 per cent assessment on subscribers of stock who have subscribed subsequent to the issuance of the first call on original subscribers. They report that payments of assessments on original subscribers are coming in good and there is a spirit evident of paying up as promptly as possible.

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 Sixteen
Contact Editor—If I were elected a City Councilman, the first thing I would do would be to thoroughly acquaint myself with the financial condition of the city, and if it were at all possible, arrange to build some bridges especially one on South Winter street, over which every tourist has to pass to enter our auto camp.

1—I would then improve and install more street lights in the residential districts, both for look and protection.

2—I would listen with interest to any taxpayer's suggestions, and if they had merit bring them up for general discussion in the Council.

3—Would bring the care of the boulevards under the Street Commissioner's department, so that same could be properly cared for all over town—assessing the cost pro-rata to the property holders. This would add greatly to the appearance of our streets.

4—Endeavor to see that all employees are working for the best interests of the city taxpayers.

Number Seventeen
To the Editor—What I would do or endeavor to have done if I (Continued on Page Five)