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TAX LIMITATION ASSAILED

HIGHER PAY FOR TEACHERS GOES TO VOTE

Compromise Plan Asking $30,000 Levy To Be Laid Before School Voters December 3.

A special election of Salem taxpayers will be held to pass upon the question of increased salaries for local school teachers, in accordance with action taken by the Salem school board at its meeting last night. The date of the election will probably be December 3, it was stated last night. The total increase asked amounts to $30,000, to be applied on salary increases for next year only.

The tentative schedule of salaries as adopted last night, and subject to possible minor readjustments, was as follows:

Schedule Devised

In the grades, normal school graduates without experience to receive $1050 for the 9 months school year. Normal graduates with one year's experience, $1100, and for two years, $1150. From this point the schedule runs up to a maximum of $1350 for normal

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GOOD EVENING

WORDS and MUSIC
By Stoddard King

PIPE DREAM

I am weary of warfare and worry
I am sated with science and sin
And I hate the habitual hurry
This poor planet's people are in;
I would rest from the roar and the riot,
From the furious fray I would flee,
My quest is not quarrels, but quiet
—James bring me my tea!

As I lie in luxurious languor
In my simple but suitable suite,
I am clear of the clamorsome clangor
Of the marts where the merchantmen meet;
I am far from the fuming and fretting
Of the bank and the busy bazaar,
With their gabble of gaining and getting—
James, light my cigar!

While others are wickedly working
And sordidly steeping in sweat,
I'm slyly and shamelessly shirking
The busy bond-buyer's best bet;
I have hidden from hustle and hurry,
From cash, credit, climber and cop,
I am weary of warfare and worry—
James, hand me the hop!

The opening of the autumn salon at Paris is said to have disclosed that cubist and futuistic art is no longer popular. What is one to say of futurism when it becomes a thing of the past?

What is the air service kicking about? It has been given a new dress uniform with a soft roll collar, and if that isn't a special distinction, the rest of the army doesn't know what a special distinction is.

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NATION PAYS RESPECTS TO WAR HEROES

President Coolidge Leads In Observance Of Armistice Day; Government Business Ceases.

Washington, Nov. 11.—(A.P.)—Custom of previous years was largely followed in the program of official observance today of the seventh anniversary of the World war armistice.

Leading the nation in its tribute to those who fell in the struggle, President Coolidge had arranged to make a pilgrimage to Arlington national cemetery to lay a wreath on the Unknown Soldier's tomb, following a custom inaugurated by President Harding. The presidential ceremony there was fixed for 11 o'clock, the hour of the signing of the armistice.

Activities Stilled

With all government business suspended for a minute or two at that hour as a tribute silence to the war dead, the president and his cabinet had suggested that the nation's activities as a whole might fittingly be brought to a momentary pause—in school, factory and wherever it was desired to pay that tribute.

Secretary Davis of the war department and Secretary Wilbur had arranged to accompany the president and Mrs. Coolidge to Arlington to lay wreaths on the tombs as the representatives of the two branches of the military service.

The tomb as in other years was also a mecca for thousands of visitors, joining in the tributes of various Washington posts of the American Legion. Three o'clock was the hour for service there conducted by Rabbi Morris B. Laxaren of Baltimore, one of the four chaplains who conducted the burial service for the unknown soldier.

Tribute To Wilson

In tribute to the memory of Woodrow Wilson, a twilight service will be conducted in Washington cathedral, his burial place. The war president will be eulogized by the Right Rev. James E. Freeman, Episcopal bishop of Washington, and the Rev. James H. Taylor, who was Mr. Wilson's pastor. At the conclusion of the service a wreath will be placed on the late president's tomb.

Armistice day messages were issued by Dr. S. Sparks Cadman, president of the Federal Council of Churches, and William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor. Dr. Cadman declared the bringing about of American adherence to the world court was the "immediate duty of the churches in keep fiant with the war dead."

"We must dedicate ourselves," he said, "to the stupendous task of banishing war from the earth."

Keep Faith, Says McQuigg

Denver, Colo., Nov. 11.—(A.P.)—America should keep faith with its war dead and bend its efforts

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MODIFY DRY LAW IS PLEA OF HARBORD

Decent Personal Liberty With Tax On Milder Beverages Is Advocated By Army Officer.

Chicago, Nov. 11. — (AP)—General James G. Harbond in an Armistice day speech today declared "a decent personal liberty as to milder forms of beverage, with the accompanying appropriate internal revenue tax, would obviate the necessity of an income tax in this country."

Whether the powers of our government shall be executive, judicial and executive, as contemplated by the constitution, or be distributed among a wilderness of commissions and committees, semi-legislative and semi-executive in character, but at all times outside the constitution, is a choice which the American people must make.

"The direct primary, outside the principles of representative government and marking the drift toward pure democracy which once established no government has ever long survived, susceptible of corruption, expensive and inefficient in the crop of office holders it has produced, charges your decision as to its survival.

"The amendment of the Volstead act, far wider in its application than was ever contemplated by the 18th amendment, its disregard of the constitutional provision against unreasonable searches and seizures, and the wholesale official corruption to which it has led, has raised an issue which partiotic Americans must face."

No intelligent person seeks the return of the saloon, said the general in urging a "decent personal liberty" which with free institutions, he asserted, are menaced from within and without.

No Curb Placed on Mitchell's Effort To Justify Charge

Washington, Nov. 11.—(AP)—After another long wrangle between counsel, the court martial trying Colonel William Mitchell today authorized the defense to proceed with its plan of bringing into evidence virtually all phases of the air controversy.

The flow of defense testimony was interrupted only long enough to permit the court to hear both sides and to retire for a brief consultation behind closed doors. The new subpoenaes were issued for 36 in an effort to prove the accusations against conduct of the government air services which led to his trial.

The court acted after its law member, Colonel Blanton Winship asked the defense counsel his reason for calling so many witnesses from distant places.

"We want these witnesses to prove the truth of what Colonel Mitchell has said about national defense," replied Representative Frank R. Reid, Mitchell's attorney.

Colonel Winship asked if it were not an appropriate time to decide whether the evidence was being offered in "extenuation, mitigation, or for defense of the accused."

"For the defense. To prove the truth," Mr. Reid answered.

Colonel Moreland in charge of the prosecution said it was his contention that the evidence was admissible only in extenuation or mitigation and "not as a defense."

"If the prosecution of the court refuses to summon the witnesses we need," replied Mr. Reid, "we will bring them here at our own expense."

The court retired to its private chamber and decided quickly to issue the subpoenas. Those summoned had been named in a list submitted by Mitchell several days ago.

The first witness questioned today was Major General Brant, an air service officer, now attached to the supply and conetruction branch of the general staff. Asked by Mr. Reid if he was qualified by experience for duty in the construction branch, he replied negatively, adding that he had been active in flying work.

Major Brant said he was sent to Hawaii during the recent joint army and navy maneuvers, and was confident that no attacking forces could have landed if the air forces had not been handled in a "round about" way.

PARADE GOES ON DESPITE HEAVY RAIN

Downpour Fails To Halt Armistice Day Observance Here; Dr. Smith Chief Speaker.

Rain enveloped the veterans and others who marched through the streets on the seventh Armistice day morning today. Uniforms were drenched, but not so the spirits of the men who participated in the march in honor of their dead comrades and in commemoration of the day which set the world afire seven years ago.

The American Legion drum corps, a long line of automobiles carrying veterans and prominent citizens, members of the Oregon National guard, the Cherrians, Salvation army, boy scouts and others all were represented in the parade which passed before hundreds who braved a driving rain as the flags went by.

Dr. Smith Speaker

At the court house fitting exercises were held, a flag was raised over the monument erected as a tribute to this county's dead in the world war, and the morning passed with a proper display of patriotic spirit regardless of the weather.

Dr. W. Carleton Smith spoke briefly at the court house.

"We meet today to celebrate a great international holiday," said Dr. Smith in part, "and pass word to the coming generation to 'carry on' but they forget," he said after quoting a verse from Kipling's Recessional.

"Seven years ago today when the command 'cease firing' was passed down the western battle front the world's greatest war had ceased into history. Yet today some of the scenes are as vivid as those of 1914-18. We see the sturdy Belgium stubbornly retreat from Liege to Ypres. The British and Colonial troops knee deep in mud hold the Flanders line. The

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AMENDMENT TO STATUTE IS AGITATED

Curb on Tax Increases too Drastic To Care For Natural Growth, Claim School Directors.

A plan has originated with the Salem school board whereby the aid of other school authorities in the state, and possibly officials of other tax-levying units of government may be sought to initiate a proposed constitutional amendment to make more elastic the 6 per cent tax limitation amendment of the state constitution. In lieu of an initiative measure the plan might be placed before the legislature and referred to the people.

The impelling motive is the fact, ascertained by communication with school boards of the larger cities of the state, that tax-levying possibilities under the present 6 per cent limitation are not sufficient to take care of the normal needs of growing communities. The Salem school board, in order to keep within the 6 per cent limitation, has found it necessary to trim the 1926 budget to a point where it is inadequate to take care of local needs and the board last night authorized a special election for a levy to increase the salaries of teachers a total of about $30,000 annually. Salem is said to pay its teachers the lowest salaries of all cities of its class on the Pacific coast.

Under the proposed change in the 6 per cent limitation amendment it would be allowable for any

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MOTHER IN LAW OF SLAYER SAYS DEFENSE FALSE

Medford, Or., Nov. 11.—Hyman Huntley, 58, a section crew worker on trial in the circuit court charged with first degree murder, heard his mother-in-law, Mrs. E. P.Counts, aged 69, and Cynthia Gibbs, widow of Jesse James Gibbs, 58, the man he is accused of slaying in a knife battle last September, testifying against him Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Counts testified that the morning after the fatal affray, she found "where Hattie had knelt in the shed, and saw the imprints made by her knees, and the toes of her soles." Mrs. Gibbs testified that she had "seen the same tracks" and "the cloth prints made by the knees." The defense contends that Mrs. Huntley went to the shed for a clandestine meeting with Gibbs, and the state that she went there to pray "for restoration of the home life."

The two women differed on one point in their testimony. The mother-in-law testified that she had arranged the prayer meeting, held before the tragedy by a Mr. Dewey, for the purpose of converting Hyman Huntley and because Mrs. Gibbs was unable to go to meeting.

The widow testified the meeting was for the purpose of affecting a reconciliation between the Huntleys.

Huntley and his wife went towards the house the evidence showed, and Mrs. Counts lingered and told Gibbs to go to her room. In the meantime the defendant and his wife were quarreling outside the house and Cliff Larkins, who was present, said: "I'll stop this fuss. I'm going to get a cop." Mrs. Gibbs testified she called to Larkins to come back, but "he's deaf and didn't hear me."

BUSINESSMEN OF PORTLAND TO VISIT IN SALEM

There will be fully 50 executives of Portland business houses in the second big auto excursion from the metropolis to the capital probably on November 20, according to a letter received by the chamber of commerce from E. N. Weinbaum, manager of the trade and commerce department of the Portland chamber.

Weinbaum writes that while November 20 is a tentative date, it probably will be held at that time and the executives expect to spend the entire day in Salem, calling on Salem business men and acquainting themselves with conditions in the town in general.

Weinbaum asks for the chamber of commerce date as to the industrial advance of Salem during the past five years so that proper publicity may be had in connection with the publicity to be given out concerning the trip and also in advising the various executives of the trip in letters of invitation to be sent out.

No one but executives of Portland leading business houses will participate in the visit and it is expected arrangements will be made here for giving the visitors proper entertainment and getting the business men of the two cities better acquainted.

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 Eighteen.

To the Editor:—Only a dream, but supposing I was a city councilman, what would happen?

Not anything radical, I assure you. I would take my seat among the rest, try to make myself agreeable and pattern myself after that honorable body of men who would be a credit to any city. Not one among them of the "rule and ruin" type and their harmonious team work with the mayor is most commendable.

I would not break up this harmony by introducing any revolutionary measures. As questions came up from time to time I would deal with them in a careful and business-like manner considering the economical and practical value for the future of a large city. "Be sure you are right, then go ahead," is my motto.

I do not believe in any rash or Russian experiments. The present form of city government can not be improved upon Even though a commission was paid $10,000 or $15,000 a year, it could not render any better service than the present system.

Whenever men take charge of a city affairs for the money there is in it, look out for bribery and graft.

Of course, there are things I would like to do. I would like to shut up all the "know it all" busybodies, fault finders and calamity howlers who are inclined to criticism and always on the contrary side. If the people wanted their opinions, why did they not elect them instead of us?

Also, I would try to keep shy of

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KEENE IS FOUND GUILTY BY JURY

A jury in police court yesterday returned a verdict holding Rex Keene guilty on a charge of possessing intoxicating liquor. The jury, which was composed of Charles C. Harris, Frank Gibson, Frank F. Richter, G. Ed Ross, R. A. Harris and Paul Acton, deliberated about 15 minutes.

The attorney for Keene moved for a directed verdict on grounds of technical error by City Attorney Kowitz in failing to bring out that the offense was committed in Marion county and the state of Oregon. This was overruled by the court, which held that a statement that it was committed in Salem was sufficient.

Docile Hen Latest Auto Decoration

Mr. and Mrs. Newton Smith of the Gray Belle have started a new style in automobile figureheads. Some folks like shields embellished in the national colors. Some folks like little windmills. Other folks like bathing beauties and some like winged figures of sundry designs. Mr. and Mrs. Smith like winged figures, chickens in fact, but not the bathing beauty kind.

The other day a farmer who had some chickens to sell brought them to Salem. He couldn't sell them so surreptitiously he turned them loose along toward nightfall in the vacant space back of the Gray Belle where Mr. and Mrs. Smith keep their car parked in a shed.

When Mr. and Mrs. Smith were ready to drive home they found a black chicken roosting on the spare tire and shooed it away. They drove home. Claude Belle was to be a guest at the Smith home that evening, and having preceded them to the house, opened the garage door for them.

"What in the dickens!" exclaimed Claude, "whose poultry flock did you run into?"

A white biddy was roosting on the ront bumper, soud asleep.

The Smith family locked the hen in the garage for future reference, but there was a hole under the garage wall which the hen took advantage of before she became a permanent asset.

MINISTERIAL CRISIS PASSES

Paris, Nov. 11.—(A. P.)—A ministerial crisis for the Painleve cabinet was averted, or at least postponed probably until early next week, when the finance committee of the chamber of deputies adjourned today to give the premier an opportunity to draw up a compromise plan which is expected to rally the support of the socialists.

KLAMATH LAKE GAME PROJECT RECOMMENDED

Washington, Nov. 11—(AP)—Indications that the region around Lower Klamath Lake in Southern Oregon and northern California, which has been found to contain but little land of agricultural value, may be established as a sportsman's paradise and a breeding place for migratory fowl was contained in a report to Secretary Work today by a special investigating committee.

The report, which was made public, recommended that the lake be converted into a drainage swamp in connection with the irrigation and drainage system of the Klamath reclamation project. The swamp would practically cover the bed of Klamath lake in California, re-establish a body of water between twenty thousand and thirty thousand acres in extent.

Most of the water has been shut off from these lands for several years through the construction of a railroad dike in the straits above the upper end of the lake. The lands may be flooded by opening the dike gates, but such action cannot be taken at present as the re-establishment of the swamp would involve the construction of some ten miles of levee to protect land now being farmed or suitable for farming. The report anticipates that legislation will be asked for the coming session of congress for the construction of the levee so that the area may again be flooded.

4 IRRIGATION UNITS ELECT

Bend, Ore., Nov. 11.—With only nine votes cast two directors were named by the Central Oregon irrigation district yesterday. G. N. Dorn was named for the three year term and Frank N. Davis to fill the unexpired term of W. VanAllen

The Deschutes county municipal irrigation district commonly known as the Tumalo, elected W. R. Gerking for the 3 year term and C. M. Jones to fill the unexpired term of L. E. Daigler, who resigned last spring. While there was little of a contest in the election, a fairly good turnout of voters was reported by D. J. McLellan, secretary.

With practically every one in the district voting, Snow Creek irrigation district elected Ed Dean to succeed E. Pringle.

Grants Pass, Ore., Nov. 11.—(A. P.)—Forbes Foxberry and J. C. Calhoun were yesterday elected on the board of directors of the Grants Pass irrigation district. Five candidates were in the race.

LEGION REFUSES TO PARADE WITH REDS IN BOSTON

Boston, Mass., Nov. 11.—(A. P.)—Rather than fraternalize with pacifist and radical organizations, the American Legion and many civic associations declined invitations to participate in today's Armistice day parade.

The Kiwanis and Rotary clubs were among the organizations refusing to parade.

There were particular objections to the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, the Fellowship of Reconciliation, the Fellowship of Youth for Peace and the League for Democratic Control.

These organizations have been retained, in spite of protests, because of the Rev. George Lyman Paine, chairman of the Armistice day committee, believes that they are committed to world peace in principle.

The parade was sponsored by the Federation of Greater Boston Churches.

Governor Fuller refused to designate a military man as chief marshal.

Members of the first army corps were instructed not to parade in uniform and the greater Boston council of Boy Scouts withheld permission for members to march.

In commenting on the peace parade, United States Senator Butler said that organizations had taken advantage of Armistice day which belongs to the veterans alone to express views not in accord with the meaning of the day.

STOCKS REGAIN PART OF LOSSES

New York, Nov. 11—(AP)—Stock prices staged a remarkable comeback today after yesterday's drastic decline in quoted values. Prices forged steadily upward, many issues recovering a substantial part of yesterday's five to seven point losses.

DuPont which broke 27 points yesterday, rallied 14 points to 245 and General Motors, Pathe Exchange, Mack Trucks and Hudson Motors moved 6 to 8 points, with scores of others selling two to five points above last night's final figures. The rapidity of the advance led to a temporary cessation of short selling nd rather extensive short covering after mid-day.

Oregon City, Nov. 11—By approximately a 3 to 1 vote, 880 to 317, Oregon City will retain its present form of city government. The victory yesterday was the second within two years for the administration, a vote to recall city officers having failed decisively early in 1924.

BOY ROBS STORE ON BUSY STREET

Portland, Or., Nov. 11.—(A. P.)—A youth, apparently scarcely more than 20, today held up J. N. Overhauser, manager of the Trail candy shop on Morrison street, one of the busy retail thoroughfares and escaped with $50 in cash. The robber first entered the store and inquired about a street car. Returning a few minutes later while Overhauser was counting money, the youth ordered him to turn over the cash. "Don't put up your hands," he added. "Don't bother to stick your head out the door. You might get it shot off," said the robber in leaving. He disappeared around a corner.

This was the second daylight robbery in Portland within the week.

BLAZER PLEA OF NO CRIME FAILS TO GET VERDICT

Littleton, Colo., Nov. 11.—(A. P.)—The "no seul—no crime" plea of counsel defending Dr. Harold Elmer Blazer, charged in district court here, with the murder of his 34-year-old daughter, Hazel, the "child woman" found no response in Judge Samuel Johnson today when he overruled a motion by Lewis Mowry, chief of defense counsel, asking for a directed verdict acquitting the country doctor.

Harking back to the old English common law, Mowry held that the girl was not a human being, as comprehended by the statutes of Colorado. Following on this presumption, he declared that the state had failed to prove the imbecile girl had a soul.

Further, he contended, the state had failed to prove corpus delicti or that the defendant was sane.

The motion was made in the judge's chambers and promptly overruled by the court.

Bearcats Hit Stride By Defeating Albany 26 To 0 In Sea of Mud

Hitting a stride slightly better than that shown in the Linfield game last week, the Willamette university football team won. 26 to 0 over the Albany college aggregation in the game played on Sweetland field this morning. The only two scores that could be considered in any way earned by the Bearcats came in the final period, when the locals rammed over two touchdowns. Substitutions on the Willamette team were numerous, Rathbun using his entire benchful of men before the last gun sounded.

The first score came on a fluke shortly after the game started, Mumford of Willamette scooping up a fumbled ball and scampering 40 yards across the Albany goal line. From then on until well into the second half honors were about even. The only other chance the Bearcats had to score in the first half was on a pass. Reidell to Winslow, Winslow catching the ball and slipping over the goal line with it. The score was not counted due to a penalty on Willamette for offside. The half ended 7 to 0.

In the third quarter, following a long Willamette punt that placed the ball on Albany's one foot line, the Bearcat forwards broke through and fell on the ball, which an Albany back fumbled while attempting to kick.

The two counters in the fourth canto came, one following a blocked kick on Albany's 35-yard line, recovered by the Bearcats and pushed across for a goal, and the other following an intercepted pass. The Albany team attempted numerous passes, but without success, in the final stages of the game. With a sloppy field and a wet ball fumbles, particularly by the Albany team, were numerous.