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Eugene Building Increase Is Record

MARK SECOND ON COAST FOR YEAR OF 1924

All California Cities Are Bested In Percentage Of Increase

Total Of Building Here For 1924 Beats All Other Cities Of Size

Eugene shows the second highest ratio of building increase for the year 1924 of the entire list of 85 major cities of the seven Pacific coast states in the S. W. Straus and company survey, it was announced today by W. H. Alexander, city inspector of buildings.

Record Is High

"When it is considered that the Straus report includes such cities as San Francisco, Los Angeles, Pasadena, Santa Monica, Portland, Salt Lake City, Seattle, Spokane and Tacoma, the accomplishment of Eugene is something to feel proud over," says Mr. Alexander.

Many Permits Issued

Building permits to the number of 180,043 calling for a total construction cost of \$495,256,091 were issued during the year in the 85 cities covered by the Straus report.

Third in December

Despite the fact that Eugene's December building record dropped to \$76,925, it was only third in the state, Salem and Portland showing a greater total figure.

Fire Loss During December Reported

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 12.—The total fire loss in Oregon in December, exclusive of Portland, according to a report by Will Moore, state fire marshal, was \$208,602.40.

Klamath Posse Is Closing Down On Cabin Of Slayer

Confession Wrung From Leader Of Trio By Newspaper Men; Statement Signed By Confessor, Who Is Jailed

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Jan. 12.—How two Klamath Falls newspaper men, commissioned as special state agents by Governor Walter M. Pierce, made an arrest and obtained a confession concerning the killing January 4 of Oscar Erickson in the robbery of a card room, was revealed here today when officers arrested two men and held them under a charge of first degree murder.

A posse is now closing in upon a lonely cabin in which the alleged actual killer is reported to be hidden, and other officers in this city are searching for two other members of the gang named in the confession which the newspaper men obtained.

The man who made the confession, implicating the others, is John Taylor, 29, a son of a highly respected and pioneer family of Jackson county. The two men who made the

NEW PARKING PLAN WILL BE TAKEN UP AT COUNCIL MEET

A new parking ordinance with sweeping changes over the law now in force is the headline item of business for tonight's session of the city council.

Ramey Rugh, chairman of the police committee, and F. M. Calkins, city attorney, have framed the new law, which will result in the following:

- 1. One-hour parking limit on main streets of the city, instead of 20 minutes.
2. Parallel parking on all streets of Eugene. Angle parking abolished.
3. No limit on parking after 6 o'clock p. m.
4. Ninth avenue west from Wilamette to Olive, and Tenth avenues, both east and west, from Oak to Olive, added to the restricted zone.

Streets included in the restricted zone are Wilamette street from Fifth to Eleventh; East Park south of Eighth avenue and South Park east of Oak; 8 1/2th avenue, Olive to Wilamette; Seventh avenue, Oak to Olive; Eighth avenue, West Park to Olive; Ninth avenue, Pearl to Olive; Tenth avenue, Oak to Olive; Eleventh avenue, Oak to Olive, except parking permitted for one hour on the south side of Eleventh in front of E. C. Lake's Monument store; Thirteenth avenue, Knomad to University.

Ordinances will be passed tonight for paving assessments for Olive street, from Seventeenth avenue to Twenty-fourth avenue; Fairmount boulevard from Columbia to Moss; alley between Twelfth and Thirteenth avenues from Ferry to Patterson; Lawrence street, Eleventh avenue north to the city limits. A sewer assessment ordinance for the line between Onyx and University streets on Twentieth avenue also will be passed.

A garbage incinerator for Eugene may also be discussed at tonight's meeting.

NEW STORE TO OPEN
Plans for the opening of a new men's furnishing store in this city in a store in the McDonald-Schaeffers building are being made by R. DeNeff, now in business at Oregon City. It is expected that arrangements for a lease on one of the new stores will be completed in the near future, it is announced.

LANE TAX LEVY IS HIGHER THAN LIMIT ALLOWED

Six Per Cent Limitation Is Said To Be In Way Of Present Budget

Opinion Of Attorney General Received By Lane County Assessor

That the Lane tax levy for the coming year as prepared by the county court exceeds the six per cent limitation is the opinion of the attorney general, according to a statement this afternoon by Ben F. Keeney, county assessor, who today received a reply from the state official.

"I have contended all the while that a levying body cannot legally levy a tax in any one year greater than that levied the previous year plus 6 per cent thereof, except for the purpose of the payment of bonded indebtedness or interest thereon or for the purpose of raising funds authorized by the majority of the legal voters voting upon the question, for I cannot see how any other construction could be placed on that part of the Constitution of Oregon referring to tax limitations.

CLUB LEADERS TO HEAR PROBLEMS OF NATIONAL FOREST

To discuss matters concerning use and protection of national forests with particular regard to the Cascade national forest in Lane county, a meeting has been called Thursday night at the chamber of commerce by Nelson F. Macduff, supervisor of the Cascade forest.

Representatives of the Boy Scouts, Girl Reserves, Rotary, Kiwanis and Lions clubs, Pioneer boys' clubs, Comrades clubs, H. Y. club, the University of Oregon student assembly and Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen have been invited, and a round table discussion of plans and policies will take place.

Suggested names for the new Southern Pacific railroad stations along the new Natron cut-off through the forest lands have been requested of Mr. Macduff by the railroad company.

Requirements for the names are that they must be short, easily pronounced, have reference to the adjoining territory or its historical features, and preferably not a name that is being used on the Southern Pacific system or any adjacent office in Oregon.

Mr. Macduff will invite the cooperation of Will Steele, U. S. commissioner for Crater Lake national park in preparing the list of names.

COUNTY WILL HAVE BOOST OF PRODUCT

Canned fruit and fillberts are the outstanding food products of Lane county and these will be on the "All-Oregon" menus of the dining cars of the Northern railroads that are co-operating in a campaign of publicity for the Pacific northwest, according to word received today at the Eugene chamber of commerce from the Portland chamber.

Romps at 105



KOPPEL BIER

Koppel Bier, veteran butcher of Hoboken, N. J., celebrated his one hundred and fifth birthday by shoveling the snow off the sidewalk in front of his grocery store. He playfully rolled snowballs and threw them at photographers, who were sent to "shoot" him. He keeps young by keeping actively at work in his butcher shop.

GUS MOSER IS PRESIDENT OF SENATE GROUP

Representative Denton Burdick Is Chosen Speaker Of House

Both Leaders Chosen Without Opposition; Mr. Upton Calls Order

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 12.—(AP)—The thirty-third session of the Oregon legislature was organized here today with Senator Gus C. Moser of Multnomah county as president of the senate and Representative Denton G. Burdick of Deschutes county as speaker of the house. Neither had opposition.

Senator Jay H. Upton of Bend, who was president of the senate at the thirty-second session, was named at a caucus last night to call the senate to order. Ordinarily this duty falls to the oldest member in point of service, but this was Senator Moser, who is to be president, so Upton was named.

Two Votes Oppose

Moser received 28 of the 30 votes for president of the senate. Joseph voted for Senator Sam H. Brown of Marion, and Moser himself, out of courtesy, voted for Corbett.

Corbett placed Moser in nomination. The nomination was seconded by Eddy and Klepper.

After the vote Temporary President Rittner appointed Klepper Eisk to escort Moser to the chair.

"That I am deeply and sincerely grateful for this high honor is needless to say," remarked Moser upon taking the gavel. "This is not a time for speechmaking and I will be brief. I think we are meeting today under the most auspicious conditions for a profitable session. At the start we are a harmonious body. Factionalism has been dissipated and has disappeared. We are starting as a happy family each determined to do those things that will rebound to the credit of the state.

"We have many important measures to come before us and the sooner we get to work the better chance we will have to make the kind of a record we want to make. I understand the organization in the house is starting out in the same favorable way and I believe there is going to be harmony between the two houses.

"It will be my aim to endeavor conscientiously to perform the duties

Child Labor Resolution Is On File

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 12.—(A.P.) A joint resolution calling for the ratification of the proposed child labor law amendment to the constitution of the United States was filed with Fred Drager, chief clerk of the house, by William F. Woodward, Multnomah county, this morning.

VETO FIGHT SEEN

STATE HOUSE, Salem, Ore., Jan. 12.—(AP)—One of the early fights of the session will be over Governor Pierce's veto of the Daily inheritance tax bill of the last session.

The estate of Dr. Bernard Daly of Lake county, amounting to about \$1,000,000, was left as a charity to send young men and women of Lake county to the institutions of higher learning in Oregon. The inheritance tax on the estate amounted to about \$200,000. Senator Upton, last session introduced a bill for the remission of the tax

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TODAY --3 Dangerous Things --Two Wonderful Legs --No 1925 Drop Yet

By ARTHUR BRISBANE (Copyright, 1925, by Star Company)

To avoid trouble, keep your hands off three things, a man's money, family and religion.

The bolshevik government, needing money, and receiving communist complaints of certain monks at Pecheval monastery, arrested 20 of the monks and seized their gold treasure of \$400,000, hidden in the monastery bellies. In addition to the money the soviet government got 300 big diamonds, sacred images studded with gold, much gold and silver plate.

From the soviet point of view, so far so good. But when the monks were sentenced to long terms at hard labor and put to work on the roads in their cassocks the peasants, deeply religious, started killing communists and burning their buildings.

To fight any religion is dangerous for any government.

the two world's indoor records. He's an iron man. He ran the mile in four minutes, 13 3/5 seconds, cutting a second off the world's record. Then he ran five thousand metres in fourteen minutes, 44 3/5 seconds, again breaking the world's record. This man has wonderful legs.

But you can buy for a few hundred dollars an automobile that will do for civilization a thousand times what Nurni could do.

Honor him, his legs, heart, lungs and courage, but honor still more highly such men as the late Steinmetz. A crippled luncheon, he could not have run five thousand metres in two hours. But his brain ran as well as Nurni's legs ran. If, by the way, Steinmetz came to the United States today, a crippled Jewish boy, as he did forty or fifty years ago. He would be sent home.

Why does the crowd pay to see fast legs and care less for a thinking brain? Because the crowd can all run. Not all can think.

If you want a string of pink pearls for your wife, or friend, apply to (Continued on page four)

The Guard Will Give the News of State Legislature

The Guard is peculiarly fortunate in its facilities for covering the news of the Oregon legislature now in session. As a member of the Associated Press, The Guard receives the exclusive state wire service of that great news-gathering organization, as well as its world-news service.