

PUBLIC DEBT SHOWN TO BE 30 BILLIONS

Increase in Past Ten Years Is Seven Times Over; States Increase

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—(AP)—The public debt of the United States, including that of the federal government and all of its subdivisions multiplied nearly seven times between 1912 and 1922, it was shown in census bureau figures. At the end of December, 1922, the total was \$30,846,236,940, while at the same period in 1912, it was but \$4,850,460,000.

While the greatest increase appeared in the federal debt, because of the war, the debt increase of states was nearly three-fold and that of municipalities and other subdivisions doubled.

The federal government in 1912 owed \$1,028,064,000, while in 1922 it owed \$22,156,888,000. The total of state indebtedness in 1912 was \$345,942,000 while in 1922 it was \$935,644,000. Other civil divisions owed \$3,475,964,000 in 1912, and \$7,754,196,000 in 1922.

Interest is Sold In Cigar Store

SPRINGFIELD, Jan. 16.—(Special)—Walter J. Scott, proprietor of the Loop cigar store, has sold a half interest in his business to V. J. Daniels, formerly an employe of the Southern Pacific, in charge of a tunnel gang near Roseburg and other points on the line. The two men will operate the store jointly.

Diversion of Lake Water is Opposed

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 16.—The secretary of war is requested to urge Chicago to install a modern system of sewerage disposal in the Chicago district in a resolution adopted by the Great Lakes Harbor association here today. The resolution protests against any congressional action diverting lake water for this purpose.

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Game Preserve Of 2200 Acres Is Established

MARSHFIELD, Ore., Jan. 16.—A new game preserve of 2200 acres has been established south of Bandon in the Four-Mile creek section, it was announced by District Game Warden A. M. Fish. The refuge takes in Indian and North Prairies and will be an ideal preserve, the warden said. S. M. Wellock is owner of 1,000 acres of the tract, Jackson and Dye own 500 acres and H. J. DeLong, 300 acres.

WOOL GROWERS OF OREGON RE-ELECT ALL 1924 OFFICERS

PENDLETON, Ore., Jan. 16.—The Oregon Wool Growers re-elected all their 1924 officers for 1924 at their meeting yesterday and passed a series of resolutions in regard to matters relating to the wool industry.

The Gooding bill was opposed by the convention and the Phipps bill now before congress on the grazing question was recommended. The rise in the national grazing fees for 1925 was opposed and the convention went on record as being opposed to the child labor amendment to the federal constitution. The executive committee was authorized to draft a bill and present it to the state legislature providing for the humane disposition of the wild horses that now are so numerous on the ranges. The legislature was asked that beavers be protected in counties east of the Cascades and uniform assessments of sheep and range land was requested.

Truth in fabric was favored in national legislation and the desire that cattlemen be not forced to pay grazing fees for 1924, due to the serious economic condition of the cattle industry.

The officers re-elected were Fred W. Falconer, president; who re-appointed Mac Hoke of Pendleton as secretary; vice-presidents, K. G. Warner, Pilot Rock; Fred Herrin, Ashland, and Art Minor, Heppner; executive committee, Jay H. Dobbin, Joseph; L. C. Johnson, Clarkston; A. B. Robertson, Condon; Bob Thompson, Heppner; D. P. Ketchum, Dallas; Herman Oliver, Prairie City.

The convention was characterized by officers of the association as the most successful in the 28 years of the organization.

Photo S. E. Stevens for piano tuning

GIRL SLAYER IS UNDAUNTED BY GRILLING

Dorothy Ellingson Is Still Life Of Party Despite Murder Charge

* SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 16.—(AP)—Pleasure loving Dorothy Ellingson, 16-year-old confessed slayer of her mother, Mrs. Anna Ellingson, maintained today the smiling, yet inscrutable mask of indifference that has characterized her attitude since her arrest early yesterday morning. The girl was charged with murder.

Emerging from 12 hours of pitiless questioning today, the girl was still "the life of the party," just as she had been a short time before the murder when she danced at the home of a friend while her mother lay in their home shot dead during a flare of anger.

In a written statement Dorothy has admitted shooting her mother last Tuesday night after the latter had upbraided her for her continued incursions of the city's night life and her apparent desire for "jazz parties" to the exclusion of everything else.

Father is Visitor. Both father and brother confronted the girl in the city prison, the former sorrowful and pleading, the latter stern and unflinching. The brother stricken by the enormity of the crime, repudiated the advances of his sister when she sought to embrace him in the cell. With the cry, "Don't touch me! You killed our mother!" the young man swept her from him.

The police today had rounded up three of 17 young men for whom warrants have been issued for contribution to the delinquency of a minor. They included David Stein, in whose apartment Dorothy is said to have attended a party a few hours after the death of her mother; Keith Lord, arrested at Venice, Cal., where he was playing in an orchestra; and Harry Lesser, alias Chenitz, taken into custody here. All of the men are musicians. More arrests are expected today, according to the authorities.

Full Punishment Asked. What action the law would take in regard to preliminary hearing for the girl was not determined early today. District Attorney Matthew Brady said that preliminary hearing would be held in police court, unless Dorothy demanded a jury court hearing. The law, he said, gave her that privilege.

However, Brady declared, the law would ask full punishment. That would be life imprisonment, he said, because the law forbids the death penalty for prisoners under 18.

Farm Commission Holds Conference

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—The president's agricultural commission conferred today with Representatives Aswell of Louisiana, and Williams of Michigan, authors of two agricultural bills pending in congress.

Commissioner Of Kansas Ends His Term Under Fire

TOPEKA, Kans., Jan. 16.—(AP)—The Kansas pardon scandal simmered down today to preparations by the Shawnee county attorney for preliminary hearing of former Governor Jonathan M. Davis and his son, January 23, on charges of conspiracy to accept a bribe, and investigations which may lead to other actions.

TOPEKA, Kans., Jan. 16.—(AP)—Carl J. Peterson, state bank commissioner, involved with Jonathan M. Davis, ex-governor, in an alleged pardon trafficking ring, presented his resignation to Governor Paulen on Thursday and demanded that his acceptance be withheld until he could clear his name.

Filed with the demand by Attorney-General Griffith, that he quit his office or answer to ouster proceedings in the supreme court, Mr. Peterson elected to withdraw, but denied that the ouster threat influenced his decision.

Springfield Lodge Installs Officers

SPRINGFIELD, Jan. 16.—(Special)—Officers were installed Wednesday evening in the Springfield circle of the Neighbors of Woodcraft which held an open meeting in the W. O. W. hall. The work put on received the commendation of E. O. Royal of Portland, district deputy for the Woodmen of the World, who was a visitor.

New officers installed by Mrs. O. F. Kizer, installing officer in the circle for this term, are: Mrs. W. A. Lambert, guardian neighbor; Mrs. Moody Neet, past guardian neighbor; Mrs. O. F. Kizer, magician; Mrs. Nina McPherson, clerk; Mrs. Vernon Grimes, adviser; Mrs. Wilbur Lloyd, captain of the guards; Mrs. Oslil Vabb, inner sentinel; Mrs. Bernice Van Valsan, outer sentinel; Mrs. Charles F. Eggmann, flag bearer and press correspondent; Mrs. R. P. Mortensen, musician; Mrs. Carl Girard, attendant; Mrs. Ida Stafford, banker; Mrs. Mary Magill, Mrs. Lila Rhodes, and Mrs. Bert Doane, managers.

The circle has 23 members with which to begin the new year, it is announced.

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NEW ORDINANCES OF SPRINGFIELD TO BE TAKEN UP

SPRINGFIELD, Jan. 16.—(Special)—Changes in city ordinances relative to traffic, curfew, skating rinks and pool halls will be up to the vote of the Springfield city council at its special meeting Tuesday night in the city hall. The judiciary committee, headed by M. J. McKlin, has ordered W. A. Gressman, attorney, to draft measures embodying changes with a view to putting "teeth" into the law enforcement. Other members of the committee are Herbert J. Cox and Roland E. Moshier.

Traffic ordinances of the city should be drawn up in agreement with state law, permitting automobiles to be run on the streets at a rate of 20 miles per hour and on bridges and at intersections at 12 miles an hour, and loaded trucks at 12 and 8 miles per hour respectively, the committee maintains. The curfew measure proposed would make it unlawful for a minor under 16 years of age to be loitering on the streets after 9:30 p. m. For the first offense the culprit is to be escorted home by a police officer; for the second offense he is to be taken before the city recorder and his parents notified with a fine for conviction and in case of further offending more drastic measures taken. This measure would make necessary the repeal of the old ordinance on curfew drawn up in 1898.

An amendment to ordinance 558 is being proposed with the intention of prohibiting the opening of a skating rink on Sunday instead of the present permission to remain open until 11 p. m. A ruling on pool halls, card rooms and bowling alleys with a view to closing them at 11 p. m. every night instead of at 11:30 and 12 has also been proposed, which would amend ordinances 112 and 305.



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Search to be Made By Observers For Element 'Coronium'

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—(AP)—One of the scientific investigations to be made during the solar eclipse on January 24, will be a search for a new element, Dr. C. C. Kiese of the bureau of standards, who will be one of the observers on the airship Los Angeles, will photograph the sun's corona, which becomes visible at the moment of eclipse totally, with a specially designed camera that may be able to abstract conclusive proof of that "coronium" a metal merely suspected now to exist, is an actuality.

From the Los Angeles, which will take a position at sea above cloud levels, for the observations, Dr. Kiese's camera will seek to photograph the spectra of the momentarily

extinguished orb, the process involving the filtering of the light through a glass prism. It has been proven possible to establish the identity of a given element by so analyzing the light which it gives off when highly heated, a constant condition of all elements in the sun.

At the moment of eclipse, the central body of the sun is completely obscured, and the only light given off comes from the sun's "corona," which is the halo of incandescent gases which spring out from the central body. Past observations with the spectroscopic camera have given the ground for suspicion that a hitherto unknown element tentatively named "coronium" exist in the corona mixture of intensely hot gaseous elements.

As a matter of incidental interest, Dr. Kiese points out that Helium, the gas which will sustain the Los Angeles during the observations was first discovered by spectroscopic observations of the sun and later identified among and put to use from earth's own stock of elements.

BOY IS DROWNED

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