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WIPE THE SLATE CLEAN

Ten representative citizens met with the council Monday night to draw up a budget for next year. The estimates of the various departments were presented and discussed. The outlook for the future income and expense was taken up and the treasurer told the assemblage of the city's financial status, having prepared statements in typewritten form for their perusal. The gist of the whole evening's investigation seemed to be that the city is in a very serious condition financially and that rare business judgment must be exercised to bring it safely out.

The interest on the city's bonded indebtedness is about \$5,600, and besides this there are outstanding warrants against the city to the amount of over \$11,000. The regular running expense of the city can just about be cared for by the tax which the 6 per cent increase allows and this will leave nothing to take up the outstanding warrants or pay off the bonds.

The budget committee discussed the situation from a number of angles and seemed inclined to the opinion that the only practical solution is the levying of a special tax of some five mills to pay off the outstanding warrants and then put on a charge of 50 cents per month for sewer service to help retire the sewer bonds of which there are \$77,500 outstanding. This action was decided upon with the understanding among the committee that future councils should be held down to the actual budgets in making expenditures and by so doing future accumulation of outstanding warrants will be avoided.

Doubtless the average taxpayer will object to this added taxation in both cases. He will feel that he is already taxed too much and that the taxes should be lowered rather than raised. However, the city faces this crisis. We must either pay off these outstanding warrants or pay interest on them and eventually bond to cover them. We must either retire these sewer bonds or we must continue to pay interest on them and in a short time they will mature and the city will not be prepared to take them up.

Ten good business men together with the members of the council pondered this subject until a late hour Monday night and finally they concluded that the wisest thing to do was to ask the people of Newberg to vote a special tax to retire the outstanding warrants and wipe the slate clean and then to place a charge of 50c a month on sewer service and thus raise a fund with which to retire the sewer bonds.

It is to be hoped that the people of Newberg will view this from the angle of the best good for the city. We cannot allow these things to go unpaid. We cannot pay them without this extra tax and sewer fee. The people will have to vote this special tax, if it is levied and we believe that when they understand the situation that they will do so. They may feel that money has been

unwisely expended in the past and that many of the improvements should have waited until the city was in a better financial shape to handle them. But that is not a question which enters into this matter. The bills have been contracted and the city is held for them. The only wise thing for us to do is wipe the bonds and warrants out as soon as possible and thus stop the heavy load of interest which is being paid by the city annually.

SHALL WE STOP IT?

There is no question but what bootlegging is rampant throughout the country and while the Graphic believes that conditions are much better than they were before the state went dry, nevertheless they are still far from ideal. There is a tendency to give these lawbreakers whatever fine it is thought they can pay and then let them off so that the city or county or state will not have to board them. However, we believe that the evil can never be stopped in this way. It may prove a little more expensive for a time to throw a bootlegger into jail when he is found guilty, but in the long run we believe it will pay by stopping the booze traffic.

Nor are we alone in this belief. The Woodburn Independent of last week says: "If moonshine illicit distilling, murders and thefts keep up at the present rate there must be additions made to our jails whether the taxpayers are pleased with the expense or not."

County Sheriff Ferguson said recently that he spent several days running down a bunch of bootleggers, risking his life to capture them and then the judge fined them \$250. They pulled out a roll of bills that a person could hardly span with their hands, peeled off a few bills and paid the fine and walked away. The \$250 did not mean anything to them and they were probably back in the business inside of a week.

If the judge had given them the maximum sentence of \$500 and six months in jail, they would have at least kept out of the business for the six months and the chances are that they would have hesitated about going into it again at all. A few jails like that will do more to stop bootlegging than anything else that can be done. We believe that the general public want bootlegging stopped and will be willing to board a few criminals in order to stop it.

The late fall permitted most farmers and fruit men to get their crops in. However, the people on the mountain are always a little later and some of them were caught by the first rains.

Judging by the figures uncovered by the city budget committee last Monday night, Newberg needs a good business administration more than anything else right now.

The fellow who got his supply of wood in for the winter is congratulating himself, while the fellow who didn't is complaining about his luck.

Some of the newspapers are already advising us to do our Christmas shopping early. Somebody is always taking all the joy out of life.

School started last Monday and many a mother's heart was broken as she watched her young hopeful start off for the first time.

Oregon State Fair, Sept. 25-30, evidently was not intended to apply to the weather.

Summer is gone and the feel of fall is in the air.

PROCLAMATION

State of Oregon, executive department, Salem, Oregon:

Year by year the national destruction of life and property by fire has been mounting until the total annual loss of material wealth now approximates the enormous sum of \$485,000,000. This means the wiping out of needed resources at the rate of about \$1,370,000 a day, in addition to the destruction of 48 lives daily.

In our own state, during the five years ended with 1920, our fire waste came to the great total of \$10,395,286, a sum that would build 2,079 five thousand dollar homes or many miles of good roads. Thus it is evident that we have been paying our full share of the tax levied by carelessness and ignorance in handling fire hazards.

Since most fires are preventable, the regrettable devastation by burning that takes place day after day, is largely unnecessary. It goes without saying that every effort should be made to relieve the people of the self-imposed burden represented by preventable fire.

Therefore, I, Ben W. Olcott, governor of the State of Oregon, by the authority in me vested, do designate and proclaim the period from October 7 to 14, 1922, as Fire Prevention Week, and I earnestly request that the proper city departments, cooperating with the chambers of commerce and other civic organizations, shall arrange interesting and educational exercises that will impress the importance of the occasion upon the public mind. I hope that every resident of the state will actively take part in the observance and that they will remove rubbish and litter and other hazards about their homes and places of business; that they will inaugurate the personal habit of carefulness. I ask that our churches by means of sermons and addresses, and the newspapers, by editorial mention, shall help to spread the doctrine of carefulness; that our schools shall adopt systematic instruction in fire prevention to the end that our state may be made a safer and better place in which to live.

Only by arousing the public to the appalling situation created by our excessive fire waste can the evil be corrected.

Given under my hand and the seal of the great state of Oregon, this 14th day of September, in the year of our Lord, 1922.

BEN W. OLCOTT,
Governor.By the governor:
Sam A. Koser, Secy. of State.

PLEDGES FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE HOME

I will not permit rubbish, greasy rags, paper and useless waste to accumulate in or around buildings.

I will see that matches are kept in metal boxes and out of reach of children, and use only safety matches.

I will not permit children under ten years of age to use matches.

I will see that lamps are kept clean, and that lamps are filled by daylight only.

I will see that kerosene oil is kept in a closed metal can in a safe place, and not used for kindling fires.

I will not permit gasoline to be kept in the house.

I will not permit gasoline to be kept in anything but an air-tight metal can, painted red.

I will not allow anyone to fill a kerosene or gasoline stove while it is lighted or by artificial light.

I will not allow anyone to wash clothes or other articles in gasoline in a house. If they are washed out of doors, I will not permit them in the house until the gasoline has entirely evaporated.

I will have the chimneys, flues, stovepipes, and stoves inspected at least twice a year. I will never permit a stove to be set up without metal protection underneath.

I will see that all ashes are placed in a tightly closed metal receptacle, and not deposited near a building or fence.

I will not permit cotton or other flimsy decorations to be used on or around Christmas trees.

I will not celebrate the Fourth of July or any other holiday by endangering life or property.

For ordinary care will prevent many fires and save many lives and much property.

THINKS EXPOSITION WILL HELP ALL OF OREGON

(Contributed.)

For the past five or six years California has shown an unprecedented growth, much of which is the fruits of the 1915 exposition held in San Francisco.

The Panama Pacific exposition, which brought thousands of people to that state, was made a California project, just as the 1925 exposition in Portland will be an Oregon fair.

The Fresno chamber of commerce in writing to the campaign committee of the Oregon exposition states that a large part of the benefits of recent years were derived from this exposition.

"One of the big benefits was the world-wide publicity that was obtained as a result of that exposition," writes the secretary of the Fresno chamber of commerce. "This publicity served to put California on the map and later attracted hundreds of thousands of people to our state."

"Like in any merchandising, we must first show what we have to sell. In our case it was California. After showing our wares it was then necessary to complete the sales and this took ordinary salesmanship."

The Oregon exposition, according to the campaign committee will result in a tremendous publicity campaign throughout the world, will bring people and in the end will serve to develop the state of Oregon, like no other project could.

STOP, LOOK, FOLLOW

Big bible school parade Sunday next.

Plant a want ad in the Graphic.

TRY THE

Golden Rule

FIRST

Outing Flannels, Gingham, Percales

AT LOWER PRICES ALWAYS

SHOES

Men's Women's Girls' and Boys' Shoes

Best Quality for the Price

See our Men's

Heavy
COTTON
COAT

Sweaters

\$1.39

We have Boys' Sweaters at the Same Price

Men's Woolens

Big line of John Rich Mackinaws for Men and Boys.

Heavy and Light Wool Shirts

For men who want the best

UNDERWEAR

Fall Underwear for Men, Ladies and Children

Service Always

And we try to please

GOLDEN RULE

WHERE YOUR DOLLAR DOES ITS DUTY

Her Marital Creed

Mrs. Worth had just learned that her colored workwoman, Aunt Dinah, had at the age of seventy, married for the fourth time. "Why, Aunt Dinah!" she exclaimed, "you surely haven't married again!"

"Yes, honey, I has," was Aunt Dinah's smiling reply. "Yes, as often as de Lawd takes 'em, so will I."

Ladies Home Journal.

Plant a want ad in the Graphic.

THE HOME OF FLOWERS

SEASONABLE CUT FLOWERS—Plants in pots, cyclamens, (fine plants), cinerarias, primroses, ferns, fern dishes, geraniums, calla lilies (hardy flowers), hydrangea, peonies. Roses our specialty (strong plants). Low prices.

Phone Blue 202 JOHN GOWER Newberg, Oregon

Special Sale on Aluminum and Granite Ware

For a short time

LARGE ASSORTMENT TO SELECT FROM

JAMES PATTERSON

New and Second-Hand Furniture and Stoves
CORNER FIRST AND MAIN

Good Bye to the Rubber Sac!

THE MARVELOUS

DUNN-PEN

The Dunn-Pen has no rubber sac. It does not leak, clog, or flood, and automatically cleans itself while you are filling it. Absolutely guaranteed.

The Fountain Pen with the Little Red Pump Handle.

COME IN AND SEE THIS MARVELOUS PEN WORK

PARLOR PHARMACY

PRESCRIPTION SPECIALISTS

H. A. Cooley, Proprietor

Newberg, Oregon

BIG SPECIAL OFFER

Listed Today at \$10.90

For a short time we will give

A \$2.25 Tube Free!

To each purchaser of this tire.

This is a wonderful value at this price, and guaranteed for 6000 Miles

This offer is our own proposition and not made by the factory

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NEWBERG, OREGON