

CITY TAX LEVY SET AT 18 MILLS

BIG CUT MADE IN THE ESTIMATE.

Hope to Economize in 1917—Debt is Big—Marshal Recommends Installation of Police Signal System—Bills to Be Paid.

The tax levy for the coming year was set at 18 mills at the regular meeting of the council last evening.

In setting the levy at 18 mills, the council trimmed seven mills from the tax proposed in the figures prepared by the Ways and Means committee, published in The Bulletin in November.

Only two taxpayers attended the meeting to express their views on the proposed levy.

"With the school district levy at 17 mills, and the county promising to be 27 or 28 mills," said Mr. Forbes, "if you place the city tax at 25 mills, you will get a total of 70 mills or more, which means a 7 per cent tax, or better. Now this may be needed to run our affairs, but it is sure to scare away the investor who comes here looking for a business opening, in spite of the fact that our valuations are low."

Following the budget discussion, Marshal's Report Read. The report of the city marshal was read, the most important feature being a recommendation that the city install an electric police signal system for use in calling the officers at night.

The elections committee canvassed the Tuesday's vote and declared the result.

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes R. B. Gould, city eng., \$48.22; M. Birch, street work, \$5.18; N. Birch, street work, \$0.30; Bend Press, adv., \$2.40; M. K. Coleman, treasurer, \$24.20; L. A. W. Nelson, police, \$109.00; Bend Bulletin, printing, \$10.55; Oregon Transfer Co., dry, \$26.00; A. R. Gertson, jitney, \$4.00; H. O'Kane, rent, \$72.25; Henry Tamm, police, \$12.00; F. F. Hubbard, labor, \$3.75; M. J. Main, supplies, \$3.75; Skuse Hardware Co., supplies, \$4.00; Gene Barclay, jitney, \$7.50; Bond Buyer, adv., \$35.00; H. C. Ellis, recorder, \$33.62; Ray Thorne, police, \$1.59; R. W. L. & P. Co., light and water, \$291.55; Owl Pharmacy, supplies, \$1.45; F. L. Kuhn, police, \$90.00; R. B. Gould, engineer, \$2.62; Bend Hauling Co., garbage, \$25.50.

GERMANY'S ANSWER

Note Asks for Proof—Government Officials Say German Case Weak.

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin) WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 7.—The State Department today made public Germany's answer to American inquiries regarding the sinking

of the steamer "Arabic" by a German submarine. The German answer contends that the vessel was a troop transport. However, the statement proceeds that Germany agrees to "promptly draw appropriate consequences" if the United States proves that the ship was an ordinary passenger liner.

From official sources it is learned that the American government regards the German explanation as weak. The government has no facts to disprove the German claim, but does not regard the situation as essentially delicate. Officials refuse to indicate whether a break in diplomatic relations will result if Germany's case is proved too weak.



S. C. CALDWELL, Mayor-Elect of Bend.

MRS. COOPER DIES

Aged Resident Succumbs to Paralytic Stroke—Funeral to Be Saturday.

Mrs. Hugh Cooper died suddenly yesterday at 1 o'clock. Mrs. Cooper had been in a weakened condition for some time, due to paralytic stroke. The funeral will be held on Saturday at 2:30, at the Presbyterian church.

Mrs. Cooper was born on March 12, 1845, in Chillicothe, Ohio, and was married on December 21, 1872, at Mason City, Illinois, where she was teaching school. The family came to Bend a few years ago and took up a homestead. Mr. Cooper died here in September, 1914, at the age of 71 years. He was a native of England.

Seven children survive, being Mrs. W. P. Coble, of Ashwood, Oregon; Arthur Cooper and Mrs. Otto Zippold, of Chicago; Roy and Ralph Cooper, and Misses Edith and Lillian Cooper, of Bend. Miss Lillian Cooper is a teacher in the Bend schools.

WHEAT FOR ENGLAND

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin) PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 7.—Advices received here by private grain dealers indicate that the British government will soon send a fleet of merchantmen to Portland to carry away all available northwestern wheat. This move has been contemplated for some time, the delay in the announcement arising from the fact that the government has been awaiting lower grain prices. British agents, according to the word received here, are empowered to draw on the Bank of England for all sales.

VILLISTAS HANG FOREMAN

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin) EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 7.—Two men coming in from the interior of Mexico report that bandits under the command of Francisco Villa tortured and hanged Howard Grey, an employe of the Alvarado Mining company, upon entering Parral a month ago. Grey was the acting foreman of an American owned mine.

Reporting to the owners on the condition of their property, a native foreman telegraphed "Everything is safe except Grey. He's dead." It is believed that the report is authentic.

DAILY BULLETIN IS SURPRISE

MANY CONGRATULATE NEW PAPER.

Merchant and Laborer, Alike, Show Their Pleasure Upon Receiving Copy of Central Oregon's First Afternoon Paper.

"Well—'What do you think of this?'—'More Bulletin enterprise.'—'Just what this town needs.'—And many others, were expressions which greeted a representative of The Bulletin as he made a tour of the business section of town yesterday afternoon. To everyone presented with a copy of The Daily Bulletin, the first Central Oregon daily newspaper, the change was a big surprise.

Within a few minutes after the first issue appeared on the streets in the hands of newsboys, The Bulletin telephone, 561, was ringing, and the paper was heartily congratulated by many of its patrons.

Already merchants have expressed themselves highly pleased with the transition, as the columns of The Bulletin will be more effective for their advertising. The laborer, also, expressed his delight that now he would have an evening paper to greet him upon his return from his day's work, with news of his town fresh and the biggest happenings of the world at large.

Yesterday was a busy day in the Bulletin office, making preparations for the initial appearance of the new paper, which was issued together with the regular 16-page weekly paper.

One important thing The Bulletin wishes to call the attention of its readers. The Bulletin, above all, wants local news. Local news is understood to be anything that is of interest to any of its readers. A departure of a friend or an acquaintance to another town, or the arrival of a friend or an acquaintance from another part of the country, illness, a death, a birth, a social function, the weekly happenings of the various fraternal orders, a real estate transaction, announcements of the erection of new buildings, or improvements in the buildings standing, is news. The Bulletin will appreciate calls from officers of church societies telling of their meeting dates.

These matters will receive careful attention if you will take down the receiver of the telephone and call 561.

COUNTY BUDGET DELAYED

PRINEVILLE, Dec. 7.—Because of various legal questions having arisen in connection with the proposed county budget, the county court has been forced to delay setting the levy for next year. It is now expected that the millage may not be fixed for several days. Attorney General Brown, who is here for the trial of a case before Judge Duffy, is advising the court on some of the questions which are up before it. C. M. McKay, H. E. Allen, P. C. Garrison, Anton Aune, and G. S. Young are here as a delegation from the Bend Commercial club to discuss budget matters with the court.

Casey, of Harvard, is One of Foot Ball's Marvels

(By Hamilton, United Press Staff Correspondent.) NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Eddie Casey, the young backfield star of Harvard, is one of the most remarkable football players of an age. His weight, 155 pounds, is the only thing that keeps him from being rated on a par with Oliphant of the army, or Harley, of Ohio State.

A graduate of Exeter, the school where Tad Jones drilled football players and made them future greats before he took up his duties with Yale, Casey went to Harvard, insisted that he was a football player, and made it stick, despite his lightheartedness. Percy Haughton sprang him on Cornell with a surprise that was so sudden that Cornell hasn't fully recovered its breath yet. He simply ran amuck.

Agatist Princeton, Casey again did some stunting, and he virtually was the entire Harvard backfield in the game with Yale. Given a real backfield star to help him out, Casey might have kept up that string of victories for the Crimson over the New Haven bulldogs.

INVADING ARMY CREATES PANIC

ROUMANIANS ARE MAD WITH TERROR.

Government Orders Abandonment of Homes and Starving Refugees Crowd Roads—Children Die—Gypsies Looting.

(By Carl W. Ackerman, United Press Staff Correspondent.) BERLIN, Dec. 7.—(From Headquarters of General Falkenhayn, in Roumania, by wireless.)—The German advance through Roumania has created unbelievable panic. The inhabitants of the country are mad with terror. Anarchy and chaos reign, while the misery of the people is terrible.

As the invading armies progressed on their swift advance, the Roumanian government ordered all civilians to abandon their homes and the roads became blocked with crowds of refugees. Wildest disorder prevailed. In the villages, streets were littered with household goods, papers, window curtains, dead horses and dogs.

With the suspension of government control, gypsies appeared, smashing windows, plundering houses and looting everything.

To provide food for their starving bodies, the refugees stole cattle wherever found, but food was not enough, and on the long marches over muddy roads, dragged along with their parents, many children died.

In the rioting, numerous buildings were fired and burned furniture was strewn by the roadside. Starving dogs devoured half-dead horses and the crows picked at their eyes.

RUSSIANS COVER RETREAT.

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin) PETROGRAD, Dec. 7.—The evacuation of Bucharest occurred Wednesday noon. During the retreat the Russian army covered the flank of the Roumanians, according to a statement of the war office, the protecting force retiring successfully.

LOSS OF BUCHAREST IS ADMITTED BY ALLIES

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin) PARIS, Dec. 7.—The first official admission by any of the Ally powers of the fall of Bucharest, capital of Roumania, was made here today. According to it, the authoritative statement is made that the Roumanians evacuated their capital in good order, saving the army, which it was feared would be caught in the German trap. The retreat was covered by a rear guard which fought strenuously to protect the main army.

GERMANS SWEEP ON

Towns Beyond Bucharest are Captured—Roumanians in Flight.

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin) BERLIN, Dec. 7.—(Via wireless to Sayville, Long Island.)—The victorious German army has not stayed its advance with the capture of Bucharest, troops having swept on beyond the capital city and captured Gampina and Sinaca, beyond the cap-

ital city, according to official announcements made here today. The defeated Roumanian army is reported to be retreating along its whole front.

Reports from the Ninth German army state that 9,200 prisoners have been taken. In a statement issued by the commanding officers, the bravery of the invading forces of Turks, Austrians and Germans is praised. Turks are sweeping Roumania.

When George Dalton started to handle his attorney, A. J. Moore, roughly Tuesday evening, by using abusive language, little did he think that he would not only be the worse off for getting up Mr. Moore's ire, but also that he would have to serve 365 days in the county jail.

LABOR TO SHARE IN NEW CABINET

POSITIONS OFFERED BY LLOYD-GEORGE.

Membership Not Yet Announced—Commons Meet for Two Minutes and Adjourn—Charges Against Germany.

DALTON STEALS WATCH WHICH COSTS 365 DAYS IN JAIL

Former Restaurant Man Finds Assaulting His Attorney Expensive When Time Piece is Dropped.

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin) LONDON, Dec. 7.—The House of Commons met last night for only two minutes, being called to order and adjourning at once until Tuesday, without having any announcement made concerning Lloyd-George's new ministry.

That the labor party will participate in the new government appears in an announcement from the official press bureau. According to the announcement, the labor party has agreed to participate in the new government.

The Central News says that Lloyd-George has offered the labor party two cabinet places, one position in the war council and three under-secretaryships. Confirmation of this report is found in the fact that Lloyd-George has conferred with William Henderson, the present labor member of the cabinet, holding the office of president of the Board of Education. Others present were Bonar Law, the Conservative leader, and Sir Edward Carson.

That Germany fears Lloyd-George's leadership appears in the charge, made in the Evening News, that a powerful German propaganda is operating against him.

TO ISSUE FARM BONDS

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin) WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 7.—It was learned today that early next year, probably in February, the Federal Farm Loan banks will declare a bond issue of \$100,000,000 for the purpose of setting the farm loan law in action. It is planned to issue the bonds in denominations of from \$25 to \$100. They will bear interest at four and five per cent.

LABOR SITUATION CRITICAL

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin) SALEM, Or., Dec. 7.—Exaggerated accounts of the magnitude of the newly developed shipbuilding industry of Portland have created a serious situation, according to statements made here today by Labor Commissioner Hoff. According to Mr. Hoff, these accounts have attracted a large number of workers, glutting the labor market. Many of the unemployed are unskilled and are unable to fill shipyard jobs, and, as a result, much suffering is resulting.

POPE TO PRESENT RED CAPS TO TWO NEW CARDINALS

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin) ROME, Dec. 7.—Two new cardinals were given the red cap by the Pope at his public consistory here today. Both new cardinals are former papal nuncios. They are Mgr. Count Raffaele Scapinelli, former papal nuncio at Vienna, and Mgr. Fruewirth, former papal nuncio at Munich.

Pope Benedict will deliver an address in which he will outline the Vatican's neutral attitude in the war and pray for a cessation of hostilities as soon as possible. He will make a plea for the continuance of Catholic prayers for peace throughout the world. This public consistory follows the secret consistory of the Pope on December 4.

Federal Council of Churches Has Big Business Session

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin) ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 7.—With the organization and other preliminaries completed at the opening yesterday of the Third Quadrennial meeting of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, today settled down to the transaction of business. The 450 delegates attending represent 30 of the leading protestant denominations in the United States with a total membership of more than eighteen millions.

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Convict Says His Invention Keeps German Zepps Going

(By United Press to The Daily Bulletin) COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 7.—Would Germany's U-boat campaign; Zeppelin raids and other aerial activities cease if it were not for an Ohio convict-inventor, Dr. Emerich W. Ritter? Dr. Ritter today claimed they not "because my process for converting natural gas into gasoline is all that saves them."

"There is no gasoline and Germany's aerial and undersea activities depend on my invention. The Deutschland is fed on my product, made from the great gas fields belonging to former Ambassador Dumba, in Austria."

"I have planned ten factories for making my gasoline in this country when I am released in January. My wife is being paid \$30 a week by Germany and our ancestral estates, confiscated in 1848, will be returned to us when the war ends."

Prison officials say Dr. Ritter really is a genius with chemicals.