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REVISE THE CITY BUDGET.

The people of Salem expect the city council to do a lot of trimming on the city budget.

Some of the items are out of all proportion to the city's needs, as for instance \$6,500 for engineering.

With two good hospitals in the city, it is hard to see what good result could be accomplished with a \$1,500 city hospital.

It is ridiculous to keep a city physician at \$16 per month with duties as sanitary inspector to order a cleanup.

There should be a readjustment of the lighting system, and provision for streamer lights at least during the holidays and on occasions like the state fair and when the legislature is in session.

Like most governments, the city is paying too much for extra official services and too little for real necessities.

COUNTY COURTS WILL GO SLOW.

The county court of Marion county and other counties will do well to go slow in creating a large road fund.

It is a terrible temptation to a certain class to get busy when there is a large fund piled up in the treasury.

The present Marion county court will not levy a large general fund to hand out to communities that have a little pull.

As nearly as possible the money collected in each precinct will be handed back to the precinct for road purposes.

The people locally under a good supervisor will get more work done for the money when they realize that they are spending what they themselves have paid.

The people in the various localities know better what they need than does the average court or county road master.

Local self-government is not altogether a dream and the people are more intelligent than some give them credit for.

THE MASSACHUSETTS TOWN ELECTIONS.

Elections were held in about fifteen Bay State cities on Tuesday, Dec. 14, in which prohibition was involved.

One of the cities was Worcester, the largest dry city in the world, the special battle ground of prohibition.

Newton, Medford, Newburyport and Salem were conceded to be "no-license" towns, while others were claimed by the "drys."

The elections were held nearly a week ago and the news has been strangely kept out of the Associated and United Press.

The Capital Journal will print the news as soon as it can be obtained and has sent another telegraphic request for the facts of the Massachusetts town elections.

PATENT MEDICINE ADVERTISING.

Some people object to patent medicine advertising in a general newspaper.

So do we, but we do not see how when it is manufactured and sold why newspapers should not advertise it.

The Capital Journal rigidly excludes objectionable and demoralizing nostrums that are run in many other respectable papers.

We realize that backaches and kidney pills are not pleasant subjects to thrust before our readers.

We started in once to have no such advertising in our paper but got no encouragement whatever.

The time is coming when we shall not print many things that are now printed in the papers.

The Capital Journal excludes scandals, and matters that are published in the local Good Citizenship League organ as unfit to go into any family.

As a rule, we are trying to be just as good in our newspaper as the ordinary citizen and not claiming any superior virtues.

FURNISHED ROOMS FOR RENT.

All the redlight houses in Salem have now put up big signs: "Furnished Rooms for Rent."

The prosecution of the women in the redlight district has had the usual effect of converting their places into rooming houses.

As rooming houses they are infinitely worse to the community than when known for their real character.

A stranger coming to our city, or an inexperienced young man or woman, is now in real danger of being deceived and ruined.

What have the reformers accomplished by changing the signs?

GOOD WORK AT FALLS CITY.

The Law and Order League did good work in securing convictions of the blind pigs at Falls City.

Some of them were running poker games, slot machines and dance halls and should have been prosecuted long ago.

On the rest of their cases in Polk county they fell down, and the grand jury refused to find bills and cause costs.

The reckless running up of fee and cost bills should be sat down upon in any community.

SALEM HITS SALT LAKE MAN RIGHT

Thinks It Would Make An Extremely Ideal Summer Home.

"I am much impressed with your little city," said Frederick S. Steigmeyer, a prominent attorney from Salt Lake City, who is spending a few days visiting the city and transacting business, "and your people here are sociable, and of a class that makes the stranger amidst their community feel at home."

"Your wide streets, abundance of vegetation and desirable location between mountains and foothills inspires a feeling in me that I can only describe by saying that I would like to make my summer home here. The city is not large, nor is it as lively as several in which I have had occasion to visit heretofore, but the general reign of peaceful quietness and the class of people living here, renders the surroundings most comfortable and pleasing."

Attorney Steigmeyer is looking after some legal business at the state

capitol for clients in the East. He has the distinction of being one of the United States' most learned men at law, he having been called upon to take an active part in the Goldfield strikes, and was associated with counsels in the Idaho tragedy. Mr. Steigmeyer has a beautiful home in Salt Lake City, which came to him through his great success as a legal adviser for many prominent people throughout the United States. Among Attorney Steigmeyer's clients are leading capitalists of Chicago and New York.

STATE ASKS FOR MORE WITNESSES

Judge Burnett of the circuit court has issued an order to Clerk Allen directing him to summon Dr. W. H. Byrd and Dr. J. N. Smith as additional witnesses in the case of the state of Oregon against George Meyers, charged with the murder of Night Patrolman Thomas Eckhart.

The order was made in response to a petition filed by District Attorney McNary setting forth the names of the witnesses who will testify in the case, the testimony which they will give, and also setting forth that a fair and impartial trial could not be had without the evidence of these additional witnesses. According to the petition Doctors Byrd and Smith attended and treated Eckhart after he was wounded, and will testify that his death was caused by the gun shot wound received, and that Eckhart stated to them that it was received at the hands of George Meyers.

Other witnesses who will testify for the state are Leavitt Miller, Wm. Ivan, Peter Graber, Arthur Meyers, a brother of the defendant, and C. L. McNary.

The case will come up for trial on January 3, 1910.

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Holiday Offerings

SEE OUR WINDOWS

THE TOGGERY

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THE HOLIDAY SHOPPING DAYS are a busy time for all of us, and if you have to buy Christmas presents for men you are probably at this moment in a more or less frantic attempt to decide "what he'd like." We know and we have it here for him.

Sensible Xmas Gifts For Men

Gloves	\$1.00 to \$2.00	Pajamas	\$1.50 to \$ 4.00
Silk Hose	1.00 to 2.50	Night Robes	1.00 to 3.00
Fancy Hose	25 to .50	Sweater Coats	2.50 to 5.50
Dress Shirts	1.00 to 2.00	Bath Robes	5.00 to 15.00
Fancy Shirts	1.00 to 3.00	Smoke Coats	5.00 to 12.00
Cuff Links50 to 1.50	Lounging Coats	20.00
Silk Suspenders50 to 2.50	Collar Bags	2.00 to 3.00
Linen Handkerchiefs	25 to .50	Traveling Sets	5.00 to 10.00
Silk Handkerchiefs50 to 1.00	Suit Cases	5.00 to 15.00
Fancy Handkerchiefs	25 to .50	Umbrellas	1.00 to 8.50
Full Dress Protectors	1.00 to 8.50	Knox Hats	5.00
Scarf Pins	50 to 1.50	Men's Caps50 to 1.00

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