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COSTS CITY \$20 IN EACH \$100 TO SPEND TAXPAYERS' MONEY, NINETY PER CENT IN SALARIES

Overhead is \$9,521,532 on Outlay for Next Year of \$47,716,423.

TOO MUCH 'EFFICIENCY.' For Every Producing Employee There Is at Least One Non-Producer.

In the old deplorable days when the excise laws were respected in New York City, except for some little cheating in the matter of keeping open after hours, it was the custom of amiable "boobs" to contribute all the way from \$10 to \$100 and more per head for the privilege of sitting in a restaurant on New Year's Eve and paying five prices for champagne. The amiable "boob" generally enjoyed the experience.

The taxpayers and rent-payers of the city of New York are, comparatively, in the state of the aforesaid amiable "boobs" in that, through their City Government, they pay, exorbitantly and needlessly, for the privilege of spending their own money before it is spent. But they don't get any fun out of it.

In this article The Evening World will show, from figures in the tentative budget, that sixteen departments which perform public service spend for planning and supervision and audit \$4,336,505 in the expenditure, for actual accomplishment, of \$47,716,423. The article will also show that eight city departments or bureaus which accomplish nothing in the way of tangible public service spend \$5,185,027 in the task of finding ways to spend the receipts of the city and in checking up the expenditures. About 90 per cent. of all this overhead is sunk in salaries.

These two items of overhead, which are only surface figures and do not go into items which are concealed or not readily apparent, represent a total of \$9,521,532 of cost in the actual outlay of \$47,716,423. The percentage of overhead to distribution for wages, equipment and supplies is about 20 in each \$100.

PEOPLE PAY FOR HIGH COST OF OVERHEAD MACHINERY. What taxpayers get from the city Government in the shape of tangible returns, such as schools, public improvements, policemen, firemen, clean streets, building and health regulation, punishment of crime, care of the incapable and indigent, municipal

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KING'S CONDITION GRAVE.

ATHENS, Oct. 18.—The latest bulletin issued concerning the condition of King Alexander says that it is most grave. In addition to his other ailments, resulting from the bite of a pet snake, congestion of the lungs has developed. The temperature ranged from 104.5 to 105.1. Earlier in the day the king showed improvement. Gustave Adolphe, the Crown Prince of Sweden, arrived in Athens to-night. He is observing the strictest isolation.

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TAFT MAKES FIRST PUBLIC SPEECH FAVORING HARDING

Says Statements That the Senator Has Scrapped League Are "Grossly Unfair."

DEFENDS OWN STAND. Former President Blames Wilson For Not Accepting the Lodge Reservations.

By David Laurence.

(Special Correspondent of The Evening World.)

PORT HURON, Mich., Oct. 19. (Copyright, 1920.)—William Howard Taft in his first political speech in this campaign gave to his audience here a lengthy explanation of why he has not joined with other pro-League of Nations Republicans in supporting Gov. Cox and why he confidently believes the election of Senator Harding will mean America's entrance into the present League of Nations. Here is an excerpt from a stenographic copy of the address:

"Mr. Harding's attitude upon the League has been this: That in an earnest desire to help the other nations he was willing to vote for the League with Republican reservations, and he did so twice. In anticipation of executive responsibility and initiative he does not wish to submit the Wilson League to the Senate. He prefers to negotiate with the leading powers now in the League to revise and amend the League by an agreement with those powers before submitting the matter to the Senate.

"In his speech of Aug. 23, and in his speeches at Indianapolis and Green-castle, Ind., this last week he has made it clear that this country should help in an association to avoid war, and then be willing to bring about a modified or revised league, avoiding those features of the Wilson League to which he has made objections. His insistence is that the League should center around a court of justice, and Mr. Root's International Court of Justice furnishes a basis for his proposal.

"Expressions that Mr. Harding has 'scrapped' the League or has 'repudiated' it are grossly unfair expressions. He has vigorously opposed Article X, and the Monroe Doctrine provision, but he has not repudiated its other provisions and purposes. All information that he is opposed to any league or opposed to the present League, when those features which he deems to be objectionable are removed, and when other features are added that he deems to be necessary, does him injustice.

"I wish to be a real Democrat in spirit. I wish to play the game of government as its rules are contained in the Constitution of the United States. I feel, therefore, that though I favored the Wilson League and hoped that it might be ratified, and favored Article X and hoped that it might escape elimination, when I found it could not be ratified I urged as strongly as I could the acceptance of the reservations offered by the Republicans in November, 1919, and in February, 1920. I felt that President Wilson made himself the proper subject of the severest criticism in not being willing to accept a compromise

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PARLIAMENT TAKES UP PLAN TO END GREAT COAL STRIKE; PUBLIC FLOCK TO OFFER AID

No Indications Now That Other Large Labor Bodies Will Support Strikers.

PUBLIC IS AROUSED. Flock in Thousands to Enrollment Places to Offer Aid if Needed.

LONDON, Oct. 19.—Parliament reopened to-day with the situation created by the coal strike and the Irish problem combining to draw the members to Westminster in large numbers. The chamber was crowded in anticipation of an immediate debate on the coal strike.

The discussion was opened by Sir Robert Horne, President of the Board of Trade. He declared the Government was open to every form of suggestion by which a peaceful solution of this great question could be obtained. He appealed to the house to keep all bitterness out of the debate, saying the problem was to be solved not by denunciation but by good will and common sense.

Sir Robert was loudly cheered as he took the floor. Premier Lloyd George had entered shortly before and received an ovation. A way to renewed negotiations in the nation wide strike was opened by William Brock, labor member. He suggested a new plan of settling the controversy in a speech shortly after the session began.

In his speech Sir Robert reviewed the attempts at a settlement with the miners and drew a gloomy picture of the results if the strike were to be continued. The factories throughout the country were closing, he said, with each day throwing 10,000 out of employment. Trade, under these conditions, would be gradually strangled, he pointed out. He called attention to the depreciation of British credit abroad as a result only of the threatened strike, which amounted in the case of imports from America since July, he said, to nearly £200,000,000.

It had been suggested, continued the speaker, that because the country was in this horrible trouble the miners should be given something. That, he said, would settle the strike, but if it did so others would have to be settled every three months when once the impression got about that it was only

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HARDING WOULD NOT JOIN LEAGUE, JOHNSON REPEATS

California Bitter-Ender Presents Charge of Ambiguity Against Republican Candidate.

CINCINNATI, O., Oct. 19.—Senator Hiram W. Johnson of California, addressing a Newport (Kentucky) audience last night, described himself as "not a member of the Senatorial oligarchy, but only a casualty of the last Republican Party Convention."

The Senator declared he resented any charge of ambiguity against Senator Harding because of his stand on the question of the League of Nations. He said Senator Harding's views on the League were made increasingly plain as the days of the campaign passed, and added:

"The Democratic candidate says that if he is elected the United States will join the League of Nations; the Republican candidate says: 'If I am elected we will not have anything to do with the League of Nations.'"

"For that reason Senator Harding is entitled to the vote of every red-blooded American."

NEW JERSEY BANK MURDER ANOTHER ELWELL CASE

Woman He Courted Sought for Death of Paul, Who Vanished With \$40,000.

HE HAD MANY "AFFAIRS."

Police Say He Was Led to Abscond, Then Lured to Scene of Killing.

(Special to The Evening World.)

CAMDEN, N. J., Oct. 19.—Dagid S. Paul, the murdered Camden bank runner who disappeared on Oct. 5 with \$40,000 in cash while on his way to another bank, and whose mutilated body was found buried in the New Jersey pine belt last Saturday, was with a woman from the time of his disappearance until his death. She was known to the police only as the "Western woman." This developed to-day when the authorities admitted that the whole search centered on finding her.

It was during Paul's vacation that he met her at Mount Holly, N. J., during the horse races and fair there, it was learned that an affair developed between them and that he broke an engagement he had with her, after which he excused himself on the plea that he had been in an automobile accident. In order to make this story look good he bandaged his arm whenever he was to meet her afterward.

When the body was found the arm was bandaged, although there was nothing wrong with it. This shows, according to the police, that he was in her company, and it is believed that she lured him to abscond with the bank funds and then led him to his death.

New clues, showing Paul to have had affairs with many women are constantly turning up and in many respects the case is similar to that of the mysterious New York Elwell sensation. Paul's funeral was held to-day. Thousands of the morbidly curious thronged about the house. A letter in a woman's hand, telling of her infatuation, but unsigned, found in the clothing of Paul, led the police to a search for four women. The search for the four women, with whom Paul was known to have been on the friendliest of terms, is prompted not only by the finding of the letter, but also by the fact that a woman once before got him into trouble, according to the police. Twenty years ago, when he was a letter carrier, Paul was convicted of stealing from the mails, and Capt. Schreger of the Camden detective force declared that a woman was

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MACSWINEY'S MIND AND SIGHT WEAKEN

Passes Fairly Good Night and Begins 68th Day of His Hunger Strike.

LONDON, Oct. 19.—The condition of Lord Mayor Macswiney of Cork was generally unchanged to-day, the sixteenth day of his hunger strike, said the bulletin issued by the Irish Self-Determination League this afternoon. The Lord Mayor passed a fairly good night without any further development of yesterday's disquieting symptoms.

The Lord Mayor's memory seems to be weakening," added the bulletin, "but he is still conscious and intelligent. His sight also is becoming affected, and the doctors fear that signs of sepsis are developing."

SEES CLOTHING AT COST. Retailers 'Have Determined to Protect Profits, It is Said.

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—Retail clothes throughout the country have determined to sell at cost, according to the National Association of Retail Clothiers.

SUPREME COURT JUDGE FINCH RULES THAT THE STATE HAD POWER TO STOP EVICTIONS

Declares Homes and Housing Come Under Police Power—Rent Laws Passed at Special Session Justified by Emergency Confronting Residential Tenants.

Again the State Supreme Court has upheld the constitutionality of the new rent laws. Justice Edward R. Finch, in the Supreme Court, Bronx, to-day held that the Legislature had the right to safeguard the State's police powers and that the home and housing problem confronting thousands of citizens under former leasing conditions created an emergency that justified the passage of the special legislation.

Although the argument of the landlord's counsel stressed the assertion that the emergency legislation was a potential restraint on the power of the courts, Justice Finch upheld the demurrer interposed on behalf of the tenant to the attack on the new laws' legality.

This decision follows a similar judicial endorsement of the laws by Supreme Court Justice Faber.

EBBETS WANTS TO SELL HIS BALL TEAM AND RETIRE

Brooklyn Magnet Withholds Price for Franchise—Knows Nothing of Gambling.

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—When the Special Grand Jury investigating gambling in organized baseball resumed its investigation to-day, Charles Ebbets, owner of the Brooklyn Nationals, and Harry H. Frazee, President of the Best Americans, were excused as witnesses.

Both Ebbets and Frazee told Hartley P. Reppage, Assistant State's Attorney, that they had no information as to gambling, but expressed willingness to return later if wanted. Before leaving the State's attorney's office, Mr. Ebbets said he hoped the Grand Jury would recommend adoption of the Lasker plan for the reorganization of baseball.

Later, George W. Grant, President of the Boston Nationals, was excused on the plea that he had no information to reveal to the Grand Jury. Mr. Grant told Mr. Reppage that any time he received information on gambling he would submit it.

Ebbets, whose club won the National League championship this season, said he expected to retire from baseball when he received his price for the National League franchise and baseball grounds in Brooklyn. He did not reveal the price he would demand.

"I have been in the game for 38 years," Ebbets said, "and think it is about time for me to quit. I am 61 years old now."

Investigation of baseball as far back as 1917 was to be taken up by the Grand Jury. John A. Heydler, President of the National League, was subpoenaed to bring with him records of all investigations of crookedness in baseball made by the National League. Heydler said these investigations extended back to 1917 in which Hal Chase

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WORLD RESTAURANT. Opened for 10-day (Monday), Oct. 19, 1920—Small check. French food restaurant. 451, 453, 455, 457, 459, 461, 463, 465, 467, 469, 471, 473, 475, 477, 479, 481, 483, 485, 487, 489, 491, 493, 495, 497, 499, 501, 503, 505, 507, 509, 511, 513, 515, 517, 519, 521, 523, 525, 527, 529, 531, 533, 535, 537, 539, 541, 543, 545, 547, 549, 551, 553, 555, 557, 559, 561, 563, 565, 567, 569, 571, 573, 575, 577, 579, 581, 583, 585, 587, 589, 591, 593, 595, 597, 599, 601, 603, 605, 607, 609, 611, 613, 615, 617, 619, 621, 623, 625, 627, 629, 631, 633, 635, 637, 639, 641, 643, 645, 647, 649, 651, 653, 655, 657, 659, 661, 663, 665, 667, 669, 671, 673, 675, 677, 679, 681, 683, 685, 687, 689, 691, 693, 695, 697, 699, 701, 703, 705, 707, 709, 711, 713, 715, 717, 719, 721, 723, 725, 727, 729, 731, 733, 735, 737, 739, 741, 743, 745, 747, 749, 751, 753, 755, 757, 759, 761, 763, 765, 767, 769, 771, 773, 775, 777, 779, 781, 783, 785, 787, 789, 791, 793, 795, 797, 799, 801, 803, 805, 807, 809, 811, 813, 815, 817, 819, 821, 823, 825, 827, 829, 831, 833, 835, 837, 839, 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