

MARTIN OPPOSES HIGHWAY BONDS

Roseburg-Grants Pass Link Project Disapproved on Financial Grounds.

SALEM, Feb. 4.—(AP)—Governor Martin is "unilaterally" opposed to the suggestion of State Senator James Chinook, of Joggphine county, that reconstruction of the Pacific highway between Grants Pass and Roseburg be financed by a \$7,000,000 bond issue, the Capital Journal said today.

The paper quoted the governor as follows: "I appreciate the need for improvement of this important section of highway and am fully in sympathy with Senator Chinook and the officials of the Pacific Highway association in their efforts to secure a road adequate to meet the demands placed upon it, but I cannot consent to the sale of more state bonds for any purpose except in cases of extreme emergency."

"Oregon has bonded and bonded for this purpose and that until the burden has become so heavy as to be practically unbearable."

"During my campaign for election I stated that, if elected, one of my objectives would be to eliminate the bonded debt of the highway department and put road building in Oregon on a pay-as-you-go basis."

"I have not changed my mind, nor my objective. If we are ever to put road building and maintenance on a business basis, we must adopt and stay with a policy of confining expenditures to actual revenues and eliminate heavy interest charges. Even now our interest bill on state highway bonds is annually more than 60 per cent of the amount of principal requirements."

"We cannot afford to pay twice for the roads we construct."

"Interference" Decried. Governor Martin also deprecated what he said was a hint of legislative interference in the affairs of the highway department, contained in the announcement of Senator Chinook and the voluntary endorsement of the bonding plan given today by Senator Walter Fisher of Douglas county.

"The success of the highway administration in Oregon has been due to the absence of politics in the affairs of the commission," he said. "To permit legislative interference in the administrative functions of the commission would be to invite logrolling and lobbying."

"I have been over this piece of road many times and fully agree that it should be modernized. But I feel that we would be establishing an unusual and dangerous precedent to finance the improvement through a bond issue."

RECOGNITION OF WORK NEED HELD GOOD SIGN

GRANTS PASS, Feb. 4.—(AP)—While Senator James T. Chinook, who proposed a \$7,000,000 bond issue for improvement of the Pacific highway, and C. H. Demaray, president of the Oregon Pacific Highway association, declined to comment on Governor Martin's opposition today, one apparent reaction was noted here.

It was satisfaction with Governor Martin's statement agreeing with the need for improvement of the highway. With the governor's support, state highway commission surveys already made, and general agreement of cities along the highway, it was believed a forward step has been made, even if the bond issue proposal is rejected.

No comment was made concerning further support for the bond issue proposed to follow the same program as the bonds voted by the state last year for the coast highway, when \$5,000,000 was provided for construction of bridges.

EARLY RETURNS ON INCOME TAX URGED

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 4.—(AP)—Earl Fisher of the state tax commission urged today that income tax returns be filed as early as possible to avoid the rush and long hours of waiting in line the final few days.

For the convenience of the public, officials of the commission will spend a day or two in a number of the principal cities of the state and help persons making reports.

Besides the regular offices at Portland and Salem, branches will be established for short periods at Klamath Falls, Medford, Grants Pass, Roseburg, Eugene, Astoria, La Grande, Baker, Bend and possibly a few other cities, Fisher said.

The deadline for filing returns is April 1. Returns may be filed earlier without making payments until April 1. There is a penalty for any payments not made by that date.

All single persons with incomes of \$800 or more, and all married persons with incomes of \$1,500 or more must file returns, even though they have other exemptions. Single persons with incomes of \$200 a year from intangibles, and married persons with \$800 income from intangibles must file returns.

The Portland office handled 4,000 tax reports the final filing day last year.

BROWN DERBY WILL ENTER 1936 FIGHT

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—(AP)—The New York Sun said today that Alfred E. Smith has decided to carry his fight on the new deal to

Roseburg Grocer Wins \$500 in Nation-Wide Contest



Winner of a \$500 prize in the national contest conducted by the Best Foods, Inc., for grocers and clerks, Chester Morgan, Roseburg grocer, is pictured above receiving the prize check from Frank Fink, president of the Fink company, northwest distributing firm. The third person in the picture is Harold Beeson, salesman for the Fink company and a former resident of Roseburg. Morgan's victory is all the more noteworthy from the fact that he had more than 50,000 competitors in the contest, which was in the form of written sales messages.

Payless Professor to Retire



Dr. Rollin H. Walker

Dr. Rollin H. Walker, professor of English Bible at Ohio Wesleyan university, Delaware, O., practices the principles of Christian generosity as well as teaching them. Since Dr. Walker joined the Wesleyan faculty in 1899, he has given more money to the university than he has received. He has worked without pay for years and even paid the salaries of his departmental assistants out of his modest income from other sources. His academic career ends next June when he retires at the age of 70.

FARADAY CLUB VIEWS ROCK-GEM EXHIBIT

Members of the Faraday club at Roseburg senior high school held a very interesting meeting Tuesday during activity period. The group attending went on a field trip to the home of Harold Prutz, where he showed the group a very unusual collection of rocks, gems, stone grindings and accompanied by a very interesting lecture. Those attending were: LeRoy Hatt, advisor; Burton Laird, Mary Ellen Darby, Eleanor Entler, Ethel Kinney, Clair Shirey, Louie Dillard, Frank Wells, Franklin Hodson, Phillip Branson, Bud Kerr and William Nell.

OLD DWELLING HOUSE BEING TORN DOWN

CAMAS VALLEY, Feb. 5.—The old dwelling house on the Coon place is being torn down, taking away one of the oldest landmarks in the valley. The Coon property was one of the early donation land claims in Camas Valley, and the house was one of the first buildings erected here.

The original claim has been divided and portions sold, the section upon which the house stands now being owned by H. A. Cleveland of Portland. Bert Neely, who has the property under lease, has purchased two acres nearby and is preparing to erect a residence.

Much of the lumber from the house now being razed is still in perfect condition and will be used by Mr. Neely, who is being assisted by Charles Reynolds in the carpenter work.

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OUTBREAKS OCCUR OVER COMMUNISM

Raids and Demonstrations Reported From Cities of Two Continents.

By the Associated Press. Alleged communistic activities brought raids, labor demonstrations and official denunciations in Europe, Mexico and South America today.

Five nations of southeastern Europe—Hungary, Bulgaria, Yugoslavia, Rumania and Austria—struck simultaneously amid warnings of a "new red menace" and attempts to rouse the public against an increase of Soviet Russian influence in the valley of the Danube.

Hungary crushed an organization allegedly communistic and led by Bela Kun, who headed a communistic regime in 1919.

In Bulgaria 50 persons were arrested in a series of raids and 39 gypsies were put on trial for reputed communistic activity.

Rumanian, Yugoslavian and Austrian police made many raids.

Some sections of the Austrian press indicated belief Russia was seeking to replace Italy as the dominant power of the southeastern area, taking advantage of Italy's operations in east Africa.

A two-day "shut down" of industrial Monterrey, Mexico, found organized labor and capitalists combined against what they termed an "open attempt by communists to establish a Bolshevik dictatorship."

The immediate cause of the activity at Monterrey was the decision of an arbitration board that a glass factory strike was legal.

In South America official statements accused communists of fomenting railway strike trouble in Chile and underground political activities in Paraguay.

These brought to five the South American countries in which similar accusations have been made in recent weeks. Previously communistic allegations were made in Brazil, Argentina and Uruguay.

The Chilean government asserted it had "proof" communists were engaged in actions connected with the current National Railway lines strike, and the Paraguayan defense ministry declared several army officers would be asked to resign under suspicion.

ELKTON

ELKTON, Feb. 4.—Mrs. Elsie Wells and Ira Wells were attending to business matters in Roseburg Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Thomas were Roseburg visitors Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Nottage of Scottsburg were in Elkton Thursday as they were on their way to Grants Pass.

R. R. Wells made a business trip to Reedsport one day last week.

A Bushman of Eugene was attending to business matters in Elkton Wednesday.

The state bridge crew and families have moved from Elkton to Roseburg.

There are quite a number of new lambs around Elkton.

Mrs. H. Bloodgood of Reedsport has returned home from visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Haines.

L. Jewell of Reedsport was an Elkton visitor one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Andrews of Scottsburg were in Elkton Thursday. They reported Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Andrews have moved to Springfield to make their home. The Andrews have been in Elkton many times.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Rackliff of Myrtle Point spent several days the past week visiting at the home of Mrs. Marietta Haines.

Clyde Beckley was a Roseburg visitor Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Colley of Yakima are visiting relatives and friends at Elkton.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Binder were in Roseburg Thursday. The Binders have a new Ford car.

Alva and Dan Mappin of Kellogg were Elkton visitors Thursday.

Mrs. Wilbur Huges is ill at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hudson were Roseburg visitors Tuesday.

Food Sale Saturday—The Riverside grange ladies will sponsor a cooked food sale Saturday, February 5, at McKean and Baldwin's furniture store.

Convalescing—Jeanne Frances Dillard is convalescing from a recent tonsillectomy at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Dillard, on South Jackson street.

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