

Portland Street Car Probe to Be Completed Soon

SALEM, April 2 (AP)—Investigation into the Portland street car case, which the public service commission has had under way for some time, is nearing completion and the issue will be set for hearing and final closing in about 30 days, Charles M. Thomas, commissioner, announced here yesterday. This case will be followed immediately by hearings relative to the Portland General Electric, and final determination of commercial and residential lighting rates, and all other questions involved, is expected shortly.

Preliminary to resuming the hearing in the street car case, of the Pacific Northwest Public Service Company, and the electric case, the engineers of the public utilities commission have been carrying on an independent investigation and gathering data for final determination of questions involved in the case. Thomas said. Both of these cases were instituted upon motion of the old public service commission and many hearings have already been had, enabling the new commissioner to bring the issue to a close after one more hearing.

At a number of hearings held a year ago, and in which the city of Portland was intervenor, Thomas said, the valuations of both the electric and street car systems were the chief points at issue. Following these hearings the old commission prescribed rates and thereafter tariffs were filed containing lower industrial power rates. The issue at stake in the cases on which hearings are to be resumed is whether lighting rates shall be further reduced and also whether a reduction shall be made in street car fares. It is the intention of the commission to bring both of these cases to an early conclusion.

It was understood that Kenneth Harlan, of the firm of Carey & Harlan, has been in conference with Thomas, but indications are that the

service commissioner will not have use for any consulting engineers in these cases. Developments of the past few weeks show that the commissioner expects to build up his engineering staff within his own organization. Failure of the legislature to appropriate additional funds, and the governor's program of economy, makes it improbable that expert consultants may be used.

2 Preliminary Events Signed For Mat Exhibit

Two lively preliminaries have been arranged for the McCarroll-Noregard main event to be featured at a wrestling card Monday night at the Eagles hall.

In the 30-minute semi-final, Marlin Oliver, of Wallawa, and Bill Nelson, of Eugene, both middleweights, will meet on the mat. Another preliminary will be a five-minute "wrestle royal," similar to a battle royal only without the gloves and fists.

Reports are that much interest is being shown in the coming match between McCarroll and Noregard, with a large crowd of Wallawa county men to attend.

Jury Can't Find Cause of Crash

COTTONWOOD FALLS, Kan., April 2 (AP)—A coroner's jury reported yesterday that it was unable to determine the cause of the crash of an air transport plane near here Tuesday in which Knute Rockne and seven others lost their lives.

California Suffers Unusual Dry Spell

LOS ANGELES, April 2 (AP)—Agricultural leaders expressed concern yesterday over crop conditions in Southern California as the 46th day of an unseasonable drought passed without prospects of rain.

Col. H. B. Hersey, government meteorologist, said the period was the longest dry spell at this time of the year since 1878. Normally, heavy rains fall in Southern California at this time, followed by a dry spell extending from late spring until early fall.

S. P. TRAINS DELAYED

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., April 2 (AP)—Southern Pacific trains 17 and 19 were delayed more than 8 hours here yesterday by a slide at Wicopee, in the Cascades.

The Nashville, Tenn., Volunteers will enter the baseball season this year under new management and new ownership.

Seattle Gives Results of Mat Investigations

SEATTLE, April 2 (AP)—Findings that wrestling "as now conducted by the Coast Athletic club is apparently a promotion enterprise, show and entertainment," the Seattle athletic commission announced yesterday following a two weeks' investigation that mat shows in Seattle will be continued to be classed as "exhibitions."

The commission made known its findings after taking testimony from wrestlers, referees, promoters and others connected with the game. The athletic body decided that it would name the referees for Seattle "exhibitions" and would permit another organization to alternate each week with the Coast Athletic club in showing grapplers here. A permit has already been granted a group of Seattle men to promote wrestling in the city, but it is not known as yet whether they will do so.

The commission said that the shows "should not be classed as wrestling contests for physical supremacy in the performance of the technique of wrestling as a sport."

"PROMOTION ENTERPRISE"

SEATTLE, Wash., April 2 (AP)—Wrestling is controlled by two groups of promoters, each supporting two world's "champions" in the United States, the Seattle Athletic commission had found here today after investigating charges that "wrestling matches were faked and contestants were hooked around the circuit like vaudeville actors."

The report of the commission stated one of the groups controlling the sport was known in the east as the Jack Curley syndicate and whose "alleged champion of the world is Jim London." The other is known in the west as the Lewis-Sandow-Bower syndicate of Flendale, Calif., whose head is Ed "Strangler" Lewis, a former champion, and whose present champion is Don George.

Another finding was that Gus Sonnenberg, when on a tour as "alleged champion" was accompanied by a Mr. Tonemann, who purported to be a licensed referee of Illinois and officiated the Sonnenberg-Sarpolis match here. And that Don George, who won the "alleged championship" recently on a tour of the Northwest, was accompanied by the same Tonemann, who acted in the same capacity.

Regardless of whether local sports promoters or business men should promote the bouts "the policy of wrestling as at present constituted is such that the game would be no different under one group than under another," the findings stated.

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The commission exonerated Virgil Hamlin, president, and Calvin Hellig, treasurer, of the Coast Athletic club with headquarters in Portland, of "any wrong doing whatsoever." No substantial proof was found upon which to base a finding in connection with the charges against Ted Thyne, Portland wrestler and stockholder in the club, the report said. Accused with having attempted to "fix" a Tacoma match, Jack Rutledge, Spokane matchmaker, was suspended from having "anything to do with wrestling or any other sport in

Five New Men In State Office At Salem Yesterday

SALEM, April 2 (AP)—Yesterday saw the new officials at the state office building in Salem. The men, recently appointed by Governor Julius L. Meier, were sworn in and assumed their new positions, replacing five men, most of whom have been here the past four years.

A. H. Averill succeeds Clare A. Lee as insurance commissioner. Lee has not yet decided what he will do, but plans to make his home in Salem for the time being.

James W. Mott succeeds Mark D. McCallister as corporation commissioner. Mott announced he would make no changes in the organization for the time being.

Arthur W. Lawrence, Charles T. Early and Albert R. Hunter are the new members of the state industrial accident commission. The commission was in session yesterday for organization purposes.

They succeed W. H. Fitzgerald, who announced he would open a law office in Portland; E. E. Bragg, who is planning a vacation trip to California; and Sam Laughlin, who is expected to resume his connections with his bank at Yamhill.

Three Year Term For Burning Home

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., April 2 (AP)—Charles A. Briggs, butcher, was yesterday sentenced to three years in prison on a charge of burning a dwelling.

Police said he confessed to having soaked excelsior with gasoline and placed it in a closet of his home with a lighted candle. He said, officers declared, he was hard-pressed financially and hoped to obtain the insurance.

The fire was discovered and extinguished before much damage was done. Deputy State Fire Marshal Warren of Salem aided the local fire department in investigating the case.

Franz Duelsberg, German racing cyclist, is training in the United States for the cycle races this summer.

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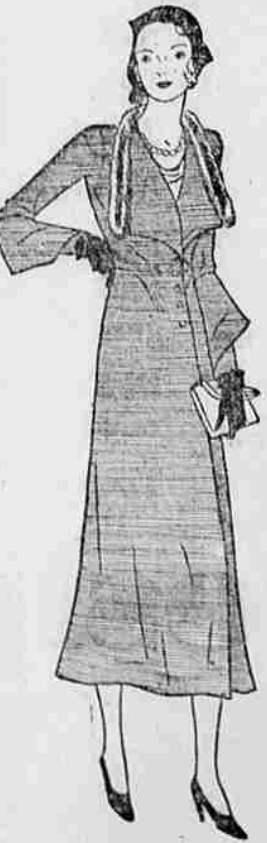
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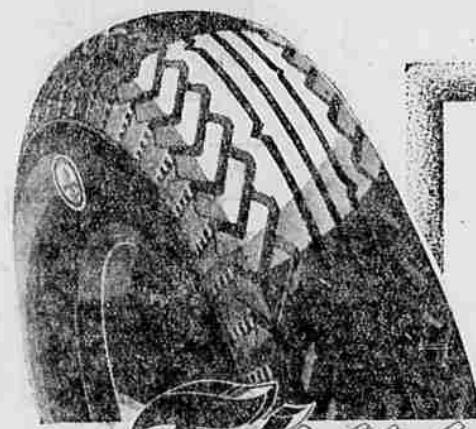
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