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STATE CAPITOL, Salem. — Everybody curses the legislature, but everybody wants to know what it is doing. Probably everyone wants to know what it is doing so he will know what to curse it for next time.

The legislature is the state's greatest biennial show, even if it doesn't cost as much as it costs to produce some motion pictures.

One thing about the actors in this great show is that their actions are all natural. There is nothing put on. No one is trained for his part. Each actor acts the same as he would act at home in a public gathering, only perhaps a little more so and possibly more often.

A great deal of fear has been expressed that this would be a wild and woolly session. Before the session convened I heard the names of several who were expected to make it wild and woolly, but so far these wild and woolly fellows have been the most docile lambs of the bunch.

Of course all these fellows who are supposed to be wild and woolly are democrats and it was republicans who said they would be wild and woolly.

In the senate in particular the personnel really has class and several of those who are expected to keep things on an even keel have long been known as democrats. They were democrats even before being a democrat became so popular. That kind of a democrat is particularly a good a legislator as a democrat—sometimes a better legislator than some republicans.

Lane county was somewhat prominent in the organization of the senate. Senator McCornack made the speech that resulted in the unanimous election of Senator Franciscovich for president of the body.

A few minutes later Senator Salvor Wheeler made the nominating speech for this writer, who was unanimously selected for reading clerk.

In another few minutes Allen Wheeler, prominent Lane county granger and incidentally a son of Senator Wheeler, was again unanimously selected for sergeant at arms, a position held so many years by Colonel W. G. D. Mercer of Eugene.

Senator Wheeler believes in his kids doing things on their own and gave no aid to son Allen when the latter decided several sessions ago that he wanted to be an officer of the body of which his father was a member.

It may have been an error to say that Wheeler junior was unanimously elected. Father-Senator Wheeler neglected to answer the roll when his son was selected without a dissenting vote. It is plain, however, that Father-Senator Wheeler is proud of the way another member of the family is making good.

Once in a while the English used by legislators is amusing. At least the English they get credit for using. Already at this session I have seen the worst mixing up of the queen's English that I have ever seen at any session. It was intended as a resolution, but bore no enacting clause. One paragraph reads: "Whereas there is now located in the chamber of the house of representatives, pay-telephones; and the telephone shall be free of charge to the members of the house, however, only as it represents local telephones and no long distance." I'll not give the name of the member who introduced the resolution, as he comes from my new legislative district. Anyway he may have told a stenographer to prepare the resolution and may not have edited it before it was introduced.

The resolution reminds one of the school teacher who said he had been chased by the gentlemen friend of the cows than which he thought there were none in the pasture but.

A reporter for a Portland daily has been mistaken several times for President Franciscovich. When approached by seekers after jobs he has suggested that the applicants see him later at his office. Such applicants report at the office of the president, who knows

Mott, Honeyman Predict Early End Of Maritime Strike

Mott Questions Success of Federal Legislation Either to Settle or Prevent Strikes.

Congressman James W. Mott and Congresswoman Nan Wood Honeyman, acknowledging receipt of chamber of commerce letters relative to the maritime strike, both expressed belief that an early settlement was in prospect. The letters received by Earl Ballew, secretary, follow.

Dear Mr. Ballew: This will acknowledge the receipt of your letter of January 8, relative to the maritime strike situation.

During the past six weeks I have been in continuous touch with the governmental agencies which are endeavoring to settle the strike. My information from them today is to the effect that a settlement is in sight, and I trust this happy result may have been brought about by the time this letter reaches you.

Although it is doubtful, in my opinion, whether Federal legislation can be enacted which would effectively tend either to settle or to prevent strikes, I am making as careful a study as possible of all plans which have been suggested to date upon that subject. Proposed legislation relative to strikes will in all probability be offered for consideration at the present session of the Congress.

With kind personal regards and assuring you of my fullest cooperation in the task of finding a proper solution to this problem, I am Very cordially yours, JAMES W. MOTT.

Dear Mr. Ballew: Complying with the request of your organization and that of other organizations and individuals in Oregon, I have submitted your requests for Executive intervention to the White House, where I am sure they will be given every consideration.

I am keeping in close touch with the strike situation and steps being taken to terminate it, and will do all in my power to help bring about a satisfactory and permanent settlement which, as a matter of fact, I have reason to believe is close at hand.

Thanking you for your communication, I am, Very truly yours, NAN WOOD HONEYMAN.

Drainage Project Expected to Get WPA Approval

C. E. Stewart, chairman of the roads and highways and federal project committee of the chamber of commerce reported Tuesday at the chamber meeting that the suggestion of a WPA project for Cottage Grove had met with favorable reception at the hands of Mr. Todd of Eugene, county WPA supervisor, and that definite action should be secured shortly after February 1.

City officials will be requested to make a preliminary survey of desired projects. It is expected that drainage and flood control work will receive first consideration and as soon as the local survey has been made Mr. Todd is expected to check on the program.

The Stork Wins.

The "stork" was the winner by a good margin over the "grim reaper" in the 1936 sweepstakes, according to Dr. A. W. Kime, city health officer.

During the past year there were 120 births in Cottage Grove and only 54 deaths. The males outnumbered the females, 69 to 51, but 31 males and 23 females died, leaving a total balance of 66 in favor of the stork.

At a farm party in New York City real hog-callers entertained while an artificial cow gave champagne.

nothing of the appointments made by his double.

One old tragedy is being reenacted. Half the residents of the state seem to be in dire need of the limited number of jobs which the legislature has to give. Gradually the disappointed ones, now out expense money, are drifting home.

Central Figures in Big Birthday Party



President Franklin D. Roosevelt, whose birthday January 30 will be the occasion for a series of 5,000 celebrations to be held throughout the country to raise funds for the nation's war against infantile paralysis. Right, Colonel Henry L. Doherty, for the fourth time national chairman of the world's biggest birthday party.

ON WITH THE DANCE

It is hoped that several hundred Cottage Grovians will gather at the armory Saturday night, January 30, to join with the President and several million other Americans throughout the nation in the celebration of his fifty-fifth birthday. This year Colonel Doherty estimates that no fewer than five thousand parties will be given and there are those who think that as much as a million dollars will be raised for the alleviation of suffering and the attack of science on infantile paralysis.

"Americans in tall coats and high hats, Sunday suits, hunting jackets and high boots, pierrat costumes, sweaters and overalls; beardless boys, men in the prime of life, war veterans, bewhiskered granddads, the members of high school basketball teams, big city sophisticates and farm hands, men of every vocation, avocation, profession and calling will twirl and whirl the ladies in a waltz, polka, maxurka, two-step; entrance them with a rumba, fandango or Spanish jota, or stomp their way elegantly, or inelegantly, through a Virginia reel, or perchance attempt the highland fling.

American women, dowagers, debutants, sub-debs, teachers, doctors, nurses, lawyers, the girls from the five and ten cent stores, where you meet the "million dollar princesses", senior and junior leaguers, artists models, the club ladies, college and high school girls and girls who work with their hands, they will all be there "among those present". God bless them all, at the President's parties. Whatever their costume, whether the latest Paris confection, or a "take me home for \$10.95", whatever their honest calling, they will be in themselves sufficient reason for a celebration.

But this year when the industrialists and wage earners agree that times are better, and the President has promised to balance the budget, there should be more cause for festivity.

Remember that thirty per cent

of the funds obtained will be used to forward the work of the men of science who are seeking new methods to strike at the heart of poliomyelitis, and help those who have been its victims. But seventy cents out of every dollar collected, will be spent locally for the relief of infantile paralysis sufferers. The celebrations will thus represent the "good neighbor" spirit, first benefiting friends and acquaintances and afterward contributing toward the general good.

The President's Birthday Ball this January, as in past years, will be an American gesture, national in scope, altruistic in purpose and gay with the spirit of a people still young and generous.

Public Health Group Meets With County Nurse

The public health group met Monday afternoon at the city hall with Mrs. Ruth Hingartner, Lane county nurse, present for a discussion of health problems in the schools and community.

Mrs. C. A. Beldier, chairman of the loan closet committee, reported numerous demands during prevailing illness of articles on the loan shelves. Material was given out to be made into garments for a baby layette to be used in the home of a needy family.

Mrs. C. J. Kem, chairman of the Christmas seal sale, reported \$130 realized from the sale.

Mrs. Donnell Allen was appointed chairman of a committee which supervises the milk distribution in the schools for undernourished children. Mrs. Allen replaces Mrs. Ernest Hov, who recently moved from the city to Rainier.

Charles A. Lindbergh made his famous New York to Paris flight on May 20, 1927.

Committees for C. of C. Named At Tuesday Meet

C. J. Kem, president of the Chamber of commerce at Tuesday's session announced the appointment of the following committees for the ensuing year:

- Agricultural—Chas. Brown, Chas. Beldier and Fred Bressler. This committee will also cooperate with the committee on Four-H club fair.
- Civic—Dr. H. A. Hagen, Cleo Morelock, Dr. C. H. Kime.
- Entertainment—H. B. Ferrin, L. C. Schroeder, N. J. Nelson.
- Industrial—J. H. Chambers, W. H. Daugherty, O. E. Woodson.
- Legislation—H. W. Lombard, A. W. Helliwell, C. E. Umphrey.
- Natural Resources—H. E. D. Brown, Godfrey Graber, Ray Traut.
- Publicity—Chet Stroup, C. I. Rynearson, Harold Swartz.
- Roads and Highways, Federal Projects—C. E. Stewart, L. W. Coiner, H. B. Griggs.
- County Chamber—C. E. Stewart, N. E. Glass, Joe Smith.
- Pet Parade and 4-H Club Fair—Roy Short, Harry Knight, Clyde Roberts, Bill Bartels, Cecil Beck and members of the agricultural committee.

The first named member of each committee has been appointed chairman.

City Officials Meet At Salem; Forty-one Cities Represented

Seek Relief For The Property Tax Payers of Their Cities. Ask Share Gas—Liquor Taxes.

City Attorney Herbert W. Lombard attended a meeting at Salem, Monday, of nearly 100 city officials representing forty-one cities from all parts of the state, who were seeking relief for the property tax payers of their cities. Resolutions were adopted asking for a share of gasoline tax revenues and a larger share of revenues derived from liquor traffic. Minor modifications of the Knox law in regard to the time of closing of beer licenses and the age of persons serving beer and wine were adopted.

The conference, called by the League of Oregon Cities, also went on record favoring new legislation giving the cities the right to levy occupational taxes for revenue purposes and authorized its legislative committee to work with the State Bankers' Association in developing a plan whereby cities may obtain interest on their deposits without conflicting with the federal deposit insurance act. Stern opposition to any attempt of the state to usurp the revenue from various amusement devices was also expressed.

Adopting the report of a special committee headed by George J. R. McGee, city manager of Hillsboro, city officials, with one dissenting vote, approved a resolution asking that five per cent of the revenues of the State Highway Commission should be distributed to cities to be used for street purposes during 1937. The resolution requested six per cent in 1938, seven per cent in 1939, and seven and one-half per cent thereafter. It was pointed out that these amounts would not deprive the Highway Commission of any present revenues but would be only a small part of the annual increase which is resulting from the increased use of automobiles and gasoline. The net revenues of the state from the gasoline tax increased \$1,300,000 in 1936 over 1935.

First Born of LaBlue Triplets Dies of Pneumonia

Kenneth H., the oldest of the LaBlue triplets, born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry LaBlue November 22 at their Hebron home, died Sunday night, January 17. The infant had been ill a few days with a severe cold which later developed into pneumonia. Graveside services were held Tuesday forenoon at the Taylor-Lane cemetery. Rev. E. E. Coulter officiated. Mills chapel was in charge of arrangements.

The infant is survived by the parents and six brothers and sisters. Keith, the third born of the triplets, is reported ill with a cold. Dr. Kime, attending physician, said it had not reached an alarming stage.

Balladeers Announce Annual Concert, Jan. 31 at Arcade Theatre

Program This Year Expected To Surpass Past Productions; New Officers Head Group.

The Balladeers, Cottage Grove's own men's chorus of twenty-five voices, under the direction of Edna Leslie Pearson, will present their annual concert Sunday, January 31, at 3 p. m. at the Arcade theatre. Mrs. Helen Rice will be the accompanist and assisting will be Bernice Lewis, violinist, accompanied by Ruth Stewart Caldwell; Helen Judy, soprano, accompanist Dorothy Davis; and the "mysterious lady in blue."

The Balladeers, organized four years ago, have made many sacrifices, both of time and money, to keep their organization functioning and to develop a musical group of which the city might be proud. They make no solicitation for funds from the general public except upon the occasion of their public concerts, and judging from advance reports, the concert this year will well be worth the nominal price placed upon the tickets.

The program in full follows: Song of the Road, Stevenson—Protheroe.

Cornfield Melodies, arranged by Gates, Messrs. Finnerty, Weber, Edwards and chorus.

Dedication, Franz. Captain Mac, Sanderson. Violin solos: Liebesleid, Kreisler; Spanish Dance, Fabian Reffeld; Russian Dance, Hartman—Bernice Lewis.

Medley, arranged by Greeley: In the Good Old Summer Time, On the Banks of the Wabash, Steamboat Bill; Say "Au Revoir". Liebestraum (Dream of Love) Franz-Liszt.

Soprano Solos: Indian Love Call (Rose Marie) Primi; Il Bacio, Ardit.

Gypsy Trail, Kipling-Galloway. A Beautiful Lady in Blue, with "Lady in Blue".

At the recent annual meeting of the organization E. J. Weber was elected president; N. J. Nelson Jr. vice-president; Don Allen secretary-treasurer and C. E. Umphrey, assistant director. Edna Leslie Pearson, whose untiring efforts have been much appreciated, was again chosen director, as was Helen Rice, accompanist.

Members of the chorus are: Warren Edwards, Schofield Stewart, Albert Woodard, Donald Allen, Chester Allen, Earl Ballew, Frank Babcock, Tom Howard, Kenneth Shortridge, Irvin Pacholke, Richard Bushell, Eugene Dove, H. A. Hagen, Worth Harvey, N. J. Nelson, Victor Phelps, John Pennington, Edward Weber, Lee Baldwin, William Bartels, Lester Coiner, Edward Finnerty, Carl Rynearson, Bert Trask and C. E. Umphrey.

C. G. Lions Lose To Springfield; Score 36 to 10

The Cottage Grove Lions met defeat at the hands of the Springfield Millers Friday night, 36 to 10, at Springfield in a ragged and unimpressive basketball game. Fast in spots a number of fouls were called and Springfield converted most of their free throws. The score at the half stood 15-5. The local five was greatly handicapped by a newly oiled and reportedly slippery floor. The team as a whole was not in the best of physical condition as three of the players were reported ill following the game.

The lineup: Cottage Grove Springfield Bartels _____ F. 3, VanLydegraf Ferrin, 3 _____ F. 2, Haxby Guggisberg, 3 _____ C. 17, Carson Hall, 2 _____ G. 7, Taylor Jennings, 1 _____ G. _____ Jones

Subs: Cottage Grove: Grimes, MacGibbon, 1; Lamb, Grannis. Springfield, McChesney, White 2, Stierhaver 4, Warner.

The second string was defeated in a preliminary game by a score of 31-11.

I Have a Boy

I've a wonderful boy, and I say to him, "Son, Be fair and be square in the race you must run, Be brave if you lose and meek if you win, Be better and nobler than I've ever been, Be honest and noble in all that you do, And honor the name I have given to you."

I have a boy and I want him to know We reap in life just about as we sow, And we get what we earn, be it little or great, Regardless of luck and regardless of fate, I will teach him and show the best that I can, That it pays to be honest and upright, a man.

I will make him a pal and a partner of mine, And show him the things in this world that are fine, I will show him the things that are wicked and bad, For I figure this knowledge should come from his dad, I will walk with him, talk with him, play with him, too, And to all of my promises strive to be true.

We will grow up together, I'll too be a boy, And share in his trouble and share in his joy, We'll work out our problems together and then We will lay out our plans when we both will be men, And oh, what a wonderful joy this will be, No pleasure in life could be greater to me.

—Hugh M. Pierce. In "Inklings"