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RESURRECT FAKED LINCOLN STORY

FALSE STATEMENT HAS DONE
ANTI-CATHOLIC SERVICE
FOR MANY YEARS

A LETTER FROM HIS SON

ROBERT LINCOLN SHOWS REAL
VIEW OF HIS ILLUS-
TRIOUS FATHER

Defenders of the ku klux klan, now active in New York city, have resurrected the faked Lincoln quotation which has long done service in the interest of anti-Catholic bigotry. The reappearance of the statement credited to Lincoln brought emphatic protest from Miss Ida M. Tarbell and other students of Lincoln's life. The faked quotation follows:

"I see a dark cloud on the horizon, and that dark cloud is coming from Rome. It will rise and increase, till its flanks will be torn by a flash of lightning, followed by a fearful peal of thunder. Then a cyclone such as the world has never seen will pass over this country, spreading ruin and desolation from north to south. After it is over there will be long days of peace and prosperity for popery, with its Jesuits and merciless inquisition, will be forever swept away from our country."

In her statement Miss Tarbell said: "Lincoln never said such a thing. It is a pure fabrication. He was the last man in the world to harbor such bigoted and narrow thoughts. I challenge this statement and challenge the klan to prove it."

"In the preparation for my two-volume life of Lincoln I read every letter, speech and paper the great emancipator ever uttered. I searched the records in Washington and elsewhere for everything possible that would bear on the life of Lincoln and know no such narrow utterances were ever made by him."

"Lincoln's broad-mindedness on the matter of religion, and particularly in relation to the Roman Catholics, is best set forth in this short excerpt from a letter to Archbishop Hughes in October, 1861."

A letter from Robert Todd Lincoln of Washington, D. C., the son of Abraham Lincoln, quoted in the Tablet, Brooklyn, December 16, is as follows:

"I do not know of any literature in which my father is quoted as attacking Catholics and the Catholic church. Of course, in the years his name has been a peg on which to hang many things. There is even current an article used by a United States senator in a speech the whole basis of which is the report of a spiritualist medium pretending to quote my father and making him use language (not upon any religious matter) which could be applicable only to a condition of things which did not exist in my father's lifetime."

"I know of no utterances of the character which you speak of. The only instance known to me of my father's referring in any way to the subject is in a letter to Archbishop Hughes of New York, in which he requested the Archbishop to give him the name or names of some suitable persons of the Catholic church whom he might with propriety designate as chaplains in our military service. This letter, dated October 21, 1861, you will find printed in full, at page 85, Vol. II, of the speeches, letters and state papers of my father, added by my father's biographers, Nicolay and Hay, to their large work 'Abraham Lincoln, a History.' This letter alone is a complete answer to any possible publication of the character you write about. Believe me, very truly yours,

"ROBERT T. LINCOLN."

Lincoln's Letter to Archbishop
The letter to Archbishop Hughes from Abraham Lincoln, to which his son and Miss Tarbell referred, follows: "Washington, D. C., Oct. 21, 1861.—Right Reverend Sir: I am sure you will pardon me if in my ignorance I do not address you with technical correctness. I find no law authorizing the appointment of chaplains for our hospitals; and yet the services of chaplains are more needed, perhaps, in the hospitals than with the healthy soldiers in the field. With this view, I have given a sort of quasi-appointment (a copy of which I enclose) to each of three Protestant ministers, who have accepted and entered upon the duties. If you perceive no objection, I will thank you to give me the name or names of one or more suitable persons of the Catholic church, to whom I may with propriety tender the same service."

"Many thanks for your kind and judicious letters to Governor Seward, and which he regularly allows me both the pleasure and the profit of perusing. With the highest respect, Your obedient servant,"

"A. LINCOLN."

St. Peter's Parish

The choir, under the direction of Mrs. A. Messenger, will give a sacred concert on Sunday evening, New Year's eve, beginning at 7:30.

THEY'RE THANKFUL FOR HELP

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Hodgson
Burned Out

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Hodgson, of 8221 Foster Road, whose house, furniture and clothing were entirely destroyed by fire December 23, at 9 A. M., received much help from neighbors. Mr. (Scotty) Hodgson has asked The Herald to thank the family benefactors.

The Hodgsons mother, father and 3-year-old son, lost everything they had, even \$52 being stolen from a safety box taken from the house, opened and left in the yard.

Mr. Hodgson is still running his express business. The family is living at 5631 Eighty-third street, until February 1. Scotty's express company's telephone number is Main 7728.

GUERDON OGSBURY BURIED

The funeral of Guerdon Ogsbury, 18-year-old son of Dr. and Mrs. C. S. Ogsbury of Lents, was held Wednesday afternoon from the A. D. Kenworthy chapel, Rev. E. A. Smith officiating. The pallbearers were: Eddie Butler, Mat Henry, Donald Updike, Charles Guisness, Floyd Locke and Lyle Peterson. Interment was made in Mount Scott Park cemetery.

Guerdon was the only son of Dr. Ogsbury and has suffered for years with tuberculosis. Every medical attention had been given the young man—sanatoria, general practitioners, specialists—but the fight was a losing one. The medical men held out no hope for the patient's recovery.

Last week Guerdon suddenly became worse. He went to bed and on Christmas day passed away. The end was peaceful, as was his life. Though he knew that he could not live, he never complained. He was keenly interested in life, particularly the cut-of-doors, where his chance for health lay. He was a chicken fancier and a radio enthusiast. He was interested in mechanics of all kinds.

Dr. and Mrs. Ogsbury feel grateful to the friends and people of Mount Scott who were kind to them during their bereavement. As strenuously as some people have differed with the doctor's views on many questions, he says he found these same people kind to him when the great leveler of all—Death—touched his only son.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank our many friends for their kindly expressions and services performed during our recent bereavement and to express our sincere appreciation for the many beautiful floral offerings.

DR. AND MRS. C. S. OGSBURY.

THE RAMBLING REPORTER

The Mount Scott Herald, we know, stands for right toleration, but our rambling reporter happening into one of our restricted local causes on Sunday morning, found what seemed to be a very up-to-date effort to bring the facts of sacred history vividly before the people.

The use of the drama for this purpose may be a matter of taste or of opinion, but in the way it was done our reporter could not but feel that if the literal records were not adhered to it should have been made clear what was truth and what was the embellishment of fiction.

The same rambling reporter is glad to see many evidences that the endeavor to ascertain what the sacred scriptures, especially the new testament really contain is spreading among the people, especially the young, by the front line trench work of the Sunday school and by private citizens. This knowledge should be an antidote for many prevalent ills and isms.—Contributed.

May Locate in Lents

H. W. Vaughan, of 6128 Eighty-eighth street, has a new process for removing paint from automobiles, floors and furniture. It is a very big improvement, says Mr. Vaughan, over the old process. He is organizing a company at the present time and will engage in the business on a large scale. He has several locations under consideration, but thinks he may locate in Lents. Mr. Vaughan says the cost of removing paint will be considerably less under the new method and that it is much more satisfactory. Estimates on jobs will be gladly furnished and the work fully guaranteed. The process can be applied as well in your home garage as at the plant.

Appreciates

For three years the writer of this has looked with pleasure on the beautiful lighted and trimmed Christmas tree in Mr. Van Warts' home on Ninety-sixth street.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Billy Douthitt was the guest of Clark Walsh this week end.

Miss Ethel Powell of Lents school is visiting Eugene relatives.

Mrs. Edith Ludden and son, Ben, of Creston spent the week end at Salem.

Clyde Beckleheimer is home from the Eugene Bible university for the holidays.

Isabel Anderson, Creston, is visiting her sister in South Bend during the holidays.

Eureka Rebekah lodge No. 178 will have public installation Wednesday evening, January 10.

Richard Cayzer of Fairview is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Briggs of Creston during the holidays.

Mrs. Anna Thornquist, 5405 Eighty-fifth street, will leave in a few days to visit at La Center, Wash.

Misses Ruth and Bobby Barker, of Fifty-first avenue, spent Christmas with their sister at Newberg, Or.

John Kelleher has returned from a Christmas visit to Roseburg, Or., where he was Bill Kelleher's guest.

Mrs. J. Edgar Wells, of 6222 Fortieth avenue entertained friends and relatives at dinner on Christmas day.

Miss Sadie Hill, 7527 Fifty-sixth avenue, and Mr. Petersen were married in Vancouver, Wash., December 26.

Avon Buley, wife and family, and Lynn Buley, of Fifty-third avenue, spent Christmas with relatives at Eugene.

G. W. Stokes, who was injured in an auto accident at Myrtle Park station, is now able to be around on crutches.

Mr. and Mrs. John Graves will celebrate their wedding anniversary tomorrow with neighbors and friends as guests.

C. C. Hessemer and family took Christmas dinner with his mother, Mrs. R. Hessemer, of 5712 Forty-fourth avenue.

Clarence Varley of Creston returned home Tuesday evening from the California oil fields where he has been working.

The Arleta Baptist church was surprised by the printer of the Bulletin when the Christmas issue appeared in green and red ink.

Mrs. C. C. Hessemer, of 7005 Fifty-second street, visited over the week end with relatives in Corvallis, returning home Christmas morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Morris and T. Hendricks spent Christmas day with Mr. Morris' parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Morris, of 6904 Eighty-first street.

Rev. J. F. Gormley and family and S. J. Ennis and family will take New Year's dinner with Everest Gormley station agent at Silver-ton.

Miss Myrtle McNeil, who is teaching school at Boardman, Or., is spending the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McNeil, of Foster Road.

George Metzger and Miss Kathryn Ball were married Saturday evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Ball, 4736 Seventy-fourth street.

Mrs. Maude Darnall is in Topeka, Kan., for the observance of the golden wedding anniversary of her parents. She probably will remain away all of next month.

Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Handsaker had as their guests on Christmas day Mrs. S. C. Knodell, Mr. and Mrs. William Ivie, H. P. Lee, and Lester and Clark Davis.

Nick Faler and wife, who were residents of Lents for many years, but who now live at Boardman, Or., are here to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Robinson, formerly of the Yeager theater, have returned from a three-months' trip south and east and are at 7022 Fifty-fifth avenue.

Mrs. W. W. Knight assisted at the Multnomah State Bank during the holiday rush, taking the place of C. W. Jameson who spent Christmas with his family in Seattle.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Walsh of Creston chaperoned the annual dance given by the alumni of Franklin high school in the Portland hotel on Thursday evening, December 29.

Mrs. Mary L. Fishburn entertained with a family dinner party on Christmas. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Fishburn and daughter, Mildred; Arthur Fishburn, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Fishburn and Mr. and Mrs. Phil Fishburn and children.

The members of the Anabel Presbyterian church gave a shower on Thursday evening, December 22, on Rev. John Paxton, pastor, at his home at 5525 Thirty-seventh avenue. It was in the nature of a celebration of both Christmas and his third wedding anniversary. James Nogg made a speech presenting Mr. and Mrs. Paxton with a half dozen sterling knives and forks, one dozen sterling tea spoons and a linen lunch cloth.

A family gathering was held on Christmas day at the home of Mrs. Augusta Erny, 4426 Fifty-sixth street. The following were present at dinner: Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Kenoyer and baby of Boring; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Erny and baby; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Morris and grandson Jasper. A pleasant time was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. F. A. Tucker died Tuesday afternoon, December 26, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. O. E. Stanley, 2601 Forty-ninth street. The funeral was held in the home Thursday morning at 10:30. The body was taken to Mason City la. for burial. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. O. E. Stanley and Mrs. F. W. Roberts of Riverside, Cal.

A delightful house wedding took place last Saturday, December 23, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Ball, 4736 Seventy-fourth street. The event was the marriage of Miss Katherine Ball to George Metzger. Mrs. Metzger will continue to teach school. Mr. Metzger is at present working in southern Oregon.

Petri and Ludwig, the popular dairymen of the lower Mount Scott district extended holiday greetings to all their customers by having all their bottle tops printed with the words "Merry Christmas" in holiday colors, with the usual holly embellishments.

Mount Scott lodge, No. 188, I. O. O. F., will install officers Tuesday night, January 2. The newly-elected officers are: P. V. Wilson, noble grand; A. Mooney, vice-noble grand; G. A. Brande, recording secretary; F. Kautz, financial secretary, and W. E. Goggins, treasurer.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Walker, of 4303 Fifty-eighth street, entertained at dinner on Christmas. Their guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walker and family; Mr. and Mrs. Daily and family; Mr. and Mrs. Holte and family. A turkey dinner was enjoyed.

From Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Davis, 461 Seventh street, Oakland, Cal. The Herald has received a Christmas greeting for their friends in Mount Scott. Mr. and Mrs. Davis formerly lived at 6304 Ninety-fifth street.

While in pursuit of a town-bound Mount Scott car early Tuesday morning, J. J. Handsaker tripped over the ties in the middle of the road at Myrtle Park station and suffered a badly cut nose.

Miss Lois Handsaker of 5630 Forty-fourth avenue, entertained with a dinner party Wednesday evening, December 27. Her guests were: Misses Kathryn Miller, Alta Brash and Ruby Roach.

A number of Miss Katherine Marshall's friends gave her a farewell surprise at her home Wednesday evening. She expects to leave with her parents soon for Redmond, Or.

R. L. Clark, employe of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company, is demonstrating the operation of the new dial to Mount Scott telephone users.

KENDALL STATION NEWS

Everyone is enjoying the holidays. The Battin school teachers gave a Christmas tree last Friday afternoon. The Harmony club gave a Christmas tree Saturday evening at the clubhouse for the children.

Gladys Loyd is spending the holiday week at home with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Stewart had Mr. and Mrs. Phillips and Mr. and Mrs. Risel as dinner guests Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Riley Loyd spent Christmas day as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Renick on Sixty-fifth street.

The Harmony club women will give a masquerade ball at the clubhouse Saturday night, December 30. Miss Allison, with her banjo, will furnish the music. All are cordially invited.

St. Anthony's Parish Notes

St. Anthony's parish will give a card party at the home of A. E. Abel Thursday, January 4, at 6915 Forty-sixth avenue.

Special services will be held on New Year's day. Masses are at 8:30 and 10:30 o'clock.

FRANKLIN GARAGE WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Tavelli & Mack Distribute Many Christmas Gifts

How many seeds in a pumpkin? This question was answered by Tavelli & Mack, proprietors of the Franklin garage, Fifth and Division streets, with the distribution of presents Christmas for those persons who guessed nearest the number of seeds in the big pumpkin displayed in the garage windows. There were 623 seeds.

Among the prizewinners were, in the order of closeness to the correct number of seeds:

Charles Hunter, tire; Fred E. Sherwood, side-ray spotlight; Raymond Chergevin, S. & M. spotlight; Lawrence Dinneen, automatic W. S. cleaner; Mrs. F. H. Robinson, spot-light; F. J. Brennan, five gallons zerolene; R. J. Kirkley, roast; F. Mathias, water motor; B. Taylor, flashlight; Hartley Johnson, five gallons zerolene; H. D. Mayer, business cards; C. R. Johnson, sack flour; L. G. Lenon, W. S. cleaner; D. C. Sikk-worth, fire extinguisher; A. C. Hogaboorn, W. Benard, Bill Kirk, J. H. Cooper, Edward Weller, C. A. Keri, each one gallon Waverley oil; R. W. Piper, one gallon Shell oil; Mr. Goos, W. H. Bushman, William Ryan, each one gallon Cyclo oil; W. E. Powers, cake; W. H. Reed, one gallon Cyclo oil; G. W. Metcalf and T. A. Gibson, five pounds Waverley grease; E. J. Honey, J. O. Evans, W. H. Lee, L. Henrici, J. Tavelli, M. Henshaw, Crystal Market, George Hall, H. W. Schultz, R. DeMartini, T. F. McMahon, A. Richaw, Franklin Barber Shop, each a repair kit; G. L. Benson, Gus Eschebek, Henry Nageli, J. W. Wornstaff, V. Reinholdt, E. Soash, W. C. Lynch, E. D. Geiger, Mrs. T. A. Gibson, L. E. Howard, Ella Nye, R. A. Meyer, Montgomery Grocery, each one pound grease; L. E. Hinnman, automobile polish; guess from 400-500, automobile polish; guess from 753-800, automobile polish.

SOUTH MOUNT TABOR, RESERVOIR PARK AND VICINITY

Mrs. H. H. Jonah and daughter, Lorraine, of 2435 Seventy-first street, are visiting at the home of G. W. Hart in Eugene.

Daena Shepherd is visiting her uncle, R. Blodgett, at Salem.

Dorothy Andersen is spending the holidays with relatives in Seattle.

J. E. Carlon is spending the holidays with his son in Seattle. He also will visit the Bishop family, old residents of Reservoir Park, now living in Seattle, before returning home.

Miss Geraldine Root, sophomore student in the University of Oregon, is home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Osborn entertained at dinner Christmas day.

Monte Buyers, student of Oregon Agricultural college, is home for the holidays.

W. T. Stevens, of Sixty-eighth street, has returned from a two-weeks stay at Albany, Or., where he was called by the illness of his mother.

The senior class of Franklin high school will present the play, "The School Mistress," in Lincoln high auditorium, January 5. The players are now being coached by Mr. Harrington. The senior prom date is January 12.

Christmas eve the Franklin high quartet sang at the Central library, Liberty theater, Portland, Benson and Multnomah hotels.

LOWER MOUNT SCOTT CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Kern Park Christian

A large audience enjoyed the Christmas exercises last Sunday evening and much appreciation was expressed for the excellent program, especially the tableaux representing the nativity.

The members of this church will hold a watch party after the evening services Sunday. The senior and intermediate Christian Endeavorers will participate.

The senior and intermediate Endeavorers enjoyed a skating party at the Oaks Wednesday evening.

Morning subject "The Old Book and the New Age."

Evening, Clyde Beckleheimer, a student in the Eugene Bible university, will speak. The choir has arranged for special music for both services.

Anabel Presbyterian

Morning, communion services, Rev. Walter Van Nuy will speak.

Slides of the 1910 Passion Play will be shown at the evening service which will begin at 9:30 instead at 7:30, and which will be in the nature of a New Year's watch party.

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Wednesday evening the slides of the story of "Ben Hur" were shown and the story of "Ben Hur" told.

Arleta Baptist

Morning, "The Wings of Time." Evening, "Choosing a Man." This is the seventh in a series of sermons on "The Prodigal Son."

ARLETA LIBRARY NOTES

Miss Dressel, children's librarian, is spending Christmas week at her home in San Francisco.

Miss Mary C. Henthorne, librarian of the Arleta branch, is leaving Portland January 1 to become librarian at the Philadelphia navy-yard. Her position will be filled by Miss Zella Knox. Miss Knox was formerly librarian at Lents and at Montavilla. Recently she has been working in the university branch while attending the university in Seattle.

The following new books recently have been received at Arleta:

(Hudson) Book of a naturalist. (McKenna) Midas and son. (Trudeau) An autobiography. (Wharton) Glimpses of the moon. (Hampton) Bulb gardening. (Hampton) Rose gardening. (McFee) Command. (Marshall) Sir Harry. (Panunzio) Soul of an immigrant.

The following new books are particularly for boys and girls:

(Boyer) Johnny Kelly. (Collins) Boys' book of submarines. (Gillomb) That year at Lincoln high.

(Lange) Threat of Sitting Bull. (Orton) Bobby of Cloverfield farm. (Phillips) Black-eyed Susan. (Pyle) Fairy tales far and near. (Rolt-Wheeler) Aztec hunters. (White) Peggy in the blue frock.

Methodist Episcopal Church

Sunday school at 9:45 A. M., R. B. Calkins superintendent. Morning worship at 11 o'clock, sermon theme, "Jacob's Vow and Promise." Epworth league service at 6:30 P. M., topic, "What's Ahead?" Watch night services. Evening worship at 7:30 o'clock.

The pastor will speak, by request, on "The Character of Christ's Government." Midweek prayer meeting Thursday at 7:30 P. M. A cordial welcome to all to worship with us.—T. H. Downs, pastor.

ENGLAND CANNOT PAY DEBTS, SAYS PREMIER

London.—Prime Minister Bonar Law emphatically affirmed in the house of commons the impossibility of Great Britain paying the American debt while receiving nothing from Germany. France of Italy. He said he was convinced such a policy would reduce the standard of living in this country for generations.

The prime minister said there was almost no hope of a solution of the reparations question unless Great Britain and France acted together. He hoped both governments would utilize the interval before the reassembling of the premier's conference on January 2 in finding some common method of dealing with the problem.

The British government, he declared, could not look with equanimity upon any action by an ally which would have the effect, not of reducing reparations but of making it more difficult, if not impossible, to obtain them. This was taken as a reference to the French proposal for occupation of the Ruhr.

Announcement was made early this week of the winners in the essay contest conducted by the Oregon state board of health in connection with the health exposition recently held in the municipal auditorium.

In the high school group, Virginia Cooke, student in the second academic year at St. Mary's Academy, won the first prize of \$25 in cash. In the grammar grades group the winner of the \$25 prize was Margaret Crawford, pupil in the room of Mrs. Buhous, Creston school. The prize of \$10 for the best essay by a pupil of the primary grades went to Mary Elizabeth Adams, room 2-B, Fulton Park school. The essays for the younger group of pupils were but 500 words in length, while in the two older groups they were 1,000 words long.

The third prize in the high school group went to Dorothy Bullock, a third academic student at St. Mary's Academy.

A Helpful Hint

"What is your favorite flower, Miss Jones?"

Her timid lover said, "I prefer spring wheat for pastry, and winter wheat for bread!"

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Principal Events of the Week Briefly Sketched for Information of Our Readers.

Oregon City this year is facing the heaviest tax levy in the history of the municipality.

At a meeting of the Corvallis Elks' lodge it was voted unanimously to erect a \$50,000 temple.

The Fairview school near Noti, 25 miles west of Eugene, has been closed on account of diphtheria.

The total tax levy in Eugene next year will be \$5.1 millia, unless a reduction in the county levy is made.

Fifty-nine of the 128 school districts in Linn county voted special taxes this year, including the three union high schools.

Official totals reported indicate that the endowment fund for Willamette university has been oversubscribed by approximately \$3000.

The Ashland city council has passed a graduated license fee ordinance for the selling and distributing of milk and cream in Ashland.

O. P. Hoff, state treasurer, has returned to Salem after a month spent at Los Angeles and other California cities in hope of benefiting his health.

Hay prices are soaring in Umatilla county and livestock men will be forced to resort to other feeds in a short time, if the winter weather continues.

The Irrigation Commercial club has telegraphed Senator McNary again protesting any change from the original program on the Wallula-Umatilla cut-off.

Deschutes county's levy for the coming year fixed by the county court to include the county's share of the state tax is \$229,329.60, meaning a millage of 26.1.

A report submitted at a meeting of the general relief committee at Astoria showed that to date the sum of \$31,756.50 had been received in cash for the relief fund.

O. A. Kratz, city manager of La Grande, has tendered his resignation to the city commission. The commission accepted his resignation, which will take effect on December 28.

The four Astoria banks have resumed business for the first time since the fire. They will begin cashing checks on old deposits as soon as they are able to open their vaults.

The Tillamook county superintendent has compiled the census reports of the various school districts for 1922, showing the total number of children of school age in the county to be 3024.

A total of \$224,045.52 of improvement bonds of the city of Portland, numbered from 30443 to 30675 will be redeemed by City Treasurer Adams February 1, according to announcement.

School bonds in the amount of \$3,000,000 authorized by the voters of the Portland district at a special election June 17, 1922, were held valid in an opinion handed down by the state supreme court.

District sealers of weights and measures from all sections of Oregon held their annual conference in the offices of W. A. Dalziel, deputy state sealer of weights and measure, at Salem last week.

New refrigerator cars to the number of 1030, ordered by the Pacific Fruit Express company, will be built by the Pacific Car & Foundry company of Portland. The cost of the cars will be around \$3,000,000.

The Columbia River highway is cleared of snow and ice from the Portland city limits to the Multnomah county line, three-quarters of a mile east of Eagle creek, according to County Roadmaster Etchele.

The attorney-general's office has been requested to prepare a bill for submission at the next session of the legislature looking to the repeal of that part of the election laws providing for double election bonds.

Justice Thomas A. McBride of the Oregon supreme court will become chief justice of that body January 1. Justice McBride will succeed Chief Justice George H. Burnett, who has held the position two years.

A new sterilization bill to replace the law which was declared unconstitutional by the circuit court at Salem a few months ago has been prepared and will be introduced in the legislature at its next session.

The rains of the past few days in the coast section have caused the Stux-law, Umpqua and other streams to rise rapidly and millions of feet of saw logs have been floated to the mills, according to lumbermen from those sections.