

S. BENSON RESIGNS FROM ROAD BODY

Commission Chairman Opposes Present Policies.

TIME DECLARED LOST

Delay Until Spring in Awards of Paving Contracts Held to Be Poor System.

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Meeting of the commission a contract was awarded for laying 7.8 miles of concrete pavement to which I protested but was overruled by the other members of the commission.

The administrative engineering and overhead expense account of the department is approximately \$50,000 a month, and unless contracts for work are awarded this overhead expense will go far beyond the percentage of work being done than is contemplated by law.

Contracts Let in Fall. It has heretofore been the policy of the commission to let all paving contracts in the fall so that contractors could have the winter months for the establishment of equipment, the gathering of supplies and the assembling of materials so that the actual work of the paving could be done as climatic conditions permitted.

When the people by their votes last June authorized the issuance of \$10,000,000 of highway bonds, it was an implied understanding that this money was to be used for the completion of the paving of the roads on the Pacific highway in particular.

From the very first time it was proposed to expend state money upon the road from Eugene to Lake Creek, I opposed it on the ground that it was not in the public interest to expend state money to expend them upon a road that begins and ends in the same county over which no traffic of state nature or importance will ever pass, and as an economic proposition the amount expended will never bring proper returns upon the investment.

Bend Budget is Adopted. BEND, Or., Nov. 17.—(Special.)—Members of the present city council of Bend, meeting last night with the councilmen-elect, agreed on a budget for the coming year, the items of which total \$70,239.50, allowing for expected receipts of \$60,000.

Nothing is more hateful to a Moslem than to see the koran in the hands of an unbeliever.

ELKS SHOW HAS LARGE ADVANCE SALE. The seat sale for "The Mandarin," which will be staged in the public auditorium by the Elks November 23 and 24, will begin Saturday at the Sherman, Clay and Co. store.

MR. BENSON IS WELL LIKED. Profits Made During War Turned Over to Relief Societies.

Eric Van Aistyn Hauser is comparatively a newcomer to Portland,

but few men in the city occupy a bigger niche in public esteem. He will be 54 years of age next month and had his start in life as a newspaper boy in St. Paul, Minn.

He was first a compositor with the Gloucester Register in Gloucester and still carries his union card. He became one of the partners with Grant Smith and company and virtually entered that firm through the kitchen door, for he and his brother began their railroad work as cookhouses contractors, and they revolutionized the feeding of men on railroad construction by proving that they could be fed well and at a profit.

Eric Hauser was the first man in the United States to notify the president that he would not take for himself one cent of profit from his war activities.

He took over the management of the Multnomah hotel in 1917 when it was a real "white elephant" and has made the hotel one of the best paying properties in the country.

RETIRING STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER AND HIS SUCCESSOR.

Simon Benson, resigned. Eric V. Hauser, appointed.

employees and one of the incidents of the war days was when the Grant Smith shipyard workers went to the hotel to serenade their chief.

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FEW PLANTS SHUT DOWN

Curtailment in Some Cases 50 Per Cent, Affecting 300,000 Workers, but Wages Remain Steady.

BOSTON, Nov. 17.—Curtailment of production, which began some months ago in New England textile industries, employing 300,000 operatives, has reached a point where the total output is less than one-half that of one year ago, according to estimates

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the majority have adopted a working schedule of three or four days a week. Thus far only isolated announcements of wage reductions have appeared.

in only one of the big textile mills now operating, that of the Lawrence Manufacturing company, in Lowell, known as the largest hosiery plant in the world, has there been a wage cut.

The mill recently resumed production after a shutdown, with a wage reduction of from 20 to 25 per cent. Protests have been voiced by a section of the employees and a union has been formed.

PRICE OF ROLLED OATS CUT Reduction of 17 Per Cent. Wholesale, Announced in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Nov. 17.—A 17 per cent reduction in the wholesale price of rolled oats was announced today by the Armour Grain company.

Today's cut was made possible by the recent decline in oats.

Officials said 20-ounce packages, which have been retailing at 18 or 19 cents, should sell in a few weeks at 15 to 16 cents.

BANKERS PROMISE CROP CREDITS. FORT DODGE, Ia., Nov. 17.—Members of the Iowa Bankers' association, at a marketing conference with about 500 farmers here today, promised the farmers that in every possible way credit would be extended to assist them in holding their grain.

Navy Will Sell Surplus Cloth. WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—The navy department announced today that it would sell 500,000 yards of cloth held as surplus war stock.

League Urges Federal Inquiry. PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 17.—Continuing federal investigation of essential industries that affect the cost of living is one of the planks of the ten-year programme under discussion at the convention of the National Consumers' league, which opened here today.

FARMER BURNS TO DEATH. GAS LAMP EXPLOSION CAUSES TRAGEDY NEAR TUALATIN. Peter T. Johnson, Bachelor Living Alone, Loses Life After Preparing to Leave His Lonely Home.

OREGON CITY, Or., Nov. 17.—(Special.)—Peter T. Johnson, a bachelor-farmer living two miles east of Tualatin, was burned to death last night from the explosion of a gas lamp.

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ELK TO ROAM AT WILL. Potential Death Warrant for Oregon's Herd is Revoked.

A potential warrant for the death of Oregon's famed herd of elk, which was issued in the vicinity of Klamath county, has been revoked, and the animals will be allowed to roam at will in the vicinity of Klamath county.

STILLS SOLD FOR POOR. Salvation Army Realizes on Copper in Sheriff's Lignor Plant.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Nov. 17.—(Special.)—When a big copper still was captured near St. John last year, it was taken to the sheriff's office where it remained until recently.

BRIDGE WORKER HURT IN FALL. ASTORIA, Or., Nov. 17.—(Special.)—D. J. Buckner, employed by the Gilkin Construction company on the new bridge across Young's bay, lost his balance and fell, striking the timbers

around the cofferdam of one of the piers with such force that several of his ribs were broken and his side and arm bruised.

Burglar Frightened Away. A lone burglar wearing a dark hat and overcoat "jimmied" open a bedroom window at the home of J. Munhoven, 139 East Twenty-third street North, at 10 o'clock Tuesday night, but was frightened away before he had an opportunity to gather up any loot.

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Sift flour, baking powder and salt; add one-half shortening and rub in lightly with fingers; add water slowly until of consistency to roll out. Roll out very thin; put on in small pieces, making shortening; fold in center; fold sides in to center again; roll out thin and put on pie plate.

Custard 3 eggs 1/4 cup sugar 1/4 teaspoon salt 2 cups scalded milk 1 teaspoon vanilla extract Beat eggs, add sugar, salt, favoring and milk very slowly. Line pie plate with paste made as above. Bake in very hot oven about 10 minutes. Pour custard into the baked crust; bake in moderate oven about 25 minutes. The pie is done when a knife put in center of custard comes out dry.

Cocoanut Pie is made the same way, adding 1 cup of shredded cocoanut, and using only 2 eggs.

PORTLAND GIRL ADVANCES

DR. MIRIAM VAN WATERS TO GO TO CHICAGO. Report to Be Made on Re-education of Girls in United States Who Are Public Wards.

Dr. Miriam Van Waters, a Portland girl, who has been for several years referee of the juvenile court of Los Angeles, has accepted a position with the Dummer Foundation of Chicago. She will tour the United States and make a survey and report for the Foundation on the re-education of girls who are public wards.

Dr. Van Waters is the daughter of Dr. George B. Van Waters, archdeacon of eastern Oregon, and Mrs. Van Waters. She began her education in Portland and went to the University of Oregon for her bachelor of arts and master's degrees. She received her doctor's degree at Clarke university, in Massachusetts.

She has been given a six months' leave of absence from her work in Los Angeles to accept the position with the Dummer Foundation. She will deliver a series of lectures for the federal bureau of social hygiene in Washington.

Miss Van Waters is at present in Portland for a few days' visit with her parents. She will leave Monday for Seattle. Today she will visit the State Industrial School for Girls at Salem.

Dr. Van Waters has been lauded for her work in Los Angeles by experts, who have visited her department. "The referee in Los Angeles has broader judgment than any other one in the nation," recently said Miss Emma C. Lundberg of Washington, D. C., a member of the children's bureau of the United States department of labor.

RARE CONCERT PROMISED

Excellent Programme Arranged for Coming Sunday Event. Henry Klingensfeld, violinist; Mrs. Elise Anita Cook, soprano, and Lucien E. Becker, organist, will be featured at next Sunday's concert programme at the auditorium, according to announcement yesterday of Hal M. White, manager.

The concert will begin at 1 P. M. instead of 3 as in the past, the change being due to the fact that a "City of Roses" lecture, scheduled at the auditorium at 2:30 o'clock. The change in time is for next Sunday only.

Mr. Becker has arranged an attractive programme for the auditorium pipe organ. Mr. Klingensfeld will play a "City of Roses" and "Homeing." Mrs. Cook is one of the best known sopranos and will sing popular selections. One of Mr. Becker's principal organ numbers will be "Homesque."

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Sauerman is an ex-service man and had lived in the county 23 years with a good record. He was sentenced May 2 to six months in jail and fined \$250. The fine was remitted by the pardon.

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Oregon Gets Grange Meeting. The 1921 convention of the national grange will be held in Oregon. The delegates attending the national convention in Boston were unanimous in their choice, according to word received yesterday by Mayor Baker from C. E. Spence, state master of the Oregon grange.

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