

State Capitol News Letter

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Governor Makes Tour of State; Takes Up Job Task

SALKM—Back from a four-day tour of the state in company with members of the highway commission Governor Martin this week set himself to the task of reorganizing his official family.

It is clear that so far as he is concerned there will be no wholesale housecleaning of departments and commissions, but that he will frantically endeavor to get the heads of these departments and commissions.

Just as the plums at the governor's disposal are the jobs of director of agriculture and superintendent of the state police, Mr. Pray, who has filled the latter post since the police bureau came into being in August, 1931, is assured of reappointment to the job if he wants to stay and

It is expected that the new legislative session will be held in the state capitol building in Salem, Oregon, on Monday, April 22, 1935.

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Expenses of the 1935 legislative session totaled \$117,062, or nearly \$16,000 more than the 1933 session. This figure does not include printing of the session laws in either case.

Revival of Oregon's rural rehabilitation program has been made possible through the allotment of \$25,000 by the state relief committee for this work.

The promised probe into administration of relief funds in Oregon is now under way with the governor's investigating committee hearing complaints and taking testimony in Portland.

Curb Urged on Oregon Auto Deaths

Plan to Eliminate Flagrant Traffic Law Violators Outlined Monday

Control Held Possible

Local Organization Urged by Portland Officer

Ninety-nine persons were killed every 24 hours and one person was seriously injured every 15 seconds as a result of traffic accidents in the United States during 1934, according to statistics cited by Robert W. Beaubelle, Portland traffic accident investigator, at the chamber of commerce Monday.

Deaths resulting from automobile accidents increased 11 per cent in Oregon cities and 18 per cent in rural areas of the state during 1934, Beaubelle stated. These fatalities were principally caused by the driver of the vehicle.

Rigid enforcement of traffic regulations and an educational program such as the "Let's Quit Killing" campaign, must go hand in hand if the appalling death toll is to be decreased, Beaubelle declared.

Excess speed was declared by Beaubelle to be the most frequent cause of fatal traffic accidents. This violation accounts for 31 per cent of the fatalities, driving off the roadway 17 per cent, violating the right of way law 12 per cent, driving on the wrong side of the road 16 per cent, reckless driving 12 per cent and improper passing three per cent.

Importance of properly adjusted brakes was emphasized by Beaubelle. He declared that the impact of a car traveling 20 miles an hour was equal to dropping the automobile from a one-story building and at 60 miles an hour it will be equivalent to a 12-story building.

Total of 36,000 persons were killed in the United States during 1934 in automobile accidents and 954,000 were injured. This figure is far in excess of the 50,000 American lives lost in the war.

Committee in charge of the event includes Lee Barnum of Aloha-Hulme, George A. Giesbrecht, C. H. Noster of Hillsboro, Mr. Esther Allen of Forest Grove and L. A. Gooding of Sherwood.

Bonds have always interested more than stocks. I think this is generally true of most men when a technical training. Bonds lend themselves to a more careful analysis than do stocks.

High Percentage of County Taxes Paid for Quarter

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Hillsboro Official Speaks at State Municipal Meet

Second Meet Planned for New Arrivals

Dairying and Horticultural Data to be Discussed Here on Saturday

Hagg, Cyrus to Speak

Chamber of Commerce to Assist in Program

Improvement of city entrances through the SEIRA program was discussed by George McGee, city manager at the tenth annual convention of the League of Oregon Cities at Eugene Monday and Tuesday.

Local representatives included Mayor J. J. Garrett, Councilmen J. M. Person and W. C. W. Wilson, McGee, former second vice-president of the state league, Joseph McCready, Forest Grove city attorney, and Mayor A. E. Wilson of Beaverton, were also in attendance.

Recent legislation concerning municipalities, problems of liquor control, aviation development, power, utility planning, water service, and other municipal problems were discussed. Governor Martin spoke at the opening session.

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Program Started for Training of Disabled People

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Rehabilitation of physically handicapped persons in Washington county was considered at the court house Tuesday night during a conference between Oscar L. Paulson, state superintendent of rehabilitation, and a county committee.

Educational facilities are being provided by the state and federal government, Paulson said in outlining the plan. The local committee will recommend deserving cases to the state group for its consideration.

Survey of persons in the county who might be eligible for the rehabilitation training is to be conducted by the county committee. Persons desiring additional information regarding the program have been asked to contact the county school superintendent's office or members of the committee.

Members of the county rehabilitation committee appointed by O. B. Kraus, county school superintendent, at the request of the state are H. Noster of Hillsboro, Mrs. Essex Marsh of Beaverton, H. D. Kerkman, county commissioner, R. N. Adams of Forest Grove, and A. H. Vincent of Tigard. Kraus will act as secretary of the committee.

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