

Solons Given Report on Plans For Oregon Men in Statuary Hall

Progress and plans of the Oregon Statuary Committee to place statues of two Oregon citizens in Statuary hall, Washington, D. C., were presented to the legislature in a report prepared by the committee chairman, Dr. Burt Brown Barker.

Dr. Barker's report revealed that Dr. John McLaughlin and Rev. Jason Lee, famous leaders in the provisional government of the Oregon territory, had been selected by the Oregon Statuary committee as subjects for the statues.

Oregon is one of eight states in the nation not represented in Washington, D. C.'s Statuary hall. Provision to honor Oregon representatives with statues of two eminent citizens was made by a joint house and senate resolution and passed by the Oregon Legislature of 1921.

On March 28, 1945, Governor Earl Snell approved house bill 348, creating a committee to act on the 1921 resolution.

The legislative committee, composed of Governor Earl Snell, Howard C. Helton, president of the senate, 4th legislative session, Eugene Marsh, speaker of the house, and legislative session, Leslie M. Scott, state treasurer, Mr. George T. Gerlinger, secretary of the committee, Robert W. Sawyer, vice chairman, and Dr. Burt Brown Barker, chairman, selected A. Philander Proctor of San Francisco and Gifford Proctor, his son, as the sculptors to execute the statues.

The two sculptors were scheduled to arrive in Portland Wednesday and will be introduced to students at Willamette University in Salem today. Rev. Jason Lee, pioneer Methodist missionary to the Oregon territory in 1834, is considered the actual founder of Willamette University, according to Dr. Barker.

On January 31 the Proctors, father and son, will be presented to members of the legislature.

Gasoline Use All-Time High

Gasoline use for the first eleven months of 1946 soared to an all-time high in the state of Oregon, it has been announced by Secretary of State Robert S. Farrell Jr.

Not counting December, the year saw over four billion miles of automobile travel.

The summer months brought the heaviest travel, with August recording the top gasoline consumption, almost 400,000,000 gallons. Gas sales for the eleven-month period exceeded 345,000,000 gallons. From this sale the state netted over \$15,000,000 in tax receipts after refunds were made on fuel used off the highways.

The four billion miles rolled up by Oregon cars in the first eleven months of 1946 give us some idea of what mileage is going to be in the near future, Farrell said.

"You have to remember that so far new car production hasn't begun to reach normal highs. You can imagine what the highways will be like when everyone who can afford a car will have one."

The secretary of state pointed out that the looming traffic boom behooves every safety and enforcement agency to marshal all its forces for the fight against property damage, injuries, and death.

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Clothing Drive Set at Orenco

ORENCO — Clothing drive will begin the first week in February. Bundles may be left at Brown's store or in the hall at the school house. All shoes should be tied and shoes will be appreciated.

Mrs. T. R. Walton and son of Forest Grove are living in the G. A. Robinson house on Fifth and Chestnut streets.

Mrs. A. C. Parks has been visiting a daughter and family in Portland.

To Meet Wednesday

Ladies Circle Society will meet February 5 in the home of Mrs. R. M. Johnson. A luncheon will precede the business meeting. Everyone will meet at the church by 12:30 for transportation. Members are asked to bring sandwiches and cookies or salad. Everyone welcome.

E. H. Lehman and members of the Explorers' Post enjoyed a skiing trip at Mt. Hood last Saturday.

Mrs. Sarah Rose has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Edwards, near Hillsboro, the past week.

Attendance at Sunday school was 68. About 30 children and a large group of adults attended. At the children's service at 11 o'clock Rev. Harry Leeds based his sermon on A Firm Foundation. Mr. and Mrs. Jack York of West Union sang "It is Well with My Soul." There will be a "Sing-a-long" Sunday evening, February 2. Everyone cordially invited.

Club to Meet

Community club will meet Friday evening (tomorrow) with all new officers presiding. A program will follow the business meeting. Everyone welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. Knute Holt and daughter returned home from Eugene after spending the week-end with Mrs. Holt's brother, who is ill in a hospital.

Training Open For Cadet Pilots

A recent directive from the war department received at Oregon district headquarters of the army recruiting service, publicizes the re-opening of aviation cadet pilot training to qualified regular army air force enlisted personnel, according to T. Sgt. Robert Christensen, of the Hillsboro recruiting office.

Enlisted men currently on active duty with the air force will be selected as aviation cadets for a course in pilot training. Sgt. Christensen said, and upon successful completion of the 32 weeks course, may be commissioned a second lieutenant and placed on flying status.

Interested young men may secure complete details of this important training program at their local army recruiting station located at the U. S. postoffice building open every Tuesday between 11 a. m. and 12 noon.

Keep informed on local affairs. Read the Argus regularly.



HEAD PACIFIC U. PUBLICATIONS—Don Cate (left) senior at the Forest Grove school, is editor-in-chief of the weekly Index, and Bill Grogan, Hillsboro junior, is managing editor. Standing (left to right) are Bill Studdiford, sophomore, Boston, Mass., business manager, and Bob Lamoreaux, junior from Portland editor of Pacifica, literary magazine, published twice a year.—(Cut courtesy The Oregonian)

Death Toll in Traffic 478

Oregon's 1946 traffic death toll stood at 478 dead today, the highest fatality rate in the history of the state, according to Secretary of State Robert S. Farrell Jr., who said the present figure is tentative and may go higher.

The previous high toll was for the year 1941 when 399 persons were killed in street and highway accidents. The 1946 toll is 20 per cent over the 1941 figure, and represents an increase of 36 per cent over the 1945 total of 352 deaths.

Farrell said there were more motor vehicle accidents in this state during the first nine months of 1946 than for the entire year of 1945. During that period, 43,167 accidents were reported, compared to 42,922 for the entire year of 1945.

The secretary of state predicted the 1946 accident list would be approximately 60,000.

Increased traffic volumes, higher average speeds on rural highways, and dangerous driving practices contributed to the tragic increase for 1946, Farrell said. "In many instances, traffic volumes are 80 per cent or more over the volumes for 1945. The increase may be attributed to the increase in rural accidents, since accidents in cities have not shown an increase."

Dr. Jones Opening Office in Portland

Dr. and Mrs. Mark H. Jones, who have been living at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Oman, in Banks since discharge from the services in November, have moved to Portland and he is opening a dental office at 1616 N. E. 15th street in Portland.

At Technical School

Mrs. Harold S. Hunt of Kinton Road at Christmas guests her son Warrant Officer Robert J. Winnick and wife from 10th Air Force Headquarters, Brooks Field, San Antonio, Texas. Mr. Winnick had his leave cut short by telegram orders to report to a technical school at Craig Field, Selma, Alabama. Mrs. Winnick will remain here until the course is completed.

Publicity Headed

Walter McKinney of Hillsboro is serving as publicity manager of the March of Dimes campaign on the University of Oregon campus. Phyllis Kohlmeier, also of Hillsboro, is also a member of the publicity committee. The campus quota was \$2,000, nearly 40 cents per student.

Army Offers Many Positions

As its contribution to the national need for full employment in 1947 the new regular army will make available 40,000 good jobs every month, it was announced today by T. Sgt. Robert Christensen of the U. S. army recruiting service in Hillsboro.

The announcement was directed especially to recent high school graduates who have been advised by university and college heads to delay entrance into college due to present conditions on the campus.

The high school graduate who goes directly to college today finds himself faced with crowded conditions both as to housing and in the classroom. Sgt. Christensen said "Teen-agers are forced to compete with mature veterans who are proving outstanding students and the virtually dominate athletic activities."

Bill Introduced By J. O. Johnson To Benefit Vets

House Bill 118 as prepared by Representative J. O. Johnson of Washington county, amending the Veterans' Loan act, provides for loans up to \$5,000, except loans guaranteed under provisions of title 3 of Public Law 346, in which case loans may be granted not to exceed \$10,000.

The bill also provides that the director of veterans' affairs shall, upon approval of the board of control, sell, assign and transfer notes and mortgages when the total volume of loans exceeds \$3,000,000, preference in assignment being given to lending institutions in the State of Oregon in the locality in which the loan is made. The purpose of the above provision is to prevent the State of Oregon from building up a big institution and yet permits the state to have a sufficient volume of loans to operate a properly managed apartment at a profit, based upon the present interest now being paid on bonds of approximately one per cent.

The bill does not require veterans to submit a letter from lending institutions, stating that the G. I. loan will not be made by the institution as provided in the senate bill. Such provision will be

strenuously opposed by most veterans. The bill further provides that the board of control shall have authority to charge less than four per cent interest. If the state operations are as efficient as the average savings and loan institution the cost of operating the department should not exceed two and one-half per cent which eventually would permit a reduction of interest rates to the veterans as it should not be the intention of the State of Oregon to make a profit on the veterans, but merely to serve them in getting established as a home owner or owner of a farm.

Hiteon Club Gives Farewell for Ways

By Mrs. Cera Metzentine

HITEON — The Hiteon club entertained the Mays with a farewell dinner at the I. O. O. F. hall at Tigar Sunday.

Club to Meet

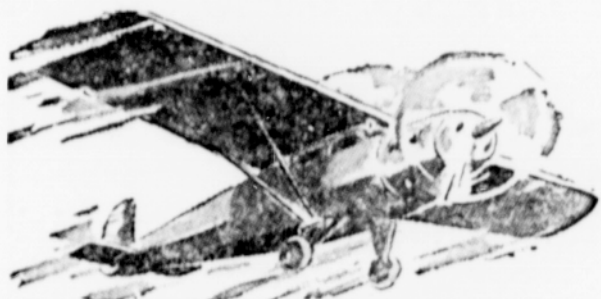
The Hiteon club will meet with Mrs. Hannah Christensen, Mrs. Emily Pedersen joint hostess. Roll call will be a Valentine verse.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Way are having a sale of household goods Saturday.

Ern. to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hadley of Long Beach, formerly of this place, a girl.

Widen Road

The road over Caldwell hill is being widened and graded.



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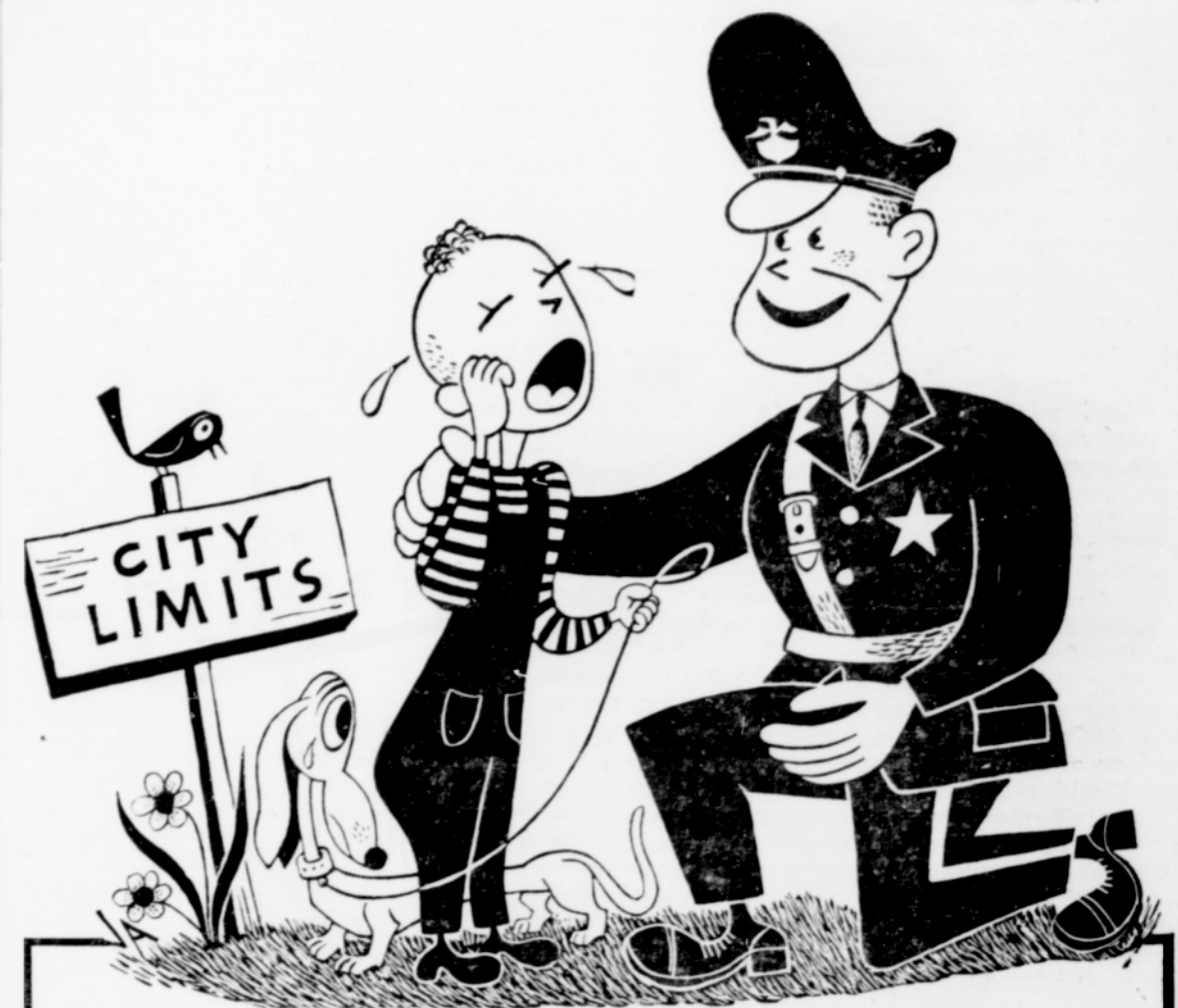
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