

ATTORNEY GENERAL TO PASS ON BONDS

Salem, Aug. 5.—Although all bonds of Oregon municipalities submitted to State Treasurer Hoff for purchase have been approved as to their legality by bonding attorneys, the state treasurer has adopted the policy of submitting all such bonds to Attorney General Brown for his approval in order to doubly safeguard the funds in his care against any possibility of question. This policy, Hoff states, has been strictly adhered to since certain bonds purchased by the state were questioned as to their legality although they had been passed upon previous to being offered for sale, by a firm of bonding attorneys of recognized ability.

The public service commission has set August 16 as the date on which it will hear arguments on the application of railroads in this state for increases in intra-state rates to conform to the increases recently granted by the interstate commerce commission. The hearing will be held in Portland. All lines operating in Oregon have now filed formal applications for increases in rates on business confined to the state.

George Landon, arrested here Sunday on information from Portland charging white slavery, and George L. Lewis, alleged moonshiner, were taken to Portland Wednesday by Deputy United States Marshal Mass.

C. E. Ingalls of the Corvallis Gazette-Times, E. E. Brodie of the Oregon City Enterprise and Lloyd Riches, Portland,

newspaper man, were Salem visitors Wednesday, working out the details of the program for the annual convention of the Oregon State Press association, which meets at Astoria next week.

The addition of at least four men to its department and the purchase of a new firefighting equipment, including triple combination pumper, a complete deluge set, a life net and a cellar pipe, is recommended for the city of Medford in a report submitted to State Fire Marshal Barber Wednesday by H. E. Pomeroy, field deputy, who has just investigated the fire protection situation in the Southern Oregon city following complaints as to the inadequacy of the protection afforded by the present department and equipment. Similar recommendations will also be made for the improvement of the fire protection of Roseburg, Pomeroy stated.

Slight increase in rates charged by the Newberg Telephone company are involved in an order issued by the public service commission Wednesday and effective August 1. The order also puts into effect a toll rate of 5 cents for conversations between Newberg and Dayton and Newberg and Scholls, with an additional charge of 5 cents for each three minutes of conversation after the first five-minute period.

Bonds voted by a school district for the construction of a high school building must be used for that purpose, unless the voters of the district at an election regularly called for that purpose otherwise direct the disposition of the funds. This is the gist of an opinion written by Attorney General Brown for the guidance of Max Gehler, district attorney for Marion county. Gehler had asked as to the right of the school board of the Aurora district to redeem the bonds with the money received in their sale instead of using them for building the schoolhouse. The bonds, Brown holds, are redeemable at the pleasure of the district, but the voters of the district must authorize the use of the funds for that purpose before the board can take such action.

A total of 580 dentists were licensed

to practice in Oregon at the close of the last fiscal year, March 31, according to a report submitted to Governor Olcott Wednesday by the Oregon state board of dental examiners. The report shows that of 83 applicants for certificates 63 successfully passed the examination. Licenses revoked during the year for non-payment of the annual registration fee numbered 81.

Petitions for increases in intrastate rates in harmony with the increases just granted by the interstate commerce commission were filed with the public service commission Wednesday by the Portland Railway, Light & Power company and the Willamette Valley Southern Railway company.

Court Lets Mother Keep Her Child

Eugene, Aug. 5.—Driven to desperation by alleged abusive conduct of her husband toward herself and her infant child, Mary Wetzel of this city left her husband some weeks ago and took refuge with relatives in Portland. Later her husband, Granville E. Wetzel, followed her there, took forcible possession of the child and brought it back to the home of his parents in Eugene. Today the wife files a detailed statement of her wrongs in the circuit court and prays for separation from her husband, alleging that he has not only treated her in a cruel and inhuman manner but failed to provide for her. Pending the outcome of the case the court has awarded her custody of the child.

Summing up the wealth-producing resources of this city today it was shown in a rough estimate that the Southern Pacific, with its adjunct, the Eugene Street Railway system, together with the Oregon Electric property, brought in a revenue in the matter of wages alone, amounting to approximately \$50,000 a month. To this is added taxes at the rate of about \$5000 a year and an expenditure for electric power of from \$10,000 to \$12,000 a year.

Oregon Towns Ask Better Service in Delivery of Mail

Boise, Idaho, Aug. 5.—Complaints are being heard in Boise from residents of Harper, Juntura and Riverside, in Oregon, because of the discontinuance of the railway clerk service on the Ontario-Crane branch. According to Charles M. Faulkner, president of the Burns Commercial club, there is a postal act that provides against such service on branch lines serving less than five post-offices. He claims that this line has five—namely, Vale, Harper, Juntura, Riverside and Crane; that it satisfies the law in this respect, and that the authorities have no right to abolish this service. As a result of this order, which took effect July 26, patrons of these postoffices have their mail delayed 24 hours, with the exception of Vale and Crane, whose mails are made up in Boise. The mail is sorted at Ontario and cannot be gotten ready in time for the same day's branch train. Consequently it must wait over until the next day.

Fowl Seized by U. S. Agents to Be Given Wounded Soldiers

Clouds that spread over dozens of duck hunters when federal agents seized their fowls, will be turned into "silver linings" for the wounded soldiers in Portland's hospitals before the week is over. There are about 125 ducks and geese in Portland cold storage plants which the government seized last spring. This means a nice "feed" for every wounded soldier in Portland hospitals, as Assistant United States Attorney Austin F. Fiegel is going to ask the court to issue an order releasing

all the birds to him. Fiegel has already made arrangements with the Red Cross to handle distribution of the birds. Each institution will be asked to cook the fowls and give them to soldiers only, who are in their care. In the meantime "guilty" duck hunters should be rejoicing because the government is thus "destroying" all the evidence in the case.

Hot Lake Arrivals
Hot Lake, Aug. 4.—Mrs. Fred Lingley, Dixie; Robert E. Frazier, Portland; W. F. Maxfield, Joseph; Tony Errath, La Grande; Miss Frazer, Pendleton; Michael Joyce and wife, Mitchell; Elmer Smith, Penawawa, Wash.; Lillie Sullivan, Richland; Mrs. Eugene Sullivan, Richland. Departures: James H. Graham, Baker; Mrs. Ada Cook, Omaha, Wis.; Mrs. and Miss Agnew, Centralia, Wash.

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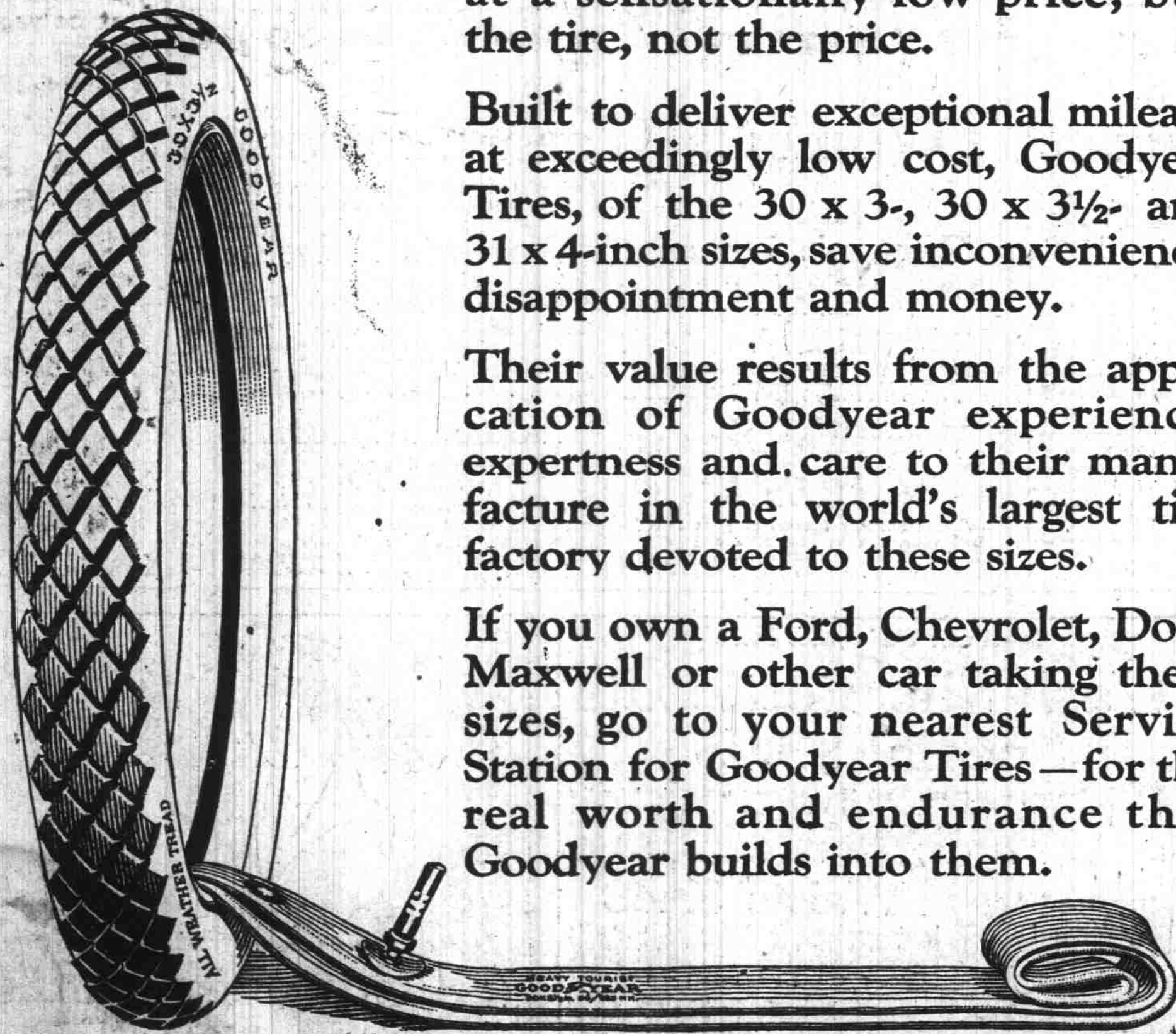
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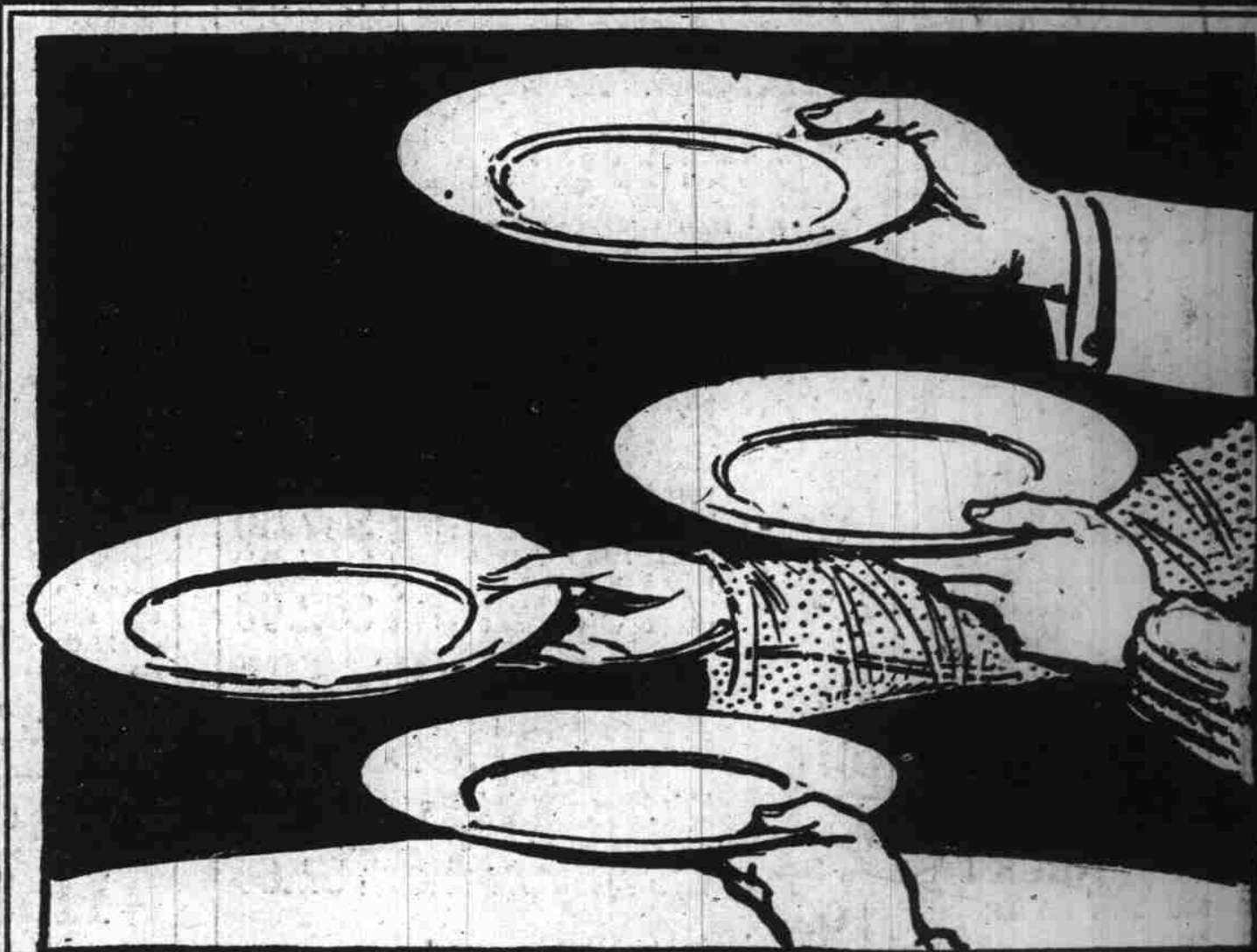
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