

CONCERTS MAY BE STOPPED

Radio Enthusiasts at Salem Concerned About Government Announcement

MUSIC HEARD NIGHTLY

Federal Officials May Take Steps for Prevention of Tangled Messages

The Radio club of Salem is deeply interested in the announcement that the federal authorities are likely to take a hand in the broadcasting of radio messages. The government's stand is that so many amateurs are sending out radio messages that things in the air are getting all tangled up and the government finds considerable interference with official business.

The Salem Radio club of about 25 members includes many young men who were in the service and others in the high school have become interested in wireless telegraphy. The president of the club is Howard Churchill.

Several Stations Here
Wireless telegraphy is establishing itself in Salem, not for sending stations but rather as receiving stations, where one may sit at home in the evening, turn the dial on the receiving radio machine and listen to concerts given in San Francisco, Denver or from ships out at sea.

Not only the 25 young men who are radio operators, may listen to the evening concerts given in San Francisco, but a number of others who enjoy music, are having radios installed for receiving only. Dr. John R. Sties is one of the latest who is having a radio placed in his home.

Talking machine companies are putting on concerts each evening from 8 until 9 o'clock, from the Fairmont hotel radio station in San Francisco, and it is these concerts that are being listened to each evening in Salem. If a person is interested in weather forecasts and market reports, these may be heard out of the air about 7 o'clock each evening and continue for 15 minutes.

Cost Not Great
The installation of first class receiving radio apparatus has been placed on the market recently at about \$125. All one has to do of an evening is to hear a first class concert as clearly as if the talking machine were in the house, is to turn the dial on the receiving machine until the sound becomes perfectly clear.

The radio concert program as announced from San Francisco is published semi-monthly, and it costs nothing to hear.

Program Tonight
This evening at 8 o'clock, the radio at San Francisco station will send out several selections by Sousa's band, then a solo by Scott, a song by John McCormack and a vocal solo by one of the famous women soloists.

Tomorrow evening, the concert will include numbers from "The Bohemian Girl," Arthur Pryor's band and the Miserere from 11 numbers are played.

Trovatore Each evening 12

RULES OF AID BOARD REVISED

Regulations Governing State Commission Are Revised and Published

Revised rules and regulations regarding the workings of the World War veterans' state aid commission were made public yesterday by Capt. H. C. Brumbaugh, secretary of the commission. The rules are revised up to January 25.

Among the regulations governing loans are the following that may be of special interest:

Acceptance of a loan for less than \$3000 does not prevent the applicant later on from applying for an amount that will make his total applications \$3000.

Pooling Prohibited
Pooling of property of two or more applicants will not be permitted. Each applicant must be separate, and no loans will be made on undivided interest in property.

Two or more parcels of property located in one county may be offered as security.

Timber lands or mining claims will not be accepted as security for a loan, nor unproductive or unimproved property, unless part of the proceeds of the loan is for the construction of a home on the property.

Rejection of application for a certain amount as loan on property does not operate to prevent the submission of a new application for a loan.

The best appraisal value of the land is arrived at by deducting all liens for public improvement, sewers, drainage rights or for irrigation.

Banks Assist
When proceeds of a loan are to be used to accomplish the transfer of title, the transaction will be handled through a bank or trust company. When the applicant wishes advances made to meet payments for material and labor, the transactions will be through an authorized bank or trust company.

No advance to borrowers for

improvements on real property to most payments for material or labor shall be authorized unless the applicant or qualified relative is the owner of the property at the time of completion of the loan as provided by the rules and regulations.

The appraisal of land shall be confined to the real value. Plans, specifications and building estimates will be checked in the office of the commission and will be considered by the commission together with the appraiser's report in determining the amount of the loan to be authorized.

Specifications Followed

In cases where money is to be advanced on a contract, the contract shall state the periods of construction at which payments shall be made to the contractor and the commission shall be furnished a certificate of the contractor, approved by the borrower and the architect or agent of the commission, to the effect that such stage of construction has been reached. Also that the construction and workmanship conform to the plans and specifications. The trust company or bank shall then prepare the claim voucher covering the amount due, have it duly signed and verified by the applicant, and have same forwarded to the commission. If approved by the commission, it will be forwarded to the secretary of state for audit and payment.

INTEREST LAW INQUIRED INTO

Tax Investigating Committee Refers Difficulties to Attorney General

Two quotations bearing on the obligation of the state relative to the guarantee of interest on irrigation district bonds have been referred to the attorney general by the state tax investigating committee of which I. N. Jay of Portland is chairman, and an opinion has been written by Attorney General Van Winkle showing that the state is not dangerously obligated.

The first question is "What legal obligation rests on the state as to interest payments upon irrigation districts whose bonds have been certified and guaranteed?"

The attorney general's reply shows the investigation that is necessary under the law when an application is made by an irrigation district. The opinion then cites the agreement whereby the state is to pay the interest on the district's bonds for the time specified as it becomes due, "from moneys arising from the sale by the treasurer of state bonds, the irrigation district giving to the state at the time of the issuance of the state bonds its certificate of indebtedness, which bears interest at the legal rate, and when paid, reimburse the state for its expenditure on behalf of the district."

This provision does not cover the matter of certification of bonds of irrigation districts, which is provided for elsewhere in the law and is a separate proceeding from the interest payment contract.

The second question is "Whether, in view of representations made to bond purchasers because of such certification or guarantee there exists any moral obligation upon the state to pay the bonds?"

The question is answered in the negative.

MANUAL SENT BY CHURCHILL

State Superintendent Outlines Agricultural Course for Grades

J. A. Churchill, state superintendent of schools, is sending out to all high schools in the state of the manual and outline for the teaching of agriculture in the elementary grades. It is the purpose of the department in the outline to adjust the adopted text more nearly to the variable conditions found in different localities.

In the foreword Mr. Churchill makes the following explanation: "Experience has shown that few teachers have made the necessary effort to prepare themselves properly for teaching elementary agriculture. Occasionally one may be found possessing a live interest in rural affairs and having a natural preference for those details which are closely related to farm life. The very large majority of country school teachers have neither the training nor the inclination to lead their pupils successfully in a study which is so foreign to their own experience."

To enable such teachers to take the standard text adopted by the state text-book commission and use it efficiently, the following suggested outline has been prepared for their guidance. It will be of assistance to high school instructors who are conducting classes in the elementary teachers' training classes. It contains the essentials that elementary teachers must know in order properly to handle the course during the year 1922-23. No examination in agriculture will be required of eighth grade pupils prior to 1923. It is proposed that teachers applying for certification in May and June, 1923, and afterwards, will take the examination in agriculture on questions based upon this outline. Ample time is thus afforded for teachers without sufficient preparation to become familiar with this subject before the necessity of facing the examination arises, and a distinct advantage will be gained by the teaching experience of the preceding year."

The outline is being distributed to all high school teachers in the state.

Ames and Silverton Bank Sue to Collect Money

S. Ames and Coolidge & McClaine of Silverton have brought suit against I. W. Farrell, Sadie May Farrell, and the Credit Service company.

The plaintiffs allege that on April 19, 1921, I. W. Farrell gave the bank a promissory note for \$200 and on August 21, 1921, a note for \$500. That S. Ames, one of the plaintiffs had sold Farrell merchandise to the value of \$1,182.21, which remains unpaid.

It is also alleged that prior to November 5, 1921, Farrell owned a tract of land in Silverton and that on that date he transferred it to his father-in-law, George Deusel.

The complaint alleges that Farrell promised, by a contract in writing, to secure title again from his father-in-law, and to pay the amounts he owed.

It is also alleged that he did secure to himself title again to the Silverton property, but that he had not paid the amounts due Ames or the bank. They ask for an enforcement of the written

agreement and that the court order the land to be sold for the benefit of the plaintiffs.

Thermometer on Corner Fools Local Pedestrians

People who passed the Hartman corner Monday forenoon looked up at the self-registering thermometer, rubbed their eyes, looked again and then began either to mop their brows, mutter their overcoats, scratch a score of itchy spots, or else frown and sneer and work themselves into a lather of perspiration over their having "bit."

It wasn't really a rise of temperature, such as would come from turning a gas jet on the thermometer. However, the thermometer registered a straight vertical rise of 10 degrees, as if it all had happened within two or three minutes at the most, but the reason was this. The dial wasn't unwound, and the dial wasn't turning any more. It was dead. The needle and pen mechanism was working merrily on, but it could only go straight up and down, and the time part was a total loss.

A lot of people who had been about ready to chuck their woollens are still hanging onto their garments.

Case Involving Children Deferred Until September

In the suit of William W. Barry against Esther R. Barry, in which the father is attempting to secure possession of the two of his children now with the mother in Montana, the case was continued, to come for trial again in September. This means that the little girl, Essie Barry, who is with her mother, will stay with her, at least until the September term of court.

The court took the position that the little girl should remain in school for the remainder of the school year, and that her custody should finally be decided at the September term of court. The Barrys were divorced several years ago two of the children being placed in the care of the father and two with the mother.

The father of the children brought suit to secure a change in the court's order, by which he would be given the care of all his children. He alleged that the mother had married again and that the children would be better cared for if with relatives in Oregon.

"The Conflict" Almost Produced in Polk County

Polk county almost became the scene of "The Conflict," as shown in movies by Priscilla Dean.

Several months ago C. K. Spaulding, while in Portland, was approached by a representative of Priscilla Dean as to whether he timber holdings, which could be found a dam in his previous conveniently blown up at the most exciting part of the story. There was also necessary for the dam scene a dry creek where the waters of the dam could flow and finally wash away the house in which the hero was hidden away.

It is understood that Mr. Spaulding had under consideration a dam on the Luckiamute, but after considering the possible damage that might have been done to farmers following the blowing up of the dam, it was decided not to take any chances. Hence the locator of the Priscilla Dean company was obliged to look elsewhere and finally found the right conditions in Canada.

COUNTESS REFUSES DIVORCE



The Earl of Wilton's wife, one of the most admired sportswomen in England, who has had an unfortunate matrimonial experience, declares that she will not seek her freedom because her religion forbids. She has been very successful with a string of race horses and is known as an expert horsewoman and as a sculptor.

CHILDREN'S HOME IS GIVEN BOOST

Mrs. Mary B. Powers Presents Proposal Before Kiwanis Club Members

Speaking to members of the Kiwanis club yesterday noon at the Commercial club, Mrs. Mary B. Powers asked the endorsement of the club of a campaign to be put on for funds in Marion county for the benefit of a state children's farm home, to be located near Corvallis.

Mrs. Powers said that there are today 29,555 orphan children in the state who are dependants; that in the campaign for funds Marion county would be asked for \$5000; that the children's farm home would consist of a series of cottages, each under the influence of a Christian mother. She also said that there had been purchased a 245-acre farm near Corvallis with \$30,000 improvements, and that of the \$100,000 necessary, Portland had promised \$60,000.

The club took no direct action as its rules and by-laws provide that no motion be voted upon until presented first to a committee for consideration.

A. A. Lee, for the past 11 years president of the Salem Building and Loan association, told of the good work being done and of the need of the association of more members.

"Only the cream of loans have been taken by the association,"

the fact that the Kiwanis club should get behind the Salem Indian school and do everything possible to urge the Oregon representatives in congress to secure the \$150,000 for Chemawa which would enable the school to receive 1000 students, and thus become the largest Indian school in the country. Mr. Erickson suggested that some prominent member of the club should visit other Kiwanis clubs in the state, in order to secure concerted action in working for the Salem Indian school.

Musicians Heard
The entertaining feature of the noon luncheon was the singing of Miss Marguerite Cook and Miss Mildred Strevey of Willamette university, accompanied by Miss Holman. James H. Nicholson, who ate

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