

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF

DeMolay Increase Program— In addition to the three-act comedy, "Nothing But the Truth," to be presented by Chemeketa chapter, Order of DeMolay, at the Grand theater tonight, a two-act vaudeville program has been arranged. Music will be furnished by a 10-piece orchestra. The leads in the entertainment are to be taken by Wayne Harris and Pauline Rowland. Others of the cast are Verne Mathis, Virginia Dorcas, Max Davidson, Lucille Pettyjohn, Willard Brown, Lucy Beck, Sable Jackson, Connie Eschwig and Dorothy Wilson.

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License Issued— A marriage license was issued yesterday to Voorhis Looose of Silverton and Nellie Roberts of Salem.

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Intention Declared— Louis Erwin Roberts, a Canadian citizen, yesterday filed declaration of intention to become an American citizen.

Corps to Attend Funeral— The members of the W. R. C. will attend the funeral of Mrs. Harr, one of its members, this afternoon. The funeral will be held at Rigdon's parlors at 2 o'clock.

May Electricity Ferry— The county courts of Marion and Polk counties met yesterday to consider running the Independence ferry by electricity in future instead of by gasoline engine as is being done now. Bids will be

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advertised for February 18, according to plans made by the members of the two courts. The Hood River ferry is run by electricity, and is said to be satisfactory. While it costs more to install the electric engine, the upkeep is considerable less, according to members of the county court, and better service is possible.

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Will Aid Rotarians' Sons— Word that the Eugene Rotary club would be glad to assist sons of other Rotarians who are students at the University of Oregon has been received by R. O. Snelling, president of the Salem Rotary club, from R. A. Booth, president of the Eugene club. The communication was read at the Wednesday luncheon.

Divorce Suit Filed— Edward G. Lane yesterday filed suit for divorce from Bessie R. Lane, charging desertion.

Good Dry Ash Wood— \$9.00. Phone 1542. 331

Son Ill in Pendleton— Mrs. J. T. Hunt, who has been ill, is slowly recovering. Word was received yesterday by Commissioner and Mrs. Hunt that their son, M. C. Hunt of Pendleton, is ill with diphtheria.

Visits Woodburn— S. H. Van Trump, county fruit inspector, went to Woodburn yesterday, returning late in the afternoon.

Two Highways Closed— The state highway department announced yesterday that the Sherman highway between Kent and Shaniko, and the Dalles-California highway between Maupin and Cow canyon, are closed to all traffic on account of mud. The muddy condition of the highways is believed here to have resulted from melting snow.

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Pierce Pays Income Tax— Governor Pierce yesterday paid his income tax under the new state income tax law. It amounted to \$77.50. The only income listed was the governor's salary. He claimed an exemption of \$2400 for his wife and one child. The governor said that a separate return will be made for the Pierce farming operations, which are under the firm name of Pierce & Pierce. This return, he said, will show a loss.

Harold L. Cook— Public Stenographer, 416 Oregon Building. Phone 412. 23

Floral Society Meets Friday— Members of the Salem Floral society will be instructed what they should do in their gardens in February by Homer Smith, who will speak at the Friday night meeting, to be held in the Chamber of Commerce auditorium. M. E. Peck will discuss Oregon wild life.

May Modify Curfew Law— That the present curfew law prohibiting boys and girls between

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the ages of 16 and 18 from being on the street after 9 o'clock at night is proving a hardship upon several who are working to put themselves through school is pointed out in complaints made to Chief of Police Frank Minto. While he has no power to issue permits or make any exceptions, Chief Minto said yesterday he would place the matter before the city council at the first opportunity.

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Building Permits Issued— A building permit was issued Wednesday by Marten Poulsen, city recorder, to H. R. McDowell, for the erection of a dwelling at 1525 Bellevue, to cost \$2000. The Albert Estate, Inc., changed its permits for three dwellings in the 1400 block on Howard to \$3500 each instead of \$2000.

Boys Are Returned— Freedom from the boys' training school was short for Cecil Eric and Perry Mitchell, who were returned to the institution yesterday, according to word received from L. M. Gilbert, superintendent. The pair escaped Monday night while working around the dairy herd as trustees. They were committed from Columbia county.

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Chorus Practices Friday— Augmented by several adult voices, the Salem Boys' chorus will hold its regular rehearsal at the Y. M. C. A. Friday night from 7:30 o'clock until 8:30 o'clock. A half hour in the gymnasium will precede the singing. Any boy between 8 years and 16 years who is interested is welcome to attend the rehearsals, according to Dr. H. C. Epley, director. Several Kiwanians pledged themselves to attend these practices and to assist the boys in singing some of the lead and bass accompaniment.

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Boys' Committee Meets— For the purpose of perfecting the program for a Father and Son banquet to be held at the Presbyterian church next Wednesday, the boys' work committee of the church met with Lee Chapin at the Y. M. C. A. last night. Details of the program will be worked out later. George A. White, adjutant general, will be the principal speaker. Plans for a personal chart of every boy in accordance to the Christian citizenship training program recently adopted by the church were approved. Members of the boys' work committee are Henry J. Miljan, E. M. Filisinger, Arthur Bates, H. B. Galyser and A. R. Baird.

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Takes Over Tire Agency— H. L. Clark will take over the agency for the Lee tires the first of the week from G. C. Jones, and will become distributor for the Salem district. Mr. Jones will leave for Tacoma, where he will undergo an operation on his eyes. A daughter lives in that city, and a son in a nearby town, and as soon as he is able to leave the hospital Mr. Jones will stay with his daughter until he recovers. He expects to return to Salem in about three weeks.

Examinations to Begin— Next week will find Willamette university students deep in mid-year examinations, following the close of the first semester. The examinations will begin Monday and last the entire week. The schedule was completed yesterday. No classes will be held during the examinations.

Federated Clubs to Meet— Tree planting will be the chief topic of discussion at the meeting of the Salem Federation of Clubs at the Chamber of Commerce and

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torium tonight. It was intimated by Dr. H. E. Morris, president. City Attorney Ray L. Smith is preparing an ordinance to cover this field, and it is expected he will be present and submit a rough draft of this to the clubs.

Loan Wanted— Wanted to secure a \$1500 loan at 7 per cent for 3 years on good Salem residence. Sociolofsky, phone 970. 341 State street.—331.

Mother Claims Runaway— Mrs. Leonard L. Parmenter of route 2, Canby, came to Salem yesterday after Lawrence Parmenter, her 12-year-old son, who ran away from home. Lawrence was found by Officer Shafer and taken to the police station and his parents notified. There was no reason for his leaving home, Lawrence admitted, and expressed his willingness to return to his home on the farm, having already become tired of city life.

Cherrians Advance Dates— Though the regular meeting of the Cherrians is ordinarily held the second Tuesday of the month, the February meeting will be advanced a week, and will be held on February 5, according to an announcement made by King Bird Al Pierce. The regular date of meeting conflicts with other arrangements for Lincoln day, February 12.

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Several Are Fined— Edward Bortruff, route 7, was fined \$5 in the police court yesterday for cutting a corner. Herman Forry, 2786 Lee, and Merrill Ash, 475 South Twenty-third, were fined \$2.50 each for not having lights on their bicycles. The men were arrested by Officer Sproed.

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People's Store to Move— Concentration of the entire stock in the corner building at Commercial and Chemeketa will be effected this week by the People's Cash Store. The portion of the building vacated will be occupied by a new firm from Dallas, S. Friend, former manager of the People's Cash Store, will be associated with the new enterprise.

Now at New Location— John J. Rottle Walk-Over Shoe Store is now located at the new home, State and Liberty streets.—331.

Man Injured in Wreck— In a collision between two automobiles at Court and Cottage early Wednesday afternoon, William Kral, 218 North Liberty, was slightly injured when his automobile overturned when it collided with another driven by Miss Mary Healey, an employee of the adjutant general's office. The automobile driven by Mr. Kral was owned by F. E. Hallik, 337 Court. Both machines were damaged to a considerable extent.

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Will Open Bible Class— "Everyman's Class" will be opened in a local theater on February 17, according to an announcement made yesterday by Rev. J. J. Evans, pastor of the First Christian church. This will be a Sunday school class for men who are not affiliated with any particular church, and will be open to any man. The class is to meet at 9:45 o'clock and is dismissed an hour later. Singing under the leadership of Dr. H. C. Epley will be one of the features. Systematic study of the Bible from a non-denominational point of view will be carried on by Rev. Mr. Evans. Under present plans, there will be a short musical program and every effort will be made to make the class interesting, and it will not follow out old-fashioned ideas concerning a Bible class.

PERSONAL

Oscar Steelhammer, county assessor, went to Woodbury yesterday. Tom Kay was in Albany yesterday to give his talk on the income tax before the chamber of commerce at their weekly meeting. George Wahl of New Era was a visitor in the city yesterday afternoon. H. E. Steen was in Salem Wednesday from Silverton. Olive A. Squires was a Dallas visitor in the city Wednesday. Miss Frances Weisser, stenographer for the state parole office, was a Portland caller Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Chinn and Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Mead of Oregon City were in Salem yesterday. Mrs. V. M. Clark of West Salem was a Wednesday shopper in the city. Michigan bean growers will meet in Oswego. Fine chance for boarders to get in some dirt work.

AMERICA NOT INDIFFERENT

By FRANCIS H. SISON, Chairman, Public Relations Commission, American Bankers Association.

While the facts justify the belief that the financial and general economic strength of the United States is so great that it creates a stability here which cannot be seriously shaken by the adverse conditions in Europe, it still remains true that an attitude of indifference does not exist. The nation is observing with deep interest the progress of events abroad and has given many evidences of a readiness to aid in restoring normal conditions there whenever it is seen that a suitable opportunity is afforded.



Our people have naturally been reluctant to act while the European nations still fall to display the will to accept the only terms on which rehabilitation is possible, and to abandon their mutual hatreds and distrusts, their persistence in preparation for further warfare, and their destructive political and financial policies. Such policies have so weakened the credit of some of the continental nations that the task of aiding them seems futile until it is clear that these policies are discredited and disowned by them.

Although it seems clear from the record of recent years that America, more perhaps than any other country, has been and will continue to be able to adjust itself without serious disaster to the conditions created by European depression.

STRAWN TALKS WITH COOLIDGE OF LEASES

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successive day, senate debate was marked by bitter exchange between Republicans and Democrats and culminated in a personal tilt between Chairman Lenroot of the oil committee and Senator Walsh, Democrat, Montana, who has had the leading role in the inquiry. Senator Walsh bluntly charged that he had received no cooperation from the chairman or other Republicans on the committee up to the time Archie Roosevelt testified. Senator Lenroot said he was content to let the country judge from the record of the hearings.

Personal politics ran through practically all of the six hours of debate, and at times there was such a hubbub that President Cummins had difficulty in maintaining even a semblance of order.

Soft Pedaling Charged
President Coolidge, Mr. Fall and Secretary Denby were assailed time and again, while towards the last Democrats charged the Republicans with undertaking to "soften" the language of the Walsh resolution. Taking exception to these charges, Senator Lenroot declared that Republican senators approved the language as indicating "corruption and fraud" in connection with the leases and had sought only to make less positive the declarations concerning questions of law involved in the case upon which the courts must pass.

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and has in its own vast domestic market and in other non-European markets an outlet for its products adequate to maintain a fair degree of national prosperity, the fact remains that it is very definitely the selfish interests of the United States to have Great Britain and the European continental countries regain their normal prosperity at the earliest possible date. They normally absorbed between 50 and 70 per cent of American exports, but recently have been taking less than 50 per cent.

Moreover, the rich contribution which Europe has made in the past to the upbuilding of other parts of the world, including the United States, would seem to create a genuine obligation upon other countries to come to its aid in the present period of difficulty. General well-being throughout the entire world will be diminished to a degree as long as Europe is unable to play its part in production and consumption of valuable products. It possesses vast resources of skill and equipment for the production of useful commodities in demand by all nations, and loss continues while these resources are limited in their use by poverty and by adverse political and social conditions. That the share of the United States in this loss is relatively small should not preclude an active interest in every promising effort that may be made to restore the European nations to economic and financial health.

For Community Betterment
The Committee on Agriculture of the Missouri State Bankers Association has sent out a questionnaire to all members to secure a frank opinion as to what are the most important community problems to be solved in the State. The questionnaire covers bank deposits, crops, schools, manufacturing, roads, junior club work, agricultural agencies, co-operative agencies, farm abandonment, land values, finances, dairying, and social life, with a view in determining what work should be undertaken for the year.

Judge Stapleton Sustains Insurance Commissioner

Judge G. W. Stapleton of the circuit court in Portland yesterday sustained the Oregon real estate law relative to right of the state real estate commissioner to revoke licenses of realty dealers. This was a case instituted against A. Marie Haug, who was accused of accepting \$800 earnest money from Selma and E. J. Oaks, afterward failing to complete the deal. The real estate commissioner revoked the license and an appeal was taken to the circuit court, a right extended under the law. The court sustained the action of the real estate commissioner and ordered the return of the \$800. This was the first time the law has been tested in court. W. A. Mullen, who has charge of the real estate department, appeared before the court.

PRINGLE
Mrs. Propst drove to a logging camp near Tillamook Saturday to bring Mr. Propst home. Mr. Propst

had the misfortune to get crippled in one of his legs at camp. Earl Meeks was over from Oregon City, visiting home folks Sunday.

REFUND DEMANDED

SEATTLE, Jan. 29.—Asserting that traffic officers of Oregon deliberately "held him up for \$35 for an Oregon license, humiliating and delaying him while en route from Los Angeles to Seattle, L. H. Gray, head of an investment firm of this city has written to T. H. Rafferty, chief traffic officer of Oregon, demanding an apology, a refund of his money and a severe reprimand of the officers who treated him so arbitrarily. Gray declared today in a published statement.

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