

DO YOU KNOW That a very useful Salem district slogan is, a silo on every farm?

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PRICE FIVE CENTS

Candidates! Time for Winning is Growing Short; Only Ten More Days Left in the Subscription Contest

CUT PETTINESS IS BELT PLEA

Slight Technicalities Halt Administration of Justice Is Claim

'TOO MUCH GOVERNMENT'

'We Are Living in Most Lawless Nation on Earth,' Declares Supreme Court Justice Harry Belt

"We are living in the most lawless nation on earth," declared Justice Harry Belt of the Oregon supreme court, who addressed the Salem Rotarians at their luncheon Wednesday noon. He explained his declaration by citing cases of mob rule in the south and showing that the murders in certain cities themselves are more numerous than are the murders in entire nations.

Justice Belt intimated that one of the drawbacks to efficient administration of the courts is the toleration of petty technicalities. "A man is indicted for stealing a pig with a slit on the right ear. Case is dismissed because the pig in reality has the slit on the left ear. A man is accused of stealing a Smith & Wesson revolver. Case is dismissed because it is found the revolver is not a Smith & Wesson. Such petty technicalities defeated the order of justice."

"There has been too much government," declared Judge Belt. "The government was made for man—not man for the government."

\$90,241 MARCH TOTAL

LAND DEPARTMENT TURN-OVER LISTED BY BOARD

Cash turn-overs to the state treasurer from the state land department during the month of March aggregated \$90,241.97, according to a report prepared here Wednesday by George G. Brown, clerk of the state land board.

Who's Who in Salem Public Schools

Edna White, instructor of physical education at Parrish Junior High school. Ten years with Salem school system. Twelve years teaching experience. Studied physical education particularly in college, and is considered to be one of the best fitted teachers in Oregon for this work.

Deposits Scarf, Mirror, Cream; Mystery Remains

Harry Walp Case May Go Down in Police Records as Unsolved 'Mysterious Disappearance of Face Powder and Incense', Unsolved

Harry Walp, 20, appeared in the justice court Wednesday afternoon, with a jar of vanishing cream, a woolen scarf and an ivory hand mirror. He left the articles in the care of Brazier C. Small, justice of the peace, and then took a train for Portland. A case of larceny against him has been continued.

MARCH BUILDING LIST

TOPS '26 BY \$50,000

SIXTY-ONE PERMITS TAKEN OUT DURING MONTH

Forty-five call for construction of new homes; Pace is continuing

With 61 building permits taken out during the month of March, 1926, representing a total outlay of \$227,620, the record for March has been shattered decisively. In the same month last year 50 permits were taken out for a total of \$155,600. In 1924 the total for March was under \$175,000.

During the past month 45 permits were issued for the construction of dwellings, representing a total outlay of \$138,575. In March, 1925, 34 permits for homes were issued for a total of \$99,100.

One of the large factors in the record breaking total of the past month was the permit taken out by Adam Engle, prominent home and apartment house builder, for the erection of a \$58,000 apartment house and garage.

Permits for the construction of two concrete store buildings added \$20,000 to the outlay for the month. A permit for the erection of a \$50 metal sign board completed the list of permits for construction.

The remaining 12 permits were taken out for alterations and repairs. These represented a total sum of \$10,995.

STAGE COACH IS BACK

OLD DAYS RELIVED WHEN OLD DRIVER TAKES LINES

SPOKANE, Mch 31.—(By Associated Press.)—History was rolled back a score or more of years this afternoon when the Pasco stage coach pulled away from the post office here with two pouches of mail, two drivers, an armed guard and passengers. Felix Warren, old time stage coach driver, flicked his long whip at the "nigh" horse of the lead team. E. B. Powell, relief driver, and L. P. Chapman, guard, waved at the curious crowd, and the stage was off for Pasco, where it will arrive Tuesday morning.

OREGON MAN IS SOUGHT

SUCCESSOR TO HANEY MAY COME FROM THIS STATE

PORTLAND, March 31.—(By Associated Press.)—Confidence that an Oregon man would receive the appointment to succeed Bert E. Haney on the Shipping Board was expressed by Ralph E. Williams, republican national committeeman, who returned today from Washington.

"On the day of my departure from Washington I conferred with President Coolidge with reference to the appointment," he said. "Although he did not give me any assurance that he would appoint an Oregon man, I am satisfied he will do so. But whether the appointee will be a republican or democrat is something the future must determine."

BROWNING IS TO WED CHILD

Disastrous Fairy Godfather Affair to Be Followed by 'Prince' Role

GIRL IS 15 YEARS OLD

Elderly New York Real Estate Man to Marry Lass When She Is 16, His Secretary Declares

NEW YORK, March 31.—(By Associated Press.)—Edward W. Browning, elderly and wealthy real estate operator, has again assumed a role in a Cinderella tale. This time, however, he is playing the part of the prince, following his disastrous attempt to be fairy godfather to Mary Louise Spas last year.

MARCH RAIN IS SLIGHT

ONLY .64 OF AN INCH FELL DURING DRYEST PERIOD

The year 1926 has gone on record as having the dryest March in the history of the Salem weather observatory, following compilation of figures last night. During last month only .64 of an inch of rainfall was registered. The average rainfall for the month of March is 4.5 inches.

SCORE SEEKING PRIZES IN AUTO GIFT CONTEST

ANY LEADING CONTESTANT CAN WIN GRANT PRIZE

Second Payment Opportunities Attract Eager Workers as End Nears

TODAY'S HONOR ROLL

By Auto Contest Editor.

A score or more contestants are entering the home stretch in the race to win the valuable Dodge Sedan, Chevrolet Touring, Ford Touring, Electric Washer, and other splendid prizes. It's anybody's contest yet.

SENTENCE COIN MAKERS

COUNTERFEITERS TO SERVE TIME ON ISLAND

PORTLAND, March 31.—(By Associated Press.)—Caleb A. Talmgren and Charles A. Bentley received sentences of two years and 13 months, respectively, at McNeil Island by Federal Judge Bean today after they had pleaded guilty to counterfeiting charges.

VERA SAILS FOR HOME

AMERICA BRINGS KIND MEMORIES, COUNTESS SAYS

NEW YORK, March 31.—(By Associated Press.)—Vera, the Countess of Cathcart, who sailed this morning on the Berengaria for England, after a disastrous adventure in the dramatic field with "Ashes of Love," thanked the American public for treatment accorded her, in a radio message to The Associated Press tonight.

DRYS ASSURED BY OFFICIALS

New 'Beer' Tonic Is Not Drinkable, Secretary Andrews Declares

LIQUOR LAW TO STAND

Any Attempt to Use Malt Tonic As Beverage Will Result In It Being Removed from Market

WASHINGTON, March 31.—(By Associated Press.)—Calm in the face of the flurry caused by the word that 3.75 per cent malt tonic would be on sale shortly, prohibition officials today assured Drys, disturbed by the announcement that they need fear no breakdown in enforcement and cautioned the drinking population not to regard the extract as a beverage.

DEBATE ENGLISH STATUS

NO VOTE OBTAINED ON IMPEACHMENT OF JURIST

WASHINGTON, March 31.—(By Associated Press.)—The house devoted its entire session again today to debate on the resolution to impeach Federal Judge English of Illinois, without reaching a vote.

LUMBER MILL BURNS

CHILQUIN PLANT DESTROYED; LOSS IS \$100,000

KLAMATH FALLS, March 31.—(By Associated Press.)—Fire destroyed the Chilquinn Lumber company sawmill at Chilquinn last night, causing an estimated damage of \$100,000.

CANDIDATES ENTER RACE

THREE ENTER CAMPAIGN FOR MAY PRIMARY HONORS

James P. Stapleton, republican, Wednesday filed with the secretary of state here his declaration of candidacy for the office of judge of the circuit court for the Fourth judicial district, department No. 8, comprising Multnomah county.

PLANT WIZARD MORE CHEERFUL, HAS GOOD MEAL

SANTA ROSA, Cal., March 31.—(By Associated Press.)—Luther Burbank appeared today to have settled down to the business of getting well, after an illness so serious that his physicians and nurses feared for the outcome. He ate his first good meal today and it appeared to quickly strengthen him. In addition he appeared to be more cheerful, and the fretfulness that had concerned his attendants in the earlier stages of his illness disappeared.

Departing March Lion Leaves Howling Gales

Middle and Southwestern States in Grip of Blizzards; Nearly Score of Deaths Are Attributed to Storm; Some Relief Now Believed in Sight

CHICAGO, March 31.—(By Associated Press.)—The March lion roared a departing farewell tonight and left large parts of the country nearly knee deep in snow and slush.

CANNING SEASON WILL OUTSTRIP ALL RECORDS

SALEM PLANTS UNANIMOUS FOR INCREASED OUTPUT

Hunt Brothers Company Will Add Twenty-Five Percent to Capacity

There will be seven canneries in operation in Salem the coming season—and all of them will have increased capacity over last year, and all of their manager are looking forward to an extremely busy canning year. There is every indication of a very much larger pack than the one turned out in Salem last year.

Chicago itself tonight presented a sorry spectacle. Its downtown business section was ankle deep in a mess of oozy slush through which pedestrians waded while the blizzard whipped about their ears. Motor cars became mired in the morass. Attempts to keep the streets and sidewalks clear resulted in narrow traffic lanes flanked by waist high banks of snow. The snowfall here tonight

Outside the house officers discovered 14 barrels of mash, some full and others only partly full. Approximately 200 gallons of mash were contained in the barrels. A gasoline burner was used to heat the still. The liquor was run off through a pipe, falling into a bucket through a cloth strainer. Tests of some of the moonshine in the bucket indicated that it was 100 proof—one-half alcohol. The liquor in the pint flasks had been diluted, however, to approximately 85 proof.

The Starr cannery is undergoing repairs, looking to a busy season, with better capacity than last year, and with the idea of commencing on gooseberries, perhaps about the middle of May.

Loganberries Mostly Contracted. The Robert Paulus concern, which has taken over the big dehydration plant and cannery on

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WHISKEY STILL TAKEN IN RAID

300 Pints Moonshine, 200 Gallons of Mash Trophy of Agents

SURPRISE IS COMPLETE

Arthur Jette of Champcoog Seized and Jailed by Officers Under Direction of William S. Levens

Approximately 300 pints of moonshine whiskey, 200 gallons of mash and an 80-gallon still were seized Wednesday evening by federal, state and county officers when they raided a liquor plant operated by Arthur Jette of Champcoog, about 30 miles north of Salem, on the Willamette river. Jette is now in the county jail. He will be arraigned in justice court this morning.

The still, with a capacity of approximately 50 gallons of liquor a day, was located in a room in the rear of the dwelling house, and was of the old type. Fifth and dirt had accumulated, both inside and out, the construction of the outfit making it difficult to keep clean.

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The raid was led by William S. Levens, state prohibition commissioner.

REPORT BRANDED FALSE

NO MEXICAN LAND HAS BEEN TURNED TO JAPANESE

WASHINGTON, March 31.—(By Associated Press.)—A formal denial of reports that the Mexican government had granted 2,000,000 acres land concession to a Japanese syndicate was issued here today by Ambassador Telles who said he was acting on instructions from his government.

The ambassador said that during the Diaz regime, a broad tract on the coast of Lower California had been granted to an American named Huff, who still holds the title, but that the Mexican government must be obtained before his rights can be conveyed to any foreign corporation.

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