

DOCTORS OF THREE COUNTIES CONVENE

Interesting Meet of the Tri County Medical Society Last Night

The Tri County Medical society, taking in Yamhill, Polk and Marion, held its regular monthly dinner and session at the Gray Belle at 6:30 last evening...

There was a paper by Dr. Albert Mathieu of Portland on certain phases of his specialty, which is obstetrics.

Also, Dr. D. R. Ross of Salem presented a paper on tuberculosis of the kidneys.

Films in Schools, Etc. Dr. V. A. Douglas of the Marion county health unit showed films on the prevention of diphtheria.

The medical society voted to borrow the films for use in the schools, theatres, churches, etc., of the three counties.

The Peerless Bakery, 170 N. Commercial, Sanitary, up to date. Prompt delivery. Bakers for those who appreciate the best.

Army and Outing Store. Biggest bargain in clothing, shoes, under wear, hosiery, gloves, valises and suit cases.

NAVY STRENGTH UPHELD

President Holds Immediate Building of Ships Unnecessary

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—(AP)—Immediate construction of 10 light cruisers which would be authorized under the Butler bill now on the house calendar is unnecessary, in President Coolidge's opinion.

His view, as outlined today at the White House, is that the navy's building program is ample for the present. After present construction, including that of airplane carriers and submarines, is completed he feels it will be possible to provide funds to begin work on the cruisers without greatly increasing naval appropriations.

To an extent, at least, the view of the president appeared to jibe with that of members of the house naval committee, which has reported the Butler bill to authorize a \$105,000,000 appropriation.

Special as long as they last—body powder and bath salts only 5c, regular 75c each. These make wonderful Christmas presents. Crown Drug, 332 State. (\*)

The Man's Shop saves you a ten dollar bill on every quality suit. Shirts, hats, ties, collars. High grade clothing, perfect fitting, long wearing. 416 State. (\*)

DRAGER AGAIN ELECTED

Local Man Will Continue to Head Treasurers' Body

PORTLAND, Dec. 21.—(AP)—At the first session held in six years, the county treasurers of Oregon, numbering fifteen, reorganized their association at a meeting here today by re-election of D. G. Drager of Salem as president.

A legislative committee was formed today and is composed of Homer C. Parrott, Yamhill county; Mrs. Lenora Powell, Douglas county; John M. Lewis, Multnomah; and E. B. Sappington, Washington, vice president.

Christmas is the day for happiness and rejoicing, but every day is one of pleasure if you eat Better Yet Bread, made by the Better Yet Baking Co., 264 N. Com'l. (\*)

The Cherry City Baking Co.'s bread, pies and cake are of highest quality. One of Oregon's most sanitary bakeries; visit it. Worth while. A Salem show place. (\*)

COUNTIES SEEK RIGHT TO NAME MARKET ROADS

state highway commission. Another resolution taken up today provides that a request be made that California expedite the matter of completing main highways north to the Oregon state line to connect with the main ar-

teries Oregon has completed to the California line. The resolution pointed out that Oregon sometime ago completed the Pacific highway to the California line, has constructed The Dalles-California highway, has completed the Redwood highway from Grants Pass, and also has the construction of the Roosevelt highway along the coast well under way, but that California has connected only with the Pacific highway, and that, with an inferior macadam road. All of Oregon's highways leading to California are paved.

Ninety five per cent of the delinquencies of children are laid at the doors of the mothers and fathers by former Judge Jacob Kanseler of Portland, for seven years in the Multnomah county court of domestic relations. Judge Kanseler spoke to the county court of domestic relations, Judge Kanseler spoke to the county judges and commissioners at today's session.

The county courts would be stripped of any jurisdiction in juvenile cases, if the legislature follows out the suggestion made for the enactment of a law governing the care of dependent children. Judge Kanseler explained. In his address today he frowned upon the present law which provides for an appeal from any order issued by the juvenile court. This is wrong, he contended, declaring that the juvenile court should have the whole say in the matter of dealing with minor children.

Judge Kanseler also declared that when neglect of the comfort and care of children has been judicially established the children should be removed from the hands of the parents, but that when the parents are found worthy, the children should remain in their care.

Another law amendment suggested by Judge Kanseler was one that would permit committing a delinquent girl to the state industrial school for girls until she is 21 years old, instead of 18, as the present law provides. The present law, he pointed out, makes it mandatory to release a girl when she reaches the age of 18, while a boy cannot be released from a similar school until he is 21. The delinquent girl, Mr. Kanseler added, is not sent to the state school as a punishment, but for the protection of her welfare, and corrective work for them is just as important as for boys, he contended.

Election of officers for the Association of Judges and Commissioners today resulted in the unanimous re-election of the present officers. They are: Judge Victor P. Moses, Benton county, president; Judge R. W. Sawyer, Deschutes county, vice president; Commissioner J. E. Smith, Marion county, secretary-treasurer.

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First National Bank, the bank of friendship and helpfulness in time of need. Interest paid on time deposits. Open an account and watch your money grow. (\*)

POLICE HOLD SUSPECT

Portland Man Held for Possession of Intoxicating Liquor

E. Beck, Portland motorist, ran afoul of local police officers last night while he had a case of alleged bonded whiskey in his car, and as a result is lodged in the city jail, charged with possession and transportation of intoxicating liquor. Bail was placed at \$1,000 which Beck failed to produce.

The Midget Meat Market never fails to give you the finest meats and fish. There is but one place in Salem to get the finest fish. The Midget Market has it for you. (\*)

Hartman Bros. Jewelry Store. Watches, clocks, rings, pins, diamonds, charms, cut glass, silverware. Standard goods. State at Liberty St.

NURSE VISITS IN PORTLAND

SILVERTON, Or., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—Miss Thea Jensen has been spending a few days at Portland, driving up in her sedan Friday evening and returning Monday noon. Miss Jensen is a nurse at Silvertown.

Casey's Guaranteed Rheumatism Remedy—money refunded if it does not cure your case. Nelson & Hunt, Druggists, corner of Court and Liberty Sts. Tel. 7. (\*)

JURY FINDS KELLY GUILTY OF MURDER

Trial Occupied Two Weeks and Marked by Sensational Evidence

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 21.—(AP)—Clarence (Buck) Kelly, alleged leader of a bandit gang which perpetrated five murders in three nights during October, was found guilty of first degree murder in the superior court today, the jury making no recommendation. Sentence was set for December 27. The court must sentence Kelly to the gallows under the law.

Kelly's trial occupied two weeks and was marked by much sensational testimony. Mike Papadachis, 17 year old boy, said that he accompanied Kelly on the night that Walter Swanson, taxicab driver, Nicholas Petrovich and John Duane, night watchman were shot down in cold blood by the drink-crazed Kelly. Papadachis is to be tried with Lawrence Weeks, Kelly's confessed companion, on the first night of the bandit raids, during which two men were killed.

Kelly's mother, who was at his side throughout the trial, rushed to his arms at the verdict and went back to the jail with him. She appeared near collapse.

It took the jury of seven men and five women but 30 minutes to find Kelly guilty of all of the three murders.

Kelly displayed no emotion either during the trial or when the verdict was read.

L. A. Schlar Auto Wrecking Co., oldest in the Willamette valley. New and used parts and equipment. Low prices and quality service here. 1085 N. Com'l. (\*)

The Marion Automobile Co. The Studebaker, the world's greatest automobile value. Operating cost small. Will last a lifetime, with care. Standard coach \$1415. (\*)

Aggie Basket Team Wins From Stockton Amblers

STOCKTON, Cal., Dec. 21.—(AP)—Sweeping the Stockton Amblers before them with a lightning offensive, the Oregon Aggies basketball team tonight defeated the local club squad by a 31 to 22 score. Burr, running guard for the Aggies, was high point man of the game with 15 points. A fast passing game, coupled with clever floor work, carried the Aggies to a commanding lead in the first half when the score stood 18 to 10. After the first three minutes of the game the Aggies were never headed and the ball was in the Amblers' territory the greater part of the game.

Pens, pencils, stationery, pen and pencil sets, books, kodaks, typewriters, magazines and novelties—everything in the book store line for Christmas at Patton's. (\*)

Quality painting, both varnish and lacquer work, in our modern equipped paint shop. Washing, greasing and night service; tire repairs. Wood's Auto Service. (\*)

"Come to England for Fox Hunting," is the new slogan of the British government to attract winter visitors.

The Dixie Bakery leads on high class breads, pies, cookies and fancy baked supplies of every kind. Best by test. Ask old customers. 439 Court St. (\*)

HAMMER MURDERER INDICTED BY JURY

Joseph Croarkin Jailed for Brutal Attack on Six Year Old Lad

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—(AP)—Five days after he beat 6-year-old Walter Smith to death with a blacksmith's hammer in the loft of a riding club, Harold Joseph Croarkin, 26, was indicted today for murder. Since his surrender Sunday, Croarkin, the son of a wealthy family, had been held in strict seclusion without a formal charge, but today he was placed in the county jail.

Five witnesses, including the father of the dead boy, and Dr. Jacob Goodman, coroner's physician, appeared before the grand jury.

The coroner's physician testified that the lad had not been mistreated, and that testimony was accepted as bearing out Croarkin's confession that he slew the child in fear that little Walter would tell his parents that Croarkin had tried to force him to commit an act of degeneracy.

Croarkin was identified today by six little girls as having made improper advances towards them within two months.

Croarkin has confessed that he mistreated three little girls and five boys, but he denied that any of the half dozen tots who confronted him today were among his victims.

The date for Croarkin's trial will be set tomorrow.

Robert E. Crowe, state's attorney, announced that he personally would lead the prosecution, with a demand for the death penalty.

Mr. Crowe as chief justice of the criminal courts sentenced to death Thomas Fitzgerald, an aged eccentric, who criminally attacked and slew 8-year-old Janet Wilkinson, the only death sentence upon a plea of guilty in Cook county in 30 years, and personally led the prosecution of Nathan F. Leopold Jr., and Richard Loeb, who pleaded guilty as the slayers of Bobby Franks. They are serving life sentences in the state penitentiary.

1924 Ford coupe, in fine shape, an excellent buy for \$275. Also 1925 Ford coupe at a bargain. Phone 220 or call at Otto J. Wilson's garage, 388 N. Com'l. (\*)

Roller skating at the Dreamland rink, Tuesday, Friday and Saturday from 7:30 to 10:30 p. m. Ladies admitted free. Gentlemen 10c. Skating 25c. (\*)

BARTENDERS' SCALE HIGHER

SPOKANE, Dec. 21.—Because of a series of federal raids on local "soft drink" establishments last week, salaries of bartenders have advanced from \$6 to \$8 a day, with a shortage at that figure, government agents reported here today.

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RAILROAD MIDDLE HELD MISLEADING

Final Session of Rival Rail Chiefs to Be Held in Washington Today

PORTLAND, Dec. 21.—(AP)—W. F. Turner, president of the Oregon Trunk railway, said today that the brief statement made Monday by William Sproule, president of the Southern Pacific, did not give a true picture of what is happening in the central Oregon railroad extension controversy.

"The reports published regarding the Oregon Trunk railway extension from Bend to Klamath Falls are somewhat misleading," said President Turner.

He said he believed the full facts would become known tomorrow, after final session of the rival rail chiefs is held in Washington with the interstate commerce commission.

Mr. Sproule stated, in substance, that the Southern Pacific has made what it deems a fair proposal to the Hill roads for joint use of its line between Pounia and Klamath Falls, Ore., but that the Hill system chiefs have declined the proposal, saying that the Oregon Trunk "concluded it did not wish to use our lines, regardless of terms."

Mr. Turner said today: "The Oregon Trunk made what it considers a fair proposal for use of the Natron line but the Southern Pacific terms, according to my information, are so different both in amount and in restrictions on usefulness to the public that it does not seem possible to get together."

Nash Furniture Co. takes the lead with low prices on chairs, rockers, tables, wood and steel beds, springs, mattresses. Saves you 35%. 219 N. Com'l. (\*)

JAP FISHERMEN MISSING

TOKYO, Dec. 22.—(AP)—Dispatches from Mukpo, Korea, report 30 fishing boats sunk in a heavy storm yesterday. A hundred fishermen were missing.

Three days left. Oh, what a life. And nothing bought. For Archie's wife. Just Received A New Shipment of Wool Scarfs At \$2.85. Al Krause QUALITY MEN'S WEAR. The store with the fountain. Open Evenings. 3 Shopping Days Before Christmas.

ESTABLISH HEALTH RECORD IN OREGON

Comparative Study of All Causes of Death Made by Insurance Company

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Among the wage-earning city dwellers of the United States, the lowest death rates are recorded in the northwestern states, according to a comparative study of all causes of deaths for the years 1916 and 1925, just completed by the statisticians of the Metropolitan Life Insurance company.

A remarkable health record was made by over a quarter of a million white persons living in the towns and cities of Washington, Oregon and Montana.

Only the sparsely populated state of Utah achieved a better record than did Washington and Montana. In Washington the death rate among 154,000 city dwellers insured with the company was the exceedingly low figure of 4.3 per 100,000 as compared with 7.6 per 100,000 for the company's 17,000,000 industrial policyholders in the nation at large. This low figure for 1925 was a reduction of more than one-quarter from the Washington rate of 1916 and almost one-half of Montana.

The company's experience includes such a large percentage of the entire city and town population that the rates reported are accepted by public health experts as practically accurate for the entire group.

The death rate in Oregon cities for 63,000 industrial policyholders was 5.1 for each 100,000 of population, which was just a trifle less healthy than that for Idaho, with comparatively few city dwellers, and that for Minnesota, where 134,000 town and city dwellers experienced the low death rate of 4.9 per 100,000 for the year.

Close to Oregon's rate is the highly favorable experience of 258,000 persons among Wisconsin's industrial population where the death rate was 5.4 per 100,000.

Certain diseases revealed striking peculiarities in some states. Wisconsin, Minnesota and Nebraska, for instance, showed a definite decline in the cancer rate, which was in sharp contrast to the experience in most other parts of the country. The Oklahoma and Nebraska groups had the unusual experience of having not a single death from measles to report for the year, and Nebraska none for typhoid. Successful sanitary develop-

ments throughout the territory are clearly indicated, the experts point out, by the universal reductions of typhoid fever rates, which in 1925 amounted to about one-fifth of the death rates which prevailed in the same states ten years before.

Christmas Chocolates—wonderful present for your wife and kiddies on Christmas day. Give candy—the sweetest gift of all. J. P. Tyler Drug Store, 157 S. Com'l. (\*)

HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

SILVERTON, Ore., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—College and university students are daily arriving home from their schools. Among those seen on the Silvertown streets are Edgar Wrightman, Reuben Jensen, Nettie Hartberg, Agnes Hartberg, Max Hubbs, Ronald Hubbs, Dena Alm, Bertha Alm, Earl Starr, Victor Sather, Nona Cramer and Farewell Booth.

LOGGING CAMP CLOSES

SILVERTON, Ore., Dec. 20.—(Special.)—Gettysburg camp did not close today as scheduled but will run until Thursday. This is the only camp of the Silver Falls Timber company camps still in operation. The logging camps shut down the first part of the month. Gettysburg is a construction camp.

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Christmas Gifts De Luxe EXQUISITE JEWELRY THAT YOU CAN GIVE WITH PRIDE AND CONFIDENCE. At the height of Christmas readiness—this store, where integrity of merchandise and moderate prices go hand in hand. Gift buyers have the advantage of choosing leisurely from wonderful assortments. Jewelry, Silverware, Novelties, Doriens, Clocks, Beaded Bags, Leather Goods, Fountain Pens and Pencils. In fact, everything you would expect to find in a good jewelry store. Diamond Rings, Wrist Watches, Cigarette Cases, Set Rings, Men's Watches, Emblem Rings and Pins. Hartman Brothers Co. Square Deal Jewelers Corner State and Liberty, Salem, Oregon

PICKENS & HAYNES Wishing our friends and customers A MERRY CHRISTMAS. Owing to Xmas buying being heavy, order early so we will be able to select your things and get them delivered on time. A few of our many good things for your Xmas dinner FREE DELIVERY—PHONE 256-257. Del Monte Pumpkin 20c, All Gold Pineapple 30c, Del Monte Asparagus 30c, All Gold Pears 30c, Del Monte Peas 25c, Melba Peaches 30c, Del Monte Sweet Potatoes 30c, Dromedary Grape Fruit 30c, Del Monte Corn 25c, Maraschino Cherries 15c 25c 65c, Raisins, Currants, Figs, Cluster Raisins, Figs in Syrup, Walnuts, Mixed Nuts, Almonds, Candied Fruits, Candy Canes, 5c, 10c, 25c, 50c, Celery Hearts, Cauliflower, Sprouts, Spinach, Tomatoes, Carrots, Beets, Turnips, Sweet Potatoes, Squash, Artichokes, Lettuce, Canada Dry Ginger Ale—the handy hostess package 1 doz. \$3.00, ORANGES—New Navels 40c, 50c, 60c, 75c per doz.

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