

# CANNERY HERE TO BE BIGGEST

## Reid, Murdoch Interests to Spend \$150,000 in Improvements Soon

(Continued from Page 1.) apricots 100 tons; peaches 100 tons; blackberries 50 tons. This preserving or as much as may be possible will be done in Salem, thus adding a new outlet for Salem-grown fruits and berries. Sixteen preserve kettles are to be installed, double jacketed, of copper, with steam filling the space between the two walls of the kettle. The bottled preserves pass through a steam-heated sterilizer, then through a cooler and on to the basement for storage.

### Sanitation of Plant Is Provided For

Sanitation provision is being made for plant sanitation. There is a locker room for women employees, a cafeteria, and a rest room which is detached from the main building. This building to cost \$6000 is now being erected by Barnham Bros. contractors and will be connected with the main building by a ten foot bridge. Strict regulations covering cleanliness of plant and of employees will be enforced.

### Manager Madden escorted newspaper representatives through the plant last week. At present it is chiefly an empty structure, but several carloads of new and modern machinery are now on the way for installation.

The old receiving platform of the King plant is to be used as a base for a new floor area of 60x167 feet. Here fruits will be received, weighed, and the grower will receive a weight slip which serves as a check immediately cashable at the bank. From the receiving platform products move into the preparation room where they are made ready for canning. Allen's flotation graders will be used. Cans move on automatic conveyors direct from the cars on the track or from reserve storage on the fourth floor to the tables where they are filled, then on into the canning machinery where they go through the hot water exhaust, are automatically drained, filled with syrup, sealed, cooked, cooled and conveyed to barement storage. The big area of the floor is to be covered with a mastic flooring. On one side of the canning room will be the preserving department.

### Four New Cookers Have Large Capacity

Four cookers are now en route, each with a capacity of over 2,000 cans at once. The sealing machines will handle 150 cans per minute and two are required for each cooker.

The vast basement flooded with cement is available for storage. The machine shop is also located there. An additional warehouse room 100x100 is on the main floor, opening directly on the car platform for loading out.

On one of the upper floors sugar is stored for easy supply to the syrup kettles. These kettles are new, of metal, rustless, stainless and acid-proof. The syrups flow by gravity down to the canning and preserving line.

During 1930 Reid, Murdoch will can the usual run of fruits and berries, and do preserving as well. Mr. Madden is going to experiment with preserving ground cherries, which will be something new to the eastern trade, and so far have not been a commercial product. The plant will do a limited amount of experimental canning of vegetables, chiefly beans, carrots and such. The pack will be shipped to the various branches and the favor it meets with will determine the extent to which vegetable packing will be undertaken here. It is hoped that vegetable canning will be possible, but the problem is to pack in competition with other districts. Eventually making of jellies is proposed for the local plant from currants, grapes, crabapples, gooseberries, plums and quinces.

### Labels Will Carry Name of This City

With reference to their attitude toward the grower, Mr. Madden said: "I believe strongly in paying a fair price to the producer. We cannot expect the grower to produce the produce steadily at a loss. At the same time the canner is governed not by his desires but by market conditions. A big crop of raspberries in Michigan may lower prices here; or a big crop of strawberries around Baltimore may have the same effect. We must meet this competition.

"Our new labels will carry a picture of the Salem plant and carry the name Salem, Oregon, which will give wide publicity to this plant."

The personnel of the local plant include R. E. Kittridge assistant to Mr. Madden; Ray Yocom, superintendent; Fred Hurd, in charge of the preparation room; Glenn Holman, mechanical foreman.

# MEMORIES OF OLD VESSEL RECALLED

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 11.—(AP)—For two hours today the mysterious sinking of the Pacific mail steamer Rio de Janeiro in the Golden Gate nearly 30 years ago, seemed near solution when engineers making borings for the Golden Gate bridge found their drill string metal off Port Point. But hopes were dashed when a diver went down to investigate.

In the belief that the drill had struck the iron sides of the long sought steamer which carried 127 persons to their death, William Reed, noted diver, went down to verify the theory. Although he searched the bay bottom in the vicinity thoroughly he found nothing but rock. It was his conclusion that a piece of old anchor

# CHAMPION



Marie Densch, 13, of Brownsville, Pope County, Illinois, champion speller for 1929. She won the title at the annual contest at the opening session of the Illinois State Teachers' Association, at the opening session of the Illinois State House in Springfield. The contestants spelled 225 words before winners were selected.

chain had wedged between the casing and the drill. Although numerous attempts have been made to locate the Rio de Janeiro, which was said to have carried a treasure in bullion in her specie tanks, no trace of the sunken vessel has ever been found. It is the general belief the liner was carried out to sea by the swift currents.

# STIMSON HAS HIGH HOPE FOR MEETING

By C. D. WILLIAMSON Associated Press Staff Writer S. S. GEORGE WASHINGTON, At Sea, Jan. 11.—(AP)—Reconciliation of the work of the London parley with the disarmament plans of the League of Nations appeared today to the American delegation on this vessel, ten days before the opening of the meeting, one of the outstanding questions with which the conference will have to deal in its early sessions.

While America enters the conference regarding the possible eventual agreement as binding without recourse to any other organization, the American delegates will be prepared to discuss the attitude of others that such an agreement should be linked with the work of the league as far as they are concerned.

It was learned on the highest authority that Secretary of State Henry L. Stimson was ready to agree that the results of the conference should be turned over to the preparatory disarmament commission of the league as a step in furthering the commission's work on the question of general disarmament, in which the United States has cooperated.

# HIGH SCHOOL MEET BROUGHT TO CLOSE

EUGENE, Ore., Jan. 11.—(AP)—After two days of viewing college life, hearing speakers discussing problems affecting high school leaders, electing officers and generally enjoying themselves, 500 young high school student officers, editors and managers and faculty advisers in annual conference here left Eugene today for their various homes.

John Adams, Grant high school Portland, was elected president of the state association of student body officers while Edward Reams, Medford, was elected vice president. Naomi Child, of Sandy, Ore., was elected secretary, Clare Vause, Milton-Freewater, was elected president of the state high school press association, Ron Inzalls, Hood River, vice president; Dorothy Tucker, Albany, secretary, Madeline Gilbert, Eugene, Friday was elected president of the state association of the Girl's League.

# 2 TRAPPED IN MINE

DIXON, Ky., Jan. 11.—(AP)—Two men were trapped today by an explosion in the Carl Melton coal mine in an isolated section about eight miles from here and hours afterward rescue efforts were still unavailing.

# SMALLPOX REPORTED

TEXARKANA, Jan. 11.—(AP)—Smallpox which became prevalent several days ago, has stricken 500 or more persons in the city and in the two counties in Texas and Arkansas of which Texarkana is a part.

# DE MOLAY'S VISIT

Members of the Sunnyside chapter of the Order of DeMolay of Portland, visited the Salem chapter at its meeting Saturday night.

# METHODISTS TO HOLD MEETING

## District Council Scheduled At West Salem Wednesday This Week

WEST SALEM, Jan. 11.—(Special)—The Salem district Methodist Men's council will be held in Ford Memorial church Wednesday evening January 15th.

Two hundred to 250 men from outside of West Salem are expected.

It is hoped that an attendance of at least forty will be present from our own city.

The program will consist of Dutch lunch served by the Ladies' Aid in the community hall for 50 cents per plate.

Following the luncheon a program will be given in the church auditorium.

Numbers on the program will include a vocal solo, "He Knows the Why," by R. A. Raymond; accordion music by George Brown; marimba music by Miss Findley.

Two speakers will appear on the program. Dr. F. A. Magruder of Oregon State college, will speak on some observations of his recent tour in Mexico.

Dr. Magruder is a thorough student of international affairs, a keen thinker and a forceful speaker.

George B. Pratt, a Portland dentist, will speak on a subject not yet announced.

Dr. Pratt is a very popular speaker with men's groups and will bring a worth while and interesting address.

The program will begin at 7:30. Announcements start at 8:00. Luncheon will be served at 8:30, but the ladies will be prepared to serve anyone who come after 5:30 and will continue to serve until all are fed.

This is one of the finest groups that will come to West Salem this year. Plan to come and enjoy it and give our visitors a hearty welcome.

# VIRGIN TIMBER BY HIGHWAYS SAVED

(Continued from Page 1.) With the executive department and the state highway commission working in complete harmony, the late governor later appeared before a number of civic organizations and requested their support. In virtually every instance, the organizations before which the late governor appeared adopted resolutions pledging their cooperation.

Among the most ardent supporters of the late governor's plan was the League of Oregon Cities, which comprises the officials of virtually every municipality in the state. At a meeting of this organization held in Salem a few months ago, the late governor gave an address in which he called their attention to the vanishing timber tracts and the necessity for immediate action. He stressed the importance of the tourist business which, he said, would be gelded to a large extent by the attractions Oregon has to offer.

Following a brief discussion of the late governor's proposal a resolution was adopted by the league in which the members gave assurance of hearty support to the plan. Promises of cooperation also were received from many other sources.

Governor Norblad announced Saturday that he, too, realized the importance of the tourist travel, and that paved highways were not the only essential in attracting Oregon, persons living in distant states.

"While I have not had time to go into the late executive's plan thoroughly," said Governor Norblad, "I am convinced that the principals he enumerated are sound and that the money necessary to purchase various timber tracts could be well spent.

"It is a well known fact that the tourist travel in Oregon has increased materially during the past few years, and statistics show that the money spent by these travelers has aggregated many millions of dollars.

"I do not feel that it would be proper to ask the legislature to appropriate money for this purpose, but I do believe that it would be wise to authorize the state highway commission to spend a part of the funds it receives from motor vehicle licenses and gasoline taxes to this end. As I understand the highway commission already has authority to purchase state parks and provide other attractions along the highways."

Governor Norblad indicated that he would delve into the late governor's proposal more thoroughly during the next few weeks, and would follow his investigations by a formal statement dealing with the subject.

"Everyone in Oregon knows," concluded Governor Norblad, "that this state needs outside money and more people. I cannot conceive of any more effective way to attract capital and people than to make our highways attractive and inviting."

# WASHINGTON CITY SWEEP BY BLAZE

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 11.—(AP)—Flames which wiped out virtually half the water front business district of Gig Harbor, a small suburban town, and for a time threatened to spread to modern business buildings on the opposite side of the street, were brought under control at 6:30 p. m., after Tacoma's new fire boat had dashed across the bay

to combat the blaze. Loss is estimated at around \$14,000. The fire started about five o'clock.

With its city water system frozen up and only a bucket brigade formed by men, women and children of Gig Harbor, the town was virtually at the mercy of the flames until the fire boat arrived and prevented them from sweeping the Skanzie shipyards and other valuable modern structures.

The blaze was believed to have been started by someone thawing out pipes.

# 2 FLYERS ARE LOST ON ALTITUDE FLIGHT

NEW YORK, Jan. 11.—(AP)—With only one tangible clue—that a heavy motored airplane apparently lost in the fog had passed over an airport in Connecticut—more than three dozen planes scoured a wide area today in quest of two flyers who went up on an altitude flight yesterday and did not return.

The two men, Daniel Marra and William Kirkpatrick, were believed to have been caught by a cross wind and hampered by poor visibility, to have lost their bearings. They took off from Farmingdale, N. Y., yesterday morning to determine the altitude capacity of a six place cabin monoplane owned by the Fairchild Airplane Manufacturing corporation, a unit of the aviation corporation.

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# OFFICIALS TO DISCUSS ROAD

## Highway Across Cascades To Be Considered at Meet In Salem Friday

(Continued from Page 1.) due formalities have been completed that the county will assume responsibility for the Breitengush road.

### Gates-Breitengush Road Held Important

Development of the road from Gates to Breitengush Springs is paramount with the welfare of the county even if the South Santiam road is completed before the road from Detroit across the summit.

It has been pointed out by those close to matters regarding the construction of the roads that final development of either route would in the end help Salem.

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# COUNTY OFFICIALS PLAN ANNUAL MEET

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 11.—(AP)—Courtouses in Oregon counties, excepting Multnomah, will be largely deserted next week, many of the county officials planning to spend several days here to attend annual convention.

Three annual meeting of organization made up of county officials will be held at the court house here next week. The groups to meet are the county judges and commissioners, district attorneys and sheriffs.

The judges and commissions will meet first, their session opening Tuesday, continuing through Wednesday and ending with a banquet Wednesday night. They will discuss problems of their offices, probably request new legislation and then stay over Thursday to attend the state highway commission meeting. They are deeply interested in roads.

### Woodmen Install Officers Friday

Officers of Salem Camp No. 118, Woodmen of the World, were installed Friday night by George R. Stafford, assisted by O. C. Watkins. The officers are E. N. Flisinger, past consul commander; L. W. Dubois, consul commander; George R. Stafford,

# STATE ADVERTISING DISCUSSED MONDAY

Advertising for Salem and the Willamette valley, as well as for the state at large, will be discussed at the Salem chamber of commerce luncheon Monday noon by Herbert Cutbert of Portland, manager of the advertising and promotion department of the Portland chamber of commerce.

Mr. Cutbert has been in charge of the work of inducing tourists to come to Oregon, and obtaining important conventions for Portland, for seven years, and has had wide experience in the program of which he will speak Monday.

Vice President M. C. Findley's special committee on scenic and tourist interest of the county will meet at the chamber of commerce office Monday night. On this committee are W. W. Chadwick and David B. Hill, in addition to Mr. Findley.

# Former Member Of State Senate Called by Death

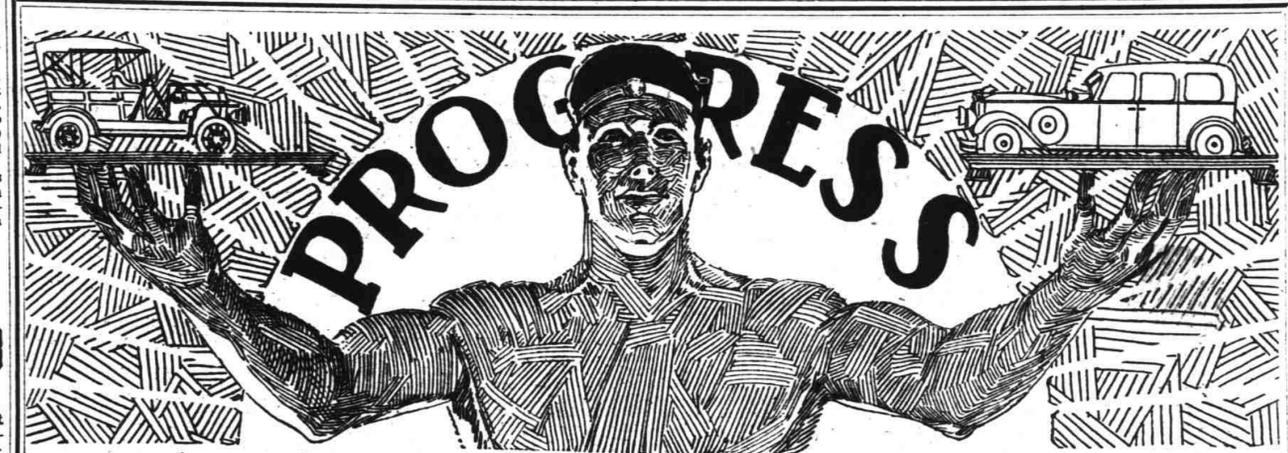
McMINNVILLE, Jan. 11.—(AP)—G. S. Wright, former senator from Yamhill county, passed away at his home here at noon today. He had been ill with pneumonia for two days but his condition had not been considered serious and death came as a great shock to his friends.

Mr. Wright, who has practiced dentistry in McMinnville for more than 30 years, is well known in political circles of the state. He was an active member of the state senate and served as mayor and in other offices of his home town.

He is survived by his wife and one sister, Mrs. Ella Rosenberg of Seattle. Funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

EUGENE, Ore., Jan. 11.—(AP)—Ten degrees above was the official temperature marking here early today.

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