

# MAYOR-ELECT VIEWS ISSUES

### Has Civic Improvements in Mind but Doesn't Seek To Play Lone Hand

"I have not made any elaborate plans as to what I shall do but expect to meet the various issues as they demand attention." Such was the statement of Mayor Elect P. M. Gregory, when questioned as to his program for the time when he would be mayor of Salem.

Further questions however, revealed that Mr. Gregory was not at all vague as to what he thinks should be brought about but that he is reticent about saying what he "will do" since he realizes that the mayor alone can do but little if he lacks the support of the council and the people. It was evident that Salem's new mayor visions some great improvements for the city within the next few years but he does not vision himself as the prophet who will lead the chosen ones into the promised land.

One of the things which Mr. Gregory hopes for the future is mountain water for the city. Until then what? For one thing he is opposed to a condemnation suit against the present water company. If the city and the company cannot come to an agreement as to the price of the system Mr. Gregory favors starting the construction of a water system, laying new mains and sinking wells. He added that he would favor this procedure if the city could do so legally.

### Would Give Work To Unemployed

This program would have the added advantage of providing employment for a large number of men and Mr. Gregory believes that the unemployment situation in Salem during the coming winter will be critical.

The water company should not simply be "frozen out" Gregory believes but should be compensated for its equipment. "It would be very bad business for the city to ignore the water company entirely," he said. However, since the present mains are inadequate and will soon have to be replaced, he believes that the construction program might well begin soon and turn the money that would otherwise be used in legal proceedings into paving for the new construction.

Mr. Gregory trusts that in the not far distant future the city will go into the hydro-electric business, following the example of such places as Eugene, Seattle, Tacoma and McMinville. He is convinced that this could be done with profit to the city.

"If the five million dollar bond issue had been passed by the council and then by the people, we would have had mountain water in Salem in two years," according to Gregory. "I have no bones to pick with the P.E.R. but I do believe that a city the size of Salem should own its own hydro-electric plant."

The bridge program is practically finished but the new mayor would favor completing any necessary work, for example, the High street bridge should be replaced if the money is available.

Mr. Gregory favors the stand that various community clubs have taken in asking for lighting districts in Salem and would work toward a realization of this.

### School Finance Problem Viewed

"Our teachers are no better paid than our street sweepers and we expect of them a high standard of living and education," said Mr. Gregory in referring to the need for raising salaries of Salem's teachers. However he added that under the present financial situation it is impossible to raise teachers' salaries.

School finances will need attention before long because there will be a need for new grade school buildings according to

Gregory. "Our civic center is a source of pride and justly so, but the state and the county aid materially in maintaining it. We need more attention to the small parks in order that they may be made adequate playgrounds and recreational centers," he stated.

The handling of city finances is a matter of just distribution, believes Gregory. "There is no use to make a long statement as to how I shall practice economy," he laughed. "Any official is sufficiently limited as to the funds at his disposal that he need not worry about how much shall be spent but rather how the money shall be distributed."

The mayor elect is not spending much time planning just what he shall do in the future. He does not mean to take long to decide each issue and is inclined to think "sufficient unto the day."

## GERVAIS OFFICIAL TO BE NOMINATED

GERVAIS, Oct. 11.—Mayor G. J. Moisan has called a mass meeting of the voters of the city of Gervais to be held at the city hall Wednesday evening, October 15, for the purpose of nominating a mayor, recorder, treasurer and three councilmen.

The offices of mayor, recorder and treasurer are for two years, and the councilmen are for a four year period. There are six councilmen, three will hold over.

### Changes Made In S. P. Crew

MILL CITY, Oct. 11.—Numerous changes were made during the week in the ranks of the employees of the Southern Pacific company in the train crew which runs between Mill City and Detroit.

Elba Burnett, who has been on this run for ten years or more in the capacity of brakeman, has been transferred to Salem and George French of Albany has been sent up to take his place. J. B. Patrick, conductor on the train, is taking a vacation for a period of three weeks, and his place is being filled by Roy Gentry also of Albany.

Engineer B. F. Russell is another of the old-timers who is taking a layoff of a month. His place on the engine is being filled by Engineer Kinney. The job of brakeman on trains 267 and 268 which has been held by G. Allison has been bid in by A. G. Kriener. Kriener is another Albany man.

### TEACHERS HONORED

TURNER, Oct. 11.—Two of Turner's high school teachers were each elected to an office during the county teachers institute. Mrs. Jean Peary was elected secretary-treasurer of the county teachers' organization for the coming year, and Kenneth Hickok was elected president of the commercial teachers' organization.

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## OREGON LEADS IN ABORTION TESTING

### 60,000 Cattle, Including All in Hood River County Viewed

Oregon stands well out in the front ranks among the states of the nation in its efforts to eliminate contagious abortion from its dairy herds, according to Dr. W. H. Lytle, state veterinarian.

During the past year, Lytle points out, 60,000 cattle have been tested in the state and one Oregon county, Hood River, enjoys the distinction of being the only dairy in the nation in which "1 dairy cattle have undergone this test. Oregon has been divided into seven designated abortion control areas in which the work is being carried on.

"Cattle free from abortion are being eagerly sought by the California buyers and having a free district will be an assurance that the highest prices for dairy animals and products will be received," Dr. Lytle declares.

"It is expected that the legislature will make a provision, similar to that apply to the tuberculosis test, whereby all of the cattle in a county may be subjected to the abortion test.

"This work could very well be carried on in connection with the tuberculin test work as the cattle of the accredited tuberculin free counties, which now number seven with two more ready for accreditation, do not need to be tested oftener than once in two years."

Dr. Lytle points out that instead of affecting adversely the number cattle at the state fair this year the compulsory abortion test requirement, put into operation for the first time, seems to have increased interest in the dairy exhibits with a greater number of entries at this year's show than formerly.

## DOHENY FACES NEW CHARGES OF FRAUD

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 11.—(AP)

Sensational allegations of a plot between Edward L. Doheny, multimillionaire oil operator, and the Richfield Oil company, a major gasoline producer of the Pacific coast, to defraud certain stockholders of the Pan American Western Petroleum company were made here by John C. Blythe, of St. Louis, in filing a suit in federal court demanding an accounting.

Blythe charged that Doheny, anticipating a victory for the government in an oil lease cancellation suit affecting the Pan American company and under consideration now in the federal court here, sold a controlling interest in the company to Richfield for "a wholly inadequate and unreasonable sum."

Made co-defendants with Doheny and Richfield company in the suit are the Petroleum Security company, the Pan American Western Petroleum company, J. C. Anderson, Fred Ritter, C. W. Smith and R. M. Sands.

Blythe, who represents himself as appearing for all class B stockholders in Pan American charged that Doheny sold the controlling interest in an "effort to get out from under."

## FARMER IS BARON; STARTS TO EUROPE

BOISE, Idaho, Oct. 11.—(AP)

Walter Paul von Marenholtz, 35, for years a Boise valley farmer, but now baron in his own right in Hanover Province, Germany, left Friday to claim his baronial estate, coming to him by the death of his uncle. He will sail from New York October 15 on the liner Albert Ballin.

Marenholtz was advised last winter of his inheritance of half of more than one half million dollars. It includes an ancient 30 room castle, dating back 300 years and many acres of woods and farms. It has an income of \$7,500 annually.

He will share the estate with his aged aunt, the baroness Augusta von Marenholtz. From her all the property will eventually fall to him.

The castle and estate will mark a sharp contrast to the little farm and four room cottage in which Marenholtz lives with his wife and family near the town of Middleton, 20 miles from here.

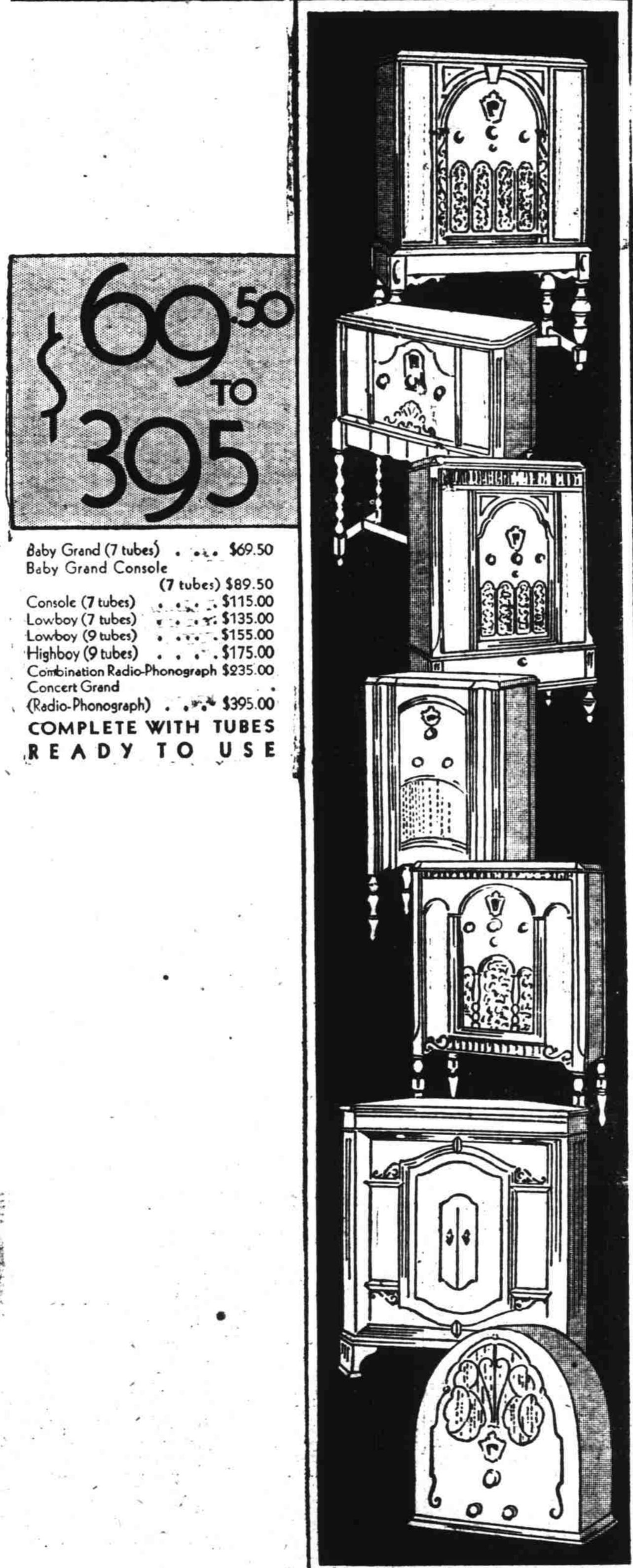
## JEFFERSON MEN BAG FOUR DEER

JEFFERSON, Oct. 11.—Charles, Joe and Harry McKee and Harold Knight returned from eastern Oregon Friday morning where they have been hunting deer.

They were a happy quartet driving in town with four deer on their cars. Each one was successful in bagging one. They were all fine. The largest one was killed by Harry McKee and it was a four pointer weighing 220 pounds.

A hen must lay three eggs a week to pay her board, Iowa state college experts estimate.

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