

TO REORGANIZE 3 DEPARTMENTS

State Police, Agriculture
Consolidation Result
From New Laws

Three important reorganizations of state activities are to be brought about as the result of laws enacted at the recent legislative session.

Probably the most important of these is the formation of the state police department under the jurisdiction of Governor Meier. State law enforcement agencies to be included in this department include the state prohibition bureau, state traffic division, game and fish departments and the state fire marshal's bureau. Headquarters of the department will be in Salem, with district directors stationed in various other sections of the state.

Creation of the state police department was recommended by Governor Meier who, in his message to the legislature, declared that such a concentration of authority would result in greater efficiency and save the taxpayers of Oregon a large amount of money annually. The bill creating the state police department carries an appropriation of approximately \$200,000. Governor Meier has estimated that he will be able to save the state not less than \$200,000 biennially through the creation of the state police department.

Speculate on who will head the police department. Although Governor Meier has refused to intimate who he has under consideration for director of the state police department, a number of names have been mentioned in connection with the appointment. Prominent among those mentioned is Frank Ervin, at the head of the traffic division of the Portland police department. Ervin spent several days in Salem this week, and was said to have conferred with the governor. Whether this conference had anything to do with the state police department was not announced.

The director of state police will receive an annual salary of \$4,000, while he will have several assistants who will receive \$3,000. The department will include a bureau of identification, and will have the Oregon State college radio broadcasting station at its disposal. The radio station and state police headquarters will be connected by remote control.

Another bill approved at the recent legislative session provides for the creation of a state agricultural department. The department will include approximately a dozen existing agricultural agencies. The creation of this department was recommended by Governor Meier as a step toward centralization of governmental activities. While the appropriation for this department during the current biennium is virtually the same as the combined allowances for the separate agricultural agencies during the past two years, a material saving in operation costs has been promised. The law creating the state agricultural department becomes effective July 1.

The director of the state agricultural department will receive an annual salary of \$5,000. He will appoint his subordinates, subject to the approval of the governor, and will have general supervision over the consolidated activities. The state department will work in close cooperation with the Oregon State college which supervises virtually all of the agricultural extension activities now carried on in the state. Welfare Agencies Will be Combined

Another law enacted at the 1931 legislative session merges the industrial welfare commission and the board of inspectors of child labor with the state labor bureau. C. H. Gram, state labor commissioner, will have jurisdiction of the combined activities at a salary of \$3,600 annually. He now receives \$3,000 annually.

Mr. Gram announced that in taking over the two new bureaus it would be necessary for him to reorganize his present department. He has estimated that the consolidation will result in a saving of approximately \$11,000 during the biennium. Millie Trumbull of Portland is secretary of the two bureaus to be merged with the labor department.

In event the three reorganizations authorized at the recent legislative session work out successfully, other consolidations probably will be attempted when the legislature convenes here two years hence. This was the announcement made by legislators who played an important part in the consolidation program.

Governor Meier also has let it be known that he favors consolidations of state activities as a means of reducing governmental costs.

FEWER JOBS OPEN NOW SAYS REPORT

The past week witnessed a weakening in the employment situation, as compared to the previous six days. Only 20 men out of 63 who registered at the free employment service bureau could find work. Five of 30 women got jobs.

Failure of work in the hop fields to open to the unemployed is keeping the employment report from looking better now, Sim Phillips says in accounting in part for the lack of jobs.

Three of the six farm hands who registered not work and 15 of the 40 common laborers were lucky, as was one of the four carpenters and one of the five truck drivers.

Women who secured jobs included one kitchen worker and four hotel housekeepers.

ANOTHER HOME-RUN BABE



And now it's Miss Julia Ruth (extreme left), daughter of the Sultan of Serai, who has scored heavily with her charming costume at the Beaux Arts Ball at St. Petersburg, Fla. With her are Miss Maxine Asher (center) and Miss Adeline Asher. All are wearing old-fashioned flower girl costumes.

ORDERS TO MILLS STILL EXCEED CUT

Stocks Dwindle as Similar
Condition Spreads
Over 14 Weeks

SEATTLE, March 14.—A total of 345 mills reporting to the West Coast Lumbermen's association for the week ending March 7 operated at 93.14 per cent of capacity, as compared to 99.09 per cent of capacity for the preceding week and 70.54 per cent of capacity during the same week last year.

Current new business reported by 224 identical mills was 13.77 per cent over production and shipments were 2.49 per cent over. New rail trade business received during the week was about 3,500,000 feet over the volume reported for the previous week; domestic cargo gained about 13,000,000 feet; the export market increased about 1,000,000 feet, while the local trade gained about 2,500,000 feet.

During the past 14 weeks orders have averaged 13.27 per cent over production, due to the low levels of cutting and fairly regular although low volume buying. Inventories were reduced 5.52 per cent, from January 1 to February 28 and are now lower than at this time last year, the association stated. Unfilled orders are holding at about the equivalent of four week's production at current levels. Production at 224 identical mills totaled 100,340,649 feet; orders were 119,169,874 feet; and shipments 102,837,232 feet. Orders gained about 20,000,000 feet over the previous week, shipments were approximately the same, while production increased about 500,000 feet over the preceding week.

Minister Writes Of Hard Winter In Magna, Utah

MONMOUTH, March 14.—Rev. E. B. Pace, former pastor of the Monmouth Baptist church and now stationed at Magna, Utah, writes to the secretary of normal lodge, I. O. O. F., that a hard winter has been experienced in his community. The city is dependent on Utah copper mining as its fundamental industry.

Rev. Pace is active, also, as dean of educational work for the Baptist state convention; and president this year of the Utah state Protestant ministerial association.

As representative of this organization, he is helping to conduct Lenten preaching services over KSL, Salt Lake, this month.

G. L. Rose Hop Ranch is Leased

INDEPENDENCE, March 14.—G. C. Hiltbrand has leased Mrs. George L. Rose's hop ranch for a term of three years. The ranch has 50 acres in hops. The entire ranch consists of 240 acres, grain, potatoes and other crops being raised.

Lighting effects change in the new \$2,500,000 home of the Cleveland symphony orchestra to give emphasis to music changes.

GOITRE NOT A DISEASE

Milwaukee Doctor Makes Remarkable Discovery

Milwaukee, Wis.—It has been brought to light by a scientific research that goitre is not a disease, and is not to be treated as such. Dr. A. A. Rock, Dept. A-16 Box 717, Milwaukee, Wis., a prominent goitre specialist for over 24 years, has perfected a different method of treatment for his patients that has proved remarkably successful. This same method is now being used for a home treatment of goitre cases all over the country with astonishing results. The doctor states that goitre is a condition which grows worse with neglect, and recommends immediate attention no matter how small the growth may appear. He strongly opposes needless operations. Dr. Rock is the author of a book that tells in a simple way about treating goitre at home. He has published this book at his own expense and will send a copy free to anyone interested. Write him today. —Adv.

CHANGES NOTED IN ROAD RULES

Hal Moss Lists Important
New Regulations; Will
Send out Data

Important among the new laws enacted at the recent legislative session, affecting the operation of motor vehicles in the state of Oregon, are the new speed regulations, change in the arm signaling system and right-of-way privileges at intersections. These new regulations are contained in the "rules of the road" code, and will become effective June 6.

The law providing for the examination of motor vehicle drivers will become operative July 1, while creation of the new state police department will become effective August 1.

"All of these changes are important," declared Hal E. Moss, secretary of state, in a statement issued here Saturday. "From time to time it will be the purpose of my office to send out information covering each of these phases of the new laws."

"I opposed the inclusion of the state traffic patrol in the criminal law enforcing work of the state police, based on the experience of other states having constabularies. These states are operating in most instances with separate traffic patrols. The Oregon legislature was almost unanimous for consolidation, and the state traffic division as it now exists will cease operations on August 1."

"I have been assured by Governor Meier that he intends to keep all competent officers for service in the new organization. I have had the satisfaction of seeing the traffic division attain a high place in the regard of the

motoring public, and a number of my own aims and objectives for the betterment of the service have been reached."

"The division is on a completely harmonious and cooperative basis, the officers are better qualified and better equipped than they have been, and we have established a checking system covering 2000 miles of highways with nearly 200 individual stations."

"Our 'white fleet' has proved an effective patrol accessory, and we have been able to reduce highway accidents in the face of the national increase. Our relations with the law enforcement agencies are harmonious and effective."

Harry Needham Files Answer to Divorce Complaint

Harry Needham yesterday filed answer and cross complaint to divorce suit brought by Edith Needham. He asks that the divorce be granted him and that custody of their minor child be given him from May 1 to September 30 of each year and her the other part of the year. He is willing to pay \$15 a month support money when she has the child.

In his cross complaint, Needham alleges that she possesses a sullen disposition and ungovernable temper; has twice slapped him in front of others; nagged him and upbraided him because of fancied and imaginary grievances; that she, on April 1, 1930, became enraged at a newsboy in Salem and struck him over the head with a heavy purse, much to defendant's humiliation.

West Stayton to Have Club Meet

AUMSVILLE, March 14.—The West Stayton Community club meets next Tuesday, March 17. The evening to be spent socially and in keeping with St. Patrick's day. A fish pond is to be one attraction of the evening. Everyone is invited to be present.

ON STAND



Evelyn O'Hara (above), former secretary to Gerald Buckley, the radio announcer of Detroit, for whose murder three men are on trial. Miss O'Hara is testifying against the men who are charged with firing the fatal shots that silenced the voice of the fearless announcer of the automobile city.

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Telegraph Firm Aids in Booking Air Line Trips

An important adjunct of air travel service effectively furnished by the Western Union telegraph company in all places of any importance receiving fares and making reservations for seats on the passenger planes of a number of air lines without charge to the traveler, the telegraph company last night by Newcomb Carlton, president of the Western Union Telegraph company.

The cooperating air transport companies have, in effect, by this arrangement created a single, national means of making their service readily available to the public in Western Union's centrally located offices in every town and city. Inconveniences in booking passage have proven a serious obstacle to the development of air travel. To obtain information as to time tables and rates and to pay fares and finally make reservations from such points has been by the new service.

Air transport officials predict that an increase in air travel will result from the establishment of this universal medium for obtaining the information and making reservations without extra cost. The relationship between

Western Union and the growing Air Transport industry has been a close one. When there was urgent need for a fast air transport communication and dispatching system, the telegraph company linked some 150 offices of air lines at principal airports over the country with its network, thus insuring reliable and fast interchange of reports, orders and data.

Good Autos For Sale After Air Ride, is Report

Promoting talks to become "air-minded" reached the pinnacle of success Friday when Joe Heaman, manager of the Marion hotel, inveigled two Salem business men and an equally cautious soul from Portland into getting off the ground and going places 5,000 feet up. According to latest announcement three perfectly good automobiles are for sale cheap.

The Salem men who hopped off at the Salem airport with Lee Eyerly Friday afternoon were Louis Lachmund, ex-mayor; Jim Linn and Joe Herman. The fourth party on the trip was Jack Nott, representative of the Union Pacific. The jaunt through space was the first for Lachmund, Linn and Nott.

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Mildred Bulgin, Formerly Here, Dies in Tacoma

Word of the death at Tacoma, Wash., Friday of Mrs. Mildred Clyde Bulgin, until recently a resident of Salem, was received here yesterday. She leaves a baby son, Randolph, born the 3rd of this month, her husband, L. G. Bulgin; four sisters and two brothers living at Franklin, N. C. The Bulgins had lived in Salem eight years, before moving to Tacoma three months ago. The remains will be forwarded to Franklin, N. C., for burial.

Nora John of England, first girl carillon player, is planning a tour of America.

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