

# ROOMS SEEN FOR ECONOMIES

## Governor Announces Change in Requisition Plan for Institutions

"Nothing short of a plague or an epidemic would lead me to believe that the costs of operating our state departments and institutions cannot be decreased 10 per cent," Governor Meier told superintendents of state institutions at the monthly meeting of the state board of control Friday.

"There is no reason why any institution operated by the state should be out of step with any other business enterprise," Governor Meier then warned the institution heads against unnecessary purchases.

"The method under which we operate is all right as far as it goes," continued Governor Meier. "But it does not go far enough. Your institutions send in your requisitions from time to time for requirements and the lists that are represented here day after day are tiring and annoying to my way of thinking."

"This board of control should not be bothered with all those details. I suggest that the secretary of state prepare a general form of inventory, showing exactly what you want and what you have on hand in your commissary the first of each month. The plan of inventory is a simple matter. We should then adopt a uniform system of requisitions, and instead of ordering every day, so regulate your business that the orders will come in once each week."

Wholesale buying of desks opposed. Referring to recent requisitions for new desks, Governor Meier continued: "My suggestion is that those who have ordered desks, based upon the circular of cost sent out urging superintendents and department heads to take advantage of a special price, withdraw the orders and use the ones now on hand."

C. K. Spaulding, new state highway commissioner, was asked if he needed a new desk. He replied that he would use the end of a table. But a requisition for a new desk came in. This request promptly was withdrawn. I am asking in all seriousness that you circularize agents, withdraw your requests and get along with the furniture you now have."

Travel expenses also were touched upon by Governor Meier. "Operation of automobiles at state institutions is an important matter," said Governor Meier. "Oregon state college has 92 passenger cars, 15 trucks and 13 trailers. The eastern Oregon state hospital has five cars and four trucks. The Oregon state hospital operates nine trucks, six passenger cars and four trailers. I am going to have some person find out about this. I understand that some trucks are being used for private purposes. This practice is going to stop."

## Redmond Would Establish Bank

Application for a charter for the Dairyman's Bank to be established at Redmond, was made with the state banking department Friday. Incorporators are to be P. R. Brooks, Max Cunniff and E. M. Peck. Proposed capital is \$25,000, surplus \$5,000 and undivided profits \$2,500.

## GO TO SEE IRIS GARDENS

SILVERTON, April 3.—Mr. and Mrs. Rholla Cooley and daughter, Miriam, and Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Cooley are leaving Saturday noon for California where they will view the iris gardens which are now in bloom there. They plan to go as far south as Mexico and will be gone about ten days.

Rholla Cooley is a well-known iris and lilac grower of Silverton.

## ENDS LIFE



The unhappy marital trail of the former Peggy Davis led to a tragedy when the famous Follies beauty of New York took her own life by driving her automobile over a Mediterranean cliff, near Nice, France, famed as a "suicide leap."

# HIGHWAY TUNNEL UNDER TOWN



Road engineers are tunneling under the town of Newcastle, California, on the San Francisco-Reno highway, to straighten the line and eliminate grades and curves. The road passes under a transcontinental railroad, too. The car is a Buick eight sedan on the new grade near Newcastle.

## AURORA STUDENTS AT REGIONAL MEET

AURORA, April 3.—Three Aurora students of the Canby high school and 16 of their classmates attended the regional Smith-Hughes conference at Rainier Friday and Saturday. There are four districts in the state and the Canby group represented the district composed of the schools north of Molalla and Canby, east as far as Dufur and down the Columbia highway.

There were contests in grain grading, blacksmithing, milk testing, soldering, rope work and rafter cutting. Three of the four who won honors were from Aurora.

John Eilers won first prize in milk testing, Bennie Neeter second in soldering, Lawrence Brown second in blacksmithing, and Emile Kraft of Canby took first place in the rafter cutting contest, which entitles him to represent his district at the state Smith-Hughes conference to be held at Oregon State college, Corvallis, April 23 and 24. Kraft was winner of second place last year at the state conference.

## WILLIAMS CALLED SOUTH BY TRAGEDY

Ensign Earl Williams, of the Salvation Army, wishes the Statesman to explain that his hurried trip by air last Thursday was not on Army business nor at Army expense. A tragic event in the life of his brother called him south and the cost of the trip and other expenses in connection with his brother's case is being met by a loan on his adjusted service certificate, and has no connection whatever with Salvation Army affairs.

## BOYS' CONFERENCE MUCH APPRECIATED

"Citizenship" was the keynote of the eighth annual Older Boys' conference for Marion and Polk county boys held Friday and Saturday at the Y. M. C. A. here.

Dean U. G. Dubach of Oregon State college addressed the boys on the service phase of citizenship. The relation of "Education and Citizenship" was discussed by President Carl G. Doney, Willamette university.

"Be yourself" seemed to be the key note of Dr. Doney's address. His advice to the boys was to "know your country and prepare to help and save it by learning more of it and developing your character."

Several group conferences were held during the day and the afternoon was spent in pursuit of a recreational program.

"The Church and Citizenship" was the subject of the address of the evening by Rev. Hugh B. Fouke, Jr., following a banquet.

## Petition Court For Short Road

S. A. Varber and a long list of others have filed petition with the county court asking that a short road leading into Woodland park be made into a county road. This road was once a county thoroughfare, but when the Woodmen purchased the park it was vacated and made a private road. Now Varber, new owner of the park, wants it restored to the county status.

UNION MEETS PERRYDALE, April 4.—Perrydale Farmers Union had a very interesting meeting Thursday evening with guests from Ballston club, Delview and McKinnaville. James O'Shea was speaker of the evening. A lunch was served late in the evening.

## Claim is Filed Based on Burns Levey Suffered

The state board of control next Monday will consider a claim filed by Abraham Levey of Portland, father of Vernon Levey, 17, who suffered serious burns a few months ago while an "Oregon boot" was being removed from his ankle at the state training school for boys near Woodburn. The burns were caused by a torch used in removing the boot.

## Oregon Session Records Filed By Desk Clerks

Compilation of all records of the 1931 legislative session were completed by the desk clerks here Saturday, and filed with the secretary of state. Approximately four weeks were required to complete this work.

## Concert Seats On Sale, Word

Tickets for the concert of William Wallace Graham's symphony orchestra which will be given at the armory next Friday night are on sale at Patton's bookstore and at Will's music store, it was announced yesterday.

## COMMITTEE EYES FIRE DEPARTMENT

Aldermen Watson Townsend, H. H. Vandevort and David O'Hara are diagnosing Salem fire department affairs. The committee was appointed by the city council several weeks ago.

Although an informal report on progress is expected in council Monday night, a written report will probably not be tendered. General conduct, efficiency, bills are all under scrutiny. Reports are that the committee has consulted the office of the state fire marshal relative to the investigations of the causes of several local fires.

Apparently there is no serious blame on the fire department standing committee because of the \$46.25 check mailed to the Seagraves company for repairs to one of the fire trucks, since the company returned the check.

## W. U. PERCENTAGE OF GRADE IS HIGH

Willamette university graduates more students in comparison with the number that enter than the average university in the United States. Of those who enter, 47 per cent are graduated whereas the average percentage is 40.

According to Willamette's registrar, the University of Oregon graduates but 19 per cent of the students who enter there and Oregon State college graduates 22 per cent.

Willamette's registrar claims that 19 and 23 per cent is exceptionally small for the number of students graduated of those who enter.

# EMPLOYMENT HIT BY RAINY PERIOD

The deluge of rain put a halt to the brighter tone which the labor situation took last week, and as a result of the report from the free employment service here is not so encouraging. Slim Phillips, director, believes conditions will get better as soon as the weather allows.

But 37 of the 71 men registered found work, and only four of the 32 women who wanted jobs were lucky enough to get work. Of the men who did find work, eight were farm hands, two casual workers, 13 common laborers and three salespeople.

Of the women, one was a nurse, one a saleslady and two were hotel housekeepers.

Those who didn't find employment included: Men—Seven farm hands, three carpenters, four electricians, six casual workers, 10 common laborers, two cooks, four pantry workers, eight woods laborers, one salesman, two janitors and two truck drivers. Women—Five nurses, three cooks, 12 hotel housekeepers and eight chambermaids.

# TRUSTS AND WILLS TOPIC AT AD CLUB

Karl Wenger, trust officer of the United States National bank, interested Salem Ad club members Friday noon with a talk on trusts and wills. He sketched how property may be devised, recommending "joint tenancy of homes or real estate which lets the property go to the survivor without probate expense. This law does not cover personal property however, and securities in a safe deposit box which is jointly held, may not go directly to the survivor without payment of inheritance tax.

Wenger also discussed putting of insurance funds into trusts instead of lump sums for the better conserving of property. He encouraged the drawing of a will in which the holder of property could specify just how his property was to be apportioned.

President Knapp announced advertising achievement week for May 4-9, with displays at the chamber of commerce.

# Circulation Men Soon to Gather in Washington

Circulation managers of many Oregon newspapers will attend the annual convention of the Northwest Circulation Managers' association which convenes April 6 and 7 at Wenatchee, Wash. William A. Scott, circulation manager of the Capital Journal, and Gus Hixson, circulation manager of The Oregon Statesman, will both attend.

Problems of newspaper circulation will be discussed. Last year the meeting was held in Albany.

WALDO HILLS, April 3.—Funeral services for Orlando Rue, who died at his home here Thursday night, will be held Monday at 2 p. m. from Immanuel church, with interment at Evans Valley. Arrangements are in charge of Larson and Son.

Rue was a senior in the Silverton high school and died after two days' illness.

# MEET THEIR MAJESTIES



At the glowing pageant of the festival of the State, at St. Petersburg, Fla., Miss Margaret Shepard, of New Kensington, Pa., entered as "Miss Pennsylvania," was crowned beauty's queen. The fair winner is shown above with her crown and Scott Bennet, King of the Festival.

## Mrs. J. M. Fisher Chosen Secretary Of Official Board

WEST SALEM, April 3.—At the Ford Memorial church official board meeting held Monday evening, Mrs. J. M. Fisher was elected financial secretary to succeed Mrs. Leonard Burgoyne who left recently to make her home in

Montana. Lester DeLapp was elected a member of the pulpit supply committee and Rev. W. J. Warren a member of the nominating committee.

Ford Memorial church is planning to hold a vacation Bible school in June. A committee on general arrangements has been appointed as follows: Rev. M. A. Groves, Mrs. A. C. Henningsen, Mrs. John Frulsen and Mrs. A. F. Goffrier.

# EXCISE TAX TOTAL GREATLY REDUCED

Corporation excise tax receipts for the first half of 1931, based on the net income for 1930, aggregated \$250,000, according to announcement made by the state tax commission Saturday. Receipts for the first half of 1930 totalled \$300,000.

Members of the state tax commission estimated that the total corporation excise tax receipts for the year 1931 would exceed \$550,000, as against more than \$700,000 received last year. The decrease for 1931, as compared with 1930, will be approximately \$150,000. This is 20 per cent under last year's receipts.

The decline in receipts was attributed by the tax commission to the general business depression which has resulted in lower earnings of all corporations. This reduction was said to be in line with the returns of the federal government under the income tax.

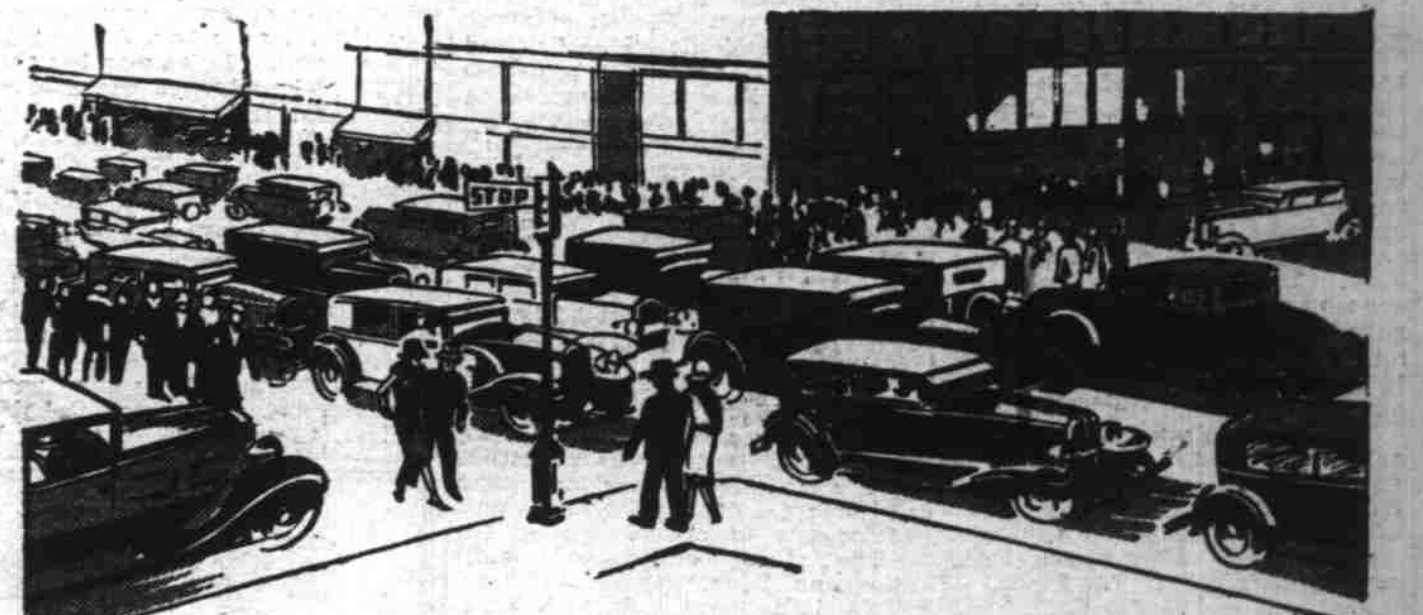
Oregon returns under the federal income tax this year were said to be approximately 20 per cent less than those of last year.

# CHERRIANS TO PLAN FOR BLOSSOM TOUR

Final plans for Blossom day, April 12, will be made at the regular monthly dinner meeting of the Salem Cherrians which will be held at the Gray Belle Friday evening, according to King Ding Carl Gabrielson.

Uniformed Cherrians will direct visitors during the day and route traffic into the best blossom sections. Indications are that the blossoms will be at their best in the hill country but that on the lowlands they may be out before Sunday.

Keizer district is inviting visitors to come there today as both the fruit trees and daffodils are at their best now.



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