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CONTROL BOARD MOVES PUT UP TO VAN WINKLE

Issue Raised Upon Legality Of Action Taken by One Member

Status of Proxy Voting on Letter or Telephone Word Also Raised

Question as to the legality of action taken by one member of the board of control, sitting as the board with the other two members absent, is before Attorney General Van Winkle for a legal position. This question along with several related ones was framed by Secretary of State Hal E. Hoss but they were submitted by William Einzig, secretary of the board.

The opinion on the "one member" board was asked in connection with a meeting held early in October, when Rufus C. Holman, state treasurer, the only member of the board of control in attendance, authorized the expenditure of state funds and transacted considerable other state business. The minutes of the meeting were signed by Holman and were attested by Einzig.

The minutes of this meeting mentioned specifically that neither Governor Meier nor Secretary of State Hoss was in attendance. At the time the meeting was held Governor Meier was ill in Portland, while Mr. Hoss was spending a few days on the coast.

Absentee Voting Also Questioned

The attorney general also was asked to pass on the following question:

"In the event of the absence of one member of the board of control, with the remaining two members taking opposite sides on a question, what is the status of the said question?"

Hoss further asked the attorney general if one member of the board cast either the telephoned or written proxy vote of an absent member, if such was an official act of the board.

This question was said to have been raised by Hoss in connection with a recent meeting of the board of control, when Holman, with the proxy of Governor Meier, voted for the forced resignations of W. H. Baillie, superintendent of the state training school for boys, and Mrs. Lenore Kay Roberts, head of the Oregon employment institution for the adult blind in Portland.

Hoss voted against the resolution to remove Mr. Baillie, and asked for further time in which to consider his vote with relation to Mrs. Roberts.

Attorneys Consider Actions Illegal

In demanding the resignation of Mrs. Roberts, the resolution presented by Holman provided for merging the administration of the Oregon employment institution for the adult blind in Portland and state blind school in Salem, under Walter R. Dry, su-

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Carrying Loaded Weapon Punished

Chester Pulver, Salem youth who lives on North 5th street, was fined $100 and costs and his hunting license revoked for one year and both sentenced subsequently remitted pending good behavior, when he was brought before Justice of the Peace Hayden yesterday charged with carrying loaded weapons on a public highway. Hayden in remitting the fine commented that the law regarding carrying loaded weapons on the highway was new and he did not think the public generally knew about it. The law makes it mandatory upon a judge to impose a fine of not less than $100.

Ownership of Salem Bus Lines is Turned Over to Oregon Firm

New Corporation Will Conduct Street Transportation Systems Here and in Other Parts of State, Announced

OWNERSHIP and management of the Salem city bus lines changed from the Pacific Greyhound corporation to Oregon Motor stages, a new corporation, at 12:10 o'clock yesterday morning, Mark Poulsen, city recorder, yesterday was informed in a letter from Paul P. Farrens, attorney for the former concern. The new corporation, capitalized at $40,000, will operate the Salem, Eugene, Eugene-Springfield and Portland-Cook bus lines.

The franchises for these lines held by Pacific Greyhound were assigned to Oregon Motor Stages incorporated and the equipment sold to this concern for an unnamed cash consideration, according to the letter. M. A. Reed and R. W. Lemen of Portland are the incorporators of Oregon Motor stages.

Reed, the new manager, was manager of the old Southern Pacific Motor Transport company which operated the city busses before they were taken over by Pacific Greyhound. Lemen, vice-president of the old company, also will assume management responsibilities for the new concern. Both men were connected with Oregon Stages incorporated, which sold control of the lines involved in the latest deal to Southern Pacific Motor transport.

Better service for Salem bus patrons was predicted by Attorney Farrens, who stated that "in our opinion the city of Salem will experience ever more satisfactory operation of its bus lines than heretofore."

PRINCIPALS' MEET WILL CLOSE TODAY

Hour Class Period First in Use Here Discussed at Friday's Session

Virtually every section of the state was represented at the third annual high school principals' conference which opened here Friday. The conference will continue until late today.

Speakers at Friday's sessions included C. A. Howard, state superintendent of public instruction; A. F. Bittner, principal Grant high school, Portland, and James M. Burgess of the state department of education.

B. S. Wakefield submitted a report on "The Class Hour Period", while W. V. Ferguson of Coquille discussed character education. A report on the "Specific Problems of the Senior High School," was presented by Ralph Moore of Eugene. Another report relating to contests in high schools was submitted by Troy D. Walker of Baker.

The conference dinner was held last night, with R. E. McCormack of Pendleton presiding.

Today's program includes an address by Hal E. Hoss, secretary of state, and committee reports by Norman Throne, Portland; John Jandrall, Seaside, and K. R. Blakeslee, The Dalles.

Officers will be elected at the closing session.

The class hour period discussed yesterday was instituted in Salem senior high school by Principal Fred D. Wolf when he came here three years ago. Under this plan the school day is divided into five class periods each an hour long, instead of former seven 45-minute periods. The scheme has proven beneficial, allowing the students more time in each class for instruction and study.

EASTERN COUNTIES TO REDUCE TAXES

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 16 — (AP) — Efforts to reduce taxes 15 to 25 per cent have been promised for 1932 by four eastern Oregon counties, J. A. Harbke, special representative of the Oregon Taxpayers' equalization and Conservation league, reported today.

Harbke has just completed a tour of eastern Oregon.

Umatilla county plans a general cut of 20 per cent in taxes, Morrow and Gilliam counties expect to cut from 15 to 20 per cent, and Wheeler county will make cuts of 20 to 25 per cent, Harbke reported.

Expenditures for high schools will be cut about 20 per cent and other schools about 15 per cent, Harbke said. Most of the counties have reduced expenses for road construction and county officials are planning to take a voluntary salary cut of 10 to 15 per cent.

STEAMER SINKS NOTHING FOUND BUT DECK LOAD

Yonan Maru Crew of 40 or More all Lost Belief Following Search

President Jefferson With Lindys Aboard Active Hunting Survivors

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 16 — (AP)—The deck-load of the Japanese freighter Yonan Maru, which reported itself sinking in the stormy North Pacific early today, was found by the Dollar liner President Jefferson, cruising in the vicinity, late this afternoon.

In a message to the Mackay station here, the Dollar liner said:

"Found deck-load, but nothing else. Cruised vicinity three hours in company with Ayaha Maru and Taigen Maru, but no ships found trace of anything except logs from Yonan Maru deck-load."

The Japanese freighter carried a crew of from 40 to 50 men. The three ships proceeded immediately to the position given when the freighter sent its first S. O. S., but the search was hampered because of poor visibility due to rain and high seas.

The Jefferson, whose passengers included Colonel and Mrs. Charles A. Lindbergh, was continuing the search, as were the two other ships, in the hopes some of the crew may have escaped in lifeboats.

The cause of the difficulties resulting the supposed disaster to the Yonan Maru was not told by the freighter. The vessel was carrying a lumber cargo to Shanghai, having left Portland, Ore., September 30. The Yonan indicated earlier it had lost the deck-load.

"We are now sinking. Come quickly," the 7,154-ton liner radioed shortly before 6 a. m. No further messages were intercepted, as far as coast radio stations could learn late today.

"Our stern deck is same horion west sea. Now we want quick coming," was a message intercepted a little after 4 a. m.

AMERICA LEADING IN FEEDING WORLD

Advantageous Balance Noted in Foreign Trade as Exports Increase

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16—(AP) —America's part in feeding and clothing the world has quickly returned to the United States the advantageous balance in foreign trade.

On contrast with an unfavorable balance $1,847,716 in August, the commerce department today reported the nation's exports in September were $10,000,000 greater than its imports. Shipments of wheat and cotton largely accounted for the difference.

September exports totalled roughly $181,000,000 and imports $171,000,000. For August the figures were, respectively, $164,821,973 and $166,669,689, while for September 1930, they were $312,207,000 and $226,-352,000.

The unfavorable balance in August was the first such since April, 1926.

Reckless Driver Gets Jail Term And Heavy Fine

Roy Owen of Beaver, Tillamook county, yesterday was fined $100 and sentenced to serve 50 days in jail, after he pleaded guilty in justice court to a charge of reckless driving. He was charged with being responsible for a collision on the Pacific highway near Lake Labish Thursday night, in which Mrs. Grace Perkins, 1510 State street, riding in a roadster driven by M. T. Moisan, received a compound fracture of the leg.

Moisan swore out the complaint against Owen, accusing him of cutting across the highway to the wrong side of the road.

Defaulting Bank Cashier Is Given Two to 10 Years

VANCOUVER, Wash., Oct. 16 (AP)—Ordin Hilm, cashier of the Clarke county bank at Washougal, pleaded guilty today to violation of the state banking laws and was sentenced to from two to 16 years in prison.

Hilm was sentenced to from two to 10 years on each of three counts, but the sentences will run concurrently. One charge accused him of unlawfully lending bank funds to himself.

The bank was closed yesterday by order of the state superintendent of banks.

Defendants Win In Damage Case

A verdict in favor of the defendants was returned last night in circuit court by a jury which for two days heard the case of Pearl Matting, administratrix of the estate of Philip H. Carpenter, deceased, vs. Emma P. Bremer and Ernest B. Church. Plaintiff sought damages of $5000 because of the death of her father who was killed in an auto accident on the highway north of Salem.

'MINTO HOTEL' NOW READY TO OPERATE

Under the management of two unemployed loggers and Frank Minto, chief of police, the transients' quarters in the third floor of the city hall yesterday were put into operation. First meals, consisting of four gallons of "mulligan" were served and gulped down by the hungry men.

Transients worked all day splitting and carrying wood for the cookstove. Others stored the foodstuffs, built tables and dish racks, and swept out the place. Bill Wilson, a logger from Aberdeen, Wash., expects to act as chef and manager of the quarters during the winter. He is being assisted by Fred Clark, also a Grays Harbor logger.

The most important item of equipment lacking for the "flop house" is blankets. As radiators have been installed, however, it is not expected the men will suffer from the cold. One hundred camp cots were supplied for the place by Salem business men.

Carrying out plans made when he first considered the "flop house" idea, Chief Minto in the next few days will order his officers to clean out the several "jungles" in the city. All unemployed transient men staying here will be required to sleep at the city hall "hotel" or leave Salem.

Chilean Revolt Leaders Not To Face Execution

SANTIAGO, Chile, Oct. 16 — (AP)—The government issued a decree tonight commuting to life imprisonment all death sentences which had been meted out to those found guilty of leading the recent naval revolt.

Fifteen former members of the navy were under death sentence as a result of the revolt. The last four were condemned by court martial last week.

Premier Laval Is on Way for Hoover Parley

HAVRE, France, Oct. 16 — (AP) — Premier Pierre Laval sailed on the Ile de France today for his conferences with resident Hoover, taking with him the assurances of Ambassador Walter E. Edge that the American people eagerly await his arrival.

At his side as the big liner pulled out was his daughter Jose, just under 20 years, an olive-skinned smiling girl who said she was enjoying the happiest day of her life.

U. S. Taking Part, League Parleys Now

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16 — (AP)—For the first time in history the Washington government was receiving reports tonight from a representative sitting with the council of the League of Nations.

Amid excitement as to the ultimate result, the United States definitely allied itself with the League efforts to dispel the threat of war between China and Japan.

The step was taken despite Japanese objections. The formal invitation was received in Washington after the council had voted 13 to 1—Japan casting the opposing vote — to admit the United States. The invitation pointed to the Kellogg-Briand anti-war pact as the instrument for dispersing the storm clouds overhanging Manchuria.

Although it cast a wholehearted lot with the League's possible attempt to invoke the Kellogg pact, the American government remained aloof from obligations under the League's covenant.

HOMECOMING OPENS AT OREGON NORMAL

Chico Teachers Will Play Monmouth Eleven as Feature Event

MONMOUTH, Oct. 16 — Monmouth last night was the scene of much unusual activity and not a little noise as the town and the student body of the Oregon Normal school turned out to celebrate in advance of the homecoming game here tomorrow with the Chico State normal school.

The celebration started off with a parade consisting mainly of a number of floats, most of them depicting in some way the hoped-for downfall of the Chico football team tomorrow. These were very colorful and entertaining and received many remarks of commendation from the spectators.

At the end of the parade all of the students assembled in the school auditorium where they held a pep rally very ably led by Glen Sweeney. After this 14 short and very entertaining skits were presented by members of the student body. One of these skits was a clever burlesque on a young business man and his best girl attending a football game. Tim West of Canby played the part of the man and Margaret Lacy of Portland that of the young woman.

Following this program two silver trophies were presented by the Lyon's club. The first of these went to the best float in the parade. The float picked by the judges was a clever checker board effect with the letters, "Check Chico," written across it. This was designed by the girls of the second floor dormitory. A casket scene portraying Chico as the deceased, was given first place among fourteen skits presented. This was given by members of the Matcheny house.

President Landers of the normal school gave a short speech in concluding the program. He described previous encounters with the Chico Normal and noted that this would be the fourth football game between the two schools. The first of these he said was won by Chico with a lop-sided score. The following two were won by Monmouth. He concluded his speech by saying that Monmouth had a better chance than ever of winning again this year.

One Near Death, Several Hurt in Bomb Explosion

CHICAGO, Oct. 16—(AP)—A bomb exploded tonight in the center of the Colony theater, a neighborhood picture house, sent spectators rushing in panic for exits, and caused probably fatal burns to one man, severe burns to two others, and minor injuries to several other persons, including women and children.

Police said they believed the bomb, composed of sulphur, had exploded in the pocket of Peter Mooney, 30, who was sitting in a seat adjacent to the main aisle and about midway between the stage and rear exit. Mooney, burned perhaps fatally when his clothing caught fire, said the bomb was thrown from the balcony.

Stayton Cannery Finishes Largest Pack in History

STAYTON, Oct. 16—The Stayton canning company has just completed the largest pack in its history. Approximately 82,000 cases of various goods were canned around 3,000 barrels of cold pack strawberries. At the peak of the season 200 persons were employed and many are still at work, labeling and making shipment. Among their best known brands are, Santiam, Stayton and Good-rich. Three cars have been shipped the past few days and more will be shipped as soon as possible.

WATER VOTE IN DECEMBER NOW FORECAST HERE

Ordinance Already Drafted To put City Ownership Issue Upon Ballot

Two Million and Half Bond Issue Suggested With Source not Told

A special election in December to provide Salem citizens a second opportunity to express themselves on the question of municipal ownership of the water system here will be proposed by the utilities committee of the council at the meeting Monday, it was learned late yesterday. City Attorney Trindle has already drafted an ordinance calling for the election and a charter amendment to be submitted to the voters in December. The exact date for the election has not been determined.

The charter amendment favored by the utilities committee would authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds of Salem, in a total sum not to exceed $2,500,000, all the proceeds going to condemn, purchase or build a municipal water system.

Control and operation of the water plant would be vested in a commission of five to be selected by the council.

Source Would be Decided by Board

The source of water supply would be determined by this commission as well as the amount of money to be expended by the city for the plant but a test of popular feeling would be made by an advisory ballot which would be submitted at the same time the charter amendment was voted upon.

This test ballot would ask voters to indicate their preference of a source for the water. Wells, river and a mountain water source would each be listed and voters would check the one source of these three which was preferred.

It is expected that the ordinance providing for the election will be sent through first and second reading Monday night but will probably be held up for a fortnight for third reading unless sufficient councilmen show their approval and secure unanimous consent to hurry the ordinance through to final reading the first night it is introduced.

CAPONE CASE WILL REACH JURY TODAY

FEDERAL BUILDING, Chicago, Oct. 16 — (AP) — Al Capone, merciless gangster and underworld power, and Al Capone, spirit of open-handed generosity and friend who never failed, were the contrasting pictures etched in oratory by attorneys for government and defense in final pleas at the gangster's income tax trial today.

And through it all, Capone sat with sullen visage, his usual smile missing, moving from his slumped position only to hand notes or documents to his lawyers, and replying with noncommital grunts to reporters' questions.

The case against the big, scar-faced gangster was completed today except for two hours remaining of the government's final plea and Judge James H. Wilkerson's instructions to the jury. Attorneys on both sides said the 12 middle aged farmers, merchants and tradesmen on the jury probably will begin deliberating the gangster's fate by tomorrow noon.

Bearcats Celebrate New Lights by 46-0 Victory Over Irish

Fleet Ball Toters go Through Columbia For 7 Scores

Five Thousand Look on at First Night Grid Contest in Salem

By RALPH CURTIS

Inspired, presumably, by the occasion which was the dedication of the new lighting system on Sweetland field and by the colorful crowd of 5,000 or more which the lights disclosed, Willamette university's football team clicked at top speed Friday night and changed what was expected to be a close contest into a rout, punching over seven touchdowns to defeat Columbia university of Portland 46 to 0 in the first night game of Salem's history.

Don Faber

Disparity between the teams was not really as great as the score indicated, Willamette capitalizing breaks for the three touchdowns scored in the first period and then, having gotten Columbia on the run, continuing the slaughter. Columbia showed its real strength in holding the fresh Bearcat regulars through most of the final period after slightly outplaying a third string eleven in the third quarter which was scoreless.

First Score Made In Short Order

It took the Bearcats only four minutes to sully the Cliffdwellers' goal line at the opening of the game. After the Irish received the opening kickoff two bad passes from center forced them back to the ten-yard line and Walt Erickson returned the succeeding punt 19 yards to Columbia's 21. He made a first down in two more plays and then cut wide around the end, simply outrunning the opposition to reach the double chalk mark. He then kicked goal.

An exchange of fumbles followed the next kickoff and then Fa-

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Gasoline Price Reductions Not Forecast Here

No word of gasoline price reductions has been received in Salem, following two and three cent drops at Seattle, gasoline company employees said here last night. They declared they had heard of no rumors of local price cuts and had no information to such an effect from company headquarters.

Seattle service station operators are reported to have abandoned the 19 cent price agreed upon at the conclusion of the last "gas war."

RELIEF PROGRAM TO BE LAUNCHED

Community Service Group To Meet Tuesday Night, Plan for Winter

Salem's coordinated program for relief this winter is scheduled to get under way next Tuesday night when the community service organization goes into a huddle at 8 o'clock at the chamber of commerce rooms. Douglas McKay has been named chairman of the organization and yesterday sent word to his 15 committee members to be on hand for the first gathering.

The plans tentatively adopted by the community service group last month call for assigning to each community charitable organization, a specific line of work to be followed. A general campaign to secure funds which will be pro-rated among the various groups has been planned. Miss Theresa Boeschen, Red Cross secretary here, has been designated as coordinating worker to see that there is no overlapping of charity work.

Men summoned to the meeting Tuesday night include George L. Arbuckle, William McGilchrist, Jr., C. P. Bishop, J. C. Perry, T. M. Hicks, S. E. Purvine, Judge John Siegmund, George Allen, Judge George H Rossman, U. S. Page, W. W. Moore, J. N. Chambers, William Busick, Harry Levy.

Gehlhar Slated To Talk Before Pomona Grange

MACLEAY, Oct. 16 — Max Gehlhar, head of the state department of agriculture, will be the main speaker at the lecture hour of the Pomona grange which will be held at Silverton Wednesday, October 21, according to Pomona lecturer, Frank Bower.

The morning session will be taken up with the regular routine and obligating of fifth degree candidates, L. S. Lambert, Pomona master, will preside.

Report Edison Condition Same

WEST ORANGE, N. J., Oct. 17 (Saturday)—(AP)—Thomas A. Edison was resting comfortably early today and his condition was reported to be unchanged.

Dr. Hubert H. Howe, who is staying at the Edison home at the request of the aged inventor's family, retired shortly after midnight, anticipating no emergency, he said.

THREE INJURED IN AUTOMOBILE CRASH

J. N. England, his wife, Ella England, and daughter, Lucile, were taken to a hospital yesterday suffering from injuries resulting from an automobile collision on the Pacific highway, a short distance north of the city limits.

Mr. and Mrs. England and their daughter were in a car driven by A. C. Anderson, brother of Mrs. England. Mrs. England suffered a fractured rib and lacerations and Lucile, a broken nose.

At the time of the accident Mrs. England was on her way to Portland for medical attention. She is a school teacher, and makes her home at Aumsville.

Police reported that when Fred W. Brown, Portland, driving south, attempted to turn around a city vehicle and then applied his brakes, his wheels locked, causing his car to swerve broadside into the machine driven by Anderson. Brown in his report to the police blamed the accident on the wet, slippery blacktop pavement.

NO PRUNE BIDS

ROSEBURG, Ore., Oct. 16 — (AP)—No bids were received on the prune pool offered here today by the Douglas county prune growers' association.

Late Sports

TACOMA, Oct. 16—(AP)—Whitman Missionary gridmen battled through a sea of mud and a stubborn College of Puget Sound defense to annex its initial Northwest conference victory, 18-8, tonight in the Tacoma stadium.

CALDWELL, Ida., Oct. 16 — (AP)—Pacific university of Forest Grove, Ore., slaughtered the Northwest conference championship hopes of the College of Idaho Coyotes here tonight by passing and running a 28-7 victory.

EUGENE, Ore., Oct. 16—(AP)—The University high school defeated Eugene high, 7 to 6, in the annual football game here tonight. Milligan, University high fullback, carried the ball over the line in the first five minutes of play, McKittrick, Eugene fullback, lead the attack that brought his team's touchdown.

Marion and Linn Courts Confer on Santiam Road

Plans of the Marion county court for cooperating with the forest service in the construction of the North Santiam highway south from Whitewater creek to the junction of the road with the South Santiam route were informally discussed yesterday with the county court of Linn county at Albany. County Judge Siegmund, Commissioners Porter and Smith and Engineer Hedda Swart and Roadmaster Frank Johnson made up the party from here going to Albany.

The Linn county court was told that this county did not propose to put its funds into work actually conducted in Linn county but would depend upon the federal forest road officials to do the actual construction work there while Marion county would expend its share of the costs in widening and straightening the road to Detroit from Niagara. Certain angles of bridge construction over creeks in Linn county were discussed by the two courts.

The Marion county court listened with interest to the plans Linn county had adopted to provide men with emergency work this fall. The county to the south is hiring married men resident in the county at $2 a day and giving them shelter in bunkhouses erected above Cascadia on the South Santiam route. Meals will be furnished by the county at approximately 50 cents a day and after this amount is deducted from the daily earnings of the worker, the balance will be paid to his family which is staying at home.

Workers are told frankly that if they can get any other kind of a job it should be taken, the county providing work only because the winter is considered a time of emergency and some line of work is urgently needed.

Commissioner Smith said upon his return yesterday that he doubted if Marion county would adopt so low a wage payment although he said the matter had not been determined as yet by the court. Last year the court paid $3 a day and staggered the shifts, no men working six days

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Bishop Cannon to Stand Trial on Federal Charge

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16—(AP) —Bishop James Cannon, Jr., must stand trial on charges arising from his management of thousands of dollars contributed to his relentless anti-Smith campaign of 1928.

With Miss Ada L. Burroughs, treasurer of his "headquarters committee, anti-Smith democrats" in Virginia, the Southern Methodist prelate was indicted before the District of Columbia supreme court today for conspiring to violate the federal corrupt practices law.

The grand jury returned ten counts. Conviction would carry a maximum penalty of ten years' imprisonment and $50,000 fine for each defendant.

Failure to report contributions of $65,000 from E. C. Jameson, New York capitalist and republican, as required by law was the basis of the indictment. Bond was fixed at $1,000 for each.

From Atlanta where he is attending a meeting of the college of bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church south, the churchman said:

"I am not surprised at anything that the Roman Catholic district attorney might do."

It was the second time he had directed public attention to the faith of District Attorney Leo A. Rover. Earlier he said Rover had ignored his offers to testify before the grand jury.

Rover withheld comment then but immediately after the grand jury reported today he said the clergyman's requests that he be permitted to testify and that certain witnesses be called were "promptly transmitted by me to the grand jury and that body was advised that it was within its province to grant the request if it so desired."

The bishop once said he would welcome a grand jury inquiry.

Robert H. McNeill, the bishop's attorney, said Miss Burroughs would make bond in Richmond, Va., her home, and arrangements would be made for the bishop's bond upon his return to Washington.