BENEFIT BANQUET MARCH 1 PLANNED

Will aid Foreign Students At Willamette; Novel Program Promised

A banquet, proceeds from which will be used for the benefit of residents at the international house of Willamette university whose finances are in an embarrassing condition because of strife in their homelands, will be given at the First Methodist church Tuesday night, March 1, at 6:45 o'clock.

Arrangements for the banquet itself are in the hands of O. L. Price, while students of the International club and their friends will provide what promises to be a program unique in this part of the country.

Featuring customs of their own people each nationality represented in the house, with the exception of English and Scotch, will present one portion of the entertainment.

Costumes of brilliant silks are now in the making for the staging of a Shinto wedding by the Japanese students and a number of Portland Japanese have announced their intention of attending the banquet because of their special interest in this colorful representation of a part of the life many of them have left.

Chinese students will bring another breath of the orient in their offerings of native music.

Russian boys in Cossack outfits will contribute a Russian feature of special music and dances of their people.

Native Americans Also in Program

Indian music by musicians garbed in the beaded and feathered finery of their race will be one feature of the evening's program.

The Filipino feature will include a native "La Jota" dance and a Spanish serenade scene carried out in Spanish style with appropriate music, background, and lighting effects.

Negro music and poetry will also be included in the program.

Dr. Carl G. Doney, president of Willamette university, will be toastmaster for the affair.

It is planned that the money taken in will be paid to members of the organization for work on the grounds and building of the club's home on South Winter street.

MOTT HITS BACK AT PRUDENTIAL CHIEFS

Petition to set aside a restraining order issue recently in circuit court here against James W. Mott, corporation commissioner, by which he is restrained from removing Carl H. Johnston and C. A. Degrace as Prudential officers, was filed here in circuit court by Mott on Tuesday. Johnston is president and Degrace vice-president of the Prudential group of savings and loan associations.

Mott charged in his original complaint that Johnston and Degrace had practiced extravagance in the conduct of the Savings and Loan associations, with the result that the affairs of the associations were involved. Johnston and Degrace are now under indictment in Multnomah county.

The Prudential group of Savings and Loan associations recently were taken over by Mott, and are now being operated by his office.

Two Filings For Lower House Are Entered Tuesday

E. J. McAlear of Hillsboro, has filed with the secretary of state here his declaration of candidacy for the republican nomination for the office of representative in the state legislature for the fourth district, Washington county.

His ballot slogan reads: "Reduction and equalization of taxes."

J. O. Turner, Heppner, has filed for the republican nomination for representative in the legislature for the 22nd district, Morrow, Sherman, Gilliam and Wheeler counties.

Tax Conservers To Meet Friday

The Marion County Taxpayers Conservation and Equalization league meets here Friday afternoon at 1 p.m. The group will gather at the chamber of commerce. Henry Zorn of Champoeg is chairman. Reports on the investigation of county candidates' platforms are expected. The league has announced that it will send a questionaire to all political candidates this year although it will not place its own ticket in the field.

Under the Dome . . .

Occurrences and Gossip at the center of Oregon's state government

Yesterday it was announced state employes would have to wait until May 30 for the next holiday, but the column was in error. This year being election year there is a holiday on May 20, the date of the primary election. This likewise will cause three holidays for the month of November.

The holiday just past proved rather hard on some of the state employes, as they couldn't get over the idea yesterday was not Monday. The supreme court even had to defer its usual Tuesday opinions over an extra day. They were not all present for the conference. Opinions are expected to be handed down today.

Speaking of holidays, March and April will be rather tough on all state officials, unless some of the more Irish inclined declare a holiday for themselves on St. Patrick's day. In June, unless the flag day is added, there will be no holidays. July of course has its day, then there are August and October without. Hard life.

Charles Spaulding expects to cash in on his popularity as a dissenting former highway commissioner and run for the state senate from Marion county. He was appointed last year to succeed the late Senator Reynolds, but if he wishes to serve again must be elected this time. He expects to file this week.

Added to all other appropriate names on the state payroll at institutions, such as Dr. Looney at the state insane hospital, has been been that of Bond at the state training school for boys. Bonds are numerous where a penal institution is concerned. The superintendent apparently does not know yet what he will pay for his Bond.

The Chinese headquarters in the Sino-Japanese war, invited all correspondents to lunch yesterday, paying for the transportation. What a break even war correspondents get. They were previously barred from the Japanese quarters. Well the general has nothing on us. General White invited correspondents here several times to dinner parties.

William Einzig Friday will make his debut as a speaker when he addresses the Portland Realty board on the operation of the board of control. But the talk, we are informed, will not be of political nature, which at this season must be a relief to any luncheon organization. Probably that was the reason Einzig was selected.

Dr. W. H. Lytle of the agriculture department, returned this week from a trip over eastern and central Oregon. He reported plenty of snow, but an acute shortage of hay, particularly in Harney and Lake counties. He says they are paying as high as $27 a ton for hay. Prospects are good for big crops this year, however, he says.

Much of the hay, "Doc" says, is brought in from Yakima, and some probably will be brought in from California. This has added to the difficult situation there, and there will be many animals which will not be able to survive. That section of the country has been hit for six years in a row with dry seasons, which explains the shortage, he said.

Charles M. Thomas, public utilities commissioner, was in Portland yesterday to confer with President Thompson of the Idaho public utilities commission on regulations in which both are interested. Thomas was due back last night. No definite phase of utilities work was mentioned in the announcement of the conference.

Twenty thousand dollars more went out from state employes to different counties yesterday to aid unemployment. Reports from the committee handling the fund are that there are many interesting sidelights as to how this money is being expended. Why not issue a statement from each county showing exactly what is being done with it by the county judges.

Jerrold Owen rocently denied he would be a candidate for secretary of state, or that he ever thought of it. After hearing rumors to this effect, Owen went to Hal E. Hoss and reports state he sold his right to campaign against him for a few stamps to add to his daughter's stamp collection. So now he can't run against Hoss.

SEVEN PERMITS TO BUILD ARE ISSUED

Tokens of spring as well as dividends from the recently conducted work promotion campaign in evidence yesterday at the city hall when seven permits for construction work were issued by Building Inspector Bushnell. While all the permits were for reconstruction and repair, some jobs ran as high as $800.

The individual permits were:

H. Curtis, repair dwelling, 1295 North 21st street, $37.50.

D. L. Ringle, alter garage and dwelling, 1270 North Capitol street, $250.

W. J. Barham, alter dwelling, 1985 North Fourth street, $100.

Alport Est, repair two-story dwelling, $800.

Capitol Securities company, alter one-story building, 395 North High street, $500.

L. E. Goodman, erect garage, 1142 Hall street, $35.

T. C. Peerenboom, alter one-story woodshed, 2640 Brooks avenue, $35.

One permit was issued Monday. It went to O. W. Moon, who will alter a dwelling at 772 North Winter street at an estimated cost of $450.

BENEFIT SHOW IS NOTABLE SUCCESS

Dahl Brothers Lead in fun Production for Relief Work at Silverton

SILVERTON, Feb. 23—Arthur Dahl and his brother Otto Dahl gave the well-filled house who witnessed "The Red Feather" Tuesday night at the Eugene Field auditorium, an uproarious time. The whole "show" was a great success from the audience's standpoint and a credit to the talented directress, Mrs. Ray Thoman. The show will be given at the same place again tonight.

The proceeds of the production are to be donated to the local welfare board to be used for its work in assisting the needy in the Silverton community. By this method, it was explained when the venture was launched, it will be possible to carry out plans for the relief of families without resorting to personal drives.

The scene of the play is laid in the sumptuous hotel Red Feather, a summer retreat. There are ten characters in the principal action, all of whom were exceptionally good. There are also 45 players contributing besides six specialty numbers.

The plot centers around the hectic activities of two young men, Larry and Jimmy, played by Arthur Dahl and Max Lindholm, who, of course, are desperately in love with two very pretty girls, Dorothy Evens and Janet Smith, parts taken by two of Silverton's charming school teachers, Miss Cathaleene Cuddy and Miss Erna Starr.

As comedy relief from the trials and tribulations of the principal players there are Bob Evens, a college sophomore, played by Norman Eastman, Carold White, a guest played by Miss Lou Anna Chase, Mrs. White, her mother, played by Mrs. Clarence Morley, Mrs. Murray, a summer boarder, played by Mrs. Otto Schwab, Mary, a colored maid, played by Mrs. Martin Peel and the circus manager, played by Otto Dahl.

FARMERS HAPPIER AS GROUND DRIES

MIDDLE GROVE, Feb. 23—Farmers of this community are looking with favor upon the indications of dryer weather as some grain must be put in this spring which was delayed in the fall by too much moisture. Clover seed is being sown and hot beds planted for later garden plants.

The "Father of Our Country" was honored Monday morning by pupils of the Middle Grove school, who gave the following program:

Recitations by Harold Schweisinger, Barbara Leonhardt, George Bartruff, Jack Young and Oscar Warner. Three plays were given by the upper room and a play by the primary room and a by the school. The whole school stood at attention with other schools all over the nation for one minutes before singing the last verse of the national anthem.

Mrs. Stettler, teacher of the primary grades took charge of the program in the absence of Mrs. Nellie Hammer, whose absence was caused by the death of her father-in-law, A. Hammer, of Salem.

Sunday dinner guests at the O. Jewett home were Mr. and Mrs. Claud Munkers, Edna and Claud, Jr., of Greenwood Station, Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Munkers, Lorna and Jessie and Bertha Munkers of Amity, Mrs. Katie Herren of Salem, and Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Walker of Middle Grove and Kentith Walker of Portland.

UNIFORM ASSESSING IS CONFERENCE AIM

How to assess personal property equitably in the various counties in the valley was the problem under discussion here Tuesday when a number of Willamette valley assessors met with Oscar D. Steelhammer, assessor in this county. Similar conferences have been held in previous years. Property effected includes cattle, horses, hogs, sheep, merchandise and personal effects.

The purpose of these conferences is to take an inventory of going market prices on various classes of personal property and as near as possible establish an assessment, based on such market values, uniformly in all the counties involved.

Because of the decline in prices, personal property assessments probably will be lower this year than in the past.