

Local News Briefs

Prohibition Not Enforced—C. A. Ratcliff, candidate for Marion county sheriff, told members of the Salem Ministerial association yesterday he did not believe the prohibition law was being enforced as strictly as possible in this county. As an indication of what might be expected from him if elected, he outlined the history of law enforcement and maintained that a man should be judged by his past record rather than by his promises of future conduct. Invitation was extended the ministers by James Carey, manager of the local Warner Brothers theatres, to attend a preview of George Arliss in "The Man Who Played God."

Needham More Comfortable—"More comfortable" Salem general hospital attendants reported last night concerning Harry Needham, 35, of West Salem, who early Sunday morning, March 6, suffered a fractured skull and badly sprained back in an automobile collision at Ferry and High streets. His condition has been improving and he is expected to recover.

Decree by Default—A decree for \$3200 was granted yesterday by Ernest Sing by Jing Sing, his guardian ad litem against J. W. Mack, defendant. Mack is alleged to have been the responsible party in an auto accident which took place 12 miles north of Salem on the Pacific highway, June 23, 1931.

Little Girl Better—Improvement yesterday was noted in the condition of Patsy, three-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Burrell, 506 North 30th street, who on Monday was nearly drowned in North Mill creek. The girl's fever had subsided and no complications seemed to be setting in.

Divorce Granted—Decree of divorce was granted yesterday to K. E. Hansen from J. B. Hansen, whom she married October 6, 1928. He said he did not love her and was not kind to her. Mrs. Hansen declared. Her maiden name of Kreta Elizabeth Jans was restored to her.

Admits speeding—Elmer Boje pleaded guilty to charges of speeding when he appeared in court yesterday. He was fined \$35 and costs. The fine was remitted and Boje placed on six months probation.

Guaranteed batteries, full size 13-plate 4.95. Burrell's, 464 North Liberty.

One Accident Reported—The only automobile accident reported to city police yesterday involved cars driven by Mrs. J. A. Carpenter, 1957 Highland avenue, and Mrs. J. A. Caldwell. Damage was slight.

Pleaded Guilty—Hugh Churchill, charged with passing another motorist without proper clearance, admitted guilt in justice court yesterday, and paid a fine of \$3 and costs.

Englewood Precinct—All republican voters in the Englewood precinct are asked to attend a precinct meeting to be held Thursday, March 17, at 8 p. m. at the Swegle school building. The purpose is to select three delegates to the county meeting scheduled for April 9. Lloyd A. Leo is precinct committeeman.

Visit from Queener—Mrs. Laura J. Lettler and Clem Crane of the Queener section, out from Stayton, were Salem business visitors Tuesday. There is quite a bit of flu illness still prevalent in that community Mrs. Lettler says. Mrs. Lettler is an ardent grammarian and has written a number of books that organization for 29 years.

St. Patrick's benefit card social at St. Vincent's Hall, Columbia street, Friday, March 17, 8 p. m. An auspicious men of the parish. Fishermen's touch.

Miller Files—H. A. Miller of Bend yesterday filed in the state department his declaration of candidacy for the office of representative in the legislature for the twenty-eighth district, comprising Deschutes county.

His slogan reads: "Business principles in public affairs."

Itane Answers—Answer by K. Itane to a suit filed by George Tkatch was filed yesterday in circuit court. Itane claims that he has already paid the \$100 Tkatch claims in and him and Itane sets up a counter-claim of \$100 held to be due the defendant from the plaintiff for the use of the latter's horses.

Clinic Finish Near—But one more preschool and toxic clinic will be necessary to complete the work at Silverton for the season Dr. C. C. Damer, deputy county health officer, announced yesterday's clinic at Silverton. The final clinic probably will be held three weeks from now.

Estate Closed—The estate of Frank Ottwerth, deceased, has been closed in probate court here. Joseph Ottwerth, executor, reported income of \$312 and expenditures of \$1593, the necessary difference being secured by advances against land owned by the deceased and valued at \$2740.

Appraisers Named—Appraisers named yesterday for the estate of Emma J. Bassett, deceased, are L. P. Aldrich, Roy Burton and Chester Cox. Mrs. Baybelle Turner is executor of the estate. Its estimated value is \$3348.

License Secured—A license to wed was secured yesterday by Vern C. Balch, 56, route five, Salem, and Henrietta Kavanagh, route six, Salem. He is a carpenter and she is a nurse. For both parties the marriage is a second one.

Long Fined \$5.00—For speeding here Sunday, Howard F. Long of Amunville yesterday was fined \$5.00 by Municipal Judge Poulson.

Chimney Blazes—Firemen were called to Broadway and Jefferson streets early yesterday afternoon to extinguish a chimney fire.

STATE WORKERS OF OREGON PAID LEAST

Missouri Only one Lower in Average Compensation For Public Tasks

No state in the union, Missouri excepted, pays its employees as low average wages and salaries as Oregon, a compilation just completed by Hal E. Hoos, secretary of state, reveals.

The survey covering the entire United States was based on the latest available figures covering the period January 1, 1925, to December 31, 1928. The wage scale does not include employees of the educational institutions. The compilation shows that the average wage paid to employees of all states during the three year period was \$1511, while the average for Oregon's 1875 employees was \$1628. Georgia's average was approximately the same as that in Oregon. The California average was \$1705 and Washington \$1274.

In the educational division the compilation shows Oregon's average salary as \$2479 per annum for 978 employees, as against an average of \$1750 for the entire United States.

The report, as it relates to Oregon, shows that the secretary of state has the lowest average monthly payroll, varying over the past two years from \$106 to \$124, while the industrial accident commission is a close second with average of \$142 to \$125. The executive department, including the budget division, has the largest average payroll, average \$335 in 1930, \$285 in 1931, and \$304 in 1932. This tabulation was based on the two months of January and February of each year.

"An interesting thing to note in the compilation," Hoos' report reads, "is that the average monthly compensation of approximately 550 workers, comprising 12 major departments in the state capitol building, has increased from February, 1930, when it was \$125 per month, to \$130 per month in February, 1932."

Few Getting Back Working for State

The average salary paid office workers in the state capitol group in Oregon is \$1547 per year. This was said to be in line with the overall average, when it is considered that institutional help, which ranges from \$75 to \$50 a month, is in dire need. Three counties with board and lodging, is not included in the tabulation.

The following summary shows the comparative payrolls of the various Oregon state departments for February, 1932, together with the average wage paid to each employee of each department:

Department	Amount	Average
Executive Dept.	\$ 1,325.00	\$304.17
Secretary of State	22,993.52	327.48
State Treasurer	2,500.00	192.38
Industrial Accidents	15,912.19	125.29
World War Veterans	9,008.33	198.58
State Aid Comm.	3,448.90	167.00
Corporation Dept.	2,485.00	162.33
Banking Dept.	1,915.00	151.19
Printing Dept.	2,093.32	152.72
Printing Dept.	4,204.82	146.16
Tax Commission	4,988.33	138.51
Group Average	—	137.29

EUGENE PUPIL IS CONTEST WINNER

Doris Hack, student at the Frances Willard school at Eugene, Tuesday was declared winner of the Oregon Safety Education essay contest, by C. A. Howard, state superintendent of public instruction.

Frances Metzger, junior high school student at Roseburg, placed second and Joan Hoke and Jerry Clark, both of Pendleton, tied for third place.

The winning essay will be entered for competition in the national safety contest sponsored by the highway education board, board, Washington. Medals and cash prizes aggregating \$35 donated by the board today were mailed to the four winners.

Special Service Series Planned, First Christian

Evangelistic services leading up to Easter Sunday will be started at the First Christian church tonight, continuing each night excepting Saturdays until Easter. Rev. D. J. Howe, pastor, will deliver the sermons which will deal with bible study.

Ralph Campbell Gaining Rapidly

Three and one-half year old Ralph Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Campbell, 324 North Capitol street, yesterday was mentally clear and regarding his normal condition, the attending physician reported. On study of x-ray pictures, the physician found that the child was suffering from a fractured skull. Ralph was struck by a train at 12th and Mission streets a week ago Monday morning.

W. U. Trustees To Gather Soon

A meeting of the board of trustees of Willamette university has been called for Tuesday, May 23, when the report of the committee investigating the feasibility of discontinuing the law school will be considered. The question has provoked widespread interest in campus and alumni circles.

MERCY WORKERS AT SHANGHAI



These two pictures from the war zone in Shanghai show (top) Red Cross workers searching the ruins of Chapel for dead and wounded during a lull in the hostilities. Lower photo shows a band of women missionary workers in the ill-fated Chapel carrying on their work of mercy. These women rescued many Chinese women and children who were in grave danger of losing their lives through shell fire and starvation.

Under the Occurrences and Gossip at the center of Oregon's Dome . . .

OUTSIDE of some politics, the state capitol will be spread over two different places in addition to the customary stand today. The state highway commission meets at the Multnomah county courthouse in Portland, and the state basketball tournament in the Willamette gymnasium here.

While the Portland meeting is expected to terminate tonight, the big hoop tournament only gets started today, with eight games played after one o'clock. It will end Saturday night. The highway commission has an important meeting scheduled, with several large contracts to be let.

Marion county lead the state—but in this instance it is nothing to brag about—in the increase in unemployment during the past month. The county's registered list virtually doubled to a total of 2,596, of which 2000 were said to be in dire need. Three counties showed a small improvement while the state as a whole showed an increase in need for work.

And on top of this Hal E. Hoos comes out with a statement showing that Oregon with the exception of four states, pays the lowest average salary to its state workers, outside of educational institutions, in the United States.

Oregon's average annual salary is \$1,028 for 2873, as compared to the average for the United States of \$1,518. In the education division the state's average salary \$2,670 for 978 employees while the national average is \$1,750. Office workers in the capitol group get an average salary of \$1547.

Comparing the first month of 1930 and the first month of 1932, the report reveals an in-

MINTO GUESTS TO EAT SHIPLEY CAKE

"Cake, boys! Soup's on." Chef J. G. "Jack" Bullard next Saturday will call to the 70 to 100 men who will be staying at Hotel de Minto, transients' quarters in the city hall.

Except through occasional gifts from the behavers, these men seldom find cake on their "hotel" bill of fare. But, through the thoughtfulness of U. G. Shipley, Liberty street merchant, they will enjoy on Saturday the huge five-layer sponge cake which Mr. Shipley baked in celebration of his 21st, merchandising anniversary in Salem, which was yesterday.

Due to his interest in Chief of Police Frank Minto's transient problem solution, the "hotel" Mr. Shipley this year has disregarded his usual custom of serving the cake at the store, and instead has proffered it to the men to whom such delicacies are a rarity.

The cake is 30 inches square, hand decorated. Each of its five layers are approximately five inches thick.

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RESIDENT WARDEN SOUGHT FOR POLK

Game Commission Members Guests of Chamber and Rod and Gun Club

DALLAS, March 15—Members of the Oregon state game commission were guests Monday evening of the Dallas chamber of commerce and members of the Polk county rod and gun club at a dinner at the Gail hotel.

Marshall Damm, chairman of the commission introduced the members, Carl Silven of Baker, Dr. J. C. Vandeventer of Bend, M. F. Corrigan of McMinnville who spoke on the business methods of the commission and the value of wild life in Oregon.

Dr. Irving E. Vining of Ashland, made the address of the evening, on the lure of the northwest and the fact that 40,000,000 of the 62,000,000 million acres in Oregon are better adapted to out of door and recreation development than any other production. He stressed the wonderful heritage of Oregon in its wild life and the four distinct geographic divisions of the state making possible all types of outdoor life.

Ernest Crockett spoke of the work of the education and public information department of the weekly radio programs, Art M. Fish of the research department told what is being done to select the right type of fish and game for the right location. Harvey Moreland, who has been chief clerk for many years was introduced as the acting superintendent of the game commission.

Cost of operation of the fisheries was given as \$140,000 to \$160,000 annually, game farm \$45,000, police department \$127,000 and the balance for general administration, income from game approximately \$400,000 to \$450,000 annually. There are 25 fish hatcheries and three game farms. Between 22 and 25 million trout are planted each year.

The Polk county rod and gun club for many years has been familiar with conditions in country and have more time for enforcement of the laws in this section. The commission stated the matter would have to be referred to the state police department.

ASK CONSTRUCTION OF MATHENY ROAD

Fifty residents of the Silver Falls district came before the county court Tuesday morning to urge the body to proceed with construction on the Sam Matheny section of road. Three miles of the present road will need to be repaired and one mile of new construction is called for. The county court promised to look over the route in company with highway engineers. The road desired is a secondary road and must be approved by the state.

The delegation was headed by Sam Matheny. He pointed out that the road desired would not cost the county anything for right-of-way, that it would be a six instead of a seven per cent grade, that it is two miles shorter than the alternate road which has been heretofore considered by the county, and that it serves 42 families.

Income Returns Rush is Handled

A steady stream of persons anxious to file their income tax reports visited the offices of the internal revenue department at the postoffice building yesterday the final day for filing returns. Internal Revenue Agent Thomas

Rolland
At the Veteran's hospital in Portland, March 14, Tracy D. Rolland, survived by widow, Edith, two children, Nancy and Mary Louise of Salem; mother, Mrs. Charles Richard of Salem; sister, Mrs. S. A. Beck, Portland; one aunt, Miss Esther Rolland, Portland. Funeral services Wednesday, March 16 at 1:30 p. m. from the chapel of W. T. Rigdon and Son. Rev. Kantner officiating.

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A recent snapshot of Betty Gow, nurse of Baby Charles Lindbergh. Miss Gow was the last member of the Lindbergh household to see the kidnapped child the night of the abduction and was also the first to discover the crime.

L. Williams and Deputy Collector Paul H. Hauser were kept busy assisting people in making out their reports.

STARKER ILL, CASE IS DELAYED AGAIN

Case of the state against J. A. Starker, charged with involuntary manslaughter as result of fatal injuries received by Frances Monner February 14, will not come up for preliminary hearing in justice court Friday morning as scheduled.

The case was continued late yesterday after Starker's attorney had advised justice of the Peace Miller Hayden that Starker had suffered a mental and physical relapse and had to reenter the hospital.

Starker was not arrested for some days after the accident, or until he was able to leave the hospital. He pleaded not guilty to the charge when arraigned in justice court.

Miss Monner was riding in Starker's car when it crashed at the corner of South Commercial and Miller streets.

MUSIC SCHOOL HAS MORE ENROLLMENT

The music school and music courses of Willamette university were not hit by the depression this year, but show a 13 per cent increase over the numbers enrolled a year ago. 77 in all, states Registrar Tennant.

Miss Virgie Melton also reports that for the first time in eight years she has as many piano students for the second semester as she had the first.

In general more music functions are being sponsored by Willamette university this year than before, though there are no more courses of study being offered than before.

Professor Marshall, head of the music department, has created interest for a band, string quartet, operetta and other musical groups which are new here this year.

SCHMALTZ CASE IS TO BE TRIED AGAIN

McMahon Verdict Modified Also in Livesay Case Against Lee Hing

The state supreme court, evidently in dissolving mood, turned down six opinions yesterday, four of which reversed the circuit judges trying the original cases while the other two decisions modified the original decisions.

Outstanding in local interest was the reversal of the case of the Bank of California National association appellants vs. N. Schmaltz and others, respondents. Original Schmaltz, Mt. Angel warehouseman, had been successful in defending himself from damages from the bank which claimed he had released 124 barrels of hops without receiving first the necessary warehouse receipts. The bank had the receipts as collateral and has not released them.

Judge Bell, writing the opinion, said the only point at issue was the value of the hops, since the evidence showed plainly that Schmaltz had not possessed legal reason for releasing the hops. Failure to give certain instructions given by the court and the admission of certain questions in the evidence were held by the supreme court to have been prejudicial actions by the judge.

Decree is Modified

The court modified the decree by Judge McMahon and remanded the case to the lower court for new trial in the action of J. H. Livesay and O. L. Withers, plaintiffs and respondents, against Lee Hing and Mrs. Lee Hing, defendants and appellants.

Other decisions of the court were: C. V. Drake, appellant, vs. A. G. Eiler and others, appeal from Klamath county. Suit to foreclose material man's lien. Opinion by Justice Kelly. Judge W. M. Duncan reversed and case remanded.

State bank of Sheridan, appellant, vs. Otto W. Hilder and others; appeal from Yamhill county. Suit to vacate annulled judgment. Opinion by Justice Rand. Judge Hill reversed.

Sam F. Taylor, plaintiff respondent, vs. H. C. Nelson, defendant and appellant, and Virgil Peterson and F. F. Brackett, defendants; appeal from Multnomah county. Petition for rehearing denied in opinion by Justice Brown.

City of Portland, ex rel National Hospital association, Inc., vs. Fred Heiler and Paul Heiler and Metropolitan Casualty Insurance company of New York, appellants; appeal from Multnomah county. Suit to recover on contract. Decree of Judge Hill modified and case remanded.

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