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"No Favor Sways Us; No Fear Shall Awe"

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New Accident Insurance Rates

EMPLOYERS who are operating under the industrial compensation act and paying premiums to the state commission administering the accident fund received a bad job this week when they received the new rate schedule, which goes into effect July 1st.

Table with 5 columns: Insurance type, New scale, Pres. scale, 1927, 1928. Rows include General farming, Quarrying, Steel fabrication, Logging, Sawmills, Woodwork, Printing, etc.

The commission asserts that the new rates are necessary on the basis of its experience tables. The immediate cause of the increase is the decline in wage rates and in payroll totals without corresponding decline in allowances for accidents, which are largely fixed by law.

The record of the last two years shows a deficit for the year ending April 1, 1930 of \$300,000 and the year ending April 1, 1932 of \$60,000. Operating expenses of the department were reduced \$100,000 the last year.

While these figures of the commission may be accepted as true they do not make the fact of the increase any less painful to contractors, factory executives and other employers of labor in hazardous occupations. Already protests have been heard and more will come in as the new rates are studied.

The accident commission has had to reorganize the department in a time of industrial depression. Past errors have been costly. But our own opinion is that the new rate scale will prove too burdensome on industry and that many concerns will drop out from the operation of the act.

Persistence Will be Needed

THE school board has taken action which the circumstances and the law fully warranted in deciding to root out completely the secret society clubs which have long flourished in the local high school. They will need the loyal cooperation of the parents to make the ban effective. Most of the parents will be disposed to work with the school authorities and will add the parental interdiction to the school ban.

The Safety Valve

Letters from Statesman Readers

If any one desires to be informed of the coming primaries, as all voters should, let him attend the Friday evening meetings being held in the Labor hall on Court street.

Yesterdays

... Of Old Salem

Town Talks from The Statesman of Earlier Days

April 28, 1907. The appearance upon the streets of Salem yesterday of a genuine water wagon, with Mayor Rodgers occupying the front seat with the driver was the mayor's answer to a question.

April 28, 1922. It is understood that the California State Association required the lease on the big Southern Pacific wool warehouse east of the passenger depot on Twelfth street.

April 28, 1922. Fire completely destroyed the top story of the three-story frame building that serves as a home for nurses and attendants at the state hospital for the insane yesterday.

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Daily Thought

I like the man who faces what he must. With step triumphant and a heart of cheer; Who fights the daily battle without fear; Who lights the daily battle without fear; Who lights the daily battle without fear; Who lights the daily battle without fear;

SARAH K. BELTON.

Daily Health Talks

By ROYAL S. COPELAND, M. D.

INFECTED and enlarged tonsils are injurious to the health. If actually diseased they should be removed, as they may be responsible for many serious ailments.

HERE'S HOW By EDSON



TOMORROW: "Water Screens Fire-Fighters"

BITS for BREAKFAST By R. J. HENDRICKS

Early day shows: Under the above heading, G. B. Woodworth of Portland, old time Salem boy, writes: "The people must be amused," wrote Charles Dickens.

"They played in the old Wigwam theater. They were the most celebrated child actors and received high honors. Their history has been written so many times that it is not necessary to dwell upon it.

"The circus was considered the event of the season. For fear of not being historically correct, it is not stated that DAN RICE'S GREAT CIRCUS was the first one, but it was in Oregon in 1828. Geo. Estee of Portland describes this circus in his book, 'The Stage-coach'.

"Memory of this circus will serve to introduce Emperor Norton, a reporter on the Statesman who helped out a small boy who was trying to crush the gate by pretending that he had an urgent message for John Minton, the city marshal.

"Rev. J. R. Stewart, pastor of First Methodist church, believes a very worthy resident of Salem should stand back of the action taken by the board. It is a much needed reform indeed."

"Dr. Henry Morris, optometrist: 'The secret fraternity is a hard thing to handle; perhaps the board was a bit severe and yet there may have been no other way to handle the matter.'"

"Mrs. Ronald Craven, home maker: 'I think it was a very splendid position to take and one which should have been taken long before any difficulties as the recent one arose.'"

"William Gabeldorf, house wares: 'A state law is mandatory; there is no choice as to whether there should be secret societies or not in high schools and the action of the board Tuesday night was the only thing to do. If such societies are wanted get the law repealed so that the existence of them will be legal.'"

"Jerrold Owen, secretary, veterans' state aid commission: 'I think that when the secret societies got to the point of permitting such atrocities as that committed the other day, it's time to take action.'"

"EMBERS of LOVE" By HAZEL LIVINGSTON

Lily Lou Lansing, pretty, young telephone operator, lives with her married sister in moderate circumstances. She is born between desire for an operative career and love for wealthy Ken Sargent.

CHAPTER SIXTEEN. "Now where do you go?" Ken was asking. "I think we ought to see mother and dad first."



Lily Lou's heart began to beat nervously when they drove into Woodlake, and turned the main street, into the road that passed the Lansings' house.

Estee of Portland describes this circus in his book, 'The Stage-coach'. He says there was an elephant with it, says that he and some other boys mounted on the footprints after the elephant had gone.

"Annie Pixley became nationally famous in 'The Deacon's Daughter' and 'M'Lisa'. Minnie married a Portland man and made her home there.

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