

CPS STOCK SALES ARE INVESTIGATED

Marion County Grand Jury Hears Thomas Lester; Secrecy Maintained

The Marion county grand jury has under investigation sale of Central Public Service company stock by the Albert E. Peirce company of Chicago. It was learned here yesterday. More than \$10,000,000 of the stock was sold in Oregon, a considerable amount being placed in this vicinity. Prosecution of the parties who sold the stock seemed likely a few months ago. Barnett H. Goldstein, Portland attorney, was thought to be groomed for the job but subsequently his connection with state legal affairs was severed and the attorney-general's office made no move to proceed with the case. Whether state or county officials were to handle the matter, if the grand jury should bring in a true bill, was not certain yesterday.

Charles M. Thomas, state utility commissioner, who was scheduled to leave for Klamath Falls Wednesday night, remained here yesterday to appear before the grand jury. Claude Lester, chief engineer for the utilities commission, also was a witness. Reports indicated that some of the testimony to be given before

the grand jury previously was brought out at a hearing involving the rates, charges and practices of the Northwest Public Service company. This hearing was conducted by Thomas and consumed nearly a month. It was held in Portland.

An order issued by Thomas in the Pacific Northwest Public Service company case charged that the Albert E. Peirce company negotiated the exchange of the securities and that much of the stock of the Central Public Service corporation was sold through illegal practices.

Secrecy surrounded yesterday's sessions of the grand jury and officials refused to make any statement. W. H. Trindle, district attorney, declared that he was not at liberty to make any announcement and Thomas refused to offer any explanation of his presence before the grand jury.

It was learned, however, that a number of witnesses had been summoned from Portland and that the investigation probably would last for several days. Records of the public utilities department will enter prominently in the investigation.

No information was available as to who requested the grand jury investigation.

1933 LOW RECORD YEAR FOR DISEASE

Figures to date this year indicate 1933 may be the most favorable in 10 years from the standpoint of occurrence of diphtheria, typhoid fever, smallpox and tuberculosis. Dr. Vernon A. Douglas, county health officer, announced yesterday. Only one case of diphtheria has been reported in Marion county this year, as against eight in 1932, making 1933 record the lowest since accurate health statistics were started in 1927.

Only one case of typhoid has occurred in contrast with eight by this time last year; 11 of tuberculosis in contrast with 17 in 1932, and none of smallpox in contrast with four last year.

This year's epidemic of measles, numbering 745 cases to June 1, 58 of them in May, resulted in five deaths. Seven cases of scarlet fever have been reported this year, five less than by June 1, 1932.

MRS. MUNDT ABLE TO BE TAKEN HOME

Mrs. Alfred Mundt, wife of Deputy City Recorder Mundt, was removed to her home, 588 Knapp street, from Deaconess hospital yesterday, where she was taken Wednesday for treatment of a severe leg laceration she suffered in an automobile collision in the Labish district. Her condition was reported as improved.

The car in which Mrs. Mundt, Miss Helen Fleener, 1135 E street, and Mrs. August Krueger, the driver, 568 Knapp street, were riding, collided on the Pacific highway with a truck driven by W. H. McElroy of the state hos-

BUILDING ACTIVITY EXPECTED TO GAIN

Inquiries Many; Prices on Lumber Uncertain and Not Quoted Ahead

Building activity in the Salem area is apparently on verge of greater progress than in many months, judging from the many new inquiries coming through the office of the Salem Building Material Dealers association, says Lee R. Schoettler, manager.

With increased prospects in the air, market conditions are said to be extremely uncertain, and at least two local lumber dealers are quoting only day to day prices on materials. At least one painter has reported that he will make quotations for only five day's duration.

Schoettler says he has never before known a time when dealers would not give a price good for at least a month or two.

While all building materials are said to be advancing to some extent, so far the greatest increase has come in wholesale advance on lumber of \$3 per thousand for common stock and \$7 increase on clear.

While a number of building projects, some of them of sizable proportions, are being figured upon now, they have not progressed to a stage sufficient for announcement of them to be made.

pital. Mrs. Krueger and Miss Fleener suffered minor cuts and bruises.



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Most all sizes and colors. The regular \$1.00 value. During this sale—

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Are today's Tire Prices too low to last?

THERE has been a lot of talk about tire prices—a lot of speculation as to how much they will advance. Frankly, at this time, we cannot answer definitely. Tire prices today, in spite of slight increases, still are much lower than conditions warrant.

The industry has not been on a profitable basis. That's common knowledge. Prices have been too low. Also, it's generally understood that with the first up-swing of a market those commodities which have been most depressed are first to rise in price.

Then, too, there has been a substantial increase in the cost of both rubber and cotton—the two basic elements of a tire. So tomorrow, the day after, next week—tire prices are bound to go higher. It's simply not

"in the cards" to manufacture and to distribute tires at a loss to both maker and dealer.

In all probability tires may never again reach such low price levels as have existed of late. Obviously, those who will need new tires within the next few months, and who buy NOW, before greater price rises, will be money ahead.

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