

Kent's Column

"The Great Game of Politics," daily column in the Statesman's editorial page, keeps readers abreast of affairs at Washington.

Hop Men Vote By Big Margin To Form Co-op

Walker Heads Committee to Draft Program for Saving Industry

Enthusiastic approval by the hop growers of Oregon, to the formation of a cooperative marketing organization was given at a meeting here yesterday. Growers were present from practically every hop growing section of the state. They represented a yield of more than 27,000 bales. By a vote of 39 to 2 with three excused from voting, the tentative plan for the new organization was approved.

Rosa Wood, president of the hopmen's state association, appointed a committee to draft plans for the cooperative. The committee will hold its first meeting at the Marion hotel at noon today.

Dean Walker of Independence was appointed chairman of the committee and Frank Needham of Salem secretary. Ray Clatt of Woodburn, Joseph Keber of Mt. Angel, A. M. Jernan, Louis Lashmum, Frank Durbin, C. W. Paulus and W. S. Walter, all of Salem, comprise the rest of the committee.

Setting Minimum Price, Sales Organization Some of Aims

Tentative plans call for the creation of a cooperative group which will set a minimum price at which hops will be sold. Limiting of production and acreage is also being considered.

Members of the association would have the right either to sell through the cooperative or to make their own sales, at present. In case they desired to sell for themselves, they would act as agents of the cooperative and would not be permitted to sell for less than the minimum price.

It is understood that several brewing associations have indicated a willingness to agree to buy hops only from the members of such a cooperative group, if the members would agree to raise quality hops.

Brewers May Ban Later Plantings

They are also said to be willing to agree not to buy from any yards that were not in production in 1935.

Hop leaders point out that if these agreements are made with the brewers, the danger of additional acreage and overproduction could be eliminated.

It is estimated that at least 75 per cent of the growers would have to be in the association to make its control effective. Some growers are said to favor the cooperative even if only 10 per cent joint. They feel that the cooperative would eliminate high brokerage rates and result in a better price to the grower as well as a cheaper price to the brewer.

There is said to be considerable feeling of resentment among the growers over the fact that four eastern buyers control approximately 80 per cent of the hop deals.

Claim Price Held Down, Beer High

Some growers hold ill feeling toward the local representatives of the eastern firms, stating that the local brokers are forcing prices down to their own benefit without giving the reduction to the consumers in the east.

It is as a result of this bad feeling that the growers are attempting to eliminate the brokers, set a minimum price and control production to prevent continuing chaos in the hop market.

Present market demand for hops is practically nil, with prices being offered which do not allow the grower to recover the cost of producing the crop. Costs for growing the hops, curing and baling them, range from 14 cents to 21 cents a pound. Hops are selling now at from 3 1/2 cents to 10 cents a pound. Many growers have indicated that it will be an

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Dart Isn't Lottery Jury Decides; First Test Case in Oregon

Municipal Court Tribunal of Six is Out Only Ten Minutes; Winter and Milo Freed of Charges but Disputed Game Can't Reopen Here

A SIX-MAN municipal court jury deliberated less than ten minutes in deciding yesterday afternoon to find A. F. Winter, owner, and George Milo, manager of the former darto parlor here, not guilty of operating a lottery. Arguments on the case lasted from 10 a. m. to 2:50 p. m. with an hour out for lunch.

The trial, attorneys involved believed, made legal history. This was believed to be the first test case of whether or not a dart game is a lottery and thereby in violation of the state constitution prohibiting against this type of gambling.

The arguments revolved almost entirely about the question of skill being involved in playing the dart game with Robert F. Maguire of Portland and George Rhoten, defense counsel, contending that it was a game of skill and City Attorney Chris J. Kowitz holding that there was no appreciable element of skill to it.

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Liquor Board Counsel Paid Special Fees

Bill for \$810 Above His Regular Retainer Has Commission Oked

Time in Court Charged; Previous Setup Seen Less Expensive

A bill for \$810 for legal services has been filed with the secretary of state by Austin Flegel, attorney for the state liquor commission. The bill is in addition to the monthly retainer fee of \$125 per month. It was approved by unanimous vote of the liquor commission at a meeting on October 30. The bill will be paid by the secretary of state out of funds of the liquor commission.

Previous to July 1 attorney services had been rendered the commission by Assistant Attorney General Francis Wade, with no cost to the commission either for services or travel expense. Wade is a regular employe of the attorney and would be paid City Attorney Chris J. Kowitz holding that there was no appreciable element of skill to it.

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Japan Split on Policy

Final Decision Upon Wells as Source Looms

Proposal to Bring Water From North of Town Made to Board

Supply There is Deemed Certain but Cost of Pumping Higher

On the eve of possible final determination of well water possibilities for the city as far as the water commission is concerned, A. M. Janssen, Seattle driller who has been boring test holes for the commission, last night proposed that a well supply be brought in from north of the city. He stated a definite contract proposal before a group of city councilmen called to meet at the Marion hotel by Frank Derby, president of the Salem Taxpayers league.

The water commission, with two test holes already abandoned on the Turner highway site near the national guard rifle range, is expected to report today whether or not the two other test borings started there early this week show any more favorable indications of an adequate well water supply than the first two did. A small flow of water was found in the first two holes but no in-

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Baking Soda Poison Deaths are Probed as Fourth Victim Dies



Deputy Coroner Anthony Trabucco said after an autopsy the death of Pernaras "looked suspiciously like" a case of poisoned soda, but a chemist's report would be necessary for a final check.

The death of Pernaras came while authorities considered theories ranging from accident to wholesale murder plotting in contamination of the department store soda.

Coroner T. B. Leland said there was "a possibility a maniac might have been responsible" but added he had no evidence to support that theory.

The salvage concern where the soda was taken, and where it was distributed to retailers did not deal in poisons.

Joseph Rosenthal, proprietor of the store where the soda was recalled, and Nick Manno, head of the salvage company, were arraigned on charges of selling contaminated food. Their hearing was continued until December 2, pending a coroner's inquest.

Military and Civilian View Are Far Apart

Cabinet Decision Likely to Determine Fate of Present Regime

Situation in Shanghai is More Tense With New Plot Revealed

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TOKYO, Nov. 22.—War Minister Yoshiyuki Kawashima pressed vigorously today for acceptance of Japanese military views supporting the interrupted program for secession of five north China provinces.

General Kawashima obtained a special half hour interview with Prime Minister Keisuke Okada, in addition to the cabinet's discussion of the question.

Japanese political experts said the life of the government possibly depended on the issue.

A cabinet spokesman said the ministers heard both foreign minister Koki Hirota and War Minister Kawashima "report on north China developments," but the nature of the debate and any decisions reached were not immediately divulged.

Self Defense Is Plea of Fiedler

Can't Think Clearly Since Accident Several Years Ago, He Explains

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 21.—(AP)—George Fiedler, 29, told the circuit court "I just had to do it, that's all," in testifying today at his trial on charges of slaying Deputy Sheriff Ernest Loll.

"So I fired twice," he explained in contending the shooting was in self-defense.

Fiedler denied he had told A. Ferdinand Weston, also under indictment in the same case, to fire at the deputy while the latter was on the ground.

Blames Accident for Mental Lack

Defense Attorney George Mowry told the court Fiedler had been seriously injured in an auto accident several years ago.

"It is hard for me to think clearly in times of excitement since the accident," Fiedler said.

Loll's mangled body was found on a lonely road near Portland September 29, a few hours after he had been detailed to investigate reports of pheasant poaching.

Fiedler and Weston were arrested at Moclipse, Wash., a few days later and were declared by District Attorney James A. Bain to have signed confessions.

Traffic Control Program Viewed

Seven Signals Proposed; Cost to be \$2000 Is Word of Agent

Plans for the installation of a traffic control system at the downtown intersections of Salem were discussed at a meeting of the street and traffic committees last night.

K. E. Erickson of the Erickson supply company of Portland met with the committees. He demonstrated the different types of signals and made recommendations to the committees.

Tentative plans call for the installation of signals at seven intersections. Three would be placed on Court street and three on State street, at the intersections of High, Liberty and Commercial.

The signals would be placed at the intersection of Commercial and Center streets.

Cost Around \$2000

For Seven Signals

Erickson estimated that the seven could be installed for approximately \$2000. If a central control at the police station were used an additional \$1500 would be necessary.

The signals favored by the committee would be the type known as the center signal, hung from

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Test Upon Tariff Proposed by Dill

Wants Lumbermen to Join Fight but Northwest Leaders Dubious

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—(AP)—A suggestion the lumber industry join with other interests in a court test of constitutionality of the reciprocal trade agreement law came today from former Senator C. C. Dill of Washington State.

Dill said he would prefer the suggested action be brought against the recently negotiated trade agreement between this country and Canada under which the duty on lumber imported into the United States was cut 50 per cent.

The former senator based his argument that the law is unconstitutional on the statement the constitution makes mandatory "ratification by the senate after a treaty is made before it is effective." He said the trade agreement law in effect was a ratification of treaties before they ever have been made.

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Portland, Spokane and Seattle lumbermen, contacted about the

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Youths Urged to Write to Santa

Jolly Saint Will Be Here in Person, Christmas Opening Program

Write Santa!

So the Salem Ad club advises young folk who each year, with the approach of Christmas, recall that the bewhiskered gentleman is to be looked upon as their greatest benefactor.

Kids' Christmas correspondence for Santa Claus will be receivable beginning Monday, November 25. Youngsters will deposit their letters in a specially constructed post box which will be set up on a different downtown corner each day next week.

Following is day-by-day location schedule for Santa's letter box:

Monday, Court and Commercial.

Tuesday, State and Commercial.

Wednesday, Liberty and Court.

Thursday, Liberty and State.

Friday, High and State.

Santa Will Open Letters Next Friday

Friday night, shortly before merchants unveil their windows inaugurating the 1935-Christmas shopping season, the Santa mail box will be opened.

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Fourth Death Due To Soda, Suspect

Dishwasher Dies; Theories on Source of Poison Vary Greatly

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 21.—(AP)—Authorities seeking to determine how 800 pounds of bargain sale baking soda became loaded with poison were confronted by a fourth death tonight in a new phase of the mystery.

George Panaras, 45, a dishwasher, died three hours after taking bicarbonate of soda, but it came from a different source than that which caused three previous deaths and made 18 persons ill.

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Capitol Board to Be Meeting Topic

Henry F. Corbett, senate president, and Howard Latourette, speaker of the house, are scheduled to be in Salem today to confer with Governor Martin on their appointments to the new capitol commission. Neither of the two men last night said he had completed his selection of appointees. Corbett indicated he was having difficulty getting good men to serve on the commission.

Names of H. H. Olinger and Milton Myers of Salem were mentioned yesterday as possible local appointees of Governor Martin who has already indicated one Salem man would be among his list of three chosen. William Walton, mentioned yesterday as an appointee, said last night he was not to be considered as a possible appointee.

H. B. VanDuzer, former highway commission chairman, is presumed to be one of Governor Martin's appointees.

Scale Down on Linen Mill Refinancing Reduced, Word

Notice that the public works progress administration had agreed to reduce the scale-down on the bonded debt of the Salem Linen Mills, Inc., from 45 to 35 per cent was telegraphed here yesterday. It was announced last night by Paul R. Hendricks, who has been representing sponsors of the program to refinance the plant's operations with a federal loan. The United States National bank of Portland and its Salem branch have been designated as depositories for the bonds.

The new debentures will be prior to all liens on the mills with the exception of the federal loan, which L. C. McLeod, president and manager, has been required to underwrite. The loan, at a low interest rate, will be repaid serially over a 20-year period.

Federal requirements include in part scaling down the bondholders and other obligations, retaining McLeod as manager and paying back taxes.

Major Bondholders Here Have Complicated

Since the committee voted three weeks ago to ask the bondholders to turn in their bonds on the original basis of 25 per cent redemption in cash and 30 per cent in debentures, virtually all of the

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Ras Seyoum Army Met and Repulsed

(By the Associated Press)

Italy finally came to grips with the elusive Ras Seyoum, commander of Ethiopia's northern army, and defeated him, the fascist high command reported Thursday.

For weeks Italian columns have sought Ras Seyoum, under whose leadership warriors were reported rallying for a desperate stand against the Italian advance.

The Ethiopian army was said to be in flight carrying its dead. How many Ethiopians were killed in the battle was not known but the Italian losses were said to be "small."

America's oil industry was called upon by Secretary of the Interior Ickes to halt voluntarily shipments to Italy. He explained he had no "authority at all" in the matter.

The League of Nations is considering adding oil to the products barred under sanctions. Italy must import oil, vital to her navy, army and air force.

Teaching Job in Mexico Perilous

MEXICO CITY, Nov. 21.—(AP)—The federal secretariat of education, alarmed by the growing number of killings of rural school teachers, asked the war department today to allow teachers to arm for protection against violent measures of the opponents of socialistic education.

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New Sharp Quake Reported, Helena

HELENA, Mont., Nov. 21.—(AP)—Helena residents rushed into the streets tonight after an earthquake described as "strong" by the weather bureau shook the city at 8:53 p. m. (mountain standard time).

There was no immediate report of damage or injury.

The shock occurred as the city was enjoying comparative calm after it had recorded 91 tremors since October 12. The earth had remained relatively quiet for the past few days.

Tonight's earthquake was marked by a bouncing motion. Its duration was five seconds.

The shocks was also reported felt slightly at Butte, 65 miles from here.

AAA Permanency Sought by Grange

SACRAMENTO, Nov. 21.—(AP)—Revision of the AAA to shift it from an emergency program into a long-term permanent plan for agriculture was recommended tonight by the national grange.

The farm fraternity, shaping its agriculture policy for 1936, recommended changes designed to increase farmer control, adjust production to a quantity rather than an acre basis and set up crop insurance guaranteeing the farmer his labor and seed in the event of crop failure.

"The time has come," said the grange report, "when we must definitely begin the shifting from an emergency program to a long term permanent and economically sound program. We farmers must cooperate to take over the machinery of our agricultural plan."

Building Committee of School Board to Talk With Architects Today

The Salem school board's building committee, Chairman Walter B. Minor and Superintendent Silvestre Gaiser will go to Portland this morning to confer with the architects for the senior high and grade building projects and with FWA officials. It was announced after a special directors' meeting last night. The building committee consists of Pery A. Cupper and Frank Neer.

Minor declared there was "nothing to report" from the meeting, which lasted for more than an hour. He said building costs were under discussion.

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Need New Session If Sales Tax Out

Courthouse officials yesterday predicted another special session of the legislature will be necessary early in 1936 if the sales tax is not voted as a means of providing old age pensions.

Old-age pension recipients, about 500 in number in Marion county, not only expect pensions in 1936—they expect larger pensions, county officials said.

Under the law hurried through the last day of the special session, counties are stopped from using 1935 budgeted funds for pensions. In event the special election held in January does not provide funds, an intolerable situation for county officials would allegedly be created, forcing an other special legislative session.

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Florence Howard Winner in Round Table Recipe Contest

By JESSIE STEELE

A splendid assortment of muffin recipes was received this week and will be printed the week following Thanksgiving. The Round Table will take a vacation next week.

Winners are as follows: Florence Howard of Monmouth, first prize of \$1 for "orange muffins"; Helen Lane, 1860 Broadway, and Mary Malye, 825 N. Summer, the two 50 cent prizes for "spiced apple muffins" and "tea-time muffins" respectively. All awards may be obtained by calling at the Statesman office.

Orange Muffins

Top crumb mixture:
1 cup flour
2 tablespoons melted shortening
3/4 cup brown sugar

2 tablespoons orange juice
2 Grated rind of 1 orange
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
Muffin dough:
2 cups flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup sugar
1 egg
2 teaspoons baking powder
1 1/2 teaspoons grated orange rind
1/2 tablespoon shortening
1 egg
1/2 cup orange juice

Blend together with a fork all the ingredients for the top crumb mixture.

Sift flour for muffin part once and measure. Sift flour, salt, sugar and baking powder together. Blend in well-beaten egg, milk and orange juice. Put dough in muffin tins and cover

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