

### Child Clinics Held Success

#### University Expert Tells Rotarians of Aid to "Odd" Children

Dr. Henry Dixon, professor of psychiatry in the University of Oregon medical school, discussed at the Rotary club Wednesday the work now being done in clinics in the leading cities of the state in reclaiming "atypical" or odd children. These problem cases arise in an environment which affects behavior. Child personality develops "pattern habits" and if these are conditioned in certain ways the child gets a feeling of insecurity and so develops abnormally. This type is not born bad, said Dixon, but is a product of environment and the responsibility rests on society.

Unless these individuals are set right and readjusted in their early years their attitudes become fixed and they become the material to feed training schools, penitentiaries and other institutions. It is the responsibility of society to reduce greatly their later cost to the state.

#### Readjustments Made

In the rooms that have been established (one is now operating in the Salem schools) these individuals are studied by specially qualified teachers who seek to discover their difficulties, effect readjustments and restore them to their regular classes in a normal manner. These clinic rooms have had good success, said Dr. Dixon, restoring as high as 60 per cent of cases to their regular rooms.

Introduced as new members were I. B. Dyatt, Jim Humphrey and Harry Riches. W. J. Phillips conducted the introductory ceremony.

#### Headstones to Be Dedicated on 16th

#### Sons of Veterans Plan Lincoln Memorial Services Here

Lincoln memorial services and dedication of the headstones for previously marked veterans graves will be held at the armory here Sunday afternoon, February 16. E. C. Kruger, chairman of the grave marking committee for Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, announced yesterday.

The second shipment of headstones will be received here February 12. Mr. Kruger has been advised that the stones, now in San Francisco, will bring the total to 26. Other shipments will arrive later.

Portland Members Coming

The program February 16 will be sponsored by Sedgwick Women's Relief Corps No. 19 of Salem and Owen Summers camp No. 4 of Portland, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Members of the Portland grave marking committee, which originated the movement for the state, will be in attendance.

These headstones, of uniform design and size, are furnished without cost by the government and are like those now in the G. A. R. circle in the City View cemetery. The committee here has worked many months to obtain information of all unmarked graves of soldiers of all wars.

#### Sarah Gooding Dies at Aurora

The funeral of Mrs. Sarah Gooding, who passed away in Aurora on Tuesday, will be held at the Lutheran church there on Saturday afternoon, February 1, at 2 o'clock. The service will be conducted by Rev. Knorr, former pastor there, now of Walla Walla, Wash.

Survivors are the husband, George X. Gooding; children, William G. and Paul C. Gooding and Mrs. Fred Dentel; sister, Mrs. Louise Erbala; all of Aurora, and two brothers, Henry Becke of Aurora and Ed. Becke, Portland.

Mrs. Gooding was in her 74th year. She was born in a branch of the Kell colony at Nineveh, Missouri, and was brought by her people in the fifth and last colony covered wagon train, coming to Aurora in 1857, when a small girl.

Her father, Charles Becke, sr., lived into his 97th year. He was related by marriage to Dr. William Kell, founder and head of the famous colony.

At their Nineveh shops, the colony made boots and shoes on a considerable scale, and had a wide trade in pioneer Missouri and beyond her brothers, Charles Becke, sr., was superintendent of that factory. The colony founded the town of Nineveh 69 miles away from Bethel, the first location, because it was on the Sheridan river, and so water power was available for some of their factories.

#### Relief Rolls to Drop in February

Relief rolls in Marion county will show a considerable decrease in number next month, Glenn Niles, relief administrator, predicted yesterday. "We have kept some persons on relief this month until they could get placed with WPA and with other federal agencies," Niles said. "These agencies have absorbed a considerable number of men and women the last fortnight and as a result the county rolls will drop."

Niles said he had no definite figures on the number of persons now on relief in the county but would make them available in his report next month.

### Safety Valve

#### URGES PRIMARY CHANGE

To the Editor:

In voters pamphlet, Carney, Hamilton and Kirkpatrick in their argument against a change in time of our primaries from May until September say "Thus it will bring back to Oregon the old convention system of nominating such candidates. Old ring politicians will again be in power, and the people will have no means of expressing their choice." Those men and other professional politicians would have the younger voters of our country believe that the old convention system originated in the dark ages among the cave dwellers and was a relic of barbarism that was being perpetrated upon the people. For the benefit of the voters under 50 years of age, who never had the opportunity of working under the convention plan, will you please allow me space in your valuable paper to briefly explain how those conventions were conducted. About the first of March, through the chairmen of state and county republican committees, the republicans were called to meet in their respective precincts for the purpose of nominating candidates for precinct offices and to choose delegates to the county convention. These precinct meetings were generally held in April and the county convention perhaps about two weeks later. At the precinct meetings, fully 95 per cent of the republicans of the precinct would be in attendance. Those meetings were conducted in about the same manner as our school districts' annual meetings for the election of directors and clerks are managed. In the precinct which I am a resident, our apportionment of delegates was usually about six or seven and when the delegates were elected every one present realized that those delegates were their representatives from this precinct just as the members of a school district are recognized as the representatives of the voters of the district in which they reside. When the delegates to the county convention assembled and a temporary organization was effected and various committees appointed (always a committee on platform) and then an adjournment until, afternoon at which time came permanent organization, reading and disposing of reports of the various committees and then the nominating of candidates was in order. When an aspirant for office was placed in nomination, if it was not made by a member of his own precinct and backed by the delegates of the same as a recommendation for his candidacy for the office for which he aspired he failed to get very far. After all county candidates had been nominated, delegates to the congressional and state conventions were also elected. About a week later, the democrats followed in this same manner, and if they found a weak man on the republican ticket they would sometimes find a better man and elect him. It was no uncommon thing

for a democrat to be elected in this strongly republican county. Independent candidates were few and far between.

Well, what about the campaign? We did not need any campaigning, the issues were set forth in the platforms of the two parties, but that the people might all see the different candidates and get acquainted with them, the candidates of both parties went together and visited each precinct in the county, made speeches, told stories, (I mean anecdotes) and everybody got acquainted with everybody throughout the entire county. The expense under this old convention plan, from beginning to ending was very small. Nominations would chip in a small amount to pay for hall rent, printing and other little necessary expenses. Under the convention plan we elected legislators well known to be competent to assist in enacting good laws. Under our present system we elect men who perhaps know very little about and they pass a law and then pass the buck up to the people to ratify or reject when they know or should know that half the voters of the state will vote "No" on every measure they do not understand, and that means the most of them. Lodges have their constitutions and by-laws by which to be governed. The church has the bible and the voters of Oregon have the voters' pamphlet. There is a family in this neighborhood in which there are seven voters and each one receives a pamphlet. This plan of informing the voters as to how they should vote keeps up much longer, this family will soon have a very large library. Why not do away with this voters' pamphlet and supply each family with the laws of the state? But while we are under this present plan let the campaigning period be made as short as possible.

H. C. PORTER, Aumsville, Oregon.

#### MARTIN AND SALES TAX

To the Editor:

Your article on the sales tax was quite fair. I'm not one who believes the sales tax is utterly beyond the possibility of just application. But it should not apply to food until it applies to stock, bonds, mortgages and professional services.

You however omitted one important argument against the present measure.

Gov. Martin (knowing the feeling and the electorate on the subject) repeatedly declared against a sales tax in his campaign. Also he promised to use his great influence with the administration to have the federal government develop and bring Bonneville power to the people of Oregon, thus making it unnecessary for the poor taxpayer to dig up 60 million or was it 60 billion. No matter, he vetoed the Ickes bill now to be consistent he must support the sales tax. So the people will

have to do the job they have already paid the government and legislature to do.

M. Van Buskirk

#### OPPOSES MANAGER PLAN

Editor Statesman:

On the eve of the special election at which the voters of Salem are to decide the city manager question, the writer who has given considerable study to the plan but who has not until now presented his views to the people through the newspapers, wishes to offer a brief and respectful comment.

There are but five cities in Oregon that have discarded the traditional American "Mayor-Council" system of municipal government. Astoria, La Grande, Bend and Oregon City have the commission form.

From the state treasurer's official report to the legislature in 1935, I have taken the following figures which illustrate how the financial condition of Salem compares with these five other cities:

| City        | Levy        | Indebtedness |
|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| Astoria     | 102.9 mills | 54.05%       |
| Bend        | 28.64%      | 28.64%       |
| Oregon City | 69.4 mills  | 14.90%       |
| La Grande   | 67.6 mills  | 13.64%       |
| Portland    | 50. mills   | 14.37%       |
| Salem       | 48. mills   | 10.16%       |

These figures show that Salem with its present mayor-council form of government has a lower tax levy and indebtedness than any of the four city manager cities, or the commission city.

In the face of this record, are the taxpayers of Salem justified in adding another high salaried officer to the city payroll on the sole pretense that he, the manager, will annually save thousands of dollars of public funds?

Respectfully yours,  
WM. J. ENTRESS.

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