

Tax Bills Are Ready to Mail

Payment Starts Feb. 14; Leniency Granted on Delinquencies

Tax statements for 1936 — those grim reminders of the facts of life — were completely typed last night at the offices of Sheriff A. C. Burk here and by Thursday, February 13, will be in the mails to carry their gloomy message to property holders of the county.

Payment of property taxes for 1936 begins officially Friday, February 14, the first day the assessor's books are formally turned over to the sheriff for collection.

Under the tax exemptions of the special session of the 1935 legislature, the taxpayer has been extended greater leniency than ever before in the settlement of his old account with the county.

If he pays the 1936 tax before it becomes delinquent — that is December 16, 1936, he can escape all interest on his back taxes (1935 excepted) provided he pays this year one-quarter of the old year's taxes outstanding in succeeding years, as long as the taxpayer keeps his current taxes paid, he can pay only one-quarter of the delinquent tax and thus escape all interest.

Freight Rates on Gasoline at Issue

Major reductions in the railroad rates for gasoline shipped into the Medford, Grants Pass, Roseburg and Marshfield territories will be thoroughly debated in Washington, D. C., this week when applications for the rate changes come before the interstate commerce commission there.

Truck operators are fighting the rate reductions which run as high as 50 per cent. Operators claim the rate slashes would ruin their business and would result in eventual boosting of railroad rates on gasoline when truck competition had been destroyed.

Business Good in South Says Minto

Business is showing rapid improvement in the south, John D. Minto reported yesterday upon his return from a four weeks motor trip to southern California and Arizona.

Building activity, both new and remodeling, is increasing and the heavy tourist traffic makes it almost impossible to find hotel or apartment accommodations in Los Angeles, he said.

The Mintos visited Phoenix, Death Valley and the Boulder Dam on the tour. The dam construction is practically complete and the generation of power is expected to start in July, Minto said.

Deny Effort For Special Session

Ben Osborne, labor leader for Oregon, and Ray Gill, state minister of the Senate, yesterday individually denied that the organizations they represent were planning to demand a special session of the Oregon legislature in order to provide old-age pensions with federal assistance for Oregon citizens.

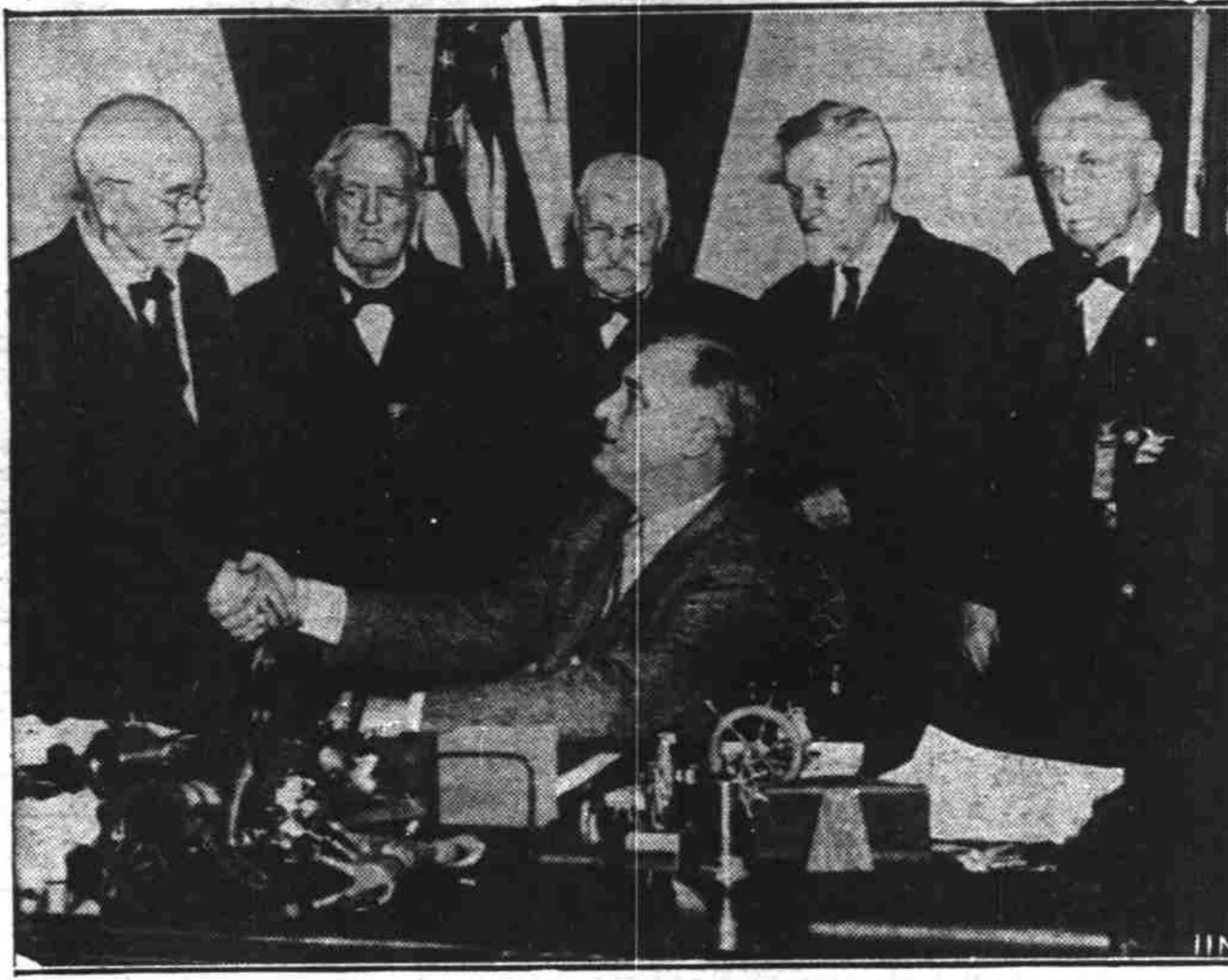
Senator Byron Carney of Oregon City, who headed the organization which fought the proposed sales tax, said he had heard nothing concerning such a conference.

Salem Native Is Buried in Eugene

Funeral services were held in Eugene yesterday for Mrs. Orilla Geneva Roney, 79, who was born in Salem June 16, 1856, on the Baker donation land claim.

In 1889 she was married to Mr. Roney and the family home was maintained at 681 Jefferson street in Eugene throughout the years. Her widower and a brother, J. O. Baker of Shoshone, Idaho, survive her.

Civil War Heroes Visit President Roosevelt



President Roosevelt was host to a group of past commanders of the Grand Army of the Republic, left to right, General Oley Nelson, of Slater, Ia.; Judge James Willett, Tanna, Ia.; Samuel P. Town, Philadelphia; Martin V. Stone, Jamestown, N. Y., and General R. C. Martin of Los Angeles, when the group visited Washington to make arrangements for the annual G. A. R. encampment in September.

Elks Bridge Race To Close Monday

The six-weeks Elks club contract bridge tournament which followed the Statesman-Elks tournament, will be concluded tomorrow night with three local players hunched for first honors as the final play is held.

Mrs. L. S. Rankin is slightly ahead in the tournament nears its close, Tom Drynion comes second and Mrs. Ercel Kay is a close third. Partners have been rotated throughout the play.

Mr. Ketchum yesterday announced that Mrs. Harry Weldmer and Mrs. W. Bowersox were high north-south in Friday night's play and Mrs. L. S. Rankin and George Watson were high east and west.

After this week, Mr. Ketchum will resume the play of the Calcutta-type tournament, having announced one for Tuesday night.

Burk Not Certain About Candidacy

Sheriff A. C. Burk hasn't announced his candidacy for reelection but he's toying with the idea and can be counted on to bounce his hat into the ring within a few weeks.

"This job isn't any bed of roses," Burk opined yesterday. "However, it is interesting and one can keep very busy at it."

Burk, a democrat, defeated Oscar Bower in 1932 in the democratic landslide. He has no announced opposition in his own party, as yet. S. A. Harris and James McGilchrist are both announced candidates for the republican nomination for sheriff.

Select Junior Play FALLS CITY, Feb. 8. — The junior class have selected the play entitled, "The Boss of the Powderhorn," and the cast will be selected in the near future under the guidance of Mrs. J. B. Hatch who will direct the play.

Rackets Topic of Chamber Address

Rackets, Business, professional, petty and big — they'll be the topic for a talk Monday noon by Lyle J. Janz of the Portland Better Business Bureau, who will speak to the Salem chamber of commerce.

The Salem chamber of commerce and the Business Men's league here have both been active in seeking to eliminate business "rackets" in Salem. Three complaints came to the latter organization here last week: one was from a woman who paid \$10.50 for a set of books and never received a book; another woman entertained a doorbell ringer and while she ordered nothing, shortly received the merchandise and a threatening collector; a third local "investor" wanted a gum buying machine.

The salesmen took her initial payment — and no machines have turned up.

Smelt Union Row Gets Airing Here

Both Sides Told; Market Agreement Revised in Mid-Season, Held

Two varying explanations of the fishermen's union difficulty which is causing one Salem market to be picketed, were given this weekend although each story agrees that the men whose smelt catches are declared "unfair" were members of the union up to a few days ago.

Prices paid at Kelso for smelt are high this year — so much so that fishermen under favorable circumstances are able to make the startling wage of \$1.45 per minute for the time they are actually fishing, says W. S. Fitts, one of the proprietors of the market being picketed. With these prices so long as they are uniform, he declares, he has no quarrel.

The prices were fixed by the union early in January. This favorable situation drew a large number of men into the smelt fishing business. There were however, says Fitts, half a dozen or so well-established fishermen who had a majority of the contracts to sell smelt and the others were having difficulty in finding a market.

Denial that the men against whom picketing activities here were aimed by the fishermen's union of Kelso, Wash., were still members of the union or that the difficulty was within the organization, is contained in a letter from C. E. Farsberg, union secretary.

He declares that the men dealing with the merchant here whose place was picketed, had refused to cooperate in a joint selling program which the union adopted by a 60 to 5 vote, and that they were therefore asked to withdraw; when they refused, they were blacklisted and refused use of the union label.

Farsberg also said the men who were blacklisted, were not year-around fishermen but jumped into the game during the peak run.

Insurance Report Reflects Revival

Assets and New Policies of Northwestern Gain; Farm Loans Lower

Substantial increases in assets and in new insurance paid for are shown in the 1935 annual report of The Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company, submitted to its board of trustees at the home office in Milwaukee last week, according to word received here by Oton and Wenger, local representatives.

Admitted assets reached an all-time high \$1,071,991,955.41, an increase of 5.3 per cent over 1934. New insurance, including annuities, amounted to \$274,236,856, an increase of nearly 15 per cent.

Total insurance in force amounted to \$3,705,020,135, a slight increase over the previous year. Farm Conditions Improve Mortgage loan investments of the company stood at \$296,448,791, or 27.65 per cent of the admitted assets. Of this amount \$108,924,856, or 10.16 per cent of admitted assets, was invested in farm mortgages.

A decrease in the rate of acquisition of farms through foreclosure reflects the continued agricultural improvement. The net increase in farms owned in 1935 was 146, as compared with a net increase of 469 in 1934. Seven hundred thirty four farms were sold for \$6,119,670.46, which fully covered the asset value and the costs of repairs, improvement and selling.

The report points out the tremendous importance of the life insurance companies in providing a vehicle through which millions of people are creating financial independence for themselves and dependents.

"During the last six years," it states, "the payment to the policyholders and their beneficiaries by American life insurance companies have exceeded sixteen billion dollars . . . sixty-odd million citizens of the country today own policies . . . that total an ultimate estate of more than one hundred billion dollars."

"The far reaching importance of these facts from a social and economic standpoint is obvious. The continued and expanded use of this service with its established safety and certainty may well command the interest of all who are concerned in the preservation of a system that makes possible personal freedom and individual independence on a voluntary basis."

Must License Dog By End of Month

February 28 is a positive deadline for dog owners in Marion county to pay their 1936 licenses without a \$1 penalty being added, the county clerk's office announced yesterday.

This year the dog license control board is in charge of paying for sheep slain by dogs and of handling collection of the licenses, and prompt payment of the licenses or a penalty, is the dictum of the board. Its members are Asel Eoff, sr., C. C. Cannon, both of Salem, and Robert Unsaker of Turner.

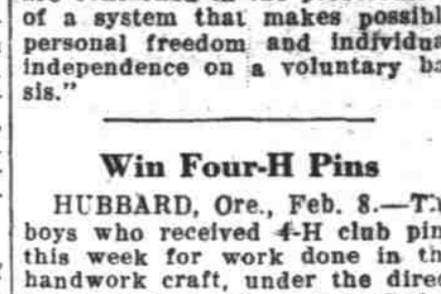
Heretofore Paul Marnach, dog license collector, has worked on a fee basis, receiving a percentage of all licenses collected. Now Marnach is on a flat salary, receiving \$150 a month for collecting licenses and handling inspections where dogs have killed sheep.

Out of this sum, Marnach must pay all the upkeep and expense on his car. Nearly 800 licenses have been issued to date at the courthouse. Last year 4700 dog licenses were issued in the county.

Win Four-H Pins

HUBBARD, Ore., Feb. 8. — Two boys who received 4-H club pins this week for work done in the handwork craft, under the direction of Melvin Wilson, were Ralph Gant, Duane Hatcher, Harry Bennett, Elton Uredenberg, Wallace Brown, Fred Scheller, Carl Poppena, Ivan Ergish, Wade Chatfield, Arthur Douglas and Wilbur Shank.

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The Toast of the Town



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Advertisement for Philco radios. Features the text 'Trade-in YOUR PRESENT RADIO!' and 'Own a New PHILCO that doubles FOREIGN RECEPTION'. Two models are shown: the Philco 635X priced at \$89.50 and the Philco 610F priced at \$54.95. The ad also mentions 'Trade-in your radio while we are offering an EXTRA allowance! Philco's automatic built-in Aerial-Tuning System enables you to get and enjoy twice as many foreign stations... and Only Philco Has It!'.

Advertisement for N. L. Stiff Furniture Co. The text reads 'N. L. Stiff Furniture Co. COMPLETE HOUSE FURNISHERS. Authorized Farmers-Union Store SALEM - SILVERTON'.