

Initiative Is Favored Plan

Martin Tells Pension Body That Is Best Way for Going to Voters

Governor Charles H. Martin early next week will give a definite answer as to whether he will call a special session of the Oregon state legislature, as requested by the Townsend organization. He told the pension group that any measure approved by the legislature providing for a transaction tax probably would be subjected to the referendum, and suggested

an initiative as the most effective way to present the proposal to the voters. Reports here yesterday indicated that the pension organization was considering the governor's proposal and that an initiative measure might be referred to the voters at the next general election. Names Ample for Initiative. At a conference here last week, Townsend manager for the first congressional district, said no difficulty would be encountered in obtaining a sufficient number of signatures to insure the initiative measure a place on the ballot. The Townsend organization has representatives of the Townsend clubs submitted petitions to Governor Martin urging a special legislative session to consider amendments to the old age assistance laws. The petitions contained approximately 30,000 signatures. The Townsendites told Governor Martin that other petitions containing more than 50,000 names would be filed later. The Townsend organization is seeking a 2 per cent transaction tax in Oregon with the provision that the proceeds shall be distributed equally among those eligible for old age assistance. The petitioners also would fix the minimum old age pension at \$30 a month. The present law fixes the maximum monthly pension at \$30.

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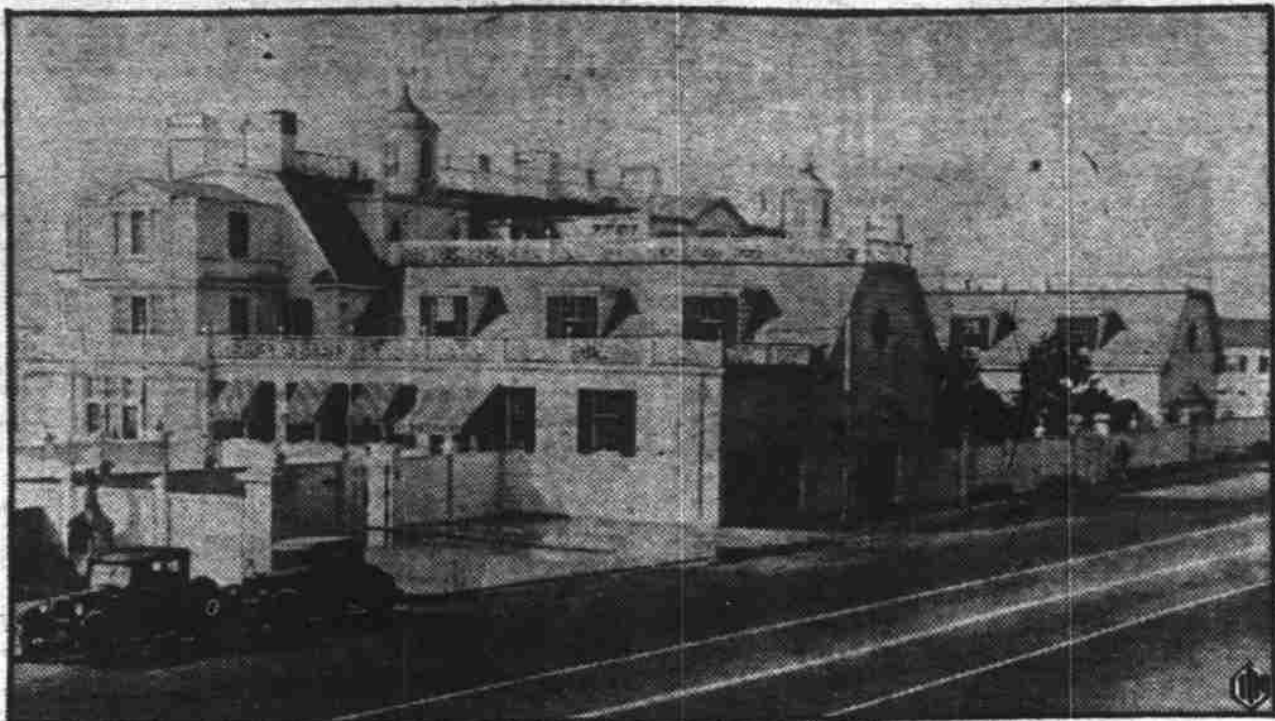
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Windsors Expected to Be Guests of Film Star



Latest information regarding the itinerary of the Duke and Duchess of Windsor when they visit the United States has it that they will be guests of the latter part of November.

Wreck Pipe Organ In Science Church

A report made by city police yesterday says that serious damage, the amount of which has not been determined, was done to the pipe organ in the Christian Science church on the corner of Chemsoketa and Liberty streets by vandals who forced entrance. Many sections of pipe were taken from the organ in the attic of the church. Some were broken and badly bent, and some had been carted away. Entrance was gained through the door on the east side of the building by cutting part of an adjoining window frame away, reaching in and turning the knob of the door. Two other doors were badly jimmied. An organ expert from Portland will make an estimate on the amount of damage, according to church officials. G. E. Tower, 360 East Miller street, who does the janitor work, discovered and reported the damage early yesterday morning after going to the church to clean it in preparation for last night's meeting.

Exciting Stories, Queer Meal Cause Of 'Killer' Alarms

PORTLAND, Oct. 20.—(P)—Police records bore the entry today: "The indigestion murder case—solved." The homicide squad, detectives, the coroner and a deputy district attorney sped to St. John last night after a hysterical woman told neighbors of a fiendish killer at her home next door. A locked door barred the officers, who placed a ladder to an upstairs window. A detective scanned the room with a flashlight and saw: 1—An unfinished meal of tuna fish and walnuts. 2—A lurid murder mystery magazine.

Army Posts Open In Hawaii, Alaska

Sergeant Joseph Scarpa of the local recruiting station has just received word from San Francisco that enlistments are open for the air corps in Hawaii and also for service in Alaska. This is the first time that authorization has been given for service men to go to Alaska on the first enlistment, Sergeant Scarpa says. A number of enlistments have been made through the local officer in recent weeks, and with the new service open additional recruits are anticipated.

Orr Injured on Topper

LABISH CENTER—Milton Orr is recovering from painful hand and arm injuries he sustained late last week while topping onions at the H. B. Aker place.

Leo Carrillo May Run for Governor

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 20.—(P)—The name of Leo Carrillo jumped this week from the brilliant lights of the movies into the equally prominent glare of politics—smack into the picture of California's gubernatorial campaign. But it was not politics to the noted actor who once was a cub reporter on San Francisco's Chinatown and police "beats." "Politics? I know nothing about it," Carrillo told his interviewer. "But there's a snowball growing behind me—and if I'm not a candidate at the next election, I assuredly will be in the one following." California elects its next governor in the fall of 1938.

Governor Pledges Jobless Poll Aid

Governor Charles H. Martin yesterday assured John D. Biggers, administrator of the partial unemployment census to be undertaken by the federal government, that he would assist in the work of this state. The work of taking the unemployment census will fall largely on the postoffices and committees of various federal and state agencies.

Oscar B. Marshall Dies, Oregon City

SILVERTON—Oscar B. Marshall, 73, who up to a few days ago was making his home with a sister, Mrs. F. M. Powell in Silverton, died late Wednesday afternoon in the hospital at Oregon City. He was stricken with a heart attack in Oregon City where he had gone to visit Mr. and Mrs. John Whittier. Mr. Marshall was born near Albany, member of a pioneer family. Funeral services will be held at Albany, the date to be announced later.

Read Home From European Travel

Robert Read arrived home Tuesday night after several months spent in Europe. He covered the British isles by bicycle, worked for a time in a camp where refugee Basque children were being cared for, then spent considerable time touring the continent. Read, who is a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Ludd Read, 925 Chemsoketa St., will reenter Reed college for the second semester to complete his undergraduate course.

Anna Wright Passes

TALBOT—Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Freeman went to Cottage Grove Monday to attend the funeral of her aunt, Mrs. Anna Wright.

Grads to Visit, Campus Friday

16th Annual Homecoming for Willamette Set; Game Main Event

With final plans completed for the 16th annual homecoming at Willamette university Friday and Saturday, over 200 alumni are expected on the campus for the two-day celebration. The first event will be the sign contest with the living organizations participating. The homecoming slogan, "Out-With-Whittier" will be used in the signs and at all other events. The noise parade beginning at 7:15 o'clock will be held in the downtown streets just preceding the game at 8 o'clock between the Willamette Bearcats and Whittier college. A special section will be reserved at the game for the alumni. Between halves at the game the university band under the direction of Ralph Nohlgren will appear for the first time in their new uniforms. Immediately following the game a student body dance honoring the visiting grads will be held at the old high school gymnasium.

Snell Will Run Own Race, Says

Not Influenced by What Governor May Do, He Tells Portlanders

PORTLAND, Oct. 20.—(P)—Secretary of State Earl Snell will not be influenced in his political aspirations by the course of Governor Charles Martin, he told the Republican club here today. Addressing a luncheon meeting, Snell termed reports he would either seek re-election as secretary of State or enter the race for United States Senator if Governor Martin ran again for governor "entirely erroneous." "If, in the future, I decide to run for governor, it will not depend on the political plans of the executive or anyone else," Snell said. Republican Possibilities Seen. He told club members there was no dearth of republican ma-

terial for governor "if those men can be induced to run." "I have in mind such men as Rufus Holman, E. J. Stadelman, Douglas McKay, Sam Brown and, hold your breath, Peter Zimmerman," Snell explained. He added that he had been so occupied with his own job he had not had time to consider "future political activities." Discussing the blocking of eastern Oregon grazing lands, the secretary, a member of the state land board, said he would never "vote" for any plan which will set up a monopoly for the exclusive benefit of a few.

Trucker Hurt as Gas Tank Bursts

TILLAMOOK, Oct. 20.—(P)—Elmer Olson, an employe of the Tillamook Portland Auto Freight, Inc., was seriously burned on the face, hands and left leg Tuesday when a gas tank near which he was working with an acetylene torch, exploded. The blast and fire which followed resulted in "considerable" damage to the company shop, it was reported.

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