

Dark Days of Crisis Painted

Dr. King Tells Chamber of Tense September in Switzerland

Realization of what modern war means to civilians was brought home to Dr. Harry King of the state tuberculosis hospital staff while he was in Lausanne, Switzerland, in the tense days of late September, he related in an address at the Salem chamber of commerce luncheon Monday noon.

Although Switzerland was not expected to become embroiled in the conflict that threatened, all street lights were turned on, automobiles and trolley cars operated with dark blue lights; hotel and restaurant interiors were lighted but not the tiniest beam was permitted to escape outdoors for fear of aerial attack. Hotel rooms' windows were barred shut and covered. Precautions in Paris were even more extensive, and tension greater, Dr. King reported.

Returning Armies Happy

In France after the crisis had passed, Dr. King encountered soldiers returning from mobilization and all of them were jubilant, paying no heed to the terms or "cost" of peace. A similar feeling was discovered in Germany.

Dr. King spent eight months in Italy on a scholarship to study methods of tuberculosis control developed there, and visited many other places in Europe.

Social Welfare Topic

The program of the Social Welfare society for development of a system of more adequate old age assistance for Oregon was outlined at the chamber luncheon by Theodore Nelson. He said a conference of interested groups was scheduled for the first week of the legislative session.

Charles E. Wilson, former manager of the chamber of commerce who has recently returned from an extended tour of Europe, was present at the luncheon and was strenuously applauded when introduced.

Willamette Libe's Inventory Starts

WPA Field Workers Will Search for Books of Historic Value

PORTLAND, Dec. 5.—Work of gathering complete data on the contents of the Willamette university library was started this week by field workers of the Oregon historical records survey of the works progress administration, state WPA director E. J. Griffith has announced.

Cooperation of Willamette university officials will enable the Federal project workers in preparing a guide to a large number of rare imprints which throw light on early Oregon history. The university library has specialized for many years in assembling volumes and manuscripts of this sort.

Will Aid Research

The project falls in line with one of the major undertakings of the historical records survey; the publication of a guide to depositories of manuscript and print collections in all parts of the United States.

When complete, the work will be available to scholars for research purposes. Leaders in the historical records survey point out that while modern library methods have adequately catalogued recent historical source material, most sources of the history of early local governments throughout the country are imperfectly known. Chief task of the historical records survey, both in Oregon and the country at large, is to remedy this situation.

Company's Assets Listed at \$14,698

Land, buildings and machinery owned by the Salem By-Products company were listed as worth \$14,698 in an inventory filed by Warren Richardson, receiver named in circuit court on petition of M. T. Molsan, one of the stockholders. The plant's three acres of land and three buildings were appraised at \$5500 and its personal property, including a large amount of machinery, at \$9198.

The receiver advised the court he had made several requests for books and records of the firm but had been unable to obtain them. He asked that a time be set for presentation of creditors' claims, that he be instructed regarding fire insurance, now in danger of lapsing for non-payment of premiums, and regarding employment of a watchman to protect the company's buildings and that he be authorized to retain Charles H. and John A. Heitzel as attorneys.



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McDonald Guilty; Sister Collapses



When her brother, Charles McDonald, was found guilty of assault with a deadly weapon, Mrs. Marion Quinlan collapsed in a Los Angeles courtroom and had to be carried out of court. McDonald is guilty of shooting Mrs. Emma Krueger, wife of Karl Krueger, noted symphony orchestra leader, on a busy Hollywood, Cal., street. McDonald claimed that his mind was a complete blank at the time of the shooting. Mrs. Krueger is in Kansas City, paralyzed from the bullet wounds. The shooting occurred after Mrs. Krueger allegedly caused Mrs. McDonald to leave her husband. (U.N.)

Constitutionality Of Milk Bill up

Arguments in Appeal of 1936 Case to Open in High Court

Arguments of attorneys on the constitutionality of the Oregon milk control law will be heard by the state supreme court Thursday with the seven justices of the court sitting en banc.

The suit was filed in the Marion county circuit court in July, 1936, by W. E. Savage and Bruce Fox, Salem milk producers, against the milk control board.

Circuit Judge Lewelling dismissed the case, whereupon Savage and Fox appealed.

Ask Order Injunction

Plaintiffs are seeking to enjoin the board from enforcing an order establishing pools and production quotas of milk producers in the Salem area. They contend that the law is unconstitutional on grounds that it is a delegation of legislative authority to the board, takes property without due process of law and discriminates against some grade A producers, distributors.

The state milk board was created by an act of the 1935 legislature.

Cupid's Business Yet in Doldrums

Marriage license business continued slack at the county clerk's office here yesterday but deputies were not inclined to blame Oregon's new law requiring both men and women applicants to undergo medical examinations. They pointed out that late in November the marriage license department did an exceptionally heavy business and that a lull set in more than a week before the new law went into effect last Thursday.

The first license, and the only one so far applied for, under the new law was issued yesterday.

Ross to Address Local Gathering

Public power possibilities in the Willamette valley will be discussed by J. D. Ross, Bonneville dam administrator, at a dinner at the Quella at 6:30 o'clock tonight under auspices of the Hollywood Community club. He will speak immediately following the dinner.

Ross' appearance here is of particular interest in view of his plans to extend transmission lines from Bonneville through or near Salem and up the valley to Eugene in the near future.

Lloyd Porter Is Taken On Polk County Warrant

Lloyd Ryan Porter, 355 Bellevue street, was arrested by City Officer Hobart Kiggins yesterday on a Polk county warrant charging forgery, and released to state police.

Kiggins also apprehended Harold Lawrence, an escapee from the Oregon state hospital.

Fare Cut Considered

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—(AP)—Railroad officials heard today that management of eastern roads have considered a voluntary cut in passenger fares, now 2 1/2 cents a mile in coaches, and may establish a new tariff early in 1939.

Longshoreman Dies

PORTLAND, Dec. 5.—(AP)—Neil Bagan, Linnton, a stevedore, died today from injuries suffered Nov. 25 when he was struck by a swinging load of cargo while working on the docks here.

Allowance Asked By Mary A. Isham

Loser in Petition for Guardianship Wants Costs Paid Also

Tillie Isham, whose petition last May to be appointed guardian for her incompetent soldier-husband, Earl Isham, was unsuccessfully contested by his mother, Mary A. Isham, applied to the county court yesterday for the costs of those proceedings and for an allowance of \$26 a month to support herself and three daughters. The new petition stated that Ladd & Bush Trust company, her husband's guardian, had agreed that \$26 a month could be made available as of last July 13.

Isham's wife was notified by his mother after the 1937 onion crop was harvested that the onion lands would no longer be available to her, the wife asserted in yesterday's petition and alleged her mother-in-law had further demanded that she vacate the dwelling in which she had been living. In addition to the monthly allowance she asked for \$75 in attorney fees and \$3.15 costs.

Fog Slows Boats At Columbia Bar

ASTORIA, Ore., Dec. 5.—(AP)—Wind and high waves which threatened to halt shipping at the mouth of the Columbia river dropped today only to be supplanted by rapidly settling fog.

Unable to navigate with safety, the freighter Coast Banker anchored over night, 30 miles upstream. Transfer of the Memnon, Alaska floating cannery operated by the Columbia River Packers' association, to Youngs Bay was delayed by poor visibility.

At Portland, fog blanketed the city, although the temperature hovered around 60 degrees and warm, spring-like showers fell.

Only 139 Years



Laughing one minute and scowling the next, Robert Irwin begins a sentence of 139 years in Sing Sing prison for the murder of Veronica Gedeon, her mother and a roomer in the Gedeon home. He is pictured just after entering the New York penitentiary.

Police Patrol Gets six Cars

State Motors Is Granted Contract to Furnish new Autos

Members of the city police patrol will soon be driving about in six new, completely equipped, three-passenger Hudson coupes, according to action taken last night by the city council.

The council accepted the bid of the State Motors company to furnish the six cars, in addition to taking in six machines now owned by the police department, for a difference of \$2700. In addition, the company agrees to maintain complete service on the cars for a period of one year.

District Rating Changed

Property in southeast Salem, north of Turner road and that south of the road known as Turner addition, was by ordinance changed from a Class II special temporary residence district to a Class II residential district.

Street lights were granted at the intersection of Hoyt and Berry streets and at the intersections of Lewis and 20th streets. A request for a light at the intersection of Frederick and Thompson streets was referred to committee.

A request for a loading zone at 474 Ferry street was granted.

Lanes Are Granted

Pedestrian lanes between the courthouse and d postoffice on Church, and between the Willamette law school and the supreme court building, and between the public library and Wilson park on State street, asked by Alderman S. B. Laughlin, were granted. The city was in receipt of a bill for damages from Percy and Mrs. Emma Budlong, 1549 Oak street, claiming \$470 due them from the city as result of a fractured arm and dislocated leg sustained by their son, Richard Budlong, from a fall into an allegedly unprotected, city-dug ditch. The bill, most of which is for alleged permanent injury, was referred to the city attorney.

Last Rites Slated For Fred C. Ewing

Funeral services for Fred C. Ewing, 50, for many years mechanical foreman in the nut growers cooperative plant here, who died Sunday, will be held this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock at the Clough-Barrick chapel, Rev. Guy L. Drift officiating.

Mr. Ewing had been confined to a hospital here more than a year suffering from cancer. He was widely known as a prosaive Polk county farmer and had been interested in the cooperative movement for many years. He also served as an officer in the prune growers co-op here.

Surviving are the widow, Hazel R. Ewing, two sons, Robert and Margaret; a brother, W. S. of Oswego; and four sisters, Mrs. Gertrude McElfresh, Corvallis; Mrs. Jane Pomeroy, Boling, Texas; George E. Ewing, Portland; and Mrs. Annie E. Wayson of Alexandria, Va.

Woman Is Victim Of Poison Pills

After having swallowed bichloride of mercury tablets, apparently mistaking them for anacin, Mrs. Carrie Slater, 51, died at the Salem General hospital Sunday.

Mrs. Slater, according to a police report, called her husband to the bathroom of their home shortly after 4 o'clock Sunday morning, showed him a bottle and said she had taken the poison in error in place of the anacin she was accustomed to taking since undergoing surgical treatment for cancer about a year ago. Mr. Slater sent for the first aid car and a physician. At the hospital Mrs. Slater was said to have told the doctor about her mistake.

The funeral will be held from the Walker & Howell chapel at 10 a. m. Thursday.

Greeley Complains About Trade Pact

PORTLAND, Dec. 5.—(AP)—A complaint that the trade agreement with Britain and Canada would damage reforestation, sustained yield and other conservation practices advocated by the government was made today by Col. W. B. Greeley, secretary-manager of the West Coast Lumberman's association.

Greeley said although the United States led the world in lumber exports ten years ago, Sweden, Finland, Russia and Canada dominated the market now.

"Instead of a national policy making for security in the value of forest lands and growing crops of removing their present restrictions and subjecting them to the free and unfettered competition of the entire world," Greeley said.

Council Holds up License Renewals

Postponement of city beer license renewals for two weeks was granted by a 7 to 5 vote of the city council last night, following a motion to that effect by Alderman C. F. French.

In so moving French said: "We owe a good deal of consideration to these renewals in view of the pressure, advocating a reduction in the number of drinking places in Salem, that has been brought to bear on us."

Crash Pilot Recovers From Ordeal



Pictured with his wife, Captain Charles B. Stead of Seattle, pilot of the plane that crashed into the surf near San Francisco and took a toll of five lives, laid the blame to a "freak" radio reception. He said, "Reception was so phenomenally loud that the different beams became confused. Salt Lake City and Sacramento came in as strong as Portland and it was impossible to stay on the right beam."

Investigators said the reception phenomenon had been known but never before caused an accident.

League of Cities Sets Meet Series

League Will Expound Its Legislative Program at Conferences

MARSHFIELD, Dec. 5.—(AP)—A series of meetings to expound its legislative program and encourage support for its tax, financial and traffic policies was opened today by the League of Oregon Cities.

Mayor Charles H. Huggins, Marshfield, president, said the discussions, beginning today at Medford, would center around a 20 per cent decline in the cities' assessed valuation since 1931 and tax delinquencies of more than \$9,000,000. The decline amounted to \$10,991,440.

The league will seek community views on a basic speed law granting a greater degree of city regulation, sinking funds to permit equipment purchases on a pay-as-you-go basis, and a revision of the 6 per cent budget limitations.

Meetings will be held at Klamath Falls tonight, Burns Tuesday noon, Ontario Tuesday night, Baker Wednesday noon, LaGrande Wednesday night, Pendleton Thursday night, The Dalles Friday noon and Redmond Friday night.

Next week's schedule will include North Bend, Roseburg, Eugene, McMinnville, Salem, Tillamook, Astoria and Portland.

Huggins will make the trip, accompanied by Herman Kehrl, Eugene, the league's executive secretary, and Mayor C. C. Furnas, Medford, a director. Commissioner Ormand Bean, Portland, and Mayor H. W. Hand, Corvallis, will assist the officers at a number of meetings.

First Night Best For Elks' Drama

Judging from past events, the first night of the Elks' charity show, which is tonight, is the best time to plan on attending with confidence that a seat will be available. In some past years there has been plenty of room the first two nights but "sell-outs" the next two.

The show, "Hay Fever," opens tonight in the auditorium at the Elks' temple. Dress rehearsal Monday night found the cast letter-perfect, having had the additional advantage of one public presentation of the play last Friday night at the state tuberculosis hospital. The play, by Noel Coward, is one of the best comedies shown in Salem in recent years. Miss Beulah Graham of the Salem Civic Players is the director.

Nine Bids Are Had For Sewage Plant

SILVERTON—Nine bids were received by the city council Monday night for construction of the proposed sewage disposal plant. Submitted to Baer & Cunningham, engineers, for analysis, they will be considered for award of contract at an adjourned meeting Wednesday night.

The council also opened bids on two bond issues and accepted proffers by Tripp & McCleary, Portland, on both. Bid on the \$45,000 refunding series was \$100.37 at 3 1/2 per cent interest and on the \$35,000 disposal plant issue, \$100.11 at 3 1/2 per cent on maturities up to 1954 and 3 per cent on the remainder, running to 1957.

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Blue Sky Law Needs Repairs

Corporation Commissioner Suggests Changes in Annual Report

Oregon's blue sky law has been cut and patched until it represents a heterogeneous group of sections which are not capable of intelligent amendment, State Corporation Commissioner James Haslett declared in his annual report filed with Governor Charles H. Martin Monday.

Haslett recommended that the commissioner be given power to deny applications to issue and sell securities whenever it appears to him that the securities involved present an unfair, unjust or inequitable investment or will work a fraud or imposition on the purchaser thereof.

The commissioner also would make it possible to go directly to the courts and obtain injunctions to prohibit threatened or continued violations of the blue sky law.

A more inclusive definition of the word "security" also was recommended.

Reports on Corporations

The report showed that there were 11,095 domestic corporations in operation in Oregon June 30, 1938, as against 11,284 on June 30, 1937.

There were 336 domestic corporations voluntarily dissolved during the year while 456 were dissolved by the governor for non-payment of fees.

Foreign corporations on record June 30, 1938, aggregated 904 as compared to 892 on June 30, 1937.

Hayden Is Given Major's Ranking

Captain Miller B. Hayden, better known as justice of the peace here, yesterday became Major Hayden.

Word of his promotion to major came to Major Hayden November 19 in an official communication from the adjutant general of the war department, and the appointment became effective yesterday when he forwarded acceptance.

The promotion is to major, judge advocate general, of the regular army reserve.

The higher rank will not entail absence from his duties as justice of the peace, as the reservists are subject to active duty only in case of call to arms.

Pioneer Linotype Operator Is Dead

BALTIMORE, Dec. 5.—(AP)—Ferdinand K. Wich, 71, said by friends to have cast the first type on a linotype machine, died at his home last night.

The type was cast when he worked as an apprentice for Ottomar Mergenthaler, inventor of the linotype. For the past 19 years he had been a machinist for the Baltimore News-Post.

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Music Lovers Greet Concert

Salem Symphony's First Appearance Is Well Attended

By JEROME UPSTON

An enthusiastic audience of music lovers attended the first concert of the Salem Philharmonic Symphony orchestra last night at the Salem high school auditorium under the baton of Edouard Hurli-mann, who is beginning his second year as conductor. The concert marked the beginning of the seventh season of the orchestra which has shown marked improvement from year to year. An additional feature to the stage appearance of the orchestra this year is the new stage platform and music racks.

The varied and interesting program opened with Overture, "Merry Wives of Windsor" followed by Symphony No. 8 in B minor, "Unfinished," by Franz Schubert. In these two pieces the skill and dignity of the players was shown.

Miss Doris Helen Calkins of Eugene was the harp soloist of the evening and played "Bourée," "Marguerite at the Spinning Wheel" and "Valse de Concert" with much poise and grace. For encore numbers Miss Calkins played two favorites, "Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes" and "The Rosary."

The exceptionally fine string section was featured in "Eine Kleine Nachtmusik" by Mozart with Dalbert Jensen as the concertmaster. "The grand finale of the program was 'Valse, Tales of the Vienna Woods' by Johann Strauss and proved to be the favorite with the audience. In this piece the full strength of the 70 pieces was shown presenting a professional like number. For the last number Miss Calkins assisted the orchestra.

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