

Compensation Act Amendments Topic

State UCC Chairman Says Whole Purpose to Be Simplification

PORTLAND, Feb. 17.—(AP)—Chamber of commerce committee members were assured by T. Morris Dunne, chairman of the state commission, that proposed amendments to the compensation act were for simplification.

J. B. Kraus and E. T. Rogers of the tax reduction and control bureau, an organization with headquarters here, has asserted the amendments would pool funds, prevent stable employers from obtaining reductions and cover up mismanagement.

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Reductions Due
Employers who pay 2.7 per cent on payrolls would begin receiving reductions in 1941 providing their industry had been stable, the chairman said. The advisory group would start work on the merit rating June 1, 1941, six months after it could have been made effective under federal law. Dunne explained the date would give the state authorities six months to compile data.

Proposed amendments included elimination of railroad contributions after June 30, changing the benefit year from Jan. 1 to April 1 establishing the calendar year for employer payments, limiting times for hearings and reviews and raising the lowest rate employers pay in 1945 from 1/2 to 1 per cent, although the action would make little difference to the employer since 1/2 per cent credited to pool accounts would be eliminated. Railroads will be eliminated because of a private unemployment payment system.

Prep Prattle

By PATRICIA RYAN
John F. Mason, interpreter of English literature, was presented in a recital in the high school auditorium last Thursday. This was the fourth and last in the series of concerts sponsored by the Crescendo club. Mr. Mason included several humorous as well as serious selections in his repertoire. E. U. Johnson played several piano numbers.

Club day was observed on Friday with the consideration of concessions at the Civics club carnival the important topic of discussion in most organizations.

Sound motion pictures will be shown by the Photo club at the Civics club carnival. The Photo club contest closed Thursday and the entries were judged during Friday's meeting. The pictures will be on exhibit in the lower hall for several days. Contest winners will be announced later.

New officers elected for this semester are Bill Snell, president; Andy Humphrey, vice president; and Gloria Cotter, secretary-treasurer.

Members of the Science club visited the state scientific laboratories Friday. They were shown around by N. M. Pinkbinder, head engineer. These laboratories are used to test all things purchased by the state.

Robert Utter of the state unemployment commission spoke at a joint meeting of the Civics and Social Science clubs on the subject of social insurance.

Mr. Utter graduated from Salem high school and Willamette university and received his master's degree at the University of Southern California.

Four members of the Home Economics club were elected to attend the state home economics convention in Corvallis February 25. An effort is being made to charter a school bus for the trip, in which case not less than 25 girls will attend.

Delegates elected were Doris Crabtree, senior; Florence and Frances Libburn, juniors; and Estelle Smith, sophomore. Maxine Drorbaugh, president, was chosen as the club's candidate for the Civics club carnival queen.

Plans are being made by the Future Farmers for a trip to the World's fair in San Francisco. Arrangements have been completed with the state FFA association for a large number of boys to attend the fair for a week at small cost.

Equipment for the Radio club is advancing rapidly. The club purchased a second-hand transmitter and with extra parts is building a transmitter that will be suitable. At the meeting last Friday members practiced code transmission from the club room in the basement by a one-tube transmitter built recently by Art Fellen.

Played Hookey—for Honeymoon



James Kent and wife Verda
School probation officers investigating the absence of Verda Rose from classes in Pittsburgh made the startling discovery that the 13-year-old girl was playing hookey to honeymoon. The officers found that she had married last November to James Kent of Uniontown, Pa. "They can't part us," said Verda and Jimmy when interviewed.

Sage of Salem Speculates . . .

By D. H. TALMADGE

War
Up to our ears we'll be in war Long 'bout twenty thirty-four.

It does not hurt my feelings in the least to be called an old fogey. I trust that is true. The world is wasting a tremendous amount of money to guard itself from old fogies, and it causes an old peltier such as I to wonder what the end will be. Well, of course I cannot change it. Right or wrong, the flood rages on.

I have, I presume, had much the same experience in the matter of health as the average person. I am now coming uncomfortably close to the three-quarter century mark. At present my eyes are refusing childishly to put up with type smaller than long primer, which modern typographers refer to as 10 point. Years ago, before a definite standard was adopted, 10 point was anything from nine and a half to ten and a half. Those were great days for the boys who cleaned up the pl. The linotype did away with most of this annoyance. But I still carry a vivid memory of the old days.

When I went back to Providence—that was in the 80s—there was but one linotype in the town. New York had three or four. There were newspaper as the club's candidate for carnival queen.

A field trip to the Salem linen mill took the place of the regular meeting of the Commercial club.

Helen Gwinn is the carnival queen candidate of the Junior Crescendo club.

"The First Dress Suit," a one-act comedy, by Russel Medcraft, will be the annual play of the Mask and Dagger club, to be given March 9.

Miss Margaret Burroughs, club adviser, announced the following cast: Jack Sullivan, Teddy Harding; Ruth Steinback, Betty Harding; Don' arms, Johnny Drake, and Carol Cook, Mrs. Harding. Mona Dykes is the student director and Margaret Crowley, advertising manager.

Joseph Weber, state bridge engineer, was the guest speaker of the French club.

This year the Civics club carnival will incorporate many novel ideas. Club-operated concessions will be open from 7 to 8 p. m. In the auditorium from 8 to 9 p. m., some of the clubs will present short entertainments on the stage. These programs will be judged, and the winning club will receive 10 per cent of the proceeds. Following this there will be dancing in the gym for high school students.

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How Does Your Garden Grow?

By LILLIE L. MADSEN



Lillie L. Madsen
—the deep golden yellow Golden Opella, or the two-tone Betty Upchurch, or the long pointed pink budded Editor McFarland. . . Every spring one sees some rose he wishes he had in his own garden. They should be planted at once. Soon it will be too late again, and one will be wishing for another season.

If one prefers shrubs—flowering ones—and want small ones, there is the white Bell Heather or the common heather with golden foliage, as well as the common heather with the green foliage. A number of the bush honeysuckles are attractive. There are always a number of azaleas that one does not have, or rhododendrons. There is the Beauty Bush or you might try one of the newer Buddleias. The highbush cranberry (Viburnum Opulus) is especially attractive for the little tree-like shrubs should be planted in the spring. There are some very lovely flowering Deutzias. There are also the Weigela in red and pink.

For Perennial Garden.
In the perennial garden the Anemone Japonica may be planted in the spring, as may also the columbine, the delphinium, the autumn asters, and a number of others.

The Astilbe is always admired a lot in spring and is still one of those plants usually forgotten when ordering new plants. You do remember it? The cream or rose feathery heads growing on stems a foot to two or three feet high with pretty foliage nearer the ground?

You may want to add a few ferns. Ferns are not used enough, in my opinion. And yet what is nicer than a patch of cool, green ferns when the warmth of July and early August arrives? You might choose one of the Maidenhair ferns, or the Mountain Holly fern (a rare one, very attractive), or one of the dwarf compact rock ferns such as Cheilanthes Gracilima, or the wood fern. These with a number of other varieties may be purchased from a western Oregon grower.

Rock Garden Shrubs
If you are looking for a little shrub for the rock garden, try Daphne Cneorum. The dwarf Geum, Borisis, which supplies a range of scarlet flowers almost throughout summer, is a nice addition to the rockery if one has the right place for it. The coral bells may be added to the rockery in the spring, also. There are a number of rock garden species of phlox which are being offered by Salem and Portland growers. The sedum list grows longer each year.

and can be had with pink, yellow or lavender flowers.

There are certain things one should be doing in the garden at once. Perhaps it does seem a little chilly and disagreeable, but unless some of these things are done almost at once, it will be too late. You remember I warned you to hurry up and finish the dormant spraying? Did you remember the lone gooseberry bush, the crab apple tree, or the extra prune tree? I hope you also remembered the grape vine and peach tree? In ornamentals, it is very necessary to spray the flowering almond. You remember, last spring you complained about the flowering almond dying back? The foliage withering? Entire branches dying? Well, spraying is the only thing that will help that. And continuous spraying.

Pruning Time Nears
Have you cut off the branches that did die on the flowering almond? Go over your trees and shrubs and cut back all broken and injured branches. Real pruning time is just around the corner. Often time we have finished our pruning by this time. I am being told it is still a little too early to prune the roses. However, the robins and meadowlarks are out in droves and I am having my pruning shears sharpened. I like my roses pruned as early as possible.

It isn't a bit too early to give your lawn the first feeding of balanced fertilizer. You want the grass to grow vigorous and have ability to choke out the weeds. Weeds are a little more slow to start in spring than grass. A rainy day is a good time to scatter the fertilizer.

Answers to Questions
D. A.—Hyacinths which have bloomed inside can be planted out. The bulbs if the foliage is permitted to mature properly.

C. D.—Yes, apricots and almonds will both grow here. I know of some almond trees which must be fully 20 years old and which bear each year. Golden Jubilee is one of the best for a one-tree orchard. Southworth apricot is said to be one of the best apricots for the family lot. There are two or three varieties of quince which are good here: the Champion, a very large, bright yellow, and the pineapple, which it is said may be eaten raw and is excellent for jelly. Winter Banana, Yellow Norton, the Delicious, and the early Gravenstein are among the best varieties of apples for the single tree or so to be added to the house lot. The Red Siberian is perhaps the best red crabapple with the Hyslop among the best of the yellow. Of gooseberries, if I were only to have two bushes, I would choose Oregon Champions for variety.

A. R.—Horseradish is a perennial. One can get plants from friends or purchase "crowns" for ten or fifteen cents. It is easily grown but not so pleasantly prepared.

C. D.—Thyme can be had very reasonably. It is not difficult to grow and is a perennial. It comes with both golden leaves (lemon scented) and green leaves. You can get it with lavender pink flowers or scarlet flowers. There is also a variety with white flowers.

W. F.—There are several varieties of mint offered by most growers. Perhaps the three most com-

Many Are Present At 'Crafts Night'

500 View Work Done by WPA Recreationalists in Class Work

More than 500 were in attendance at the "crafts night" program held in the old high school Thursday. Visitors were shown exhibits of work done by the Marion and Polk county adult education and recreation classes. Displays included work in woodwork, mechanical drawing, knitting, sewing, handicraft, fly tying, mining photography, pastel drawing and oil painting.

Many comments of praise and surprise came from visitors regarding the type of work produced.

Program is Enjoyed
An interesting program was held in the auditorium, consisting largely of music. Among the of-

ferings presented was a novelty number given by the boys and girls from David Moses' music and tap dancing classes. The Liberty community orchestra presented three selections. There were vocal and piano solos and finally three numbers by the Salem mixed chorus. The musical program was arranged by Mrs. Florence Hamlen, the vocal instructor of the adult education music classes in Salem. Rex Putnam, state superintendent of public instruction, represented the state department of education and gave a talk on the subject "Social Institutions."

Attend Funeral
CLEAR LAKE—Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Herrold left by auto Thursday morning for Walla Walla to attend the funeral of Mr. Herrold's half brother. They expect to return this weekend.

Stamp Collecting Hobby
ABIQUA—Pupils at McClellan school are going in for extensive collecting of United States stamps.

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