

### Bids for Four Highway Jobs To Be Opened

Bids for four state highway commission projects, aggregating a cost estimated at \$150,000, will be opened by the commission at a meeting in Portland January 23, R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer, announced here Monday.

The projects: Providing 11,870 cubic yards of crushed rock or crushed gravel on the Baker rock production project on four state highways in Baker county.

Providing 11,920 cubic yards of crushed rock or crushed gravel in stock piles on the Burns rock production project on three state highways in Harney county.

Providing 19,200 cubic yards of crushed rock or crushed gravel on the Oregon City-Molalla-Eagle Creek production project on the Cascade and Woodburn-Sandy secondary highways in Clackamas county.

Providing 9950 cubic yards of crushed rock in stock piles on the Silverton-Silver Creek rock production project on the Silver Creek Falls secondary highway in Marion county.

### Cherrians to March Again Says McNeil

Reorganization of the "marching club" feature of the Salem Cherrians, even in the face of difficulties of securing uniforms, should be undertaken by the capital city's principal booster organization during 1945, King Bing Sidney McNeil declared in his inaugural address at Monday night's installation banquet at the Marion hotel.

McNeil paid tribute to retiring King Bing Frank Chalas and to the organization for the work accomplished the past year, particularly the sponsorship of the Red Cross blood bank, the establishment of "The Salem Cherrian" publication for Salem service men and women away from home and soldiers.

The organization should continue the "Cherrian" and should undertake entertainment of men convalescing at Camp Adair navy hospital, McNeil maintained.

A feature of the mirror room decorations for the banquet were screens and bulletin boards covered with hundreds of letters received by Cherrians from service folk expressing appreciation for the news letter from home sponsored by the organization.

### Ward's Legal Battle Rages

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—(AP)—Government and company counsel fought a legal battle all day in federal court today over the question of whether President Roosevelt had statutory and constitutional authority to seize Montgomery Ward and company properties in seven cities.

This, the opposing attorneys agreed, is the principal issue of the lawsuit. The government is asking a declaratory judgment to establish legality of the seizure December 28 and an injunction to prevent company interference with the army now controlling the properties.

### Russell Funeral Set For Wednesday at 1:30

SILVERTON—Funeral services for Rex Ira Russell, native of Marion county who died Saturday will be held Wednesday at 2 o'clock from the Memorial chapel of the Ekman funeral home. Interment will be in the Silverton cemetery.

### Thumbnail of War!

Western front—Germans retreat from tip of Belgian bulge under protection of blizzed as American pinners narrows to 10 miles.  
Russia—Red army units drive to within 50 miles of Austrian border as Russians tighten grip on Budapest.  
Italy—British continue advance in four day drive on Adriatic coast.  
China—Lull in fighting indicates Japs preparing to rush troops in any direction if Americans land on China coast.  
Pacific—Japanese broadcasts say without confirmation that American divisions have invaded Luzon.

### Too Late to Classify

Slightly used bathette; medium size surplus uniform; new and used bird cage. Call 6425 after 5 p. m.  
NICE room for gentlemen. 168 N. 17th street.

SUPER tank cleaning outfit; all new equipment. Mounted on Chrysler. Profitable investment for someone. 2-unit Universal milk machine. Used 1 yr. To be sold at Grosbeck Auction Mkt. Wednesday.

GIRL'S bicycle. Excellent condition. Phone 7822

### 'Congratulations and Success'



"Congratulations and success," said Portland City Commissioner Dorothy McCullough Lee (left) to Rose M. Foote, Klamath Falls, newest woman member of the state legislature, as she greeted her in the house of representatives Monday. Mrs. Lee was a member of the house before she went to the senate. She resigned as senator in the summer of 1943 to take the Portland city post. Representative Foote and Commissioner Lee are members of the same women's service club. One is a charter member of the Portland Soroptimists, the other a past president of the Klamath Falls club.

### In the Capitol Limelight

Those who before January 3 were accustomed to betting on horse races were putting their money on the nose of one Marsh brother or the other Monday at the state capitol. Friends of Speaker of the House Eugene Marsh and his twin brother, Francis Marsh, maintain that the way to tell the two apart is by the structure of their noses. By keeping those features squarely in their own business the Marsh's maintain they have been able to keep the public guessing. They have shared law offices in McMinnville since Francis returned to the Yamhill county seat from Portland where he was an assistant U. S. district attorney.

Speaking of twins: Harry L. Ideman of Portland, legislator here in 1919, and Robert S. Farrell, sr., almost always seen together where politics is most interesting were visitors at the opening sessions of senate and house Monday.

There was unity and then some in the joint session Monday afternoon. Neil Allen of Grants Pass, chairman of the state republican central committee, received the courtesies of the senate and sat with Sen. Lew Wallace of Portland, democratic national committeeman.

Four senate pages were appointed by President Howard Belton during the organization program. They include William Laidlaw and Susanne LaVatta, both of Salem; Norma Schilke, Lebanon, and Marjorie Huff of Oregon City.

Attorney General George Neuner established a branch office on the third floor of the state capitol building, which will be maintained for the duration of the current legislative session to transmit business connected with the legislature.

Those are in areas where enemy forces have been by-passed and pinned down in operations now more than a year old which enabled MacArthur to speed up his push toward the Philippines.

Higher Wages Urged For Cannery Workers  
EUGENE, Jan. 8.—(AP)—Higher wages for cannery employes to forestall a labor shortage in 1945 were urged today at the closing session of the Pacific coast council of cannery and process workers.

Improvement of working conditions in Pacific coast canneries also was a topic at the three-day meet.

Oregon Counties' Group To Send Sever East  
PORTLAND, Jan. 8.—(AP)—The association of Oregon counties will send Frank S. Sever, Portland, as a representative to Washington, D. C. while federal legislation for payments in lieu of taxes on federal lands is under discussion.

Sever, who succeeded Sen. Guy Cordon as council for O. & C. land grant counties, will leave the middle of January.

Plaster Meeting Set  
PORTLAND, Jan. 8.—(AP)—Almost 200 delegates representing plaster journeymen, contractors and manufacturers and dealers are expected to attend the northwest plaster bureau here February 2-4.

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STOP THAT COUGHING!  
Soothing, effective PINEX helps relieve that cough... in a hurry! Mix at home, with sugar and water, corn syrup or liquid honey. Makes a full pint... almost four times as much for your money. No more effective relief at any price for coughs due to colds. Ask for PINEX

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### House Off to Quiet Start; One Bill in

One measure already was before the house of representatives today as the vanguard of a list which some members already are predicting will reach a record total and perhaps extend the 43rd legislative meeting far beyond its allotted 50 days.

The bill would lower the voting age in Oregon from 21 to 18, and should it pass both the house and the senate it would be brought before the people at the next general election.

The bill was introduced by Reps. Vernon Bull of LaGrande, Phil Brady of Portland and Manley J. Wilson of St. Helens, all democrats. Bull said "if these boys and girls are old enough to go overseas and fight, they're old enough to vote. An 18-year-old knows more today than a man of 50 knew 25 years ago."

The house got off to a good start with nothing to disturb the decisions reached at Sunday night's caucus. Rep. Eugene Marsh of McMinnville was elected speaker without opposition and took over from Rep. Giles French, temporary chairman. Marsh was formally nominated by Rep. John H. Hall of Multnomah county, seconded by Rep. Carl H. Francis of Yamhill county. The ballot was recorded as unanimous. Marsh not voting.

House officers chosen included Claribel Buff of Salem, chief clerk; Patricia Sylvers of Eugene, assistant clerk; Edith Byron Low of Marion and Currie counties, calendar clerk; Richard Wilson of Portland, reading clerk; Dow Lovell of Salem, sergeant-at-arms; Lee Howard of Portland, doorkeeper; Vivian Le Doux of Woodburn, mailing clerk. The latter a page girl last session, was chosen over M. T. Collins.

Marsh after being sworn in, gave a brief talk pledging to conduct his office in "a fair and impartial manner" and expressed gratitude for his election.

A. Langworthy Dies Sunday  
Abram B. Langworthy, 59, farmer of route four, Salem, died unexpectedly at his home Sunday. Death was believed caused by a heart attack due to over exertion, as he was chopping wood when the attack occurred. He had been a resident of the Salem vicinity for the past 11 years, coming from the middlewest.

Surviving besides the wife, Elba Langworthy of the home, are a daughter, Mrs. Frances Selby of Long Beach, Calif.; son Lee Langworthy with the U.S. navy; two brothers, Ansel and Fay Langworthy of Oklahoma; three sisters, Mrs. Daisy Horn of Portland and Mrs. Grace Sharp and Mrs. Hazel Talbot of Olympia, Wash.; and by two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held from the Cough Barrick chapel Wednesday, at 2 p.m. Dr. J. C. Harrison officiating. Interment will be in Belcrest Memorial park.

### 3 Nazi Agents To Get Death

EINDHOVEN, Holland, Jan. 8.—(AP)—Three German agents, all Dutch nationals, have been sentenced to death, and two others were given long prison terms by a Dutch military tribunal sitting here.

Those given death sentences were Teunis Faeces, 31, a baker; Hendrius Martinus Eggers, 40, an insurance agent and Warner Saloman, 33, a clerk.

Paques and Eggers were convicted of being saboteurs and Saloman was held as a spy.

Escape Reported  
State police reported today the escape of Marin Kordich, 65, from the Oregon state hospital late Monday. The man had been a patient at the hospital for the past 19 years, but was believed not dangerous.

Searching Party Finds Scene of Plane Crash  
PORTLAND, Jan. 8.—(AP)—A party searching for Lt. Max R. Smith, Eugene, and Capt. Ralph A. Thiesen, Hamburg, Fla., killed in a plane crash 10 miles southeast of Bend, reached the scene late yesterday, Portland air base officials said today.

Rugged terrain delayed the search. The airman crashed in a B-T-13 plane on a routine training flight from Redmond army airfield Saturday.

### Austin Challenges Democrats To Offer National Service Law to Meet FDR's Request

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—(AP)—Senate republicans pledged aid in the enactment of manpower measures today with Senator Austin (R-Vt) calling on the administration to press hard for national service legislation.

Chairman Taft (R-Ohio) said it was the consensus of the GOP steering committee that the minority is "willing to do whatever seems practical or needed to accomplish the result" of increasing war production.

Austin, who Taft said had been designated as spokesman for the committee on manpower questions, went further. Urges Pressure  
The Vermontor told reporters who gathered at his office that it is up to the administration to make an "active and earnest" effort to get national service legislation, something he implied it thus far has failed to do despite President Roosevelt's repeated recommendation to congress.

Chairman Colmer (D-Miss) of the house postwar committee, meantime approached the manpower pressure issue from a different point. He introduced in that branch a measure for induction of men whom local draft boards do not consider as making a full contribution to war output. Particular provision is made for induction of war plant strikers. Would Assign Jobs  
Under the Colmer bill these men could be used in any way the army and navy see fit to further the war effort, including assignment to war plants. They would have distinctive uniforms but receive regular army pay on the basis of rank.

Senator Austin, who joined with Representative Wadsworth (R-NY) in offering a manpower draft bill in the last congress, said he will not reintroduce the measure. But he added that he has not lost faith in its efficacy. Convinced of Need  
"Our experience in attempting to handle the manpower problem under executive orders seems to have convinced some members of the administration who previously thought national service legislation was unnecessary that it is needed," he said.

"But there will have to be more active and earnest effort by the administration, from the White House, through the war production board, the war manpower mission and the senators and representatives responsible for the legislative program to make it clear to the public that a broad national service act is what is needed."

Wyoming Solon Urges Support For Roosevelt  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—(AP)—Critics of President Roosevelt's foreign policy statement to congress were accused tonight by Senator O'Mahoney (D-Wyo) of being swayed by politics.

Calling upon congress to "close ranks behind the president," he told a reporter: "Most of the criticism of his message which I have read seem to me to be merely a continuation of the presidential campaign of 1944."

O'Mahoney's remarks were prompted by senate republican criticism which followed in the wake of the reading of the president's annual message to congress Saturday. Various republicans said the president had not been "specific" and that he failed to provide evidence of leadership in dealing with troublesome political developments abroad.

"The president has reasserted his faith in the principles of the Atlantic charter," O'Mahoney said. "I don't know what more can be done at this moment. The next step is the one which the president is going to take—namely, to confer with Churchill and Stalin."

"In his message Saturday, he declared to these men as well as to the whole world that he has no sympathy with either political or economic imperialism."

Portland Horse Markets Doing Booming Trade  
PORTLAND, Jan. 8.—(AP)—Customers at Portland's three horse markets no longer asked apologetically for "some meat for my dog"—they declare boldly "I'll take a steak or a roast," dealers reported today.

Business in equine cuts is booming since the recent tightening order on red ration stamps, market proprietors said. One stated his business had increased one third since the new rules took effect.

### Store Sawdust For Full Year Advises OPA

Sawdust users were advised today by George L. Curry, district OPA fuel rationing representative, to build storage facilities to hold a full year's supply of dust and then "fill 'er up" during the spring and summer months while dealers have both supply and facilities available.

"Users could forestall the hardship that has occurred this winter by taking this precaution," Curry emphasized.

He pointed out that many early season sawdust deliveries have been arbitrarily restricted by the fact that customers do not have storage space to accommodate a full season's supply.

Curry repeated advice previously given that sawdust users also obtain a set of furnace grates for use during shortage periods so that temporarily at least wood or coal could be burned. Several types of grates are available for this purpose and sawdust users are advised to consult their fuel dealer about the most practical method for re-converting their own sawdust burner.

Salem Bank Continues Jackson Day Tradition  
During the years the Bush family owned Ladd & Bush bank Jackson day, January 8, was always observed by the display of national flags. Monday the bank, now a branch of the US National of Portland, observed the Bush tradition and had crossed flags in all its windows.

Jackson day is not the day of President Jackson's birth, but of the day in 1814 when as general he defeated the British in the battle of New Orleans.

### Oregon Cities Must Begin Postwar Planning Says Bowes

Tax structure, transportation problems and selection of proper locations for new construction are challenges facing every Oregon city in the era of promise just opening, Public Works Commissioner William A. Bowes declared as he spoke Monday noon before Salem Chamber of Commerce.

"A lot of bold planning, a lot of bold thinking and a lot of money" will be needed to place Oregon cities where they belong in the world scheme, Bowes maintained after asserting "if in 10 years we do not occupy a top place among Pacific coast metropolitan districts it will be our own fault."

Double Responsibility  
The responsibility of citizens to know where tax money goes is matched only by the responsibility of office holders to let the people know what their tax money is used for, the speaker declared.

So many of the cities' tax sources have been tapped by state and federal governments, he declared, "that I do not blush to ask for state and federal aid." When the nation can pour billions of dollars a day into materials to fight for democracy, it can invest substantial sums in peacetime upbuilding of that democracy.

Planning Needed  
Leaf-raking and similar programs are not sought, nor should they be acceptable in postwar years. But this area with one of the greatest existing pools of skilled labor must keep people at work, and works which may be considered an investment for the future should be planned, Bowes declared.

Accompanying Bowes to Salem other members of the Portland city commission were seated at the speaker's table: Mayor Earl Riley, Finance Commissioner Kenneth Cooper, Public Affairs Commissioner Fred Peterson and Public Utilities Commissioner Dorothy McCullough Lee and City Engineer Ben Morrow.

ON the HOME FRONT  
By ISABEL CHILDS  
If the senate journal is as well-constructed a volume as Sen. W. H. Strayer intimates it will be under the loving editorship of Zylpha Zell Burns, chief clerk, it will, no doubt, list the member's birthdays!

Sen. Joel Booth started the racket when he nominated Sen. Howard C. Belton for the presidency and told about the Canby senator's past (Iowa, same's a lot of us). But the next nominees for office were women and although the speakers cracked off about it, not one dared to name a birth date.

The best chuckle in the senate Monday morning came when Sen. Thomas M. Honeoy nominated Banks Mortimer for the job of sergeant-at-arms. Chief boost he could give the aspirant was "He holds membership in the Hood River American Legion." No one said, even after the unanimous vote had been cast, whether the senate was afraid some Japanese might walk in or that their own names might be rubbed off the slate in the hall of fame.

Four Youths Caught Driving Stolen Car  
State police arrested four youths late Monday, when they were apprehended driving a stolen car, near 12th and Hoyt sts. in Salem. Police officer Ed Braden who made the arrest said that the car, a Ford coach, belonged to Donald P. Gildow of Portland, and that the boys were turned over to the juvenile authorities as they were all under 17.

Finally, not only must cities plan for public buildings, recreation, hospitalization, transportation and industry, but they and other agencies must unify their planning if they expect to have it work, the speaker said.

Group Introduced  
Bowes' address followed introduction of the chamber's planning commission by Chairman C. B. McCullough: Clay Cochran, Charles A. Sprague, George Putnam, W. W. Chadwick, Paul Wallace, I. M. Doughton, W. M. Hamilton and J. N. Chambers.

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Charles Coburn  
When Strangers Marry  
COMING THURSDAY  
30 SECONDS TO TOKYO  
SPENCER TRACY

CAPITOL LAST TIMES TODAY  
"DRAGON SEED"  
Katherine Hepburn  
Walter Huston  
Aline MacMahon  
Akim Tamiroff  
Turhan Bey  
PLUS "CRIME BY NIGHT"

STARTS WEDNESDAY  
STARS SONOR  
BAHLER  
TAKE IT OR LEAVE IT  
CO-FEATURE  
RED BLOODED THRILLS!  
"Death Valley Manhunt"  
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LAST NIGHT! BETTE DAVIS "MR. SKEFFINGTON"  
Dennis Morgan "DESERT SONG"  
THE LITTLE HOUSE WITH THE BIG WIFE  
STATE - OPENS 6:45 P. M.  
TOMORROW!  
ANYTHING GOES... AND EVERYTHING DOES!  
BOB HOPE BETTY HUTTON  
"Let's Face It"  
THRILL CO-HIT!  
West Side Kid  
DON BARRY DALE EVANS HENRY HULL NANA BRYANT

COMMANDO TACTICS IN LOVE!  
GRAND  
NOW! The Toughest Guys in Uniform... and They Use...  
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