

The Oregon Statesman

"No Favor Sways Us, No Fear Shall Awe"
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In Judge Goldsborough's Court

The attorneys for the United Mine Workers let their emotions get the better of them when they denounced the government for the size of the fine it recommended in the contempt case. Joe Padway cried out: "Shame upon a government that would try to perpetrate such an outrage." He branded it an imposition upon the individual miners. Wally Hopkins was vehement in his denunciation, calling the recommendation "malicious." Fortunately, the government attorney, John F. Sonnett and Judge Goldsborough kept their tempers.

What the attorneys for the defense blindly overlooked was the fact that this strike was, in the language of the judge, "an evil, demonic, monstrous thing," which brings "hunger and cold, and unemployment and destitution." Lewis puts the interest of his miners above the interest of the whole country.

There was nothing in the attitude or language of the judge which indicated any purpose to destroy unionism. Instead, he took a paternal interest in unions by pointing out the folly of the course being pursued. Now all unions stand to lose by the public fury aroused through the stoppage in coal mining.

Lewis's manner was certainly contemptuous. He knew when he rejected the urging of the president to withdraw his declaration of "no contract" that he might have to face government action. His choice in defying the government was thus deliberate. Neither the fact nor the extent of the punishment could have been a great surprise to him. His sneer and his snarl, his jutting chin and tone of expression toward the judge were those of defiance of the processes of orderly government. He has his rights in court which Judge Goldsborough sought carefully to preserve. He now has the right of appeal. But unless we are to have anarchy the rulings of courts must be respected.

As for the amount of the fine it still is only a fraction of the loss which the UMW action has caused the country. The union treasury contains \$13,500,000, according to report, an exorbitant sum when it is considered the union pays no strike benefits. It is hard to see how it can justify its own exactions from members to build up such reserves. The amount of the fine should make both officers and members realize they have suffered a penalty for damaging the whole economy.

Getting to Work

Oakland, California, while a substantial city in its own right, serves also in considerable degree as bedroom for San Franciscans. The general strike put all local bus and trolley cars in stalls or sidings, which deprived the regular commuters of their customary means of transportation. Work-bound Oaklanders, therefore, had to use their cars to get across the bay. The resulting congestion on the bay bridge was well-described by a reporter, J. Campbell Bruce, in a story in the San Francisco Chronicle, so readable it is worth quoting in part:

To the toll collectors on the Bay Bridge yesterday morning it seemed that every man, woman and adolescent in the East Bay owned a car and suddenly decided to come to San Francisco.

The first commuter peak hour of the general strike, with interurban trains and buses halted, brought a 100 per cent traffic increase. The usual Tuesday average is 69,000.

It began before dawn, about 5:30. Shortly before 7 o'clock the first crest (commuters due on the job at 7) was reached. Cars were backed up bumper to bumper beyond the cloverleaf, just creeping along.

From the roof of the toll gates they looked, in the gray dawn light, like a broad highway paved with huge, black cobblestones.

"It's still early," remarked a collector at 7:30. "Wait'll those office girls start coming over. Things'll get hysterical."

But the prophesy didn't hold. There was plenty of vehicles, but no hysteria. They came on to the span in a thick stream—Jeeps, new cars, jeeps, station wagons, chugging scooters, a Kaiser. The ramp out of Oakland on the cloverleaf was choked.

It looked like a slow-moving conveyor belt. It took 40 minutes from Telegraph and MacArthur boulevard to the toll plaza.

Ten of the 16 gates were open to westbound traffic. And lines of cars moved through them like warp threads through the heddles of a loom. The thin, clear, ting, ting of quarters being registered rang constantly.

Some drivers wore their eyebrows down on their noses. Others had their mouths turned up at the corners, jolly and good-natured about it. The smiles exceeded the scowls. This was after all a break in routine, a welcome relief to the average commuter.

And through it all the orange-hued Key System trains stood on their spur tracks near the plaza, trolleys folded like giant spiders.

The Spanish foreign minister complains that the American proposal to the United Nations urging a change in the Spanish government "offends the Spanish nation." Generalissimo Franco, who managed to survive the brace of fascists who set him up, is an offense to the rest of the world and a burden on the backs of the Spanish people, but where would we stop if we tried to kick all the totalitarians off their perches? And how far would we get? We didn't meet with much success in Argentina.

Edward R. Burke, resigned as president of the Southern Coal Operators association, was formerly democratic senator from Nebraska. He was an ardent anti-new dealer, which qualified him well for the job with the coal operators. His proposal to dicker with John L. Lewis got him the axe, however, which indicates his bosses exceeded him in anti-union zeal.

Rufus Woods, editor of the Wenatchee World, has discovered that Wenatchee is the "geological center" of Washington. Like our predecessor on the Statesman, R. J. Hendricks, Rufus thinks his home town is just about the center of everything, and disposed to make it so if it isn't already.

One thing sure, a city general strike, as that in Oakland, can't last long. Even strikers must eat.

Editorial Comment

From Our Contemporaries

BONNEVILLE AND KLAMATH

More than usual interest attaches itself to the announcement made in Klamath Falls last week that the Bonneville administration proposes to bring a power line down to that city from the Columbia. It is interesting because the announcement was made by Bonneville's so-called public relations employee well known for his social background. It is interesting because it would entail an expenditure of \$7,000,000 or so for a transmission line and more millions for a Klamath sub-station. It is interesting because only five years ago Bonneville investigations found that it was not feasible to build a line even as far as Bend. It is interesting because Bonneville, so it says, is short of power. It is interesting because there has been no report of a power shortage in the Klamath region. It is interesting because there are days when reductions in federal spending are being urged and hoped for on all sides—the bureaucrats excepted.

The Bonneville employee is Dr. Carl D. Thompson who is on the Bonneville pay roll at upwards of \$5,000 a year. Dr. Thompson has been an active member of the socialist party and in earlier editions of Who's Who so recorded himself. Of late he has dropped the socialist reference from his biographical data but his social background has found it embarrassing or because he has changed his political views does not appear. Our guess is that the former is the cause because the Thompson activity is still directed at the destruction of various types of private property and he must prefer to have it believed that he espouses the cause for other socialist reasons.

Six years ago after a campaign in which Bonneville representatives took an active part (contrary, we still believe, to the law as found in the Hatch act) a PUD was voted in Central Oregon. In the campaign much was made of the proposition that to vote the PUD meant the bringing of Bonneville power to this region. And yet when the voting and the tax levying was all over the reluctant admission was dragged from the Bonneville chief that it was not feasible to bring his power up the Deschutes. What, we wonder, has happened that now justifies the construction of the line that is now proposed?—(Bend Bulletin.)



Back to the Mines, Daddy!

Salem Seeks Change in Dog License Set-Up

At request of the Marion county court, the county dog control board has taken under advisement a request of the city of Salem to enter into a new contract with the county covering collection of dog license fees inside the city limits.

The city this week asked the court for a renewal of the contract under the terms that the city hire an enforcement officer to collect fees inside the city and to accept 80 per cent of the city license fee money. The county clerk will collect the city fees as well as those from the rest of the county.

The control board, consisting of Chester Cannon, Axel Eoff and Robert Hunsaker, expect to meet in the near future to advise the court on a new contract. Changes in the new contract considered at a meeting of the court and the control board Thursday include those dealing with fee collection and a definition of city and county responsibility over stock-killing dogs from either area.

Son Takes Over Taxi Business

Robert Lynn Clark, whose Salem Taxi company entered the news this week after an insurance mixup investigated by the city council, had become owner and proprietor of the taxicab firm just Monday.

Clark bought out his father, Robert A. Clark, who has retired after 30 years in which he was identified with taxicab businesses here and in Portland and Corvallis. The senior Clark had been in the taxicab business here 22 years, the last 18 of them with Salem Taxi company.

The younger Clark came here two years ago from San Francisco and went into partnership with his father, buying out Troy D. Wood, now retired. The company which operated two cabs in 1924 now is licensed to operate 12 taxis in the city.

Hit-Run Truck Driver Kills Boy at Grants Pass

GRANTS PASS, Dec. 5—(AP)—Kenneth Mayfield, who had planned to celebrate his 14th birthday today, died in a hospital at noon, victim of a traffic accident.

A truck driver who did not halt struck the youngster's bicycle six miles south of here last night. Police given a description of the truck by three witnesses, were seeking the driver today.

Combination of Mayor, Judge Offices Illegal

A person cannot serve as both justice of the peace and mayor, since the offices are incompatible, Attorney General George Neuner ruled today for Stanley J. Mitchell of Clackamas county.

Neuner, in an opinion for District Attorney W. W. Dillard of Columbia county, held that a professional dog trainer, who lives in Columbia county and receives dogs from all over the country for hunting training, must take out dog licenses for each dog.

Neuner advised the state board of control it could make a lump sum settlement of \$25,915 with the University of Oregon for damage to the University press building, which was burned last June 27.

Forest Lands Put on Sale

PORTLAND, Dec. 5—(AP)—The Oregon & California land administration today placed 86,190,000 board feet of timber, appraised at \$448,000, on sale, with bids to be opened Jan. 7.

The timber lies in Benton, Coos, Douglas, Jackson, Josephine, Lane, Linn and Polk counties. The agency's last 1946 sale, involving 21,640,000 board feet of timber in Douglas county, set for Dec. 10, will bring 1946 sales to an estimated \$2,500,000—largest in O & C history.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"You just heard your lawyer say you could talk... didn't you?"

Bowes Defends Rural Zoning in Talk to Lions

Rural zoning is necessary in the best interests of both Oregon rural areas and cities in order to meet the needs of a growing population and growing industry, it was asserted before Salem Lions club Thursday by William A. Bowes, chairman of the governor's rural planning and zoning committee and commissioner of public works in Portland.

He said his committee was recommending that Gov. Earl Snell ask the state legislature for adoption of legislation which would empower county courts or commissions to zone areas not exclusively farmland and not within city limits. Bowes spoke at the weekly luncheon of the Lions club in the Marion hotel.

Cities should be interested vitally in the need for zoning in their "rural fringes," Bowes stated, explaining that the 13 cities studied by the committee all expected substantial growth and eventual annexation of outside territory and that cities expect in the immediate future that about 70 per cent of new industry and 40 per cent of new residential units will be located outside city limits.

With the power to zone these fringe areas, county courts would be able to protect good residential developments, to provide for convenient industrial or business sites and to supervise development along highways to keep the state attractive to tourists, Bowes declared. Agricultural lands would not be subject to zoning until owners began subdividing them and selling lots, according to the committee's proposal.

Hot Springs Heat Town in Oregon

HOT LAKE, Ore., Dec. 5—(AP)—Another town has popped up with the claim that it, too, was heated by natural hot water.

The lake for which this 25-resident northeastern Oregon village is named remains constantly at 208 degrees. Water is pumped to the third floor of a sanitarium here, flows through pipes to warm all the rooms, and empties into another lake.

Births

DOMES—To Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Domes, 1055 Wilbur st., a daughter, Thursday, December 5, at Salem General hospital.

WHITE—To Mr. and Mrs. Boston White, Silverton, a son, Thursday, December 5, at Salem General hospital.

LINDEN—To Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Linden, 1995 First st., a daughter, Thursday, December 5, at Salem General hospital.

LLOYD—To Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Lloyd, route 4, Salem, a daughter, Thursday, December 5, at Salem General hospital.

CHAMBERLIN—To Mr. and Mrs. Willard Chamberlin, Lyons, a daughter, Thursday, December 5, at Salem General hospital.

SCOTT—To Mr. and Mrs. James Scott, 298 S. 3rd st., a son, Thursday, December 5, at Salem General hospital.

CIRCUIT COURT
Beatrice White vs Pacific Greyhound lines and William G. Wilson: Complaint for \$15.00 damages for alleged injuries and damages sustained when plaintiff's auto was allegedly struck by a bus on March 26 on Silverton road about two miles north of Salem. Defendants are charged with careless driving in complaint.

Herman W. Fry vs Frances Fry: Motion by defendant for modification of former decree with regard to support money.

R. C. Glover and others as trustees of estate of Sarah S. Carrier, vs Oregon annual conference board of education of the Methodist church: Order authorizing sale of personal property.

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS
Robert L. Vaughan, 27, electrician, and Maxine Taylor, 25, book-keeper, both of Lebanon.

PROBATE COURT
Louis F. Meeske estate: Final decree entered.

Sophia A. Thurman estate: Order appoints Edwin Hilton Thurman as administrator and John Neilson, Russell Nelson and Worth Colton as appraisers.

Rose R. Voris estate: Estate appraised at \$3,000. Final account filed.

William Malo estate: Order appoints G. J. Moisan administrator and Stanley DeJardin, Clyde Cutsforth and Francis Leonhart appraisers.

John Bernards estate: A. E. Hucklestein, M. E. Fitzpatrick and Bernard Moorman appointed appraisers.

Charlotte Schulerberg estate: January 11 dates set for hearing on final account.

JUSTICE COURT
Edson Orlando Bacheller, 1845 N. Cottage st., violation of the basic rule, fined \$10 and costs.

Betty Jean Boyd, route 2, box 318, no operator's license, fined \$1 and costs.

Edna Lucille Ellis, alias Edna Eles Shannon, Portland, grand larceny and defrauding an innkeeper, larceny charge reduced to petty larceny, pleaded guilty, 60-day jail sentence suspended on payment of \$4.50 court costs; 10-day sentence on the defrauding charge suspended on payment of \$4.50 court costs.

MUNICIPAL COURT
Max Groesbeck, Silverton road, violation of basic rule, fined \$10.

Charles Sweistrick, 1070 S. Commercial st., violation of basic rule, fined \$5.

Kenneth Conway, 125 Lane ave., no driver's license, fined \$5.

Anton Hrudka, route 4, Salem, violation of anti-noise ordinance, posted \$5 bail.

F. E. Butterfield, Woodburn, violation of basic rule, posted \$10 bail.

ICE CREAM
All Flavors, No Limits, Qts. 33¢
SAVING CENTER
Salem and West Salem

Elected



SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 5—Charles P. Taft, Cincinnati lawyer and prominent civic leader, today was elected the 14th president of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America—the first layman to hold the office.

Garden Club to Elect Officers

The Salem Men's Garden club will elect officers at its annual meeting Thursday evening, December 12, at the local YMCA.

The following slate of nominations was announced yesterday by the club: For president, David H. Cameron and Mark M. Taylor; vice president, James Glass and C. L. Webber; secretary, John E. Black and William P. McKinney; treasurer, George F. Candeaux and A. E. Danielson; directors, Earl W. Benbow, A. L. Lindbeck, George Malstrom, Knight Percy, Rex Peffer and Roy Smith.

State Industrial Safety Meeting Sessions Open

With all parts of the state well represented by delegates, the third annual Oregon industrial safety conference opened Thursday morning at the capitol building for a three-day session.

The conference, conducted annually by the accident prevention division of the state industrial commission was officially opened by Robert M. Evenden, director of the division, who introduced Paul E. Gurske, commission chairman, who made the address of welcome to the delegates. This was followed by short talks by the two other commissioners, L. O. Arens and T. Morris Dunne.

The early afternoon session was given over to a "mock trial" of "Mr. Industrial Supervisor," which brought out the increasing interest on the part of industrial supervisors in accident programs in different industries.

The late afternoon program consisted of a series of first aid demonstrations led by Fred Pontain, first aid supervisor of the Crown-Zellerbach Corp., assisted by Dr. George Frank, first aid instructor of the accident prevention division of the commission.

The program will continue through Friday until noon Saturday with the following schedule:

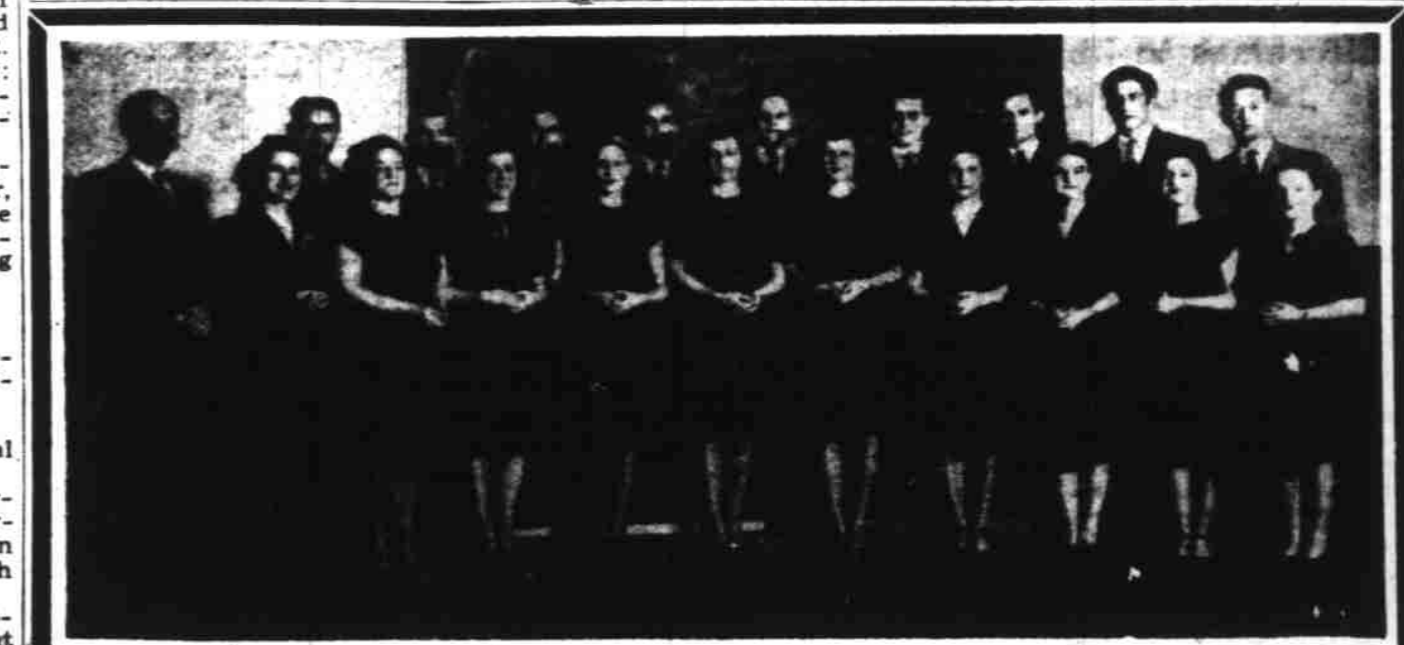
Friday—8 a. m., tour of capitol building; 9 a. m., "Standardization of Machine Guarding"; 9:30 a. m., labor, management and the safety program; 10:45 a. m., safety committees; 1:30 p. m., industry group sessions; 8 p. m., in Marion hotel, address, Dr. J. W. Scherbourne, department of psychology, Oregon State college.

Saturday—9 a. m., habilitating the new workman; 10:30 a. m., open forum; 12 noon, adjournment.

PENSION FACT RELEASED

Marion county court Friday ordered the release of the county from an old age pension agreement entered into with Anna Wenger on October 19, 1935.

Santa Claus Is Coming!!
STEVENS
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Lovely
Pearls
Simulated
and
Cultured
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Payments
Stevens & Son
Manufacturing Jewelers



Youth Rally --- Sat. Nite
7:30
Featuring the—
Youth Center Choir and Quartette
Les and Lora Lee Parrott
CITY ARMORY

STILL CONTINUING
MID-SEASON CLEARANCE SALE
COATS \$15 to \$25 | **SUITS** \$11 to \$25 | **DRESSES** \$5 to \$10
KAY'S 460 State St.