

#### "No Favor Sways Us, No Fear Shall Awe" From First Statesman, March 28, 1851

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#### The Parity Program

The Pendleton East Oregonian thinks the farm parity pregram should be extended, saying it is fair to everyone because it is based on fluctuating conditions. Parity was a formula worked out during the late depression. It provides that prices mission.

for certain agricultural products shall be supported at a point where the buying power for the producer will be equivalent at present high construction costs with that of a certain period, 1909-1914.

Actually parity is a crude way of protection for the farmer. The date it selects is arbitrary. It assumes that the returns to ing interest on bonds. However agriculture in the base period were satisfactory, and in a measure sets that up as a "standard of living" for the farmer.

Also the formula makes no allowance for changes in production cost for the farmer. In the case of some crops the unit cost has decreased through the application of modern technology. For others with labor constituting a high proportion of the cost the increase may make the old selling price antiquated. Improved seed strains, better farm practice, irrigation, use of fertilizers full capacity making surveys, preall affect the yield per acre, which gets no consideration in the paring plans, buying right-ofparity formula.

Things do not stand still. Conditions and prices change in agriculture, in industry, in transportation and communication. some increase in competition is You cannot successfully freeze prices to a historic period and it is a mistake to think any parity formula will be permanently it is a mistake to think any parity formula will be permanently valid. Labor resists, and rightly, being tied strictly to changes state should go slow in pouring in the cost of living index, saying that labor's standard of living more millions into the spending should improve as the country's productivity increases.

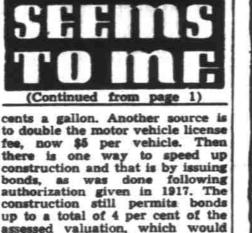
We agree with the East Oregonian as to the desirability of a healthy, prosperous agriculture, both for the sake of the of work demanded and the infarmer and his family and for the whole economy of the coun- adequacy of funds available, even try. The parity program was a temporary expedient, which if bonds were issued, it is clear slready is out of date. The country might study the question as to whether the program adopted to meet an emergency should be perpetuated indefinitely, putting agriculture in a permanent to take highway construction in preferred position in the way of protection.

#### **Portland's City Club Report**

The Portland City club committee has made public its long- So long as our people are "on awaited report on alleged police protection in that city. It sub- wheels" roadbuilding will never stantiates rumors that have been current for years that gambling be completed. In short we shall and prostitution thrive there with police knowledge and payroad problem for it is a task with offs. Mayor Riley disputes the findings of the committee and no end in sight. calls for the evidence. The personnel of the committee is of such calibre however that the ordinary citizen is inclined to credit it with having made a thorough study and presented its Steady Policy honest conclusions. One would easily believe that where there has been so much fire there ought to be some smoke.

Policing a city above village size is always a hard task, For HighWay for man loves to sin and there are always others who cater to his weaknesses and passions. The great danger lies in corruption of the governing agencies so that commercial vice fastens a deadly grip on the government. In that event a city sinks deeper and deeper into the mire of crime. Eternal vigilance is the price of decency everywhere.

Crime exists not only with police suffrance but often with "profit-sharing" by so-called good people. We note in the City Ralph T. Moore of the state legclub report reference to the banks, insurance companies and islative interim committee on leading citizens who own buildings where illegal practices are highway development Monday be-



assessed valuation, which would allow issuance of about \$40,000,000 on authority of the legislature and action of the highway com-

It is doubtless true that even bia river highway, would show economies to road users after paythe state ought to go slow on a finance prgram that involves issuing bonds. We had to struggle with a heavy debt through the

1930s - the debt isn't fully extinguished yet. As a rule the roadbuilding organization is fully occupied at present. The highway department itself is working at way; and it isn't easy to expand readily its technical staff. Contractors are busy, though

Scout Birthday noted at bld openings. There is a continuing shortage of steel, both **Party Is Held** reservoir in the face of existing At Hayesville inflated conditions of cost. In view of the staggering totals

that the people will have to be more patient than they have been inclined to remain. We'll have stride, with full realization that

it will take years to finish the jobs now pressing for action and when they are done a new mountain of need will lie ahead. teeman have to take a longer view of our

master.

Oregon needs a consistent state policy for allocating highway improvement funds for state, county and city use, declared Chairman

velopment group.

county interests.



## **Barred** from **Gravel Roads**

Log hauling on all Marion county graveled roads was halted Monday by order of the county court, because of the extremely soft condition of the roads from recent rains and thaws.

A load-limit order placed the road along the Little North fork of the Santiam river last week also was continued by the court. County Commissioner Ed Rogers, who reported the closure, said the order would be lifted as quickly as possible. It was reported that about 50 log haulers are in operation now and would be affected by the order.

### **Youths Choose Officers** for **Capitol Meet**

PORTLAND, Feb. 16-(AP)-John Poff, 18, of Portland, will be acting governor of Oregon two days in April.

bers of Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y clubs move in the state capitol and hold legislative sessions in two days of studying state government. Poff was elected in a pre-legislative meeting here yesterday.

Pre-legislative session for the Salem area will be at Eugene this Saturday, according to John

State officers to be elected by this district are president of the senate and clerk of the house.

PORTLAND, Feb. 16 - Mark

R. Sullivan, president of Pacific of 76 girls and 59 boys have Telephone and Telegraph comfor the entire 18 weeks of the pany, said in his annual report school year. They are ented business volume the company's earnings in 1947 were the lowest in many years. Net income fell from \$19,787,863 in 1946 to \$12,727,292 in 1947, and the earnings per common share were reduced from \$6.04 to \$2.80. Carol Lee, Peggy Lesher, Arda Lien, Delores McClellan, Jean-Commenting on the cause, Sullivan stated that "World War II. like all wars, has produced infla-Pankey, Shirley Peterson, Martion. In varying degrees, every lene Roller, Beverly Roy, Phyllis business is affected. The telephone Shrake, Patsy Snyder, Helen company is no exception with re-Spore, Knute Axberg, Robert spect to its costs, but required ad-Barnes, Delbert Bolton, Dale Borjustments of its prices have

bur Hall, George Hudson, Ray-mond Hughes, Larry Wickizer and Phelps Heads

#### Independent Club |Control Board Meet To Meet at WU **Delayed This Week** This week's meeting of the state board of control, originally sched-

Roseburg Monday.

**Stockmen Name Evans** 

Charles A. Evans, Indepe

ROSEBURG, Feb. 16 -(AP)-

was elected president of the West-ern Oregon Livestock association here Saturday. Next year's meet-ing was voted to Astoria.

**QUISENBERRY'S** 

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Willamette university's Independents will hold their first uled for today, has been postponed until later in the week because of meeting of the spring term at the absence of Secretary of State Chresto cottage at 6:30 tonight. Raoul Bertrand, philosophy de-partment head, will highlight the Earl T. Newbry. Newbry is spending a few days in southern Oregon. He was in

meeting by discussing John Dewey, contemporary American edu-cational philosopher. During the meeting the Independents will plan their first social function of the year, a ski

trip, to be taken within the next two weeks.

Southern Oregon Men **File for Legislature** 

W. E. Moore, Grants Pass, filed Monday for state senator from the 7th district, Josephine county, on the republican ticket. Charles H. Grayshal, Brook-

ings, filed for state representative, 17th district, Coos and Curry counties. He also is a republican.

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HAYESVILLE-Troop 20 held Leslie junior high school reits annual scouting program and ported 207 students, 110 girls and court of honor in observance of 97 boys, were neither absent nor scout week Friday night at the tardy during the second nineschoolhouse. The program was weeks period. Boasting perfect preceded by a no-host dinner and records for the period were 41

music by the Wonder Valley Boys. seventh grade girls, 29 seventh Jack Stryffeler gave an accordion number and a piano solo. grade boys, 34 eighth grade girls, 33 eighth grade boys, 35 ninth PT&T Reports

cluding Mickey Hickman, scoutmaster; Lauren Stettler, commit-

Investiture was held for four Cleave, Richard Artz, Jack Stryfcoming second class were John Versteeg, Galen Siddall and Janes Wiemals; becoming First Class was Allen Rietzenstein; receiving rank of Life scout was George F. Christofferson, scout-

Thirty-four merit badges were awarded: Rudy Wellbrock, seven; George Christofferson, six; Richard Reitzenstein, six; Jerry Andresen, one; Allen Reitzenstein, two; Terry Showalter, two; Rob-

ert Cooley, one; John Henning, five; David Cooley, one; Junior cher, John Buren, Gene Gente-

Special guests were Vernon grade boys.

Greig, leader when the troop was organized; Keizer scout leaders in-grade girls, 15 seventh grade boys, Earnings Less 26 eighth grade girls, 20 eighth grade boys, 26 ninth grade girls and 24 ninth rade boys, or a total

Tenderfoot scouts, Donald Van maintained unblemished records feler and Howard Williams. Be- school year. They are: Seventh grade: Margaret Baker, Geraldine Bales, Dorothy Dixon, Audrey Dunafon, Dolores Eggleston, Wilma Fenley, Shirley Gaylord, Mina Gerdes, Mary Harger, Jean Jorgenson, Barbara Klunder,

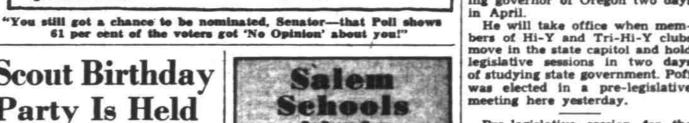
ette Murphy, Joan Neal, Ruth

lagged." Strozut, two, and George Strozut, man, Wayne Gibbons, Tracy Gilone. Service stars and attendance man, Glenn Hall, Jack Hall, Wil-



isty

Gardner, Salem YMCA boys' work secretary. The three local clubs will choose two delegates each on Wednesday.



allowed to flourish. Often the mayor may merely be a political prisoner of the interests who batten on vice.

There have been so many cries of scandal in Portland, so Bay, told the luncheon audience many grand jury investigations and special inquiries that got how his committee of legislators exactly nowhere that we wonder how far the present expose will go. It will not go very far unless the people themselves demand real reforms and back up their demands with their votes and influence.

Dr. Kurt von Schuschnigg, former chancellor of Austria, who lectured in Salem a few months ago, has accepted a teaching position in St. Louis university where he will give a course in "The Modern Democratic State." Recalling the kind of tight administration he and Dollfuss gave Austria one would say he doesn't know from experience much about a democratic state.

Congressman Elisworth says he is amazed at the Veterans' Administration's estimate of \$1,500,000 for conversion of Camp state policy. To remedy this sit-White into a domiciliary hospital. We'd be amazed if the government gets it done for that considering how the government does things. To move and convert into use at Willamette campus some structures from Camp Adair cost about as much per square foot as the new Baxter hall.

With three million people lining the river banks the last rites for Gandhi were probably the most largely attended of any funeral in history. Tolerant as Gandhi was he was buried as a Hindu and his ashes were scattered according to Hindu custom in the sacred rivers of India.

Sen. Joe McCarthy of Wisconsin says that congress will pass a long-range housing bill this year. This generation isn't specially interested in housing for its great grandchildren. The unhoused ask Where do we sleep tonight? their legislature.

A pair of skiers are going to traverse the ridge of the Cascades from Mt. Hood to Crater Lake. Another pair of men are setting out in a 26-foot yawl to cruise 20,000 miles from San Francisco to Capetown. There still is no accounting for tastes.

President Truman is planning a trip into the Carribean. the wartime letup in highway After we read about the winter the east has had we'd say a building and maintenance, by the cruise in the southern waters should be a welcome change. He problems of great distances between cities or farm centers and might eatch a big fish too. of geology.

Senate republicans are said to have agreed on a program to reduce income taxes, reduce the budget and reduce the national debt. This three-point landing will be great stuff if they can make it.

#### **Editorial Comment** Contemporaries

#### **NOTHING IS NEW: READ ISOCRATES**

The Greek philosopher, Isocrates, did not fully realize that the city-state of Athens had entered upon a process of decay during his own lifetime. But he had sufficient insight to be troubled by the changes that had come over the city he loved so well, and in an oration he delivered in 354 B. C., at the age of 82, he put his thoughts into these words:

From Our

"When I was a boy," Isocrates said to the Athenians, "wealth was regarded as a thing so secure as well as admirable that almost every one affected to own more property than he actually possessed, because he wanted to enjoy the standing which it gave. Now, on the other hand, a man has to be ready to defend himself against being rich as if it were the worst of crimes, and to keep on the alert at Salem General hospital. if he is to avoid disaster; for it has become far more dangerous to be suspected of being well off than to be detected in crime; for criminals are pardoned or let off with slight penalties, while the rich men are ruined utterly, and it will be found that the number of erai hospital. men who have been spoiled of their property is greater than those who have been punished for their misdeeds."

This corruption of the public attitude toward the "haves" cannot of course be assigned as the chief cause of Athens' decline, for that was a major catastraphe having many important contributing elements. Nevertheless, isocrates gave Athenians a warning that de-served more heed than it got. It is still valid for the modern world. a daughter, Sunday, February 15, -San Francisco Chronicia

ins were also awarded. fore Salem Chamber of Commerce. Other scouts registered are

Moore, lumber manufacturer Richard Baltzer, Ronald Hamann, and state representative from Coos Carl Cooley and Bill Loftis. Movies of scout activities were

shown by Kenneth Murphy. Assisting in the kitchen were is studying the state's highway needs. Committee members and Mrs. Lyle Carrow, Mrs. Charles

leaders of Marion and Polk coun-Andresen, Mrs. Harry Miller, Mrs. ty were in the city Monday for Heschel Robertson, Mrs. Peter one of a series of public hearings Reitzenstein, Mrs. Paul Wellbrock, being conducted in various Ore-Mrs. William Showalter and Mrs. gon sections by the highway de-George Strozut.

Special meeting at the school-Moore said the allocation of house February 24 will elect memhighway funds was but one of the bers of the scout committee for the many highway policies his comcoming year mittee is considering. He noted

that allocations in the past have **Salem Insurance** often been influenced by political pressures from certain sections of the state, in the absence of a set **Agency Honored** uation, Moore added, probably **At Western Meet** will require a compromise policy

which will not be considered com-Six Salem men were back in pletely acceptable to any of the the city Monday from a Metrothree groups - state, city and politan Life Insurance Co., con-

The speaker explained that facvention, with laurels. The Metrotual material on present condi- politan's western states Leaders tions of state highways is being club convention was held in San Francisco. surveyed by experts of the Auto-

Salem district of the insurance motive Safety foundation for the firm was honored at the meeting legislative committee. for placing first in its territory He emphasized that the committee will include these facts and for both "all-around results" and for total new insurance business. consideration of all related fac-In national standings of 900 oftors such as the tax burden in fices within Metropolitan Salem general before making its report. but that the final decision on state stood second in sales and ninth in all-around results. highway developments rests with

In addition, Manager the citizens of Oregon through Clark and Assistant Manager A. E. Ullman of the Salem office Moore predicted that the study received medals honoring their

may well show the state's high-25 years of service with the comway problem even more acute pany than realized so far. He men-Other Salem men at the contioned that highway needs here vention were Ed Burnside, Euare influenced vitally by 40 per

gene Brown, William O'Neill and James Verdieck and Tom Walden. cent population and traffic in-Harold Westfall. creases since before the war, by The entire staff of the local

Silverton Auxiliary to Metropolitan Life office will join Have Home Talent Show in a dinner party in April when national company officers will visit here, Clark said yesterday.

#### **Clatsop School Post Held Still Elective**

The office of county school su-perintendent in Claisop county is still elective and will be on the

year, Attorney General George Neuner held Monday. Neuner said the office of county the second February meeting, February 23, with the unit national defense chairman in charge.

school superintendent is abolished Rex Kimmell of Salem will be only where the rural school disspeaker and no-host supper will trict of the particular county in- follow. cludes all school districts therein. Ina Harold will entertain the

Clatsop county still contains three unit's past presidents' club Febru-first-class school districts. ary 24 at her home.



James Wishart.

Eighth grade: Jacqueline Bald-win, Helen Booth, Shirley Brock- Jefferson CC art, Mary Jo Brown, Ila Jo Camp-

bell, Irene Fenley, Nadine Gilman, JEFFERSON-Jefferson cham-Ottie Grieve, Emily Hubbard, Darlene Johnson, Karolina Kamp-by-laws adopted, board of directstra, Karen King, Janie Lambert, ors and membership committee Othelene Lee, Verna Long, Mar- named at a meeting Thursday. Directors are Gerald Phelps, Level Meyers, Sandra Nordyke, Don-

na Phelps, Carolyn Real, Leona land Sarff and Clarence C. Miller Rux, Greta Schrecengost, Caro- for three years; Charles Johnson lyn Seay, Dorothy Swigart, Bar- and W. L. Jones for two years, bara Wagness, Shirley Will, Clar- and John Korenian and Jerry

ine Woolery, Jerry Agnew, Elmer Axberg, Gerald Baker, Gerald Boldt, Wallace Carson, Norman Cocking, Bobby Cole, Ray Cook, I im Darby, Hjalmar Davis, iness houses and \$3 for individu-Michael Deeney, Wayne DeMetz, als.

Directors met Friday and elect-Bill Heinlein, Gordon Juve, Dale ed Gerald Phelps, president; Le-Pearson, Orville Roth, Grant land Sarff, vice president; Les Shaffner, Lawrence Theye, David Shields, secretary; Francis Phelps, Van Dyke and Elmer Winegar. Ninth grade: Eileen Anderson, treasurer. Meetings will be held in the city hall, the day to be set

Margie Atwood, Berniece Da-Moude, Joy Davis, Shirley Dixon, Leona Frederickson, Harriett later.

Hamilton, Ann Haskins, Florene Ingram, Shirley Kimble, Betty County PTA Meet logry, Hertha Long, Louise Mat-Wednesday, Swegle

ter, Glenna Mattison, Colleen Mc-Neil, Margaret Miller, Beverly

Nunn, Geraldine Radcliff, Marie Mrs. Leslie Morris, Marion Rogers, Patricia Roper, Lois Rose- County Parent-Teachers associaer, Patsey Sayles, Marcelene tion president, has announced a Smith, Leona Strode, Jackie Yates, joint meeting of the county PTA Mary Young, Neal Anderson, Roy council and the Swegle PTA at Bloom, John Brockway, Jerry Swegle school Wednesday at 7:45 Brown, Robert Chapman, Robert p. m.

Dixon, John Edgar, Chester Evan-A short business meeting is to off, Dennis Feike, Donald Han-shew, Robert Klekel, Martin picture "Human Growth," sponbe followed by a sound motion Knittel, Hollis Lasley, Arnold Manke, Doyle McMillin, Mac Morsored by the state health department and shown by Mrs. Dorotha ris, Harold Pickerel, Freddie Moore Massey, state girl's physical Plenge, Jerry Rains, Charles Roneducation supervisor. The prone, Harry Spore, Billy Thomas, gram also is to include songs by Kenneth Thompson, accompanied by Mrs. Roy Arney.

The meeting is declared to be of interest to all ages. The public is invited.

SILVERTON-Mrs. A. J. Mc-Silverton Churchmen Cannel, president of the Delbert Reeves unit No. 7, American Le-**Meetings Scheduled** 

gion auxiliary, reports unit has voted to assist the post in a home SILVERTON-First Christian talent show March 4 and 5. Post

church brotherhood dinner will be members will use the auxiliary held at 6:30 p. m. Immanuel Lutheran Men's club rooms for the annual crawfish

will meet Tuesday at the church Other announcements by Mrs. ballot at the primary election this McCannel includes a program at at 8 p. m. Women's Missionary Federation meets Wednesday at 2 p. m., Mrs. Melvin Torresdal, topic leader. Mrs. P. Everud, Mrs.

Albert Overlund, Mrs. Oscar Overlund and Mrs. Nels Torresdal will be hostesses.



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day, February 16, at Salem Mem-orial hospital. NEHER-To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Neher, 860 S. 20th st., a daughter, Monday, February 16, at Salem Memorial hospital. SCHUNKE-To Mr. and Mrs.

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Births

BARTELL-To Mr. and Mrs.

Isaac Bartell, Dallas, a son, Mon-

Edward Schunke, 1320 Baker st., a son, Monday, February 16, at General hospital. BERKEY-To Mr. and Mrs.

Floyd A. Berkey, 459 Fourth st., a daughter, Sunday, February 15,

STEWART-To Mr. and Mrs.

JOHNSON-To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Johnson, 855 Gaines st., a son, Sunday, February 15, at Sa-lem Memorial hospital.

GREENBERG-To Mr. and Mrs. at Salem Memorial hospital.