

Salem Caucus Time Advanced

SALEM — (P) — The pre-legislative caucuses of the state Senate and House will be held at 3 p.m. today, Marshall Cornett, who will be President of the Senate, said Tuesday.

They are being held five hours earlier than previously planned so that the legislators can discuss and settle proposed rules changes, and include reducing the number of committees, speeding up the legislative machinery, and ending secretaries from the floor. Senator Cornett said he hoped these matters could be settled Sunday so that the legislature may organize speedily when session officially opens Monday morning. Governor Earl Snell expected to be inaugurated for second term at a joint session Monday afternoon, when he also will deliver his message to the legislature.

State Forest Acreage Grows

SALEM — (P) — Oregon now owns 445,266 acres of high grade forest land, State Forester N. S. Rogers reported Tuesday.

Rogers said 374,161 acres were purchased under the acquisition act and 71,105 acres represented school lands which have been consolidated within the Elliott State Forest in Douglas and Coos County.

The annual report noted almost \$100,000 annual revenue from sale of salvageable material, mostly tracts previously abandoned by former owners through non-payment of taxes.

BREWSTER ELEVATED
WASHINGTON — (P) — Sen. Owen Brewster (R-Me) has been elected chairman of the Senate War Investigating Committee which was first headed by President Truman while he was a member of the Senate. Brewster succeeded Sen. Harley M. Kilgore (D-Va.).

Eastern Horizon Now Lighted By Ringed Saturn, 6th Planet

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Should we early this month be so fortunate as to see beyond our own off-clouded atmosphere and out into the great infinite spaces, let us locate the only bright planet now shining in the early evening sky. This is none other than Saturn, that immense world which until recently has for many months been below the horizon during convenient observing hours.

Saturn is now coming up around 7 p.m. for those who have eastern horizons not raised by nearby hills or artificial obstructions, or who are not too far west of their standard time meridians. Two prominent objects of nearly the same brightness are rising at this time, one almost due east; the other considerably north of the first one. The first is the star Procyon; the other, the planet Saturn.

Even without these directions, Saturn is easily identified since it twinkles hardly at all, even when near the horizon, while the bright stars in similar locations scintillate energetically. This action is exemplified even more by the very brilliant Sirius, the Dog Star, which rises only shortly afterwards well over toward the southwest.

By 9 p.m. this coming week, Saturn will be almost due east and well up in the sky so that a successful telescopic view may be obtained, and what a sight it is, for there is nothing like it in the entire heavens! In the field of the eyepiece one sees a yellow globe of light, surrounded by—but entirely free from—a wide, flat, luminous ring. Beyond the boundaries of the ring, clear little dots of light, the moons of Saturn, oft-

en add charm to the unusual view. The expressions of observatory visitors on seeing Saturn for the first time are varied and interesting. One young woman exclaimed, "I just don't believe it!" Said another, "How can anyone think that such perfection just happened?"

Until the invention of the telescope—and long afterwards—Saturn was the most distant planet known. It is almost ten times more distant from the sun than is the earth, and makes one complete circuit of its huge orbit in 29½ years. Its diameter is over nine times that of our own world. Despite its immense size, Saturn rotates on its axis once in only a little more than ten hours. It is well provided with moons, having nine as attendants encircling it.

Saturn will rise nearly 30 minutes earlier each succeeding week. A month from now it will be rising two hours earlier. Our planet will be visible in the evening sky until mid-July, when it will set in the west shortly after sundown.

Woolworth Chain Founder Dies at 90

SCRANTON, Pa. — (P) — Charles Sumner Woolworth, who was a founder of the Woolworth chain of 5 and 10 cent stores 65 years ago, died Tuesday at his home. He was 90 years old.

Woolworth, who had been in ill health for several weeks, opened his first store here 65 years ago and later formed the F. W. Woolworth Company with his brother, the late Frank W. Woolworth, and the late Fred M. Kirby of Wilkes-Barre.

Woolworth was born Aug. 1, 1856, at Rodman, Jefferson County, New York, the son of John and Fannie McBrier Woolworth.

The 5 and 10 cent store idea was credited to Frank Woolworth but the success of the enterprise was largely attributed to Charles, who began his career sweeping floors and tending fires at Watertown, N. Y., for \$4 a week.

Umpqua Forest Has Largest Cedar Tree

ROSEBURG — (P) — The Umpqua National Forest in Oregon has the largest known specimen of the California incense cedar tree, a distinction until recently credited to the Yosemite National Park in California.

The tree measures 29½ feet in diameter at its maximum girth.

Forest Supervisor M. M. Nelson reported Tuesday the new specimen has been declared the largest by the American Forestry Assn. at Washington, D. C. The tree was discovered by Ranger Joe Elliott on Lonesome Meadow in the Diamond Lake district of the Umpqua forest.



Pictured as he appeared in Los Angeles court, resplendent in royal purple and white robe, bearded turban and sandals with jingle bells on them is Rev. Peter John Jett. The 20-foot whip he carries was responsible for assault and battery charges lodged by police who said the part-time preacher, part-time barber tried to clear a way through traffic by lashing at passing cars.

Yugoslavs to Die For 'Spy' Activity

BELGRADE — (P) — Two Yugoslavs formerly employed by the American Embassy here were sentenced to death for allegedly selling information to embassy attaches, it was announced by the Serbian Supreme Court Tuesday.

The two were tried with six others on charge of entering the service of foreign espionage agents. A third defendant also was sentenced to death and the remaining five were given up to eight years in prison.

Misha Trifunovich, former premier of the Yugoslav government-in-exile, was given an eight-year prison sentence, had all of his property confiscated and lost his civil rights.

Stated for death, presumably before firing squads, were Milutin Stefanovitch was accused of organizing a spy ring for former U. S. Embassy Economic Attache Eric Fridonoff while he was an employee of the embassy's press section.

Sushin, also a former employee of the embassy, pleaded guilty to establishing contact with Stefanovitch.

Stefanovitch also was accused of spying in behalf of Harold Shantz, former counsellor of the embassy. Both Fridonoff and Shantz have left Yugoslavia.

Although the embassy was not implicated in the first stages of the trial, later on there were allegations that Fridonoff himself organized a spy ring.

COAL INDUSTRY STUDY
WASHINGTON — (P) — Rep. Francis Case (R-SD) Tuesday urged the House and Senate Labor Committees to make a joint investigation of the coal industry. He introduced a resolution which would order such an investigation with "special attention to safety, housing, wages and comfort."

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Red Cross Bills Annual Dinner

Plans have been completed for the annual Red Cross dinner meeting, to be held Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. at the Eugene Hotel. Walter Mails, overseas worker for the Red Cross who has been filling a heavy speaking schedule in Eugene, will address the group.

All men and women in Lane County interested in Red Cross are welcome to attend the dinner, and may telephone reservations to the Lane County Chapter office. The number is Eugene 63.

Decorations will be handled by members of the Junior Red Cross, and program plans have been made by Mrs. E. H. Peterson and Mrs. Mary Brockelbank. Mrs. Cora Pirtle, chapter manager, has prepared a booklet outlining Red Cross activities for the past year.

Mails, who is known in Eugene as an outstanding speaker, is appearing at Eugene High School, the Lions Club, St. Mary's School, the Eugene High School P-T-A, and the University of Oregon unit of the Lane County Red Cross. His talk Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. before the P-T-A at Eugene High School will be on "Problems of the Adolescent."

Oregon Hop Mart Slow; Report Shows

PORTLAND — (P) — Only a few hundred bales of Oregon hops were reported sold last month, the Department of Agriculture's Production and Marketing Administration said Tuesday as stocks in hands of growers were small.

Prices were reported as around 61 to 62 cents a pound for seeded hops with premium or discount based on the percentage of seeds, leaves and stems.

Some growers estimated that not more than 1200 bales of the 1946 crop remain in growers' hands.

Contracting of the 1947 and future crops has been light, grower reports indicated. Prices have ranged around 50 to 52 cents for seeded hops with not more than 8 per cent leaves and stems. A premium of 2 cents a pound is offered for each per cent under 6.

The last two months, the report said, a number of cars of Oregon hops have been sent to the Atlantic coast for export and a shipment for Australia is to be loaded at Portland Wednesday.

Forest Fire Control Chief Is Appointed

PORTLAND — (P) — David P. Godwin, named national head of the U. S. Forest Service division of fire control, succeeds a one-time Willamette National Forest supervisor.

The regional office here said that Godwin, a pioneer in development of the Pacific Northwest smoke jumper corps, now holds the post vacated by Perry A. Thompson, formerly of the Willamette office at Eugene. Thompson took over as California regional forester last November.

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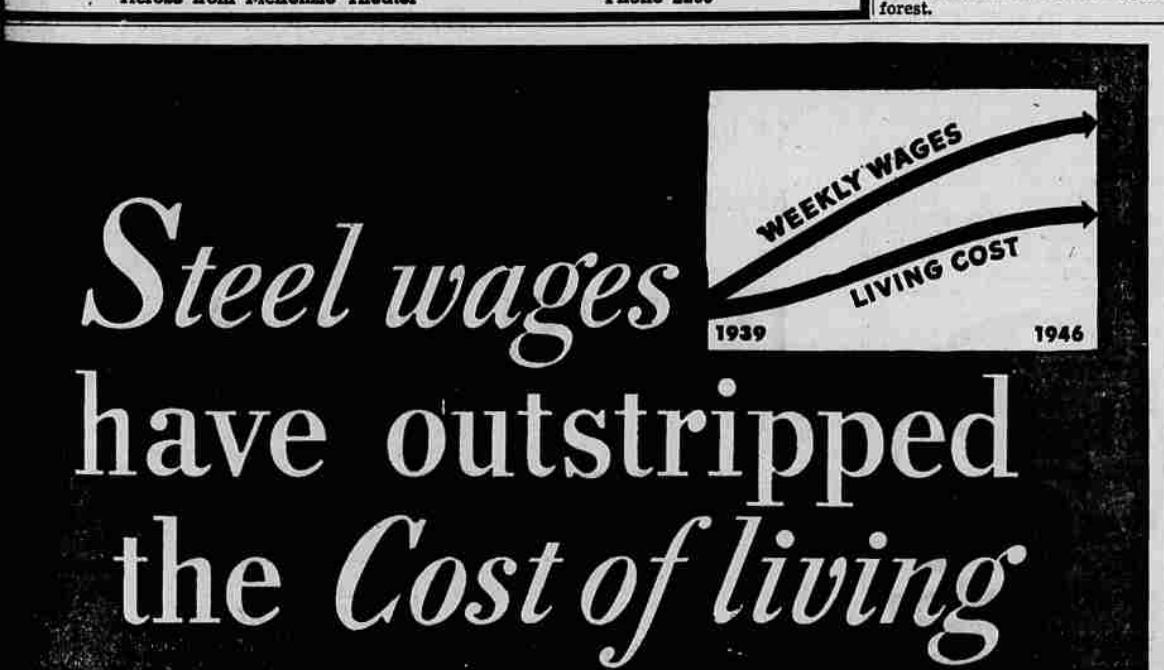
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