

### MANY CHANGES IN PEN MANAGEMENT MADE BY WARDEN COMPTON

Extensive development, begun February 1 when wardenship changed hands, is now underway at the state penitentiary. Under the supervision of Warden Louis Compton, and with the work being done almost exclusively by trained convict help, the prison is undergoing complete renovation. From the offices, through the chapel—"the last lane," into the shops, the dining quarters and the yards, all are being changed in some way or other, even if it is only for a coat of paint.

Perhaps the greatest improvement is the rapid transformation of the yards, once barren and desolate, into a garden of beauty. The clay promissaries behind the high gray walls once littered with cans, wire and debris are being plowed, smoothed and planted in picturesque plots of lawn and roses. Winding in and out between these are even gravel walks.

With the advent of Lieut. Compton to the prison strictest "K. P. duty" found its birth for the first time in the institution. Each prisoner, delegated a squadron by himself, is assigned to K. P. duty with instructions to pick up every match, cigarette stub and bit of waste in the yards and carry them to nearest waste cans. Few cleaner spots are found outside of this big jail.

The small white room, where before March 1, 1915, a rope dangled from the "trap" scaffold mutely beckoned for the lives of men, would not be recognized now. The scaffold, death trap, and all have been removed, and a culinary department and kitchen, immaculate and elaborate are now being built in their place. The chapel has been completely refloored with hard wood. So has the dining room.

Flu is held in check. From the warden's office through out the executive chambers the dingy walls are being repainted and decorated by the hands of convicts. By systematic care and prompt isolation spread of influenza has been prevented in the penitentiary. Only two cases, where the patients might be regarded in serious condition, are receiving attention. Any man showing the slightest symptoms is immediately placed under care. Each cell, where as dusk comes the convicts are billeted for the night is being equipped with an individual heating system, rendering equitable heat throughout the cell chambers. Working upon the theory that idleness breeds discontent, the warden is seeking vocation for each of the approximately 300 inmates of the prison. Guards at all times mingle with the convicts instructing and guiding them as they work.

Men Are Kept Busy. All woodwork being incorporated into the renovation of the prison dining room, kitchen and offices is being modeled and shaped in the penitentiary "sawmill."

Flax production in the mill obscured from the public behind the high brick walls continues at high pitch. From 20 to 25 men stand at the fast whirling machines in the flax mill all day transforming the flax into valuable fibers. Even the walls that mark the division point between liberty and captivity for the men within, shall within several weeks, reflect the new spirit that has fallen upon the institution. For they shall receive new coats of paint, be repaired where necessary, and stand a monument to the integrity and system of Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner, past warden, and his successor, Louis Compton, who is promoting the great changes begun by his predecessor.

### OLYMPIC COMMITTEE TO MEET

New York, Feb. 23.—A meeting of the American Olympic committee has been called for March 13 at New York and notices have been mailed to national association supervising amateur sport which will be represented at the international games at Antwerp. Each association is entitled to send two delegates to the meeting, which will be held on the same day as the National Amateur Athletic Union indoor championships.

### New York Nationals Leave For Training

New York, Feb. 23.—Headed by Christy Mathewson, the main contingent of the New York National league baseball club departed today by special train for San Antonio, Texas, for spring training. Other players and recruits will be picked up at various points. Manager McGraw is en route to the Texas city from Havana.

Although Heinie Zimmerman and Hal Chase were ordered to report here today, they did not do so. Zimmerman sent back his contract unsigned; while Chase, according to reports, has decided to quit baseball for business in California.

The advance guard of the New York American team will leave tonight resuming training quarters at Jacksonville, Fla.

### Willamette Frosh Defeats Mollala Hi School Quintet

The Willamette freshmen defeated the Mollala high school team at basketball last night by a score of 29 to 17. The freshmen took the lead early, the visitors coming back strong late in the game. The Mollala team, which has enjoyed an unbroken string of victories up to last night during the season, showed themselves good shots and had excellent teamwork, but the freshmen were heavier and put up the better fight. Ellis and Stone starred for the frosh and Faurie for the visitors.

W. U. Mollala.  
Ellis (6).....F.....(10) Faurie  
Ganzans (3).....F.....(1) Jackson  
Stone (19).....C.....Heigle  
Sokolofsky.....G.....Halfrey  
Thomas (1).....G.....(6) Ridings

### Salem High Wins From Oregon Frosh In One-Sided Game

The Salem high school basketball team triumphed over the University of Oregon freshman quintet by a score of 30 to 29 in one of the best games of the interscholastic series, played at the armory last night.

Consistent playing, with the total absence of any spectacular work on either side, featured the entire game. The score at the close of the first half was 12 to 5 in favor of the local team. Andre played the star part for the visitors, the local boys all playing a good game.

### Flyer Rises To Record Altitude And Falls 5 Miles

Dayton, O., Feb. 23.—Major Rudolph Schroeder broke the one-man record for altitude held by Roland Rohlf when his Le Perre plane climbed 37,000 feet (estimated) over Dayton today. In the flight Schroeder's oxygen tank gave out and his ship fell six miles before righting itself. The gas tank burst, making a fan was taken here for a comet. The temperature at this height was 55 degrees below zero. He fell within 2,000 feet of the ground before regaining consciousness sufficiently to right his machine. Major Schroeder was temporarily blinded and is now in a local hospital. His condition is not serious.

### Forger Of Check For \$22 Sought

Passage of a worthless check on the Roth Grocery company last Thursday for \$22 was being investigated by police here Saturday, following receipt of word of the forgery from Emil Roth, proprietor of the store. Mr. Roth reported that a man entered the store on Thursday and bought \$20 worth of oranges. He tendered a cheque for \$22 and received \$21.20 in change.

### BALL GROUNDS LAID OUT PREPARATORY TO WORK ON STAND

Residents near 12th and Oxford streets are conjecturing as to the nature of the gigantic enterprise indicated by the extensive driving of pegs on a six acre tract in that vicinity.

According to Riddle Bishop, Salem's most vitally important industry will exist here. For on this site, the great American game after years of neglect in the Capital City, will come into its own.

With Carl Bahlborg, contractor in charge of building operations, Manager Bishop laid out the location of the grand stand and bleachers of the new park Saturday. Trucks will soon be unloading the first order of 5000 feet of lumber for the bleachers and construction will start at once.

Contractor Bahlborg is already preparing the ground for the piers of the main structure, the grandstand, which will be so arranged that an uninterrupted view will be afforded the baseball fans.

Next week, a big Twin City tractor will be galloping around the grounds, in exact imitation of Jack Hayes, heavyweight catcher for the Senators. Jack's weight has never interfered with the home runs which his 500 percent batting record assures.

And while members of the team are being discussed, don't forget that the Senators are anxiously awaiting the outcome of the financial campaign, for unless Salem has a good park it will be absolutely impossible to register all of the A-1 games scheduled here at the present time.

As an investment, this baseball park may well be considered Salem's most important enterprise, for the national game affords wholesome relaxation and amusement alike for the tired business man, or the workers in the juice plants, the canning factories and the mills.

The Presbyterian church of La Grande has launched a six weeks' campaign for promoting spiritual interest in the church.

Robbers have ransacked the Pi Beta Phi sorority house in Eugene and carried away 100 consisting principally of jewelry.

Simon Rustig is under arrest at Eugene charged with robbing his roommate of \$100, two suits of clothes, a watch and ring.

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### Market News

Grain: Wheat No. 1 \$2.10; feed oats \$0.85; milling oats \$0.85; cheat hay \$18.20; oat hay \$21.22; clover hay \$23; mill run \$47.  
Butterfat: Butterfat, 66c; creamery butter, 68c@69c.  
Pork, veal and mutton: Pork on foot 15 1/2c; veal fancy 24c; steers 11c; lambs 13 1/2c; cows 7c@9c; ewes 9c; sheep, yearlings 12 1/2c.  
Dressed pork 21c.  
Eggs and poultry: Eggs cash 34c; light hens, 24c; heavy hens 25c; old roosters 12c@16c; springs 24c.  
Vegetables: Onions per pound 5c; celery doz. \$1.75; potatoes, Yankins 5c; Oregon 2 1/2c@4c; sweet potatoes 8c; beans per sack \$2; turnips per sack \$2.75; carrots per sack \$1.25; parsnips per sack \$3.50; spinach 10c lb; radishes 40c doz.  
Fruit: Oranges \$5.50@6.50; lemons \$7@7.50; bananas 11c; honey extract 20c; bunch beets 45c; cabbage 5 1/2c; head lettuce \$1.35; carrots 45c; Brussels sprouts 16c; cauliflower \$1.75 doz; red peppers 25c lb; rhubarb 12 1/2c; peas 15c lb.  
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Hogs steady; receipts 397; prime mixed \$15.50@16.00; medium \$15.00@15.50; rough heavy \$11.00@15.00; pigs \$12@14.  
Sheep steady; receipts 57; eastern lambs \$17.00@18.00; light valley \$15 \$47.00; heavy \$14.00@15.50; feeder lambs \$15@15; yearlings \$15@15.50; wethers \$13@13.50; ewes \$10@12.

Wheat and Mill Stuff.  
Wheat: \$2.20; barley, \$2; oat \$60.00 bid; corn No. 3 yellow \$57.50 bid.  
Hay: Buying price, valley \$20.00@23; alfalfa \$21.00; grain \$20.00@22; clover \$20; oats and wheat \$25.  
Millstuffs: Prices f.o.b. mill, 40c arriage \$2 extra. Mill run, cap. lots, mixed cars \$44 ton; rolled barley \$10 rolled oats \$48.50; ground barley \$10 scratch feed \$30.  
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