

Latest News Covering Willamette Valley Points

Need For Hospital Shown In Statical Statement of Board

By a compilation of figures showing the number of hospitals now in operation throughout the United States and the number of people cared for in them, and by giving an outline of the plans under which the new Salem hospital is expected to operate, the board of directors of the new Salem hospital is shown in a prepared statement by H. W. Meyer, a member of the board, who is now superintending the construction of the building, for which the first car of steel has already been received and the cement work begun. Mr. Meyer's statement follows:

"For the information of the public it is my privilege to give the following facts relative to hospitals in the United States. These figures are taken from statistics, and should have a bearing on the Salem hospital, under construction."

"Information compiled by the government has been meager up to last year, and the available facts establish the following institutions, devoted to the care of the sick and dependent:

Hospitals and sanatoriums, 7967; number of beds therein, 557,965; allied institutions, 1761; number of beds 241,126; total institutions, 8828; total number of beds, 869,091.

Public hospitals, 1590; pay hospitals, 3282; other hospitals, 2027; Catholic hospitals, 929; total, 8528.

Hospitals with bed capacity under 25, 3090; hospitals with bed capacity under 50, 1790; hospitals with bed capacity under 100, 1100; hospitals with bed capacity under 200, 790; hospitals with bed capacity under 500, 330; hospitals with bed capacity under 1000 105; hospitals with bed capacity over 1000, 131; total, 7067.

"The state of California has 475 hospitals with 32,105 beds; Washington has 229 hospitals with 11,906 beds; Oregon has 111 hospitals with 6552 beds.

"One can possibly comprehend by a glance at these figures, of the work of caring for the sick. The effort is of extensive proportions, as the total number of employees is upward of 300,000.

"During last year approximately 3,000,000 men, women and children were patients in these hospitals, and an average of more than 1,250,000 persons, including resident physicians, nurses and other employees were housed and fed.

"The investment in land, buildings and equipment amounts to nearly \$2,000,000 and \$750,000,000 is expended annually for food products, supplies, new equipment, etc.

"It is the purpose of the hospital board of the Salem organization to standardize your institution for hospital betterment, and it is necessary to have your unstinted individual and collective support, both morally and especially financially, to make possible the attempt, an economy of construction is an imperative necessity, due to lack of funds.

"Hospitals are of importance beyond estimate, in the care of the sick, and injured, and as training centers in medical education, and Salem is fortunate in having a location so ideally situated for efficient service.

"A community organization, with the co-operation of everyone, and adequate facilities, made possible by your efforts, should make available this important unit, which means so much to health and well-being.

"In working out the problem of building the plant now under construction and so greatly needed for Salem and vicinity, (please do not assume that same will be a perfect model) but only insofar as possible and your support will the institution be complete. The equipment of a hospital with appliances up-to-date means the expenditure of thousands of dollars, and it is the hope of members of the Salem hospital board that in due time this will be accomplished.

"It certainly would be a source of pride and pleasure to have a pathologic department, and one or more chemical laboratories, for the more technical, chemical, bacteriologic, and serologic work and examinations. Would it not be fine to have it equipped with a Roentgen-ray department, prepared to do Roentgenographic, fluoroscopic and therapeutic work? It is hoped that it will be possible to have a radiographic room, an X-ray department, a dietary department, modern surgery, etc.

"Some places have hospitals so termed, poorly located, yet adequately supplied with beds, but lacking in efficient service. This is due to several causes, one in particular: the unwillingness to let a rival, as it were, come to the front in an endeavor to build for the community good.

"Thus may we describe progress in hospitalization, and to compare, one must have a scale for example. There are communities without hospital appliances, such as have been mentioned. Shall we have considered one?

"Many are prone to forget that after a hospital is built it must be maintained, and it is opportune to suggest that you give some thought to the future by making a provision in your will that the Salem hospital be made a beneficiary for a stipulated amount.

"The total amount pledged to date is \$47,457.73 with liberty bonds on hand totals \$73,657.73, as the approximate cost of the central unit is \$82,500, you can realize the importance of your valued support.

"Don't forget that 50 per cent of your subscription becomes due September first."

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County Has Right To Levy Tax For Fair Premiums

The right of Multnomah county to levy a tax of not to exceed one-tenth of one mill on all taxable property within the county for the payment of expenses and premiums awards of a regularly organized agricultural fair association, is upheld by Attorney General Van Winkle in an opinion written for Walter H. Evans, district attorney for Multnomah county.

The state law making this provision, Van Winkle holds, is not in conflict with the section of the state constitution which provides that no county, city, town or other municipal corporation shall become a stockholder in any joint company, corporation or association to levy a tax of not to exceed one-tenth of one mill on all taxable property within the county for the payment of expenses and premiums awards of a regularly organized agricultural fair association, is upheld by Attorney General Van Winkle in an opinion written for Walter H. Evans, district attorney for Multnomah county.

The county in making the grant of money to assist in paying expenses and premiums awards at the fair does not become a partner or stockholder of any such company, corporation or association, the opinion points out. The association only receives the money in trust as distributing agent of the county and is required by statute to account for its disposition with complete vouchers covering all of its expenditures of such money.

The corporation and the county are both joining in promoting the agricultural, horticultural, stock and other industries of the community and the corporation acts in the capacity of an instrumentality of the county, the opinion declares.

Larger Prunes Are Predicted

Though the tonnage of prunes in the Willamette valley is light this season it is expected that those which are on the trees will run heavily to large sizes. It is the opinion of Earl Pearce, Willamette valley field representative for the Oregon Growers' association, that the average size of dried prunes will be 40 to the pound while last year the average was nearer 50 to the pound.

If weather conditions continue to be favorable for the next three weeks the prunes are expected to greatly increase in size and sugar content. Last year's crop had a low sugar content causing them to dry out light. From 14 to 17 pounds of dried prunes were obtained from a bushel of green fruit but it is expected that they will dry out heavier this year.

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Simple and Rich Scenes Combined In 'Way Down East'



Richard Barthelmess in "Way Down East."

In the prologue of his mammoth motion picture version of "Way Down East," to be seen at the Grand theatre, beginning today and playing Friday and Saturday, D. W. Griffith takes his audience from the quietude and simplicity of countryside to the whirl and luxury of metropolitan life. The big ball room and other city life scenes require much in elaborateness of detail, particularly the gowning of the feminine characters. The vast array of unusual creations in these scenes are the establishment of Lady Duff Gordon ("Lucille") and the furs shown here and later in other scenes are from Otto Kahn, Inc. However, the gowns worn by Miss Lillian Gish in the prologue are of separate and distinct execution and their designing is the exclusive work of O'Kane Cromwell, while the execution of these garments was solely entrusted to Bendel and to Madame Lisette. This proves to have been a happy though, for in the lay Miss Gish is seen as the simple child of the country, thrown suddenly into the lavishness of city life and it is quite fitting that her frocks be in contrast with those of the others.

Red Cross Official Visits Local Chapter

Miss Katherine Ewing, field representative of the American Red Cross, met with the executive committee of Willamette chapter yesterday afternoon, and discussed various activities of the Red Cross, especially the fifth roll call and future work. She brought forth the fact that Red Cross work for the ex-service man is increasing all the time.

Dr. J. E. Crichton, division man-

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ager, in a letter to the chapter present his national guard regiment at the national competitive shoot to be held at Perry, Ohio. Mr. Stevens was third highest in the regiment at the Camp Lewis competition and won the distinction accorded him by this accomplishment.

Dallas

Dallas, Aug. 13.—The Neighbors of Woodcraft will hold a picnic and wicker roast in the city park Wednesday evening, August 24. A picnic lunch will be served after which games and a general good time will be had. The members and their families are invited to attend and enjoy the good time.

Lew A. Cates, former publisher of the Polk County Observer, was in town Tuesday and made a pleasant call at the court house. For the first time in more than seven years Mr. Cates now holds no interest in or claim upon the Observer office. For the past few weeks he and Mrs. Cates have been "gyping" but he is now figuring upon locating somewhere in business and will likely reengage in the newspaper line. He is casting eyes in the direction of California.

Manley W. Stevens of Dallas has been selected as one of the team of ten sharpshooters to represent his national guard regiment at the national competitive shoot to be held at Perry, Ohio.

Butchers Threaten Strike

Omaha, Neb., Aug. 12.—An announcement that they are ready to fight for their present wages and working conditions was made by representatives of union packing plant employees in a statement given out at the conclusion of a conference called to draft a plan for agreement with the packers to take the place of the present national agreement, which expires September 15.

Rosedale Notes

Rosedale, Or., Aug. 13.—Mrs. C. A. Cole and children and Miss Helen Cammack return from Newport last Thursday evening. Mrs. Ida Lee again filled the pulpit at the Friends church last Sunday. Mr. Hadley expects to be back from his vacation before next Sunday.

Mrs. C. A. Bear and daughter, Miss Hazel Bear, also Mrs. Eliches of Turner visited at the home of R. M. Cammack last Tuesday.

Mr. Bradbury has returned from a visit with relatives in the east. Mrs. Hampton has been visiting relatives near Halsey for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bates visited at Newberg last Sunday.

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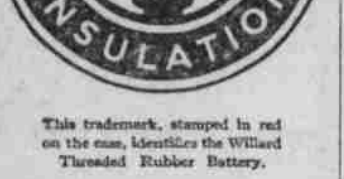
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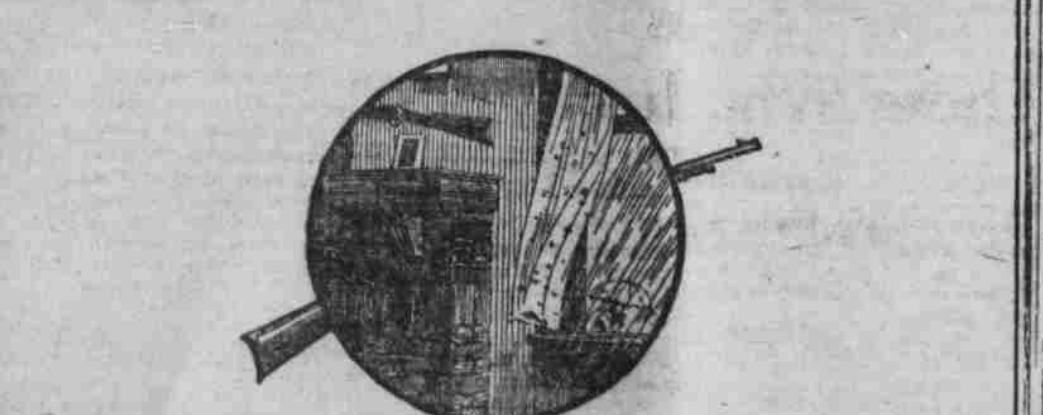
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