

### NEW PLANETS SHOW SIGNS OF SOLAR SYSTEM

San Jose, Cal. (AP)—The significance of the verification of the existence of a new planet announced at the Lowell Observatory at Flagstaff, Ariz., lies mainly, Dr. Robert Aiken believes, in the realization of the increased size of the solar system. Dr. Aiken is a noted astronomer at the Lick Observatory at Mt. Hamilton, near here.

Dr. Aiken said that the most significant, of course, is that the planet is there. It explains some of the irregular motions in the orbits of Neptune and Uranus and demonstrates that our little family of worlds is not such a puny thing as modern telescopes have made it appear in comparison with the known universe.

The discovery, however, will not, in Dr. Aiken's opinion, modify existing theories of the probable origin or nature of the solar system. The so-called Nebular Hypothesis embraces two widely accepted suppositions, astronomers say. The first and now apparently the most widely accepted, is the planetesimal theory. By that is meant the belief that Nodules or lumps formed in the rotating primal Nebular mass from which the planets and the sun evolved and that in time these collected to themselves the more tenuous Nebular matter or star dust around them. Some believe that planets are still growing in weight, if not size, due to the continual dropping of meteors and stardust on their surfaces. As they are cooling, meanwhile, and hence, contracting, the size perhaps is not increasing. The other and older supposition is that the sun and planets were thrown as molten globes from the original nebular and that what was left became the sun. This supposition, carried out, led to the suggestion that the moon may have been thrown off from the earth as the earth was by the sun.

Students of astronomy have agreed that no positive verification existed for their theories and hoped that future discoveries would supply this lack.

### GRADESTERS OFFER TEACHERS SURPRISE

Amity—The pupils of the Fifth and Sixth grades of the Amity grammar school gave a surprise party Wednesday evening at the home of Dr. O. A. Davis in honor of their teacher, Mrs. Arthur Chambers (Miss Bernice Paley) who was married recently. A buffet luncheon was served at 6:30 o'clock. The bride was presented with a gift by her pupils.

Those present were Vivian Smith, Letha Shields, Lawrence McClure, Danny McCarty, Royal Cochran, Alan Torbet, Jean Abraham, Betty Jean Cole, Martha Groves, Granville Allen, Kermet Massey, Harry McCarty, Lois Wiseman, Lyle Clymer, Betty Doris Phyllis, Davis Keith Davis, the guest of honor, Mrs. Arthur Chambers, Miss Nina Gules, Hubert Miller and the hostess, Mrs. G. A. Davis.

Mrs. Chambers has been a member of the grammar school faculty here for the last three years and has made many friends in the community during that time.

### CHURCH ORGANIZATION MEETINGS ARE STAGED

Monmouth—The Baptist women's missionary society met Thursday at the home of Mrs. A. B. Moran, with Mrs. L. L. Daly presiding. After the presentation of a short missionary play, refreshments were served by Mrs. Moran and Mrs. F. R. Bowersox.

The Dorcas society of the Christian church held its meeting Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Paul Riley, with fourteen members present. Several songs were sung by a group of high school girls, Dorothy Bork, Prudence Haller, Ella Gilliam, Virginia Mitchell and Nadine McLean. After the program, refreshments were served.

### CLUB HAS MEETING

Scio—The March meeting of the I Will community club was held at the Richardson Gap school house this week, with routine business and a good local program. It is understood the April meeting may have speakers from Lebanon and elsewhere.

### SOCIAL IS FRIDAY

Auburn—The Auburn Community club is planning a basket social for March 21. The Cubs Dramatic club will give the program. The date of the Auburn club meeting has been changed to the third Friday evening of each month so as not to conflict with neighboring club meetings.

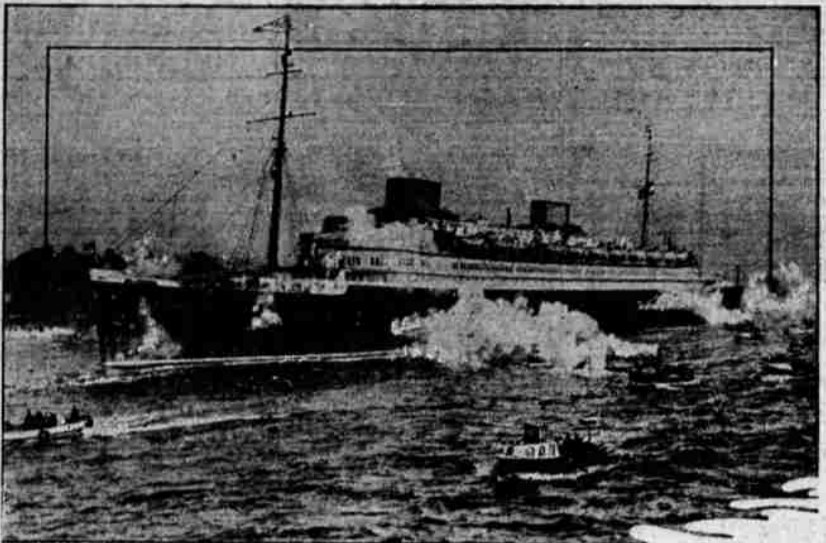
### GOING TO HOLLAND

Unionvale—Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Braat and daughter, Cornelia of Seattle, Wash., are guests of M. Braat and family enroute to New York by rail, where they will sail for Rotterdam, Holland, March 25.

### PROGRAM IS FRIDAY

Dayton—The Webster Parent-Teachers' association March meeting will be given by the men serving on the program and refreshment committee, at the school house Friday evening.

### PRIDE OF GERMAN FLEET READY FOR MAIDEN VOYAGE



The Europa, giant sister ship of the record holding Bremen, will seek a new Atlantic record during her maiden voyage.

### Telephone Company Opens for Business In New Building

Monday morning the business offices and commercial department of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company will be installed and opened for business at the company's new home at 740 State street and the old offices at 170 North Liberty street will be permanently closed. However, the operating departments will remain in their present location until after the first of the year as it is estimated fully 10 months will be required with a big crew working making the difficult installations to switch over to the automatic system to be installed here next year.

All business relationships will be conducted from the new offices starting Monday morning, states C. C. Aller, district manager for the company, and he expects the new offices will remain open until late Monday evening to anyone wishing to visit Mr. Aller or his associates in their new home.

The switch will be made Saturday night with the equipment from the old business offices to the new and marks the close of a quarter of a century of service to Salem by the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company.

Salem's first telephone exchange was established in 1884 in the rear of a drug store at State and Commercial streets. In 1890 there were 115 telephones in the city. But so rapid was the growth of the exchange during the next few years that in 1905 the offices were moved to its Liberty street location.

Early last year plans were announced by the telephone company for the erection of the new three-story building directly across from Willson park. Actual construction was started in May and was completed except for finishing inside on December 1. Of steel frame construction, fireproof and light terra cotta finish it has been planned to ultimately accommodate five stories, while it now has three and a full basement. The new building embodies many of the latest features of telephone design, according to Mr. Aller, among which will be the use of individual desks in place of the usual business counters. Although this feature has been adopted in many of the newer buildings on the coast Salem is the first city in which it has been instituted in Oregon. The walls of the office are finished in a pale buff color which harmonizes strikingly with green ripple drapes and grey-green linoleum. Near the center of the room is an attractive built-in teller's and attendant's cage opposite which are located local and long distance telephone booths. A customer's room, in which visitors may take up special business matters, is located in the rear of the office. All woodwork and furniture is of dark mahogany.

No special demonstration will be put on by the company at the opening of the business offices but when equipment is installed an open house will be staged for Salem folks to see their new building in its entirety.

A trip through the new building even in its present stages, however, reveals what a monumental addition it is to Salem's general line of public buildings.

The front doors, which will never be locked, and which have no lock on them in fact, open onto a spacious lobby equipped with phone booths for service to the public at any time. At the left on entering are the business offices already described. At the rear is a large room for handling the long line department. Large lavatory

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### SOCIAL NIGHT PLAN DROPPED BY CLUB

Hazel Green—The Nemo Sewing club held its March meeting at the home of Mrs. Lottie Rutherford. A feature of the afternoon was an exchange of plants and bulbs among the various flower lovers.

Mrs. Ellis Anderson gave several musical selections. At the tea hour the hostess was assisted in serving by Mrs. Ann Penney and Mrs. Ellis Anderson.

Members attending included Mrs. Minnie Dunnigan, Mrs. Elizabeth Davis, Mrs. Mildred Kittelson, Mrs. Elizabeth Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Mary Wampler, Mrs. Mae Tuve, Mrs. Pearl Woods, Mrs. Ann Penney, Mrs. Ada Foist and Mrs. Ellis Anderson.

By unanimous consent the social meetings held at night were voted to be discontinued until fall. The next meeting of the club will be held March 26 at the home of Mrs. Mae Tuve.

### BABY CLINIC HELD SEWING CLUB GUEST

Gervais—A baby clinic was held Wednesday afternoon in the church social room. Mrs. Sumner Stevens, Mrs. Clyde Cutforth were the local women in charge and were assisted by Dr. Russell of Salem, and Miss Bryan, the visiting nurse. Eight babies were examined. Dr. Smith of Salem, took pictures of some of the work done by the clinic and which will be added to that of others taken from the various county clinics and made into book form and sent to other states showing what the clinics are to small communities.

### MAYOR WILL SPEAK

Scio—Mayor Calavan of Albany will speak on educational topics at the meeting of the Scio Parent-Teachers' association on the evening of March 20, according to announcement of officers of the organization. Mrs. Brown's music pupils will give several numbers.

### SCHOOLMATES UNITED

Gervais—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Van Tree of Seattle, Wash., visited with Mr. Wadsworth and family Wednesday. The Van Trees and Wadsworths were all school mates in Oklahoma.



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### SOVIET ORDERS END OF REIGN OF VIOLENCE

Moscow (AP)—Such acts as closing churches without consent of a majority of the population, tearing down church bells, use of force, violence or harsh administrative measures in converting individual farms into collective farms and illegal confiscation of the peasants' property must forthwith cease, said a highly important editorial in the Izvestia, which reflects the views of the government.

Measures of persuasion rather than duress, Izvestia said, must be used in getting peasants to join the collective farms. Any official who henceforth departs from this policy will be severely punished.

"Doubtless," continued the paper, "our enemies will raise a terrific shout of joy over this alleged retreat from our policy of collectivization. The laboring masses know that to retreat would mean surrender to the enemy of our positions which we have gained. Not only will we not surrender our positions but we intend to fortify ourselves by the mobilization of all our power and means into one vast collective effort. By holding fast to our positions, we will create conditions which will enable us to move toward complete socialism with the entire mass of laboring peasants. This task is difficult, but can doubtless be solved. Mistakes and violations of the communist party's rural policies, which have been committed by some 'bonehead' village officials, are absolutely intolerable and must cease immediately."

### WOMEN UNCHANGED AFTER 10,000 YEARS

Birmingham, Ala. (AP)—Dr. Walter B. Jones, state geologist, says "women haven't changed much in the last 10,000 years or so."

"Of approximately 600 skeletons unearthed during excavation work near Moundsville, Ala., Dr. Jones observed in an address Friday night, "all the women had their mouths open while the mouths of the men were characteristically shut."

### PRINCE CAROL LEAVES HELEN

Bucharest, Rumania (AP)—Reports emanating from alleged reliable sources Saturday said that Prince Carol, father of the infant King Michael, has separated from Mme. Helene Lupescu, Rumanian woman for whom he renounced his rights to the throne of his country.

There have been frequent reports of separation of Prince Carol and Mme. Lupescu, usually followed by their appearance in public again at Paris. In June, 1928, Princess Helen of Greece, his wife and mother of the boy king, divorced him.

### FOUNTAINE AT STORE

Jefferson—J. G. Fontaine, of the firm of Smith and Fontaine, has been ill at his home for the past week with an attack of appendicitis. He is improving gradually and is able to be at the store for a short time each day.

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### OREGON FACTS WORTH KNOWING

by W. G. Ide, Manager Oregon State Chamber of Commerce

Oregon leads the nation in hops. This state produces from 50 to 55 per cent of the country's supply. Ninety-nine per cent of the nation's output comes from the Pacific coast. In the Independence district of Polk county the hop production in good years has averaged \$1,000,000, approximately one-half that amount being paid in wages for labor. Employment is given to many people from early spring to late fall and during harvest season thousands of pickers are employed. Oregon has approximately 17,000 acres devoted to hops which produce an average of 1,800 pounds per acre and the crop is worth about \$3,000,000. Hop production is a business for a large operator and the reduced market in recent years has made the industry somewhat less important than formerly. Hops are planted from cuttings taken from the roots. There is a commercial yield the second year. Plantings are in rows seven to eight feet apart. In early spring the land is powed both ways, hoed, cultivated and worked down with discs and spring harrows. A peg is driven at each hill onto which twine is tied and extended up 12 to 20 feet to trellis wires which extend from post to post. Hops are trained up these strings and later along the wires. After a hop yard is once in production, it is good for 20 to 30 years without replanting.



### TEST VALIDITY OF NEW ELECTION LAW

Portland, Ore. (AP)—District Attorney Myers said that a friendly suit to determine the constitutionality of the law passed by the state legislature restricting the right to vote on bond and tax measures to taxpayers only would be filed early next week.

He said he expected the proceedings to be taken directly to the state supreme court in mandamus form. Jay Bowerman, attorney, who has been handling preliminary work on the suit, said an order would be sought requiring County Clerk Bailey and the county commissioners to allow all legal voters to pass on the proposed \$5,500,000 bond issue to finance a new bridge project here.

La Fayette—Dr. and Mrs. E. L. Swick, recently of South Carolina, are visiting at the Morgan home. Mrs. Swick is a sister of Will and F. S. Morgan.

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