

CHANGE TO DIAL PHONE SYSTEM UPON APRIL 4

Salem's telephone service will be changed from manual to dial operation at midnight, Saturday, April 4, according to Harry V. Collins, manager for The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company.

Though this date tentatively had been announced before, Mr. Collins declared it was definite and final now, and that all pre-arrangements were going forward on schedule.

Virtually all of Salem's 5900 telephone instruments and 21 private branch exchanges now have been equipped with dial mechanism, and this week saw the start of the work of changing the number plate on each telephone.

As each number plate is being changed, the telephone man is inserting the new telephone number. Nearly all of the telephone numbers will have to be changed, Mr. Collins said.

Demonstrations on the use of the dial telephone will be started immediately by the company. These will be given before lodges, clubs, schools and other large groups, as well as on the customers' premises, if desired. In addition, a demonstration unit has been set up in the business office of the company at 740 State street. The new telephone directory, containing all the new numbers, will be distributed about April 1, and will have directions on how to use the dial.

FAIRVIEW CLUB HAS SPLENDID PROGRAM

Fairview—A large crowd attended the program given by the Fairview Community club at the schoolhouse Friday night. The quilt made by the women of the club was given to Mrs. George Palmer who drew the lucky number. A letter from the W. Y. Dent family who moved to Snake River, Wash., recently, was read.

The program included: An Oregon history skit, by the school children; R. S. Palmer and wife gave a piano and drum duet; Dixie Rose gave a reading; a piano solo and song by Noel Williams; Miss Wood played a piano solo and encore; E. E. Balmer and wife and daughter presented an original song and dance, and a reading was given by Elsie Hagen.

A vocal duet and encore was sung by Miss Margaret Turner and Russell Wright. The girls of the school gave an old-fashioned quadrille with Delmer Leatherman accompanying them at the piano.

MORNING STAR HAS GOOD GRANGE HOUR

Jefferson—The regular meeting of the Morning Star grange was held at the hall three miles west of Jefferson Saturday evening. Visitors at the meeting were Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Carnegie of Calamette grange at Riverside, and Mrs. Margaret Marlette of Ankeny grange. Each gave a short talk. The lecturer's program consisted of a song by the audience; a reading, by Mrs. Delmar Davidson; reading, Kenneth Cunningham; valentine reading, Mrs. William P. Orens; and a skit, "Chocolate Drop," by Woodrow Triax and Johnnie Vanhook of Albany, who were well backed up for their parts.

HUBBARD RESIDENTS ARE NOW IN SALEM

Hubbard—Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Beckman and children Robert, Muriel and Joan, moved to Salem the latter part of the week. The Beckman family has taken part in all of the social, school and civic life of this community and Hubbard residents regret their departure. Robert has played with the Hubbard community band, being a member of the clarinet section for two years. He plans to continue his hand work in Salem. Both Robert and Muriel have been active in the 4-H club work in school, being members of the chicken club. Beckman was in the banking business while in Hubbard.

ALOHA NEEDLE CLUB MEETS NEAR DAYTON

Dayton—Mrs. E. B. Sweeney entertained the Aloha Needle club at her home in the Pleasantdale vicinity Thursday afternoon. Mrs. O. M. Murphey, mother of Mrs. Sweeney, was a guest. Members present were Mesdames A. W. Bramlett, Scott Edwards, Ralph Hadley, Floyd McFarlane, J. A. McFarlane and the hostess. A covered dish luncheon was planned for the next meeting which will be held at the A. W. Bramlett home.

FOOTPATH BUILT ON BRIDGE OVER RIVER

Aurora—Work has begun on the pedestrians' lane on the Pudding river bridge. Such a walk has been needed ever since the bridge was first built and everyone is glad that it is finally being constructed.

PRATHERS MOVE

Silverton—Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Prather have moved from the Evergreen greenhouse which they had leased for two years from Mr. and Mrs. George Jetter of Portland, and which lease has now expired to the J. E. Lytle place on the Silverton-Salem highway, where they will raise most perennials for the market and Mr. Prather will keep up his work at the Silver Falls Mill.

Mr. and Mrs. Yetter have moved from Portland, where he was employed with the Clark Forest company, back to the Evergreen place and will now again manage that greenhouse.

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CLIMATE CHANGE NOT NECESSARY FOR T. B.

A climate change is not necessary in treating tuberculosis. Contrary to theories that tuberculosis sufferers should move to high and warmer localities the state board of health pointed out such a change is unnecessary.

Most important in treatment of the disease is good medical care, usually in a sanatorium, the board believes.

OREGON FARMER NOT BADLY OFF REPORTS HINT

Being a farmer in Oregon, isn't so bad. Although prices were dragged to lower levels during the depression last year, prospects are for steady recovery in demand for farm products and for lower production costs.

Despite low prices, farmers who went into bankruptcy during the year, numbered 10 per cent less than in 1929.

These encouraging reports reached the state house this week from federal sources.

"This prospect of improvement is based on belief that the world wide economic depression will have to run its course by the summer, as consumption of many industrial products is now outrunning production," said the report.

Reduction in farmer bankruptcies in western areas accounted for more than 80 per cent of the total decline for the year, it was pointed out. Farmers being forced "to the wall" through bankruptcy numbered the lowest for any year since 1922.

The full effect of the depression of 1921 was not registered in the form of farm bankruptcies until 1925, the survey continued. "The fact that the peak in farm incomes during post war occurred in 1925, is doubtless reflected in the reduced number of failures concluded last year.

Farmer bankruptcies are third in numerical importance among the six occupational classes designated by the report. Wage earners stood first, and merchants second.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AT MACLEAY ASSISTED

Macleay—Continued interest exhibited in Sunday school work in other parts of the county has combined to make the Sunday school here a success in the few weeks since its organization. A number of Salem visitors and others have assisted by their presence and donations in getting the local work well started.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Cady and Vern Cain, all of Salem, among others, have participated in the services, while Ronald Glover, Salem attorney and former resident of this district, has offered a donation and other assistance.

The organ belonging to the Macleay school has been repaired and placed in service, permitting special music each Sunday. Next Sunday Miss Nettie Shaw will present special instrumental music on her guitar-mandolin.

QUILTING IN ORDER FOR CLUB MEETING

Dayton—Mrs. Ted Lawrence entertained the Webfoot Social Service club at her home in Webfoot Thursday afternoon. Quilting for the hostess was the pastime. Mrs. Charles Krummell was a guest. Members present were Mesdames Jack Boudy, J. P. Dorsey, A. L. Holdredge, Emmerson Kuhn, Fred Kuhn, Albert May, Will Richards, C. A. Wilson and the hostess. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Albert May.

DALLAS, SALEM TIE SEEN FOR DEBATE HONORS

Dallas—In its dual debate Thursday evening Dallas high school won from Salem high school and lost to Woodburn high school.

The victory over Salem affirmative was especially pleasing to the Dallas contingent, as the debate was held in Salem high school auditorium. The Dallas negative team consisted of Doris Newbill and Edith Dunn. Neither of the girls had participated in debate previous to this season. The Salem team had an unbroken record of victories for the season until they met the Dallas team.

That the Dallas team won rather easily is indicated in the unanimous decision in its favor.

In the Dallas Woodburn debate held at Dallas Woodburn won by a two to one decision.

The tabulated results of the debates, will probably result in a tie between Dallas and Salem for district honors in this particular circuit of the district.

DISEASE CASES CONTINUE HIGH

Communicable disease numbers in Oregon continued high for the week ending February 14, reported the state board of health. There were 46 Marion county cases. In the state, 32 had influenza, 47 pneumonia, 22 smallpox.

MAN DIGS IN DURING SLUMP

Hammond, Ind. (AP)—When unemployment conditions become intolerable dig yourself a hole in the ground and stay there until conditions improve, said John Micalas, Hammond's only hermit. Micalas follows his own advice.

Micalas lost his job in April, 1929. He made a search for work which carried him over several states and when winter came he found himself in northern Indiana. There was only one thing to do, he said, and that was dig himself in like the soldiers did in the last war.

With a butcher knife he carved out a cave-like home in a sand bank near the city dump. Tin cans, tree stumps and paper cartons were placed about the entrance to keep out the cold. The nearby dump supplied him food. Old vegetables and bread-crusts, discarded by others, became real food to Micalas.

Police, searching for a wanted man, came upon the hermit's cave, questioned him and gave him a real meal and hand-axe to use in his work. He would not leave his "home," however.

"In here 'till conditions get better," he said.

CITY JOBS JOINED BY COUNCIL EDICT

Jefferson—At a recent meeting of the city council, a new ordinance was passed combining the office of municipal water superintendent and street supervisor into one position at a salary of \$75 per month.

The water and light committee was given the power to purchase a new pump and motor for the pumping plant and bids are being advertised to be in by February 28.

MRS. HECKER LEAVES

Gervais—Mrs. Jake Hecker and son Martin left Friday for Samatra, Mont., where they will make their home with another son, who, with Martin, will manage the large wheat ranch still owned by Mrs. Hecker.

NOSTRUMS HOLD NO CURE FOR PNEUMONIA

Beware of influenza, pneumonia and gripe cures! This warning was circulated by state and federal food and drug authorities. There is no justification in advertising that declares cures can be effected through use of aspirin, nasal sprays, throat gargles, cod liver oil, disinfectants, anodyne pills, tablets, powders, milk of magnesia and similar preparations, authorities claimed. Advertisers and the products are subject to seizure and prosecution under such claims, it was said.

FRENCH CRIME DETECTORS FIND STRANGE FACTS

Berkeley (AP)—From Paris, home of Arsene Lupin, come tales of constructing the face of a defaced victim and guillotining her murderer.

Of proving that blood had once stained clothing since washed spotless.

Of reading an incriminating letter that had been burned to a crisp. Of a new process by which scientists can tell at a glance whether a pearl is natural, cultivated or artificial.

New methods along these lines were reported here by Edward O. Heinrichs, "the man who makes murder out," famous criminologist who has just returned from a trip abroad where he studied detection in several capitals.

Heinrichs told of the identification of a young woman who had been murdered and her face then disfigured past recognition by fire. By use of a new process called "moulage casting," he said, a death mask was made and the scars later removed by a sculptor.

The mask was then painted in natural colors and exhibited for weeks. It was recognized and the police called the slayer.

Bloodstains in washed clothing can be detected by the use of ultra violet and infra-red rays, Heinrichs said.

The same thing is true of writing paper which has been burned, he reported.

The new process which reveals real, artificial or cultured pearls is French, he said.

DAYTON HIGH DEBATE TEAM LOSES CONTEST

Dayton—Dayton high school debating teams lost both decisions when the affirmative team debated Canby here Thursday afternoon and the negative team went to Canby the same day. The next debates will be Thursday, one here and one at Roselaw, Portland, with the Roselaw debating teams.

GERVAIS "500" CLUB MEETS ON TUESDAY

Gervais—The regular meeting of the Gervais "500" community card club will be next Tuesday at the Masonic hall when Mrs. Carl Ellsworth, and Mrs. M. D. Henning will be hostesses.

TEXTBOOK BILL TEETH REMOVED CLAIM BACKERS

The "teeth" were drawn from the free textbook measure.

Such was the complaint of those who favored free texts for all grades of public school pupils, instead of for elementary pupils only as now provided in the measure today under consideration of Governor Meier. Both legislative houses recently passed the bill.

In justification of a complaint the present measure will be of little benefit to but a few, comparative state and federal figures were cited.

The average net cost of a high school book is \$7.2 cents, federal figures showed. According to figures compiled by C. A. Howard, state superintendent of public instruction, \$1.63 was paid on an average for every one of more than 50,000 books purchased yearly by Oregon high school pupils.

Opponents of the present "multi-benefit" measure pointed out that was nearly double the average net cost of the publisher, showing that dealers "disguised as appointed agents of local school boards, profited to an enormous extent of high school students."

Federal figures were obtained from reports of 60 school textbook publishers. Their total net sales were \$48,097,466 for one year and a net profit of \$22,735,757 was realized from sale of 39,406,677 elementary texts and \$15,288,422 from 18,683,290 high school books.

These figures brought out that

parents pay more than 100 per cent profit to book store owners, it was claimed. If all school books could be purchased directly from publishers for the state as a whole, proponents claimed, taxpayers would save themselves nearly fifty per cent of the net profit realized every year by dealers.

Retailers admit their largest profit is realized in high school volumes. It was said. Elementary school books are handled only as a convenience to obtain the agency for all books, and book-merchants in Oregon cities annually make a net profit of from \$1000 to \$5000 a year on school texts alone, it was pointed out.

PUPILS STUDY PAPER MAKING

Independence—The pupils of the fourth grade of the training department under the supervision of Mrs. Essie Bolt, made a trip to Salem recently to learn something of the details of making paper. The class has been studying about ancient and modern Scandinavia, and have discovered that much of the timber grown in that country is manufactured into paper.

Patrons of the local school furnishing transportation to the children were E. E. Addison, A. F. White, P. H. Quiring, Mr. Peterson, Harry Willoquet, Bernice Harvey and Mrs. Bolt.

The children who made the trip were: Betty Addison, Jack Barton, Billy Nerry, Alva Brown, Ruth Harrington, Rollo Hubert, Betty McKee, Juanita Mitchell, Billy Morley, Alvin and Jean Oberson, Francis Olson, Kathrine Quiring, Rollo Peterson, June Ramey, James Richards, Bill and John Snyder, Caro-

A total of 12,040 state documents were added to 25,164 already included in the stacks of the state library, during 1930, according to Miss H. C. Long, librarian.

The library received 30,725 last year and 18,685 were sent out.

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