

SIFT WELCOME IS CHALLENGE OF ALDERMAN

Alderman W. H. Dancy, who is chairman of the fire department committee of the Salem city council, not only welcomes and urges an investigation of his department, but offers his resignation in the event the probe.

Dancy has just returned from a six weeks trip, and the move to investigate the department was made in the city council while he was away. Aldermen Watson Townsend, H. H. Vandevort and Investigator O'Hara being named as the investigators. Upon his return, Dancy said Friday, he voluntarily called on Vandevort and offered his resignation. He said he would be glad to turn all of the department records over to the committee for examination.

As is now generally known, the investigation grew out of the fact that a check for \$46.25 was mailed by the city to the Segraves company, manufacturers of fire apparatus, in payment for servicing one of the city's pumps. The statement received from the company, on which the \$46.25 was shown, also carried the notation, "Policy replacement. No charge to the city."

It afterwards developed that this was to inform the city officials that the service was free and no payment expected, but Dancy admits that he did not understand this at the time the statement was received and that the notation might necessarily have applied to the figures. The company, however, without any check from the city, returned the check.

"No one has lost a cent and no one has made a cent out of the trivial affair," Dancy said. He adds that Alderman O'Hara's attempt to hold up the payment was not because of the notation on the statement, but because O'Hara thought the charge excessive. Dancy says he, assuming that a charge was to be made, did not consider it excessive in view of motor vehicle repairs.

After the investigation was ordered Alderman E. S. Purvine asked City Recorder Poulsen for the statement, so the investigating committee was unable to get hold of it. He kept it until the council last Monday night ordered him to return it. He did so and it was then mailed by Poulsen to Alderman Townsend who now has it.

The fire department committee is now of breathing with a large number of bills for a new pumper that were opened at the Monday night meeting. Dancy said the committee had not yet decided what its recommendation will be to the council as to acceptance of a bid, since it is not yet definitely known whether the council will favor a 750 gallon or a 1000 gallon pumper. Dancy is inclined to favor the smaller capacity, having found them in general use in the large cities of the east.

Dancy expects, at the adjourned meeting Monday night, to take a stand in favor of a definite offer to the Oregon-Washington Water Service company for the Salem water plant. He believes the company will accept the \$1,100,000 offer which the utilities committee has recommended, notwithstanding the fact that E. C. Elliott, president of the company, has stated that less than \$1,000,000 would be accepted. A definite offer, which, if accepted, would go to the people for approval or rejection, Dancy believes is the proper solution of the water difficulty.

INDEPENDENCE LEGION WOMEN GIVEN CHARTER

Independence—At a meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary, Unit No. 33 Independence, a charter was formally presented to the auxiliary by Mrs. Otto Heider of Sheridan, department president, and the initiatory ceremony was conducted by a Corvallis team, Mrs. J. B. Eakin, of Dallas, district committeeman was in charge of the installation of officers.

Officers installed were: president, Mrs. A. H. Dixon; vice president, Mrs. Joseph Osborn; second vice president, Mrs. Earl Snyder; secretary, Mrs. Lynn; treasurer, Mrs. Harry Keeney; sergeant at arms, Mrs. Rena Hamman.

There were several unit-presidents present from out of town, and who gave talks to the new organization. Mrs. Van Loan, Corvallis; Mrs. R. S. Grenson, Dallas; Mrs. Dodge, Woodburn; Mrs. Walter Smith, Monmouth; Spokane members who also spoke were Otto W. Heider, Sheridan; Walter Smith, Monmouth; Bud Lawrence, Monmouth; Elbur Corvallis, Woodburn; John Bauer, Corvallis, and Elmer Frye, past-commander of the local post. Refreshments were served at the close of the evening program.

FAIRS DECREASE IN POPULARITY

Madison, Wis. (AP)—County fairs belong to the horse and buggy era, in the opinion of Archie Putnam, president of the Wisconsin Association of Fairs.

Fairs must show progress, with regional fairs replacing the county affairs, Putnam indicated.

"In the present day it is nothing for a patron to travel 100 miles to a fair," Putnam pointed out.

Wisconsin has 71 counties and 76 fairs. Nine of these exhibitions are outstanding, advantageously located, and could serve the entire state, he explained.

These nine fairs have shown an increase in attendance over a period of years, while the smaller fairs have suffered decreases. The outstanding nine had approximately 50 per cent of the total patronage of all fairs in the state, but they received only 23 per cent of the financial aid supplied by the state.

"The state of Wisconsin gave one of these small fairs last year, \$3.50 for every paid admission, while one of the larger fairs received nine cents per person on a comparison of its total admissions and its state aid."

CANNIBALS FOUND WHITE MAN SALTY

New York (AP)—Gay young sparks in America who the girls consider "too fresh" can now win an argument about this.

Kakoi, one of the last remaining one-time cannibals of the Marquesan group, says that he never much cared for white men because they were "too salty."

Kakoi, which translates into "cry of the foetus," admitted this to F. W. Murray, Hollywood film director when he visited the Marquesan archipelago in his search for native talent, to use in the filming of "Tabu," on the Tahitian group.

Through a trader interpreter, Kakoi admitted that he had eaten "man meat" times without number. But according to him, while the white man may be supreme on the hoof, he's not so good in the stew pot.

Roman Cosmetics Similar to Today's

Frankfort-on-the-Main. (AP)—The chemical-pharmaceutical institute of Frankfort university has analyzed brown and white face paints found in the vanity box of the old Roman settlement of Nida, near here.

The analysis showed that the ingredients of the cosmetics were almost exactly the same as that of similar cosmetics of today, the only difference being that the Roman material contained some particles of metal which have since been found to be harmful to the skin.

MRS. DRAPPA ILL

Mill City—Mrs. C. C. Harper of Grants Pass arrived the first of the week to be with her mother, Mrs. Joe Drappell, who underwent a serious operation Wednesday morning at the Mill City hospital. Mrs. Drappell is reported as getting along as well as could be expected.

RIVENES HAVE SON

Marquam—Mr. and Mrs. Dan Rivenes of Marquam are the parents of an eight and one-half pound boy. Rivenes is the merchant at Marquam.

Legislature Alters Game Code With 19 New State Statutes

A more powerful game code was the most outstanding of some 19 new acts affecting the state fish and game department passed by the 36th legislature, according to officials. Many new provisions of the code should be studied by each hunter and fisherman, it was recommended. Violations provide for even greater punishment, in some instances jail sentences.

The code gave the commission the right of eminent domain, permission to curtail its educational, enforcement and propagation activities, to restrict the use of firearms, to provide for game refuges, fish hatcheries, restocking, open and closed seasons, and game tagging. A state game fund was created. Various revenue will be deposited with the state treasurer and the commission was given full right of disposal.

Persons aiding and abetting those who unlawfully possess fish or game are subject to similar punishment provided for the latter.

The open season for forked horn

deer made the big limit two Columbian blacktails or one mule or whitetail. All persons regardless of age must secure deer hunting licenses.

Bag limits were set as follows: Chinese pheasants—four in one day, eight in seven consecutive days, and one female.

Geese—four in one day, eight in possession at one time.

There is no open season on the former in Lincoln, Tillamook, Wasco, Clatsop, Wheeler, Jefferson, Lake, Harney and Curry counties. In the rest of the state the season is from October 15 to 31, dates inclusive.

Blue or ruffed grouse, native Hungarian—September 23 to October 20.

Hungarian—October 15 to 31, dates inclusive.

Closed seasons for mountain and California quail included Klamath, Lake, Umatilla, Gilliam, Crook, Sherman, Morrow, Deschutes and Marion counties.

Other seasons will be regulated at the commission's discretion, it was authorized.

Fish limits and seasons were: In parts of the state—30 fish weighing 20 pounds for one day or 60 fish in seven days.

McKenzie river—19 pounds a day, 20 pounds or 39 fish a week.

Rogue river—Steelhead fishing permitted in Klamath lake from Madoc point to Eagle Ridge south of Link river, in Link river and Lake Ewauna.

All species of salmon become game fish when taken with hook and line while a charge of 25 cents per fish will be levied on all game fish shipped into the state, other action provided.

Automobile and pocket flash lights were excluded from provision which prohibited use of lights by armed persons hunting game between sunset and a half-hour before dawn.

Lying in wait in a natural blind for game is prohibited, while use of certain gauge shotguns, certain size shot, and Maxim silencers also was banned.

Loaded firearms must not be carried in automobiles. Aeroplanes were restricted from disturbing game by flying, low or firing from the craft.

The legislature approved a commercial fishing code which included shad, striped bass and sturgeon in its provisions and compels use of adequate fish ladders on dams.

Several game refuges were created in other laws passed while the United States was permitted to acquire Oregon land for creation of game refuges and cultural fish investigations.

Other laws: prohibited killing of beaver or buffalo east of Cascade mountains; appropriated \$1200 for Mrs. Gertrude J. Denny who with her husband first introduced Chinese pheasants in Oregon; closed to angling portions of McKenzie, and Umpqua rivers; regulated Salmon river fishing; protected Yaquina bay state oyster beds; provided for oyster plantations in Tillamook bay; appropriated \$34,300 for predatory animal control.

EDUCATIONAL AIMS FOR TEACHERS TOLD

Improve education among teachers. That's the objective of the State Supervisor of Trade Industrial Education.

A series of correspondence lessons for the trade and industrial teachers is planned.

"Proper instruction is of great importance in any field of teaching, particularly in trade and industrial," a bulletin said. "There are so many trades that can be taught that it would be practically impossible for one supervisor to have an intimate knowledge of all of them. He can, however, have definite and specific information, enough to enable him to do a good job of instructing."

In addition, there will be itinerant instruction devices and methods employed to help the full time teacher.

New Testing Device Placed by College

Corvallis, Or. (AP)—The largest structural testing machine west of the Mississippi was installed at Oregon State college of engineering, officials announced.

The machine is used to test wood, concrete and metal materials. A maximum pressure of 600,000 pounds can be employed to test the strength of construction materials.

The apparatus was set up in a specially constructed pit with reinforced concrete walls. It weighed 28 tons.

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Cops Disguised As Sailors Raid Joint

Philadelphia (AP)—If a couple of drunken sailors try to "crash the gate" of your speakeasy, don't let them in for most likely they are different personages.

That is if the speakeasy is in Philadelphia.

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Mrs. Stanley Nelson, a Chicago night club singer, sued her mother-in-law for \$100,000 for alienating affections of her husband, wealthy heir.

Nebraska Game Casinos Have Sky Limit As Divorce Made Easier

By EARL H. LEIF
Carson City, Nev. (UP)—With the signing of a "wide open" gambling bill and a six-week divorce law by Governor Fred B. Balzar, the Nevada state legislature Friday neared completion of a session that probably will go down in American law-making history as one of the most amazing in two decades.

The cowpunchers, miners, ranchers, divorce lawyers, businessmen and a scattering of professional men who comprise the legislature established a new record for liberality that, in many respects, never has been equaled by any other state legislature.

Of the hundreds of measures introduced, much less passed, that in any manner provided restrictions on the personal liberties while scores of measures were enacted that gave the people of Nevada greater freedom of conduct.

The lawmakers did their share towards maintaining Nevada's unofficial nickname, "the last frontier state of the Union."

Outstanding among the liberalizing measures were the gambling and divorce bills, made laws Wednesday by Governor Balzar. Wednesday gambling has been a felony in Nevada since 1910, the "unwritten code" of the state has been to permit gambling in all forms but to keep out "fly-by-night" operators.

But gambling is now, nevertheless,

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an uncertain investment in the past due to the possibility of "grudge closing" or the election of new officials who concluded it their duty to close all gambling in accordance with the law.

But the new gambling bill fixed all that and the lid is now off, the sky is the limit, and investors can feel safe to place their money in high class gambling casinos. There may be keen rivalry between Reno and Las Vegas for the title, "Monte Carlo of America."

The six-weeks divorce bill has inspired a new wrinkle—a 40-day tour of the state in automobile caravans, with divorces awaiting the tourists in Reno at the end of their wanderings.

The senate passed and the assembly was expected to favor the measure removing the speed limit from open highways in the state. A dozen other measures of minor nature liberalizing the statutes also were enacted. A prohibition bill, sponsored by the Nevada W. C. T. U. received no consideration whatever. No legislator could be found to introduce the measure.

Senator Proctor of White Pine county, who was first asked to pre-

sent it, declined the honor and stated, "I would be the laughing stock of the state if I did."

ADULT FARMER NIGHT CLASSES PROVE POPULAR

Molalla—The evening classes for adult farmers held each Tuesday evening and sponsored by the Smith-Hughes department of the Molalla union high school, in the Dickey Prairie school house, are proving more popular each week.

Tuesday evening's meeting claimed the largest attendance record so far. Eldon Jackson, instructor in the Smith-Hughes department of the high school has charge of these classes.

Dr. H. C. Seagraves, veterinary of Oregon City, talked on "Sheep and Their Diseases." He laid much stress on the importance of strict sanitation, accurate diagnosis and prompt treatment of diseases. Especially all ailments that appear to be of an infectious nature. At the next meeting which is to be Tuesday evening, March 24, a representative from the Pacific Co-operative Wool Growers' Association will be present and talk on the process of growing, grading and marketing. This will be an especially interesting talk to those who are interested in this. This will be the seventh meeting in this.

A St. Patrick's program was presented, including two numbers by the sextette from the glee clubs from the Molalla union high school under the leadership of Miss Esther Sager; reading, by Wendell Cole; harmonica solo, Clifford Trimble; reading, by George S. Durant, correspondent. It declined the honor and stated, "I would be the laughing stock of the state if I did."

UNEMPLOYED SEEK REFUGE ON FARMS

Unemployment has established the farm as a refuge.

For the first time in 10 years, the number of persons living on farms has shown an increase. A federal report reaching the state house shows that in all parts of the country the farms have gained in the numbers of persons living on them.

This situation is being remarked upon when the present plight of the farmer is considered and when the climate conditions of 1930 are reviewed. The indication would be that as bad as conditions were on the farm, they looked more favorable to the unemployed in the cities than did the future in their present surroundings. Whereas the farmer used to leave for the cities to make his fortune, those in the cities are moving to farms, hopeful of a more satisfactory occupation.

The increase in farm population in 1930 over the previous year was 208,000 persons.

Donald—John Miller has returned to eastern Oregon after spending a week here with his son, Edwin, who lives on his father's ranch just west of here.

Marion—Mr and Mrs. Elmer Currie have moved to a place north of Salem.

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