

LOCALS

Milo Ross, president of the Marion Christian Endeavor union, has been named a member of the state nominating committee along with other union presidents, he reports, after returning from the mid-winter state executive conference, held Saturday and Sunday at the Benson hotel in Portland. Plans for the state convention at Eugene in April were considered, and J. C. Henderson, ex-state president, was appointed registrar. Viola Ogden, who attended the annual meeting of field secretaries in Chicago in December, told of that meeting. On the closing day of the Chicago conference, the group visited Milwaukee, Wis., where the international convention will be held in July. The summer conference committee was named, and efficiency ratings given, Marion being in ninth place and Lane, first.

Dance every Wed. and Sat. Mel-low Noon. Latest modern music. 2

Ex-Sheriff Bower today filed his last semi-annual account as sheriff of the county covering the collection of taxes, the accounts showing all taxes and delinquencies collected for the six months up to the first of the year from the 1919 roll down through the year. The total collected for the period of six months was \$675,840.98. The sums for the various years ran from \$17.70 collected from the 1919 roll up to \$610,114.85 collected on the 1931 roll.

Petition has been filed by C. J. Tove and others asking for vacation of a road in district No. 14.

Frank R. Kellogg, public accountant, federal and state taxes, Tenth year in Salem. Phone 7639 for appointment. 11

Herman A. Stone has filed an assumed business name for the Oregon Land company of Woodburn. He also holds an assumed business name for the World Berry Center Land company but has filed no withdrawal as yet for that company.

Pine room modern house. Nook, furnace, garage. Phone 7459. 2

Application for foreclosure on a tax lien has been filed by Earl Gresham against Andrew W. Steele, insane. 3

Dry wood, coal, prompt delivery. Ph. 5000, Salem Fuel Co. 2

Compulsory for foreclosure of a chattel mortgage on personal property at 639 North Commercial street has been filed by E. R. Heise against G. Klorken and others. 3

Dorothy Smith will be glad to meet her many friends at Miller's Beauty Parlor. 3

In the case of Loretta Mae West against Kafory Department Store, Inc., an answer has been filed in which the defendant N. C. Kafory states that any dealings the plaintiff had with him was with him acting in the capacity as agent for Kafory Department Store, Inc. The plaintiff asked damages in connection with taking a lease from the corporation. 3

Dance with Woodry's popular band every Wed. and Sat. Mel-low Noon. Always something new. 25c. 2

James R. Linn reported to the county court today that a bridge had gone out on the road into his dairy farm and that his farm was isolated. 2

Kerr's hardwheat flour 75c sack 40 lbs. Farmer's Grain Wise. 2

County Commissioner Smith has received from I. M. Schanep, chairman of the resolutions committee of the county judges and commissioners' association, copy of a resolution adopted in which it is asked that the state collect state taxes from the counties collect such taxes. The present system of requiring counties to pay state taxes whether collected or not is a ridiculous one and has forced some counties onto a warrant basis and into a serious financial situation. 2

Good dry wood reasonable. Large load. Ph. 8847, Fred E. Wells. 2

Word has been received by Salem friends of the death of Edwina Bellinger in Orchards, Wash., on Monday. She was for many years a resident of Salem and has many friends here. Edwina Bellinger was the wife of J. E. Bellinger of Orchards; the daughter of Mrs. Martha Bellinger of Salem; the mother of Mary and John Bellinger of Portland; Edwina Bellinger of Oregon; a sister of Clyde B. Granger of Prosser, Wash.; Mrs. Grace Skelley of Northport, Wash.; Mrs. Edith Skene of Gig Harbor; Dr. Grover C. Bellinger and Clifford Bellinger, both of Salem. 2

Leo Zielinski today filed his oath of office with the county clerk as special deputy sheriff under Sheriff Burk. 2

Judge Lowell today dismissed 35 cases for want of prosecution. All the cases dismissed were of minor interest and were dismissed because no action had been taken on them for a year. 2

Marriage licenses have been issued to the following: Chester A. Myers, legal farmer and Bessie Baltimore, legal dressmaker, both Jefferson; Hugh E. McGivra, 26, publisher, Forest Grove, and Louise Harriett Nunn, 28, secretary, 940 N. 19th street, Salem. 2

George C. Lovell pleaded guilty in justice court Tuesday to a charge of reckless driving and was fined \$25 and costs. 2

Six clinics will be held by the Marion county department of health during the week. These will include: Mon. - dental corrective clinic, Salem health center; Wednesday afternoon, school and chest clinic, Salem health center; Thursday, pre-school clinic, Salem health center; Friday forenoon, toxoid clinic in Salem public schools and den-

HALLORAN TO FIGHT CHARGE

Phoenix, Ariz., Jan. 3 (AP)—Arraignment of John J. Halloran, wealthy lumberman, on a grand jury indictment accusing him as an accessory after the murder of Agnes Ann Lerol by Winnie Ruth Judd today was continued until 9:30 a. m. tomorrow.

The continuance was granted by Superior Judge Howard C. Speakman when the new county attorney Rex L. Jennings, asked time to study a defense motion to set aside and quash the indictment, and also the indictment itself.

Contentions that the Maricopa county grand jury was biased and prejudiced against Halloran when it returned the indictment and that the jury had not been selected properly were contained in the defense motion.

Frank O. Smith, attorney for Halloran, told Judge Speakman the motion was not to be considered "as a perfunctory gesture."

"We are prepared to argue it out on two major premises," he said.

DOUBLE DEATH MYSTERY FOUND

Woodland, Cal., Jan. 3 (AP)—Authorities here today gave up the mystery of the double death of two women less than two miles apart. Both women were about 30 years old and both had been dead about a week. One was a red-haired blonde, the other was a curly-haired blonde. Neither body showed evidence of violence and the cause of death remained a mystery.

One of the bodies was identified today by Sacramento officers as Margaret Burns. They said she had frequently been arrested in Sacramento for drunkenness. Her method of identification had been removed from her clothing.

Coroner W. C. McNary expressed belief the woman had advanced the theory Miss Burns may have died during a drinking party and her body carried to the grass covered plot near the highway, four miles from Sacramento, where it was found, by companions seeking to avoid investigation.

The body of the blonde was found in a deserted cabin. It was partly dressed and likewise bore no marks of identification.

Continuation of M'KAY MESSAGE

As much as possible to the general public at the end of the year.

3. Study of other forms of city government.—Owing to the growth of the city and the changed economic conditions during the past twenty years, perhaps some other form of government, for administrative purposes at least, might promote efficiency and reduce expenses. I strongly urge your thoughtful study of this subject.

4. Bonded indebtedness.—No provision for the ultimate redemption of several issues has been made. This should receive your early attention.

5. Street lighting.—A study could be made to ascertain what savings can be effected. Heretofore this research work has been left largely with the power company.

6. Unemployment.—Rotation of labor, or working of men half days, so that as many as possible may be employed, may be feasible in some departments. The city hotel for indigent transients has been very successful and should be continued.

7. Collection of delinquent taxes.—It has been suggested that during these times of economic distress the city institute no foreclosure proceedings. Some of these liens, however, will soon be outlawed by virtue of the statute of limitations and these should be forced into lien rights.

8. Parks.—If the city acquires any property through foreclosure that is suitable, thought should be given to the advisability of retaining this property for future park or playground development.

9. Fire department.—About a year ago a move was made to institute a fire school in the department, but nothing has been done. Such a school should better the efficiency of the department.

10. Law enforcement.—Generally satisfactory except for the laxity in dealing with overtime parking and traffic violations.

RELIEF ACTIVITIES ATTACKED, DEFENDED

Washington, Jan. 3 (AP)—Relief activities of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation were attacked today as "penny pinching" compromises and subsequently defended as the best possible approach to the unemployment problem under the circumstances.

The criticisms of relief work were made by Senator Costigan, D. Colo., presiding at the first senate manufacturers committee hearing on the \$500,000,000 Laidlaw-Costigan relief bill. Frank T. Bane of Chicago, representing the American Association of Public Welfare Officials, said the R. F. C. relief section "has done everything possible under its limitations to approach the problem."

Demands Admiral Byrd Refund Pension Drawn For Injury In Service

Washington, Jan. 3 (AP)—Senator Robinson (R., Ind.), foe of reductions in veterans' expenditures, in the senate today called on Rear Admiral Richard Byrd to return to the treasury a pension of \$4,000 yearly.

Robinson's demand was made after Senator Swanson (D., Va.), had praised Byrd's record and promotions in a defense of the Virginia explorer.

Apparently referring to statements by Byrd as a member of the National Explorer league, which led to his pension, Robinson said "a short time after he left the naval academy, Swanson said 'not a single word' was raised against measures moving Byrd up in rank from lieutenant commander.

Swanson, referring to Byrd's North and South Pole flights and the honors he received for his exploits.

"I have known Dick Byrd since he was a boy," he said, "and can say without qualification that his whole career has been patriotically, patriotically and indomitably devoted to his country, since he entered the naval academy in 1908.

"He did not allow a serious accident to prevent his graduation and undertaking sea duty. But, while engaged in line of duty aboard ship, he sustained a new injury, as a result.

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PLAN OFFERED TO ROOSEVELT

Baltimore, Md., Jan. 3 (AP)—Twenty prominent economists, including Dr. Benjamin Anderson of the Chase National Bank, New York, have proposed to President-Elect Roosevelt a "minimum program for economic recovery" including:

"Prompt reciprocal lowering of tariffs";

"Prompt settlement of inter-allied debts";

"Unflinching" maintenance of the present gold standard.

The letter to Mr. Roosevelt was drawn up by the economists at a meeting in Cincinnati last week. It was made public here by Dr. Broadus Mitchell, associate professor of economics at Johns Hopkins university, one of the writers.

"The economists said revival of foreign trade was the most urgent need, as farm products and raw materials are piling up in this country and selling at 'ruinously low' prices for lack of an export market.

"Our own tariffs should be lowered to such an extent as will admit to the import of diversified finished manufactures to take out of our own agricultural and raw material exports without the necessity of foreign loans," they said.

200 LIVES LOST OVER HOLIDAYS

(By the Associated Press)

Violence, accompanying the New Year's party activities, took toll of 200 lives in the United States, a United Press compilation of fatalities showed today.

Half of the victims died over the week-end were attributed to the automobile. Gunplay, breaking out in scattered instances, took more than a score of lives. Some were victims of bandits. Others died in brawls and street brawls.

The contrast of the happy New Year's celebrations and their own plight was too bitter for a good number of citizens. They took their lives by their own hand.

Poison liquor took 10 victims. Fires killed five. Two died in Pennsylvania of freezing. An explosion took a victim in Texas. Thirteen victims in that state resulted from homicide or suicide.

Texas had the heaviest violent death toll with 24. Michigan was second with 21. Chicago had the most motor fatalities with 10, followed by Texas with 3, Michigan 3, New York City 7, and California 7.

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DR. WILHELM CUNO DIES AT HAMBURG

Hamburg, Germany, Jan. 3 (AP)—Dr. Wilhelm Cuno, 57, former chancellor of Germany and general manager of the Hamburg American Steamship line, died today.

During the war he held a leading position with the war-food ministry. In the winter of 1917 he left the government service and became president of the Hamburg-American shipping line, succeeding Albert Bin in as chairman when the latter died December 12, 1918.

Dr. Cuno was the first German shipping representative to seek re-establishment of shipping relations with the United States after the World war and succeeded in negotiations with United American lines for a joint transatlantic service. He was successful as a negotiator made him one of the most sought German industrial leaders for public service.

Besides holding directorships in various other shipping and transportation companies he became a member of the Reichs economic council and of the Hamburg chamber of commerce.

MAYOR OF POCATELLO ARRESTED AS DRUNK

Boise, Idaho, Jan. 3 (AP)—T. C. Coffin, mayor of Pocatello and congressman-elect from the second district of Idaho, was ordered to appear in police court this afternoon on a charge of drunkenness. He was arrested shortly after midnight.

The arrest was made at Ninth and Main streets in the heart of the Boise business district, by a policeman. There was no statement of the circumstances surrounding the arrest in police records and Chief of Police Andy Robinson declined to make any statement.

Called at his room in a local hotel, Mayor Coffin said: "I did not understand that the case was coming up this afternoon." He made no statement of the case other than to express regret at the situation.

COAL OIL CAUSE OF TRAGIC FIRE

Shelby, Ohio, Jan. 3 (AP)—An entire family was wiped out early today when a fire destroyed their one-story home.

The dead were James Miller, 36, his wife Beatrice, 27, and their five children, the oldest 8 and the youngest a baby of two weeks.

Mrs. Miller and her children, James Jr., 8, Ethel May 5, Eunice Irene 4, Evelyn 2, and Anna May, 12 days old, were trapped in the home. Miller died a few hours after the fire from burns received when he attempted to rescue his family from the blazing home.

Before he died, Miller told his father-in-law, A. W. McGregor, the fire started when coal oil he was using to kindle the fire exploded, showering the three beds in which the family slept with flaming oil.

PLANNED FLOOD OF TAX MEASURES

Preparing for consideration of tax and unemployment measures that will be dropped into the legislative hopper within the new few days of the special session, the senate today adopted as its first resolution one of the resolutions committee authorizing the president to appoint a committee of seven members on revision of laws and a committee of nine on assessment and taxation.

These two committees will sit jointly with similar committees of the house in consideration of revenue bills.

President Kiddle announced that he would name the members of the committees tomorrow.

Matt Mickus Denies He Was Man Killed

Portland, Jan. 3 (AP)—Matt Mickus walked into the coroner's office here last night and denied he had been killed in an automobile crash Sunday. He had read about it in the papers.

A man was killed here Sunday by a car driven by Carl Shatby. The coroner was informed by James Withwell that the dead man was Mickus. Mickus, however, disclosed that the accident victim was his roommate, Alex Pauszski, with whom Withwell had spent the evening drinking.

In Mexico 144 cotton mills are busy and only 15 are idle.

LEGISLATORS COMMENT ON MEIER SPEECH

Oregon's tax problem was "dumped into the laps of the legislators by the governor," was the expressed view of some leading senators and representatives following the address of Governor Julius L. Meier to the special session of the legislature at noon today. The predominant opinion was that senators were little surprised at the contents of the message because it was previously conjectured the governor would outline the situation and leave the matter to the legislature.

"It was slight and leaves nothing to comment about," Senator Harry Corbett of Portland declared when asked his view on the message. "He left the method of solution to the legislature."

Senator Charles Spaulding declared the "message failed to designate a solution to the labor problem, or how the recommended \$500,000 for unemployed would be distributed. He just suggested and left the matter unsolved."

Senator John Goas, member of Coos county and a new democrat of the upper house, said the governor's paper was satisfied that the legislators, but nevertheless "dumped the thing on our laps." The governor, he said, gave his preference for solution, but did not commit himself. He was referring to the governor's mention of a general sales tax being unavoidable.

Legislators generally expressed themselves as having little to say on the message, except they were left with the problem. Senator Sam Brown just commented "it was alright."

In the lower house few members would express themselves. Favorable comment on the address was heard mostly from new members, while the older members declared "there was little to say."

Senator Asby Dickson of Portland, Democrat, did not comment on the message directly, but said he believed all the eight democratic senators in the upper house would be opposed to a general sales tax. E. C. Kelly, democrat, representative from Jackson county, was not united, he believed the majority of them would be against a sales tax.

The two houses were called to joint session to hear the message which the governor started reading at 12:17 p. m. The message required 14 minutes to read.

With the governor on the stand; Hal E. Hoss, secretary of state; Rufus C. Holman, state treasurer; Speaker Snell and President Kiddle presided over the joint session. A committee consisting of Senator W. F. Woodward, Portland, and Representatives Charles Huntington, Eugene, escorted the governor to the speaker's stand.

SLASH IN PRICES OF CIGARETTES

New York, Jan. 3 (AP)—Cigarette prices were back today where they were two years ago as a result of cuts announced by most of the leading manufacturers. From a price of 65¢ per thousand, for over 20 years, his advanced age caused a majority of the senators to stand for a younger man, and Mercer's name was withdrawn in caucus by Senator Charles K. Spaulding of Marion (Continued on page 3, column 4)

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The cut in prices was foreshadowed last week by pronounced weakness in the tobacco shares and reports from authoritative quarters that the leading companies had decided to lower prices in an effort to arrest a declining trend in sales.

It was reported that American Tobacco and Liggett and Myers had lowered their quotations to 58¢. The new price is subject to the usual discounts allowed jobbers.

Under this reduction, the retail price of the standard brands, it is expected, will be reduced to a basis of two packages for a quarter as against a price of 15 cents per package under the previous manufacturer's price.

It was reported that American Tobacco and Liggett and Myers had discontinued the practice of giving a "bonus" of 900 cigarettes in flat tins with the purchase of 5100 cigarettes. The price reduction by Liggett and Myers applies only to its leading brands.

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EVERETT INQUIRES ABOUT CURRENCY

Regarding Salem's local currency, Everett, Wash., is the latest enquirer.

A letter received this morning by the Salem Currency committee from N. J. Craigue, postmaster at Everett, asks:

"Will you please send me one of your \$1 crisp currency notes. I am contemplating the purchase of an exchange similar to yours but as yet we have no detail of a plan. Any information you care to suggest will be greatly appreciated."

Samples of currency, stamps and handbooks have been forwarded.

Three more unemployed men were assigned to service in the street department this morning, making a total of six now furnished employment by the currency committee.

5 BURN TO DEATH IN FARM HOUSE

Barstow, Texas, Jan. 3 (AP)—Five persons were burned to death in a fire late yesterday which destroyed the home of Walter Hood, tenant farmer, three miles north of Barstow. The others are believed dying as a result of burns received in the fire.

The fire was caused by gasoline thrown into a heated stove.

The dead:

Walter Hood, 46, tenant on the Charles E. Nichols farm.

Three children of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hood, aged 2, 4 and 6 years, all girls.

The 2-year-old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hood.

Injured in the hospital are: Mr. Walter Hood and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hood.

The three are expected to die.

Two sons of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hood escaped uninjured from the blazing building.

COTTAGE GROVE FLOODS SUBSIDE

Cottage Grove, Ore., Jan. 3 (AP)—The worst flood here since 1889 passed the peak last night, leaving the city water-logged and damaged to the extent of several thousand dollars. Basements of homes and stores were flooded, bridges were washed from their foundations and sidewalks were undermined.

Passengers from a delayed train were taken to a hotel last night by boat. Many residents of the river district were marooned, and the Pacific highway was inundated. Swift currents prevailed on Main street.

The rain which poured down for two days had abated today and the Willamette river was falling.

5 INCHES OF RAIN DELUGES COOS

Marshfield, Ore., Jan. 3 (AP)—Five inches of rain which fell in the 48-hour period ending at 4:30 a. m. today, flooded roads in southwestern Oregon, interrupted communication delayed traffic and halted train service out of Eugene since Sunday. Mail from the north awaiting resumption of rail schedules. Officials expected the line would be cleared tonight.

The three outlets from Coos Bay, the Coos highway, the Gearspass Drain road and the Roseburg highway, were blocked intermittently by slides and falling trees throughout the double highway. Travelers were at a loss to know which route to attempt.

As nearly as possible ascertained all roads were closed today with the exception of the Bandon-Coquille stretch. Water over the highway was too rough to make boat crossing possible to the opposite highlands, and traffic south was at a standstill. The flooded areas were rapidly clearing today.

BRIBED BURGLAR NOT TO ROB HOUSE

Portland, Jan. 3 (AP)—Whatever the legal implications, the fact remains—the records show it—thief Mrs. Laura Berry bribed a burglar not to rob her house.

Mrs. Berry was ill. She heard a noise in another part of the residence. Investigation disclosed a young man ransacking the house. "Who are you," Mrs. Berry wanted to know. "I'm a burglar," the intruder responded. He was hungry, he said, broke and without a place to sleep.

Mrs. Berry inquired if, for a price, he would leave peacefully. He would, he said. And he did when she gave him a dollar.

GENERAL DUNWOODY DIES AT AGE OF 90

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A graduate of West Point in 1866, General Dunwoody was in active service until 1907 when he retired. He was in charge of the weather forecasting division of the weather bureau for 26 years and also was a radio research engineer.

TO AID MINERS

Washington, Jan. 3 (AP)—Permission for mineral claims operators in Oregon, whose claims are in forest reservations, was moved timber on the surface, was asked in a bill introduced by Senator Steiwer today.

Continuation of CITY ATTORNEY

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They believe the office could logically and economically go to a young attorney, the understanding being that if the city got into heavy litigation an experienced attorney could be called in to assist the city attorney. Townsend's candidate is Francis Fullen.

Among other candidates in the field is Fred A. Williams, who held the post through the greater part of Mayor Loveley's administration and who is encouraged with the number of pledges that are said to have been promised him. Others are M. C. Moylan, Jack Mintz and Bert W. Macy. Macy also is an ex-city attorney.

Other offices to be filled by election of the council tonight are city engineer, sanitary inspector and a number to be filled by appointment of the mayor, to be ratified by the council. For the first time neither the fire chief nor any of the firemen, the police chief nor any of the police officers will be named by the council for the reason that those two departments have passed under civil service.

Hugh Rogers and Batty Cooper will be re-elected city engineer and sanitary inspector respectively. The term of L. F. Aldrich as a member of the board of public works and it is believed Mayor McKay will reappoint him. Reappointment also is probable, it is believed, for Mrs. John W. Harrison, William H. Burghardt and E. T. Barnes, whose terms as members of the library board expire; for C. P. Bishop, on the playground board; and for N. C. Hubbs and I. B. McSherry on the planning and zoning commission. An incinerator superintendent and several janitors are to be named.

Much interest is being shown in the appointment of the council's standing committees which will be announced tonight by the committee on committees. Considerable rivalry has developed for these places, and there is always a danger of sore spots in the council after this report is turned in. The situation this year is even more delicate than usual.

Several important ordinance bills are up for third reading tonight. The bills providing the new salary schedules are among them. Another measure that was due for a report same time ago would extend the one-hour parking limit to High street between Ferry and Trade. This may be reported tonight.

Another measure provides that in event the city is held for damages by a person because of defective sidewalks the amount of the damages may be assessed against the abutting property owner. Another measure due for third reading is a corrective bill fixing the time of city elections to conform to the dates of state elections.

EXTENSION OF TIME TO WATER COMPANY

Contrary to published reports, Charles M. Thomas, public utilities commissioner, has granted an extension of time to the Oregon-Washington Water Service company to supply information requested by the commissioner as to rates, practices, service and the financial setup of the company.

In a letter to the company Thomas grants an extension of time to February 1, but requests that some of the requested information be made available before that time be transmitted to him.

The information requested is in connection with an investigation into the rates and practices and service of the company instituted by Thomas last August.

REFUSE TO DISMISS CASE AGAINST FOSTER

Lansing, Mich., Jan. 3 (AP)—The state supreme court today refused to dismiss charges of criminal syndicalism against William Foster, communist leader, and 18 others who were arrested at Bridgman, Berrien county, in 1922 in a police raid.

Foster contended the state forfeited its right to try him because of excessive delays. He contended he was not given his constitutional right to a speedy trial.

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