

### Silverton Bids On Sewage Plant Opened Dec. 5

Bid opening dates for 11 PWA projects in Oregon which will create payrolls of more than \$200,000 for skilled and unskilled workers in this state were announced today by the regional office of the public works administration. The Silverton sewage plant project, to cost about \$60,000, is included. Bids on the job are to be opened Thursday night, December 5, at the Silverton city hall.

The 11 projects, when completed, will have a construction value of approximately \$680,000. They include a \$250,000 waterworks project at Eugene, a school gymnasium and municipal swimming pool at The Dalles, improvements in the sewage system at Silverton, a city hall at North Bend, school buildings at Sunnyside, Sisters, Coquille and Corvallis, a new heating plant for the school at Echo, and furnishings for the state library at Salem, which is nearing completion.

Approximately one-third of the projects which will be built in Oregon with the aid of the PWA, under its new program, are under construction, the PWA regional office reported. The 1938 PWA act requires that work on all projects must be started by January 1.

Although most of the projects are still in the early stages of construction, the PWA program already has resulted in a marked improvement in the employment situation in this region, according to reports received by the PWA regional office.

#### Making Eastern Trip

Donald—Mr. and Mrs. Grant Erb of Donald and Mrs. Ray Kauffman of Hubbard are on their way to Flint, Mich., to purchase a new automobile and visit relatives. They expect to return around the middle of next month. Mrs. Erb, of Oregon City, is taking care of the children while their parents are away.



Five Killed, Two Hurt In Army Bomber Crash—Five men were killed and two injured when an army bombing plane crashed near LaGrange, Ga., during a night flight. Above: Sheriff B. Y. Hyler examines a portion of the instrument board of the ill-fated craft and a LaGrange fireman looks on. The men were searching the wreckage for the body of one of the fliers. — Associated Press Photo.

### French Prisoners Sent Devil's Island

St. Martin-De-Re, France, Nov. 21 (AP)—A violent tempest today gave a short reprieve to 738 prisoners due to sail aboard the prison ship La Martiniere for fearsome Devil's Island and the other French Guiana penal colonies.

High seas and a strong wind dashed the small motor launches used for loading the convict cargo against the prison ship's sides so authorities postponed the sailing.

Under the fixed bayonets of Senegalese troops, who quelled rioting

among the convicts last night and during the previous week, the prisoners fled back to their cells in the De Re prison to await new orders for departure, probably tomorrow.

They are the first shipment to the Guiana prisons—which include notorious Devil's Island—since the Daladier government reversed the decision of the former premier, socialist Leon Blum, to abandon the South American island prisons.

For 14 days these men will sit on wooden benches in iron cages and sleep in canvas hammocks, with few breaths of fresh air. The prison ship's unwilling passengers have been arriving at this island concentration camp, in the Bay of Biscay, for the past two weeks, transported to mainland ports in trucks fitted with iron bars like those of circus wagons.

The Daladier government indicated the nation was too poor to keep them in continental France. It probably will be years before any of them will set foot again in France, if ever. It is likely most of them will die in the Guiana colonies.

Called by Daladier's opponents the greatest decision he has made since taking part in the Munich conference, renewal of the practice of shipping men to Guiana runs contrary to the published commentaries of many prison officials.

"The Guiana colonies are homes of abominable corruption and no redemption is possible in that climate," said Armand Andreu, former director of French penitentiaries under the Blum regime. La Martiniere, built by the German navy, was captured by the French during the World War. From her decks the human cargo will be landed at St. Laurent de Maroni, the distributing station for the Guiana prisons.

#### Three Treated After Collision

Woodburn—Victor Duffy and Joe Murphy of Woodburn and A. J. Burzson of Seattle were taken to the Woodburn hospital Sunday night where they were treated for lacerations and bruises after an auto wreck near the Hello World service station. Cars occupied by the two Woodburn men and Burzson collided at the junction. The injured men were brought in to the hospital by the Beecher & O'Hair ambulance about 9 o'clock. Their injuries are not serious.

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### Mrs. J. W. Lewis Dies at Hospital

Mrs. James W. Lewis, 71, widow of the warden of the state penitentiary, who died October 28, passed away at the Salem General hospital late Sunday night. She had been ill for the past year, becoming seriously ill after the death of her husband.

Winifred Dayton Lewis was born in Lansing, Michigan, January 7, 1867, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Dayton. She was graduated from the Grand Rapids Nurses' Training college in 1891 and came directly to Salem to join her family, who had moved here the previous year. She immediately entered upon the practice of her profession, being associated with leading doctors in Salem and Portland. She was married to James W. Lewis November 10, 1897.

Mrs. Lewis was well known in Salem social circles and was affiliated with Order of Eastern Star and the White Shrine of Jerusalem. She was a member of the First Presbyterian church.

Survivors include her mother, Mrs. Hattie Dayton of Salem; two brothers, Arthur J. Dayton of Astoria and Dr. Floyd B. Dayton of Portland. A niece, Barbara E. Dayton, and a nephew, Dayton Robertson also survive.

Services will be held from the W. T. Rigdon chapel Wednesday, November 23, at 10:30 a.m. Interment will be in Cityview cemetery.

### Hess' Committee Spent \$13,608

The committee which sponsored the gubernatorial campaign of Henry L. Hess spent \$13,608.

Rep. Walter M. Pierce spent \$383, while the Pierce for congress club reported expenditures of \$380.

The republican state central committee spent \$14,585 in behalf of the party's candidates.

Circuit Judge Howard K. Zimmerman spent \$2,586 in his unsuccessful race for the state supreme court. Robert E. Duniway, republican who was defeated for state representative from Multnomah county, spent \$143.

Expenditures by other candidates include:

Supreme court Justice Henry J. Bean, \$745.

Charles A. Rice, candidate for state school superintendent, \$1,261.

#### Pennsylvanians Visiting

Brush College—Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Whitney have as their house guests Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Grandy of Union City, Penn. Grandy and Whitney are cousins and used to play together when children. Mr. and Mrs. Grandy came to Oregon through California and plan to return through Arizona.

### Cable Snapping Kills Worker On German Ship

Oakland, Calif., Nov. 21 (AP)—The death of an Oakland longshoreman aboard the German motorship Weser was set down as an accident by police who blamed it today on the use of old loading gear.

The victim, Nick Pesha, father of three children, was killed when a cable broke and a 12-ton boom crashed on the ship's deck.

Forty-five minutes later, another cable snapped and a second giant wooden boom fell to the deck, narrowly missing three longshoremen. The 60 longshoremen working the cargo then left the ship, saying they would not return to their jobs until they were convinced their safety was assured.

Police Lieut. L. M. Carroll, after questioning ship's officers and longshoremen, said he was convinced both cable breaks were accidental.

Among the first visitors to the ship after the boom fell on Pesha was a group of investigators who had been examining a hole in the hull of the German freighter Vancouver. The Vancouver, crippled by an unexplained blast last November 3, was drydocked early yesterday near the pier where the Weser was unloading.

J. Frank Coakley, assistant district attorney of Alameda county, one of the Vancouver explosion investigators, said the visit of his group to the Weser was made out of curiosity.

Capt. Franz Voigt, master of the Weser, attributed the falling booms to accidental causes. He was asked to prepare a full report on the matter for Baron Manfred von Killinger, German consul in San Francisco.

### 2456 Enrolled In Health Clubs

Total enrollment of 2,456 in 4-H health clubs was reported by County Club Leader Harding to the local 4-H leaders' meeting held here from over the county Saturday.

Remarkable growth in four years from two clubs of about 100 members the first year, to 450 members the second and 1,850 last year. Announcement was made at the meeting that the Marion County Public Health association will renew its offer of six 4-H scholarships in the annual health contest and also the healthiest boy and girl contest will again be sponsored, with probably some changes to make the contest easier and to cover a wider field.

Verlie Duke, Salem Heights, and David Melson, Keizer, attended the local leaders' meeting Saturday, these being winners of the healthiest girl and boy contest last year, and Melson winner in the state contest.

It was reported that Parrish school is organized with health clubs the first time this year with 350 members and Doris Neptune as leader. Leslie was organized last year and Lloyd Girod and Gurnis Plesher are leaders. Livingston



HIS \$2 INVESTMENT in "Red," who came from the dog pound, is more than repaid says Felix Distrito of Takoma Park, Md. Distrito was a flyweight boxer who fought as "Young Aguinaldo" until his many fights cost him his sight. Red succeeds an expensive "Seeing Eye" dog killed by accident a year ago. Distrito says the \$2 dog responds well to teaching.

### O'Donnell on Gallows Defends Brother

Walla Walla, Nov. 21 (AP)—Joseph R. O'Donnell, 40, Seattle salesman, paid on the gallows early today for the killing of two Seattle policemen three years ago but before he died he sought to clear his brother of the slaying.

In a three-minute statement delivered before 50 witnesses in the execution chamber he said "I have information which says my brother, Jack, wrote a letter saying he did the shooting. I want to say he did not."

His brother, John, and Lester Rorick are serving life terms for their part in the slaying of the two officers.

O'Donnell, nattily attired in a dark blue suit, polka dot tie, blue shirt and white shoes, chewed gum as he made his statement. He teetered on his feet and had to be held up by two guards. His voice was low.

"I am looking for Claude Fortner," he said as he paused to stare at the witnesses. He referred to Captain of Detectives Fortner of Seattle.

"Knowing he was going to frame me I intended to kill him but my brother talked me out of it."

"I don't see our chief of detectives, Ernie Yorik," he added. "I want to say my opinion of him is very bad."

Yorik was present in one of the rear rows.

"I also want to say the officers' wives and families are not blood-

### Protest Filed By Pacifists on Army Program

Washington, Nov. 21 (AP)—Navy yards and diplomats are developing the substance of President Roosevelt's "continental defense" program for the western hemisphere today.

Secretary of State Hull will sail from New York November 25 at the head of the American delegation to the eighth Pan-American conference, which will convene at Lima, capital city of Peru, December 9.

First protest against the Pan-American defense program came today from seven Pacifist groups which charged that Mr. Roosevelt's program was an invitation to a world armaments race. Among the protesting organizations were the National Council for Prevention of War, the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom and the Keep America Out of War committee.

Mr. Roosevelt, however, is confident there will be no "deflections" from the "continental defense" plan. It already has been welcomed in Canada. The Lima conference will be the occasion for Hull and his co-delegates to shape the foundation of a mutual defensive structure in the new world.

On the home front, the war and navy departments are preparing to spend more money in the next year than any previous administration has thought necessary for defense purposes since the World war.

Rickreall—A visitor at the home of Mrs. E. A. Stenson was Dr. D. V. Poling, of Albany, who organized the Congregational church here in 1892, and as his pastor for several years while living in Independence.

thirsty enough to want my life," he continued. "That is all." It is believed he referred to the families of the slain officers.

He bent to kiss a crucifix held by the Rev. Father John J. Callahan of St. Patrick's church and raised his head as the trap was sprung.

O'Donnell mounted the gallows at 12:11 a. m. after eating a hearty meal of baked chicken and dressing, giblet gravy, fruit salad, cookies and coffee.

The trap was sprung at 12:14 a. m. and he was pronounced dead at 12:28 a. m.

O'Donnell was the 44th man to die on the state prison gallows here. Burial will be in the Catholic cemetery here, probably tomorrow.

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Will Take Over German Embassy—Dr. Hans Thomsen (above), counselor at the German embassy at Washington, D. C., lights his pipe in contemplation of his task of taking over the duties of the embassy when Ambassador Hans Dieckhoff returns to Berlin to report to his government on the American attitude toward Nazi treatment of Jews. — Associated Press Photo.

### To Replace Teachers Ousted for Age

While none of the members of the employment committee would discuss the matter for publication, it is probable when the Salem school board meets Tuesday night it will have before it a recommended list of teachers who will replace the four instructors slated for retirement due to operations of the age division of the tenure law. It is expected the committee's recommendations will be adopted without discussion. The committee met Saturday night and again Monday morning and was near agreement on its elections. Positions to be filled are the principalships at Leale Junior high, Grant and Richmond grades and a teacher post at Richmond. It is probable the change will be made over the Thanksgiving holiday.

The school board will have before it for consideration tomorrow night a plan whereby Parish Junior high's gymnasium will be utilized for basketball play by a league which will be made up of outside clubs under the joint sponsorship of the

schools, the YMCA and National Youth association. The gymnasium of old senior high school was used for a similar program last year but this is not available this season, since it was taken over several months ago by the WPA sewing project.

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