

# Weights Truck Put in Service By the State

The state department of agriculture has just taken delivery on and sent into the field its new weights and measures truck, designed to test accurately heavy duty scales and the distributor companies' big gasoline tanks and trucks transporting gasoline on the roads. Director J. D. Mickle announced today.

This truck, built at a cost of slightly over \$8,000, was made possible through an appropriation of the last legislature, acting upon a request of Oregon cattlemen, the highway department and the state police that funds be set aside for such a truck.

Heretofore the weights and measures division of the department of agriculture has had no accurate means of testing heavy duty scales or the huge gasoline tanks. Accurate check has been possible up to this point only on service station pumps.

The new truck, built on the state department's order after careful study of similar trucks in use in California and Idaho, carries weights ranging from 50 to 1000 pounds and totaling about 30,000 pounds and is also complete for testing and calibrating of fuel tanks.

It is fully equipped with power winch and traveling crane to remove the big weights from the truck and a dolly is fitted into the truck for use in transporting the weights to and from the big scales.

On its preliminary circuit—a six weeks' run up the Columbia river to Ontario, then to Burns, Lakeview and Klamath Falls—the weights and measures shiny green and silver truck is in charge of Arden A. Reed, deputy state sealer of weights and measures, who is being assisted by Leon Beatty, formerly with a large scale manufacturer and since September 1 a fieldman for the department of agriculture.

Expense of operating the truck must be cared for by the department of agriculture, the appropriation being for the truck only.

## Fairfield Making Plans for School

Fairfield — Miss Dorothy Lundy returned home Tuesday after a three months' visit with relatives in Liberty, Colo.

Miss Sylvia Forcier is home again after a two months' trip to the New York World's fair and Washington, D. C., where she spent several weeks returning the southern route. She also visited many other places of interest, stopping off at San Francisco to visit the Golden Gate International exposition. Miss Forcier will resume her duties as teacher in school district 119, September 19, with an enrollment of 10 pupils.

Willams & Hart hop pickers finished picking hops in this locality Friday. Ward Lundy, foreman of the ranch, is transporting a number of his pickers back and forth to the other hop field near Silverton.

Fairfield school opens September 25 instead of the 18th as previously stated, as many families are still busy working in the prune orchards and hop fields.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Luens had as their house guest last week Mrs. O. E. Mattson of Myrtle Point.

## Dayton Past Matrons Resume Fall Gatherings

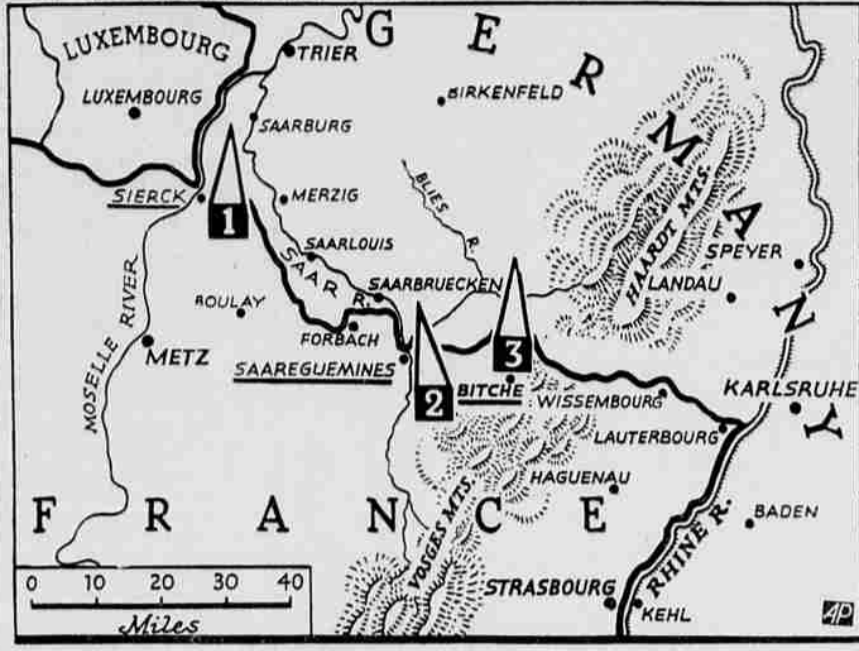
Dayton—Despite the busy season 16 of the 19 members of the Past Matrons' club of Elecia chapter, O. E. S., of Dayton attended the opening meeting following the summer vacation, Tuesday afternoon at the W. O. Barnard home.

Mrs. Andrina Mitches was reported recovering satisfactorily at the McMinnville hospital following a gall bladder removal operation September 11. Refreshments were served.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Eva Baxter in October.

## Germany Bids for Siberian Materials

Copenhagen, Sept. 21 (AP)—The newspaper Berlingske Aftenavis today published a report from Moscow that German zeppelin experts were going to the Soviet capital to negotiate for zeppelin communications with Siberia whereby Germany would be supplied with important raw materials.



Where Allies May Attack Siegfried Line—Swiss observers reported that French forces had finished mass movements preliminary to a major offensive against Germany's Siegfried line. It was the general view the British and French might strike at three principal sectors: North of Sierck (1), northwest from Sarreguemines (2), and north from Bitche (3). — Associated Press Photo.

## Woman's Lost Purse Returned

A 66-year-old woman from Arlington who had saved \$40 from a hard season's work at the Roberts hopyard and lost the money on a Salem street, will be made happy again by the return of the money today.

The woman, Mrs. Beatrice Scogg of Arlington, wrote to Secretary of State Snell of her loss. She said in her letter she believed a pickpocket had secured her purse while she was standing on State street waiting for a stage or while she was walking there from a restaurant. She said it was all the money she had in the world and the loss was a bitter blow to her.

However, it was not a pickpocket that secured the money. Mrs. Scogg dropped her purse on State street and fortunately it was retrieved by Mrs. David Eason, 735 S. Church, who immediately notified the authorities. Today the money is being returned to its owner.

## Church Circle at Rockwell Home

Dallas—Circle A of the Presbyterian church held a regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Norris Rockwell Friday afternoon with Mrs. J. E. Plummer presiding at the business session.

Sewing and social conversation were enjoyed during the afternoon.

## Funeral Held For Steel King

New York, Sept. 21 (AP)—A solemn mass of requiem was sung in St. Patrick's cathedral today for Charles M. Schwab, 77-year old chairman of the board of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, who died Monday night.

A crowd estimated by police at 2000 persons jammed the sidewalks when the casket was taken into the church. Celebrant of the mass was the Rev. Walter Kellenberg of the cathedral staff.

Among the mourners were former Governor Alfred E. Smith, John D. Rockefeller, Jr., W. J. Filbert of the U. S. Steel Corp., Dr. John H. Finley, editor emeritus of the New York Times, Major Edward Bowen, J. A. Farrell, former president of the U. S. Steel Corp., Cornelius F. Kelly of the Anaconda Copper company, and Miss E. Myrtle Dunn, a friend.

## Tire Test Fatal To Auto Mechanic

Indianapolis, Sept. 21 (AP)—A spectacular crackup in a tire test brought death to Lawson Harris, 32, Indianapolis mechanic and injury to Babe Stacy, 34, Los Angeles race driver, on the same track where both had competed in the annual 500 mile automobile race here.

They were on their eighth time around the two and a half mile Indianapolis motor speedway yesterday when their racing car crashed at 116 miles an hour into the wall on the southwest turn.

Onlookers, in pits and paddock said an axle or tie-rod had broken near the left front wheel and thrown the car out of control. No immediate examination of the racer was made.

Harris, thrown out and his head mashed, died later in a hospital. Stacy, also taken to the hospital, had bruises and face cuts.

## No Wasted Energy Says Lord Halifax

London, Sept. 21 (AP)—Foreign Secretary Lord Halifax today declared "we must not undertake anything that does not directly contribute to victory in the European war, in commenting on the failure of Poland to get help.

Speaking in the house of lords, Lord Halifax said:

"One of the major tragedies of the last few weeks was that we should have had to watch the resistance of a gallant nation overcome without ourselves being able to render such direct assistance as might have produced different results. I have felt it every hour and every moment.

"But we must not lose sight of our main objective in this war—victory—and we must not undertake anything that does not directly contribute to that victory or which might mitigate against it."

## James Burk Serving Time in Linn Jail

Lebanon—James Burk is in the Linn county jail serving a 10-day sentence after falling "on produce a fine of \$20 and costs assessed him in justice court, on conviction of a charge of drunk and disorderly conduct. He was arrested Saturday evening and taken to Albany Monday under the custody of Night Officer C. G. Hardy.

## High Tide Helps To Refloat Ship

Portland, Ore., Sept. 21 (AP)—A high tide aided three tugs to refloat the Andrea F. Luckenbach, largest freighter under the American flag, from a Columbia river shoal two miles from Vancouver, Wash., early today. The vessel, en route from Portland to Vancouver to continue loading, was undamaged and proceeded to Vancouver.

# Local Farmers To Hold Wheat Within Limits

Farmers of Marion county, according to county agent, Harry L. Riches, are in general agreement that it would be unwise to expand their wheat acreage immediately because of possible price increases due to the European war.

This was brought out at the county-wide meeting held Tuesday, Sept. 19, in Silvertown, attended by approximately 60 farmers and others interested in agriculture.

W. M. Tate, vice-chairman of the Marion county agricultural conservation committee, presided at the session held in the armory building. Principal speakers were W. C. Boegil, representing the AAA state office, and Charles Smith, representing the extension service.

The speakers brought out that world wheat supplies are now largest on record and there is no assurance that European demand, greatly decreased during recent years, will rise in the immediate future. They declared that wheat growers cooperating with all phases of the AAA farm program, including loans and insurance, are assured both "good yields and good prices," and pointed out that wheat farming on a stable level will bring greater security than wheat farming on uncertain war-time boom levels.

The belief of Marion county farmers that they should stay within their AAA allotments is in line with plans of other Oregon wheat-growing counties, as indicated at a state-wide wheat meeting held in Pendleton on September 13. N. E. Dodd of Haines, Ore., director of the western division of the AAA, said at that time that farmers in all western and midwestern states which he has visited recently indicated they do not plan any major increase in wheat acreage.



Lou Leaves Hospital—Lou Nova, his eye bandaged and chin taped, the result of his defeat by Tony Galento, is shown as he left a Philadelphia hospital en route to New York and then to Detroit for the Louis-Pastor battle. — Associated Press Photo.

# Sidewalks to Be Cleared of Merchandise

Although for several years a city ordinance has existed making it illegal for merchants of Salem to display goods on the sidewalks or otherwise infringe on sidewalk space, the city council recently bolstered the ordinance with an additional resolution, and enforcement began yesterday.

The ordinance is supposed to extend to stairways within sidewalk space and as rapidly as possible these are being eliminated.

Other things to which the regulation applies are scales located outside stores, and gum and candy vending machines.

When enforcement began yesterday a loud protest went up from several business men who appealed to City Attorney Paul R. Hendricks or Chief of Police Frank A. Minto, but when the regulation was explained they were, in most cases, satisfied that injustice was not being done.

To assist the officers in the enforcement City Engineer J. H. Davis was asked to make a survey to find out how business buildings were located with respect to sidewalk lines. It was found that in many cases buildings are nine inches or more on sidewalk space, which is illegal but cannot be remedied. Four buildings were found that were purposely "recessed" so several feet of space exists between the front of the building and sidewalk line, which is legal, and it is also legal for goods to be displayed in front of these buildings as long as they do not infringe on sidewalk space.

Buildings where outside stairways still exist are the United States National Bank building, the Guardian building and the Oregon building.

## Hairdressers Do Bit for Neutrality

Chicago, Sept. 21 (AP)—Illinois hairdressers asked milady today not to become "war conscious" and suggested that she avoid wartime themes for hair and dress styles.

The Chicago and Illinois Hairdressers' association, assembled for its fall style revue, adopted this resolution:

"We believe feminine fashions should be designed on the principle of beauty and enhancement... not as a means of propaganda to make women war conscious. We urge all hairdressers throughout the country to oppose war motifs... and to ask cooperation of their patrons in refusing to wear clothes which in any way indicate a wartime fashion trend."

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