

Polio Unit Spurred Though Short of Funds

By MARIAN LOWRY FISCHER

A total of nearly \$8000 in unpaid bills for the past two months—against a sum of \$13 cash on hand; no answer from the national organization on an appeal for emergency help; and always the dread that the coming year may bring an even greater load—all this did not deter Marion county chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, Inc., in annual meeting last night, from taking a determined stand "to see it through" and strive to provide necessary help for those stricken with polio.

Never in its history has the situation been as bleak for the chapter; and never before has the group conducted a meeting that brought so many helpful suggestions for solution and so much genuine interest in seeing the problem is met.

Quick Action Wanted

Action taken by the chapter members included the following: 1—Contact the National Foundation at once, by telephone, to find out if help is forthcoming for emergency relief.

2—Contact the federal-state crippled children's service to see if some of the load of care is not its responsibility.

3—Push the current March of Dimes campaign to a successful conclusion. Chapter members and campaign workers all to redouble their efforts to bring in more contributions.

More than six weeks ago the chapter made its application to the national headquarters for emergency help of \$4000, but to date no answer has been received, it was reported at the meeting.

Records for the year's work revealed nearly \$14,000 paid out for 31 cases in Marion county, the greatest case load ever applying for help here.

By using \$1600 reserve in bonds, the last amount of reserve funds, and the \$900 to be returned to the chapter which extended that amount in setting up the campaign expenses, there will be but \$2500 to meet the unpaid bills of more than \$5800.

And applications for help for three new cases breaking out in January were before the chapter at the Thursday night meeting.

From several attending the meeting came the suggestion that "charity begins at home," and that if the national headquarters cannot extend the emergency relief, then the portion from the March of Dimes campaign that is to go to national should be held back until those obligations already assumed here are paid.

Any action on the suggestion was held back until the chapter receives word from the national and ascertains what assistance, if any, can be obtained from the crippled children's service.

Howard Ragan, county chairman for the 1950 March of Dimes campaign, said to date slightly more than \$8000 had been raised. Both he and Gene Malecki, campaign manager, expressed their belief that the drive will end successfully although it will be several weeks yet before the full amount is in.

Malecki said he looked for the total to exceed by \$1500 to \$2000 the amount secured in 1949. Both men said it means a lot of work ahead, however, and they pointed to the fact that a large contribution is lacking this year because there was no show presented at the state penitentiary, as in previous years, and there was no theater collection this year.

Under the usual procedure, after expenses of the campaign are paid, the total left is divided 50-50 between the national headquarters and the local chapter. Considering the amount already

Rail Systems Fight for Freight

Seattle, Feb. 3 (AP)—Three railroads announced today the start of a faster California-Seattle freight service in a challenge to long-standing Southern Pacific line dominance.

The roads are the Great Northern, the Western Pacific and the Santa Fe.

The three lines are combined in what is known generally as "the second trunk line south."

R. P. Starr, western traffic manager of Great Northern, said the new schedule cuts one day off the shipping time. It makes San Francisco-Seattle a three-day run.

The service goes over several railroads' lines in swinging eastward along the Columbia river to go southward through central Oregon and Beiber, Calif.

The Post-Intelligencer said railroad circles here view it as the start of "a battle of the titans" for lucrative coastwise rail freight.

In the local chapter would not receive enough in its 50 per cent share to pay unpaid bills, let alone have any funds to help with new cases occurring this coming year.

Old Cases Helped Money in the work of the foundation is not paid out to help only current or new cases. Under its program help, if needed, is given for old cases—to persons who may have been stricken years ago but are in need of care because of crippling conditions brought on by an earlier case of polio.

Clair Brown, president of the Salem Chamber of Commerce; Herb Barker, from the Central Labor council; Vic Withrow, representative on the chapter board, and others expressed the view that if the general public knew how serious conditions are and if they understood the valuable help being extended through the chapter, there would be no question of the success of the 1950 fund campaign.

One case that stirred the group in its determination to make the drive successful in order to assure needed help concerned a man who is 46 years old with a family of six children. The man has been in an iron lung most of the time since mid-July and several hundred dollars in bills were before the chapter for care and help given the man. His family, meantime, is struggling to get along.

Officers Elected At the business session the following officers were elected: Mrs. David Wright, re-elected as chairman; Elmer J. Church, vice chairman; Miss Lucille Satter, secretary; Albert Arpke, treasurer, the latter two also re-elected.

A recommendation from the nominating committee, of which Charles Feike was chairman, was accepted, the action placing on the chapter board all community chairmen who serve in the annual March of Dimes campaign for the year they are serving. This would make the chapter board a more representative county-wide group.

There were 42 at the chapter meeting held in conjunction with a no-host dinner at the American Legion club.

School Merger Vote in March

An election on a proposed consolidation of Hubbard and White school districts will be held March 13, according to a decision reached in a meeting between County School Superintendent Agnes Booth and the Marion county court Friday.

Construction of a new high school building to replace the North Marion school, located at Hubbard, is nearing completion. If the proposed consolidation carries in the March election, the new Hubbard-White district will take over possession of the current high school building at Hubbard.

A hearing on another proposed consolidation, that of transferring a portion of the Lake Lash district to the Brooks district, will be held in the courthouse at 10:30 a.m. on March 17.

Spud Support Prices Slashed

Washington, Feb. 3 (AP)—The agriculture department today announced a cut averaging nine cents a bushel in the farm support prices for the 1950 potato crop.

Set as low as possible under the law, the supports were announced as the government debated what to do with 50,000,000 bushels of surplus spuds already on hand.

This discussion echoed in congress where Senator Williams (R-De) proposed lowering all government farm price supports. Bi-partisan opposition to the proposal developed immediately.

The agriculture department announcement set the national average support price for 1950 potatoes at \$1.01, a figure which it said would insure price levels at 60 percent of parity. This is five cents higher than a preliminary estimate announced last Nov. 16.

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Sprayed With Acid—Mrs. Helen Shelley (right) shows her employer, Mrs. Thurlow Evans, Jr., the burns she received when a flashily-dressed man sprayed her with acid from a water pistol in Atlanta, Ga. Police have begun a wide-spread search for the culprit after three women reported similar acid attacks. (Acme Telephoto)

Johnson Says U. S. Ready To Lick Hell Out of Russia

Washington, Feb. 3 (AP)—In some of the toughest language yet used in the cold war, Secretary of Defense Johnson said last night the U. S. is ready to "lick hell" out of Russia on an hour's notice.

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Some dealers reported plenty of slab, but they reported deliveries were slowed because of the demand. One dealer said he was four or five days behind because of the numerous calls.

One dealer reported lots of briquets and coal. Another said he had been rationed on briquets, and coal enough on hand for a few days. Weather conditions eastward that are hampering transportation, and labor conditions hamper the coal supply.

is that of a family room. Pictures of Golden Mrs. Grace S. Golden and Mrs. Belle Niles Brown are also shown in connection with the description of the mortuary and sketches of the owners.

The cover page offers two views, one of the exterior of the building and the other of the reception room. Three other interior scenes, including the display room and chapel, are pictures on an inside page which is listed as "modern mortuaries of the west." The third picture

Shoots Women Spraying Acid

Atlanta, Feb. 3 (AP)—Police prowled the shopping district today for the maniac who has burned three women with an acid loaded water pistol.

A fourth woman, Mrs. Alice Young, reported yesterday she had been sprayed with the stuff, but didn't notice it until holes began appearing in her coat.

Three attractive young matrons told police they had been "shot" by a young, flashily dressed man about six feet tall.

Each required medical treatment for the burns which a Grady hospital physician said apparently were caused by storage battery acid.

Mrs. Beatrice Shelpey, 22, said she noticed the man following her and felt something liquid on her back.

"I didn't mean to do that," the man told her, adding, "It was only water anyway."

Mrs. Sarah Austin told police she had been treated yesterday for scalp burns.

Another victim, Mrs. D. R. Baxter, said she felt her side burning about the time a Negro woman stopped her to say that the back of her skirt was being eaten by acid.

Roads in Normal Winter Shape

Highways were in normal winter condition today, state police and the state highway commission reported.

The daily road report: Albany—Spots of ice in center if pavement, otherwise bare. Astoria—Packed snow and ice, well sanded.

Portland—Highways clear. Salem—Spots of packed snow and ice.

Vancouver, Wash.—Evergreen highway open, packed snow and ice. Pacific highway bare.

Corvallis—Bare in exposed areas. Grants Pass—Spots of ice. Santiam Pass—Packed snow, plowing, carry chains.

Oregon Safety Group Organized

The Oregon safety commission, which will attempt to reduce traffic and industrial accidents, organized here today.

G. C. Knodell, Albany, was named chairman. State Police Capt. Walter Lansing, who is assigned to the traffic safety division of the state department, was appointed temporary coordinator. Other members of the commission are Earl Bopp, Ontario, and H. G. Enders, Ashland.

Governor Douglas McKay told the commission it should cooperate with safety activities of the highway commission, state department, department of education, and industrial accident commission.

The commission said its main job will be to get public cooperation.

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12 Homeless In Detroit Fire

Detroit, Ore., Feb. 3—Twelve people were left homeless Thursday when fire destroyed a two-story rooming house operated by Mr. and Mrs. Vern Franse. Loss is estimated at \$7000 partially covered by insurance.

None of the occupants were in the building at the time.

The fire broke out about 9:30 o'clock and spread to the adjacent Earl Layman home, destroying around one-third of the building. The Laymans place their loss at \$1500 for both the property and furnishings.

Firemen from Idanha and Mongold answered the call and arrived about 20 minutes after the alarm was given. Detroit does not have a fire truck or similar equipment.

2 New Service Stations for Union

The Union Oil company will shortly have two new service stations in Salem. One will be at the northwest corner of 12th and Mission and the other at the southeast corner of 19th and State.

The 100 by 80 property at 12th and Mission has been leased from Coburn Grabenhorst and ground has been broken.

The property at 19th and State, 103 by 105 feet, is the location of the former C. M. Eppley store which is now being torn down. The property has been leased from Fred C. Ritner.

Both transactions were handled by Grabenhorst Bros.

Magazine Pictures Golden Mortuary

The Virgil T. Golden mortuary and Salem are prominent in the current issue of Mortuary Management, published in San Francisco.

The cover page offers two views, one of the exterior of the building and the other of the reception room. Three other interior scenes, including the display room and chapel, are pictures on an inside page which is listed as "modern mortuaries of the west." The third picture

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Walton League Appeals For Funds to Feed Birds

Game birds in this area are feeling the effects of the cold weather even more than the human beings, for they have to get out and hustle for their food.

That food is scarce, too, and if the cold spell lasts much longer there will be a terrific loss among those birds, Salem Isak Walton League members point out.

The league Friday made another plea for contributions to its bird feeding fund which now has been exhausted. In fact the fund is more than exhausted and the league members are making desperate efforts to find more funds for more feed.

In the past sportsmen, when weather was bad and the birds needed feeding, have made numerous contributions. This year most of those contributions are missing.

Isak Walton League members have volunteered their service, assisted by the Fur Fin and Feather group—a junior group composed of high school age youngsters—in feeding the birds. What they need now is more money for purchasing the feed.

One of the members noted that already a number of ducks had been found with frozen feet and pheasants found with balls of ice on their feet and their tail feathers pulled out. In this condition, he pointed out, it is impossible for the birds to get

away from foxes and raccoons and the only way to save them is by feeding them.

The Livingston Dusing Service at Corvallis has volunteered use of planes free of charge for distributing feed from the air for the pheasants—song birds also feed on this grain—and Robert Taylor's Towing Services has volunteered services of boats, free of charge.

Boats are used in placing food on gravel bars for the ducks. Recently 400 pounds of food were placed on one gravel bar and on returning later the men found hundreds of ducks feeding there. The following day on returning to the spot they found no feed left.

Isak Walton League members have been putting out the food twice a week for the birds and point out that those ducks now being fed are those that remain here all winter and that ducks coming from the north have already moved on to the south.

Fire Chiefs to Meet June 1

Fire Chief W. P. Roble, chairman of the program committee for the state convention of the Oregon Fire Chiefs association and the Oregon Fire Fighters association, said today the convention dates had been set for June 1, 2 and 3.

The convention is to be in Salem but the building in which it will be held has not yet been selected.

Reservation of rooms is now being made. It is expected that between 500 and 600 visitors will be here for the state meetings. The dates were set by the program committee. Local committees and subcommittees will be appointed at a meeting of Salem firemen Monday afternoon.

Members of the program committee are: Chief W. P. Roble of Salem, chairman; Chief Ed Grenfell, Portland; Chief Paul Jarrett, Park Rose; Chief Engineer W. F. White, Oregon Insurance Rating Bureau, Portland; Chief William Arzner, Lakeview, president of state chief's association; Chief H. C. Spaulding, Newberg; Battalion Chief E. L. Smith, Salem; Captain Leo Weidner, Portland; Robert Taylor, Salem, state insurance commissioner; Fire Marshal Miles Woodworth, Portland; Chief Cleone Puderbaugh, Oak Grove; Chief Cy Gill, Portland; Deputy Fire Marshal Jack Hayes, Salem; Captain Peter Leineweber,

Portland; Clyde Buckholtz, Salem, secretary of Oregon Fire Fighters.

Engineer Here for Radar Installation

Vincent Dickson, engineer from the Bremerton navy yard, arrived in Salem this week to make arrangements for installation of the radar equipment at the Naval and Marine Corps Reserve training center.

Vincent, an engineer for Philco, but working for the navy, will remain here until the installation.

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