

Architect's Drawing for New State Service Building



Shown above is Architect James Payne's drawing for the new State Service Building, for which the Board of Control will open bids Jan. 15.

State Service Bldg. Plans Out

Bids will be opened by the State Board of Control for the new State Service building to be erected at South 12th and Ferry street at 3 p.m. Jan. 15. James L. Payne, Salem architect, is distributing drawings and specifications to prospective bidders.

The structure will be 141 by 232 feet in size. It will consist of a main floor and a basement. Provision has been made for the construction of two additional upper floors if they are ever needed.

The main floor will house the state purchasing department and will include a general office area, purchasing agent's office, buyers' booths, bidding rooms, equipment repair, laboratory, accounting and filing areas in addition to 13,000 feet of storage and warehouse space.

The basement will house the surplus property section and will be served by a hydraulic elevator.

The building will be of a reinforced concrete walls and floors, with an architectural concrete exterior. Floors will be covered with asphalt tile, ceilings with acoustical tile.

The heating system will be steam, with forced ventilation to all areas.

Estimated cost is \$410,000.

Health Department Mails Out Pamphlet

Tourist accommodation operators were placed under the jurisdiction of the county health authorities by an act of the 1953 legislature. In this connection the Marion County Department of Health has mailed copies of a pamphlet dealing with "Certification and Regulation of Travelers and Tourist Facilities."

The expanded program of the county health department will include: the collection of fees and applications from tourist operators (Operators within Salem will make payments to the city treasurer); inspect city and county traveler's accommodations and tourist parks; make recommendations for correction of unsanitary conditions; make follow up recommendation; see that licenses are renewed at the beginning of each year; see that new establishments obtain licenses and are properly inspected.

Heavy Fines Given Log Truck Drivers

Albany—Two logging truck drivers were heavily fined and a third forfeited \$45 bail in district court this week to headline the list of those brought before Judge Wendell Tompkins. All three were charged with overloading their trucks.

Stiffest fine, \$175, was levied by Judge Tompkins on Norman Ray McCallister, Salem. Placing second was Melvin K. Olson, Sunnyside, Wash., assessed \$69. It was Clarence Edward York, Albany, who forfeited the bail.

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Impounded Fund Will Be Distributed to Fairs

The \$115,051.86, impounded when the City of Portland attempted to impose a license tax on pari mutuel wagering at the dog races, will be turned over to State Treasurer Sig Unander for distribution to the Oregon State Fair and to the various fairs and livestock shows.

Canyon School Merger Muled

Gates — Members of the school boards of the Detroit, Mill City and Gates districts met at the Gates high school last week for further discussion of unionization of the three districts.

Present at the last meeting were Frank L. New and Bradford Humphrey, members of the Detroit board, and Otis White, superintendent of the Detroit schools. From the Mill City board were Russell Kelly, Harold Kliever, William Shuey, Vernon Todd, superintendent, and Howard Means, principal of the high school; from Gates, Elmer Klutke, William Pennick, Oliver Willis, board members, and Don Miley, superintendent of the Gates schools, who presided at the meeting.

Vernon S. Todd was authorized by the group to contact the Linn and Marion county boundary boards and request that they meet with representatives of the boards of the three districts to present to the communities a recommendation for a suitable site for a union high school building.

Consolidation with Mill City of the two smaller schools was voted upon two years ago by members of the communities and defeated by a large majority vote in both Detroit and Gates.

Vernon Todd has reported that the boundary boards have agreed to the meeting and a tentative date, Dec. 21, set. A committee of three from each of the three districts will be appointed by each board to meet with the boundary boards on that date.

This is in line with an opinion of Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton who declared that the money does not escheat to the common school fund of the state, as was contended by some persons.

Distribution of this fund to the State Fair and to county fairs was advocated by Cecil Edwards, state racing steward, speaking before the Oregon Fairs Association meeting in Salem recently.

Thornton held that the money withheld by the Multnomah Kennel Club for the payment of the tax constituted an "underpayment" within the meaning of the pari mutuel wagering law. This law provides that the "amount of such underpayment shall revert and belong to the state and be paid to the Oregon racing commission and become a part of its funds and shall not be retained by the licensee under whose license such race is held" Thornton ruled.

Thornton said that the racing commission is entitled to maintain a working fund for current expenses which shall not at any time exceed \$5,000. The balance Thornton said, is required to be paid into the state treasury for distribution to the various fairs and livestock shows authorized by the legislature in an act passed in 1947.

In refuting the contention that the money constituted an escheat to the state under the provisions of Article VIII of the constitution, Thornton said:

"That amount cannot be said to escheat, inasmuch as its owner, the state is known and declared. Escheat is the procedure by which the sovereign becomes 'the legal heir of one dying intestate without blood heirs.' The word 'escheat' has a specific meaning in both statutory and common law. It has no application whatever to the state's acquisition of money received in this fashion."

Delbert Reeves post and unit members of reaching its quota of 210. The regular December meeting of the post and unit was held at Legion hall, Monday evening.

Legion Seeks Member Quota

Silverton — Ronald Reed, commander of American Legion Delbert Reeves post No. 7, is urging his members to rush the quota in membership as a compliment to the vice-commander of the department of Oregon, Carl Mosier, who is one of the organizers of Silverton post and has retained his membership with the local post.

Delbert Reeves post lacks 58 members of reaching its quota of 210. The regular December meeting of the post and unit was held at Legion hall, Monday evening.

Containers are to be placed about town for donations to help finance the "Gifts for the Yanks" budget.

will be host to the District 2 conference Sunday afternoon and evening, Feb. 7, beginning at 2:30 o'clock. Attending a meeting at Silverton on Monday evening, Dec. 28, will be the commander of District 2, H. B. Litchenthaler of Dayton, Ore., district vice-commander, John Muir of Mill City, and Mrs. Clarence B. Grund of Monmouth serving as district 2

president, to assist in plans for the conference and the naming of committee personnel.

Also to attend the Dec. 28 meeting will be Ridgely C. Miller, Marion county veterans' service officer.

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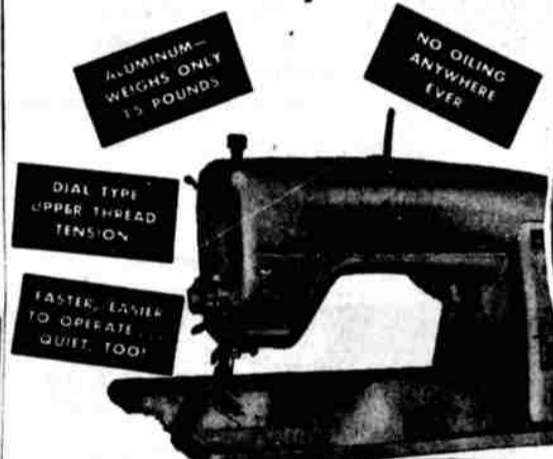
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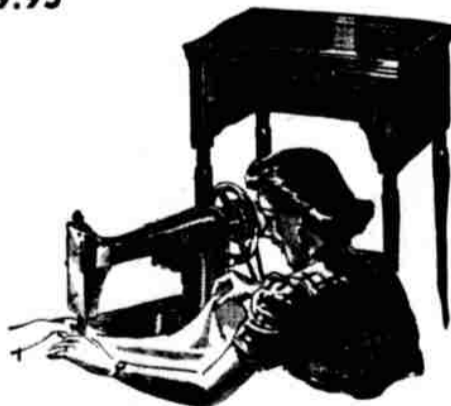
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