

**Oregon Records New Health Highs**

Oregon enters the new year with a notably low infant death and mortality rate probably the lowest in the country for the past year. The public health research department of the Oregon Mutual Life Insurance Company announces today reports just received by the state department of health show a continuation of the low rates thru the month of November. In that month there were only 50 deaths of infants under one year of age compared with 1372 live births.

This gives Oregon an infant mortality rate for the month of 36.4, slightly lower than the rate in 1939, when the state was the fourth lowest in the country. However the rate for the first 11 months of 1940 was still lower, 34.0 per 1000 live births.

Maternal deaths during the month were also very low the research department says. There were only three deaths of Oregon mothers from childbirth reported in the month giving a November rate of 2.2 lower than the 2.3 rate for Oregon in 1939, the lowest in the nation that year.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS NO. 6544**

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Clackamas, Probate Department.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed Executor of the estate of Hugh Fitzgerald, deceased, by the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Clackamas county, and has qualified. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same, duly verified as by law required, to the undersigned at his residence in Sandy, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.

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Executor of the estate of Hugh Fitzgerald, deceased.  
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**Cancer Still Kills**

Cancer and other tumors still remain important "killers" despite the continuous work of private and public health service. Last November 156 Oregonians died from cancers and other tumors the public health research department of the Oregon Mutual Life Insurance company reports.

**Ford Dealer Tells of Meeting**

R. R. Cooke, local Ford dealer, was back home yesterday after attending the gala "Come out Swinging" luncheon meeting held in Portland.

"We're going to come out swinging too," Mr. Cooke said as he described the meeting which started Pacific northwest Ford dealers on one of the most complete and aggressive sales campaigns in their history.

Details of the big 60-day program were graphically outlined by W. C. Patterson, Pacific Northwest branch manager of the Ford Motor company and Nelson F. Bowe, assistant manager. Dealers and members of their sales staffs will be rewarded at a giant victory dinner party scheduled early in March according to Mr. Cooke.

During the sales meeting Ford Motor company officials announced that word had been received telling of the grand slam Ford cars had just scored in the annual running of the 1000 mile Argentine road race.

The South American motor classic is known all over the world and this year Ford cars captured the first five places in the hotly contested dash from Buenos Aires to Bahia Blanca and return.

Esteban Fernandez the victorious driver averaged 73.6 miles per hour for the tortuous thousand mile run. His driving time was 13 hours, 34 minutes, 34 seconds, 23 seconds ahead of the second place winner.

The race was run in two laps, the drivers remaining overnight at Bahia Blanca. They were not allowed to touch their cars on the run except for a scant five minute tuneup period before the start of the homeward lap.

Not only did Ford V-8's take the first five places but they also captured seventh, ninth, tenth and fifteenth places. The pace was so hot that only 34 out of the total of 97 starters finished the grueling run.

After relaying the news of the South American run to the assembled dealers Patterson told of the bright outlook for the period of the "Come Out Swinging" campaign. He said reports coming in from dealers from all over the Pacific northwest were extremely encouraging.

"It looks like a knockout campaign," Mr. Cooke stated yesterday, "and every member of our organization is ready to establish an outstanding record during the next two months."

**Many NYA Jobs Will Be Open**

Good news is in store for 120 young men and women in Clackamas county in that they will get jobs on NYA work experience projects within the next two weeks in workshops, cafeterias and on land improvements and construction projects according to Jack W. Benefiel NYA area director. This will mean that the number of youth working on NYA projects in this county will be increased to 270 while now only 146 are being used. Besides this increase another one is planned for early February on similar projects.

The clerical project in Oregon City under direction of J. T. Longfellow, city school superintendent will be increased to offer stenographic and general office work experience. Related training is being provided under the direction of William Wymer director of the vocational educational department of Oregon City schools.

Twenty-four young men will obtain shop work experience in Oregon City shops where the project is being expanded under supervision of A. Mault.

Two shifts giving employment to 40 young women in the production sewing project at Canemah school in Oregon City will be instituted; while 50 young men will work in the Beuna Vista park where a utility building will be constructed and the park grounds improved.

The shop building and garage at Sandy high school are nearing completion and future plans call for the employment of 30 young men on another construction project to open soon in that vicinity.

E. A. Woodworth county school superintendent, sponsor of several county wide projects will supervise these units which provides employ-

ment for many youths living in smaller communities and adjacent rural areas.

At West Linn clerical and cafeteria projects are operating under the direction of John Gary school superintendent while at Oak Grove similar projects as well as school land improvements are to be started under the tutelage of L. J. Rood, school principal.

Milwaukie has a cafeteria project in operation and future plans provide for a public land improvement project in that area. Canby and Estacada have clerical projects approved and work in the improvement of school grounds in these two centers is being considered.

The number of Clackamas county youths working in NYA workshops in Portland will also be increased. Youth in attendance now commute mainly from Oregon City, Oak Grove and Milwaukie and work at the U. S. forest service shop in Selwood and on clerical units and sewing projects in Portland. Transportation may be provided for them to attend the work experience projects during January and February it was announced.

Jobs will be assigned to youths who have already applied and to those who apply immediately within the next two weeks. All young men and women, unemployed, unmarried, between 17 and 24 years of age are eligible. Applications and information may be obtained from high school principals in Clackamas coun-

ty or from the Oregon state employment service in Oregon City.

**New Plan is Advanced**

A new plan for handling unclaimed deer and elk hides held by cold storage and locker plants of the state has been announced by the Oregon state game commission.

Instead of destroying the hides the various plants will ship hides to the Portland office for sale to the highest bidder. One-half of the net proceeds will be returned to the plants to reimburse them for handling the skins. Before shipment is made the plants will first notify the commission office of the number of hides on

hand on hand and state police officers will then check and tag the hides before shipping.

In announcing the new plan the game commission makes it clear that any individual has the right to claim the hide of a deer or elk he has killed legally and if properly tagged he may have it tanned and made up into articles of clothing. No individual has the right however to sell or barter such hides.

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**Its 'Hillbilly' Populace**

California's hill population is rapidly declining, according to Ian O. M. Broek, assistant professor of geography at the University of California.

This decline in the "hillbilly" population, he said, was taking place despite a steady increase in population throughout the state.

"The passing of the old hill family and many of its descendants," he said, "is due to the decline in lumbering and range operations, decline in the birth rate, the competition of valley and rural communities."

"These combined with the fact that California has a low birth rate, as compared with the country as a whole, have brought about the phenomenon of lower population in the uplands, while population in the lowlands is increasing."

As a result of this situation, he declared, a high number of schools in the hill country have been closed, not because of the establishing of consolidated schools for several formerly independent districts, but because the number of children has so decreased that even the required minimum of five for each district cannot be maintained.

"The situation has become so marked," he said, "that certain counties in the hill districts are obliged to depend on migration to maintain their present population."

**Moisture Penetration**

With the question of moisture penetration into the framing of structures becoming more acute with the advent of modern heating and air conditioning, many builders are advising the use of insulating fabrics or materials which seal the walls against penetration of moisture vapor. Under modern systems of heating and air conditioning it is estimated by commercial engineers that relative humidities are increased from as low as 5 per cent to as high as 50 per cent. This moisture passes readily through plaster and other structural materials until it reaches the dew-point temperature and then deposits in droplets. In side walls this moisture may settle to the bottom of the section, drenching the entire framework. Such condition causes framing to warp and twist, distorts interior woodwork, and frequently blisters paint.

**Highway 'Cat's Eyes'**

Tiny glass balls, which glow like cats' eyes under automobile headlights, are being placed on Alabama highways as a means of reducing traffic accidents. The glass particles, the size of grains of sand, are so small that heavy trucks will not crush them. Six pounds of glass balls are mixed with a gallon of paint, which is spread on a four-inch strip in the center of the highway. The strip requires 17 gallons of paint to the mile. The strip will be placed on curves and at danger points on 100 miles of highways in the state. A test strip was put down near Central, Ala., three months ago and it convinced road officials of its practicability. Alabama was the first state to experiment with the new highway marker, but Montana has begun using it.

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