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Rumors that W. L. Gosslin will soon be replaced as secretary to Governor Martin are again current around the state house. These latest rumors followed closely on the heels of Gosslin's protests to the Portland school board and the state board of higher education against the participation of a Portland University professor in the recent Commonwealth Federation convention in Portland. While it is generally agreed the protests were lacking in fact and out of place, friends of Gosslin insist that he is being made the "goat" in carrying out orders from his superior.

While similar rumors have been circulated before without any apparent foundation, in fact those who profess to be in the "know," insist that the time is now ripe for a change and that soon a new secretary will be greeting visitors to the executive department. It is not expected that Gosslin will be dismissed as secretary to the governor but rather that he will resign his post to accept a better job, probably as a member of the legal staff of the district attorney for Multnomah county.

An audit of the records of the State Forestry Department just completed reveals that \$552,803 in forest patrol assessments levied during the past eight years remain unpaid. This situation is accounted for by the auditors as due either to errors in description of timber lands as submitted by the forestry board or to the arbitrary omission by county assessors in extending the tax rolls and in leaving off the rolls in some counties assessments against county owned lands. In this connection the auditors call attention to an opinion by General Van Winkle holding that timber lands acquired by the counties by tax sales are subject to fire patrol charges the same as are privately owned lands.

Holders of fire insurance policies in non-admitted companies will be held responsible for the payment of premium taxes, according to Hugh H. Earle, state insurance commissioner. Earle's statement followed action of the Marion county circuit court in fining the Rodgers-Hart-Banks company, Portland agents, \$50 for writing insurance in a non-admitted company. Several holders of these policies have already voluntarily paid the premium tax but those who do not pay voluntarily will be subject to prosecution, Earle said.

In order that the entire building program at the eastern Oregon tuberculosis hospital might be carried out without delay the board of control has agreed to a change of plans to provide for frame construction for the new hospital pavilion instead of reinforced concrete as at first proposed. In addition to the pavilion of 50-bed capacity the building program at The Dalles institution calls for a new heating plant and laundry, a physician's residence and a nurses' home, all to cost approximately \$120,000.

Entirely apart from Governor Martin's declaration that the state could not and would not recognize a labor union in dealing with its employees, there does not appear to be any considerable enthusiasm among state employees over the proposal to unionize their ranks. Casual conversations with representative employees in various departments failed to disclose any real demand for organization. A few employees admitted that a union "might be a good thing" in negotiating grievances with department heads or in pressing demands for better pay before the legislature. For the most part, however, state employees recognize the fact that so far as wages, hours and working conditions go their lot is far better than that of the average person in private employment. Wages of clerks and stenographers in state employ-

## LINES TO A YOUNG GIRL GRADUATE

So here's to you, my dear young girl,  
 Whose life is yet before you;  
 Whose skies are blue, with brilliant hue,  
 Oh how I do adore you!  
 I love to see you free and young,  
 Where burdens can not reach you;  
 So have your fun, if purely done,  
 Life has so much to teach you.

There are hills to climb and deeds to do,  
 That will to utmost tax you,  
 On crest afar, shines out your star,  
 Climb high and ne'er relax you.  
 The heights attained, the goal thus reached  
 Will shine with radiant splendor,  
 Then take your way, so blithe and gay  
 Let truth be your defender.

Chelsea M. Barnett

for instance, are much higher than those paid to similar employees in offices, stores and industries in Salem and Portland. State employees, as a rule, work less than eight hours a day with Saturday afternoon off, not to mention the numerous holidays.

State law limits the employment of workers—as distinguished from employees—on state jobs for more than eight hours a day or 48 hours a week except in emergencies. When these hours are exceeded the overtime is paid for at double the regular hourly wage. In the highway department, wages of employes of common labor, a minimum wage of 50 cents an hour is maintained with mechanics and skilled labor receiving a proportionately higher wage.

While some employees are inclined to favor an organization that will insure the permanence of their employment, together with sick benefits and retirement pay, these also expressed skepticism as to the ability of the ordinary labor union to provide these benefits. Most of the employees interviewed were inclined to agree with Governor Martin that about the only benefit to be expected through unionization would consist of the privilege of paying dues.

Governor Martin will not announce his choice of a successor to C. A. Howard as state superintendent of public instruction until after his return from San Francisco, about June 1. The governor said that he had received more than 18 applications for Howard's job and desired to interview personally several of the candidates. Speculation around the state house centers on three candidates, namely Rex Putnam, of Albany; A. M. Cannon, of Toledo, and Paul Jackson, of Chemawa.

The new milk, cream and butter grading law passed by the last legislature became operative last Sunday, (May 16), according to announcement by Solon T. White, state director of agriculture. Under the new law all milk and cream sold to creameries, cheese factories, ice cream plants and condensaries in Oregon hereafter will be graded and paid for on a grade basis. That is, first grade milk or "A" grade cream will command a better price than will second grade milk or "B" grade cream.

The state parole board has announced its intention of asking the legislative emergency board for an additional appropriation with which to finance the employment of a deputy parole officer to assist in the work of supervising paroled prisoners. Several measures sponsored by the parole board and designed to broaden the scope of the parole program in this state were defeated by the last legislature.

Oregon's 1938 automobile license plates will present an aluminum background with black letters and figures, according to Secretary of State Snell. Cost of the plates will be slightly under ten cents a pair, the low bid presented by the Irwin-Hodson company of Portland, which has made the Oregon license plates for many years.

## Oregon Highway Broadcast

The attractions Oregon holds to the world in the way of a magnificent vacation playground will be told to vast audiences throughout the western part of the United States in the second network broadcast planned by the Oregon State Highway Commission for May 23. It will go out from KGW over the National Broadcasting Company's western system at 1:30 p. m.

The University of Oregon's 65-piece symphony orchestra, directed by Rex Underwood, and the Eugene Gleemen, directed by John Stark Evans, will supply the musical entertainment for the NBC program on Sunday. Both of these musical organizations are outstanding and known throughout musical circles. Hal Young, former Broadway musical comedy star, will be featured in the musical numbers. Frank Branch Riley will tell the radio audience what Oregon holds for those who are planning vacations this year.

## Found a Man Whose Talk Melted a Heart of Stone

The following communication, handed the Sentinel by Jack Lefevre, should be read, especially the last paragraph, with the thought in mind that Jack was a candidate for office on the democratic ticket in 1934:

Editor Coquille Valley Sentinel: Here is a boy you might be able to use. It was just a thought that occurred to me as I was driving home. I went out yesterday to show a representative of one of our companies a tract of timber on section 59. I mention the location particularly because so many of the local sharks are always anxious to know where it is. But it's the character and ability of the boy I had with me I wish to bring to your attention.

We drove to the end of the county road and there was a gate. By going through this gate we could drive on a considerable distance nearer to our work. So on we went down to the stream and parked. So far so good.

When we came back to the car it was different. We had no sooner seated ourselves comfortably for the return journey than we were confronted with a gentleman farmer in our path carrying an axe. He stopped us and said:

"Did you fellows see that sign on the gate?" I answered that we had not. "Well," he said, "it's there and it says 'No Trespassing' in plain language. It provides for payment to the owner of this property of fifty cents for parking inside the gate."

Well before I had a chance to say anything this young man with me leaned over and took the matter out of my hands. He told the farmer that the expense of the trip was his. He also told him of his present financial status.

He told that farmer he had just recently been released from a hospital where he had spent four months undergoing two major operations; that his wages for the next six months had been assigned to the hospital; that his children were home now in a state of practical starvation; that the last thing he had witnessed the day before was the mangled form of his wife's body-laying in the street after being hit by an automobile; that I had taken him out into the hills to get him away from the horror of the whole tragedy and that this for the present would have to be a charge account.

As he unraveled this story of the shocking tragedy of his last few months of existence, I saw the farmer was really affected. Tears that had been dormant since the last licking he had received in school were now bubbling up from their slumbers and sizzling into steam in the sunlight that burned on that old wrinkled face.

"Stop," he said, "You're breaking my heart. Here take this," and he handed that boy three dollars he had collected from six other cars parked along the stream.

As we rode away in silence I thought of the wonderful possibilities in this young man, what an opportunity the old guard has here if they will only pick this bird up and set him into action, providing the republican party can ever recover sufficiently to stage another rally.

Jack Lefevre.

## The House Trailer

(Oregon State Board of Health)  
 The increasing popularity of the house trailer as a vacation and transportation instrument is evidenced by the fact that the American Automobile Association estimated at the end of 1936 there were some 300,000 house trailers in circulation and that approximately 1,000,000 people were living in them at least for a vacation period. The presence of numbers of trailers and their steadily increasing quantity presents a definite public health problem.

In connection with this problem health officials are mainly concerned with groups of people in small living quarters and whose methods of waste disposal can have a detrimental effect on a community. Regardless of whether a number of trailers are grouped together in a camp or recreational area, or whether they park individually at some camping spot, the problem still remains, and regulatory measures must be provided to prevent any outbreak of communicable disease. The rapidity with which these trailer homes can be moved from place to place only increases the possibility of their spreading a communicable disease to several communities.

Statutes in Oregon make it unlawful for any person to camp a trailer house on any arterial highway of the state or to camp in any place where sanitary conveniences are not provided, except in isolated areas, and then all excreta and wastes must be buried at least one foot below the ground. It is also unlawful to operate a trailer house on public highways with kitchen or toilet facilities unless provisions are made to hold waste material in water-tight containers of a type approved by the

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State Board of Health. These wastes must be emptied into a sanitary sewer system. In isolated districts where sanitary facilities are not available, the wastes may be emptied into a pit and covered with at least one foot of earth.

Many tourist camps in the state are providing space and facilities for trailer houses. Owners of these campgrounds should recognize the fact that these mobile homes present a new problem, and preparations must be made to furnish sufficient and adequate sanitary facilities to meet the requirements of this new mode of travel. Convenient water hydrants, easily accessible sewer connections for trailers with plumbing fixtures, and a sufficient number of conveniently located toilets for both sexes should be provided. At least 600 square feet of space (20 ft. x 30 ft.) should be provided for each trailer and these spaces grouped in blocks with 20 ft. roadways separating the blocks. Wheels or running gear on trailer houses should not be removed, for this immediately places them in the classification of a tourist cabin or tourist cottage, which are regulated according to the law governing buildings of this nature.

The trailer house should not be condemned, but health officers should make every effort to prevent the spread of communicable diseases that may have originated through carriers in trailer homes.

## Faster Train to San Francisco

Effecting substantial reduction in running times between Portland and other Oregon cities and San Francisco, a new all-Pullman "Cascade" train will be placed in service June 13 by the Southern Pacific Company. One hour and 10 minutes will be cut from the Portland to San Francisco schedule, according to J. A. Ormandy, general passenger agent for the company. The train will leave Portland at 5:40 p. m. and reach San Francisco at 1:32 p. m. the next day. This schedule was arranged so that business men will lose only half a day on trips between Portland and San Francisco. Northbound the Cascade will leave San Francisco at 5 p. m. and arrive Portland at 12:40 p. m. the following day.

The present Cascade will continue in service as the "Oregonian," operating over the route, via Klamath Falls, on the same fast schedule now in effect. Effective also on June 13, the "Shasta" will leave Portland at 7:50 a. m. instead of 8:15 a. m. and on northbound schedule will arrive Portland at 7:45 p. m. instead of 7:25 p. m.

## County School News from Mrs. Martha Mulkey's Office

There will be a meeting for school clerks at the city hall in Myrtle Point on Monday, May 24, at 1:00 p. m. W. H. Wann and Martha E. Mulkey will be in charge of the meeting and the making of clerks' annual reports, legal points and new legislation will be discussed.

**Winner in Grade Track**  
 Valley View was winning school in the B track meet held at Coquille last Saturday. Eleven schools participated and a good crowd attended. The B division includes schools having four or less elementary teachers.

**Pomona Selects Delegates**  
 Lorna Summers, of Myrtle Point, and Ellis Rackleff, of Arago, were the two 4-H members who have been selected by the Pomona Grange for scholarships to the 4-H summer school to be held in Corvallis June 7 to 18. Ellis as a member of the Arago Poultry club and has won several honors in judging at county and state fairs. He was one of the two selected by the First National Bank of Portland to attend the Pacific International Livestock show at Portland last fall. Lorna has been a member of the clothing club at Myrtle Point for four years and is now president of the club. She has several times placed at the county fair.

**Others to Attend**  
 Many other 4-H members are planning to attend summer school, some of whom are being sent by different organizations, while others are going on their own funds.

Besides Lorna Summer, five others are being sent from Myrtle Point. These five, Frederica Brown, Bonnie Billings, Yvonne Schraeder, Carol Hoover and Louise Whitsett, are going on their own funds.

Winifred Newberry and Genevieve Robbins, of Broadbent, will be delegates from the Broadbent school.

Winifred won a one-half scholarship as grand champion in the style revue at the county fair, while Genevieve won the same in the health contest. Each of these girls received the other half scholarship from a school entertainment fund.

The Grange, 4-H club and pupils of Arago are providing scholarships for three members.

Riverton has a clothing club of twelve members and is sending the six who are old enough to attend summer school. The Riverton P. T. A. is sponsoring a scholarship for June White. The Riverton 4-H club is to send Lola White and Velma Danielson. The following plan to finance their own attendance: Zetta Gibson, Geraldine Guerin and Claudia Lee Varney.

Thurston Crumley and Wilma Roth of Fat Elk are being sent by money raised by school entertainment.

The Lee district is sending four representatives. These are being financed jointly by the Lee Women's Club, school entertainment and 4-H club.

The Allegany club will send Virginia Ott and probably one other club member.

The Coos Bay Mutual Creamery and Coos River Grange are planning to send three children.

The Kentuck school plans to send one girl with money raised by the 4-H clothing girls.

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