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Jobless workers who have been registering at the 28 state employment bureaus the past few weeks will begin filing their claims for unemployment compensation next week. Officials of the Oregon Unemployment Compensation Commission expect a deluge of claims with no fewer than 20,000 unemployed workers applying for the new insurance.

In anticipation of the claim payment period which begins with the New Year the commission has built up a fund of approximately \$6,000,000 during the past two years through a tax on industrial payrolls—one per cent during 1936 and two per cent during 1937. Next year this payroll tax will jump to three per cent. All Oregon industries employing four or more persons are subject to this tax. Benefits under the compensation act are regulated by the earnings of the worker during the past year but in no case will they exceed \$15 a week for a maximum duration of 16 weeks.

Not all workers are covered by the unemployment insurance. Classes which are not covered include farm hands, domestics employed in private homes and public employees. Seasonal workers are entitled to jobless insurance only during the normal season of employment in the particular industry in which they are engaged. Because of these exemptions, it is believed, thousands of those who file for benefits will be disqualified. The status of thousands of other jobless workers will also depend upon a "determination" to be made by the Unemployment Compensation Commission. This is especially true of unemployed workers from the Portland lumber mills which are closed because of the jurisdictional controversy between the American Federation of Labor and the Committee for Industrial Organization.

Unemployed workers are entitled to compensation benefits only after they have registered with the state unemployment service and that service has not been able to place them in a job comparable to the one which they previously held.

Designed primarily to stabilize employment the Compensation act seeks to reward employers who maintain their payrolls on a level plane the year round by reducing their contributions to the fund. On the other hand employers whose payrolls show abnormal peaks and valleys are penalized through increased levies.

The state supreme court this week rewrote the ballot title for the proposed constitutional amendment legalizing certain forms of gambling which is being sponsored by the Oregon Merchants' Legislative League. The League in its appeal to the court charged that the ballot title prepared by Attorney General Van Winkle was unfair and misleading and reflected the prejudice of the attorney general against all forms of gambling.

A revised draft of his initiative measure providing for a blanket primary law was filed with the state department this week by Elbert Eastman, Portland attorney. The new draft attempts to avoid the weaknesses in the original measure which were pointed out by Attorney General Van Winkle at the time he prepared the ballot title. The measure seeks to abolish party lines in the selection of public officials in this state in the future, throwing all candidates into a single pot in the primary election, the two high candidates for each office to "run it off" in the general election.

Charges that representatives of the National Labor Relations Board "exercised influence" in order to swing the election held by employees of the Inman-Poulsen lumber mill in Portland to the C. I. O. are being

investigated by Governor Martin. The charges were made by E. W. Sleeman and Frank Chapman, representatives of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, an A. F. of L. affiliate. The "undue influence" charges include promises of back pay for the idle workers as well as state aid in the form of unemployment compensation.

Cities of Oregon reduced their debt load approximately \$6,000,000 during the year ending July 1, according to a survey just completed by State Treasurer Rufus Holman. At that time the net indebtedness of Oregon municipalities aggregated \$58,354,299 at the end of the year, the survey shows.

Bonded debt of the several cities at the end of the fiscal year amounted to \$70,576,940.80, while outstanding warrants on the same date totaled \$1,251,245.25. Partially offsetting this debt load were sinking funds aggregating \$13,473,986.52.

Twenty-nine Oregon cities had neither bonded debt nor outstanding warrants on July 1. Included among these were Canby, Clatskanie, Cornelius, Echo, Haines, Halfway, Hubbard, Junction City, Merrill, North Powder, Rogue River, Troutdale. Contrasted with these are Warrenton with a net debt of \$578,885 and an assessed valuation of \$383,338, and Bandon with a net debt of \$258,910 and an assessed valuation of \$310,161. The greatest progress in debt reduction during the year was made by the city of Prineville, which cut its load by 77.21 per cent.

Governor Martin this week extended his pants-kicking activities to the National Labor Relations Board and Madam Perkins, secretary of labor, with a gentle slap on the wrist for the president thrown in for good measure. The governor's criticism of the federal officials was voiced during a speech at Astoria in which he placed blame for the impotency of the federal administration in dealing with labor troubles which have paralyzed the Oregon lumber industry.

The next legislature will be asked to restrict the sale of fortified wines to state liquor stores and agencies, according to Arthur McMahan, chairman of the Liquor Control commission. McMahan blames much of the trouble now being experienced on account of drunkenness on the unrestricted sale of these wines some of which have an alcoholic content as high as 21.7 per cent.

First definite steps toward the much discussed plan to block state school lands into large grazing areas was taken at a meeting last week at McDermitt, Nevada. Lewis Griffith, clerk of the Land Board who attended the meeting reported that tentative arrangements were made with cattlemen of southern Malheur county for the leasing of approximately 70,000 acres of the state lands as soon as the acreage can be blocked through exchange for lands in the public domain.

Earl Fehl, former county judge of Jackson county, entered the state hospital for insane at Salem this week, having been committed to the institution by Circuit Judge H. D. Norton, following an examination by a board of alienists.

Christmas was a double holiday for State Corporation Commissioner, James H. Hazlett, of Hood River. Santa Claus and the stork visited the Hazlett home at Milford, Illinois, the same day 62 years ago last Saturday when little Jimmie was born.

**Women's Share of the Wealth**  
 This is revealed by a report of a conference of women life underwriters, released by the Oregon Mutual Life Insurance company. Seventy per cent of the nation's wealth is now owned by women, the report discloses.

"While much of this transfer of wealth has resulted from bequests of life insurance and of other assets," explained W. C. Schuppel, executive vice-president, "women are also acquiring wealth in their own right. This is indicated by the fact that 25 per cent of the women are employed gainfully—11,000,000—and that women receive one-fifth of the national payroll."

"A total of 303,000 single women filed income tax returns, showing an average individual income of \$2147. Separate income tax reports were filed by 81,000 housewives, showing an average income of \$5587."

"Sixty-five per cent of all savings bank deposits are in women's names. Forty-one per cent of all automobiles are bought exclusively by women."

"Forty-eight per cent of the stock of all railroad corporations, 44 per cent of all public utility securities, and 40 per cent of the real estate titles are in women's names."

"Women also are paying their way—they paid 40 per cent of the established property tax of \$5,000,000,000."

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### HI-WAYS TO HEALTH by ADA R. MAYNE OREGON DAIRY COUNCIL

**The Homemaker's Resolutions**  
 The end of the calendar year always finds us taking stock of what we have done during the past year, and more important, making our plans for the New Year. These plans are the well known resolutions.

When the homemaker actually considers her resolutions, or really re-resolutions, in the light of the past year's experience, she may be gazing about at her family, her "individual projects," either seated at a festive dinner table or quietly around a fireside.

From this viewpoint she appraises the progress and success of her "projects" over the past year. She checks on the progress and success at school she analyzes each child's disposition in his ability to get along happily with other children; she considers the attitudes towards desirable standards and ideals; and then she turns toward consideration of the one factor, either directly or indirectly important above all others, that factor of Health.

With a slight start, the alert homemaker knows that each year her responsibilities become increasingly greater. And then, in no surprise to herself, she realizes again that the two greatest essentials toward the end of Buoyant Health are the food that she prepares and serves; and the amount of rest that the growing body receives.

The rest is primarily a problem of discipline and habit. But, getting enough, even at occasional sacrifices of social activities for either adults or growing children, is the important thing.

Food selection, in applying the past year's experience, becomes a little

simplified. Perhaps this homemaker has attended a number of health nutrition talks, has read authentic articles on this subject, so that she now can appreciate such a term as "protective foods," (milk, fruits and vegetables). And this year, in a mood of "as she sows so shall she reap," she may want to progress a step farther. She may decide to keep a food expenditure account that will show exactly how her money goes.

Perhaps at this time she dimly recalls Dr. Sherman's (of Columbia University, New York) recommendation of "spending as much for milk and cheese, as for meats, fowl and fish; and as much for fruits and vegetables as for meats, etc., and it is arousing her curiosity in this moment of reflection. What a splendid resolution, or re-resolution in response to the year's experience! And so it is hoped that every homemaker in an appraisal of the physical, mental, spiritual and moral development of her "projects" may add toward their greater progress for the coming year with an equally wise re-resolution, and thereby gain with it greater insurance for another truly "Happy New Year."

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### Bandon Looking To A Revival in 1938

In last week's Western World, the following first page editorial appeared, depicting the hopeful outlook the people of Bandon hold for a start on construction of a modern city during the year which starts Saturday

The approach of the Christmas season has found the people of Bandon and vicinity in fine spirits and it is evident from the preparation made during the past week that the coming week-end will be a happy Yuletide occasion.

While the past year has been one of more or less uncertainty and anxiety over the future of Bandon, which because of the delay in debt negotiations has been held up in its program of rehabilitation, a comparison of local conditions with those in many other sections and towns of the country, give rise to a most satisfactory local estimate.

It is true that Bandon's program toward permanent reconstruction has been delayed and therefore has caused a continuance of inadequate living conditions with its resultant discomforts, but it must be admitted that Bandon has made some definite progress generally and that it has been a busy place despite its many shortcomings due to the disaster from which it is trying to recover.

While many cities and towns of the country, including several in our own state and county, have suffered from labor difficulties which have paralyzed industry and destroyed business, Bandon's plants have for the most part operated continuously, with steady payrolls throughout the year. For this, Bandon people may well offer up a prayer of thanks for it is the payrolls and the lack of local labor strife that has made the year now drawing to a close one of more than average prosperity and happiness. It is idle these days to make pre-

dictions for the future. Conditions change so rapidly and local conditions are so much more readily affected by happenings in far-away places over which local people have no control, that no one can foretell with any degree of certainty what the future will bring.

However, under reasonably normal conditions, Bandon, after looking back to the time of the fire, has every reason to be hopeful for events during 1938. Probably many citizens of the community in looking back, at first glance, can see little definite accomplishment toward a New Bandon, but a more detailed survey will immediately prove that much groundwork—which is always the most difficult and dilatory—has been covered. The debt settlement procedure has advanced to the stage where a more feasible plan can be followed and it is the hope and determination of those in charge to have it sufficiently in hand so that permanent construction work within the city can commence early next spring.

The people of Bandon and community have received the commendation of the entire state and nation in their effort to extricate themselves from a difficult situation. They are to be congratulated for the fine spirit of loyalty and patience they have shown especially toward those upon whose shoulders fall the burden of civic affairs, and they can rest assured that by a continued united front and a positive stand for civic loyalty, another year's end will go far toward bringing to the view of all the light of Bandon's new day.

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