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BUDGET REDUCTION IS SEEN BY MEIER

Pruning Knife Still Being Weilded to Cut State Taxes Down.

Salem.—Governor Julius L. Meier, in a statement issued Monday, declared the budget presented to the next state legislature would show a reduction of \$2,000,000 over the budget presented to the recent session. This can be accomplished, he said, by application of business methods in various departments under the supervision of the board of control and the governor.

The executive made this comment in connection with a report of reputed savings by the state industrial accident commission, in which Charles T. Early, chairman of the commission, states a saving of \$200,000 during the current biennium will be effected in that department alone.

"The commission," Early said, "has already effected a saving of \$120,000 for the biennium through the reduction of the working force and the revision of salaries. When the present commission assumed office the total number of employees on the staff was 147, and the first of June the total number was 121." Early asserts that this saving has been effected without decreasing the efficiency of the department.

The additional \$80,000 to make the \$200,000 saving for the biennium will be achieved, Early said through the introduction of various other economies in the operation of the commission. Among them is a saving of \$7,200 in rentals, the commission having made arrangements for quarters in the Exchange Building in Portland which is being remodeled, at a much less rental than was paid for the quarters which have been occupied by the commission in the past.

The office of state market agent which position is held by Senator Jones, will be abolished and will not become a part of the new department of agriculture, announces. The department of agriculture will become operative July 1, as provided by the last legislature.

The move eliminates an expenditure of \$7,300 a year Gehlhar announced. In addition to the agent, who received a salary of \$4,000 a year, the job of the secretary and stenographer are also eliminated. Gehlhar stated this was but the beginning of other economies that will be effected within the department, the majority of which will not become effective until late in the year.

Mrs. D. C. McIntyre Died On May 17th in Alberta

Mrs. Duncan McIntyre, for many years a resident of Athena neighborhood, died May 17 at her home near Ensign, Alberta, after a year's illness. Funeral services were held May 20th, conducted by the Rev. J. J. Farquar, pastor of the Presbyterian church, of which Mrs. McIntyre was a life long member.

Pallbearers were, John D. McIntyre, Donald McDonald, Edward J. Taylor, John A. Taylor, George A. Churchill and Lyle A. McIntyre.

Mrs. McIntyre was a native of Ontario, Canada. She was united in marriage to Duncan C. McIntyre on January 25, 1893, and came soon after to Umatilla county, where she resided for many years on a farm south of Athena.

She is survived by her husband, one son, Archibald D. McIntyre, both of Ensign, Alberta, and other relatives in Alberta.

Women of Woodcraft

Circle number 10 Women of Woodcraft met at Pythian Hall, Tuesday evening with a representative number present. Several members were present from the Weston Lodge and participated in the work. An invitation was extended to the local organization to join in initiation ceremonies at Weston Friday evening, June 19. Regular business was transacted followed by a social hour when ices were served at the drug store fountain.

Painfully Hurt

Mrs. Will Kirk met with a painful accident last week when the lid of the turtleback on a coupe fell on her arm cutting a gash. Dr. McKinney dressed the wound and found it necessary to take several stitches. It is healing nicely at present.

Veteran in Hospital

Al Carden, veteran of the Spanish-American war, and well known to many Athena people, is in the Veterans' hospital at Portland, where he underwent an operation, Monday.

Class Recital Is Given Tuesday At Auditorium

The annual spring recital given by Miss Hanna's Malen Burnett School of Music pupils at the auditorium Tuesday evening was greatly appreciated by those who heard it.

The pupils were assisted in the recital by Mrs. Dave Stone, soprano, who sang a group comprising Cycle of Life, Prelude, Down in the Forest, Love I Have Won You, Autumn, and Snow. Mrs. Stone was in fine voice and her appearance on the program was a pleasure to her Athena friends.

The numbers, also special contributions to the program, by Warren and Elizabeth Walker of Milton were roundly applauded. They appeared in violin and cello solos and duet.

Athena pupils in their piano recitals gave evidence of pronounced advancement under tutelage of Miss Hanna. The program follows:

Trio—Alpine Song.....Ducelle
Joyce Pinkerton, Wilma McIntyre, Virginia Eager.

Tick Tock.....Blake

Quack, Quack.....Blake

Sea Gulls.....Blake

Grandma's Garden.....Blake

Donna Jean Logsdon

Rain Song.....Weston

Ding Dong Bell.....Swift

Swirlark Mounts the Blue Sky.....Swartz

Bobby Hopper

Cuckoo.....Ellsworth

Adorine Fisk

Golden Rod.....Beck

In a Boat.....Frank

The Nursery Clock.....Robyn

Wilma McIntyre

Cello—The Heavens Are Telling.....

Beethoven

Warren Walker

Campfire March.....Wright

Minuet from Don Juan.....Mozart

Virginia Eager

Daring Jumps.....Weidig

Stanley Fisk

Violin—Scherzo.....Dittersdorf

Cradle Song.....Stoessel

Elizabeth Walker

Castanets and Tambourines.....

Thompson

Aaron Douglas

Allegro in C.....Koelling

Tarantelle.....Lynes

Joyce Pinkerton

Theme and Variations

Elizabeth and Warren Walker, Miss

Hanna

Allegretto.....Heller

Impromptu Waltz.....Hamer

Jewell Pinkerton

Minuet a l'Antico.....Seebach

Scherzo Caprice.....Thompson

Esther Faye Berlin

Shepherds.....German

Torch Dance.....German

Betty Eager

Cycle of Life.....Ronald

Prelude

Down in the Forest.....

Love I Have Won You.....

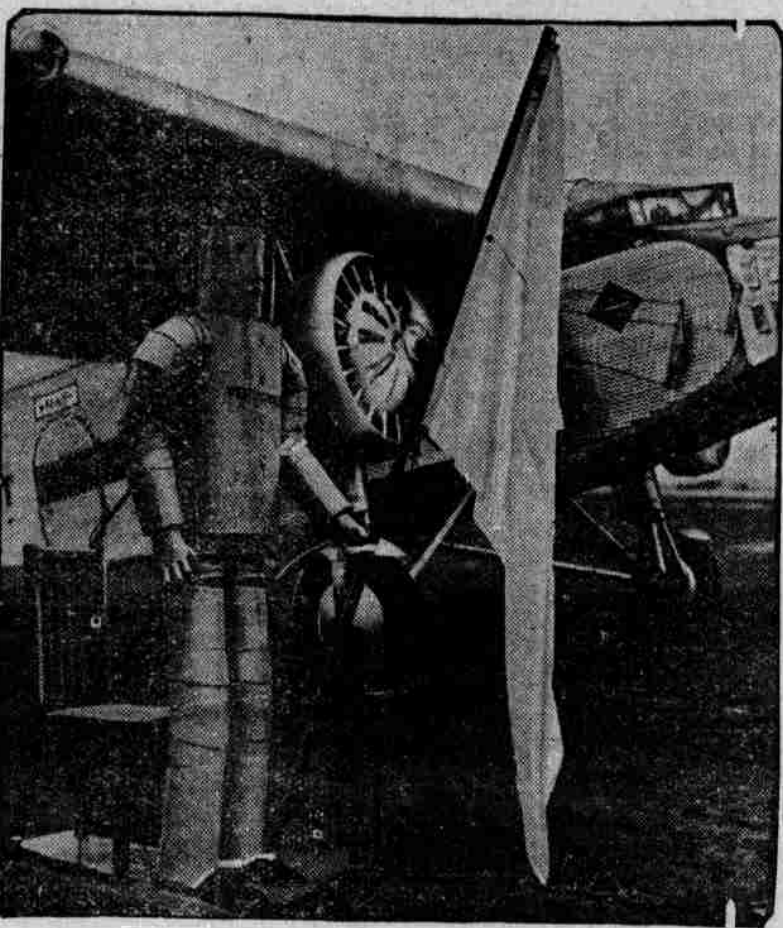
Autumn.....

Snow.....

Mrs. Dave Stone

Accompanist Miss Edna Hanna.

Robot Opens New Air Service



This mechanical man summoned the passengers, delivered a speech and started the motors of the first plane to leave the airport at Newark, N. J., at the opening of the 24-hour transcontinental service.

PRESIDENT OF HAITI



Steno Vincent, editor and opponent of American occupation, who was elected president of Haiti by the national assembly to succeed Eugene Roy.

Mother of Ora Shigley Killed in Auto Accident

Mrs. Dora Shigley, 61, mother of Ora Shigley, employee of the Preston-Shaffer Milling company, was instantly killed near Lorimer, Iowa, May 23, when the automobile in which she was riding with her cousin, Clark Babbs, was struck on a grade crossing by a Chicago Great Western passenger train. Mr. Babbs was also killed in the wreck.

According to an account of the accident in the Lorimer Journal, the victims were caught at a dangerous crossing and were killed instantly, their car being totally demolished. Mrs. Shigley lived on her farm near Lorimer. Funeral services for Mrs. Shigley were held at Lorimer, May 26. She is survived by her son Ora Shigley, of Athena, and three grandchildren.

Christian Missionary Society
Mrs. Floyd Pinkerton was hostess to the Christian Missionary society at her home west of Athena, Wednesday afternoon. The interesting topic of "India" was discussed with Mrs. Charles Sias as program leader. Rev. Sias led the devotionals and others participating in the program were Mrs. Will Pinkerton, Mrs. Stella Keen and Miss May Lockwood. Following the business session the members adjourned to attend the Campfire tea at the church.

Former Athena Boy Here
Conrad Miller, former Athena boy, was a visitor here from Marshfield Saturday. Conrad is employed in a hardware store at Marshfield and has been there since attending Oregon State College. His sister Janette Miller, was married Sunday to a Portland man. She has been teaching school for several years. Mr. and Mrs. Will Miller reside in Portland, where Mr. Miller is employed in the Union Pacific railroad yards.

Swimming Pool Open
The Legion swimming pool at Athena City Park is again open, and will receive water from the city water system until further notice. M. L. Miller is in charge of the pool for the Legion Post, as manager and caretaker.

Motor Boat Regatta
The annual motor boat regatta sponsored by the Pendleton American Legion Post is dated for McKay Lake Saturday and Sunday, June 20 and 21. Some of the fastest outboard motor boats in the Northwest are being entered in the different events scheduled for the regatta.

Masonic Picnic
A Masonic picnic will be held at Battle Mountain Park on Sunday and all lodges of the district will be welcome, as well as members of Job's Daughters, De Molay and Eastern Star. A pot-luck dinner will be served.

People Known Here Injured in Auto Accident, Cabbage Hill, Saturday

East Oregonian: S. S. Piersol, his daughters, Mrs. M. S. Kern, Mrs. Alfred Smith and Mrs. Audra Johnson, the latter of Portland, were injured in an auto accident which occurred on Saturday at 1:30 p. m. near the Oasis Service station when the four were going to Meacham to spend the afternoon with Russell Piersol, son of Mr. Piersol.

The car, a large sedan, driven by Mrs. Smith, went off the road in soft gravel, and turned completely over, the accident breaking Mrs. Kern's left wrist, bruising Mrs. Johnson seriously about the hips and throwing acid into Mr. Piersol's eyes. Mrs. Smith wrenched her right shoulder and also has a sore left arm. While all four suffered injuries they are convalescent and Mr. Piersol will have no permanent injury to his eyes.

The car, after the accident burst into flames and it took quick work on the part of Mrs. Smith to save her father and sisters from burns as well as other injuries. Immediately after the upset she was able to get out of the car, took her father from the front seat and managed to extricate Mrs. Kern and Mrs. Johnson from the tonneau, it being necessary to break a rear window to do this. Mrs. Smith after getting the three to safety went back to the burning machine and brought back purses, an auto robe, drivers' license and other articles. The car while badly damaged is not a total wreck as Mr. Greer of the Oasis Service station put out the fire with a chemical fire extinguisher.

Rural Mail Carriers' Picnic
The annual picnic of the rural route mail carriers occurred Saturday at Emigrant Springs. The state president, Archie Parke of Monmouth was present and gave an address. Another interesting member who was in attendance came from Albany and has been in the service for 28 years. Ray Gordon and family of Weston, Elmer Hales, Adams and James E. Jones and family of Athena were also present. The Oregon members received the cup offered for 100 per cent attendance and if it can be retained for four consecutive years it will be permanent property. The state meeting will occur July 4, 1931 at Astoria and the National meeting at Los Angeles in August.

Dudley Continues Improving
E. A. Dudley, who has been a patient for several weeks in the Good Samaritan hospital at Portland, and is now improving, according to last reports from his bedside. A very severe attack of pneumonia, aggravated by other complications, made Mr. Dudley's condition very critical for several days.

Saves Child in Water
While a number of children from several groups of picnickers at Thorn Hollow were swimming in the Umatilla river Sunday, Mrs. Wayne Pittman heard a cry for help and seeing a child disappear under water went to his rescue. After grasping the child she swam to the banks and clung there until she was able to lift him to safety. The boy was ten years old and belongs to the Abel family.

Annual Picnic
The Bible school of the Christian church will hold its annual picnic at Walla Walla park tomorrow. Cars will leave the church at 9 in the morning and all friends of members of the school and church are cordially invited to attend.

Collins in Hospital
Henry Collins, well known grain buyer and flour mill owner is ill at St. Anthony's hospital in Pendleton.

New Law Puts Responsibility on Drivers Shoulders

Salem.—Absolute speed limits are set aside in favor of "excessive speed" and reckless driving penalties, the arm signaling system is restored and numerous important right-of-way rules are written into the Oregon statutes in the new traffic code which becomes effective Saturday.

Provision also is made for examination of new drivers in this new code, which represents Oregon's contribution to a nation-wide movement for uniform highway traffic regulation.

While the new code practically abolishes "absolute speed limits" as such, it sets up a schedule of "indicated speeds" as a guide and places the responsibility for their violation squarely on the shoulders of the motorist in the event of an accident, made more severe than is the penalty for speeding under the old law.

The new law sets up a basic rule which prescribes that "no person shall drive a vehicle on a highway at a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent, having due regard to the traffic, surface and width of the highway and the hazard at intersections and any other conditions then existing."

Indicated speeds specified in the new code as a guide to the motorist include the following: Fifteen miles an hour when passing schools during recess and when children are going to and from school or when approaching a railroad with view obstructed within 400 feet; 20 miles an hour in business districts and when approaching intersections where view is obstructed within 200 feet; 25 miles an hour in residential districts, rail way crossings where view is not impaired, public parks unless noted otherwise by local authorities; 45 miles an hour outside business or residential districts.

While motorists may exceed these "indicated speeds" when the condition of the traffic may justify such excess speed without danger of arrest for violation or any speed laws, these speeds will be taken into consideration in determining the reckless factor in the event of an accident.

Campfire Girls' Tea an Outstanding Social Event

One of the outstanding social events of the week occurred Wednesday afternoon when Wauna group of Campfire girls entertained at a silver tea at the Christian church. The parlors were attractively decorated with flowers and a most interesting display of hooked rugs and quilts of many, intricate and beautiful designs.

An exhibit of clever crepe paper novelties and needlework made by the girls was also a feature in addition to the attractive tulip quilt in shades of orchid and green which they are offering for sale.

A number of antiques were much admired, a linen sheet made by the grand mother of Grandma Ross over two hundred years ago being the most unique. It was made in Scotland, the thread being made from flax and the linen made by her own hands. A sampler over 100 years old was an exhibit from the same family. Another sampler, the property of Mrs. W. S. Ferguson, was made by the mother of Mrs. Bartow, former resident of Athena and is about 160 years old. A quaint quilt in basket design was pieced by the mother of Mrs. Theresa Berlin when she was a child of 12 years.

An informal musical program was given throughout the afternoon, the following contributing tuneful numbers: Virginia Eager, Wilma McIntyre, Jewell Pinkerton, Betty Eager, Esther Berlin and Mrs. Ralph McEwen. The tea table was centered with a colorful cluster of gray summer flowers in an antique silver bowl and green tapers in crystal holders. Those presiding at the samovars were Mrs. Henry Dell and Mrs. Stary Charlton; Mrs. Harry Larabee and Mrs. James Lueallen of Adams; Mrs. M. I. Miller and Mrs. Dean Dudley; Betty Eager and Myrtle Campbell.

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Interest in New Golf Course
Interest continues unabated in the new golf course and membership in the club is growing. L. R. Pinkerton, owner of the course, has done considerable construction work and will continue his efforts to perfect the fairways and otherwise improve the grounds. A number of Athena ladies are taking advantage of the new course and are playing regularly.

Collins in Hospital
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Getting Set for That Ball Game Over at Weston

Since that practice game held Tuesday evening to give the Athena old-time baseball players a workout, this writer firmly believes that Manager Billy Littlejohn has something up his sleeve, and that he intends to dole out this something up his sleeve to Mr. Sad Sid Barnes and his bunch of Weston Wobblers, with much Italian smoothness and some eclat.

That it will be an easy matter for Billy to put it over much as he pleases, seems to be practically verified in the mind of anyone who cares to scan the lineup over the hill as it appears in a current issue of the Weston Leader:

Catchers—Tim McBride, Dan McBain.

Pitchers—O'Harra, Wheeler, Kennard, Payant.

First Base—Gelette, Roberts, B. Blomgren.

Second Base—Kennard, Eves, Reynolds.

Third Base—Payant, Saling.

Shortstop—E. Blomgren.

Right Field—Ransey York, Willie Hall.

Center Field—Boone Barnes.

Left Field—Willie Gould.

Possibilities—Al NorDean on first, Bill NorDean in outfield, "Fat" Wood as catcher.

Fungo Artist and Cheer Leader—Col. Wood.

First, Second and Third Bases—Col. Wood.

Publicity Man—Col. Wood.

Mrs. Ada Unruh, Leader in Women Affairs Died Tuesday, Portland Home

Mrs. Ada Wallace Unruh, 78, for many years a leader in Women's Christian Temperance Union work in Oregon, long a leader in women's affairs generally and a particularly ardent supporter of the work of the Children's Farm Home at Corvallis, died Tuesday at her home in Portland. Mrs. Unruh is survived by her husband, Albert Unruh.

Mrs. Unruh was born at Valparaiso, Indiana, December 3, 1853, and came to Oregon in 1887. She was national lecturer for the W. C. T. U., appointed by Francis E. Willard, noted temperance worker, from 1892 until 1916. She was state president of the Oregon W. C. T. U. from 1909 until 1916. She was a leader in the campaign for funds for establishment of the Children's Farm home, in which she maintained an abiding interest until failing health forced her retirement from all activity.

Mrs. Unruh, as a young bride, following her marriage in Philadelphia, moved to Kansas, where she joined the W. C. T. U. in 1874. She became immediately an ardent worker in the cause of temperance, and was one of the leaders in the campaign that resulted in a "dry" Kansas.

Pleasantly Entertained

A group of friends was pleasantly entertained Thursday afternoon of last week at the home of Mrs. Frank Coppock south of Athena. Appropriate games were the diversion of the afternoon and at the tea hour dainty refreshments were served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Will Campbell, Sr. Coming as a complete surprise a shower of attractive and useful gifts was presented to Mrs. Will Campbell, Jr. Those present were Mrs. Celia Harden, Mrs. Charles Potter, Mrs. L. A. Cornell, Mrs. Granville Cannon, Mrs. Ed Montague, Mrs. Art Jenkins, Mrs. Will Campbell, Sr., Mrs. Will Campbell, Jr., Myrtle Campbell, Mrs. Fred Remillard, Mrs. Phillip Remillard, Miss Fanning, Mrs. Purcell and Mrs. Bowman of Pendleton.

Memorial Day Visitors

Memorial day was observed quietly in Athena with numbers of former residents returning to decorate graves. The local cemetery was beautifully decorated with garden and hot house flowers and soldiers graves were marked with American flags. Among those coming here for the day were, Frank Beale of La Grande; Dave Banks of Dayton; Mrs. B. D. Tharpe and Mrs. Della Boother of Walla Walla; Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Willaby of Freewater; Mrs. Naomi Dickinson of Milwaukee and Mr. and Mrs. John Shick of Portland.

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PIONEERS' REUNION WESTON, NEXT WEEK

Prominent Speakers, Fine Entertainment Program Is Announced.

With the holding of the thirtieth annual reunion of Umatilla county pioneers at Weston, Friday and Saturday of next week, comes the announcement of a splendid program of entertainment and the presence of prominent speakers. United States Senator Steiwer will deliver the principal address Friday, the first day of the reunion. For Saturday, the speaker will be Milton A. Miller, prominent Willamette valley pioneer. Roy W. Rittner of Pendleton, president of the association, will preside.

Featuring the sports events listed for Saturday afternoon is the ball game scheduled between Athena and Weston old-time ball players, when the ex-stars of Wiry William Littlejohn and Sad Sid Barnes will clash in a contest for fun, fur and fireworks. There will be no admission charge for the game—everybody free. The official program follows:

Friday, June 12, 10 A. M.

Music
...Fletcher's Orchestra of Pendleton
Song — "America".....Audience
Invocation.....Rev. Chas. M. Hill
Duet.....Rita and Wavel Davidson
Greeting.....Mayor Robert G. Blomgren
Response.....President Roy W. Rittner
Vocal Solo.....Carroll Green Pendleton
Reading.....Bill Ashworth
Old-Time Songs.....
...Saturday Afternoon Club, Weston
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