

STATE CAPITAL NEWS

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By A. L. LINDBECK

Salem.—Suggestions for financing a new capitol building are by no means lacking.

One enterprising promoter wants to sell the old building piece by piece to the souvenir hunters for enough to build a new capitol. The copper from the dome, he points out, could be converted into ash trays and other trinkets and the marble from the capitol corridors could be made into desk sets. Even the bricks, he insists, would find a ready demand as door stops.

The dollar donations, which were being encouraged by Governor Martin, seem to have bogged down before getting well started.

The most feasible plan yet advanced involves federal aid. Senator McNary in a letter to Governor Martin advises that he has taken up with Secretary Ickes the possibility of the government financing a new building, letting the state repay the loan on a rental basis. Some officials here believe that such a plan would obviate the necessity for a special election to approve incurrence of debt. Others, however, insist that any plan which would obligate the state in an amount in excess of \$50,000 would violate the constitutional inhibition against debts or liabilities.

In support of this position a number of supreme court opinions are cited. One of the most recent of these involved the attempt of the city of Bend and Deschutes county to secure a courthouse and city hall. A citizen of the county had offered to finance the building and to rely on repayments of the loan through rentals over a period of 17 years. The supreme court held the proposal to be unconstitutional.

"A debt arising out of a contract of the suggested type is fully as voluntary as one which has its inception in the purchase or construction of a courthouse," Justice Rossman declared in turning thumbs down on the Deschutes county proposal.

Automatic rifles have been added to the equipment of the state police. The new guns of .30 calibre fire 16 bullets as rapidly as the operator can pull the trigger, and are said to be superior to machine guns in many respects.

The legislative muddle presents many perplexing possibilities. The attorney general's opinion ruled four representatives and two senators out of office for having accepted other state and federal appointments and has cast a cloud over the right of several other lawmakers to their seats. Already two legislators have resigned their board jobs in order to satisfy the constitutional inhibition—Senator Fisher as a member of the bonus commission and Senator Steiner as county agent for the same commission. Senator Walker of Polk county denies that he ever accepted appointment to the state library board although he has attended one meeting. Representatives Lew Wallace and Johnson of Multnomah county have attacked the opinion in the courts and Governor Martin is advising everybody to "sit tight" and let the legislature itself decide who is entitled to a seat when that time comes.

Merchants who deal in electrical

equipment and supplies must register with the state bureau of labor on or before July 1 under an act passed by the last legislature. The registration fee is \$1. Not only must the merchants register but the new law requires that all electrical appliances offered for sale must conform to the requirements of the state electrical code.

Violations of traffic laws cost 101 Oregon motorists their operators' licenses during April, according to reports filed with the state department. Sixty-four of the 101 revocations and suspensions were for drunken driving and 20 for reckless driving and speeding. The report indicates a tightening up of traffic law enforcement both on the part of the police and the courts.

Governor Martin is not planning a trip to Washington, he insists, but is holding himself in readiness for whatever action may be necessary to promote the state's best interests. If he feels that his presence in the national capital is necessary he says that he will make the trip.

For the first time since its demobilization following the World War the Forty-first division will assemble at Fort Lewis, Washington, next month when the national guard units comprising this organization assemble for their annual maneuvers. Seven thousand men and 600 officers comprising the national guard organization of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana, will participate in the two weeks of intensive training beginning June 12. The division will be under the command of Major General George A. White, adjutant general of Oregon.

The backward spring has hit the state's pocketbook, too. Motorists are buying less gasoline than they would if the weather was more favorable to vacationing and week-end trips to the mountains and beach resorts. Figures compiled by Secretary of State Snell show that the gasoline gallonage for the first three months of the current year is far below that for the first quarter of 1933. Taxes paid this year, however, total larger than those for 1933 since the tribute per gallon has been increased from four to five cents.

Incidentally, and just by way of indicating where some of the money spent by motorists goes, taxes collected on gasoline sold in Oregon since the first gasoline tax was put into effect in February, 1919, aggregate \$64,872,792 which is equivalent to about \$70 for every man, woman and child in the state.

State Treasurer Holman, himself an early riser, thinks that all state employees should be encouraged to get up in time to greet the rising sun. Holman has suggested that during the summer months state departments begin work at 7:30 instead of 8:30 o'clock, and quit an hour earlier in the afternoon. Sentiment in the various departments is being canvassed before any action is taken on the suggestion.

The average loss through farm fires during 1934 was \$1061, according to Hugh Earle, state fire marshal. Sparks on the roof caused most of the fires in rural districts. Defective chimneys rank second.

CORN-HOG MONEY HERE.

Final payments on the corn-hog contracts were received at the county agent's office Wednesday and are ready for distribution. These checks total \$2606 which brings the total received in Morrow county under the corn-hog plan to \$7646.19.

HARDMAN

By LUCILLE FARRENS

Friends and relatives were shocked to hear of the death of Tom Stevens of Kemmerer, Wyo., a former resident of this community, who died at that place on May 9, aged 58 years and two days, following an illness of only three days' duration, suffering a heart attack, it was believed. Tom Stevens lived many years in this community and his friends were grieved to hear of his sudden death. He is survived by his son, Virgil of Stanfield; his daughters, Mrs. Rose Stevens of Portland, Mrs. Ruth Gulland of Hermiston; six grandchildren, four brothers and their families, Wes, Art, Clark and John, all of Hardman. Funeral services were held at the church here Monday afternoon and interment was at the I. O. O. F. cemetery the same day, as was requested by Mr. Stevens. The entire family was able to be present at the services.

A number of people from this community enjoyed picnicking at the Tyndal Robison place in the mountains last Sunday. The affair was sponsored by the Hail Ridge, Gooseberry, Democrat Gulch and Eight Mile schools and the Hardman Sunday school, making it as a closing day fete in most cases. A bountiful pot luck dinner was enjoyed at noon. Horseshoe pitching, baseball, flower picking were enjoyed in the afternoon.

Attending to matters of business in Heppner last Wednesday were Mrs. J. J. McDonald, Mrs. Carl Leathers, Mrs. Blaine Chapel, Mrs. C. H. McDaniel, Walter McKittrick, Reta Robison and Lucille Farrens. Mrs. Ed Craber and Mrs. Tom Williams were dinner guests of Mrs. Buck Adams last Sunday.

Mrs. Jim Brannon and Mrs. Bob Burnside were Heppner shoppers last Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Howell and Clifford and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Steers were out from the mountains Monday to attend the funeral of the late Tom Stevens.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam McDaniel have moved to the mountains where they expect to stay a month or so. Miss Dolly Farrens is employed as housekeeper for B. F. Devore. Max Zuschke, Orin McDaniel and Sam McDaniel were Heppner visitors the last of the week.

Mrs. Marion Saling and family and Mrs. Kenneth Bleakman and Nita Rae were visiting their mother, Mrs. John McDonald last week. The grade school has announced

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a closing day celebration at the school Friday, May 17th. There will be a community dinner at noon with outdoor games in the afternoon. A special feature on the program is a baseball game between the men and women. Let's see you all!

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Johnson are the proud parents of a 10½-pound girl born May 12 at the home of Mrs. Cordia Saling in Heppner. The little lady has been named Carolyn Patricia.

Though meeting for the sad occasion of the death of one of their members, Tom Stevens, the entire Stevens family was present in a body at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wes Stevens for dinner last Monday. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Clark Stevens and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Stevens and family, Art Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. Frank McDaniel, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Musgrave, all of Hardman, Mrs. Rose Stevens of Portland, Mrs. Ruth Gulland of Hermiston and Virgil Stevens of Stanfield.

PINE CITY
By LENA NEILL

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Wattenburger and E. B. Wattenburger were busi-

ness visitors in Pendleton Monday. Several people from Pine City attended the show in Hermiston Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. L. D. Neill and Guy Moore spent Sunday afternoon visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Scott at Blackhorse. Mrs. Roy Omohundro and son Raymond were business visitors in Hermiston Tuesday.

Henrietta Helms, Bobby Schiller and Junior Wattenburger returned to school Monday after being absent for a week with chickenpox.

Mrs. Earle Abbott went to Pilot Rock Monday where she will spend a few days visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Wattenburger and family spent Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Van Orsdal at Pendleton.

Several Pine City people attended the operetta, "An Old Spanish Custom," in Heppner Friday evening. Mr. and Mrs. T. J. O'Brien and daughters Isabella and Katherine were business visitors in Pendleton Thursday.

Frank Ayers was a business visitor in Heppner Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Jarmon spent Sunday in Pendleton. Miss Audrey Moore, who has been

working in Pendleton, returned home Sunday to spend the summer with her parents.

Miss Cecelia Brennan and Ray Hardman visited at the W. D. Neill home Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Neill and daughters from Pendleton spent Sunday visiting at the W. D. Neill home.

Miss Iris Omohundro visited Mrs. Marion Palmer Sunday afternoon.

Oregon Drouth Prospects Reported to Washington

Federal departments concerned have been informed officially that drouth conditions of last year in eastern Oregon are not yet a thing of the past and that unless good rains and favorable growing conditions occur over the range country in late spring, serious problems are ahead for late summer and fall.

An official 40-page mimeographed report embodying the best opinions of representatives of 12 public agencies has been compiled by Wm. A. Schoenfeld, state drouth director, and forwarded to Washington, reporting on conditions up to April 13. The report is the outgrowth of a conference of all these agencies

such as the state department of agriculture, U. S. Weather bureau, U. S. Forest service, Oregon State engineer's office, Oregon State college and others.

Actual drouth conditions existed at that time over more than half of the area of eastern Oregon, the report stated. Since that date some beneficial rains have occurred east of the mountains which, coupled with warmer growing weather, are expected to improve the spring ranges materially, though nothing has occurred to better late summer and fall prospects.

The hay supply outlook is serious in many sections, as generally speaking there are no hay reserves of importance remaining in the 1934 drouth areas, the report sets out. Subnormal precipitation in the first three months of 1935, damaged hay stands in meadows poorly irrigated last year and shortage of irrigated water on some projects are factors in the hay situation.

Continued improvement of springs and water holes and the establishment of more wells on the public domain are strongly advocated as the most important SERA work to be undertaken this year. Small dam and reservoir construction is also advocated.



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