

**STATE CAPITAL NEWS**

- Strike Order
- License No. 1
- Less Road Money

By A. L. LINDBECK

Salem—Common carriers operating in Oregon must serve union and non-union patrons alike, Utilities Commissioner N. G. Wallace ruled in an order this week requiring two truck lines to deliver freight to a Salem restaurant which was being picketed by the Culinary Workers union.

Drivers for the truck lines had refused to pass the picket lines of the affiliate union. Commissioner Wallace declared that the carriers had no right to recognize picket lines where no strike or riot conditions existed and the safety of the drivers had not been menaced.

The order of the utilities commissioner is expected to have far reaching results and probably to result in a "showdown" as between the forces of organized labor and constituted authority in Oregon.

While Governor Martin refused to comment on the order or to indicate what his attitude might be in the event the carriers refuse to obey the utility commissioner's order he has often expressed the opinion that all men should be protected in their right to work and that he stood ready to throw the entire force of the state back of any attempt to preserve law and order.

Unless the Culinary Workers lift their ban as applied to delivery of freight a fight to the finish between the state as represented by its duly elected and appointed officials and organized labor is predicted.

The latest in old age pension proposals comes from Elbert Eastman, Portland attorney, who is sponsoring a measure designated as the "Citizens Retirement Annuity Bill." Under its terms all Oregon residents over the age of 65 years would be paid annuities to a maximum of \$100 a month, all of which must be expended. The annuity or pension would be financed by a two per cent transactions tax. Any surplus after paying the annuities would go into the Irreducible School fund.

A Hudson sedan owned by H. L. McCabe of Portland will bear license plate No. 1 during 1938. McCabe's name was the first one picked at the annual drawing for low numbers conducted in the automobile registration department Friday. Other Oregon motorists to draw low numbers include the following: Frank H. Smith, Corvallis, 7; Merrill M. and Mal B. Oveson, Moro, 8; Reuben Scouton, Oregon City, 10; M. J. Abbott, Forest Grove, 11; C. R. Sprague, Marshfield, 14; Elfrede G. Zutz, The Dalles, 24; Cora M. Ross, Marshfield, 27; Mrs. G. F. Anderson, Marshfield, 57; O. L. Wellman, Mount Angel, 81; Margaret V. Miller, Hood River, 92.

The State Forestry Board has approved plans for the purchase of five acres of land near the state highway shops, just east of Salem and the construction of a building for use as headquarters for the forestry department. The building, a WPA project, will cost \$30,100 with the forestry department supplying the materials and WPA the labor.

Because of curtailment of federal grants to the states Oregon's 1938 highway program will of necessity be materially reduced below that of the current year, according to R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer. Much federal match money will also be lost to Oregon because of lack of state funds available for new construction, Baldock said. Baldock estimates that only \$5,000,000 will be available for new highway work in Oregon next year including federal aid projects.

Fears that the opposition of eastern Congressmen might deprive Oregon of many of its CCC camps are entertained by J. W. Ferguson, state forester. Eastern Congressmen, Ferguson explained, object to sending boys from their states into the west. There are now approximately 1800 boys in CCC camps under state supervision in Oregon,

many of the units coming from eastern and southern states.

George Dunsford, 69, for 22 years superintendent of the state capitol building and grounds, died Saturday night following a major operation. As the man largely responsible for the creature comforts of state officials and employees Dunsford had an extensive acquaintance with past and present public officials in all sections of the state.

Inmates of all state institutions will fare well this Thanksgiving. Special dinners will be served at most of the institutions. More than two tons of turkey alone, exclusive of other meats, will be required to feed the inmates and employees of the ten institutions. A ton of candies and nuts and 50 crates of oranges will also be served.

Oregon's new capitol will be ready for occupancy by August 1, according to Whitehouse & Church, architects in charge of the construction. The main building is now entirely enclosed and work is progressing rapidly on the tower and the interior finishing.

Admitting that the jury system as practiced in this country is inefficient and wasteful, Hall S. Lusk, associate justice of the state supreme court told the Salem chamber of commerce this week that these defects were only a part of the price that must be paid for the maintenance of democratic institutions. For the most part, Justice Lusk declared, juries are honest and fairly intelligent, and purchased verdicts are very rare.

Secretary of State Earl Snell has a new horse, but he can't ride it. The new acquisition to his souvenir collection is a miniature cow pony, fully equipped with saddle, lariat and hackamore carved out of ponderosa pine by William Waters, old-time resident of the Fossil section.

Arrests and convictions of drunken drivers is on the increase thru-out Oregon. October set a new high record for this activity with 177 operators' licenses revoked or suspended for reckless or drunken driving.

John Hodgkin, La Grande attorney,

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has been appointed by Governor Martin as a member of the Oregon Hydro-electric commission to fill the vacancy caused by the recent death of A. J. Derby of Hood River.

Contract for the lethal gas chamber which is to replace the gallows at the state prison, has been let to a Denver firm. Construction of the new death chamber, which was authorized by the last legislature will cost approximately \$1800.

Raymond H. Turner, manager Lexington Oil Co-operative, was a business visitor in the city Tuesday.

**SHERIFF'S SALE OF COUNTY PROPERTY.**

By virtue of an order of the County Court, dated the 24th day of November, 1937, I am authorized and directed to advertise and sell at public auction as provided by law, the following described property at not less than the minimum price set forth, to-wit:

Lots 13 and 14, Block 38, and lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 19 and 20, Block 30 to the Town of Irrigon, Morrow County, Oregon. Minimum price \$40.00.

Therefore, I will, on Saturday the 18th day of December, 1937, at the hour of 2:00 P. M. at the front door of the Court House in Heppner, Oregon, sell said property to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand as stated above.

Dated this 24th day of November, 1937.

C. J. D. BAUMAN, Sheriff.

**IRRIGON NEWS**

**Horse on Highway Killed at Irrigon**

By MRS. W. C. ISOM

R. V. Jones had the misfortune to have a horse killed on the highway Tuesday night. The car which ran into the horse was badly damaged. Mr. and Mrs. Batie Rand motored to Seattle, Wn., with a load of turkeys Sunday, Nov. 14, returning Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Grider were Hermiston shoppers Wednesday.

Mrs. Tom Caldwell who has been visiting relatives in Nebraska returned Wednesday.

James Warner has been quite ill the last week but is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Chambers and family have moved into the Geo. Rand house east of town.

W. C. Isom is remodeling his house in town.

Mr. Haney and family are moving to the Ray Brown place.

A large crowd attended the social meeting of the grange Saturday night. The pep club put on a splendid program. This was followed by dancing with Supt. Ralph Jones and several band members furnishing the music with Miss Dusenberry, the primary teacher, violinist, and Mrs. Grimm at the piano assisting.

B. P. Rand motored to Mill City Sunday with a truck load of household goods for a Stanfield family.

Miss Bruce, Rev. Francis and Miss Hunter stopped over Tuesday evening for services at the Pentecostal

church, being enroute home from Toledo, Wn., where they had been holding meetings.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Colter are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Don Kenny.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bediwell are moving to one of the cabins at the Warner camp ground for the winter.

Mrs. Chester Wilson entertained at a bridal shower honoring Mrs. Alcorn Friday afternoon. Many beautiful gifts were presented the honoree by friends, followed by delicious refreshments.

A fellowship meeting will be held at the Hermiston Pentecostal church December 6th.

Little Yvonne Kendler of Umatilla who had been spending several days with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Isom, was taken quite seriously ill with tonsillitis Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mausman of Portland were callers at the Fred Caldwell and W. C. Isom homes Wednesday in the interest of the Neighbors of Woodcraft lodge.

**LIST REVEALS ODDITIES**

Corvallis—The annual search for most common and peculiar names among the 4068 students at Oregon State college has revealed that the Johnsons nosed out the Smiths this year 47 to 46, while the Jones' with only 12 trailed the Browns with 16 for third honors. Budding journalists found in the new student directory plenty of material for puns with such names to work with as Smart, Savage, Darling, Lovin, Sly, Joy, Strong and Fretwell.

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