

Capitol Parade . . .

By MURRAY WADE

TACKLE TAX ENIGMA

Thirteen wise men proved their wisdom here at the last meeting of their Oregon tax study committee. At three monthly meetings they listened to various groups from different parts of the state and individually expressed their own ideas. They were wise enough to see they were getting nowhere fast and decided Governor Earl Snell was also wise when he asked the 1945 legislature to create a tax study body with authority to secure a tax genius. They closed the books for the day and wired S. J. Barrick to come quick. His salary will be \$8000 a year, with offices in the capitol. He will reside in Salem with his family who expect to follow his arrival Sept. 1. Mr. Barrick resigned federal work as field facility representative with headquarters in Washington D. C. He has served with tax study organizations in several states.

OREGON'S ATOMIC DONATION

Oregon's highways were used to transport prefabricated houses from Toledo to the atomic bomb plant at Hanford Wash., J. M. Devers, highway commission attorney, reveals. He predicts that soon there will be four- and six-lane highways from the Pacific to the Atlantic and from Canada to the Gulf of Mexico.

THIRTEEN NEW LAWYERS

The state supreme court announced Saturday that 13 persons passed the state bar examinations taken here July 10 and 11, while four failed to pass. The three women who took the examinations were among the successful. Those who passed were: Helen F. Althus, Troutdale; Elmer E. Amundson Salem; Neil Richardson, Hillsboro; Edward Brekke, Eugene; E. Farley, John Edward Husiman, Harold T. Johnson, Charles F. Luce, Evelyn T. McNay, Elizabeth C. Mac Maniman, Raymond D. Matthies, Harry D. Skerry and Sidney E. Thwing, all of Portland.

AUTO REGISTRATIONS UP

Altho there are fewer passenger cars registered in the state motor vehicle department this year total registrations are at an all-time high, says Secretary of State Robert S. Farrell Jr. Total registrations are 408,406 which includes 1142 buses, 25,385 light trucks and 45,448 heavy trucks. Registration fees total \$3,454,443.07, compared with \$3,345,292.94 last year, at this time.

TOP HAND

A prominent state official who is a dynamo of purpose went out to a Willamette valley hop yard last Sunday to do his bit in relieving the labor shortage. He made better than shipyard wages just picking hops (no dice). The check he received for his day's work was for \$12.44 which figures just \$1.50 more per day than the \$4,000 a year salary he is paid by the state of Oregon.

Last Saturday six trucks took state employes to hopyards, beanfields and orchards near Salem in answer to urgent pleas to save crops.

PAGE EMILY POST

Governor Earl Snell Saturday appointed a committee of 10 members to study long range forestry programs intended to bring about greater cooperation in fire protection among federal, state and private agencies. Members of the committee are: Tom B. Purcell, Gresham president of the Oregon Newspaper Publishers association; Judge H. G. Kerkman, Hillsboro, president County Judges association; Merton Tomkins, master of state grange; H. J. Andrews, Portland, regional federal forester; George Gerlinger, Portland West Coast Lumbermen's association; J. F. Daggett, Prineville, Western Pine association; S. B. Tanner, Portland, Oregon Forest Fire association; Claude Ballard, Portland, president international Woodworkers of America; Kenny Davis, Portland, executive secretary of the Northwest Council of Lumber and Sawmill Workers, and Herbert Chandler, Baker, president

Oregon Cattle and Horses raisers association.

UNEMPLOYMENT PEAK

During the first post-war week 2170 claims were filed with the state unemployment compensation commission by unemployed workers. This is the highest total for any week since January 1942. The Portland area had 1763 claims the first week, with 20,000 war workers. The unemployment service ers laid off in the area in that got jobs for about 400 other discharged workers while thousands of others got work on farms and railroads, in canneries and laundries, and in other occupations still short of manpower. Of the 407

other claims reported outside of Multnomah county, Klamath Falls accounted for 181, mostly because of labor troubles in lumber camps. Salem had 28 and Eugene 8.

Ora Wright suffered a freakish accident this past week. He was putting air in a little girl's bicycle tire and somehow managed to cut his hand, slightly, he thought, on the wire spokes of the wheel. He ignored it for a little while, but was finally driven by constant pain to seek aid of a physician. It was found that the tendon had been almost severed, so Mr. Wright is now wearing a splint on his finger. Lt. (jg) Louis L. Gilliam, flew from Norfolk, Va., to spend a few

days with his father, Len Gilliam. Lt. Gilliam recently returned from the shake down cruise of the U. S. S. Lake Champlain, an aircraft carrier, and was granted a few days leave. He arrived Tuesday evening and is leaving for New York City by plane Friday.

Lexington Items

By MRS. MARY EDWARDS

Mr. and Mrs. Ham Burchell of Sheridan were business visitors here last week.

AC Elwayne Peck and wife arrived Saturday for a visit with their parents. Elwayne has been stationed at San Marcos Texas.

Mrs. Eula Barnhouse and daughter Jean spent a few days at the

home of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Mc Millan.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Breshears and Mrs. Helen Crump were transacting business in Pendleton Wednesday.

Pfc William Padberg is home now on a 30 day leave. Bill was injured in the battle for Iwo Jima and has been in the hospital at Camp Adair.

Cpl George Steagall has gone to Spray to spend a few days with his mother before reporting to Fort Lewis.

EXAMINER COMING

A traveling examiner of operators and chauffeurs is scheduled to arrive in Heppner Tuesday, Sept. 4, 1945 and will be on duty at the Courthouse between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m.

Everybody Out Saturday Night!

And come in your best cowboy and cowgirl regalia as this is the annual dress-up affair---

The Queen's Dance



Queen Colleen and her attendants will be on hand in their Rodeo garb.

Music by "Jim's Cascadians" of The Dalles
The C.A.P. will operate the refreshment stand

ADMISSION PRICES

GENTLEMEN: Ticket 83c; tax 17c; total : : : \$1.00
LADIES: Ticket 42c; tax 8c; total : : : 50c