

# CONGER JOUSTS WITH COPS OVER PARKING LAWS

### Coroner Puts More Faith Watch Than Police—Displays Fair Roll—Traffic Officer Among Sixty Tagged Autoists Saturday.

"I won't pay it," declared H. W. Conger, genial county coroner, upon appearing at the police station yesterday afternoon after finding a tax placed in his automobile ordering him to appear at the station on the "felonious" charge of parking longer than one hour in the restricted parking area of the business section.

"I tell you chief," said Conger, "there's been a serious mistake and I am nothing more than a victim of circumstances over which I had no control. I timed my parking in my trusted watch and upon making a thorough check, I find that I had still seven minutes to my credit. But that apparently didn't deter the arms of the law in their determined efforts to make room for the country shoppers."

"Aw, dry up, that yarn's been worn out. Can't you think of nothing better?" retorted the chief, nearly hitting his tongue on the last word.

"But chief," returned Conger with a pleading voice, "think what would happen if I got into the papers that I've been mixed up with the law. The public won't think I'm innocent."

"Looka here," was the reply, "that won't get you anywhere. A dollar please."

"I won't pay it. I'm going to fight and I'm going right now to see my lawyer and see what rights I got."

The arrival of other overpackers cut short Conger's discourse and for several minutes he stood in silence. Receiving a sudden inspiration, he announced he would post bail and passed by several large bills in search of a larger one. He drew out a \$50 greenback, thinking perhaps the police department had no change.

However, Chief McCredie eagerly took it and counted out change to the astonished Mr. Conger, who was forced to accept nearly all of the amount in silver dollar pieces.

One woman who came in with her slip shortly after Conger paid his dollar, seemed to be indignant over the embarrassment of appearing in a police station, threw the slip on the counter, closely followed by a silver dollar thrown nearly as hard. Upon being told that if she was from the country, she would not be required to put up the dollar bill, she replied that she was from the country, but she was looking for no privileges and incidentally insisted that the money should be accepted.

A resident of Ashland also appeared in the station, but on his story that he was unfamiliar with conditions here, was allowed to go without the payment of the dollar. In the course of five minutes, a woman appeared from Wagner creek, but on the explanation that she was also a stranger to local laws and that she was visiting a sick friend when the car was parked, she was also released.

Two tags of particular interest were those of Traffic Officer Herb Moore who found his machine tagged for being parked in an alley, and Fred Scheffel, city engineer, who overparked.

Over 60 cars were tagged yesterday afternoon by officers for overparking and nearly as many are expected to be tagged next Monday, the day before Christmas.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 22.—(AP)—George Howard 19, is dead and his brother, Ben Howard, 17, is in the county jail, held on an open charge in connection with George's death, following a family quarrel today at the Howard home.

George Howard was taken to the county hospital in an unconscious condition and died without regaining consciousness. An inquest will be held Monday.

Other members of the family—there are eight children—told investigators the older brother started the quarrel when he found there was no milk on the dinner table for his tea.

During the argument that followed, the mother, who is ill, threw a cup at George, cutting his ear. When the youth made a move toward his mother, his younger brother intervened him, and George turned, striking Ben on the jaw.

Ben picked up a stick of wood and struck his brother.

# HOME AGENT OF COUNTY SELECTED TO FILL VACANCY

Jackson county has been without a home demonstration agent since December 15 when Mrs. Florence York Conkie, who had held the position for the past two years, resigned because of ill health, and there has been much speculation ever since as to who her successor would be, especially among the women of the county.

This successor has been chosen. It has been learned, following a visit to this city last week by Mrs. Jessie McCorn, state leader of home demonstration agents, and conference on the subject with County Agent R. G. Fowler. Her identity is being withheld until she reports for duty.

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# ANNOUNCE HEALTH CONTEST WINNERS

The ship making contest among the children of the county was concluded on Friday with an attractive display of entries. It was conducted by the Jackson County Public Health association as a means of interesting children in the Christmas Seal, not only in its design of a ship bearing a cargo of health, but also in its importance as a penny investment in health.

All the entries consisted of posters as it was generally conceded that the time was too short for the construction of model ships, so the judges and general chairman modified the classifications to fit two kinds of posters.

The winners are announced as follows: For pen and ink posters—1st prize Merland Tollefson, \$3.00.

2nd, Curtis Barnes, leather key case, donated by Lamport's store.

3rd, Edward Gould, knife, donated by Brown's Hardware store.

Honorable mention Robert Carter.

Four colored posters—1st prize, Margaret Osenburg, \$3.00.

2nd, Maryella Nelson, recipe box donated by Office Stationery and Supply.

3rd, Rosamond Wall, atomizer, donated by McNair's Drug Store.

The winners may have their entries and prizes by calling for them at Brown's Hardware store, which has generously assisted with the contest.

# CHRISTMAS BALL LEGION INTERESTS

Much interest is being taken in the annual Christmas ball of the American Legion which is to take place Tuesday night at the Oriental Gardens. With the usual Medford crowd swelled by the many college students home for the holidays there will no doubt be a record attendance. Special music and holiday favors have been secured by the committee in charge of the affair.

# Enjoy Your Christmas Dinner at the Hotel Medford

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# GIRL WHO FLEW FROM ROMANCE LANDS AT RENO

### New Angles and Plot Thickens In Love Affair of Ruth McConnell—Rochester Hotel Has Her Diamond Ring She Threw Away as Bellboy Watched.

RENO, Nev., Dec. 22.—(AP)—Flying eastward, a plane carrying Miss Ruth McConnell, 26, and Dr. David Meeker, who flew west to overtake the girl, dropped into the Reno airport tonight, after E. G. Rowhan, pilot, narrowly avoided a crash-up in landing.

The plane left San Francisco today without announcing a destination. Tonight the girl said she would board the Gold Coast limited for an eastern point.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 22.—(AP)—The Rochester Sunday American in a copyrighted article tomorrow will say that Miss Ruth McConnell whose coast to coast flight attracted nationwide attention, tore a diamond ring from her finger in the presence of a Hotel Seneca bellboy and expressed the wish that "they'd let me break my engagement with Coulter."

For a fortnight the young music teacher and swimming instructor, now on her way back east, was a guest, the newspaper will say, at the hotel whose safe holds the ring that she threw from her with the fearful exclamation:

"If they'd let me break my engagement with Coulter everything would be all-right, I would get well."

Kenneth B. Coulter, millionaire broker and dairy farm operator, variously has described himself as Miss McConnell's uncle, her fiance and an "interested party."

He is 42 and a paralytic, having lost the use of his lower limbs as the result of a football injury 21 years ago at Harvard. He is a patient at Clifton Springs sanitarium.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 22.—(AP)—Miss Ruth McConnell, who attracted considerable attention recently when she arrived here from New York to escape, she said, too much doctoring and marriage proposals, started back east today.

The hotel St. Francis, where she stayed, announced she had left at 11 a. m. over the Southern Pacific via Ogden, Utah. Dr. D. J. Meeker, who said Miss McConnell was his patient, followed Miss McConnell here by airplane.

At the St. Francis it was said Dr. Meeker accompanied Miss McConnell and the two were to meet the girl's mother in Ogden.

# Parent-Teachers' Associations

The Spirit of Christmas

Christmas is the day celebrated in all Christian countries as the day of the birth of Christ. That day, by common consent, December 25, is marked by special religious services in various churches, by charitable deeds, the exchange of gifts and by merry-making and rejoicing.

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# Humane Society

### Traveling Dogs

Many dog lovers doubtless will agree with the opinion expressed by O. O. McIntyre in the following paragraph from the Minneapolis Journal:

The smartest hotel in almost every big city now permits small house dogs in rooms and suites. The loss of business to forbid them was too heavy. Said one manager: "One cocktail party does more damage than 500 well bred dogs."

The Pullman company, usually up-to-date and last word in public service, does not permit dogs in compartments or drawing rooms, for some antiquated reason, and consequently loses vast business.

I know many families who travel to the coast by motor rather than have their dogs in the hands of careless baggage-men. It is also a big and contributing factor to travel abroad. Dogs have the freedom of the steamships and

attention to problems of parenthood and homemaking.

That directors of summer schools make special provision for classes in parent education as rapidly as suitable instructors are available.

That teachers' colleges include special training to prepare their graduates to lead parent education groups in local communities.

That graduate teachers' colleges provide for the training of teachers to present parent education in undergraduate schools.

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### Feeding the Birds

Ethel Romig Fuller. Bluejays and robins. And the shy chickadees. Tuft the dry feather stalks. And feather the trees.

Even a lordly. Cook pleasant comers. To sip on the suet. And nibble the crumbs.

Who says a garden. In winter is bare. When holly is crimson. And birds blossom there?

By Willa Hoey

What a delightful place this world would be for "God's little people" were each person to undertake his share towards providing food for the birds and stray animals during the winter months! We would not miss the crumbs and

crumbles and scraps of meat, which mean so much to our friends, when snow has covered the ground. It is merely a matter of placing these where access can be gained to them, instead of putting them in the garbage can, which is often thoughtlessly done.

Too frequently we ease our conscience with the knowledge that we are doing our own part. We fail to realize that these outsiders feel the pang of hunger and first just as keenly as the favored few.

It is not an uncommon sight, but shocking, in my opinion, to see birds lying dead in the snow, their little lives snuffed out through lack of food. I think we should, each accept a share of responsibility for this condition and endeavor to remedy it throughout the coming winter.

We cannot forget the joyous part "God's little people" play in the plan of things, and their importance in the Creator's sight, of whom it is written: Not a sparrow falleth to the ground without His notice.

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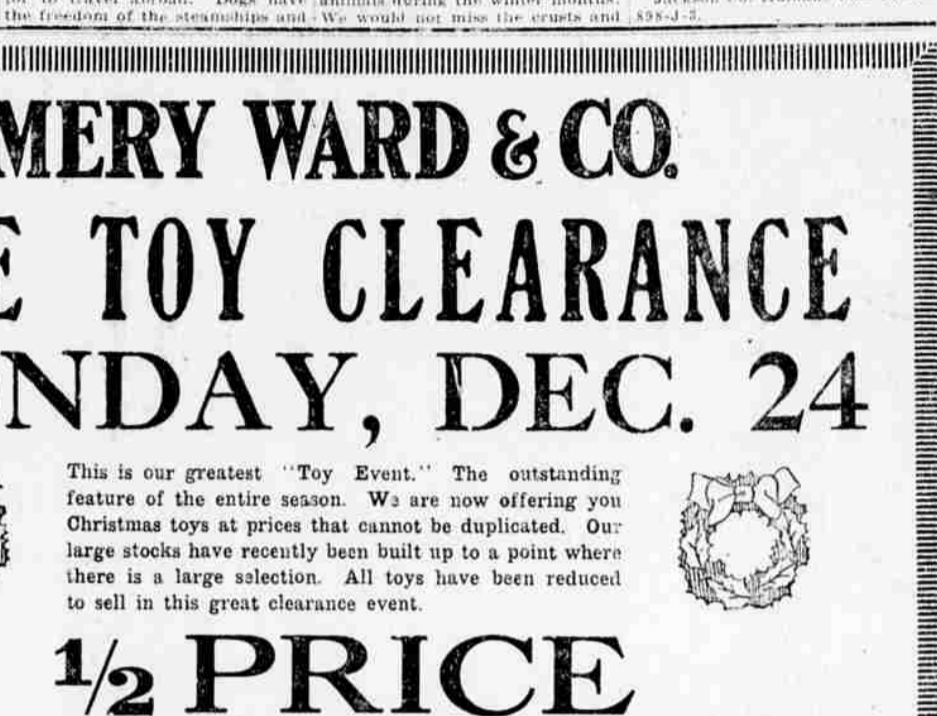
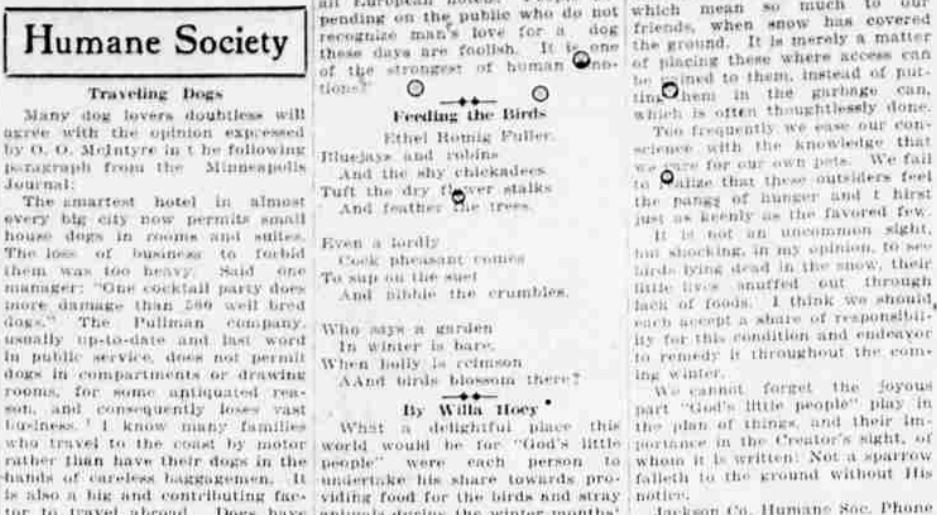
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