

# Marriage and Divorce Showing Decline Over Period of Depression

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The bureau of the census announces that, according to the returns received, there were 1,060,095 marriages performed in the United States during the year 1931, as compared with 1,128,572 in 1930. These figures represent a decrease of 69,477 or 6.1 per cent. There was a decrease of 8.4 per cent from 1929 to 1930.

During the year 1931, there were 183,995 divorces granted in the United States, as compared with 191,591 in 1930, representing a decrease of 7,596 or 4.1 per cent, as against a decrease of 4.9 per cent from 1929 to 1930. There were 4,338 marriages annulled in 1931, as compared with 4,370 in 1930.

The estimated population of continental United States on July 1, 1931, was 124,070,000, and on July 1, 1930, 123,191,000. On the basis of these estimates, the number of marriages per 1,000 of the population was 8.5 per cent in 1931, as against 9.2 in 1930; and the number of divorces per 1,000 of the population was 1.49 in 1931, as against 1.56 in 1930.

While the net decrease in the number of marriages performed in the country as a whole was 6.1 per cent, the relative change in the different states ranged from a decrease of 49.7 per cent in Idaho to an increase of 25.1 per cent in Nevada. (Only 11 states reported increased rates—New Hampshire, 7.5 per cent; South Da-

| DIVISION AND STATE | 1931   |       | 1930   |       | 1929   |       |
|--------------------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|
|                    | No.    | %     | No.    | %     | No.    | %     |
| Pacific:           |        |       |        |       |        |       |
| Washington         | 3,971  | 4.37  | 4,217  | 4.25  | 4,217  | 4.25  |
| Oregon             | 2,417  | 2.25  | 2,417  | 2.25  | 2,417  | 2.25  |
| California         | 15,113 | 15.03 | 15,113 | 15.03 | 15,113 | 15.03 |

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| Pacific:           |        |       |        |       |        |       |
| Washington         | 17,906 | 18.27 | 17,906 | 18.27 | 17,906 | 18.27 |
| Oregon             | 7,339  | 7.67  | 7,339  | 7.67  | 7,339  | 7.67  |
| California         | 47,925 | 50.15 | 47,925 | 50.15 | 47,925 | 50.15 |

## HIGHWAYS BECOME AIRWAYS



B. M. (Mike) Doolin (center), superintendent of the San Francisco Municipal Airport, and famous war-time flyer, after trying a tankful of the new Associated Flying A aero-type gasoline in his car, told Emory B. Bronie (right), aviation manager for Associated Oil Company, and George Dixon (left), assistant aviation manager, that the smoothness, power and responsiveness of the new "ocean stability" fuel had given him a sensation nearer to that of flying than he had ever before experienced, or expected to experience, in an automobile.

## NORTON FOREGOES AUGUST VACATION FROM BAR DUTIES

Circuit Judge H. D. Norton will take no vacation, as customary during the month of August, but instead will remain at his desk attending to routine business. The court desires to have as much of the legal matters pending as possible cleared away before moving into the new court house next month.

It is the plan of the court to have a petit jury session as soon as practical after the move. A number of criminal cases and legal actions are pending. Among the actions slated for jury trial are the auto damage suits of Harriet Brimhall against the Southern Oregon Gas Corporation, and H. O. Kellam against Dr. C. T. Sweeney of this city. The first cause of suit occurred on the Pacific highway near Phoenix; the second on East Main street.

## PASTOR TO HIGH AND LOW FOLK SUCCUMBS

PORTLAND, July 21.—(AP)—The Rev. Levi Johnson, pastor and friend to both high and low of Portland for more than 20 years, died at his home here today. He was 73 years old and had been in failing health for several months.

Until his health forced his retirement last fall, the Rev. Mr. Johnson was superintendent of the "men's resort," where he gave counsel to those men who frequent the north end.

**Phoenix Plans for Pomona Meeting**

PHOENIX, July 21.—(Sp.)—Phoenix Grange is planning for the meet-

ing of Pomona Grange at their hall Saturday.

Covered dish dinner will be served at noon. Those of the Phoenix Grange having taken the Pomona degree are especially urged to be present but all members of the Grange are invited to attend.

Oregon Weather.

Fog on the coast and fair interior tonight and Friday; cooler interior Friday; moderate changeable winds offshore.

Dallas.—Jackson street to be improved from G street to Brewery grade.

Sheridan.—L. M. Kaufman purchased Hippie & Eckridge hardware store.

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## MEMORIAL CLINIC NEAR COMPLETION

Work on the Sparrow Memorial clinic in the new county courthouse is progressing rapidly and the clinic is nearing completion today with painters on the job decorating the rooms.

Many recent contributions to the memorial fund have been received. Mrs. Lewis Ulrich, secretary of the Jackson County Public Health Association, sponsor of the clinic, announced this morning. New additions to the list are: Miss Anne Livingston, A. B. Livingston, Rotary club, Dorothy and Jaclyn Flynn, Central Point Odd Fellows lodge, Central Point, Hebe Kahle, Nevada chapter, O. B. G., Central Point, A. F. and A. M. lodge of Central Point; Health Group of Central Point; Mrs. Alfred S. V. Carpenter and the Fruit Growers' league.

## BALLOT PETITIONS ARE WELL SIGNED

The income tax initiative measure on the November ballot—the 11th similar measure to be voted upon in recent years—received 1727 signatures in Jackson county, according to the records of the county clerk's office.

The tax and debt conservation measure was also popular among local people receiving 1634 signatures.

The latter bill, backed by the Grange scored the most names in the rural section. The income tax proposal was favored more in this city and Ashland, but received much support in the country.

Prohibition repeal—a very live topic—garnered 344 names in this county, and had more women's names than generally suspected.

The school merger bill petitions show 221 names.

The county clerk has checked the names, and found that on an average, five names in every hundred were unregistered.

## Jacksonville

JACKSONVILLE, July 21.—(Sp.)—Miss Alice Hoels, local postmistress, flew to Portland Sunday. She will spend two weeks visiting relatives there and at other points, including Newport.

C. B. Dunnington and son Billie visited in Ashland Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rector Gess and son Marvin of Bend are visiting Mrs. Gess' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Gaddy.

Hartman brothers repaired a bridge of Birdseye creek near Rogue River this week.

Mrs. Paul Winters and son, Richard Paul, of Klamath Falls, returned home Sunday after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Fleming, for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Whitney and son Carl and of Seattle arrived here Sunday to make their home in Jacksonville for the present. They were accompanied by John Scott, mining engineer. Mr. Whitney is president of the Jacksonville Mining and Milling company.

Miss Alice Ward has returned to Medford after spending three weeks as guest of Burdette Dunnington.

Mrs. Mildred Kitto Smith, who at-

tended the funeral of Mrs. Coulter, returned Thursday to her home in Tacoma.

T. J. Enright and Mr. White of Medford were Jacksonville visitors Saturday afternoon.

Carvel Thornton and Jack Falkenhagen of Medford called on C. B. Dunnington Saturday.

Misses Louise Lawhead and Genevieve Shafer, Jack Mosher and Herbert Arthurs enjoyed a trip to Crater lake Wednesday, returning via Klamath Falls.

Mrs. Charles Akerland, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Lola Hildreth, returned with friends to her home Saturday, via the coast route.

Mrs. Mildred Smith and Mrs. Gretchen Schneider spent a few days visiting Mrs. George Buckley of Ruch last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Doblmeier and niece of Medford and Mrs. Arthur Prevost, her mother and niece, Mrs. Rose Howard and Barbara Howard were dinner guests at Amy's Place Sunday.

Olin Knox of Yamhill, Ore., is in Jacksonville this week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Knox, also his sister, Mrs. Peter Fick.

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## Governor Rolph's Brother Passes

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Work will start at once on the arrangements of the courtroom in the new courthouse. The present courtroom fixtures will be used as well as new. The old will be repainted to harmonize with the color tone of the new. This includes the courtroom benches that have been in service since 1880. The new courtroom is one of the few in the state equipped with acoustical plaster, it enables a spectator on a back bench to hear a pin drop or a lawyer shout.

## TRUCK OWNERS MEET AT DEPOT TONIGHT

Allied Truck Owners will meet this evening at 8 o'clock at the Pierce Auto Freight terminal on North Riverside avenue. The meeting has been called of all operators and their employees in order to further the organization of the truck owners. Archie Pierce will be in charge of the meeting.

## Phoenix Family Reunion Picnic

PHOENIX, July 21.—(Sp.)—The C. C. Hartley family enjoyed a picnic family reunion in Lithia park Wednesday night.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Poley and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Mitchell and family of Ashland, Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Murphy of Springfield, Ore.; Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Gray and family of Seattle, and Mrs. F. L. Foster of Dunsmuir, Cal. Mr. and Mrs. Gray are returning to their home from a trip through Yellowstone park.

Newberg.—Fire siren being installed here.

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## NEW LICENSE PLATES ATTRACTING THIEVES

Furling of new license plates, superseded gas stealing, as a popular form of outdoor stealing in this county Tuesday and Wednesday, according to reports to the state police and sheriff. The decline is figured as being due to autoists buying locks for their gas tanks. Locks proved successful in halting tire stealing.

Henry Timms of the Applegate reported that somebody took groceries from his car late yesterday.



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