

### ADDITIONAL NURSE HAS APPROVAL OF MEDFORD COUNCIL

Miss Elizabeth McGalliard Will Aid in School District 49—Miss Vergeer's Successor Is Named

A proposal for the addition of a nurse to the staff of the county health unit and the hiring of another to replace Miss Shirley Vergeer, resigned, was brought before the city council luncheon Tuesday by Dr. C. I. Drummond, county health officer. The move was approved by the council after consultation with the health and finance committees.

county nurse. She is to work out of the department in cooperation with the city school nurse in school district 49. She will also spend a proportion of her time in aiding the control of contagious diseases, as specified by the city. Half of her salary is supplied by federal funds from the national children's bureau, and half by the city.

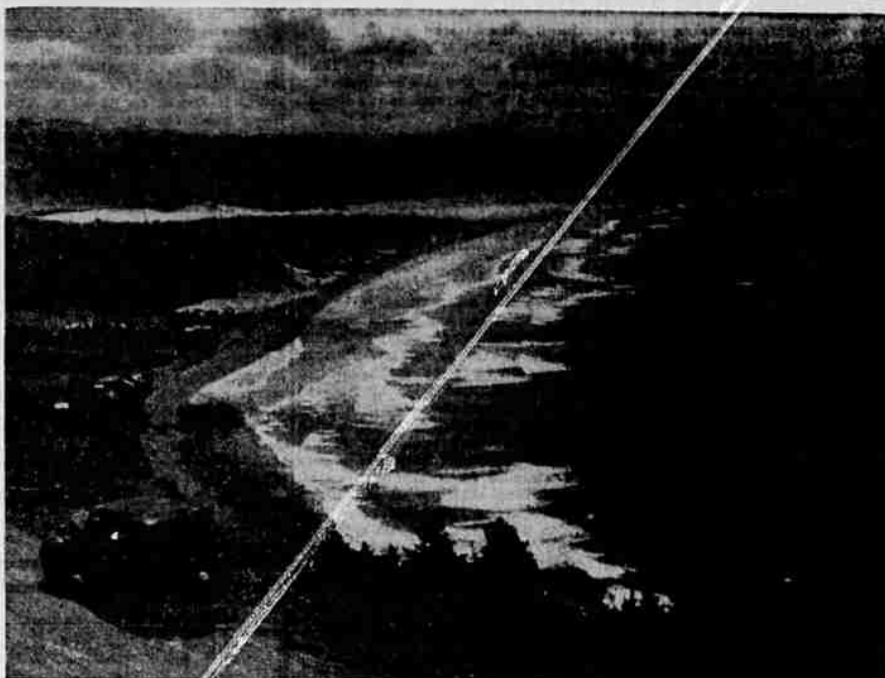
Miss McGalliard received her nursing training at the Henry Center in New York and later completed a public health nursing course from the University of Oregon medical school in Portland. She has held a public nursing position in Twin Falls, Idaho, for the past year.

Miss Vergeer's place will be taken by Miss Mary Ellen Bell, also of New York City, whose training has been the same as Miss McGalliard's. She will aid other county nurses in the rural districts. Her salary is entirely supplied by funds from the United States public health service. Miss Vergeer recently resigned after serving with the local unit since last November.

With the addition of Miss McGalliard, the county nursing staff now totals five, plus city nurses in Medford and Ashland.

Both nurses have arrived and are at present familiarizing themselves with work of the department.

### Where Mountain and Ocean Meet



Looking down on Neahkahalu beach from the mountain of the same name where the Oregon State Highway commission is building a new route around the face of the mountain which will ultimately connect with the northern section of the Cannon beach road. One may drive up the mountainside now for a view like this down on the beach and ocean, but it will likely be several years before this re-routed section of the Oregon coast highway (U. S. 101) is completed and opened for through traffic. The present 101 swings inland behind the mountain. The annual summer movement to Oregon beaches by both Oregonians and visitors from other states is underway. Licenses from almost every state may be seen on 101 in a trip up or down its length.—(Oregon State Highway Department photo.)

### MYSTERY CLOAKS FATE OF TOURISTS MISSING 2 YEARS

Relatives Cling to Hope of Finding Illinois Couples Lost on Trip to Coast—Authorities Fear Death

EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill. (UP)—Hope of ever finding two middle-aged Illinois couples who disappeared somewhere in the desert country of New Mexico rests almost solely with a little group of relatives and friends here and in DuQuoin, Ill.

Two years of searching for Mr. and Mrs. George N. Lorus, of East St. Louis, and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Heberer, of DuQuoin, has furnished nothing tangible to guide searchers to their whereabouts or their fate.

Despite the fact that resources of several states, thousands of men, scores of airplanes, joined in one of the biggest hunts in the history of the west without turning up a definite clue, Lorus' aged mother, Mrs. Tomka Lorus, and his sister, Mrs. Ada Rohwedder, are still confident that ultimately the four will be found.

Their belief is that the tourists, who were on their way to California on a vacation trip, were taken prisoner and have been held during the two years that have elapsed since their disappearance. They admitted, however, that it was a feeble hope.

Definite Proof Awaited "But we still keep hoping, and will continue to do so until they are found or we get some definite proof that they are dead," said Mrs. Rohwedder.

So strong is her belief that Lorus and his companions will return that his home has been kept undisturbed. Each week it is gone over thoroughly in preparation for the hoped-for homecoming.

It was on May 19, 1935, that the four packed their luggage for an automobile trip to the west coast. Heberer, a DuQuoin laborer, and his wife, had driven to East St. Louis to meet their friends.

Lorus, head of a local coal company, told friends that he hoped to visit the world's fair in San Diego, Cal. He estimated that the trip would take only three or four weeks. They started off, and for the first three days of their trip postcards mailed each day traced their route. The trail ended in Albuquerque, N. M. Some time later Lorus' automobile was found abandoned on a street in Dallas, Texas, far off their proposed route.

G-Men Enter Search Then the fruitless search began. The government swung its federal bureau of investigation agents behind the movement. Gov. Clyde Tingley, of New Mexico, personally led a searching party into the region. Nearly 1,000 citizens searched the mesas surrounding possible spots where clues were reported. Airplanes dived overhead for weeks, pilots scanning every gully.

Police records show that more than 800 arrests were made. In every case the suspect was released.

For a time the hunt centered almost entirely around Albuquerque. It was there that the discovery of

the charred ruins of the party's luggage and personal effects was made. Two cowboys were herding cattle on a small mesa. One of them rode across a draw in search of a stray calf. He saw a vacuum jug glistening in the sunlight. When he approached, he discovered it was on top of a pile of burned luggage—suitcases and clothing.

The desert folk brought in weird tales of skeletons found along desert trails. All proved groundless. They organized searching groups to watch for buzzards flying in groups around any particular spot.

Travelers' Checks Forged Meanwhile forged travelers' checks drifted in from time to time to the American Express office here. Nearly half of the 40 checks made out to Lorus were cashed, yet efforts to apprehend the forger were unsuccessful.

Police sought a young man who reportedly was seen driving the Lorus machine across Texas from El Paso to Dallas. On a highway near Socorro, N. M., searchers found a spot where an automobile had overturned, and nearby was a package of matches bearing an East St. Louis advertisement, and a woman's vanity case. The Lorus machine when found in Dallas bore indications of having turned over.

Ranchers in the district said a young man was the only occupant of the car at the time. Later the

same day the machine was reported to have been driven into an embankment south of Socorro. There also a young man was reported to have been the driver.

The theory of the police is that the four were robbed and killed and their bodies hidden somewhere in the wastes of New Mexico. The search is still on and each clue is traced to its source.

Preliminary estimates indicate that American motorists will pay close to \$1,000,000,000 in gasoline taxes during 1937.

The concrete used in the new department of interior building in Washington would make a 5-foot sidewalk from the national capital to New York City.

The Soviet air force is generally conceded to be numerically superior to that of any European power although some of Russia's 5,000 planes are obsolete.

Esquimo and Indians in Alaska have a death rate of 600 per hundred thousand. The white death rate is 50 per hundred thousand.

The national park service will have 26 vacation camps this summer for children of the lower-income group.

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### MINERAL SOCIETY GIVEN ANDERSON CURIO COLLECTION

A collection of Indian curios was donated to the Southern Oregon Gem and Mineral society at its meeting in the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce Tuesday night by Mrs. Bert Anderson of 1801 West Main street.

The collection comprises about 50 pieces and includes pestles and mortars, arrow-heads, stone hammers, mixing bowls and a mastodon tooth. It will be delivered to the society if and when it acquires a museum, E. R. Santo, president, announced.

Mrs. Anderson called at the meeting and offered the collection through Mr. Santo. She was made an honorary member of the society. A museum is one of the society's goals.

Another visitor at the meeting was Mrs. Josephine B. Harlow of Old Town, Maine, who said her interest was aroused by the display of gems and minerals in the chamber show windows. She promised to send material for the display from her home state.

The society planned a field trip to the Lake Creek district Sunday to hunt for agates. Members are to meet at the chamber of commerce at 8 Sunday morning, each to bring his own lunch. The society will provide coffee, cream, sugar and transportation for those not having cars. The field tour will be conducted by Harry Morrow.

Robert Walker was admitted as a member Tuesday night. A letter was read from Gov. Charles H. Martin, saying he hoped to address the society in the near future.

### UTAH SALT LAKE GERMILESS BASIN, SCIENTISTS FIND

LA JOLLA, Cal. (UP)—Scientists said today the Great Salt lake in Utah is virtually a "germ-proof" swimming hole.

Researchers of the Scripps Institution of Oceanography of the University of California announced that all ordinary bacteria or "germ-carriers" microbes are killed instantly when exposed to the lake's concentrated salt waters. No land or freshwater bacteria has yet been found which can live in the saline concentrated waters of the lake, they disclose.

It was found that the lake water was not only highly bactericidal or "killing," but was also bacteriostatic or "retarding" to the already present salt water-type bacteria.

Some types of microbes are living in the lake, said the scientists, but they differ from those of other habitats in that they develop slowly and are in smaller colonies. They are believed to be species which became used to the slowly increasing salt water concentration during the time the waters of the old Lake Bonneville evaporated, leaving the saline residue of Salt Lake.

The series of experiments was made by Dr. Claude E. Zobell and D. Quentin Anderson of the Scripps Institution and W. Whitney of the department of bacteriology, University of Utah.

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### Inspector Hordes Goads The Dalles To Seek Remedy

THE DALLES, Ore., July 8.—(AP)—Declaring that they "are being inspected to death," and that from eight to ten inspectors call on them every year, restaurant, beauty parlor, barber and beer parlor interests here have circulated petitions to refer to a vote an ordinance requiring periodical physical examinations.

The city council will have the option of calling a special election or withholding vote on the referendum until the general election next year.

The sponsors of the referendum say they are not averse to the physical examinations, aimed at a curb on venereal diseases, but that they consider it an injustice that they are made to pay the cost of such inspections.

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## The First National Bank of Portland, Oregon

Condensed Statement of Head Office and 39 Branches As of June 30, 1937

| RESOURCES  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Cash on Hand and Due from Banks                    | \$26,739,324.69  |
| United States Bonds                                | 28,953,244.43    |
| Municipal and Other Bonds                          | 555,692,569.12   |
| Loans and Discounts                                | 17,122,338.38    |
| Stock in Federal Reserve Bank                      | 30,797,517.74    |
| Bank Premises, Furniture and Fixtures              | 150,000.00       |
| Other Real Estate                                  | 2,616,898.82     |
| Real Estate Sold Under Contract                    | 105,401.54       |
| Customers' Liability—Acceptances and Foreign Bills | 98,874.81        |
| Interest Earned                                    | 526,963.47       |
| Other Resources                                    | 533,805.02       |
| TOTAL  | 111,259.48       |
|  | \$107,758,127.73 |

| LIABILITIES   |                  |
|---|------------------|
| Capital   | \$2,500,000.00   |
| Surplus   | 2,500,000.00     |
| Undivided Profits                                   | 1,092,506.27     |
| Reserves for Contingencies, Interest Expenses, etc. | 6,092,506.27     |
| Acceptances and Foreign Bills                       | 1,407,463.88     |
| Interest Collected in Advance                       | 526,963.47       |
| Other Liabilities                                   | 186,038.11       |
| Deposits  | 64,045.40        |
| TOTAL   | 99,481,110.60    |
|   | \$107,758,127.73 |

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