

### HEALTH CHECK-UP BEFORE MARRIAGE URGED FOR STATE

#### Legislation Is Advised by Governor's Committee to Weed Out Mentally Unfit and Stop Disease Spread

SALM, July 13.—(AP)—Physical examination of all male and female marriage license applicants to "prevent the production and propagation of the mentality unfit and to prevent transmission of disease" would be required under recommendations submitted today by the governor's special committee appointed to study the state psychiatric problem.

The committee's four other recommendations, designed to relieve overcrowding of state hospitals, were:

- Extending the child guidance program of the University of Oregon medical school, now limited to Multnomah county, throughout the state.
- Psychiatric hospital care.
- Establishing a psychiatric hospital at the University of Oregon medical school to treat curable cases, patients discharged from state hospitals and patients who do not need hospitalization.
- Permission from the legislature for the board of control and the board of higher education to enter contractual agreements for building and maintenance at the University of Oregon medical school.
- Revision and codification of all Oregon laws providing for the care of the mentally sick.

The committee said the ratio of insane and feeble-minded persons to the total population increased from 311 per 100,000 in 1921 to 460 per 100,000 in 1935.

Service Held Needed.

The recommendations, if adopted, would "go far toward placing Oregon in a position favorably comparable with other states in the care of the mentally sick, and would provide additional service needed in Oregon," the committee said.

About 140,000 persons enter mental hospitals annually throughout the United States, the committee said, asserting it wished to sponsor "well-supervised and sensible sterilization and an intelligent, suitable marriage law" to prevent this influx.

There have been 1000 sterilization operations in Oregon since the sterilization law was passed in 1923, the committee asserting the law should be extended to include "many undesirable who have their liberty."

Unstable Offspring.

"These people are propagators of offspring who are unstable, many of whom are headed directly toward a state institution. If the legislature passes our marriage law there would be less need for sterilization."

The patient now must give his consent before being sterilized.

The committee said the present marriage law is unsatisfactory because it requires only physical examination of men, the law being "unconcerned whether women scatter venereal infection or not."

"Our mental defectives, insane, epileptics, chronic criminals, chronic alcoholics and drug addicts are permitted to enter into wedlock and propagate children if they so desire."

The proposed marriage law would require the marriage applicants to be examined for venereal diseases, mental illness, physical degeneracy, heredity and other things.

### Capitol Statue



PIONEER STATUE, STATE CAPITOL

This is the bronze pioneer statue to stand on the circular tower of the new state capitol. From the marble base, the statue will reach 40 feet skyward. The figure, standing above a stump, holds an axe while a buckskin robe is over his shoulder. Ulrich Ellerhusen of New York is the sculptor.

### CAVE GUIDE LIVES TO SEE PROPHECY OF OLD FULFILLED

OREGON CAVES—(Sp.)—A prediction made 20 years ago by Dick Rowley, veteran Oregon Caves guide, recently came true. When less than 100 persons a day made the caves trip, Rowley declared 1000 would sometimes make the trip in a single day.

Exactly 1142 visitors were guided through the caverns July 4, or 320 in excess of any previous record. The holidays brought a throng of 2555, or 871 over any previous mark.

Rowley is serving his 27th year as guide and personally has taken over 200,000 visitors through the caves in that time.

He is not through predicting and is of the mind that not too far in the future the Oregon Caves will become so well known that 200 visitors in a day will not be uncommon—a far cry from the 367 who ventured through the caverns the first year of his service—1910.

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### FIRE SUPPRESSION PLANS PERFECTED AT CRATER LAKE

#### Integrated System Utilizes Short-Wave Radio Setups — Trained CCC Enrollees Assisting in Program

CRATER LAKE—(Sp.)—Protecting Crater lake national park's many thousands of forested acres, a systematic fire protection organization for the current season has been perfected by J. Carlisle Crouch, chief ranger.

Fire lookouts have begun their duties on the summits of Mt. Scott on the east side of the lake and on the Watchman west of the lake. The two lookout stations, in addition to affording extensive views of the park area, cover much of the national forest lands surrounding the four park boundaries and work in close cooperation with forest service agencies.

Coordinating with the work of the fire lookouts is the well developed system of motorways established in different sections of the park, making it possible for fire-fighters and equipment to reach forest blazes in a minimum amount of time. The motorways are constructed for fire protection and are not open to public travel.

CCC Men Help

In case of fire, assisting Crouch and members of the ranger force are CCC enrollees encamped at Annie Spring on Watchman. Special fire schools were held for enrollees to train them as efficient fire-fighters. Past seasons have demonstrated their efficiency in working with park rangers to keep fire losses to a minimum.

A radio communications system has been perfected for use this summer. Portable short wave radios will make it possible for fire crews to keep in touch with the fire dispatcher at park headquarters where a "master" radio transmitting and receiving set is located. Radio sets are also located throughout the summer at park lookout stations, enabling lookouts to get in immediate touch with the fire dispatcher when a fire is detected.

Ewyn Mann, Salem, is in charge of the Mt. Scott station and Oliver M. Hughes, Medford, the Watchman lookout, which also serves as an observation station for park visitors.

### Oregon First To Gain Fiesta Space

SAN FRANCISCO, July 13.—(AP)—Officials of the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition reported today the state of Oregon was first to complete a contract for space at the event.

Oregon, officials said, also was the first state to sign a space contract for the 1915 Panama-Pacific exposition here.

The 1939 Oregon contract, officials added, calls for 30,000 worth of space in the building (to be constructed for exhibits by western states) and, in addition, a plot outdoors for a wild game life exhibit.

### Forest Creek Cow Plunges Into Well

FOREST CREEK, July 13.—(Sp.)—The nursery rhyme of "pussy in the

well" might be modified to read "hoey in the well" after a recent occurrence here.

A cow, owned by Paul Pearce, fell into a well in the dooryard of the old Wulf place now owned by W. A. Meeds. Thin boards covering the 6-foot hole gave way when the animal stepped on them.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Armstrong, living in the Wulf cabin, discovered the cow's plight and by using a block and line and energetic digging, removed the bovine unharmed.

The well had been abandoned as unfit for drinking purposes.

### Crash Brings Reunion

DENVER (UP)—An automobile accident resulted in two half-brothers, Ralph Cadwalder, 27, and Ardell Cadwalder, 39, meeting for the first time. Ardell read about Ralph's accident in a newspaper, went to the hospital and introduced himself.

### WIVES MAY ENJOY REAL VACATION AT UNION CREEK CAMP

An inexpensive, but entirely restful and refreshing vacation is being made possible again this year for some 600 Oregon homemakers in 21 counties who are signing up to attend the 12 vacation camps sponsored by the Oregon Extension service. This will be the sixth year that such camps have been held in Oregon.

The camps run from four to six days, and the cost per day is kept to the minimum that will make them self-supporting, and part of this may be paid with farm produce that can be used in camp. Any woman over 18 years of age is welcomed at the camps, but it is essential that those planning to attend should sign up promptly with their county agent or home demonstration agent, so that plans can be completed.

Scenic sites as convenient as possible for the women planning to attend are chosen for the vacation camps.

Homemakers attending the camps have no dishes to wash, no meals to prepare—no work at all, in fact, except to make up their own cots. Each camp is staffed with a director, assistant director, cook and helpers, registered nurses, life guards, librarians and chore boys. In the crafts work, which is taught at the camps

for those interested, emphasis is to be placed this year on use of natural resources.

Twenty-one counties are having camps this year. In several instances two or more counties are holding a joint camp. The southern Oregon camp, which will be open July 25 to 30, will include homemakers from Klamath, Jackson, and Josephine counties. This camp will be under the direction of Mrs. Mabel C. Mack, county home demonstration agent.

Union creek forest camp which has been selected for the site is one of the most attractive spots in southern Oregon. The camp, as planned, will be cool, comfortable and convenient. Registrations are coming in rapidly and a large attendance at the camp is anticipated. Any homemaker interested in having a real vacation should call for complete information at the office of the home demonstration agent.

Trade Costs \$100

NORWALK, O. (UP)—An outburst over the telephone, by which L. H. Gillett sought to tell state highway patrolmen just what he thought of them, cost him a \$100 fine, and loss of the telephone.

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### QUINTUPLETS UNKNOWN TO OREGON TRAVELER

STRATFORD, Ont., July 13.—(CP)—A visitor from Oregon wanted to know how far it is from Stratford to Niagara Falls. The policeman said it was 100 miles to Niagara Falls and suggested the visitor see the quintuplets at Callander while he was in Canada.

The visitor had never heard of the quintuplets.

### KANSAN NEW OWNER OF THE BLUE WILLOW CAFE

The Blue Willow cafe, located at 21 North Bartlett, across the street from the Peeries market, has been sold to Mrs. Mary Pennock of Salina, Kansas, according to an announcement today.

Mrs. Pennock, who is an experienced restaurant operator, is changing the name to the Jayhawk cafe.

### Chinese Absorbs English

PUEBLO, Colo. (UP)—When Lee Fong came here from China seven years ago he could speak no English. Now at 18, he has completed an eight-year course of study in seven years and will be graduated with honors from the eighth grade of Hinsdale school.

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