

## Public Health Association Winds Up Two-Day Convention in City

The Oregon Public Health association wound up its two-day convention here Friday afternoon without deciding on the site for next year's annual meeting.

Dr. A. Erin Merkel, Jackson county public health officer, and newly elected association president, said the site would be selected during a meeting of the board of directors at a later date. Since a state meeting of public health officers is scheduled for December in Portland, the executive session will probably be held then. Many of the board live in and around Portland, he explained.

One of the highlights of the

sessions during the second day was a speech by Curtiss M. Everts Jr., director division of sanitation and engineering, state board of health. He outlined new developments in water pollution control.

### Continuing Program

Water pollution control is a continuing program, he said. It has been proven that water pollution is definitely related to producing disease, and is a constant danger to the community, he noted.

One of the aims of the state water pollution control program is to keep down pollution of a stream or river as much as possible in order to preserve and protect fish and wild life which depend on streams "for maintenance," Everts said.

Since some streams and rivers are already polluted by nature it is sometimes difficult to determine a starting point for pollution control, he added.

Everts said the division is watching various new developments in sanitation, particularly those relative to small community disposal systems.

One of the several new methods of sewage disposal is the lagoon or pond type of sewage disposal unit now in use in some towns in eastern Oregon. This consists of allowing the sewage to flow into a large pond or pit at least a half mile away from town where it gradually evaporates when exposed to the air. The problem here, he explained, is to maintain a steady enough flow as to equal the evaporation and ground saturation processes. Little odor results in this method, Everts said.

Panel Discussion  
Those participating in a panel discussion on "Single Greatest Obstacle or Problem to Overcome in the Next Five Years—Except Money" felt that recruiting of properly qualified and trained personnel is the most difficult task facing public health officials.

One reason for this is that the public health training program is not promoted or supported by private industry or the government. Industry now is even recruiting people from high school, it was pointed out.

Salaries will have to be raised and security benefits increased to meet the competition with private industry, a panelist said.

Community Interest  
Another problem is to get community interest and community awareness of all ramifications of public health. The public must be made to realize how public health benefits and influences their daily lives.

Participating on the panel were Dr. Charles Newberry, health officer of the Washington county; C. Eugene Fields, senior sanitarian, Coos County health

department; Keith Putman, supervisor, vital statistics section, state board of health; Marjorie Paul, registered nurse, Klamath county health department; Gene Malecki, executive director, Oregon Heart association.

Dr. Charles F. Blankenship, western regional medical director, Public Health Service, summarized the conference. He said the state board of health and the county health departments in Oregon are doing an acceptable job compared with the rest of the United States. Possibly one reason for Oregon's effective program is that it emphasizes the immediate needs instead of a long range program as in the east, it was explained. It is geared to actual community needs.

## Wrapping Class Is Set at High School

A gift wrapping class is scheduled at Medford High school under the sponsorship of the adult education program of the Medford school system.

Students will be taught how to wrap boxes of various sizes, how to wrap boxes to meet post office regulations and other factors necessary to wrap good packages, according to Lindsey M. Vinsel, director of the adult program.

The gift wrapping class will be held between 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. Wednesdays, beginning on Nov. 6. The class will run for three weeks in room 13 of the high school. The class will be taught by Mrs. Otto Ewaldsen. Registration will be at the first class meeting.

Students are asked to bring tissue paper, gift paper, crinkle ribbon, scissors, scotch tape, glue and an assortment of boxes to class, Vinsel said.

An insurance class is also scheduled for the adult program. It will be held on Wednesdays between 7 and 9 p.m. in room 242 of the high school. The class will last for 15 weeks.

Casualty insurance and surety bonds will be stressed in the class. Registration will take place at the first class meeting Nov. 6, according to Gordon MacKenzie, instructor.

### FLU VACCINE RATED

Washington — Defense Department studies showed Saturday that vaccines were from 42 to 75 per cent effective against Asian flu at military bases. Effectiveness of the vaccines varied in most cases according to their strength which ranged from 200 to 750 units.

## JACKSONVILLE

### Firemen Plan Annual Ball

By BETTE HOSKINS

Jacksonville — The Jacksonville volunteer firemen are sponsoring a Fireman's Ball at the Jacksonville Community hall, Nov. 9 from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m.

Last year's Firemen's Ball gave volunteers sufficient funds to purchase needed equipment, and firemen have earned money during the year to carry on several activities, but most of their funds have been derived from their annual ball. Open house also will be held Nov. 9 at the firehall between 8 p.m. and midnight.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Maddux returned last week from a month's vacation trip. They toured the friends and relatives in Texas, southern states and visited and spent two weeks visiting in southern California.

Funeral services were held last Friday for a former longtime Jacksonville resident, Fred W. Bartley, at the Hargadine cemetery in Ashland. Mr. Bartley came to Jacksonville in 1889 and was a mail carrier until 1930 after which he drove a taxi between Jacksonville and Medford.

He and his wife, Florence, resided on South Third st. for many years. After the death of

## Ex-Governor Dies In Portland Home

Portland — Former Governor Jay Bowerman died at his home here at 2834 Southeast Carlton street Friday night at the age of 81. Death followed the third in a series of coronary attacks.

He had served as governor from June 17, 1919, to Jan. 8, 1911, succeeding to the executive's post from his office as president of the state Senate. He was a Republican.

Subsequently, he was active in promoting the state's first highway construction bond issue in 1917 and worked for passage of Oregon's pari-mutuel wagering law, insisting that racing revenues be used for support of county fairs.

Mr. Bowerman was born in Hesper, Ia., Aug. 15, 1876, and was a graduate of Willamette University. He was admitted to the state bar at the age of 21 in 1897. He practiced law for 12 years at Condon, and was elected to the Senate from that district. He served during the Spanish American war.

Survivors include the widow, the former Wayne Hockett of Eugene; two daughters, Mrs. William Hall Washington, D.C., and Mrs. Richard Rathbun, Joseph; and two sons, University of Oregon Track Coach Bill Bowerman, Eugene; and Dan Bowerman, Santa Rosa, Calif., a west coast newspaperman.

## Medford visiting at the Jacksonville church last week were the Rev. and Mrs. Lowell Dowdy from Chile, South America; brother and sister A. E. Lindvall from El Salvador, N. Central America, and the Rev. and Mrs. Harry Downey, veteran missionaries from the Congo, here they have had three terms on the field, and are returning to Africa to establish a new work in Tanganyika.

Foreign Missionaries from the Medford Assembly of God church convention being held in

The Band Boosters club sponsoring the Jacksonville High school band report that their project of purchasing 50 band uniforms may soon be a reality. They began the school year with \$956.75 and with added local donations now have \$1,127.23 in the Band Boosters' account. Members of the club expressed appreciation to the individuals who contributed to the Lions dinner last week helping make

it such a success. A total of \$24.50 as raised from the event. Appreciation was also expressed to Stage Coach Orchards which donated \$100. In the near future the club is planning a Harvest Luncheon. The Band Boosters club is made up of mothers of the band members and other local individuals who are interested in supporting the Jacksonville High school band.

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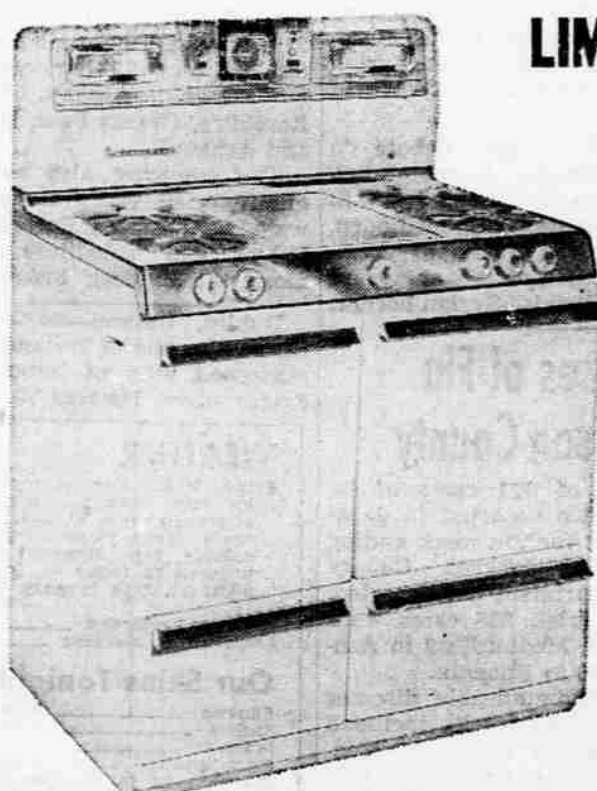
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