

**Capitol News Letter**

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 departments were forced to appear before the state emergency board last week and ask for emergency appropriations to continue work of their departments.  
 The board obliged with a total of \$53,772.18.  
 The state penitentiary was granted \$30,000; Hal E. Hoss secretary of state was given \$2,000; the forestry department, \$7,242.52; state engineer's office \$4,961; reclamation commission \$3,240; printing board \$4,506.91; and board of horticulture \$1,521.75.

The state highway commission will award contracts for 13 highway projects in Oregon at its meeting in Portland October 30.

Bids are being called as fast as possible for new work on the Roosevelt coast highway and the latest award includes construction of 13.6 miles of crushed gravel surfacing on the Lakeside-North Bend section and 8.3 miles of grading on the Lincoln county line-China creek section, of that highway. The call for bids also includes 9.3 miles of surfacing on the Hendricks Bridge-Doyle Hill section of the McKenzie highway; regrading 9.65 miles and resurfacing 8 miles of Eagle Point-Trail section of Crater Lake highway. There were other highway projects to be awarded as well as construction of four shop and storage buildings.

It is bad policy to mingle unsophisticated youths with the hardened criminals at the state penitentiary, and state laws provide the governor with discretionary powers to have such youths who are convicted of their first offense, transferred from the prison to the reform school. Governor Norblad has taken advantage of that law and transferred John Hutchinson, 18-year old Union county boy, to the reformatory.

However, it is not the custom to send murderers to the reform school and prison authorities now have two youngsters under 17 years of age in the "big house" serving terms for murder. One of them was admitted last week, Dale Lawson, 16, of Polk county, who pleaded guilty to slaying his benefactress, Mrs. Harriet Dickinson, of Independence, because she would not let him have the family automobile for one night. Rex Meade, now 17, has completed two years of a life sentence for murder in Multnomah county.

This country was in the World War for 19 months and 367 Oregon men were killed in action. During the same length of time—the past 19 months—305 Oregon men were "killed in action" while employed in Oregon industries, according to the state industrial accident commission.

An even 200 men lost their lives in this state during the last fiscal year ending June 30, 1930, in the following work: logging 101, road construction 13, quarries 12, farms 8, building construction 7, miscellaneous 37.

Causes of injuries were classified: falling snags and limbs 41, crushed by logs 28, falls from scaffolds and other heights 19, blasts 16, logging trains 14, struck by lines 9, trucks and cars 5, infections 5, electrocuted 4.

The state's compulsory school law has brought new problems and added responsibilities to state educators, according to Paul T. Jackson of Klamath Falls, president of the Oregon high school principals' association, at its annual convention here.

"The compulsory education law has brought into the schools not only the truant and incorrigible, who under former conditions either left early or were expelled, but also many children who do not profit by ordinary classroom procedure," Jackson said. "If these are in the same classes with normal children, they retard the progress of the whole class."

She married him in jail but now she wants him released so she can enjoy wedded felicity. Mrs. Inez Nelson Hart married Jack Hart though the bars of Multnomah county jail after he had been sentenced to nine months for stealing a camera. She has asked Governor Norblad to release him, stating that her husband did not steal the camera but it was given to him by a "friend" who had stolen it.

The state traffic officer and a motorcycle are always identified together in the mind of the motoring public. As a matter of fact, automobiles are far more popular among the officers. There are 46 automobiles and only 17 motorcycles now in use in the state traffic division, according to Hal E. Hoss, secretary of state. What's more, automobiles are being purchased instead of motorcycles when new equipment is added. Automobiles pro-

vide more comfort and safety, are of more value on muddy, rutted or graveled roads or on slippery pavement.

Acting on the recommendations of Arthur M. Fish, chief of the law enforcement for state game department, Warden D. T. Godsil, Lakeview, and W. B. Fellows, of Baker, were dismissed by the state game commission for incompetency.

Former state senator Charles R. LaFollette, Washington county, member of the illustrious LaFollette family of Wisconsin statesmen, must serve the six months jail sentence for non-support of family, the state supreme court has decreed in an opinion affirming the sentence of Judge Stevenson of Multnomah county.

"The case was fairly submitted to the jury," the decision said. "An examination of the record up one side and down the other convinces us there is no reversible error."

When proponents of a referendum on a legislative enactment increasing salaries of Benton county officials failed to secure a ballot title from the attorney general, they lost their chance to have the referendum placed on the November ballot, the state supreme court ruled in reversing Judge G. F. Skipworth.

ASTORIA—The coast guard is obliged to relieve fish as well as boats. They are standing by to free a 30 foot whale when he goes aground. That was the fate of the last whale.

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**OREGON NEWS ODDITIES BY UNITED PRESS**

MARSHFIELD—"Ham and" cried firemen as they fought flames in the Union market one night recently. Hams, bacon and other picnic meats worth \$500 were destroyed.

SALEM—Pretty soft. Officers here pick their criminals off bushes like berries. When a youth failed to heed an officer's command to get out of the bushes, he ran for cover. They were blackberries. He became caught, suspended in air. He was arrested leisurely.

WARRENTON—J. W. Dandeen set forth to hunt. Crossing his orchard, he found a bear eating his apples. The hunt ended at once.

SALEM—C. B. McCullough paid a fine under protest. He asked for a receipt on the finest quality paper so he could frame it. Officials replied receipts were not made with the thought of potential framing.

BEND—Burl Graham kicked both verbally and physically. His wife said so in court. Instead of a divorce, the judge fined Burl \$50 per kick.

SALEM—The high school rally and serpentine snaked through a local theatre joyously. Many students slipped quietly into seats, viewed the show. "We hope you understand why we must henceforth refuse admittance to serpentes," wrote the manager to the school board.

DIVORCES ON INCREASE  
 SALEM—(UP)—A four and one-tenth per cent increase in the number of divorces granted

Oregonians in 1929 over 1928, was shown in a report made by the federal department of commerce.

During 1929, a total of 3,179 persons were granted divorces as compared to 3,053 in 1928. There were 3.38 per cent divorces granted every 1,000 persons during the last year as compared to 3.30 per cent per 1,000 in 1928. California showed the heaviest increase of the coast states Washington showed a decrease of 1.5 per cent.

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(Statement of 191 Oregon citizens in official Voters' Pamphlet)

**Six Jokers in the Amendment**

- 1 District can be pieced together like a crazy quilt, out of patches of "territory, contiguous or otherwise, in one or more counties."
- 2 Districts can "levy taxes upon the taxable property of such districts," with no limit on the amount of taxes that may be levied.
- 3 Districts can "issue, sell and assume evidences of indebtedness," with no limit on the amount or kind of debts to be "issued" or assumed."
- 4 Districts can take over and "assume" defaulted bonds of insolvent irrigation districts, and load these debts on to other property.
- 5 Districts can and must make up all losses in higher taxes, in higher water and electric rates, or both, without check or limitation.
- 6 Five directors can exercise all these autocratic powers, with all bars against extravagance and oppressive burdens removed.

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(Paid Adv.—Utility Taxpayers Committee, H. L. Walther, Manager, 206 Sixth Street, Portland.)

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