

STATE CAPITOL NEWS
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SALEM, OR.—Reiterating his determination to protect Oregon workmen in their right to work regardless of labor affiliations Governor Martin sent State Police to Coquille Friday to preserve law and order in a controversy raging between C.I.O. and A.F. of L. members.

According to the governor a group of 90 C.I.O. members were attempting to interfere with a much larger group of A. F. of L. members employed in a Coquille separator plant. State police were being sent to the scene, he said, only after local peace officers had failed to preserve order.

C. I. O. leaders in Portland charged the governor with "showing bias" in favor of A. F. of L. affiliates. Replying to this charge the governor denied that he was showing any favoritism and was not concerned with the jurisdictional fights be-

between the rival labor organizations.

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In spite of the fact that President Roosevelt has declared PWA handouts to be at an end the State Board of Control this week filed formal application for \$90,000 in federal funds to help finance a new tuberculosis hospital to be constructed in Multnomah county under authority of an act of the last legislature. Hopes for success of the application hinges largely on the fact that a similar application was filed by the state back in 1933 under the old Federal Emergency administration. Plans have been drafted for a 100 bed hospital to cost \$200,000. The legislature appropriated \$110,000 in state funds toward the project.

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Three profitable years for the state fair has made it possible to wipe out the bonded debt of \$27,000 inherited by the present administration and put \$50,000 into new buildings. Solon T. White, director of agriculture, told Governor Martin this week. The last of the bonds issued to finance the grand stand at the race track, a block of \$22,500 was called in this week according to White. The only remaining indebtedness of the fair is represented by a loan of \$78,000 from the state's general fund which is to be paid back out of profits of the fair without interest. Bonds for the grand stand were issued in 1929.

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School districts in the territory served by the Portland General Electric company will buy their lighting service at a flat rate of two cent per kilowatt hour under a new schedule approved this week by N. G. Wallace, public utilities commissioner. It is estimated the new rate, which becomes effective October 1, will save school district in PGE territory approximately \$18,000 a year.

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Income tax collections in Oregon this year will exceed the five mil-

lion dollar mark, according to members of the tax commission. Last half payments which are due before October 1 have been coming in better than the commission had expected.

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Permits for the burning of brush and slash in Oregon's forested areas will be required until December 31 unless the requirement is waived prior to that date through proclamation of the governor J. W. Ferguson, state forester, warned this week. Although there have been a few light rains over the state the fire menace is by no means ended, Ferguson said.

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A strike of union carpenters which threatened to tie up work on the new nurses home at the eastern Oregon state hospital at Pendleton has been amicably settled, it was reported to the board of control. The carpenters objected to the employment of non-union plumbers on the job.

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Discontinuance of PWA grants may prove fatal to 16 highway projects included in this year's program, according to R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer. The projects represent a total estimated cost of more than \$1,000,000 of which the Public Works administration was to contribute 45 per cent.

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The feud which has been brewing between Governor Martin and R. N. Stanfield over blocking of the state's scattered school lands may lead to the courts. This week the State Land Board received a letter from K. W. Kivette, Stanfield's secretary, indicating that Stanfield may refuse to pay the second half of his lease money on 118,820 acres of this grazing land which he bid several months ago. The claim amounts to \$1235. Kivette in his letter to the Land Board said that Governor Martin's threat to cancel the Stanfield lease and his declaration that the Land Board would not permit of sub-leasing of the land had resulted in monetary loss to Stanfield on the leases. The governor denied that he had ever made any such threats or statements and the clerk of the board was instructed to take steps looking to the collection of the lease money.

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The Oregon Unemployment Compensation commission has leased the entire second floor of the old Salem high school building and will move into the new quarters as soon as remodeling now under way is completed. Although one of the state's newest departments this commission promises to become one of the state's largest bureaus within a short time. Payment of insurance to temporarily jobless men and women will not begin until the first of the year.

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physical examinations as a preliminary to the issuance of a marriage license. Of the three proposed constitutional amendments one would fix the pay of legislators at \$8 a day for a maximum of 50 days, reducing traveling expenses from 15 cents to 10 cents a mile; another would give the governor 20 days after the adjournment of a legislative session in which to pass on bills left on his desk; the third would repeal the requirements for double liability on the part of stockholders in state banks.

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Milton Miller of Portland suggested to the Board of Control this week that the statue of the pioneer which is to top the new capitol building be placed to face toward Champeog so as to give added significance to that historic shrine. The suggestion was referred to the Capitol Reconstruction Commission by the board which denies any responsibility for the new building.

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A proposed initiative measure designed to purify Oregon's streams is nearly completed according to State Treasurer Rufus C. Holman, president of the Oregon Stream Purification League which will sponsor the measure. State Senator Byron G. Carney of Clackamas county, is assisting in drafting the measure.

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A new candidate for Congress appeared this week in the person of from the First Oregon district A. C. Burk, Marion county's sheriff whose friends are grooming him for the Democratic nomination. Burk admits that he is giving the suggestion "serious consideration" but declares that he has not yet made up his mind.

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Two Types of Loans

Master borrower loans enable small groups of farm families to have cooperative use of purebred sires, harvesters, feed grinders, hay balers, pressure cookers, or any facilities that will contribute toward more efficient farming operations and rehabilitation of families unable to afford such services on an individual basis. The entire loan is either made to one master borrower with the other families signing agreements to use the services at a minimum fee, or the loan is made to the group with each family signing for its interest in the service.

GRASSES CONTINUE OUTSTANDING

CANYON CITY—An inspection of the Wickiup grass nursery and grazing plots late in August showed the same grasses continuing to give the best account of themselves, says County Agent R. E. Brooke. In the nursery plots there were, in order, smooth bromegrass, crested wheat grass, quack grass and slender wheat grass. In the grazing plots smooth brome grass and quack grass continue to show their value for this purpose. The bunch grasses have more or less disappeared, except where the plots were opened to grazing late in the season, Brooke said.

LIME WITH SWEET CLOVER PAYS

ROSEBURG—Results of planting sweet clover with lime using a discarded grain drill were seen recently on the farm of E. J. Crawford when County Agent J. R. Parker H. A. Lindgren extension livestock spec-

alist and a number of farmers visited the farm. Plantings made in 1936 on the land where alfalfa had drowned out stood as high as a man's head and had a heavy growth of seed. A crop planted in 1937 on a hill slope farmed for several years to small cereals stood at 8 to 12 inches high with a good color at the time of inspection.

CROSS FURROWS USED IN ORCHARDS

CORVALLIS—The value of fur-

rows plowed across the slope on a grade that will permit carrying off surplus run-off of fall and winter moisture without washing is becoming increasingly apparent to owners of cultivated hillside orchards, say extension specialists at O.S.C. These furrows are usually made following fall cover crop seeding. A safe grade for the furrows depends on the soil type, but usually does not exceed one-half of 1 percent, or 6 inches to 100 feet.

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