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Democratic national committeeman, Martin's stand on President Roos- iticians."

Nyssa, Oregon

A Timely Tip

SALEM, ORE.—Bonneville may eye with the president in the matfrom his previously declared stand This was clearly indicated this on Bonneville rates. To which the week when Howard Latourette, governor facetiously remarked that "there will be Bonneville power for opened his campaign for the gov- all candidates by election time and ernorship with a blast at Governor at rates within the reach of all pol-

evelt's power policy. A statement by President Roosevelt's visit to the governor that he saw eye to Bonneville not only touched off the

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gubernatorial campaign here in covering the subject. Both are en- 4-H CLUB WINNERS ENJOY Oregon . It brought a lot of other abling measures. They were includcandidates out of hiding to flutter ed in a grist of "New Deal" legisla-Carl Donaugh or Elton Watkins, both Portland, and both regarded as ambitious to contest Willis Mahoney for the right to represent the Democratic party in the senatorial campaign to unseat Frederick Steiwer who was unable to attend the Bonneville gathering because of a convenient hunting trip in eastern Oregon.

A total of 1488 motorists arrested during July for various infractions of the state's traffic laws conrtibuted nearly \$11,600 in fines to the public purse, according to a report by Chas. P. Pray, superintendent of state police. Fifty-nine drivers charged with drunkenness were fined an aggregate of \$4688.

Present indications are that there will be no state tax levy against property next year, thanks to increased collection of income taxes. Revenues from this source to date exceed \$5,000,000, topping tax commission estimates by nearly \$1,000,-000. A mopping up campaign to be carried on by the commission to catch the laggards and dodgers is confidently expected to produce another \$200,000. If 1938 collections base on 1937 incomes, can be depended on to continue at the 1937 lands. level it will be possible not only to wipe out the property levy within and without the constitutional six surplus for support of the common schools if and when the legislature sets up the machinery for apportioning this surplus among the several counties.

Pin ball machines and slot machines are gambling devices designed to attract the patronage of the ignorant and the simple, Attorney General Van Winkle declared in a brief filed with the supreme court this week in support of the state's appeal from the decree of Judge Walker of Polk county who had dismissed two suits brought aaginst C. C. Coats. The appeal puts the legality of these devices squarely up to the supreme court for the first time since the drive was launched to outlaw these machines more than a year ago.

Uncle Sam stands ready to construct the transmission line for distribution of Bonneville power, in the opinion of Governor Martin. The governor said that he gathered this impression in his conversation with President Roosevelt on his visit to Oregon last week.

\_I\_ SALEM, ORE.—Thitry-one persons lost their lives in fires in Oregon during the first six months of 1937, it was reported this week by Hugh H. Earle, state insurance commissioner. Eigthy-eight other persons were injured in fires during the same period.

There were a total of 2184 insured fire losses during the six month period with losses totalling \$1,200,-215, reports compiled by Earle show. Approximately two-thirds of the 2184 blazes were in dwellings although these losses represntd only one-sixth of the total.

Careless smokers accounted for 482 of the 2y84 fires to head the list of causes. Other major causes include overheated and defective chimneys and stoves, sparks and open fires.

Oregon's bonded debt was reduced this week to \$46,585,010 when State Treasurer Holman sent \$2,-568,699 back to New York City to pay principal and interest due or this debt load. The total debt is nearly \$20,000,000 under the peak, reached on January 1, 1928 since which time it was gradually reduced year after year.

State officials refuse to "view with alarm" reports from the national capital to the effect that Oregon is one of 18 states which failed to comply with the requirements of the Wagner slum-clearance and low cost housing program. Oregon has two measures on its statute books

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for the time being in the reflected tion sent out from Washington by glory of the nation's chief executive. Scretary Ickes last January. They E. J. Griffith, WPA admiinstrator provide that if and when the need and chairman of the committee on might arise the counties and cities arrangements, found it necessary to of the state may set up housing deny rumors that he was laying his commissions to cooperate with the political lines as a candidate for federal government. The fact that United States senator, but no such no county or city has set up such a denial was forthcoming from either commission is taken here as indicative of the fact that no need for slum-clearance or low cost of housing has arisen.

> Oregon is taking a flier in oil. The State Land Board this week authorized Lewis Lilly, Boise oil operator, to drill on a half section of school land in Malheur county, one mile south of Vale. If oil is found in paying quantities the state will receive one-eighth of the output but even Lilly admits that the venture is one of the "wildest of wildcat schemes."

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Peace once more reigns in the State Land Board where differences of opinion over the blocking of school lands recently threatened to disrupt the wonted harmony of that organization. At a meeting this week with only Governor Martin and State Treasurer Holman present it was tentatively agreed to adopt the banquet and dance was arranged compromise plan on blocking sub- Tuesday evening with bank officials mitted by W. B. Snider and R. N. and members of the judging com-Stanfield. The compromise plan provides for blocking state school lands into compact bodies of not less than ten sectins in each block. If ific International Wednesday for enough stockmen indicate an inter- the 4-H Club auction of fat stock est in the proposal negotiations will be started for exchange of the state honor, the group was scheduled to lands for federally owned grazing return home. Rooms were reserved

his 74th birthday Friday is the next maintained. percent limit but to pile up a small to the oldest governor in the United States. Governor Wilbur L. Cross Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Thrasher, built of Connecticutt was 75 on April 10, upa fine 4-H record which includes last. Governor Martin spent his outstanding work in clothing, cookbirthday in his office receiving ing, canning and homemaking proscores of congratulations and well jects. At Malheur county fairs she wishes by letter, telegram and in has taken a number of prizes and person.

> A 40-acre tract on the John Day Union Pacific scholarship. highway 15 miles north of Dayville is to be preserved as a state park. The tract which contains a large de- week in the land products division. posit of fossil belongs to James He has been declared corn raising Moore, Dayville stockman, who has champion of Malheur county, and agreed to trade it to the highway department for another tract of equal acreage.

OREGON POLICE SCHOOL COMMENDED BY EXPERTS

University of Oregon, Eugene, October 6-The police training program, carried on in 11 Oregon cities last spring under the direction of the bureau of municipal research of the University of Oregon and a number of cooperating agencies, has been warmly commended by August Vollmer, professor of police atministration at the University of California and one of the world's foremost authorities in this field.

In a letter just received by Herman Kehrli, director of the bureau, Mr. Vollmer expresses keen interest in the work in Oregon, and offers to cooperate in any way he can.

PORTLAND TRIP

Lucille Thrasher and James Nichols, Nyssa, winners of the Malheur county division of the 4-H Club Achievement and Leadership contest, were in Portland this week with 72 other outstanding 4-H members as guests of The First National Bank of Portland during the Pacific International Exposition on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

The two arrived in Portland in time for the opening of the official schedule Monday noon with a special luncheon at the Chamber of Commerce. A remote control address of welrome by Mayor Carson was a highlight of the program, followed by the first visit to the Livestock Exposition grounds.

All were guests at a 4-H Clob banquet in Penney Hall that evening, later taking part in a great 4-H parade preceeding the horse show, which they attended as guests of the

host bank.

Tuesday was filled with visits to The First National Bank building, Swan Island airport, the Sanctuary of Our Sorrowful Mother ,a local industrial plant and to the Exposiition again where many had entries in 4-H and open divisions. A mittees present to honor the win-

Following a final visit to the Pac and a luncehon planned in their for th entire party of visitors during their stay in a leading Portland Governor Martin who celebrated hotel, where headquarters were also

Miss Thrasher, the daughter of has held two 4-H summer school scholarships, as well as the 1936

Jim Nichols expected to have a corn exhibit at the Exposition this

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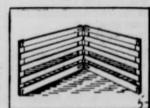
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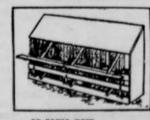
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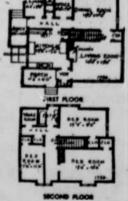
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