

**STATE CAPITOL NEWS**  
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**SALEM, Ore.**—Any doubt as to Governor Martin's attitude toward a second term were set at rest this week by the appearance of buttons bearing the governor's picture and the slogan, "Reelect Governor Martin." While the governor has not publicly proclaimed his candidacy he did admit to newspapermen that he "would like to remain governor as long as possible." Supporters of the governor feel that his chances for the Democratic nomination have been substantially increased by the dissent in the ranks of the anti-administration forces while reports from over the state indicate that Martin stock has risen several points on the strength of the recent round-up of labor gangsters.

Secretary of State Earl Snell has promised the suspense that has centered around his political intentions with a statement before this week is ended—probably for Sunday morning release. Speculation around the state house centers on two guesses: that Snell will either be a candidate for a second term in his present office or that he will make a try for the republican nomination for United States senator, leaving the gubernatorial field open for some other candidate, probably State Treasurer Holman who appears to be the best bet the Republicans have for that position.

**State Sanitary Authority**  
A proposal to set up a state sanitary authority is contained in an initiative measure preliminary copies of which were filed with Secretary of State Snell this week. The measure is sponsored by the Stream Purification League of Oregon of which State Treasurer Rufus Holman is president; Mrs. Hal D. Patton of Salem, vice-president, and Senator Byron G. Carney of Milwaukie, chairman of the committee on legislation. The proposed sanitary authority would consist of the state health officer, state engineer, chairman of the state fish commission and three members to be appointed by the governor, one from each Congressional district. If sufficient signatures are secured to the petition the measure will be on the November ballot.

**National Guard Gets Honors**  
The Marshfield, Cottage Grove, Ashland and Klamath Falls units of the 249th Coast Artillery corps have been given "excellent" rating by the war department according to information received by Major General George A. White. The rating was based upon the work done by these batteries in big gun firing at Fort Stevens during the annual maneuvers last June.

**Building for State Fair Grounds**  
Improvements scheduled for the State Fair grounds this year include a new administration building, 40 by 100 feet in size, to be located at the west entrance. The building which will replace the one razed a few years ago will be erected as a WPA project.



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**Benefit Payments**  
Social security payments to Oregon beneficiaries during January set a new high record. Checks in payment of assistance to the aged, persons on relief, blind and dependent children clearing through the state treasury department during the first ten days of February aggregated \$288,425.37. State Treasurer Holman reported.

**Trucks and Busses**  
A total of 10,427 trucks and busses operating in Oregon during 1937 paid a total of \$1,094,249 in fees to the public utilities commission, according to a report by N. G. Wallace, utilities commissioner. Gross revenues of trucks and busses operating under state permits aggregated \$4,903,484 for the year, Wallace reported.

**Overhaul Tax System**  
Oregon's tax system is in need of a complete overhauling, Governor Martin declared in an address before a group of real estate men at Salem last week. The governor did not point out any specific reforms he might have in mind for the tax system but pointed out that an interim commission created by the last legislature was now at work on that problem.

**More Politics**  
Decision of Secretary of State Snell to certify a short term United States senatorship on the November ballot is expected to bring out a number of candidates for this post. Snell's decision was based upon the oral opinion by Attorney General Van Vinkle reiterating an old opinion given in 1918 holding that senators appointed by the governor to fill a vacancy held office only until the date of the general election. The short term senator will draw pay from November 8 until January 31 in spite of the fact that he will have no duties to perform unless Congress should meet in special session.

**And Still More**  
In spite of emphatic denials by Utilities Commissioner Wallace that a purge of Republican employees is pending in his department rumors of a pending shake-up in the utilities organization exist. These rumors center largely around the head of E. A. Landis, supervisor of the motor vehicle division, a republican who was brought into the organization by Frank C. McColloch when he took over the department at the time of the change in the state administration in 1935. It is known that a number of "deserving" Democrats have been looking with longing eyes at Landis' job which is regarded as a particularly juicy plum. Should Landis be removed, however, it will be for some good cause other than political expediency under the announced policy of Commissioner Wallace.

**Bank Deposits Down**  
Bank deposits in Oregon are once more on a pre-depression level, according to Mark Skinner, state superintendent of banks. Deposits in all banks in the state, as of December 31, totalled \$306,434,135.28 compared to the all-time high record of \$307,861,645 reached at the time of the December 31, 1928, call. In the meantime, however, there has been a material shrinkage in the number of state banks which decreased from 149 in 1928 to 49 at the time of the last call. Liquidations, consolidations and purchase by national banks accounts for the loss of the 100 state banks.

**Flax Seed Report**  
Oregon flax growers grossed an average of \$44.80 an acre on their 1937 crop. L. L. Laws, manager of the state flax plant told Governor Martin in a report this week. Flax yields in the Willamette valley last year averaged 1.6 tons to the acre.

**Farm Labor**  
An early spring with a big demand for seasonal labor in Oregon is predicted by John E. Cooter, farm placement director for the state employment service. Cooter urges farmers to avail themselves of the free employment service in meeting their needs for labor.

**Jobless Insurance**  
Approximately 35 per cent of the

more than 50,000 jobless workers who have filed claims for unemployment insurance are found to be ineligible for unemployment benefits according to D. A. Bulmore, administrator for the commission. Many of these applicants are found to have been farm workers or domestics in private homes who are not eligible to insurance, or seasonal workers whose earnings during the last employment year were not sufficient to entitle them to benefits.

**OWYHEE**

Owyhee Dramatic club held its regular meeting last Wednesday at the school house.

Mesdames Mildred Hite and Charlott Kygar will entertain the Owyhee Community club this week owing to illness in the Klingback home.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bradley and Alta called at the Bill Leigh home in Parma Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Marty McKim and son Denny and daughter Betty Lou returned home from Coulee Dam where Marty had been working.

Mrs. Jim Kirkland who has been ill is slowly recovering.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie McGinnis were supper guests of the Wm. Peutz family Saturday.

Oral Hite contracted to haul hay for Jim Liddle from the Pete Glascock ranch.

Verla May Wolf was an overnight guest of Udith Douglas Sunday.

The Little Citizens League of the upper room in the Owyhee school entertained the intermediate grades at a Valentine party last Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Fred Boness entertained the Merry Matrons club Wednesday. Mesdames Bertha Culbertson and Gladys were guests from this district.

Chas. Schweizer who has been in the Veterans hospital in Boise returned to his home Friday much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Franklin and daughter Trula and their house guests Mr. and Mrs. Louis Patterson were visitors in Caldwell Monday.

The Chas. Culbertsons moved to their new home on the Klingback ranch.

Kenneth McDonald and Emery Huffman were dinner guests of Mrs. Martha Klingback from Homedale Sunday.

The taffy pull planned by the Dramatic club will be indefinitely postponed.

Mrs. Maltzberger of Oregon Trail and Mr. Frank Crocker were honor guests at a birthday dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crocker Thursday evening. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Van Maltzberger and family, Earl Crocker and family Hamilton Claunch, Don Haley, Russell Pattand and Joe and Cal, the banjo player and singer from the CCC camp.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. McKim and children from Grand Coulee are here for a short visit with Mrs. McKim's parents, E. E. Crocker and grandparents, J. B. Coulter and Mr. McKim's parents of Vale.

Boise visitors Saturday were Misses Verna Mitchell and Nadine Crocker and Messrs. Leslie Crocker and Russell and Clayton Patton.

Mr. and Mrs. Winnie Unwin and family spent Sunday at the Earl Crocker home. In the evening the Frank Crocker family were callers.

**OWYHEE 4-H CLUB WORK**  
4-H clubs of the Owyhee school have been organized and are going along nicely with their work.

We have a Coking Club with fourteen members, led by Mrs. John Hite. They met at the school house on Friday afternoon last and will continue to meet on Friday afternoons.

The Dairy Calf club also met on Friday afternoon. This club has six members, both boys and girls, and the local leader is Mr. Neil Dimmick.

Mr. E. E. Crocker is leader of our Pig club composed of seven members.

This is Owyhees first year to carry on the Rose and Flower Garden club. Although we have not had a club in this project before it has been taken individually by Doris Klingback who is local leader for the club. Mrs. Charles Schweizer is acting leader for Doris until her return from OSC where she is attending college.

Carrying on the health work of the school curriculum are two Health clubs, one in each of the two upper rooms. They have been organized for some time and are led by the teachers, Mrs. Schweizer and Mrs. Chadwick.

Besides these standards clubs, Owyhee has four small girls taking Cooking I individually and three boys raising lambs for the sheep club project. A very large percentage of the boys and girls of the Owyhee school are engaged in 4-H activities.

We are also happy to know that two of our high school girls have been signally honored in 4-H work this year: Viola Pullen won the hundred-dollar scholarship offered each year by the Union Pacific and Betty Schweizer won the Summer school scholarship home-making project offered by the Ontario Commercial club each year.

**Newell Heights**  
BY MODERN PIONEER CLUB

Mrs. Harry entertained the Home Economics club Wednesday afternoon at which time nine ladies worked on the quilt which will be auctioned at the box social the grange is giving Friday evening at Kolony school.

Mrs. Harry Otis and her house guests, Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Dole called on the Overstreets Friday. Mrs. Dole will be remembered as Mary Wade whose parents were among the original settlers of Krugman Kolony coming very soon after her grandfather, A. G. Kingman, came. Mr. and Mrs. Dole left Sunday for Montana where Mr. Dole is an engineer on the Fort Peck dam.

Newell Heights members enjoyed Kolony Book Club when Mrs. John Holly entertained the club at her home in Adrian Saturday afternoon. After entertaining reviews, Mrs. Holly served refreshments at cleverly appointed tables.

Several Newell Heights members of P. T. A. enjoyed the Founders Day program Friday afternoon at the Kolony school.

Complimentary to their house guest, Mr. J. O. Hansen, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice L. Judd entertained at dinner and cards Tuesday evening. Other guests were Miss Joy Crummett, Miss Betty Nelson, Miss Eulah Bratton, Mr. William Wood of Coeur d'Alene, Mr. T. J. Russell and Mr. Burton Burroughs.

Mr. Williams was called to La Grande Wednesday because of the serious illness of his mother.

Mrs. Williams and son arrived from Benkleman, Nebraska this week. Mrs. Williams will be housekeeper on the Leslie Young place this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Overstreet were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Stewart near Ontario.

Buddy Rogers is slowly improving from his illness.

D. L. Anderson has been quite ill but is fully recovered.

Amos Brulotte arrived Sunday from Yakima to visit the Goulet families and to look after property interests.

At a school board meeting this week, the board accepted a stage curtain to be given by the merchants of Adrian and Nyssa. This is cheering news to those who have struggled with the old curtains.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Parker who are visiting their parents in Big Bend were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Goulet.

Mr. William Wood and T. J. Russell were diner guests in the Kurtz home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Kollen and Mrs. Cloninger of Sunset Valley called at the Kurtz home Friday.

Prayer meeting was held at the Louis Eachus home Wednesday evening.

John Liddle has moved his sheep from the Leslie Young place to the Pratt ranch. Because of the mild winter, the hay bought in this section is lasting longer than buyers anticipated.

J. O. Hansen left Wednesday for Walls Walla to spend a day with Gordon Judd who is in the Veterans hospital there. Although not a farmer Mr. Hansen decided to invest in some land here, satisfied that this section has a most promising future.

**Roses Always Appropriate**  
If a choice of flowers for a gift bothers you, send roses. They are always appropriate, and for every occasion.



**PORK CHOPS AND ESCALLOPED POTATOES**  
Brown thick pork chops in a hot skillet on top of stove. Slice potatoes in a greased casserole dish, sprinkle with flour and almost cover with milk. Place browned chops on top. Season with salt and pepper. Cover and bake in a moderate oven (350° F.) until chops and potatoes are done, about forty-five minutes.

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**Buena Vista News**

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Boyles are much improved from their recent illness.

E. L. Jamieson returned from the Veterans hospital at Boise Friday where he underwent an operation.

Geo. Cleaver bought a new A.C. tractor.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Wyckoff and Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Goodell attended a farm bureau meeting at Ontario Monday.

S. B. Hoffman returned from near Boise where he has been doing carpenter work.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Wyckoff and children visited at the Bert Bratton home Monday afternoon and the men butchered a calf.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Maw, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Goodell spent Monday evening at the Ed Nelson home helping Mr. Nelson celebrate his birthday.

Dwight, Dean and Burl Wyckoff attended the Epworth league convention at Fruitland Saturday.

There was a large crowd present at the meeting and a valentine party at the Virgil McGee home Wednesday February 16. All members received valentine gifts.

Mrs. Fred Stephen, Mr. and Mrs. James Stephen and Oliver were Ontario and Caldwell visitors Monday.

**FACTS FOR DRIVERS**  
By EARL SNELL, Secretary of State

Editors note: Traffic questions submitted to this newspaper will be answered by the Secretary of State or through this column.

**HOW CAN I FIND OUT WHEN AND WHERE TO TAKE THE TEST FOR A LICENSE?**  
State driving license examiners make regular scheduled visits to every important town in Oregon. Schedules of these visits are sent out to an official in each town visited, and county sheriffs are also supplied

with schedules. You may check up on the schedule either through one of these sources or by writing directly to Secretary of State Earl Snell in Salem. Secretary Snell will also be glad to furnish you with a copy of the Operators Manual, which will give you the information necessary for passing the written examination prior to the driving test.

**MUST I TAKE A TEST FOR A DRIVER'S LICENSE?**  
The only persons exempted from taking an examination for a driver's license are those who hold or have previously held a license in this state, are under 70 years of age and have no physical or other disability which might impair their driving capacity. Once the examination has been passed, the license may be renewed every two years without examination, except that persons over 70 must pass the vision and driving test each time they make application for renewal.

**Scene of Notorious Massacre**  
Awatovi, Arizona, was the scene of one of the most notorious massacres of the Southwest. The tiny village was one of the first Hopi centers encountered by Coronado's men in their march of 1540. The Hopi and the white men were close friends until 1680 when the Indians joined their pueblo neighbors and ejected the Spaniards. The massacre was detonated, most authorities agree, when the people of Awatovi welcomed the Spaniards back several years later in defiance of their red brothers.

**My Favorite Recipes**  
Frances Lee Barton says:

Some of us "laying it on thick" suggests a person telling a story highlighted by an unwarranted use of superlatives and unmistakable stretching of the facts; but to me it suggests only one thing: what every one who gets within reaching distance ought to do with



**Concord Grape Butter**  
4 1/2 cups (2 1/2 lbs.) pulp; 7 cups (3 lbs.) sugar; 1/2 bottle fruit pectin.  
To prepare fruit, stem about 5 pounds fully ripe grapes and crush thoroughly. Add 1/2 cup water, bring to a boil, cover, and simmer 5 minutes. Separate juice from pulp by placing hot fruit in 2-quart sieve. Run enough juice through a double layer of cheesecloth held in a small sieve to obtain 4 cups of strained juice; use for making grape jelly or grape juice. Rub grapes, from which juice has drained, through sieve to obtain pulp.  
Measure sugar and prepared pulp into large kettle, filling up last cup with excess juice or water if necessary. Mix well and bring to a full rolling boil over hottest fire. Stir constantly before and while boiling. Boil hard 1 minute. Remove from fire and stir in bottled fruit pectin. Pour quickly. Paraffin hot grape butter at once. Makes about 11 glasses (6 fluid ounces each).

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