

STATE CAPITOL NEWS
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SALEM—If Governor Sprague desires the political scalp of State Forester J. W. Ferguson—and it is pretty well understood that he does—it begins to look as though he would have to first make a few changes in the board of forestry. Ferguson, it should be understood, is an employee of the forestry board. This board is composed of nine members. The governor and the dean of the school of forestry at Oregon State college are ex-officio members of this board. The other seven members are appointed by the governor from lists supplied by seven lumber and livestock organizations. All seven serve at the pleasure of the governor.

Dean George W. Peavy of the OSC forestry school is understood to yearn for Ferguson's scalp just as greatly as does Governor Sprague. The forester, however, is fairly popular with the other seven members of the board, or at least with enough of them to retain his scalp for the time being. While the governor would like to get rid of Ferguson he hesitates to disturb the board in order to gain this end but it would not be at all surprising if the political fires now being kindled under the forester do not bring the situation to a head within the next few weeks.

DRIVERS LOSE LICENSES
Six hundred Oregon motorists have had their operators' licenses revoked or suspended already this year according to Secretary of State Earl Snell. Revocations and suspensions under the safety responsibility act totaled 458. Drunken driving accounted for 381 of the revocations.

AN ERROR THAT WAS CORRECT
The Salem printer who inadvertently substituted a "g" for a "q" in the headline announcing "Plaque in State House Will Honor Ex-Governor" wrought far better than he knew. For it has proven to be just that, a plaque to Secretary of State Snell, this plaque which admirers of former governor Martin want to place in the new capitol.

When the capitol was completed its architects advised against the addition of any embellishments other than the murals. Yielding to

the pressure of various patriotic groups, however, Secretary of State Snell set aside the first floor corridor as a "memorial hall" to which plaques and memorial tablets were to be confined. Three such plaques now adorn the walls of this corridor.

Sponsors of the Martin plaque, however, are not at all satisfied with this arrangement. The corridor is too dark and dismal for one thing and too isolated for another, they say. They want the Martin plaque placed in a more conspicuous location—preferably in the reception room of the governor's suite, Whitehouse & Church, supervising architects on the capitol, have advised Snell that this request might be acceded to without doing too much violence to the building "if it does not establish a precedent."

But that is just the rub. Snell fears that it will set a precedent. If the Martin plaque is hung in the executive suite friends of other governors will insist upon the same recognition for their idol until in time the walnut panels of the reception room will be completely hidden behind bronze plaques, even as the walls of the legislative chambers in the old capitol were cluttered up with the horrors that passed as portraits for former governors.

And there the situation rests. The plaque is ready to be placed but until the custodian of the capitol and the plaque's sponsors can get together on a location no plans can be made for its dedication.

PAGE SALLY RAND
State Treasurer Walter A. Pearson opines that it would be good advertising for the state if an attractive hostess could be employed to meet and greet visitors to the new capitol, of whom there are several hundred every day. Governor Sprague agrees with him. So also does Secretary of State Snell. But, Secretary of State Snell points out there are no funds out of which a hostess could be paid. Again Governor Sprague agrees. So also does Treasurer Pearson. So it appears, barring the advent of some philanthropist or some patriotic group willing to shoulder the cost, visiting tourists will have to find their way around the new statehouse without benefit of a hostess as they have in the past.

JOBLESS INSURANCE
Nearly \$9,000,000 in unemployment insurance has been paid out to jobless workers in Oregon since benefit payments were started 18 months ago, it was reported this week by the unemployment compensation commission.

A DUBIOUS DISTINCTION
William Winston Churchill, 91, a new arrival at the Oregon penitentiary claims two distinctions. He is the oldest prisoner ever received at the institution and he claims to be the only living man who ever shook the hand of Abraham Lincoln. Churchill also claims to have been a close friend of the James boys, notorious Missouri bandits, and to have attended the funeral of Jesse James at Liberty, Mo. Churchill was received at the Oregon prison from Jackson county to serve a term of three years for forgery. He has a long prison record including terms in the Colorado and Oklahoma penitentiaries.

PRISON FLAX PLANT
The Oregon prison flax plant is preparing to handle another normal crop this year. L. L. Laws, manager of the plant told the board of control this week. Laws says fields under contract to the state plant will yield about 4000 tons of flax straw this year.

RESEARCH DIRECTOR
Sigfrid Unander, of Portland, was added to the staff of the executive department this week as research director. Unander will function as executive secretary to various legislative interim committees and will also do research into various public problems under the direction of Governor Sprague.

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COW HOLLOW
By The Happy Farmer

Last week another family of Oklahomans arrived out here. They are relatives of Mrs. Homer Cates. They report everything burned up in southwestern Oklahoma. They say they never saw any crops at all on their road out here, across northwest Texas into Colorado until they got into the better irrigated district in central Colorado.

One third of the families in Cow Hollow are Oklahomans now and no two families knew the third family until they met in Cow Hollow.

We fear we don't fully appreciate all the abundant supply of water in the Owyhee until we hear some of these drought stricken stories.

'Tis hard to understand why people stay in those continuously drought stricken countries when the best of land with plenty of water is begging for more settlers mor population.

Sam Cate's young dog killed a porcupine the other day. It was getting dusk and Same didn't realize what was happening. He says "it was the first one I ever saw only in a show, I would of called the dog off if I had known it was a porcupine."

When he got to the house to the light where he could see the dog Mrs. Cates says, "well for heaven sakes." Same and his wife pulled quilts from all over the dog's body that night but the dog wouldn't let them get them next to his mouth. Next morning Sam (who is a veterinary) lashed the dog to a heavy steel rail and went to work getting the rest of the quilts. Sam says, "why his face looked like Santa Claus before I commenced, I don't think he will ever try to kill any more porcupines."

Russell Howell and Frank Parker are both preparing some more new land for seeding. We homesteaders will gradually keep hacking at it until eventually all the sage brush will give place to valuable farm crops.

Mrs. Clarence Niccum and kiddies have gone back to Wendell, Idaho to visit both sets of the kiddies grandparents. Clarence says, "Tis the first time I ever batched in my life, cooking wouldn't be so bad if I didn't forget to get all the pot-holders and dishrags in my pocket all the time." He is trading his wife's garden vegetables to the neighbors for bread. He says, "I just don't like to bake bread."

Arch Eastman now has a pump in his well. He says "a cool drink is mighty fine these hot days."

Chet Sage still has lots of trouble with his high dyke. Between waterings the rats fill it full of holes. These high dykes sure are a joke alright.

There has never been a combine in the Hollow yet this year. Chet Sage expects one soon.

The last of the hay in Cow Hollow is in the shock now and is expected to be in the stack before this gets in print. Chuck Share and Doc Raffington will stack the last of Cow Hollow's second cutting.

The Cow Hollow kiddies are watching the tomato vines pretty close now. With tomatoes and roasting ears just getting good and the watermelons will soon sound "plunk" Cow Hollowites will soon be feasting.

We see in the Washington news that Mr. Ickes is asking permission to hire a flock of officials, at \$9000 per year or about \$30 per day, to handle the Bonnerville power project we just hope that Mr. Ickes will include at least one highpower salesman in his "flock". Perhaps he could sell a little more of their power. So far they have sold a little less than 1/3 enough to pay one official's salary to say nothing of all the working men and all the other expenses of the project.

The Idaho Power and all the other power companies can dig down into their pockets with all the rest of us and help to make up all the rest of the loss.

NEWELL HEIGHTS
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hill announce the marriage of their daughter, Edith, to LeRoy F. Wright, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wright, of Nampa. The marriage took place July 22, at Idaho City. The young couple plan to make their home in Nampa where Mr. Wright is employed in a hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Fischer called at the Shelmer home Sunday and the two families drove to Big Bend where they joined with the Elfers family in celebrating Mrs. Elfers' birthday with a picnic dinner in the park.

Everyone is talking about the unusually fine clover seed Alvon McGinnis raised this year. It is of exceptional quality and tested 95% pure before being cleaned.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. McLaughlin of Burley and Mrs. Carrie McLaughlin and Mrs. Will Gahley of Ten Davis spent Sunday afternoon visiting in the Kurtz home.

On Wednesday Mr. and Mrs. Kurtz and Bill, Bob and Joyce Kurtz spent the day in Boise. They called at the James Morris home to see Lee Kurtz, an uncle who is ill.

Mrs. and Mrs. Ross Healey were in Ontario Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jensen and Phil Parrot of Ontario, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Ted Rogers and Buddy Rogers spent Sunday in Nampa picnicking at the park.

The two Hill families, Carl and Stanley were among the Coloradans who gathered at Big Bend park Sunday to spend the day.

Eugene Grantham of Osborne, Kas., is visiting in the Mike Woods home this week.

Marlo Anderson, Maurice Judd and Ralph Williams went to Payette on Wednesday with H. B. Williams. The boys had a fine time going through the creamery and being shown the various processes that change raw milk into marketable products.

The young folks class of the L. D. S. Sunday school are planning a party for Tuesday evening at their leaders' home, Mrs. Clifford Snyder.

LOWER BEND
Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Flesman and family and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Russell and family picnicked at the Lowe hot springs at Mitchell Butte Sunday.

Chas Witty, Bill Scott and Kie Scott attended the sale in Dixie Wednesday.

Mrs. Joe King, Mrs. Oip and Mrs. Harry Russell attended the July James meeting at the home of Mrs. George Elfers Thursday.

Mrs. M. A. Bradney of Adrian was a Sunday dinner guest at the Chas Purdy home.

Miss Florence Russell spent Friday afternoon visiting Miss Louise Hinton at her home near Adrian.

Miss Virginia Ocamico who has been staying with her aunt near Marsing returned home last week.

ADRIAN
Mrs. Geritt Muntjeweriff and Marie spent a few days this past week in the mountains above New Meadows with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Newton.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Holly and Bud left Sunday on a trip to Spokane.

Mr. and Mrs. Duke Rohland, Mr. and Mrs. Charles McConnell were guests in the Otto Wolfe home in the Owyhee Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hatch's home was the scene of a family reunion. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Hatch of Big Bend and children. Honoring Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hatch of Ontario.

Mrs. Ray Ashcraft of Nyssa spent the week end at the Bill Ashcraft home.

A stork shower was given Mrs. Ray Wron Thursday afternoon at the Charles McConnell home.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Basket of Lower Bend spent Sunday here.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Pounds of Caldwell visited Sunday with their son Glen.

Mrs. Ellen Marker of Boise is visiting her daughter and family, Mrs. Charles McConnell.

Gloria Pounds of Vale is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Pounds.

Mr. and Mrs. Tetwiller were Friday evening callers at the Frances

APPLE VALLEY
The next meeting of the Ladies Aid will be held August 24, instead of the regular date because so many members wish to attend the picnic given by the Dairymens Co-operative creamery. Meeting will be held at the church and the hostesses are Mrs. McCollum and Mrs. Warrantes. Election of officers will be part of the program.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Hubbard are the proud parents of a daughter, born Friday at the sanitarium in Caldwell.

Mrs. Charles Allen of Roswell and Mrs. Bullock and daughter of Portland spent Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Allen's daughter, Mrs. Howard Jones. Mrs. Jones had not seen her cousin for 18 years.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Pettit were Sunday afternoon callers at the R. S. MacIntyre home.

Members of the Epworth League will sponsor an ice cream social at the Apple Valley school house Monday evening. The school board will hold their regular meeting the same evening.

Several water melon patches were visited the past week and considerable damage has been reported.

Epworth League held a business meeting at the Pettit home Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Erick Peterson and Mr. and Mrs. Sunny and Ross left Sunday for McCall.

Mr. and Mrs. Gee and family spent Sunday at the Lester Kendall home in Sunset Valley.

Howard Jones returned Wednesday from a trip to the hills. Mrs. Kneffle and daughter of Boise came home with him to spend the remainder of the week.

Herb Nelson's crew dug potatoes at the Norland place Tuesday.

Miss Mary Boston came home for a short time Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Boston and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Boston and family went to Ontario Sunday and visited at the Henry Boston home.

Miss Esther Huffman and Frederick Plowhead of Caldwell were married in Caldwell August 5. Rev. Rosenberry performed the ceremony. They were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Allen Haas of Caldwell.

Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Charles Huffman served a dinner in honor of the newlyweds. After Sept. 1 they will be at home in Caldwell.

The service given by members of the Ladies Aid Sunday during worship hour at the Apple Valley church is receiving much commen-

RICHLAND
Mr. and Mrs. Norville Luek, Mrs. Minnie Luek, Johnny Luek and Miss Catherine Luek were Sunday dinner guests at the T. C. Johnson home.

The We Can 4-H club met at the home of Rev. F. A. Powell Friday afternoon.

Jean Johnson, Pat Sweaney, Jack Sweaney, Rusty and Rex Orcut were callers at the H. V. Maw home Sunday.

The members of the Richland and Buena Vista youths association in this district attended the theatre party. The girls treated the boys to the show.

Mrs. Ridder's 4-H club met at the home of Mrs. Virgil McGee Thursday.

Leaves For Vacation—Mrs. C. L. McCoy left on Tuesday for a vacation at the coast. She will be joined in Portland by her daughter Gayle and from there they will go to Seattle where she will visit her sister, Mrs. Louise Spelt.

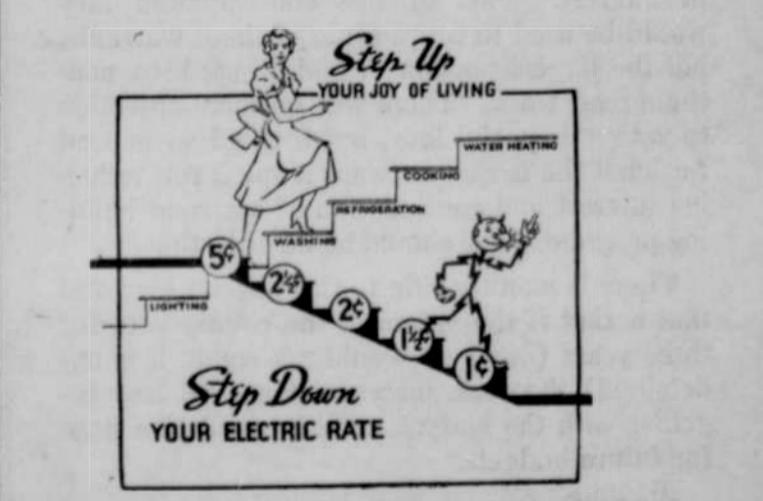
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