

LOCAL NEWS

Mr. Shirlcliffe In— E. A. Shirlcliffe, resident of Myrtle Creek, spent several hours Wednesday here waiting and on business.

Umpqua Visitor— Arthur Matthews, resident of Umpqua, spent Wednesday afternoon looking after business affairs and trading here.

Visitor Wednesday— Rev. and Mrs. E. Edman of Melrose spent the afternoon here yesterday visiting with friends and transacting business.

Mr. Schultz Here Few Days— Charles Schultz, resident of Cottage Grove, is in town for a few days attending to business interests and visiting old friends.

John Couple Married— John D. VanDyke and Zelma Farris, of Drew, were married Wednesday at Eugene by Judge G. F. Skipworth of the circuit court.

Mr. Powers Going South— A. H. Powers, well known lumberman of Powers and Marshall, visited here yesterday on his way to San Francisco on a brief business trip.

Arrives From Capital City— Mrs. G. M. Brown of Salem arrived here Wednesday afternoon from the state capital and will visit her mother and other relatives here for a few days.

Eighth Grade Exams Underway— The state eighth grade examinations are being conducted in the county, getting underway today and continuing Friday. Objective tests for history are being given this year for the first time as have been conducted for geography.

Guests at Tison Home Leave— Mrs. W. W. Wilson and little daughter of Portland have been guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Grover Tison at Dixonville for several days and last evening returned to their home in the metropolis. Mrs. Tison and Mrs. Wilson are sisters.

Leave to Visit in Eugene— Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cracroft (Nora Lander) and little daughter, Betty Byrle, who have been here for the past ten days or so visiting relatives, went to Eugene last evening. They will be guests of Mr. Cracroft's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Cracroft, before returning to their home at Cathlamet, Washington.

Visitor From Hoaglin— C. H. Erwin, resident of Hoaglin, was in this city visiting friends and transacting business for several hours yesterday.

From Myrtle Creek— Mrs. W. R. English was here from Myrtle Creek Wednesday afternoon visiting with friends and attending to business matters.

Comas Visitor— Mrs. A. J. Standley, resident of Camas Valley, spent the afternoon here Wednesday, visiting with friends and trading.

Breaks Arm in Fall— Henry Doderhoff, Myrtle Creek resident, was in Roseburg this morning for medical attention. Mr. Doderhoff broke his left arm in a fall.

From Portland Offices— Dan E. Marsters, from the Portland offices of the Oregonian, was an arrival here last evening and is spending a few days here on business.

Spent Day at Glendale— Dr. DeWalt Payne, county health officer, and Miss Helen Atwood, county nurse, spent the day at Glendale, attending to official duties.

Returns Home Today— J. H. Marston of Springfield has been visiting here with S. J. Jones for several days and is returning to the northern part of the state today.

Mr. Brown Here Today— Arthur Brown of Medford is in Roseburg today on business. He has been employed in the past as circulation supervisor of this district and is now head of the circulation crews of a larger territory for the Oregonian.

False Alarm— The Roseburg fire department was called to North Pine street today when someone telephoned in an alarm, stating that there was a bad fire at the gas plant. Billowing smoke and flames when the generator was started caused the excitement, it is believed. As the alarm was sounded, the entire membership of the department answered the call, making the false alarm quite expensive to the city.

Miss McGaughey Quite Ill— Word was received here last night from Salem by Mr. and Mrs. John McGaughey of this city that their daughter, Miss Leah McGaughey, a student at the Willamette university, was taken suddenly ill with appendicitis and underwent an emergency operation at 11 o'clock. Mr. McGaughey and another daughter, Miss Maude McGaughey, who teaches here, left immediately for the state capital. Word received this morning is that Miss McGaughey is doing as well as can be expected.

Garages Entered— Several private garages in the vicinity of East Cass and Kane street intersection were entered last night, apparently by persons intending to steal an automobile. The lock was broken from Dr. A. C. Seely's garage, and also from the garage housing cars owned by D. E. Carr and Dexter Rice. In both cases the locks were broken. The cars had been opened, but fortunately the owners had locked the gear shifts so that the machines could not be operated. So far as could be ascertained nothing was taken from the automobiles.

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Construction of beacons along the coast airway is expected to start soon after March 1, according to the latest information. The department of commerce has approved the survey recently submitted and will advertise for bids on the equipment next month. At Roseburg there will be a two-million candlepower revolving beacon on the summit of Mt. Nebo, where it will be visible for 60 or 70 miles from the air. A smaller beacon will mark the landing field north of town.

Small beacons will be placed at regular intervals along the route, with the next big light at Grants Pass and another on the summit of the Siskiyou.

Night mail flying is to be started the first of June and it is hoped to have the airway completely lighted by that time. The Roseburg airport commission is planning a short bond issue immediately after the local bonds are sold, and will expend the first money in securing boundary and flood lights and preparing runways.

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THIRD AFGHAN KING DURING THIS WEEK ONCE WATER CARRIER

(Associated Press Licensed Wire) KAHULU, Afghanistan, Jan. 17.—King Inayatullah, in whose favor Amanullah abdicated a few days ago, surrendered this morning the Kabul citadel to a superior force of the rebel "Bacha Sakao," who was proclaimed Habibullah Khan and thus became Afghanistan's third monarch this week. Bacha Sakao is merely a nickname meaning water carrier. His real name is Habibullah Khan, which is the same name as Amanullah's father, who was assassinated in 1919, although there is no relationship between the two families.

ARCHIE MUCH SENTENCED TO HANG FOR MURDER

SPOKANE, Jan. 17.—Archie Much was sentenced today to hang for the murder of Mrs. Katherine Clark of Boston, his "mail order sweetheart."

When Superior Judge William Hunecke pronounced sentence, Much merely reaffirmed his innocence. The date for execution will not be set until Much's attorneys have time to arrange for an appeal to the supreme court.

The Spokane mill worker, who is also known as Mook, was found guilty of killing Mrs. Clark with an axe, after she had been induced to come here through a matrimonial agency. The state charged that Much, who is married and has five children, described himself to Mrs. Clark as a wealthy bachelor who desired to marry her at a time she was in financial straits. She was lured here for the small sum of money she brought west with her.

PAINTING EQUIPMENT

The Shell Oil company has leased quarters at the Camp View garage north of town and has a crew of expert painters at work painting all of the company's equipment used locally. The trucks are being repainted in a new shade of blue, a decided improvement in the appearance of the machines.

FARM REMINDERS

January and early February is the best time to select scion wood for top working fruit trees, as the wood is best if taken from the tree while entirely dormant. It may be stored in a cool place until later in the spring for use after the danger of serious freezing weather is past, but before the buds start to break. Most fruits are best grafted a little early rather than a little late, finds the Oregon experiment station, although walnuts succeed best when grafted about the time the buds are opening.

Late winter or early spring had been found the best time for planting gooseberries. Early planting will determine whether or not the plant will make a good growth during the summer. Late planting does not give the plants time for developing the root system, thus retarding the growth.

Special care with Oregon sheep flocks is advisable when sudden cold snaps occur, says the experiment station, as a break or weak spot in the fleece will result in the vitality of the animal is interrupted by insufficient feed or excessive cold. A little extra care given promptly when cold weather comes will pay good dividends.

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PROMOTION GIVEN C. S. McELHINNY IN LIFE INSURANCE CO.

Charles S. McElhinny, well-known Roseburg man and local agent for the Oregon Life Insurance company, has received a promotion in the company to assistant general agent. Mr. McElhinny returned home last night from Portland and Salem where he has been spending the past two days making arrangements for his new office. A. B. Evans, who has been the agency supervisor, with Mr. McElhinny will handle the general agency in the state, having all the territory except Multnomah county. Mr. McElhinny has accomplished splendid work in the business during his local agency the past 11 years and his promotion is a fine advancement in recognition of his ability.

There will be 21 agents under the two general agencies in the state. Offices will be maintained in Salem after February 1, however, Mr. McElhinny will not move from this city until the middle of next summer, carrying on the work with Mr. Evans here and at the headquarters office. He and his family will continue to make Roseburg their home until summer. Mr. McElhinny has enjoyed a fine business in Roseburg and the county, and during his residence here has been active in civic life, holding the presidency of the Rotary club and taking an interest in community work.

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LAWMAKERS TO ALLOW STATE PRISON \$53,000

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more economy in allowing an institution head to use a lump appropriation as needed than there is in calling the state emergency board when one division of an appropriation is depleted. Under present conditions, he said, the emergency board is sometimes called even though the institution may turn back from another fund an amount equal to or greater than the emergency appropriation.

Senator Strayer insisted that ways and means committee chairmen for years have detected abuses in the use of money by heads of institutions. Kay challenged him to show where this had been done in the last four years.

"No one is accusing you, or any other member of the state board of allowing this to be done," replied Strayer.

The argument grew warm and Strayer declared that "there is no reason for making a straw man and then kicking it to pieces."

Pay for Lawmakers SALEM, Ore., Jan. 17.—The first bill to pass the legislature was house bill 142, introduced by the ways and means committee, and providing for an appropriation of \$25,000 to pay the per diem and mileage of members and other expenses of the session. It passed under suspension of the rules yesterday immediately after it had been read in the senate, though it was necessary for the senate to go into committee of the whole to make a minor amendment.

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He was born in Wisconsin where his parents settled after coming to this country from Wales 18 years ago he entered the grocery business, and conducted the local store for the greater part of that time. He was away from Roseburg for about two years, operating a store in the Willamette Valley, but returned several months ago and again made his home here.

He leaves a widow and three children, Clive, Daynise and Elsie. His father resides in Wisconsin and he is also survived by four brothers, one of whom is coming from Utah to attend the funeral services.

He was a life-long member of the Baptist church and was also quite active in the work of the I. O. O. F. lodge. Funeral services will be held at the Baptist church Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock with Rev. Matthews, pastor of the church, officiating. Interment will take place in the I. O. O. F. cemetery, where the lodge will participate in the burial service. Arrangements are in charge of J. E. Ritter, funeral director of the Roseburg Undertaking company.

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DEFORESTATION IS CRITICAL PROBLEM

The grave consequences of continued deforestation make it imperative that the federal government, the states, and the timberland owners join co-operatively in a more positive and aggressive effort to end the evils of forest devastation, according to a statement Secretary of Agriculture Jardine made in connection with comments on a pamphlet, "Deforested America," written by Maj. George P. Abern, formerly of the Philippine bureau of forestry, and one of the earliest exponents of forestry in the United States—a pamphlet widely circulated by ex-Governor Gifford Pinchot of Pennsylvania, who was chief forester during the Roosevelt administration.

The secretary's statement, as well as the Abern pamphlet, is of especial interest in Oregon and Washington, whose extensive virgin forests have been called "the last great stand" of the nation's timber supply. Also, because Washington has led the nation in lumber cut for many years, with Oregon in second place.