

18 TIMBER TRACTS BRING OVER \$51,000 AT U. S. LAND OFFICE

Fifteen out of 18 advertised timber tracts were sold by the Roseburg land office yesterday at a public sale. All of the tracts were small, the total receipts being \$51,521.61. It had been feared that due to the financial depression that many of the tracts would remain unsold, but only three were left. The buyers were as follows:

E. A. Lewis, Eugene, 74 acres, Tp. 20 S., R. 1 W., Sec. 35, Lane county, \$4,024.02.
M. Johnson, Eugene, 49 acres, Tp. 12 S., R. 4 W., Sec. 35, Lane county, \$1,462.50.
Emanuel J. Luke and William J. Shaw, Yamhill, 40 acres, Tp. 2 S., R. 5 W., Sec. 3, Yamhill county, \$201.22.
Chester A. Smith, Glendale, 120

acres, Tp. 22 S., R. 5 W., Sec. 33, Douglas county, \$2,254.50.
D. C. Kirby, Yamhill, 40 acres, Tp. 9 S., R. 1 W., Sec. 11, Yamhill county, \$2,112.32.
Ernesto Gustina, Eugene, 40 acres, Tp. 16 S., R. 7 W., Sec. 1, Lane county, \$2,419.55.
J. R. Dumas, Cottage Grove, 41 acres, Tp. 24 S., R. 3 W., Sec. 9, Douglas county, \$1,339.95.
George L. Janney, Glendale, 49 acres, Tp. 22 S., R. 5 W., Sec. 13, Douglas county, \$1,339.95.
J. L. Miller, Eugene, 80 acres, Tp. 12 S., R. 4 W., Sec. 33, Benton county, \$2,141.20.
W. C. Adams and J. C. Hise, Gresham, Oregon, 40 acres, Tp. 8 S., R. 6 W., Sec. 35, Lane county, \$2,141.20.
Wilamette Valley Lumber company, Eugene, 40 acres, Tp. 8 S., R. 3 W., Sec. 1, Polk county, \$2,262.39.
L. C. Van Housen and Vincent Metz, 40 acres, Tp. 10 S., R. 1 E., Sec. 1, Lane county, \$2,556.10.
Grissold-Grier Lumber Co., Portland, 44 acres, Tp. 17 S., R. 2 W., Sec. 7, Lane county, \$1,898.79.
Coss Day Lumber Co., Marshfield, 120 acres, Tp. 25 S., R. 12 W., Sec. 3, Coos county, \$2,234.42.
Union Lumber Co., Portland, 120 acres, Tp. 4 S., R. 6 E., Sec. 19, Clackamas county, \$3,727.44.

POSTER STAMPS TO TELL WHAT OREGON OFFERS TO WORLD

Over 6,750,000 poster stamps telling the facts and opportunities about Oregon are to be placed in circulation on out going mail through the cooperation of the state's 30,000 business and professional men in the expansion program of Oregon state chamber of commerce. It is announced by W. C. Ide, manager of the organization.

"The Oregon state chamber has committed itself to a practical and ambitious program for 1930 and through the use of Oregon poster stamps will carry on an aggressive campaign of state wide development calculated to add millions to our new wealth production annually."

"Ide said Oregon" is the keynote of the state chamber's program. The state today produces more than \$812,000,000 in new wealth annually from agriculture, mining, lumbering and manufacturing. It is the aim of the organization to conserve and effectively exploit Oregon to the world in close cooperation with local chambers and trade organizations of the state and add millions new wealth annually to the state production output.

"Three goals in attaining the objective of the program are: 'Millions new wealth from increased agricultural production.' 'Millions new wealth from industrial expansion.' 'Millions new wealth from the scenic resources of Oregon.'"

The first Oregon poster stamps are printed in four colors and have 30 different stamps to the page. At the bottom of each stamp is the following wording: "Ask for all the facts—Write our chamber of commerce." The object of this is to direct inquiries prompted by the poster stamp back to the city first from which the stamp was posted.

Copy on the first stamps is as follows: "Oregon applies—the nation's best and most delicious." "Oregon first in Pacific Northwest in prunes." "Oregon first in U. S. in hops." "Oregon where wheat often yields 60 bushels per acre." "Oregon—where you can make greater profits in dairymaking." "Oregon—where poultry pays and hens lay 300 eggs a year." "Oregon sheep lead the world in wool production." "Ask for Oregon cherries and you'll get the finest." "Oregon grows 90% of the nation's blueberries—finest, highest priced grown."

"Oregon—first in U. S. in fibre flax." "Oregon grows the nation's finest English walnuts and fil-

POSTOFFICE CLERK ACCUSED OF THEFT

PORTLAND, Dec. 9.—Raymond Damon, 32, government postal clerk, was in the county jail today charged with robbing the mail. Damon was arrested by post office inspectors yesterday as he was leaving the post office after finishing his work.

He was accused of stealing two letters containing currency, one with \$8 taken Saturday, and one with \$15 taken yesterday, shortly before his arrest.

Damon has worked as a postal clerk since 1919. He has a wife and a nine-year-old child.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Common Council of the City of Roseburg, Oregon, has called a special election of the legal voters of the City of Roseburg, which will be held on said City on Monday, the 16th day of December, 1929, for the purpose of voting upon a proposed Charter Amendment to the existing Municipal Charter of the City of Roseburg, as proposed by Ordinance No. 227, adopted by the Common Council and approved by the Mayor on the 4th day of November, 1929, which said proposed Charter Amendment is in words and figures as follows, to-wit:

Proposed Charter Amendment
BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF ROSEBURG: That Section 33 of the existing Municipal Charter of the City of Roseburg, Oregon, as enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon by "An Act to incorporate the City of Roseburg," and to repeal all acts and parts of acts in conflict therewith, to-wit: An Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the City of Roseburg," approved October 3, 1872; and an Act entitled "An Act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the City of Roseburg," approved February 23, 1889; also "An Act to amend the City of Roseburg," approved February 25, 1895; and to repeal all acts amendatory thereto, and in conflict therewith, which act was filed in the office of the Secretary of State on February 22, 1895, and as amended by vote of the people of said city at an election held May 6, 1907, and as amended by vote of the people of said city at the general election held thereon on the 5th day of October, 1914, and as amended by vote of the people of said city at an election held thereon on the 3rd day of June, 1915, and as amended by vote of the people of said city at an election held thereon on the 22nd day of May, 1916, and as amended by vote of the people of said city at an election held thereon on the 16th day of May, 1924, and as amended by vote of the people of said city at an election held thereon on the 3rd day of July, 1927, and as amended by adding to said Section 23, a subdivision to be known as subdivision

60, which shall read as follows, to-wit:

"60. The Common Council of the City of Roseburg is hereby given full power and authority to issue and sell negotiable bonds of the City of Roseburg, the principal of which shall not exceed the sum of Sixty Thousand (\$60,000.00) Dollars for the purpose of providing funds for redeeming and retiring outstanding City Improvement Warrants and City Improvement Bond Interest Warrants heretofore issued by said City. The bonds hereby authorized shall be in such form and of such denominations and shall be payable as to principal at such time or times as the Council may by ordinance determine, said time not to exceed ten years, and shall be made payable at the option of the City at any interest payment period at or after one year from their date. Said bonds shall bear interest not to exceed five (5%) per cent per annum, payable semi-annually. All bonds issued hereunder shall be deemed concurrent and shall be deemed priority as to each other, and shall be a general obligation of the City of Roseburg; The Council is hereby authorized and directed to levy a tax annually in addition to all other taxes authorized to be levied by the Charter, to pay the interest on said bonds as the same becomes due, and to provide a sinking fund for the payment of said bonds at maturity and to pay said bonds at any time therein authorized. The indebtedness authorized by this Charter Amendment is in addition to all other indebtedness of said City already incurred or authorized by the Charter of the City of Roseburg, and all ordinances or parts of ordinances of said City in conflict with the provisions of this Charter Amendment are hereby amended, modified or repealed as the case may be, in order that this amendment may be in effect.

the hour of nine o'clock A. M. on said date and shall continue until 6 o'clock P. M. of said day, provided that an adjournment of one hour at noon may be had, as provided by the Charter of the City of Roseburg.

A. J. GEDDES,
City Recorder of the City of Roseburg, Oregon.

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The Masked Hostess

By Blair Stephenson

CHAPTER XXVI
A connoisseur in champagne would have been made profoundly unhappy at the manner in which the first of that which Monty had brought was carried in and brouched and served with cracked ice in it because time was lacking to chill it according to ritual.

There were two scores of cases on his truck, and as a couple of Stefano's servants carried the first one in, Monty halted them and commanded them to produce a punch bowl and a block of ice. He sent a third man for a heater and chisel, and when these had been supplied, fused the lid of the case where it lay on the floor, and with the edge of the hatchet knocked the lid off the first bottle he drew after tossing its straw jacket toward the ceiling.

He was standing pouring, a bottle in either hand, as Nathalie appeared coming down the main staircase in shimmering green. He set one bottle down, filled a high goblet from the other and added some ice, and stood holding it before her as she reached the bottom step of the staircase.

She lifted the goblet to her lips and drained it before she brought it down. His seasoned drinker's eye was quick to catch the rattle of its rim against her teeth and his eye, profoundly practiced in all that pertained to alcohol and its devotees, noted the agitation of her hand as she clutched the goblet's stem.

"Needed that one, didn't you, Senora? As you are, while I run a pour you another one."

She had "needed it" as Monty had said in the conversational expression of drinkers, but not because, as he imagined, but not because she had looked into the depths of too many crimson cups the night before.

It had been welcome and she had drunk it eagerly, because as she reached the bottom step of the stairs she had been faint with fatigue at a happening which had occurred just as she was leaving her suite of rooms to come down, and the commotion of which had been lost to hearing before in the noise of motor horns raised when the drivers came in behind Monty's loaded truck disclosed the nature of the cargo it contained.

She had been standing before her mirror and facing her dressing table, dressed to go downstairs, but with her mask off and looking at her image in the glass while she added the last of the dead white powder she always wore, and was about to color her lips with her heavy rouge.

The window at the back of her fir branches which grew close up to it straining pleasantly in the night wind. Then suddenly she noticed the reflection of them in her oval mirror, and went cold and horrified as a hand reached forth from among them and touched the side of the window but did not quite grasp it.

Nathalie was the child of a sportsman, and had valor. She did not cry out nor move, but lowering her hands slowly to the shallow upper drawer of her dressing stand, kept her eyes toward her mirror while she opened the drawer and felt for the revolver which Stefano had given her. She always kept it there. When her right hand found it and gripped it, she flushed, and shot toward the window point blank.

She knew that she had not hit whoever had been trying to enter the room when there was neither cry from the tree nor the crash of a body falling. But she knew too that whoever was in the tree was descending from it as she heard him scramble downward hastily from branch to branch. Her ear caught the thud of his feet on the ground as he jumped to it from half way down the tree. She heard him run a few steps and then slow to a walk. A moment after she heard the slam of a car door and then the car go out of the grounds.

As Monty brought her a second deep draught of champagne and she drank a little of it, and then slowly sipped the rest, she grew steadier, and calmer and decided that she would not alarm the house, but that after the daylight breakfast which always concluded each night's merrymaking, she would tell Stefano what had happened and arrange with him some plan by which it would be possible for her to sleep elsewhere and be in the house only when he was and it was crowded with guests.

She sent for her maid and polite dray upstairs with her had the girl draw the shutters and lock all the windows of her suite of rooms. Shutting and locking the steel door which guarded them after she came down to the main floor again and was at once seized by one of a group of several dining men at the base of the stairs.

As he whisked her in and could see that Monty's plenteous hostess that of champagne would fill the spirit of the gathering to a dizzy peak in fast order and that before the morning was very old would almost certainly effect its inevitable casualty list. It was not nearly one o'clock yet but laughter was high everywhere and rising higher. A girl danced with Stefano and Nathalie recognized her as Sylvia Swayne.

She had not known her the night before in her Moroccan dress but now as she saw her in an ordinary dancing frock—it was an exquisite one—she was not rejoiced that she was in the house for they were affectionate friends. If no better plan came to her mind as to where she would stay by daytime so as not to have to sleep in the house she would confide in Sylvia, she determined just before Sylvia left for home.

It gave her a sense of safety to have her cousin so close at hand and she watched the girl laughing up at Stefano for she had heard plenty of gossip, since she came to The First, about her aunt's intention to marry a man and the handsome South American.

Then jealousy touched her as they came into vision again, and there flashed back to her—her mind had been full of it all day but the fright of the man in the fir tree had obscured it for a space—that by morning Stefano was to come to her and put in words his wordless avowal of love when he folded her in his arms two nights

MORE PROTESTANTS TURN TO CATHOLIC CHURCH, POPE SAYS

(Associated Press London Wire)
VATICAN CITY, Dec. 9.—In a semi-official communiqué from the Vatican this afternoon, Pope Pius was quoted as saying that protestantism was "growing more and more exhausted" until it has reached the point where "its own very sterility is inspiring many souls with nostalgia for Catholicism."

The pope made these statements in the course of a ceremony approving the beatification of 134 English martyrs.

He rejoiced that "returns to Catholicism were being multiplied even more frequently."

Extolling the English martyrs, he said that their particular characteristic was their resistance to tyranny, which they based on fidelity to Roman Catholicism and the pope.

OREGON NEWS

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 10.—W. H. Edwards, motorist in garage here, placed his car in a parking lot and started across the street for a hotel. Enroute, a lone gunman robbed him of \$80. Edwards retraced his steps and five minutes later was heading back to his home at Palo Alto, Calif.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 10.—Directors of the Rose Festival association announced yesterday they were confident plans would be worked out to preserve the Portland rose festival. It was thought once of abandoning the celebration because of non-support.

HOOD RIVER.—Seventy-five tons of rock, loosened by rain, slid down on the Columbia highway near here and caused numerous minor automobile accidents.

REDMOND.—An award of \$1,000 damages for slander was granted Mrs. Josephine Dural who brought suit against her brother-in-law, A. J. Duval, and his wife.

MEDFORD.—Harry Sprague of Klamath Falls was chosen president of the older boys conference of southern Oregon which ended a convention here.

before. She looked at him and Sylvia again, wondering if there had been, or still might be, any foundation to the talk about them or if their evident pleasure in being and dancing together was no more than kindly friendship.

Then she heard Sylvia, who had danced out of the circle of view and then came close behind her, say to Stefano while Stefano laughed:

"And so, Stef, now that you're never going to marry me because Monty is—"

A girl screamed at Sylvia from half across the room.

"Sylvia—let me into the secret. Whoever on earth did Monty get hold of all the money to buy all this champagne?"

"Yes, where?—cried the youth who was her partner. "He sold me the last pony he had a week ago. Had to have the money that day. And now he's the boy millionaire."

"Don't ask me—said Monty."

Sylvia laughed back. "Here comes the cheerful lambing now."

Monty came ambling across the floor, a champagne cooler in one hand and a bubbling bottle in the other.

"Oh, you, Stefano," he called out when he spotted his host. "Drop my girl and come outside to me. Got 'talk' you about important matter—business. Head clear as a bell now but won't be very long. Arus 't' Mordous twined around my neck right now."

"I'm behind you Stef," he mumbled as Stefano preceded him to the quiet of a porch.

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Suppose the Stock Fire Insurance companies had not fostered fire prevention.

What then would have been America's record of loss by fire? Frightful enough it is—in spite of the efforts of the Stock Fire Insurance companies, working through the National Board of Fire Underwriters and its departments of Building Construction, Public Fire Protection, Engineering, the Arson Bureau, Underwriters' Laboratories, and other sources and avenues of activity.

The reduction of the fire waste or the loss of life by fire was not primarily an insurance problem. Insurance companies must charge for insurance on a basis sufficient to cover losses and operating expenses, regardless of how great the losses may be.

Therefore—viewing the situation from their selfish interests only—they need be no more concerned than are other industries in working toward a reduction of the fire waste.

For the Public Welfare

However, for the welfare of the country as a whole the 239 Stock Fire Insurance companies, members of the National Board, voluntarily undertook the task of heading up the forces opposed to the destruction of life and property by fire.

The results have been encouraging. People are building better. Obvious hazards are being removed. But there is pressing need for further improvement.

Future progress in this work depends largely upon the degree of co-operation extended by you and others in the use of available safety devices and measures, and in the elimination of the many known hazards which continue to threaten life and property.

Inquiries relating to this movement and to the various services provided for its extension are invited.

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