

2,134,000 BABY FISH ARE FREED

Union Fish Hatchery Distributes Great Number in 5 Counties

BIG SHIPMENT OF TROUT EGGS DUE

Nearly Half Million Chinook Salmon Planted in Catherine Creek in the Past Year.

During the past year a total of 2,134,000 trout, yanks, and salmon were "planted" in various lakes and streams in Union, Walla Walla, Grant, Umatilla and Baker county by the state fish hatchery at Union, Ore., according to the annual report of R. H. Bonney, superintendent, just received by A. V. Andrews, of this city.

In his letter to Mr. Andrews, Mr. Bonney states that he cannot say as yet just how many fish we will have to plant next season but hopes it will be as many as we have had to this year. "We are to receive half a million brook trout eggs this month," he stated. The supply of rainbow trout usually arrives in May.

The largest consignment of fish to any one stream or lake in the five counties was the planting of 482,500 chinook salmon in Catherine creek, which runs through Union. The next largest plants were 200,000 brook trout in Walla Walla lake and 400,000 yanks in Walla Walla lake.

The smallest plantings were 1000 brook trout to Anthony and Tomahawk lakes and 1000 rainbow trout to Tombstone and Diamond lakes.

A detailed check of distribution of fish from the hatchery for the 1925 season follows:

Table with 2 columns: Fish Type and Quantity. Includes RAINBOW, BROOK TROUT, and other species.

COURT FREES YELLOW MEN

Wylie Young, Lee Yuen, Jim Sun and Loney Fong, Chinese and L. Matsumiya, were acquitted in the municipal court yesterday afternoon about four o'clock of charges of frequenting a place where opium is smoked.

Coldest This Month 35 Degrees Above '24 Mark

Advertisement for shopping days with a cartoon illustration of a man shopping and a sign that says '5 MORE SHOPPING DAYS' and 'before CHRISTMAS'.

Cat Slides



This is Felix, the only cat in America who is a full fledged fireman. Felix was rescued by Pittsburgh firemen when his mistress was about to drown him.

NEW OFFER ON DOLL IS MADE

Santa Claus has racked his brain a thousand years thinking up new toys with which to fill the rows and rows of little stockings that children leave for him on Christmas eve, but he has never invented a toy that could fill a child's heart so completely and happily as does a doll.

Royal Arch Masons Elect New Officers

Officers were elected and installed Tuesday night at a meeting of La Grande Chapter No. 2 Royal Arch Masons in the Masonic hall here.

Club Turkey Shoot to Be Held Next Sunday

The Wing, Fin and Feather club today announced that a turkey and merchandise shoot will be held Sunday, December 20, starting at 9 a. m. at the Lone Tree grounds.

Doctor Hurt, Auto Demolished

MAUPIN, Ore.—Dr. J. L. E. Wood was seriously injured and his automobile demolished on The Dalles-Columbia highway Sunday.

Life of Christ Topic at Men's Club Meeting

The "Life of Christ" was the topic last evening when the Men's club of the Presbyterian church met at the home of Robert Eakin on Walnut street.

Reservoir Leaks Grow

BEND, Ore.—More holes in a line with the series of craters which recently came into existence, have made their appearance in the Tumalo reservoir basin.

K.P. Hall At Wallowa Is Dedicated

More Than 300 Attend Ceremonies; Grand Chancellor Lytle Delivers Address.

With more than 300 people present for the ceremonies, the Wallowa Knights of Pythias dedicated their new building, which was recently completed there, Wednesday night. The building is a two-story stucco structure and will be used entirely for lodge purposes.

Robert Lytle, grand chancellor for the state of Oregon, of Vale, and Walter Meacham, grand keeper of record and seal, of Baker, were the principal speakers of the evening. Other speakers were the Rev. Peen, and the Rev. W. E. Shields, both of Wallowa. Raymond O. Williams, of La Grande, sang several vocal selections and Mrs. E. L. Holmes, also of this city, played a piano number. Miss Constance McKenna, of Wallowa, also played a piano selection.

INJURED MEN RECOVERING

Nels Nelson and Arthur James, railroad men injured in a visit to the city well under construction near the viaduct Wednesday afternoon, spent a fairly restful night at the Cascade-Rain hospital and are reported to be in good condition today.

The two men had left their work for a momentary inspection of progress at the new well when the planks on which they were standing broke from the clamp as a result of a sudden gust of wind.

Band Concert Date Decided

The next band concert of the winter series will be held in the Arcade theater Sunday, December 27, at 4 p. m. It is announced today by Director Andrew Loney Jr.

Irish Strikers Will 'Stay Put,' They Say

RELAY (By the Associated Press)—At the headquarters of the "striking special constabulary" it was declared today that the men would "stand put until burned out" regardless of the Easter cabinet ultimatum that all who have not returned to duty by 10 o'clock Saturday morning will be dismissed without pay or pension benefits.

Three Apply to Judge For Citizenship Papers

Application for the second papers required in the process of becoming a naturalized American citizen has been made by three representatives of an many different nations. They will be examined by Judge J. W. Knowles in the courtroom Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

To Clean Up The Dolls

In order to dispose of the balance of the dolls on hand before Christmas, The Observer is making a special doll offering until December 24th—beautiful Flossie Flirt doll free to anyone turning in a renewal subscription for one year in advance and one new subscription for a year.

FEAR LEADS YOUTH BACK TO PRISON

After 47 Days Freedom on Parole Boy Returns to Pen

REVEALS CRUELTY OF DETECTIVES

Judge Jenkins, Director of State Public Welfare, Asserts His Belief in Perry's Story.

CHESTEIL BL. (By the Associated Press)—Ira D. Perry Jr., son of a Chicago manufacturer, is back in the penitentiary today after 47 days of freedom on parole from a life sentence for murder.

POEMS BY LOCAL WOMAN ATTRACT MUCH ATTENTION

Lucille Carter Hendrickson, whose lyric poems have many devoted followers among the readers of the Portland Journal, will have a poem this month in the western writers' magazine known as "The Laureate." "White" is the title Mrs. Hendrickson has given to this little work, which is a lyric like its predecessors.

La Grande Masons to Elect Officers Tonight

La Grande lodge No. 41, A. F. and A. M. will hold its annual meeting this evening at the Masonic hall. Officers for the ensuing year will be elected and installed.

Frozen Assets Force Denver Banks to Close

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"Mel" Dunham, champion backwoods fiddler of Maine, plays for Henry Ford at Detroit after the automobile king had brought him there in connection with his campaign to popularize old-fashioned dances and dance music.

WILLSON WINS 2-YEAR FIGHT

Dr. E. O. Willson, defendant in one of the most spectacular criminal cases ever tried in the Union county courts, has been cleared of a charge of manslaughter by the decision just handed down by the supreme court, reversing the judgment of the lower court and discharging the defendant.

Puzzle Fan Shoots Wife, Kills Self

NEW YORK (By the Associated Press)—"Angered" because his wife would not help him solve a crossword puzzle, Theodore Koerner seriously wounded her and killed himself.

Oldest Horse Passes Away

WASHINGTON (By the Associated Press)—"Old Bill," 57-year-old horse, said to be the oldest horse in the world, dropped dead yesterday on the farm of his owner, John C. Sonder, until last Sunday "Old Bill" was in harness and doing his usual farm horse's labor. He appeared strong, and was seldom ill.

New Jersey Man Named Ambassador to Spain

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