

AIRMAIL RATES ARE DECREASED

Full Ounce Letter Will Be Only Five Cents—Volume Gain Expected

The new air mail postage rate of 5 cents for a full ounce air mail letter will go into effect today. Each additional ounce after the first ounce will require 10 cents postage. Postal authorities anticipate the radical reduction in the postage rate will greatly increase the volume of airmail.

The airmail volume of the Pacific northwest is expected to be particularly aided by the new postage rate. To meet this anticipated increase three fleets of mail planes having carrying capacities that will permit a wide margin of overloading have been purchased.

New Planes Provided
The Varney Air Lines, operating the northwest's trans-continental airmail contract route between Pasco, Wash., and Salt Lake, have just placed in service six new three-man mail planes. This is the first route of the northwest and one of the most profitable in the country, according to postoffice figures.

The Boeing Air Transport, flying the Pacific Air Transport route between Seattle and Los Angeles by way of Portland and San Francisco, has equipped its former equipment with new Boeing cabin 2-41 planes and passenger planes. The Seattle fly service, carrying foreign air mail between Seattle and Victoria, B. C., has just placed in service a new combination mail and passenger cabin flying boat built by Boeing.

Tripling of airmail volume throughout the United States within the next three months is anticipated by Postmaster General New, who established the new postal rate under provisions of an act passed by the last session of congress.

Much Mail Time Saved
From one to three days is saved by airmail use from the Pacific northwest to middle western and eastern states, and a full day is saved by its use between Portland and California.

No changes in the preparation of airmail by postal patrons are contemplated by the postoffice department as a result of the change in air mail rates, the postoffice department has announced. All letters and packages sent by air mail should be plainly marked "via air mail." The new package rate is \$1.55 a pound as compared with the old rate of \$3.28 a pound. Airmail packages are limited to an extreme weight of 50 pounds.

In order to acquaint the northwest with details of the new rate an extensive airmail educational campaign has been started. In the Pacific northwest states of Oregon, Washington and Idaho the responsibility for this work has been assumed by the Varney Air Lines.

RATS MOVE INTO HOME
ASTORIA, Ore., Aug. 1 (AP)—Rats, deprived of their farms as a result of abandonment of a city garbage dump, have moved into the homes of Williamport, a suburb. An expert of the United States biological survey has been called in the hope he will prove to be a pest.

HOIST TRUCK TO FIRE
BREMEN, Germany.—When firemen had difficulty fighting a blaze on the third floor of a garage here a fire engine was placed on an elevator and taken to the fire, which was then quickly extinguished.

John D. Rockefeller said the other day that his first business transaction, the sale of a turkey, started him on the road to financial success. In that way, it seems, he started piling up the chicken feed.



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Crabtree School Vote Ends 53-53

ALBANY, Ore., Aug. 1 (AP)—An election in the Crabtree union high school district yesterday on a special \$500 tax for remodeling of a schoolhouse, resulted in a 53-53 tie. Three votes were thrown out as irregular. Another election will be held. Sheriff Richard was called to guard the polls to prevent recurrence of a disturbance which last week broke up a school meeting.

New York's new hotels have cutbacks on the bathroom doors. A movement is reported on foot to have free lunch establishments on the dressing tables.

Supreme Court Only 4 Months Behind Schedule

SALEEM, Ore., Aug. 1 (AP)—When the supreme court resumes work Sept. 1, after a month's vacation it will be only four months behind schedule, Arthur R. Benson, clerk of the court, said yesterday. This is a better condition of the work than has prevailed in the court for years.

Since Jan. 1, this year, 241 cases have been argued or submitted on brief, an average of 27 a month. New appeals taken to the court since the first of the year total 195, there are 122 cases ready to be argued and by Sept. 1 about 15 more will be ready.

Since Jan. 1 a total of 249 opinions have been written. Thirteen appeals have been dismissed by opinion and 25 by oral order and 234 appeals have been cleared from the dockets on their merits.

Opinion handed down yesterday included one from Wallawa county in the Gabel-Vaught case, in which Judge T. W. Knowles was affirmed.

GRANGE TO MEET
PROMISE (Special)—The Wallawa county Pomona grange will be held in the Pomona grange hall on Saturday, August 4. A cordial invitation is extended to all to come and enjoy the day.

PROMISE PERSONALS

PROMISE, Ore. (Special)—Mrs. Lilla Carper went to Wallawa Friday to have her face dressed. The wounds are healing nicely.

Elna Carper is waiting for Haze Garret.
Chester Garret is building a new barn.
Melvin Carper and Eldon Paulson drove some fat cattle to Wallawa the first of the week.

Mrs. Edith Lindsey and Mrs. Leona Beaumont drove to Wallawa Wednesday bringing Mrs. Florida Carper, home from a few days visit with her children, who have been in La Grande, and

also Mrs. Eunice Carper, who went on to Eden Thursday evening to visit her parents. Mr. and Mrs. George Courtney, Mrs. Landay and Mrs. Beaumont returned to La Grande Wednesday evening taking with them several gallons of very nice cherries, also a few peaches and apricots.

The heater and camp tender for Johnson and Sons sheep moved the band from the Miller place to the John Bennett place Wednesday. The camp tender has killed several coyotes since being here.

Lillian Carper and Ben Wheeler were Sunday visitors at Vesper Henderson's place.
Ben Wheeler, Duane Garbett, Ray Henderson, Doris Henderson and Lillian Carper drove to Maxville in the evening where the boys

enjoyed a swim.
Mary Carper is working for Leona Carper.
Mrs. Leona Carper and Fred Truimp were at Enterprise Friday on business connected with the Jonah Truimp estate.

Amie Julia Smith was at Wallawa Friday to consult a physician.

George Brooks was a Promise visitor last week buying hay.
Mrs. Allie Smith is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Stella Paulson, after spending two weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robin Garbett.

After several days of extremely hot weather, when the thermometer was near the 100 mark, Sunday was slightly cooler and Sunday night quite comfortable.
Melvin Carper, who is working

for Loren Powers, of Lower Valley, spent Saturday night and Sunday with his parents returning to his work Sunday evening.
Andrew Fleishman took a load of cherries to Wallawa the last of the week.

Fred Truimp and Bill Carper took a load of cherries and raspberries to Wallawa Wednesday.

HAMPTON BAYS, N. Y. (AP)—Among those voting for Smith in November will be six Smiths—the governor, Mrs. Smith, two daughters and two sons, one of whom will cast his first vote for his father.

Everybody seems to think it's nice to be temperamental except those that have to live with them.



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