

OREGON STATE NEWS OF GENERAL INTEREST

Principal Events of the Week Assembled for Information of Our Readers.

Carl Olson, 35, was killed instantly by falling timber while working in the camp of the S. & C. Logging company of Garibaldi.

Six new 4-H clubs have been organized in Lane county. Two are cooking clubs, two sewing clubs, one poultry and one flower.

Fire of undetermined origin destroyed the Silver Star motion picture theater at Freewater and damaged the Angerman brothers' bakery.

The 75th anniversary of the founding of the Central Presbyterian church of Eugene was observed recently at special services at the church.

Ralph Dunn, about 50, was burned to death in a fire which destroyed the Ed Parker residence on Bear creek, about 30 miles southeast of Prineville.

Census returns show that Jacksonville, former county seat of Jackson county, is not a dead town. Since 1920 its population has increased from 469 to 760.

The formation of the Forest Grove union high school district, including 19 districts, will be submitted to voters at a special election to be held June 16.

Fire broke out in the Jefferson warehouse, and it was burned to the ground together with a large quantity of grain, chopped feed, a car of salt and other products in storage.

Albany's postal receipts for the first quarter of 1930 were \$13,163.22, or \$167.37 higher than those for the corresponding quarter of 1929, according to R. N. Torbet, postmaster.

Harold Dobyns of the United States Biological survey and Jim Carsner, coyote hunter, killed 163 adult and pup coyotes during April in the Butter creek and Willow creek regions.

Arthur T. Yeaton, who has been a resident of Salem for 61 years, celebrated his 90th birthday May 1. By the old residents he is remembered as one of the best horsemen of his day.

Miss Helen Pearce has the honor of being the first woman graduate of Willamette university to receive the Ph. D. degree in English. It was conferred by the University of California.

The city council of Heppner recently decided to number the houses and name the streets. Meters are to be placed on the city water, which soon will be piped from the artesian well.

The Eugene playgrounds maintained by the city during the summer months will open June 23. It has been announced. A new playground has been added, making a total of five in different parts of the city.

Transfer to the Eugene Lumber company of vast timber tracts in the upper Callippoo river district, heretofore owned by the Dollar Portland Lumber company, is made in a deed filed in the Linn county recorder's office.

Work on the new downtown ornamental street-lighting system for Pendleton will start soon, according to word received by Mayor L. J. McAtee from the contractors at Seattle. Part of the lights are to be ready for use by July 15.

THE MARKETS

Portland
Wheat—Big Bend bluestem, \$1.16; soft white and western white, \$1.02; hard winter, northern spring and western red, \$1.00.
Hay—Alfalfa, \$20 per ton; valley timothy, \$20.50@21; eastern Oregon timothy, \$23.50@24; clover, \$17; oat hay, \$17; oats and vetch, \$17.50@18.
Butterfat—32@36c.
Eggs—Ranch, 21@24c.
Cattle—Steers, good, \$10.75@11.25.
Hogs—Good to choice, \$9.25@10.50.
Lambs—Good to choice, \$9.50@10.50.
Seattle
Wheat—Soft white, western white, hard winter, western red and northern spring, \$1.03; Big Bend bluestem, \$1.13.
Eggs—Ranch, 25@29c.
Butterfat—38c.
Cattle—Choice steers, \$9.00@10.50.
Hogs—Prime light, \$10.40@10.50.
Lambs—Choice, \$9@10.
Spokane
Cattle—Steers, good, \$10.25@11.
Hogs—Good to choice, \$10.25.
Lambs—Medium to good, \$9.50@10

The first artesian well to be brought in the Klamath marsh district was completed on the Frank Bollinger ranch a few days ago by C. E. Williams, Lake county well driller. There is sufficient flow to irrigate 200 acres.

Despite the fact that every house in Ontario is occupied and that more than 50 new homes have been erected since 1920, census figures indicate a less population than in 1920, when the figure stood at 2039. This year the preliminary count shows only 1941.

Five motor fire pumps were distributed in the Cascade national forest during the past week in readiness for the coming forest fire season. Packs were assembled in various sizes for single fire fighters, two-men units and six-man, ten-man, 15-man and 50-man crews.

The motor vehicle department and the state traffic division, which have occupied quarters in the state printing office structure for two, have moved into the new state office building. The two departments will occupy the entire lower floor of the new structure.

Two tracts of land located near the Oregon Coast highway a short distance from Reedsport are to be set aside by the Douglas county court for park purposes. The parks will be donated to the use of the city of Reedsport but legal title will be retained by the county.

Pendleton is to be northwest headquarters for the Farmers' National Grain corporation, according to Henry W. Collins, district manager. There will also be branches in Portland, Seattle and Spokane. Mr. Collins stated that there is about 225,000 acres of wheat planted in Umatilla county this year.

Joseph Lee Weaver, 42, of Enterprise, died in a hospital from injuries suffered when he was pinned beneath an overturned automobile on the road between Shaniko and Antelope. Weaver's plight was discovered by a passing motorist, who was unable to lift the car from the injured man and had to return to Antelope for assistance.

Orders issued at the Oregon state hospital in Salem were to kill a large number of squirrels which have roamed the grounds there for several years. Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner, superintendent, said the squirrels had killed a number of trees and had caused other damage. The squirrels originally were brought to Salem from Pennsylvania by ex-Governor Olcott.

A bronze tablet erected over the grave of John Templeton Craig, early day mail carrier between western and central Oregon, who died in a blizzard in McKenzie pass in 1877, will be dedicated during the state convention of letter carriers at Bend June 12 and 13. It is announced. The grave is located near the McKenzie highway on the west slope of the mountains.

Owners of cattle running on the Swamp Creek range have lost 15 animals from ticks this spring and the remainder of the stock has been rounded up and treated to protect them from the insects. The ticks gather in knots along the backbone from the head back over the shoulders, cause temporary paralysis and the animal falls to the ground helpless. If the ticks are removed the animal soon recovers.

The federal government has allocated \$125,000 for the improvement of the Willamette river between Salem and Oregon City, according to a telegram received from Senator McNary. The original appropriation was \$40,000. The increased appropriation will make it possible for the government to build regulatory works, dikes and retaining walls, and insure navigation between the two cities during the entire year.

Members of the old Wasco County Pioneers' association from all parts of the Pacific northwest were in The Dalles recently for attendance at the annual gathering of the organization. Despite a number of deaths during the last year, there are still 698 members on the association's roll. Membership is limited to persons residing in Wasco county prior to 1883, when the transcontinental railroad was constructed.

The Oregon state fair is the first in the United States to require a dairy abortion test for animals exhibited at the fair, according to announcement made by W. H. Lytle, state veterinarian. The requirement becomes effective at the 1930 state fair. Dr. Lytle said that beef animals would not be required to have the test this year as they will be judged in the open as in previous years, and will not come in contact with dairy animals.

OLD-TIMER RECALLS STAGE COACH DAYS

Says 72 Miles 8 Hours Was Hard Work

Glacier Park, Mont.—Jack Brown, veteran Glacier park guide, used to "drive" on a western stagecoach line in the days of horse-drawn vehicles and he gives some interesting information about life in the West in those days. He says:

"When I came to Montana it was a territory and travel, of course, was all either by horseback or by the old horse stagecoach. All these coaches were Concordes, drawn by six horses. We lived on the old Holiday line. The coaches ran night and day from Helena to Corrine, Utah. As a boy I used to mingle with the drivers a good deal and when I was twelve years old I could pull the ribbons on a six better'n a green hand.

Changed Horses Often.
"My first job at stage driving was on the old Allard line in 1891. We used to make the round trip, Ravalli to Polson Landing, which was seventy-two miles, in eight and one-half hours. We changed horses four times. That may look slow to automobile drivers today, but when you've sat perched up on one of those high coaches that distance and handled six horses that are nearly all bronchos, you'll find that the motorist at a wheel has a pretty easy time of it.

"I never was held up while driving stage, but I've had my piano players up several times in my life in the West and I know how it goes. I know that it's an occasion when even a woman wouldn't argue much.

"One time when driving stage I had a lady riding up on top with me, and she said: 'Mister Driver, how is it you've got such a ruddy complexion?' I just kicked a bottle of Old Crow from under a mail sack at my feet and said: 'There's the paint I use, lady.' It was rather a chilly day and I found that I had to paint her face several times before we got in. It just showed that all good drinking people in the West in those days weren't stage drivers. However, all good stage drivers were good drinking men. Seemed like it was the qualifications to drink, hold yer head and the hosses, as they used to say facetiously.

Horses Still Have Place.

"Of course, the horse is out of date now in most places, but I still find lots of places in the old West where a good saddle horse is the best means of travel. Bad roads and trails have no terrors for the old cow pony. We had some good ones in the old cattle days in Montana. I rode one horse eighty-two miles in one day once. I guess even Teddy Roosevelt would've admitted that was too much for one horse, but when the sheriff don't like a fellow it makes it necessary to leave lots of country behind you. I made that ride in nine hours. I suppose the motorist of today would laugh at that as slow driving, but I swear I thought I got along at a lively clip.

"In the earlier frontier days of freer personal liberties the cowpunchers didn't think anything of riding forty miles across country to a dance. And we took the girls along with us. Guess they must've been tough girls, because I know now, when guiding tourists through Glacier Park in the summer time, after some of 'em have ridden nine miles they're ready to eat their supper off'n the mantel. But, then, these are automobile riding days and not many people are used to horse-back riding."

Fountain Pen Pistol Rouses Gotham Police

New York.—An innocent-looking fountain pen pistol found on a Chinese could be converted into one of the deadliest of short range weapons by substituting a lead bullet for the tear gas cartridge the pistol was designed to shoot. Detective Harry Butts, police department ballistics expert, reported to Commissioner Whalen and Chief Inspector O'Brien, after an experiment.

A .38-caliber lead slug fired by the pistol was split in half, lengthwise, by a steel wire in the tube. At one foot the halves tore through a board seven-eighths of an inch thick. The effect was that of a dum-dum bullet, for the holes were larger at the point of exit. The holes were three inches apart.

The bullet is projected by a powerful spring. The wire is intended to break the gas cartridge, releasing its contents.

The pen-pistol is manufactured in Chicago, and sells for \$7.50. Police intimated they would attempt to have the weapon barred from New York.

The pistol in the test was found on Yee Kim, who was arrested in the Bronx on March 15 by Detective Herman Rave. Detective Butts will demonstrate the gun in Bronx special sessions, when Yee Kim goes on trial.

Type of Home Building That Will Appeal to Family of Small Means

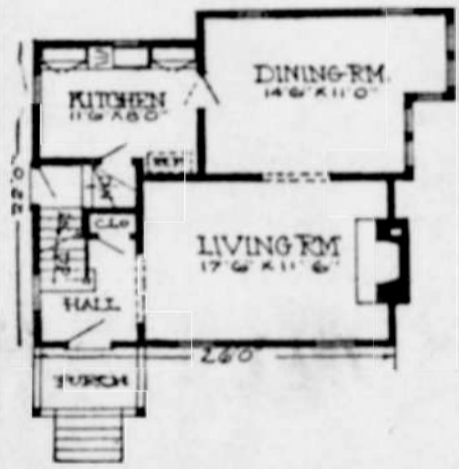


This attractive colonial home is distinctive without being extreme; it bears the test of good taste, right principles. The floor plans are conveniently arranged, each room being allotted ideal dimensions.

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It requires only a slight addition to an otherwise plain home to make it attractive. A good example of this idea is shown in the home building design illustrated here. This is a plain rectangular two-gable house but by the addition of the porch, the outside fireplace and the irregular wall of the dining room, it has been made



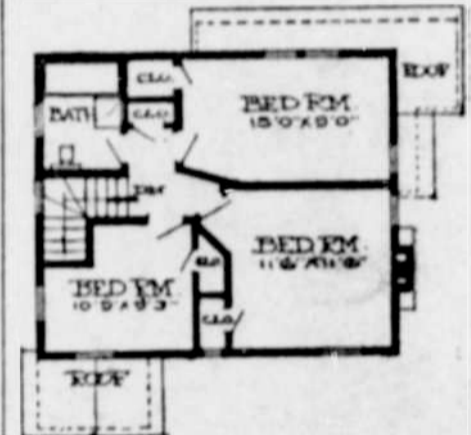
First Floor Plan.

a home which in outward appearance is out of the ordinary.

This is the type of home building design which will appeal to those who want an attractive house at a comparatively small investment. It contains six good sized rooms and yet its dimensions are only 22 feet by 26 feet. Both the living room and

dining room are unusually large and upstairs there are three good sized bedrooms, each a corner room, and a bathroom.

An attractive feature of the exterior of this house is the use of shingles on the outside walls. These are what are known as weathered shingles, and



Second Floor Plan.

are reminiscent of the sea coast where the action of the salt sea air gives them a silvery tint which is unusually attractive.

How the rooms on both the first and second floors are arranged, and the size of each one are shown by the floor plans.

This is an unusually good design of a small low-cost home suitable for the average size family. It is of frame construction set on a concrete foundation and has a basement of the same dimensions as the house itself, where there is plenty of room for a basement heating plant and for storage.

What will appeal most about this design to the homemaker is the number and size of the closets, the convenient arrangement of the rooms and the manner in which the rooms have been connected.

Walls Hide Important Part of the Plumbing

A very important part of the plumbing of a house is hidden in the walls and under the floors, and for this reason the man who expects to build should deal only with plumbing contractors who can submit a list of homes in which they have installed plumbing that has given lasting satisfaction to the owners.

The usual specifications drawn up by an architect cover the fixtures very definitely, but are quite general with reference to the pipes, valves, and fittings—the essential yet concealed part of the plumbing system. It is in this part of the plumbing system that the owner must depend on the plumbing contractor.

It is in the concealed part of the plumbing system that quality is of the highest importance. Any breakdown in this part of the system necessitates the cutting of walls and subjects the family to a great deal of expense and inconvenience.

Therefore, to the man who is building this spring, this suggestion is offered: Deal with a responsible contractor so that first cost will be last cost in your plumbing system.

The reputable plumbing contractor will use pipes, valves, and fittings of good quality for his "roughing in" materials. He will not try to save money and thus come out even on a low bid by substituting inferior materials where they will not be seen.

Workers employed by good contractors have been taught the mechanical installation of a plumbing system that will not be noisy in operation. For instance, the soil pipe which runs from the basement up to the roof of the house can be made sound proof with a one-inch thickness of half felt.

The use of felt has another advantage in that it will absorb condensation and thus prevent unsightly spots on the walls of the house.

For this reason it is advisable to

wrap the downspouts with felt if they are placed in the walls of the building.

A good contractor knows how to install a system that will be free from the noisy water hammer. He will so install his pipes that there will be perfect circulation of hot water. Furthermore, a good master plumber will insulate the hot-water pipes in the walls and under the floors, thus saving approximately 25 per cent in fuel in a circulating system. Usually specifications call for insulation of pipes in the basement only.

The good contractor will see to it that his workmen ream all cuts of pipes to remove burrs before these pipes are threaded. Good contractors will also see to it that all pipes are laid to such a grade that the water will drain out of them when the plugs are opened. This is essential in case the house is to stand unoccupied. An adequate number of cleanouts in waste pipes will always be installed by dependable workmen.

Most of these points which are so essential to the efficient and trouble-free operation of a plumbing system are not mentioned in specifications but must be left to the judgment of the contractor.

Welded Steel Structures Have Great Strength

"Noiseless buildings" are now commercially practicable. The United States bureau of standards has said so. After an exhaustive test of electrically welded steel building frame joints, made last year, the bureau announced that the weld was as strong as the steel members. Such welds are taking the place of noisy riveting as a means of erecting structural steel. A number of electrically welded buildings are now in process of construction. The welding process is much swifter than riveting, and judging by experience of contractors in Canton, Ohio, the cost is less.