

LOGGING TRAIN FIRED ON FROM AMBUSH AS MEN RETURN TO CAMP

Sheriff Wilson late Tuesday returned from a call which he received from the Maguire logging camp about four miles from Boring on the Deep Creek portion of this county. He got the call shortly after the logging train coming to the bunk houses of the men been fired upon.

When the sheriff got on the ground he found that when the train was coming from work about five o'clock in the afternoon, someone from ambush near the track fired three shots at the train as it passed.

One of the bullets took effect in the shoulder of one of the men, a second shot passed through the hip pocket of another man, while the third shot lodged in the wood of the car itself.

The names of the men involved could not be secured, but the man who was shot in the shoulder was taken to a hospital in Gresham where his wounds were given attention.

The man who was shot through the rear of his pants was so badly frightened that he could not give any account of the incident.

OREGON HAS NO FISH AND GAME AUTHORITY UNTIL MARCH FIRST

SALEM, Or., Jan. 26.—No state fish and game commission exists in the name of which official action can be taken, Attorney General Brown finds in perusing the Norland-Handley-Hoan bill passed at the special session of the legislature and creating a commission whose members are elected by the legislature.

The act transfers all the powers and duties of the old commission to the new and attaches the emergency clause so that the act was supposed to be effective immediately upon the governor's attaching his signature, which he did during the session.

But in another section the act provides that the members of the new commission shall not take office until the first Monday in March. The result is that the old commission is wound out of existence and there is no commission to take its place until the first Monday in March.

GINSENG GROWER AT CANBY MAKES KNOWN RESULT OF HIS WORK

When Harvey Douglass, of Canby, dropped into the county agent's office recently, a great many things were talked about, such as fertilizers, profits in small fruits, sorghum syrup, etc., and just as he was leaving he casually remarked that he had gone into raising medicinal herbs, and that he considered the Canby prairie especially suited to certain varieties, because it was so well drained.

In 1919 he shipped to New York 113 pounds of ginseng which grew on one-twentieth of an acre, and for which he received \$700. These roots however were six years old.

From 20 square feet of ground he sold \$130 worth of golden seal, which had been growing four years. When asked about pests, he said the only pest which bothered the ginseng was a brown rot, which it not serious.

The ideal place to grow ginseng is in the shade of maple or other hardwood trees. In fact, shade is necessary for the crop, and of course the weeds must be kept out.

While these profits seem excessive, it must be remembered that it takes six or seven years to grow these roots, and the profit per year is not much more than can be gained from berries.

HARRIS LEFT ESTATE OF \$40,000—GIVING \$1500 TO SCIENTISTS

The will of the late V. Harris provides for the distribution of an estate valued at \$40,000 which is left in trust to E. G. Caulfield and William Hammond as administrators, who are named to serve without bonds. An endowment of \$1500 is given to the Christian Science church. Mrs. Edith Harris, the widow, is to be paid \$1000 annually and the income from the remainder is for the children. The trust is to continue during the life of Mrs. Harris, who has filed an acceptance of the will in lieu of her dower rights.

Federal Aid Important

Oregon stands to gain appreciably if congress can be induced to enact two proposed road measures, one appropriating \$100,000,000 annually for five years for post roads, and another carrying an appropriation of \$10,000,000 for the construction of county and state roads within the national forests. The first measure would bring to Oregon annually \$1,576,152 for the next five years, and the second proposal in the neighborhood of \$700,000, a total of \$2,276,152.

In 1916 congress passed the first federal road act carrying \$75,000,000. In 1919 the act was amended to the extent of \$200,000,000 and the total appropriation for Oregon was \$4,332,178.27, which will be allotted to the state for road construction by June 30 of this year. This is the last federal money available for the states unless action is taken at this session of congress.

Appropriation of additional funds is highly important to Oregon's road program. Numerous stretches of the main state highways have received Federal money in the past, and the state will be seriously handicapped in its plans unless congress can be induced to act favorably upon the measures proposed. A committee of Oregon citizens will meet representatives of other western states in Washington next month to bring local influence upon congress to meet the situation.

Oregon is spending many millions of dollars upon its highways. In many sections only the surface has been scratched. The state's organization is intact, its program has been mapped out in a definite way, and cooperation of the Federal government is providing funds for the completion of our highways is altogether desirable.

HOUSING PLANS REHABILITATED BY LIVE WIRES

Rehabilitation of the housing plan that was proposed last year was discussed Tuesday at the weekly luncheon of the Live Wires, and it is possible that some definite plan will be evolved through the reorganization of the original committee, to which has been added Judge Thomas F. Ryan, O. D. Eby and James H. Cary. Every speaker recognized the crying necessity of more houses in Oregon City and various plans were suggested. Judge Ryan urging the formation of a cooperative building association to construct small houses for rent, to be sold on the installment plan when desired. The original committee is composed of A. R. Jacobs, W. P. Hawley, Jr., Lody Riches, A. C. Howland, John R. Humphry, A. A. Price and W. A. Huntley, and an effort will be made to formulate a new plan for submission to the business interests of the city who are most vitally interested. The shortage of houses has prevented growth and development of the city during the last year.

AUTO & TRACTOR COMPANY TAKES BUSCH BUILDING

One of the biggest announcements of the week comes from the Clackamas County Auto & Tractor company with the news that on or about May 1, they will occupy the entire lower floor of the Busch building. The building is now occupied by the Busch furniture company who move uptown Jacob Risley, manager of the Clackamas County Auto & Tractor company, says that company will make such alterations and improvements to the building to suit the needs of the auto business.

The basement, covering the width and length of the building, will be used as a storage and repair department, and heat will be provided to keep cars from freezing in the winter on this floor.

Since starting in business some few short months ago, the Clackamas Auto & Tractor company has made wonderful strides in the business. Commencing with a very modest front, the company has built up a tractor and auto business, which can hardly be equalled in this county in so short a time. The first started with a line of Dord pleasure cars, and from time to time, have added such well known makes of cars such as Franklin, Studebaker, and also the Cletrac trucks.

Their accessory department has been enlarged to a great extent, and if the company had not been fortunate to secure larger quarters they would have been unable to take care of the growing business in their present location.

BURGLARS CONFESS TO ROBBERIES IN MULINO DISTRICT

Otis J. Orth, 26 years of age, Marlin Jensen, 19, and Emerson T. Fager, 16, all residents of Mulino, were taken in custody late Saturday evening by Sheriff W. J. Wilson and Deputy H. H. Hughes, charged with committing several robberies in that section of the county. Sheriff Wilson states Orth and Jensen admitted complicity in burglarizing the Hoff store at Liberal and the Erickson and Miller robberies at Mulino. They stated to the sheriff that Fager, who is only sixteen years of age, had no part in the robbery. When arraigned before Justice L. V. Stipp Monday afternoon Fager was given his liberty. Jensen was released under bonds to appear in the circuit court, bonds being placed at \$250. Orth was remanded to jail in default of bonds placed at \$1000.

American Legion to Organize Orchestra

At a meeting of the Willamette Falls Post, American Legion, held at the Moose hall Monday evening, it was decided to organize an orchestra. Neal Sullivan is chairman of the committee to look after securing members for the musical organization. There are now 350 members belonging to the Post, and an effort is being made to increase this to at least 500 during the next few months.

The 1920 Club Program

Mr. Latourette, in his annual report as the retiring president of the Commercial Club, hands down a precious legacy to his successor as a tentative program for the organization's activities for 1920. It is not to be expected that all of them will be consummated, but some of them may be, and the suggestion that the club select a definite program of possible achievement is worthy of consideration.

The club should follow its ex-president's advice as to urging congress to appropriate money for a public building here. We have been asking for a federal building for many years and have had lots of promises but no appropriations.

The Southern Pacific station is a proper matter for criticism of a constructive character, and the club could well devote its energies toward securing a modern depot. Adequate fire protection is a matter that interests every resident of Oregon City and a paid fire department is something the club should endorse and promote.

We have talked about an automobile park for for tourists for three or four years and 1920 is not too soon for its realization.

Vigorous prosecution of the road building program, which the club originally fathered is vital to the welfare of the whole county.

There are other things of relative importance, but the organization cannot afford to take up too many projects at one time. Better confine its efforts to a half dozen meritorious proposals and push them to a successful termination.

REST ROOM SHOWER BIG SUCCESS SHOWS POPULARITY OF IDEA

The shower for the rest room recently established by the W. C. T. U. at the rear of the Jones' Drug store near Water street, was a most successful affair. Among the articles presented to the room were soap, dish towels, dishes, wash pan, wash basin, three sofa pillows, books, toys for the kiddies who accompany their mothers, or others, and a few pictures.

Others desiring to donate will be doing a good act, for more dishes can be used as well as books and articles that will make the room homelike.

Some of the women of the city who are employed have found this a most restful place at noon, where they can partake of their lunch. The hostess in charge of the room prepares a cup of tea for the nominal sum of five cents, or what the visitor may decide to pay.

A deposit box is left where the mite may be paid.

One of the visitors at the room on Thursday was an elderly woman, who resides 14 miles in the country, and while her daughter was engaged in shopping she enjoyed a rest at the room.

There are two couches for those who care to lie down, and there are comfortable chairs for those who desire to come in and rest.

W. P. Hawley has donated canvas for the floor, and the Oregon City Manufacturing Company donated \$10 a few days ago.

Mrs. L. C. Dryggs, of Portland, formerly of this city and a charter member of the organization of this city, was the hostess at the rooms on Thursday.

There were 19 visitors Thursday, Monday there were 50, Tuesday, 40; and Wednesday 29.

MRS. VIGLIUS WED HERE FILES A DIVORCE SUIT IN ASTORIA

ASTORIA, Ore., Jan. 23.—Amanda Vigilius, through her attorney, W. E. Critchlow, filed suit for divorce here today from her husband, William Vigilius. She stated in her complaint that she married Vigilius on August 2, 1914, in Oregon City.

On the first of January she stated that her husband deserted her and left her without money or visible means of support.

She asks that her maiden name of Amanda Wirltisch be restored her.

COUNTY PURCHASES FORDS

The county court authorized the buying of two Ford touring cars for the road department last week, and the machines were delivered Friday.

It is the purpose of the court to use the machines in the road department for inspection work, and no doubt, will greatly facilitate the efficiency of the road construction. The cars were purchased of the Pacific Highway garage.

PUREBRED POULTRY SHOW

ONTARIO, Or., Jan. 23.—The mid-winter poultry show, with exhibits of fine birds from many localities, and attended by many breeders, opened here Wednesday.

LOCAL POST OF LEGION ASKED FOR NAMES OF WAR HEROES

The local post of the American Legion is anxious to have an exact and complete record of the next of kin of every man of this county who made the supreme sacrifice during the Great War.

The reason for this is that the American Legion in this country has been honored by the French government in being selected as the agent through which honorary certificates are to be presented the next of kin of men who gave their all in the war.

The local post is asked to get this information into State Headquarters without delay so that all of the lists can be definitely arranged by Washington's birthday, February 22nd, when it is planned to hold special patriotic and appropriate memorial services throughout the country in commemorating the work of the American Legions who gave their lives in the cause of Liberty.

EVERY DRIVER MUST OBTAIN LICENSE TO OPERATE MOTOR CAR

Do you know that on and after July 1st, this year, every driver of an automobile, truck or motor vehicle, will be compelled to secure a license to drive from the Secretary of State?

At the last session of the state legislature a law was passed which states that every auto owner, who drives his own car will have to secure a license to drive said car on and after July 1st, 1920. If he does not secure this license, he is subject to a fine not to exceed \$400, or not more than one year in jail.

The license will cost 50 cents. Twenty-five cents goes to the state, and twenty-five cents will have to be expended for a notary public to witness your signature to the application blank furnished by the state.

For the readers benefit, we clip the law from the Senate Bill No. 35, as passed at the last session.

Sec. 21. Every person, other than a chauffeur, operating or driving a motor vehicle shall first obtain an operator's license from the secretary of state.

An "operator," as used in this act, shall mean any person other than a chauffeur, who operates, rides or drives a motor vehicle.

Application for an operator's license shall be made upon a blank furnished by the secretary of state and shall be signed and sworn to by the applicant. Such application shall contain the applicant's full name and residence, age, height, weight, occupation, color of hair, color of eyes, date of birth and a statement of his experience in the operation and driving of motor vehicles and that he is not mentally or physically incapacitated as defined in this act.

The applicant may swear to the application herein provided for before any person authorized to administer oaths, who may receive a fee not to exceed 25 cents therefor.

Upon receipt of an application for an operator's license, accompanied by a fee of 25 cents, the secretary of state shall issue to such applicant a motor vehicle operator's license which shall be of such size and form as the secretary of state may determine and which shall be carried by the licensee at all times when operating a motor vehicle, and shall be produced by him for inspection upon request of any peace officer. Such license shall be numbered and shall contain the licensee's name, residence, age, height, weight, occupation, color of hair and color of eyes and shall not be valid until the licensee's usual signature is affixed thereto by him. Such license shall be valid and remain continuously in force except during a period of suspension or until revoked as in this act provided.

In case of loss or mutilation of such license a duplicate shall be issued by the secretary of state on the filing by the original holder thereof of an affidavit showing the fact of loss or destruction, and upon the payment of a fee of 25 cents to the secretary of state.

It shall be the duty of every licensed operator to notify the secretary of state of any change in his place of residence within one week after such change is made.

MILWAUKIE BUYS FIRE TRUCK

MILWAUKIE, Or., Jan. 26.—The city of Milwaukie has purchased a motor fire truck, with equipment of hose and ladders, for \$1900 from the Chevrolet agency, and will provide for a paid driver and operator.