

WALTER M. SEWARD COMMITTS SUICIDE

Hotel Proprietor Plunges From
Six-Story Building.

LONG ILLNESS HELD CAUSE

Nurse Makes Valiant Effort to Save
Patient, but Fatal Dive Is Made
Leaving Bathrobe in Hands.

In an evident moment of mental aberration, due to illness from which he had been suffering for several years, Walter M. Seward, proprietor of the Seward hotel, Tenth and Alder streets, committed suicide yesterday morning at 7:50 by throwing himself from the sixth story parapet of the hotel building to the roof of Klump's stationery store, four stories below.

Death was instantaneous, according to report of Coroner Smith, who was called to the scene. The man suffered a fracture of the right leg, internal injuries and a possible broken neck as a result of the dive.

Mrs. Seward, wife of the hotel proprietor, was in an adjoining room of the suite, on the sixth floor of the hotel, when Mr. Seward took advantage of the absence of the two nurses, locking the two doors to his room and crawling out on the parapet, made the fatal dive.

COUNTY FIXES WAGE RATE

I. B. Doggett of Mt. Hood Secured
as Assistant Roadmaster.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Feb. 7.—(Special.)—The Hood river county court has established rates to be paid for labor engaged on road work here this year. The following wages will be paid: Laborers, \$1.50; foremen, \$5.50; team and driver, \$1.25 per hour; truck drivers, 65 cents per hour, and truck foremen, 70 cents per hour. The court has appointed J. B. Doggett, of Mount Hood, as assistant roadmaster. He will draw \$6 per day.

The county has entered a contract with Charles Pfingst, a Summitt



W. M. Seward, who leaped to his death yesterday.

rancher, who agrees to operate a county rock crusher at Odell, furnishing the county with crushed rock, up to 1000 yards, at \$1.65 per yard.

MANY APPLES IN STORAGE

Stock at Hood River Remaining
Unshipped About 375 Carloads.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Feb. 7.—(Special.)—While all fruit was shipped from here last year by this date, with the exception of stocks held in storage for purchasers, the stocks remaining unshipped this season reach approximately 375 carloads. With the exception of about 60 cars of Spitzenbergs and off varieties, all unshipped stocks of Newtowns. All the remaining stocks, with the exception of 25 cars, are held by the Apple Growers' association.

Marketing conditions are uncertain. Shippers are unable to predict how the wind-up of the market is going to be.

The Dalles Y. W. C. A. Planned.

THE DALLES, Or., Feb. 7.—(Special.)—At a meeting Thursday afternoon in the Hotel Dalles, officers and committee chairmen were appointed from the provisional committee assembled with Mrs. Charles Baez, Y. W. C. A. organizer, to promote a Y. W. C. A. in this city. The appointments made by Mrs. L. W. Curtis, chairman of the provisional committee, were: Mrs. E. M. Williams, chairman of finance; Miss Elizabeth Hall, chairman of headquarters; Mrs. Joseph Stadelman, chairman of publicity; Miss Prudence Patterson, chairman of membership; Mrs. A. E. Crosby, treasurer, and Mrs. W. O. Hadley, secretary.

Grangers Ignore New Party.

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Feb. 7.—(Special.)—None of the grangers and farmers of this section are aligning themselves with the recently organized land and labor party. Members of the grange have been emphatic in denying that the grange will have anything to do with the new party. Grangers from here took a prominent part in the action of the Pomona grange when resolutions were adopted stoutly maintaining that the grange was opposed to political alliance of any kind as against the very principles upon which the grange was founded.

Beach Highway Bids Called For.

KEISO, Wash., Feb. 7.—(Special.)—The state highway bureau is calling for bids for the grading and surfacing of 1.5 miles of the Ocean Beach highway northwest from Shamo-kawa in Wabikam county. These bids will be opened March 1. Engineer Charles Sigler made the survey of the Ocean Beach highway route in Wabikam county early this winter and his crew is now working on the survey of the route between Stella and Mount Solo. This is the first project on the Keiso-to-sea portion of the Ocean Beach highway on which the state has called for bids.

Student Contracts Smallpox.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Feb. 7.—(Special.)—A student of the Parkdale high school has contracted smallpox, exposing all the students of the institution. It was said here today. Health Officer Abraham has instructed the school board that all students should be vaccinated or the school closed. The maximum number of influenza cases that have developed here at any one time has been 18. The disease locally is light, and no deaths have occurred.

Banker Fechter Favors Butler.

YAKIMA, Wash., Feb. 7.—(Special.)—Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia university, was supported as a candidate for president in a statement last night by O. E. Fechter, president of the Yakima Valley bank of this city and prominent in political affairs of the state. Mr. Fechter declared the time had come to elect as president a business man, rather than a politician.

Suspected Robbers in Custody.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Feb. 7.—(Special.)—Castle Rock officials came yesterday and took into custody three men, Ralph Howard and Ed Jackson, who were arrested here. They are suspected of being implicated in a Castle Rock robbery that occurred Wednesday evening.

Starkweather Addresses Students.

OREGON STATE NORMAL SCHOOL, Monmouth, Or., Feb. 7.—(Special.)—H. G. Starkweather of Portland, a regent of the Oregon Normal school, addressed the student body at assembly on Friday. His address was full of interest.

Alleged Gamblers Arrested.

CHATHAM, Wash., Feb. 7.—(Special.)—

A Warning

Remember the cold spell
last December?

Many customers were out
of fuel.

They flocked in to order
some at the last minute.

Which completely
swamped us.

We had warned them
through the newspapers all
last summer.

But they forgot the ad-
vice.

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to happen with the Gasco
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It has taken Portland by
storm.

It will be physically im-
possible to wait on every-
body in one month.

Therefore we urged you
to place your order now, be-
fore the price advances, so
we may wait on you at our
option.

Many have heeded our
advice.

Many will come in when
we will have to say No.

In order to give them an-
other chance we will con-
tinue the special sale one
more week.

But after that

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GRESHAM WILL BE HOST

FARMERS' WEEK PROGRAMME
OPENS TOMORROW.

Notable Authorities of Northwest
on Agriculture Scheduled
to Make Addresses.

GRESHAM, Or., Feb. 7.—(Special.)—Farmers' week will open at Gresham Monday with all indication pointing to a record attendance. The Multnomah County Farm bureau, with the co-operation of the Business Men's club of Gresham, has arranged a programme of the foremost authorities in the northwest on rural development. Notable among the speakers are Dr. J. W. Kerr, president of Oregon Agricultural college, who will be the principal speaker at the home products luncheon at the Masonic hall on Saturday. Dr. Kerr's subject is “Development of Agricultural Education in Oregon.” Local agricultural education will be discussed by Judge G. W. Stapleton, chairman of the board of directors of the Union high school. H. A. Lewis, president of the Multnomah County Farm bureau and of the county fair board, will tell “What Farmers Mean to Agricultural Development.”

Paul V. Maris, state leader of county agents, is announced to speak on “The Handwriting on the Wall,” and D. E. Towle, manager of the Co-operative Berry Growers' association, will outline the future of the small fruit industry in Multnomah county.

The meetings will be held in Gresham Grange hall, with the exception of the banquet, and addresses at the Masonic hall Saturday.

BOND ISSUE SUBMITTED

Landowners to Vote on \$100,000
For Completion of Dam Project.

PRINEVILLE, Or., Feb. 7.—(Special.)—At a meeting this week of the board of directors of the Ochoco irrigation district, a final bond issue for \$100,000 for completion of the project was ordered submitted to the vote of land owners in the district at a special election March 6.

The amount of the bond is an increase of more than one-fourth the original estimates, will make a total of \$1,350,000 against the lands of the district and will be used for the completion of the Ochoco dam, the sixth largest earth-fill dam in the world, construction of various structures on the distribution system, completion of the highline pumping plant and erection of a permanent warehouse and office building for the district.

R. E. Miller Gets Appointment.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Feb. 7.—(Special.)—Roy E. Miller, graduate of the Oregon Agricultural college in 1915, has been appointed county agent of Josephine county by the



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