CLACKAMAS OFFICERS GET MAN WANTED AT STATE PENITENTIARY

Had Been Living on What He Could Filch From Homes Along Way.

TAKEN BACK TO SALEM

Fred A. Thurber at First Denies Identity; Says He Couldn't Stand "Nagging" by Official at the Prison.

Oregon City, May 12.—Subsisting for almost four days upon what he could steal from farmhouses and finally detected after he had entered a house Friday night, when he appropriated a pair of overalls and some other articles of wearing apparel, Fred A. Thurber, who escaped from the state penitentiary Wednesday, was captured by Deputy Sheriff D. E. Frost, Chief of Police Lee French, John N. Sievers and James McNeil, on the county road between Canby and Barlow about 4 o'clock this afternoon and brought into Oregon City.

Early this afternoon word was sent to Oregon City that a man had entered a house near Barlow last night and he was believed to be the man who escaped from the penitentiary. After going as far as Aurora without finding any clue to the man's whereabouts, Deputy Frost telephoned the state prison warden, who informed the former that the Clackamas county men were way off in their calculations, and that Thurber was in the neighborhood of Parkersville, some 25 miles away.

Fugitive Is Sighted.

Deputy Frost and companions started on the return trip to Oregon City, and just after crossing the county bridge between Barlow and Canby Mr. McNeil looked out the back of the car and noted a man coming up out of the underbrush from the river bank. He told Deputy Frost "there's your man."

The man at first denied his identity. However, when the party reached Oregon City, the captured man acknowledged that he was Thurber. The man did not look the worse for his three and a half day's roam about the woods, except that he was very hungry, and made short shift of a lunch sent to the jail. On his person was found a safety razor and a kitchen paring knife.

Didn't Like "Nagging."

When seen at the jail late this afternoon Thurber told the newspapermen that he was prompted to escape by the "nagging" of the superintendent of the new building, upon which Thurber and Flood were laying brick. Flood escaped with Thurber, but after going a few miles from the penitentiary phoned to the warden and gave himself up.

Thurber was taken back to Salem tonight by a guard from the penitentiary.

Banks in Good Shape.

Oregon City, May 12.—Showing a total business of nearly two and one-half million dollars, the financial institutions of Oregon City, in their report of May 1, make the best report in their history. This is an increase of almost one-third million dollars over the report of March 5, less than two months previous.

Brothers in Service.

Oregon City, May 12.—R. C. McMurren, who has enlisted in the navy as apprentice seaman and is just awaiting orders for assignment, received a letter today from his mother, Mrs. M. E. McMurren of Portland, advising that his brother, Clark, younger than he, who enlisted about four months ago in the navy, has left Mare island for the Philippines, having been assigned to one of the warships. The McMurren family are former residents of the Highland district, near Oregon City.

Archie Ross Dies.

Oregon City, May 12.—Archie Ross, for five years a resident of Gladstone, and employed in the Crown-Willamette paper mill here as night electrician, died at his home in Gladstone this morning, after an illness of some duration. He was 37 years of age and was a native of Wabash, Ind. He had been a resident of Oregon for the past 15 years. He is survived by a widow and two children, his mother, Mrs. W. A. Ross of Gladstone, and a sister, Mrs. W. S. Grimm of Colorado. The funeral will be held from the late home Tuesday morning at 11:30 o'clock, services being conducted by Rev. T. B. Ford, district superintendent, and Rev. E. E. Gilbert of Oregon City. Interment will be made in the Riverside cemetery.

Clackamas Teachers Meet.

Oregon City, May 12.—An entertaining session of the Clackamas County Teachers' association was held in the Eastham school in Oregon City today, with Robert Goetz, president, in charge. At the morning session an address was made by Rev. E. E. Gilbert, pastor of the local M. E. church, on "The Teacher and the Coming Citizen." Miss Dillon of Estacada talked on "Elective Subjects in the High School" and the question was discussed by Miss Evelyn Todd of the Oregon City high school. This afternoon the primary grades and pupils of the Eastham school gave drills and fancy rose showers, much to the delight of the large number of teachers and visitors present. O. M. Plummer, member of the Portland school board, talked on the National Education association. Music for both sessions was furnished by the High School Girls' quartet, composed of Misses Maud Lageson, Esther Staatz, Flossie Blackburn and Mabel Morgan, with Miss Willa Woodfin at the piano.

The next meeting of the association will be held in connection with the summer school in July. John R. Bowland, Oregon City, is secretary.

Half Holiday Declared.

Oregon City, Or., May 12. — Next Wednesday afternoon, from 4 to 5 o'clock, will be a holiday in Oregon City, so declared by a proclamation of Mayor E. C. Hackett in commemoration of the flag raising by the Girls' National Honor guard. The flag, which will be raised over the fire bell tower at the top of Seventh street, was presented to the Girls' Honor guard by the Spanish-American war veterans. The veterans of the G. A. R. and Spanish-American war, and the Boy Scouts have been invited to take part in the exercises, with addresses by several prominent citizens, and singing of the "Star Spangled Banner" by the Honor guard. On this occasion a flag is to be presented to the local Boy Scout organization by the Honor guard.

Tuesday evening a business meeting of the Honor guard is to be held in the Masonic hall, at 7:30, and every member is urged to be present.

Philomath ROUND-UP!
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Dayton Dedicates Flag and Fountain

Dayton, Or., May 12.—Despite the inclemency of the weather several hundred people assembled to witness the unfurling of the new city flag and the dedication of the new water fountain.

W. T. Vinson of McMinnville delivered the address on "Our Flag" in the opera house, the school children furnished a brief program and D. A. Snyder, acting mayor, made the welcome address.

After these exercises the crowd proceeded to the City park where the flag was raised and the fountain dedicated. Ex-Mayor Harris delivered an address and the crowd, with umbrellas raised, enjoyed the talk.

The fountain was dedicated as the Martin Miller fountain for the reason that Mr. Miller presented the springs from which the city receives its water supply.

Mr. Miller assured the citizens of Dayton of his appreciation of the honor bestowed on him. The Boy Scouts gave several demonstrations of their work.

J. S. HARRIS, NOTED AS A GOAT BREEDER, DIES AT SALEM HOME

Went to Asia Minor for High-Class Stock From Which He Developed Industry.

Salem, Or., May 12.—John Sherrar Harris, whose fame as a breeder of Angora goats 25 years ago was said to be world-wide, died today at his home near Salem. He was 81 years old. He came to Salem from Oakley, Idaho, in 1891, at which time he retired from the goat breeding business on an extensive scale. He brought a small herd here and placed them on the J. B. Early ranch.

Mr. Harris was the second person ever to go from the United States into the interior of Asia Minor to purchase the pure-bred Angora goat.

Wanted Real Thing.

He first became interested in goats when living on a ranch near Hollister, Cal., about 1870.

Mr. Harris sent to Asia Minor for a sample of mohair and found it was of so much finer texture than the wool on the goats he was tending that he decided to go after some of the real stock.

In 1875 he left for Asia Minor and reached Angora after a hazardous journey. He purchased two bucks and 10 does, which were carried to the coast slung in boxes on donkeys. The goats, when landed at Baltimore, cost the importer just $525 each.

Was Beginning of Career.

That was the beginning of his career as a breeder of fine goats, which grew until shortly before his retirement he had goat farms in Idaho, California and Texas.

Mr. Harris was born in Ayrshire, Scotland, in 1836, and was married in California in 1881 to Josephine Payne. Surviving him are two children, namely, Mrs. Minnie Graber of Salem and Mrs. Josephine Barr of Astoria.

The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon. Interment will be in City View cemetery.

Barnett Bank Incorporates.

Salem, Or., May 12.—Articles of incorporation for the W. M. Barnett bank of Wasco were filed today with the state banking department. This is the successor to W. M. Barnett, banker, who recently died and with him expired one of the three remaining private banking institutions in the state.

Members of the family are the incorporators of the new state bank. They are: Sarah E. Barnett, Marie A. Barnett and Ira F. Barnett. The capital stock is $15,000. As soon as a report of the organization of the new bank is filed, a charter will be issued.

Sargent Faces Operation.

Salem, Or., May 12.—S. G. Sargent, state superintendent of banks, is suffering with an attack of acute appendicitis and will undergo an operation next Monday. He was taken ill last Monday.

Governor Withycombe Visits.

Salem, Or., May 12. — Governor Withycombe is out of town today, attending a school function at The Dalles.

Mrs. Hawley Dying; Sons at Bedside

Corvallis, Or., May 21. — Reports from the A. P. Starr home at Belle Fountain are that Mrs. Hawley, mother of Congressman Hawley, is slowly failing. The decline is gradual but it is but a matter of days when the end will come. Congressman Hawley arrived Thursday, and is at his mother's bedside. Another son arrived last week from Mesa, Ariz.

Joseph Debaters Are Champions.

Eugene, Or., May 12.—The debating team from the Joseph high school, representing Eastern Oregon, won the state high school debating championship here Friday evening by defeating the Silverton team.

FARM CENSUS, FROM INDICATIONS, IS BIG STATE-WIDE SUCCESS

Work of Compiling Statistical Information Will Be Rushed to Early Completion.

500 MEETINGS ARE HELD

Girls of Honor Guard Have Been Engaged to Assist in Work; National Record Is Believed Probable.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Or., May 12.—Only scattering reports from 500 meetings held in Oregon today for taking a farm census have this evening come into the office of the state leader of county agents, Paul V. Maris. These reports show that the series of defense meetings has been carried out as scheduled in all parts of the state.

The work of tabulation has already been taken up in some counties, but actual figures will not be available before the middle of next week.

The Benton County Agricultural Defense league did not meet until tonight, but farmers began to arrive with their survey blanks filled out earlier in the day.

Undertaking Is Success.

Mr. Maris does not hesitate to announce his belief in the entire success of the undertaking.

To get the information classified, summarized and tabulated for use in Oregon and to report to the United States government at the earliest possible moment, Director R. D. Hetzel, acting head of the campaign during the absence of President Kerr, has enlisted the aid of the Girls' Honor Guards in the different districts of the state.

Will Rush Work.

The statistical work will be rushed as fast as possible and reports forwarded to the office of Mr. Maris, and also will be filed in the offices of the county agents, and the special district agents appointed to care for the work in counties not maintaining county agents.

Completion of the gigantic task of taking so comprehensive a census in a single day is so far as known a United States record. It is also the hope of the food campaign management to have Oregon at the lead of all the states in this as it has been in the military and naval enlistments and applications for commissions by the cadets.

Baker County Responds.

Marshfield, Or., May 12.—Throughout the county today meetings were held by farmers to consider increasing production. The gatherings were arranged by County Agriculturalist Smith, who took the farm survey of the county. Arrangements are being made to secure school boys to help on the farms this summer. Many boys are expected to respond to the call and will help relieve the shortage of farm help during the summer months.

Washington County Active.

Forest Grove, Or, May 12.—Agricultural Defense day was celebrated at the K. of P. hall in Forest Grove this afternoon. Every precinct in the county celebrated. Superintendent H. E. Inlow and B. F. White had charge of the local work.

Coos County Interested.

Coquille, Or., May 12.—Oregon Agricultural Defense day was appropriately observed throughout Coos county, following plans arranged by County Agent J. L. Smith. The county was divided into districts and leaders selected to take charge of meetings. As a great deal of interest was shown, it is believed a very complete compilation of the agricultural resources of Coos county will result. Sheriff Gage is also busy obtaining a complete census of the population of the county, and will soon have everyone listed.

Klamath Is Busy.

Klamath Falls, Or., May 12.—Agricultural Defense Day was observed in all parts of the county, according to County Agent H. R. Glalyser, who made arrangements for 11 big farmers' meetings to lay plans to increase the agricultural production of the district. The people here have shown an active desire to cooperate in this work. An active effort is being made by the civic organizations of Klamath Falls to have all the vacant space possible in the city limits cultivated and put into gardens or potato patches.

Jackson Reports Progress.

Ashland, Or., May 12.—Twenty-one enthusiastic meetings of farmers were held at various community centers in Jackson county today. The farmers are enthusiastically entering into the agricultural defense program outlined by the Oregon Agricultural college and United States department of agriculture and from reports of today's meetings, more Jackson county land will be put under cultivation this year than ever before.

Under the direction of County Agricultural Agent Claude C. Cate a systematic campaign is being waged to put every acre of tillable land under cultivation.

The growers are eagerly grasping the opportunities for cooperation offered by the government. Ideal crop conditions are reported and bumper crops are expected in this county.

Marion Wants Price Regulation.

Salem, Or., May 12.—Farmers' meetings held throughout Marion county this afternoon and tonight in connection with the food preparedness campaign were well attended.

This afternoon a large meeting was held at the Salem Fruit Union in Salem. By unanimous vote the 125 farmers present adopted a resolution calling upon the government to assume control of the prices of articles which must be purchased by the farmers.

The resolution, which was introduced by L. H. McMahan, mentioned the products of the International Harvester company, the Standard Oil company, the manufacturers of gasoline tractors and others.

Prices should be regulated by the government, the resolution urged, in the basis of the capital actually necessary to operate the business and allowing a fair profit.

Another resolution was adopted giving indorsement to the Lever bill, pending in congress, which provides for the regulation of prices of all foods and manufactured products. Considerable bean and corn seed was listed for sale.

Robert Paulus was chairman of the meeting.

Lewis Log Drive Well Under Way

Woodland, Wash., May 12.—The annual spring log drive of the Lewis River Boom and Logging company on the north fork of Lewis river, after being delayed early in the season by unusually low water, has been, progressing very satisfactorily for the last two weeks, and the donkey and heavy part of the drive is now down to what is known as the Heise slough about 20 miles above Woodland.

A crew of drivers reached Woodland last night and returned up river this morning, this crew having operated as a peavy crew putting in all the loose logs possible, to take advantage of a recent raise in the river. They report that there is more snow on the slopes of the north fork than has been known for many years, and that good water for log driving will be had all spring and early summer.

They expect the drive to be over about July 4.

RUSSIA WANTS TO BE SURE CZAR WILL NOT "COME BACK" AGAIN

Rabbi Goldman at Grants Pass Declares Nation Will Then Be Effective Ally.

Grants Pass, Or., May 12.—"Russia will not become effective as an ally of the nations now fighting the central powers until such time as the menace of a return of the Romanoff dynasty absolutely has been removed," declared Rabbi Joseph Goldman, for 25 years in charge of a synagogue in Kishinev, in an address before an audience in the Christian church in Grants Pass Saturday night. He believes that the former czar should be removed from Russian soil.

Goldman has been in the United States nearly four years. Russia ultimately, will stand with the allies, Goldman believes, but the Slav army will "amount to little or nothing," he said, until the people no longer fear a restoration of czardom, or autocracy in any other form, and have had time to "put their house in order."

Goldman asserted he had been forced to witness some of the most horrible orgies of wanton bloodshed in history.

"You of America do not know the old Russia," he said. "I have seen 1000 murders in Kishinev in one day, and with my own hands have helped bury more than 300 Hebrew children, killed by cossacks in a short time. I have seen Hebrew women stripped of all clothing and their breasts literally hacked from their body by cossack swords. Ten millions of the Hebrew race have been murdered in Russia since 1854. That is a mathematical fact."

Goldman blamed the old Russian bureaucracy and the cossacks for these crimes. The Russian peasants, said the rabbi, are generous and just, and have no ill feeling for the Hebrew race or the Jewish religion, and with the complete extirpation of autocracy will be worthy citizens of a democracy.

Banks Indicate Prosperity.

Grants Pass, Or., May 12.—The three Grants Pass banks, with present total deposits of $970,346, show a gain of 50 per cent since May, 1915. A quarter million dollars in cash and reserve funds are on hand at the three institutions. This showing is said to indicate wholesome financial conditions in Josephine county and Grants Pass.

Sauer Kraut Made In Old Brewery

Clarke County Farmers Realizing Handsomely From Sale of Flat Dutch Cabbage; Other Products.

Vancouver, Wash., May 12. — The Interstate Products company, operating in the plant formerly the Star brewery, has so far contracted with Clarke county farmers for over 150 acres of Flat Dutch cabbage. This they will make into sauer kraut, and a machine capable of cutting up 45 tons of cabbage a day is on its way from the east. Over $22,000 is already assured the farmers for their cabbage crop alone, and the company is still contracting.

Aside from the manufacture of sauer kraut the products of the company will include ice, cider and a "near beer." The company's ice plant has an output of 15 tons of ice daily.

Fruit Is Purchased.

Vancouver, Wash., May 12.—George E. Godfrey, local contracting agent for the Long Fruit and Produce company of Portland, reports that he has contracted 50 tons of Royal Ann cherries thus far, and two acres of red raspberries. The cherries have been contracted at 4½ cents a pound, the company to furnish boxes and transportation. The raspberries are being contracted at 5 cents a pound.

An effort was made to contract prunes for canning purposes, but the price asked was too high and the attempt was abandoned.

New Trial for Meyer.

Vancouver, Wash., May 12.—Charles A. Meyer, who was convicted of murder in the second degree at the jury term of court in May, 1916, has been granted a new trial by the state supreme court, error in the trial court's instruction constituting the grounds. Following his sentence of from 10 to 20 years in the state penitentiary, Meyer appealed to the supreme court. He has been confined in the county jail since December 25, 1915, the night of which he shot and killed John Kramer at Hazel Dell during an altercation following a party.

Vancouver Marriage Licenses.

Vancouver, Wash., May 12.—The following couples received marriage licenses here Saturday: Earle N. Oliphant, 24, Vancouver Barracks, and Florence M. Draper, 24 of Oregon City, Or.; J. W. Brown, 60 and Matilda E. Clough, 52, of Portland; Fay E. Shank, 24, and Goldie G. Williams, 26, of Cherryville, Or.; Orin J. Hickock, 27, of McMinnville, Or.; and Martha Chester, 36, of Salem, Or.; Wilbert H. Snider, 21, of Portland, and Lucile W. Beardsley, legal, of Pacific Grove, Or.; Max Sanford, 66, and Mary E. White, 64, of Portland; Stephen Fairfield Jr., 29, and Marie Vinson, 21, of Portland; Ralph Raynond Gibbons, 25, and Marie Ruth McKay, 22, of Portland; Hurley Mattson, 25, of Drain, Or.; and Ruth B. Owen, 21, of Oregon City, Or.

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HIGHWAY COMMISSION ADVISED ON MATTER OF SPECIFICATIONS

Need Not Consider Any But Pavements Best Suited, Says Attorney General.

USE OWN DISCRETION

Owners of Patented Styles May Submit Own Data With Bids; Rock Contracts Are Declared to Stand.

Salem, Or., May 12.—In connection with the work on the Siskiyou grade of the Pacific highway in Jackson county, which was undertaken by the state highway commission last year, the new highway commission has propounded to Attorney General Brown questions which have brought forth his interpretation of the new law relating to paving contracts, specifications and types, etc.

"Shall we specify types of concrete pavements only, or will it be necessary to specify all other types of pavement?" asks the commission.

The attorney general, in reply, quotes section 6 of chapter 237, and then says:

Authorization Is Given.

"It will be noticed that the engineer and commission are definitely authorized to determine the method of road construction best adapted to the various counties, giving due regard to the topography, and this is only declaratory of the discretion reposed in the commission and engineer under their authority over the construction and maintenance of state highways.

"It follows that the plans, specifications and estimates for materials to be used in such construction and maintenance are those determined as being best adapted for the localities where they are to be used. Therefore, I answer your question to the effect that you are not required to specify any pavement other than those coming within the types determined by you as being best adapted to the locality."

Patents to Be Protected.

Answering another question, the attorney general advises that the commission "should not include any specifications which will infringe on patents."

"Shall proprietors of patented pavements submit their own specifications to be adopted by us and printed with ours, or shall proprietors of patented pavements submit their specifications with their proposals at time and place of opening bids?" asks the commission.

"Sections 3 and 4 of said chapter 221, laws of 1917, apply to this question and, without quoting the same, I would say that, as I understand their provisions, such proprietors, if they wish to bid on the proposals submitted, may submit their specifications with their bids," says the attorney general in reply.

May Determine Bonds.

The commission informed the attorney general that the new commission has decided on a different type of pavement, which will require a greater amount of crushed rock than originally expected, and asks if this will affect the contract made last year for crushed rock. The attorney general said it would not. He also advised that the commission has authority to advance the funds to cover the additional cost.

Answering another question, the attorney general said the commission has authority to determine what maintenance bonds should be required of companies laying pavement on state highways.

Dr. Coe Progressive Chairman.

Salem, Or., May 12.—Secretary of State Olcott has received from F. A. Chase, secretary of the National Progressive party, a list of the recently appointed national committeemen for the party. The committeemen were selected at a recent convention held at St. Louis to take the place of those who failed or neglected, since their election at the June convention in 1916, to perform their duty as members of the committee.

Dr. Henry Waldo Coe of Portland is chairman for Oregon.

Airlie Postmaster Is in Auto Wreck

Airlie, Or., May 12.—While C. V. Johnson, postmaster at this place, was returning from Dallas Thursday evening, in his new automobile, with his family and the family of J. F. Ulrick, blinded by the strong lights from a passing auto, he missed the grade and the machine was turned bottom side up.

All escaped serious injury with the exception of Mr. Ulrick, who was caught beneath the car. His back was hurt. He is now in the Dallas hospital. There were eight in the car.

HOORAY, SKINNAY! THE BARNES CIRCUS IS HERE TOMORROW AND TUESDAY!

THE RUSSELLS, ONLY WOMEN CLOWNS IN CAPTIVITY, WITH THE AL G. BARNES WILD ANIMAL CIRCUS.

The Al G. Barnes Wild Animal Circus, which shows here for two days, beginning tomorrow, has among its many unusual features a band of women clowns. These clowns begin the day by amusing the children in the big menagerie tent during the "personally conducted animal tour" which is given one hour before the "grand entry." This year the Barnes circus boasts several new features of the "only ones in the world" class. The trained zebras, the educated llamas and the working camels are introduced to the public for the first time in history of circusdom. Previous to Mr. Barnes' introduction of these animals in the ring they had only been used in the menagerie tents. "The Conquest of the Nyanga," the opening spectacle, is a glorious, dazzling wild-animal pageant that holds one spellbound.

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