

CITY'S WATER PLANT SUCCESS

California Municipality Demonstrates Practicability Of Public Project

Whether or not Salem folk believe that Salem should purchase a water system, it is yet interesting to note the experience of other small cities which Ivan A. Martin said here this week have operated for a period of years their own water plants. Santa Rosa, county seat of Sonoma county, California with a population of 15,000 has owned its water system more than 30 years.

Martin when a boy resided in Santa Rosa and recalls that in order to increase the water supply which was obtained from springs, wells were successfully used. Being interested in the progress and success of the water experiment of my old home town, he recently wrote a letter of inquiry to Professor J. S. Sweet, one of Santa Rosa's leading citizens who for a number of years was mayor of the city. The answer follows:

"Dear Ivan:

Replying to your inquiry of April 12th, I have the following to offer:

The original cost of the Santa Rosa water system was \$16,000 and we estimate its value today to be not less than \$500,000. It probably could not be bought for double that amount.

"This system furnishes some 3-500 meters at a cost of \$800 per month for power.

"We have free water for domestic purposes not to exceed 10,000 gallons per month per household.

"Our water department charges 25 cents per gallon for business purposes with an income amounting to about \$500 per month.

From the above you may note that the city of Santa Rosa, with a population of 15,000 people, is able to provide water for its inhabitants at a very reasonable figure."

It will be of personal interest to some of the pioneers of Marion and Polk counties to recall that some 40 years ago J. S. Sweet and Judge Pipes of Portland were owners and editors of a newspaper in Independence. Professor and Mrs. Sweet, who when a girl resided in Oregon have made their home for more than 35 years in Santa Rosa where Mr. Sweet has been very successful as the founder and owner of the Santa Rosa business college. He is author of a number of school text books and publications which are printed on his own presses and are widely used throughout the nation.

GUESTS NUMEROUS AT SCOTTS MILLS

SCOTTS MILLS, April 29. — Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Taylor and family of Tillamook, visited relatives here the first of the week.

Miss Clara Larson of Silverton visited her sister, Mrs. Almond Rich and family Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Helen Amundson, who has been working in Portland, was home for a few days visiting. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Amundson took her to Portland Sunday.

J. H. Kinser was in Salem on Tuesday afternoon on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben De Jardin visited relatives at Gervais Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thad Dwyer of Independence visited Mr. and Mrs. George Haynes Tuesday.

W. P. Shutt who attended the railroad telegraphers' convention in Los Angeles the past three weeks returned home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Waibel and family visited Mr. Waibel's parents at Crooked Finger over the week end.

Warren Kilborn and son Oscar who have been visiting in California for several months, have returned and are living on their farm for the present.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Bellinger and family of Salem visited his mother, Mrs. Lena Bellinger at Noble on Sunday.

Miss Doris Hogg, a student at the Salem high school, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hogg.

Mrs. Nellie Clark and Mrs. Nora Leeds of Seattle visited Mr. and Mrs. Bert Scott last week.

Miss Nellie Kinser of Portland visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kinser at Crooked Finger, Sunday.

Clarence Haynes, who work in the woods for the Silver Falls company at Mehama, has been laid up with a bruised leg the past week.

A crew of men has been working on the new market road, cutting brush, blasting stumps and moving fences.

The dance given in Waibel's new chicken house Saturday was attended by a large crowd.

GUEST AT WACONDA RETURNS PORTLAND

WACONDA, April 28 — Mr. M. Flier and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Estelle of Portland visited at the F. R. Nusom home recently.

Mrs. Flier, mother of Mrs. Nusom returned to Portland with them. Mrs. Flier has been at the Nusom home for some time caring for Mrs. Nusom and her infant son.

Guests at the A. W. Nusom home Sunday evening were Mr. and Mrs. Perle Patterson and children, Charles and Norman; and Mr. and Mrs. Allyn Nusom and son Donald.

Dinner guests Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ward Russell and daughter, Lorraine of Kaiser.

HERO IN PRISON RIOT



First and exclusive telephoto of Miss Amanda Thomas, daughter of Warden P. E. Thomas of the burned state prison at Columbus, Ohio. She was praised for extraordinary heroism when fire broke out. She assumed charge of the outer prison office and passed out ammunition and summoned doctors.

West Salem News

Mrs. E. M. Stark of Burns, Oregon is visiting in West Salem, at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Laehr of the West Side Grocery Store of Edgewater street. She will be here with them for an indefinite time.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Thomas of Ruge street were Sunday dinner guests at the home of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Thomas of North Salem.

Harold Davis returned home Sunday evening after spending a few days at the De Molay convalescent of Pendleton. He reported having a fine time.

Lawrence Snell was an all-night guest at the home of his friend, Harold Davis of Ruge street. Snell resides in Albany but returned to West Salem with Harold from the convalescent in Pendleton.

Mrs. L. E. Davis was a Monday afternoon visitor at the home of her sister, Mrs. I. W. Thomas of Edgewater street.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Swigert of Skinner street were dinner guests Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Phillips of McCleary, Oregon. The Swigerts are parents of Mrs. Phillips.

Shirley Lorraine, Bonnie Jean and Bobby Wane, all children of Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Dixon, were taken into the West Salem Methodist church Sunday evening.

Mrs. Molly Lacey of Pelee was a Sunday visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pitts of Edgewater street. She also spent all night at their home.

Miss Gertrude Needham of Hillsboro was a week-end visitor at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Needham.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sprout returned to West Salem after visiting and looking over locations in Kansas. They came by way of Denver and Salt Lake City. It took them five and one-half days to get here, arriving here Saturday evening. They had a very enjoyable time and are now staying with Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Needham.

Euell and Thomas Needham left Tuesday for northern Idaho, where they will try to find ranch employment. They will also try to improve their health while there.

Mrs. George Davis is improving nicely after being ill for some time.

Mrs. F. M. Moore of Edgewater street returned to her home Saturday afternoon after spending four weeks in Eugene helping care for her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Delbert Moore who has been quite ill for some time with infection in her hands. She has improved considerably, but is still quite ill.

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REALTY MOVES RAPIDLY NOW

Nineteen Transfers Reported In Past Few Days, Reports Indicate

Nineteen real estate transfers aggregating \$69,500 have been completed recently by W. H. Grabenhorst and company, realtors. The complete list, which shows many acreage and small farm sales, follows:

Agatha Loewen purchased from E. C. Stewart his house and lot in West Salem for a consideration of \$1,500.

W. E. Hartman has recently purchased a fine 32 acres located near the Swegle school in the East Salem fruit farms. Consideration \$7000.00.

M. W. Willes and wife recently of California purchased five acres with a new dwelling, located in the Heltzel fruit and garden tracts east of Salem. Consideration \$2200.00.

Rev. George Chapman and wife purchased a four room modern home located at 1325 North 18th; consideration \$2250.00.

Roy Hammer and wife purchased an attractive 42-acre river bottom farm, located six miles north of Salem from Mista A. Hendricks. Consideration \$12,000.00.

Mrs. Laura Bugher purchased a modern four room home located in Pleasant Home addition from Geo. A. Coddling of Medford. Consideration \$2000.00.

R. D. Byland of Albany purchased a four room modern home located at 1130 Norway from the Spaulding Logging Company; consideration \$2900.00.

Grover Hillman has recently purchased the Dr. Ellis home on Center; consideration \$8500.00.

Mista A. Hendricks purchased one-half acre with a dwelling house, and also 10 acres located on the penitentiary road east of Salem from Roy Hammer. Consideration \$6200.00.

C. W. Stacey from eastern Oregon and who operates a fox farm south of Salem, has recently purchased more land consisting of seven acres adjoining his present holdings from W. H. Grabenhorst and company; consideration \$1200.00.

A. La Point purchased lots 68 and 69 of Smith fruit farms No. 2 located south of Salem. Consideration \$2000.00.

L. E. Keitly has purchased two acres on Vista avenue; consideration \$2000.00.

W. E. Hartman has recently sold his 40 acres located six miles south of Salem in the Sunnyside fruit farms to L. E. Oberer. Consideration \$6000.00.

E. A. Sharp buys five acres in the Heltzel fruit and garden tracts near the Swegle school and is now constructing a home; consideration \$2000.00.

John Wuest buys five and one half acres in Heltzel fruit and garden tracts; consideration \$1900.00.

Fred E. Roberts buys five acres in Heltzel fruit and garden tracts and is now constructing a home; consideration \$2000.00.

Louis Lorenz buys from L. L. Sloper a modern house and two lots in West Salem for a consideration of \$3800.00.

L. L. Sloper buys from T. B. Kay three lots in Kay's Second addition and expects to start immediate construction of modern homes on these tracts. Consideration \$1500.00.

Joe Black purchases from the Capitol Securities corporation a new home located at Berry and Cross for a consideration of \$2250.00.

ROTARY ELECTION TO BE WEDNESDAY

Ballots for the annual Rotary election today, April 30, have been prepared by the secretary and have been mailed to inform them of the nominees for each position. The positions to be filled and the men from whom the new officers will be chosen are:

President: W. H. Dancy, W. L. Phillips; vice president: Grover Hillman, Max Page; secretary: Eric Butler; treasurer: Dan J. Fry; directors: C. F. Brethaupt, Ted Endicott, Leon Gleason, Elmer Von Eichen.

PORTLAND — The chamber of commerce announced that a 10 day extension had been granted to further the census taking of Portland.

Two Inmates Effect Escape From Asylum

Vernon Pease, 28, and Raymond Spillane, 18, patients at the Oregon state hospital, escaped from the institution late Monday by filing the lock off the door of the ward in which they were housed.

Pease was received at the hospital from Lane county January 12 of this year. Spillane was committed to the institution from Coos county January 7. Officials said the men were harmless, and probably would return to their homes.

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