

Local News Briefs

Sale Blocked—A temporary injunction has been issued in circuit court here in behalf of W. O. Munsell against the Rena company, et al. The injunction forbids the sale of 75 shares of capital stock in the Edwards Mining company at Grants Pass. Stock was given in exchange for a note made by Charles R. Archerd. The court is to hear the case January 5 to decide whether the injunction shall be made permanent or shall be dismissed.

Oranges All of Load—Officers here suspected that oranges were not the entire cargo of a large truck, bearing California and Washington license plates; hence, they halted it, Saturday and found that 250 cases of oranges were the entire cargo. No liquor was found. Drivers of the machine stated that they are six such machines used in the business making the round trip from Los Angeles to Seattle in five days. The truck is driven day and night, with two drivers.

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Community Committee—Committees from the community clubs of Keiser, Hayesville, Middle Grove, and Hazel Green which will plan for the gathering of the four groups at the Chemawa Woodman hall, soon will meet at the Hayesville school, January 8, to arrange the affair. This announcement was made Saturday by E. L. Moore, president of the Hayesville group.

Execution Fined—An execution on real property in Salem made by Sheriff Oscar Bower was filed yesterday with the county clerk. The execution was for the State Savings and Loan association against Alfred H. Berg, et al. The total judgment was for \$12,157 with \$10,517 received on sale. A deficiency judgment for \$2000 was issued.

Argo Hotel Dining Room—Special chicken dinner both noon and night, 50c.

Destroy Property—Arrested early Saturday, H. B. Allen of 152 South Church street, was taken to the city jail. Later in the day they were each fined \$5 on charges of destroying city property. It is said that the pair were breaking up street signs to use them as firewood.

Large Sales—Southern Pacific railway ticket office people report an extra large sale of tickets for the holiday season. It surpasses that of the Labor day weekend although the rates are the same. Few people are traveling at present although the traffic will increase toward the middle of the week.

To State Meeting—Mrs. Mary L. Fulkerson, county superintendent of schools, and Wayne D. Harding, 4-H club leader, are among a number of educators from this county who will attend the annual meeting of the State Teachers' association which is to be held Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in Portland.

Gray Belle, 440 State—Famous dinners, 50c-75c-\$1.

Vicks Answer—Answering the complaint of L. D. Warink, George F. Vick and Charles H. Vick yesterday filed in circuit court a statement that they had settled in full with Varing and did not owe him for any services as the latter alleges in a recently filed complaint.

Miller Operation—A major operation was performed for appendicitis Friday morning on Miss Evangelina Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Miller, at the Salem general hospital. Her condition was stated Saturday as being "satisfactory."

Sentenced—Jimmy Johnson, 148 North Commercial, was sentenced to five days in jail for being drunk, Saturday. A similar sentence was given Frank Sullivan, 146 Pine street, for the same thing.

The Spa. Eight-course turkey dinner, \$1. Six-course dinner, 75c.

Car Recovered—State police recovered a sedan stolen from this city from Mrs. Fred Shyt, Ft. Yamhill, Saturday. The recovery was made in less than 36 hours.

Business League—Salem Business Men's league will meet Wednesday night. The new president will become a member of the board of directors of the chamber of commerce.

Holiday Visitors—Visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hannon, Friday, were Mrs. Hannon's mother, Mrs. Frances Goulet, her brother, George A. Goulet, and Miss Sylvia DuBois.

Possession Fine—Charged with possession of intoxicating liquor and with speeding, C. R. Brown of Dallas was fined \$50 on the forty mer charge, Saturday. He was arrested Saturday morning.

Held for Investigation—Clayton Allen, 529 Columbia street, and James Bishop, 1885 North Church street, were held Friday morning for investigation by the city police.

Larceny Charged—Charges of larceny of an automobile are faced by Charles Zander and Eugene Courville who were returned to Oregon City by the local police Saturday.

Held for Officer—Leonard Dodge, Junction City, charged with reckless driving, was held at the city jail Saturday for State Officer Alford.

Reply Fined—A reply was filed yesterday in circuit court in the case of Hattie L. Smith vs. George Yllstrup.

HARD BLIZZARD HITS TO SOUTH

Two may die from Injuries Caused by Gale, Rain; Snow Blocks Roads

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ficult beyond Yreka. Passengers on southbound stages were transferred to trains here.

EUGENE, Ore., Dec. 26—(AP)—Heavy rains fell in Lane county today and strong winds did some property damage.

At Marcola and Wending the wind howled over light poles and disrupted service.

High tides were reported off the Lane county coast. The Willamette river was rising.

GATEWAY, Ore., Dec. 26—(AP)—A heavy wind and dust storm struck this part of the state today. The wind tended to evaporate what little moisture the ground held.

Salem and vicinity were more fortunate Saturday than other districts in the northwest, the extreme severity of the day's storm failing to strike here although rain fell in sheets at times and a strong, cold wind made outdoor strolls uncomfortable and bothered motorists, who found it necessary to make allowance for the gale in steering their machines.

Both the telephone company and the power company reported some trouble but scarcely more than usual.

OREGON NO PLACE FOR LAW BREAKER

State Police are Making Life Miserable for Various Types of Criminals

"The drunken driver probably is the most serious menace in the state of Oregon at the present time," according to the declaration of the state police department. Pray of the state police, who has announced that this problem is receiving special attention from the 125 field operatives of his department.

"He is a potential murderer, and has little, if any regard, for the rights of others. It is the intention of the state police department to do everything possible to stamp out this menace and make the highways safe for the traveling public," the police head added.

Pray said the state police had received cooperation from the courts, and that virtually all of the county and city police officers had joined in the crusade against the drunken driver.

"If the sober police will do its part," Pray continued, "there is no reason why the irresponsible driver cannot be subdued and ejected from the highways."

Police Have Made Notable Record

Although organized only last August, the state police department already has to its credit a large number of important captures which are classified in the criminal records as major activities.

Probably one of the most outstanding crimes to receive the prompt attention of the state police department was the Aurora bank robbery a few months ago. Louis Bruggman, driver of the automobile in which the robbers escaped from the scene of the crime, was arrested within less than an hour after the holdup had been reported. Frank Farley and Edward Seaman, two other members of the trio, were taken into custody by the following night.

When questioned later by Pray the three men admitted their guilt and were taken into the circuit court here for sentence. Each man was sentenced to serve a term of 10 years in the Oregon state penitentiary. A part of the \$1500 taken from the bank was recovered.

The state police also deserve full credit for ferreting out the murder of Joe Blessing, sheep herder, who was employed on a ranch in Grant county. Blessing was reported missing from his usual haunts a few months ago, and Captain Lee Moe of the state police was assigned to conduct an investigation. Without a clew, other than the report that Blessing was last seen with Edward McLaughlin, the officer launched his probe.

Confession Gained From McLaughlin Within less than two weeks McLaughlin was under arrest and had admitted that he had killed his fellow sheep herder as the result of some minor grievance. Aashes of Blessing's body, which McLaughlin had attempted to burn, were found buried on a ranch some distance from where Blessing was previously employed.

The state police also organized and directed the posse which recently captured Keith Crosswytch and John Owens, who are being held in the Union county jail on an open charge. Crosswytch and Owens were alleged to have shot and wounded Amos L. Helms, a member of the state police, who he accosted them at a LaGrande service station in connection with a holdup at Twin Falls, Idaho. Captain Noe was with Helms at the time of the shooting. Helms was rushed to a hospital at LaGrande, where he has since been in serious condition.

Crosswytch and Owens succeeded in eluding Noe, but later were captured by the state police and other officers in a timbered district some distance from LaGrande. In case Helms dies the men will be charged with first-degree murder, Pray declared.

Service Station Robbers Captured

Still another capture in which the state police made history was that of E. O. James, charged with holding up the proprietor of a Salem gasoline station. The holdup occurred at 9 p. m., and a report later was sent to the state and city police. Within five minutes after the report was received, Powell Clayton, state police officer, and George Edwards, city operative, were in pursuit of the robber. Following the exchange of several shots James was arrested on a side road near Albany. He is now serving a term of 10 years in the state penitentiary for his crime.

The state police are now at work in an effort to identify the persons who last May shot and killed James Iverson, night police officer at Silverton. Joseph R. Ripley, now serving a term of one to ten years in the state penitentiary at Monroe, Wash., has confessed that he was one of three men involved in the murder. His confession was obtained by F. E. Dodele, sergeant of the state police, and Sam Burkhardt, deputy sheriff of Marion county. Ripley implicated Paul Krier and Richard Hyland in his confession, and these men are now being held in the Marion county jail on a charge of burglary. Livecock Thefts Receive Attention

AMERICAN HELP OPEN QUESTION

Will Depend on Willingness Of Nations to Solve Own Problems

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best information available, however, the situation may be outlined as follows:

When President Hoover proposed last June a year's moratorium on all inter-governmental debts, he specifically stated two purposes.

Sought to Build World Confidence

First, he sought to relieve a world crisis arising from loss of confidence and the pressure of international obligations. The burden of reparations was breaking the back of Germany. Her creditors in turn owed great sums to the United States in war debts, and smaller sums one to the other. Altogether, the amount of such obligations about to fall due was some \$350,000,000.

Second, the president proposed to give Europe a year in which to adopt a program for united action to end the depression and restore confidence and stability. Today Europe still is divided and distressed. It is hoped, none too confidently, that before the year is out, the projected conference or some other negotiation will produce a constructive program.

American officials have stated repeatedly that the problems now troubling European statesmen are almost completely European. The depression in the United States has had no great effect across the Atlantic. The stocks have traveled the other way.

MORTGAGE RELIEF GRANT IS FAVORED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26—(AP)—An additional \$25,000,000 to be used in granting postponements on farm mortgage payments was attached to a house bill to increase the capitalization of the federal land banks today by a senate banking sub-committee.

The bill as passed by the house calls for the government to subscribe \$100,000,000 to the capital of the land banks and would authorize the banks to allow postponements of mortgage installments due.

The senate sub-committee, headed by Senator Carey, republican, Wyoming, voted to add the \$25,000,000 in order to finance the so-called moratorium to farmer borrowers. The \$25,000,000 is to be repaid to the federal treasury by the banks when their need for the money has passed.

Chairman Carey, believes the amendment will permit a moratorium and at the same time avoid weakening the banks.

A favorable report on the measure with the amendment was decided upon by the committee which will approve the final language of the redraft at another executive session on Monday.

Obituary

Claypool

In this city, Dec. 24, John Earl Claypool, 42. Survived by widow, Mrs. Marie Claypool; daughters, Hazel, Helen and Beatrice; two sons, Delmar and Roy, all of Hubbard; parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Claypool of Fontana, Cal.; three brothers, Clinton of Missoula, Mont., Harry of Chelsea, Okla., and Fred of Los Angeles; sister, Mrs. Elsie Withune of Seattle. Funeral services from the Federated church of Hubbard Monday, Dec. 28 at 2 p. m. by Clough-Barrick company, Rev. Hartong officiating.

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GALE CAPSIZES FISHING BOATS

Six Trawlers Wrecked and Occupants Have Close Call From Drowning

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Neah Bay, was lifted by a combor and crashed against a house. A line was thrown to Iver Westness when his trawler was smashed up.

Six fishing boats that sank or were destroyed were valued at \$15,000.

Traffic Blocked In Some Regions

The storm felled trees on the Twin Clallam road, west of Port Angeles, knocked down coast guard and weather bureau wires west of Sekui and paralyzed traffic between Sekui and Neah Bay on the county highway.

At Port Angeles, also, where the gale shifted to the northeast for a time and reached a velocity of 60 miles an hour, a section below Front street bluff was under water, with residents picking up their belongings in rowboats.

A slide at Deep creek, on the Twin Puyt highway, carried the county roadway for a distance of 150 feet into the Strait of Juan de Fuca.

'BEST CHRISTMAS EVER' IS VERDICT

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at the matinee performances given Thursday and presented to the Associated Charities.

The Salvation Army officers through Adjutant Parsons expressed satisfaction at being able to feed 66 men a Christmas dinner Friday in the soup kitchen with the following menu: turkey, port and beef for meats; potatoes, salad, celery, bread and butter, fruit and jelly, coffee with sugar and cream, candy and sweet rolls.

And there was another group of people who were not allowed to forget that Christmas was still with the city all day Saturday. This group was the clerks in the stores. For the days before Christmas they had been dabbling hither and yon trying to furnish people with what they wanted for Christmas gifts.

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It was voted to instruct the directors to prepare the necessary resolutions for converting the association into a mutual company to be submitted at an adjourned meeting of the stockholders on Thursday, January 14, at 7:30 p. m.

CLERGYMEN TAKED

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 26—(AP)—A Cuernavaca dispatch to La Prensa said tonight the state legislature of Morelos had enacted a law imposing a tax of 300 pesos (about \$120) yearly on each clergyman.

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