

EARLY GARDEN CROPS ARE UP

Asparagus Stalks Appearing Already and Pasturing of Alfalfa Talked

MONMOUTH, Feb. 21.—A. J. Shipley, veteran asparagus grower of this section, reports appearance of stalks on many hills, this being an unusual occurrence in February. Several gardens about town having asparagus beds are also showing indication of the early season growth.

Lambs have been arriving for several weeks, and the crop is expected to be a heavy one because of the mild dry weather. Alfalfa is so far advanced that growers are already talking of the necessity of pasturing the crop back lest the first cutting of hay come on too early to cure properly. Flower gardens are about two months ahead of their usual schedule of bloom here.

Peas and Radishes Up

LINCOLN, Feb. 21.—Extensive gardening activities are being carried on in the Lincoln district, garden spot of the valley. J. R. Sturgeon has planted a large acreage of potatoes and C. M. Parks and son Leslie have planted young cabbage plants, both to be sold commercially. Early vegetables such as peas, radishes and onions are showing green sprouts. Peach buds are showing their color and all other trees are far advanced. Daffodils, snapdragons, jonquils, violet, primroses, crocuses, hyacinths and myrtle are making a big splash of color in flower beds.

Much Seeding Done

LYONS, Feb. 21.—Farmers in this vicinity are taking all advantage of the good weather which has prevailed the past three weeks, aside from a few sudden showers. Lots of the seeding is done and practically all the land not sowed is plowed.

Flax Planting Next

PRACTUM, Feb. 21.—Many peas have been planted lately, also gladioli and chrysanthemums and other flowers, and some cherry trees have been grafted. Some farmers are getting their land ready for flax. On account of the early spring most of the farmers are plowing with horses, and country life is coming back to normal again. Peace and quiet reign as one can hear the horse neigh and watch cattle chew without being disturbed by the roar of the tractor.

Wild Flowers Out

MACLEAY, Feb. 21.—Not to be outdone by the cultivated flowers that are appearing much earlier than usual this spring, the wild flowers are trying to "put one over." With only the very earliest of garden varieties of iris in bloom, and some varieties barely above the ground, the wild iris around Macleay are beginning to blossom.

Numbers of Bills Given as Ransom Received by Burk

Sixty-four closely printed pages listing in columns the numbers of tens of thousands of pieces of United States currencies used to pay ransom to kidnapers were received here Wednesday by Sheriff A. C. Burk with a request from John Edgar Hoover, director U. S. division of inspection, to report to him at once word of any of this money circulated in this county.

While the money were not specifically listed as those used in the \$200,000 Bremer ransom payment, the fact that most of the currency was issued from the Minneapolis federal reserve bank indicated the Bremer funds were included.

Federal reserve notes, United States notes and National bank notes were included in the descriptions. The sheriff commented that the number of pages used to list the money gave some idea of the amount \$200,000 was in \$5 and \$10 bills.

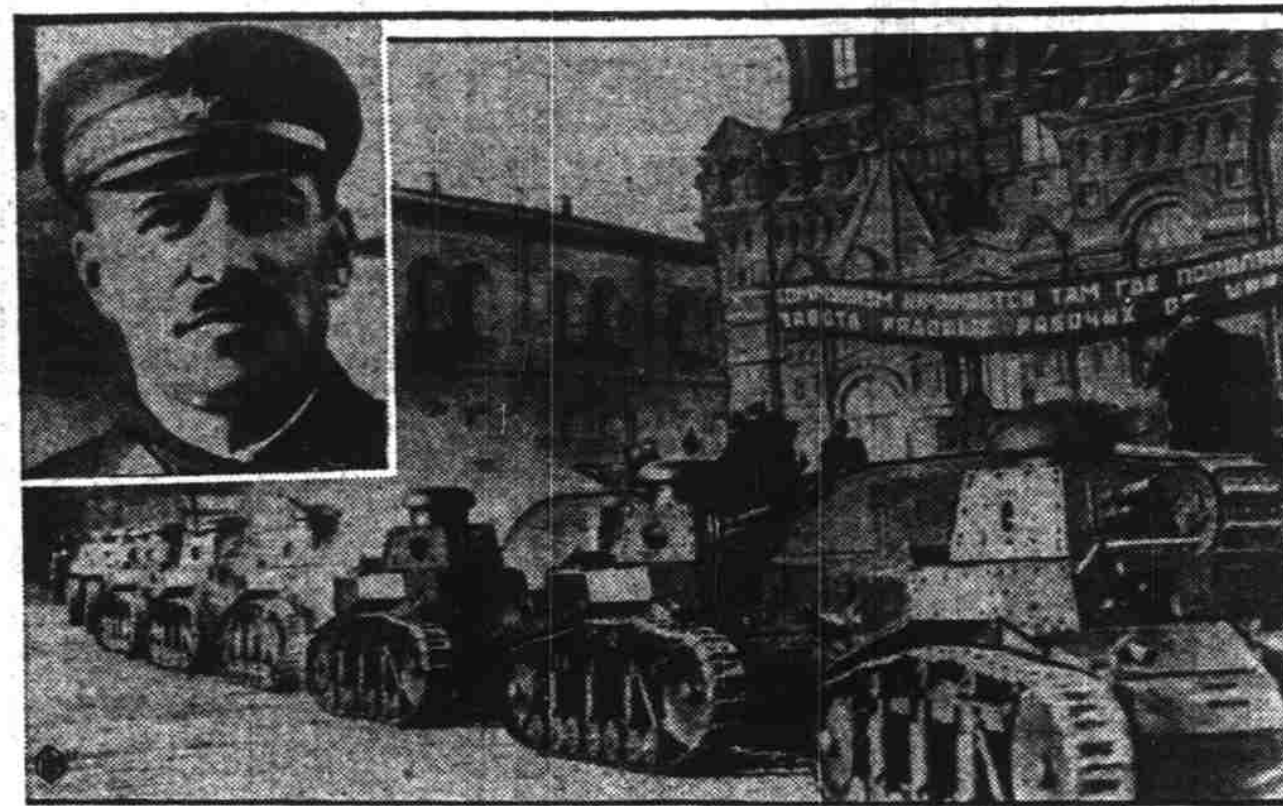
Sheriff Burk has the list available to anyone interested.

Life for Boettcher Kidnaper



Meeting to take his medicine from the law rather than follow the example of his chief, Verne Sankey, who hanged himself in his cell, George Alcorn (left) stands in Federal Court at Sioux Falls, S. D., and hears himself sentenced to life imprisonment for his part in kidnaping of Charles Boettcher, Denver, Colo., millionaire.

Soviet Prepares for Japanese Threat



Charging that Japan is "feverishly preparing for war," General Vasily Blucher (inset), commander-in-chief of the Soviet Armies in the Far East, recently told the Communist Congress in Moscow that in the event Japan does attack Russia, she will find herself facing a ring of steel that surrounds the Soviets. Above is a parade of up-to-the-minute Russian tanks during recent Moscow review.

FARMERS MAY GROW MORE FLAXSEED

Farmers who are planning to plant flax this year, and indications are that a considerably larger acreage than last year will be harvested, will pay about 75 per cent more for seed than last year, one seed dealer reports. The flax seed is selling now around \$1.90 per bushel, f. o. b. Portland or about \$68 a ton, while last year it was \$1.10 a bushel, the same basis.

Salem Seed and Implement company yesterday received the following information on the flax market from Archer-Daniels-Midland company at Portland: "Last year's domestic crop of 6,750,000 bushels was one of the smallest on record, with the world crop also below average, consequently available supplies have been closely consumed. With general condition improving, it is expected that plant consumption will increase materially, which means that linseed oil will be in increased demand.

"More foreign grown flaxseed has already been imported into the United States this season than for any similar period since the depression started, all subject to 65c per bushel duty, and it is estimated that this country could safely plant at least a million acres, or 55 to 60 per cent more flax this year than was planted in 1933, without danger of distributing the benefits which this 65c tariff protection affords the American grower. Land taken out of wheat production under the allotment arrangement cannot be sown to flax, and flax must therefore find its way to new land.

"Although we feel that this is an opportune year for growers in the Pacific northwest to increase their flaxseed acreage, and the outlook seems exceptionally bright. Cost of seed per acre runs about the same as for other grain crops, and no special equipment is needed. Flax as a general rule grows successfully anywhere that spring wheat is grown, although it also succeeds in districts where little or no spring wheat is raised. Normally it is a dry-farming crop, but it is also being rapidly introduced in various irrigated districts, where it is proving very successful. We have this year a complete write-up covering the growing of this crop under irrigation. We also have other flax growing bulletins and literature available without obligation on request. Flax is mostly sown in April."

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DAYTON, Feb. 21.—Ross Wood, hoggrower of Dayton; Frank Sawyer, county commissioner of McMinnville, and Roy E. Will, farmer of Grand Island, attended a flood control meeting at Albany Tuesday.

Mrs. Ida Steele of Salem is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Sherman in Dayton, assisting in care of the latter, who has been indisposed for two weeks but who is now improving. Mr. and Mrs. Milton A. Palmer of Dayton are the parents of a seven-pound daughter born February 18 at the Retzel hospital in McMinnville. She has been named Wess.

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Community Clubs

AURORA, Feb. 21.—The Aurora community club presented speakers from the University of Oregon at a meeting for the public in this and surrounding towns interested in the subject of taxation. President Melvin H. Eyrans introduced Ernest Cole, whose subject was "The Breaking Down of the Present Method of Taxation"; H. Stark, "In Favor of the Sales Tax," and William Shepherd, "The Income Tax." A symposium conducted by Frank Nash at the close, gave the audience an opportunity to enter into a general discussion.

ROBERTS, Feb. 21.—At the meeting of the community club Saturday night, a four-act play will be furnished by the Pratum club at small admission. Women should bring cake.

PLEASANTDALE, Feb. 21.—At the Pleasantdale community club meeting and program at the schoolhouse Friday night, February 23, R. R. Turner of Dallas, democratic candidate for congress, and E. J. McAlear of Hillsboro will speak. Free lunch will be served. The men will have charge of the program and refreshments.

Further Cuts for Employment Staff Here this Weekend

Elimination of two helpers in the office of the Marion county reemployment service here is planned this weekend, according to Earl Caulfield, regional supervisor, who was here Wednesday. Caulfield reported that orders from Washington called for cutting the service down coincident with reductions in the number of CWA workers employed.

Next weekend, according to Caulfield's proposal, the position of manager held by E. T. Barnes, will be vacated and only D. D. Dotson, office manager, and Lois Barker, clerical helper, will be maintained here. This change, however, is not fully determined upon, depending how much work remains for the office here.

Support of the reemployment offices in the state on a 60-50 basis by the federal government and counties and cities, is being sought for as of May 1.

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ELZEVIR BIBLE SHOWN AT LIBRARY

A Bible, printed by the Elzevir printing house of Leyden in 1663, was on exhibition at the state library yesterday. It is the property of Mrs. Ben Lane of Manzanita, coming to her by descent from an ancestor who was court pastor in Holland in the latter part of the 17th century. The book is 12 inches wide by 19 deep, and is eight inches thick. The binding is solid boards covered with leather bearing hand-tooled designs.

The type is old Caslon, with decorative initials. The title page is in two colors, red and black. The book is well preserved and the printing is very good although the paper is showing the brown of age. The book bears the imprint of the design of the old house of Elzevir which flourished in Holland during the 17th century, and has the imprimatur of "John Elzevir."

This edition of the Dutch Bible is not one of the most famous of the books printed by the Elzevir press, and as beautiful as some other old Bibles of the early printers, but it is a valuable example of the early art of printing and binding.

Row Maple Trees is Sacrificed as Sidewalk Menace

MT. ANGEL, Feb. 21.—The row of maple trees fronting St. Mary's public school are being cut down and the roots grubbed out. The trees have stood there for any years, giving pleasant shade and adding much to the appearance of the school and street, and it seems a great pity that they must be sacrificed.

It was decided, nevertheless, that they must be dug out, as the roots were cracking the cement sidewalks and would eventually break them up completely. Work on the trees was begun Monday and will probably be completed in another day or so.

Lions to Initiate 10 New Members

With the introduction of 10 new members today noon, the Salem Lions club will reach its recently-set quota of 50. It was announced yesterday. Clarence Manion, representative of Lions International, who has been here the past week assisting the club, will be present at the noon luncheon at the Gray Belle. The speaker, on a Washington's birthday topic, will be Dr. Robert Moulton Gatke of Willamette university.

The new members are Albert Ramseyer, O. C. Hammond, Merle B. Gwin, "Cyn" Cronise, Sherris A. C. Burk, Dr. James Sears, Ed Schreder, H. A. Siefarth, William H. Rush and Herbert A. Miller.

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POULTRYMEN SEEK CHANGES IN CODE

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 21.—(P)—Poultrymen of the Pacific slope sought changes in the proposed regional code covering marketing of poultry and eggs in the hearing held here today by federal authorities. The hearing was concluded.

The code was changed in minor respects by the representatives of the AAA and NRA, and some of these changes brought complaints from marketing agencies. Most of the protests centered around limiting the work week to 40 hours.

This provision, the marketers said, would probably strike back at the producers in the form of lower prices for their eggs and poultry. Some spokesmen for the dealers argued for a 48-hour week.

The matter of hours was held up in a different light. It was pointed out poultry and egg prices are too low to permit the industry to absorb heavy additions to operating costs. Wages were set at \$16 a week minimum for office help, and the same for factory, manual and mechanical employees in cities of 250,000 or over, smaller cities would be allowed a \$14.50 rate.

Enforcement of the code is provided in a board of 20 members, two from each district. The districts are southern California, northern and central California, Oregon, western Washington, eastern Washington, Idaho, Montana, Utah, Nevada and Arizona.

Each of these districts will have a local committee of seven members for administrative purposes. The AAA and NRA may be represented on the code authority by a non-voting member each, one to be appointed by the secretary of agriculture and one by the NRA administrator.

4479 UNEMPLOYED IN MARION COUNTY

While registration at the national reemployment agency here reached 6059 last Saturday night but 45 new jobs were reported for the week, leaving 4479 men and women on the list of unemployed, according to reports released yesterday by D. D. Dotson, office manager, and Miss Susan Martin, statistician. The total number of registrants listed as now employed was 1529, with 51 of the registrations canceled.

Agriculture provided jobs for seven men last week, local building operations one, public works three, civil works 16 and personal service 10, while civil works gave employment to six women and domestic service to two.

The report showed 41 registrants employed at one time or another on PWA projects, 1914 on CWA projects, and 409 at other jobs. Of 648 veterans registered, 408 had been given work.

Government Sends Teacher for Five Lighthouse Youths

HUBBARD, Feb. 21.—Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Loney are visiting their son, Ray Loney, in Alaska. Word has been received by their son, Earl Loney, of Zoo auto park, that they find the climate quite a contrast from California, where they visited just previous to going to Alaska.

Ray Loney, who is head lighthouse-keeper 45 miles from

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Nippon Envoy at White House



Resplendent in ostrich plumes and gold braid, Hiroshi Saito, Japanese Ambassador to the United States, calls at the White House to make formal presentation of his credentials to President Roosevelt. He is accompanied by James Dunn, of the State Department.

Ketchikan, lives at the lighthouse with his wife and two children. There are three men under him. These are five children at the lighthouse and the government furnishes a teacher for these children. This lighthouse can be reached only by boat.

ALBANY IS HOST TO OLDER GIRLS

ALBANY COLLEGE—The annual Older Girl's conference will be held March 2, 3, and 4 with Albany College playing the part of host, it is announced by Mrs. Jean M. Johnson, director. Two hundred or more delegates will be entertained at the college dormitory and in Albany homes. A program of ceremonies, dinners, speeches and round tables has been arranged.

Every church group of every denomination is invited to send two delegates of high school or college age, said Mrs. Johnson. The average cost of the conference is \$2 per delegate, including meals, entertainments, and registration fees.

'Look Out, Lizzie' is Comedy Offer for Scotts Mills

SCOTTS MILLS, Feb. 21.—A three-act comedy, "Look Out, Lizzie," sponsored by the P.T.A., will be given Saturday night at the Odd Fellows hall. Miss Ruth Boyce and Mrs. J. E. Saueressig are coaching. A small admission will be charged. The cast includes Jack Taylor, Mrs. William Fry, Clea Saueressig, Arlene Athley, Roy Dale, Mrs. Wiley Dimmick, LaNoel Myers and Ivan Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Jeffers of Bucoda, Wash., visited Mr. and Mrs. Ben Thomas over the weekend.

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