

Water Consumption Reaches New High

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1914 was turned over to the city for park purposes.

On April 17, 1911, the Walterville power plant, which is to be replaced in 1947, began operations as a pumping plant for the city water system.

Old records show that all the city dignitaries attended the first test run of the Walterville plant, leaving the city hall at 7:30 a.m. and arriving at the site 14 miles up the McKenzie River three and a half hours later.

(Walterville power plant later provided electrical energy for street lights and homes instead of pumping water).

Water Treated

In the same year Professors A. R. Swettser and O. F. Stafford of the University of Oregon provided "scientific" information for chlorination of the water in the municipal system, making Eugene the first town in the northwest to treat its water. Since installation of filters and the chlorination of the water, not a single typhoid case has been traced to the Eugene water supply.

In May, 1927, the gravity line from the McKenzie River was completed, giving the city water from the McKenzie instead of the Willamette River. This was considered advantageous because the McKenzie water is cooler in the summer, it is generally cleaner, and there are no towns of any size near the intake.

In 1932 the filtration plant at the end of Eighth Ave., was built to replace the old and inadequate plant.

For several years, Eugeneans have had to use water sparingly in the summers because the demand exceeds the amount that can be pumped. Money has been budgeted for expansion of the water system in 1947. Improvements will include a new filtration plant at Hayden Bridge and a pipeline from the site to Eugene; two new reservoirs and numerous new water mains.

MOSLEY CREEK ITEMS

MOSLEY CREEK—Mr. and Mrs. George Duerst and family of Gresham were Christmas guests at the George Layny home at Walden. The Dugan families had their tree at the home of Mrs. Fanny Patton of Walden this year. Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Noble of Eugene, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Dugan, and son Danny of Yakima, Wash., Edward Noble and friend of Los Angeles and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dugan of Oakland, Calif.

Mrs. Berta McGuire and sons Melvin and Russell of Walden and Leon Lancaster and son Larry of Blue Mountain were dinner guests at the Albert Lancaster home.

The children went back to school Monday morning at Blue Mountain as they had a few days to make up on account of some time lost. They will have one day's vacation New Year's.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Blackmore and daughter Ann of Blue Mountain and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Blackmore and son Ronnie of Cottage Grove were dinner guests Christmas at the Perkins Miller home. Abner Gelerist of Knights Landing, Calif., and George and Lester Gelerist of Klamath Falls visited their sister, Mrs. Fred Overton, and Mr. Overton, who was home for the week.

Nancy Beers of Ashland spent the holidays with her parents at Walden. Mr. and Mrs. Ben Anderson and family were at the Dale Carpenter home at Latham. Neta Anderson came from Corvallis for a few days. Mr. and Mrs. Grant Dulle and sons of Knox Hill and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Rearick and son Allen of Blue Mountain were dinner guests at the Harry Castle home.

FLIES TO HIGH SCHOOL

MOBRIDGE, S. D.—Robert Beckman thinks nothing of commuting 120 miles to high school. He got his pilot's license on his 17th birthday and is using the plane his rancher-father bought him.



COTTAGE GROVE—Two men were killed instantly when this automobile was struck by a freight train at the Woodard Lumber Co. crossing south of here Dec. 31. (Clark photo, Wiltshire engraving).



SECRETARY'S PORTRAIT—Actress Helen Hayes (left) and Mrs. James F. Byrnes (center) view an unfinished portrait of U.S. Secretary of State Byrnes at an exhibition of Audubon Artists in New York. The portrait is being painted by Grace Annette Du Pre (right).

State Tax Reform Topic for Chamber

The story of the "26-Point Tax Reform Plan" will be told for the benefit of Eugene Chamber of Commerce members and their guests Friday noon at the first forum meeting of 1947.

State Sen. Howard Belton of Canby, a member of the governor's interim tax study commission which authored the plan, will present a complete picture of the implications of the new tax proposals, including the reasons why he felt unable to sign the final draft, instead writing a non-concurring letter.

Orlando John Hollis, forum chairman, said Belton was asked to give the analysis because of his reputation for objectivity and lack of bias. Belton has assured the chamber that careful analysis will be given to the controversial subjects in the report.

Seven Injured When Freight Trains Collide

AUBURN, Wash.—Seven men were injured when a Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul and Pacific freight train collided head-on with a Union Pacific freight one and one-half miles south of here at 7:42 a.m. (PST) Thursday. Laurence Wylie, division superintendent of the Milwaukee Road at Tacoma, said that the Milwaukee freight, en route from Seattle to Chicago, rammed into the Union Pacific locomotive, southbound from Seattle to Portland in an "extremely heavy fog." Both trains were moving slowly between switches in the Milwaukee Road yards when the collision occurred, he said.

San Francisco Cabs Go Back to Work

SAN FRANCISCO—Yellow Cab drivers went back to work at 12:01 a. m. Thursday ending a 24-hour strike that pulled half of San Francisco's 1000 taxis off the streets while New Year's revelry was at its height.

The drivers voted overwhelmingly, 700 to 91, to accept a compromise wage offer which gave them a \$9 a day guarantee or 49 per cent of their gross, whichever is larger.

The AFL Chauffeur's Union, Local 265, sought a \$10 wage or 50 per cent of receipts to replace the former scale of \$7.50 a day or 45 per cent of the gross.

Baptists of Russia Wire Season's Greeting

ATLANTA—Baptists of Soviet Russia cabled greetings on the new year to all Baptists and fellow Christians of America. Dr. Louis D. Newton of Atlanta announced Thursday.

The message, sent to Dr. Newton as president of the Southern Baptist Convention, follows: "Heartiest Christian greetings to you and all fellow Baptists and fellow Christians of America. 'May God give you new power for sacrificial service in the cause of Christ in the new year.'"

Eighteen Injured In Plane Crash

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—Eighteen persons were injured Wednesday night when a DC-3 two-engine airliner, groping its way into Nashville's fog-bound airport, crashed into a dwelling. Two occupants of the dwelling were hurt, and the 16 occupants of the plane, members of a vaudeville troupe, were injured.

The plane was piloted by John Calvert of Hollywood, a magician and head of the troupe.

Eric Johnson Denies Early Depression

PHOENIX, Ariz.—Several more years of prosperity were predicted for the United States Thursday by Eric Johnson, movie czar and former president of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

"A depression is not in the cards for the United States for several years," he said as he registered at a desert resort to recover from an attack of pneumonia.

CARTOONIST DIES

PORTLAND—(P)—Ralph Penrose Lee, 41, editorial cartoonist for the Oregonian, died Thursday after a brief illness. A native of Spokane and a 1928 graduate of Washington State College, he joined the art staff of the Oregonian in 1930 after being employed for about a year on the Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

RAYON OVERSUBSCRIBED

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—The War Assets Administration has found that hard-to-get items really move fast. It offered for sale more than 500,000 yards of pure rayon. Veterans, using their priority, placed orders for more than 6,000,000 yards.

Colin Kelly Opening Set for January 27

The tentative opening date for the new Colin Kelly Junior High School is now set for Jan. 27. City School Superintendent Clarence Hines said Thursday.

All equipment, except for a few small pieces, is installed in the new building in the River Road area. All plumbing fixtures are connected, and the Northern School Supply Co. will install lockers next week.

Biggest portion of the job not yet completed is the wiring, Hines said. No open house will be held until a month or two after students move in.

Bethel Firemen Make Run to Grocery Fire

BETHEL—The Bethel fire department was called to the West Lane Grocery this week to help extinguish a small fire caused by an explosion of an oil stove. No extensive damage was done.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Wolfe and family spent Christmas with her sister's family, Mr. and Mrs. John Hess, at Milwaukie. Mrs. Berntha F. Higgins is with her sister and family in Portland for the holidays. A group of friends surprised Mrs. Joe Gerben and her young daughter with a shower this week.

ALONG COAST FORK

COAST FORK—Mr. and Mrs. Allen Brabham are the proud parents of a baby girl born Christmas day. This is their first child.

Carl Holm arrived from Japan Dec. 24. He was informed of the death of his father Carl Holm Sr. This community is saddened by the loss of a good friend and neighbor.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Brabham entertained with a family reunion Christmas day. Among those to attend were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Brabham, Paul Brabham and family, the Jim Lewis family and the Clair Smith family. Mr. and Mrs. M. Cary had as dinner guests F. E. Dodge and family, G. E. Dodge and family, and Gordon Dodge and family.

Wyoming has fewer ranches and farms today than it had ten years ago.

National forests in Oregon support 123,000 mule deer, 43,000 blacktail deer, and 31,000 elk.

Group Oks Arms Report

WASHINGTON—(AP)—The House Military Affairs Committee approved a report asserting that many American officers and men in the European theater are guilty of black market dealings and sexual promiscuity.

The committee raised the possibility of checking bank balances and income tax returns to determine the financial condition of some officers and men who were serving in Germany a year ago.

The report was published previously as the personal conclusions of a committee investigator who toured the European theater. It now has been approved formally by the committee.

Regarding morals, the report said, it is quite evident that both enlisted men and officers are rather promiscuous in their association with German women. This, it said, has given rise to a serious venereal disease problem.

The report said Army boards are being set up to dismiss men from service who are habitually AWOL or who continually contract venereal disease.

"Already more than 6000 men have been and are being sent home from the European theater for discharge for these reasons," it said.

Th report concluded that the "vast majority" of U. S. officers and enlisted men in Europe appeared to be involved "one way or another" in black market activities.

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WILLAKENZIE—Home Extension Unit meets Tuesday, Jan. 7, at 10:30 a.m. at the grange hall. The project is "Selection of Home Furnishings," to be given by Miss Nellie Lyle, county home demonstration agent.

Mrs. H. E. McKay and Mrs. Monte Cross are in charge of the luncheon. The opening demonstration on winter corsages and home decorations will be given by Mrs. Harris Hurd and Mrs. Lloyd Makinson.

Deer sometimes eat their shed antlers for their calcium content.

Hear Evangelist A. C. Valdez, Phoenix, Arizona, at the Light-house Temple, 12th at Olive, starting Jan. 8th.

Deerhorn Couple Have "Silver" Milestone

DEERHORN—Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hart of Deerhorn celebrated their "silver" wedding anniversary Dec. 26. They were married at Stevensville, Montana. Their entire married life has been spent at Cedar Flat and at Deerhorn. Mrs. Reefa Nelson, aunt of Mrs. Hart, of Springfield, had charge of the arrangements for the party.

Miss Norma Rae Hart, daughter of the couple, sang a solo accompanied by her cousin, Mrs. Edith Andrews. The house was decorated with white carnations and fern.

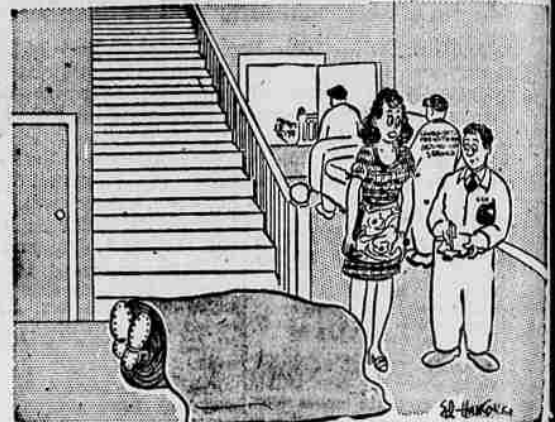
Mrs. Isa Scoville, sister of Mrs. Hart, cut the anniversary cake. Mrs. Irene Lambeth of Portland had charge of the guest book.

Two sisters of Mrs. Hart, Mrs.

Reefa Nelson and Mrs. Isa Scoville and two nieces, Mrs. Irene Lambeth and Mrs. Edna Hogue, were also guests at the wedding in 1921. Mrs. Mariah Hart, mother of Mr. Hart; Mr. and Mrs. George Easton, Walterville; Mr. and Mrs. Vern Gillespie, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gillespie, Mr. E. W. Howells and son, Jim Howells of Leaburg; Mr. and Mrs. Obert Andrews of Springfield; Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hart of Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Myr Hogue and children, Ruth, Edwin and Bobby, and Mrs. Leonard Oakes, all of Eugene.

Each year an estimated 2,500,000 pounds of sausage are consumed in the United States.

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