

It's a Century For California And Gold Rush

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were entirely deserted when the gold fever reached them. No wagons had ever traveled overland from Oregon to California, but a few days after the news swept through the valley an expedition of 150 men with 50 wagons and ox teams set out to traverse the headwaters of the Willamette, then to follow the old Applegate trail, and eventually to reach what is now known as the Sacramento Valley.

Historians have estimated that two-thirds of the able-bodied men of military age joined the adventurous scramble for sudden wealth. Crops and Indian wars were forgotten as the mania grew.

So many men were gone that in 1849 the legislature of the provisional government was unable to muster a quorum.

"This, however," the Lane County history relates, "was but temporary. Family and business ties held many back and hastened the return of others, many bringing with them heavy sacks of the yellow treasure."

Agricultural Supply House
The greater treasure proved to be the productive capacity of Oregon for which the heavy population influx in California suddenly produced a market. From an agricultural community, content with the production of its own primary necessities, the Oregon territory was transformed into a source of supply for those who were too busy hunting for and mining gold to produce the prosaic foodstuffs they needed.

Commerce flourished. And as a steady stream of gold poured north, new manufacturing enterprises were started along the Columbia and Willamette rivers. Ports were filled with ships, towns sprang up at every turn, and Oregon entered an era of unprecedented prosperity.

Meanwhile, the trail to Oregon was made in '49. Immigrants who previously might have continued down the Snake River and the Columbia to the Willamette Valley, turned off at Fort Hall (Pocatello) in Idaho, and blazed the new California trail. Nearly 100,000 gold seekers reached California before the end of 1849, some by land routes, and some even from European nations to which mariners had carried word of the event on the distant Pacific shore.

The migration to California continued, and perhaps even accelerated during the next decade. But in 1851 gold was also discovered at Crescent City and then near Coos Bay. In 1858, suggests weighing up to 70 ounces were taken from diggings near the site of present-day Medford. During the Civil War, Jackson County was producing a million dollars worth of gold a month.

Congress enacted a generous donation land law giving settlers free land until the end of 1855, and this added to Oregon's other lures to restore the trend of migration which had been disrupted by Marshall's find.

The number of persons entering the Willamette Valley in the year 1852 has been estimated as high as 15,000. Ten years later the word "bonanza" came into use on the Pacific Coast and Oregon had attained sufficient stability to seek and gain admission to the union as the 33rd American state.

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City News

WHAT'S DOING

Monday
Noon—Kiwanis Club, Osburn Hotel.

7:30 p. m.—A capella choir, Methodist Church.

Tuesday
Noon—Rotary Club, Eugene Hotel.

6:15 p. m.—Toastmasters Club, Eugene Hotel.

7:30 p. m.—Hunt Club, fairgrounds.

7:30 p. m.—American Legion drum and bugle corps, armory.

The Two-Town Club will meet for a 6:30 p. m. dinner Friday, Jan. 30, at the home of Mrs. C. H. Spaddock, 1552 East Main St., Springfield.

Dames Club will meet at 8 p. m. Tuesday, Jan. 27, in the University of Oregon YMCA for a bridge and card party.

A fire at the home of W. N. Schaeffer, 1177 A St., Springfield, caused damage estimated at \$150. Friday evening. The blaze was caused by an overheated flue.

Attending the national mid-winter conference of the American Library Assn. at the Edgewater Beach Hotel in Chicago Jan. 28 to Feb. 1 will be Dr. R. C. Swank, librarian in the University of Oregon.

An invitation to members and prospective members of the Greenwood Businessmen's Assn. to attend a "get-together," which will include a free dinner, at 8 p. m. Monday, Jan. 26, at the Glenwood Schoolhouse, was announced Saturday.

Harry E. Heath, instructor of journalism in the University of Oregon has been notified that his article on suggestions on educational publicity is to be published in the February issue of College Public Relations, a professional magazine published by the American College Public Relations Commission.

World Affairs Council to Meet

The Eugene Council on World Affairs will meet Thursday at 8 p. m. in the east dining room of the Eugene Hotel, Chairman Ray Siegenthaler announced Saturday.

Members of the steering committees of Eugene's civic, fraternal, professional and labor organizations have been invited and will discuss the program in each organization to further the study of world affairs and peace-making machinery.

Full Committee Meets
Siegenthaler said this would be the first meeting of the council since before Christmas and reports from active committees would review the projects undertaken since the organization was formed last October.

He said that a number of civic groups have already pursued their own programs and will be prepared to report progress Thursday.

A number of organizations have scheduled speakers, forums and discussion groups to further their study of the United Nations and various plans to strengthen peace-keeping powers either within or in addition to the UN.

Groundwork
Most of the city's organizations have appointed steering committees to work with the council, Siegenthaler said. Some have adopted resolutions favoring tightening the UN's police powers or a stronger organization of the peace-loving nations.

Resolutions drawn by the council for forwarding to leading state-men and congress men will be studied at the meeting Thursday.

FIVE MEN ENTER NAVY

The U. S. Navy Recruiting service in Eugene Saturday released the names of five men from this area who have been sworn into the navy at Portland. They are Troy Queen, Jr., 1325 Seventh Ave. W.; Gary Fisher, 1424 Lincoln St.; George Bolln, 731 F St.; Springfield; Donald Coakes, 953 West Broadway; Marvin Jones, Jr., Elmira, and Charles Hastings of Thurston.

CHARLES J. SKILL, state Moose director for Oregon, to visit here Jan. 23.

World Government Symposium Topic

The need for world government will be discussed by a four-member symposium team from the University of Oregon which will tour 10 cities of the state beginning Tuesday, Jan. 27.

Past and present attempts to maintain world peace, from the League of Nations to United Nations, will be discussed by the group, which will present an evaluation of possibilities for future world governments.

Symposium members who will make the tour are Fred Dodge and Ed Peterson, both of Eugene; Elizabeth Misner, Grants Pass; and Dorothy Orr, Hillsboro. The team will be accompanied by W. A. Dahlberg, associate professor of speech and drama.

On Jan. 27 the group will appear before high school audiences in Tolt, Toledo and Newport and at the Lions Club in Astoria. The Astoria, Warrenton and Seaside Rotary and the Seaside Lions will hear the teams on Jan. 28. On Jan. 29 they will speak at the Clatskanie, Rainier, St. Helens, and Scappoose high schools.

Four-Year Terms Given Two Men

A maximum of four years in the penitentiary was given to Harry O. Adams, 21, Iowa, and Robert Gordon, 28, Rt. 1, Eugene Friday in circuit court on separate charges of larceny.

Adams is charged with stealing a car from Harold Dunlop. He pleaded guilty to the charge. Gordon is charged with stealing a purse from a woman on a Eugene street. He also pleaded guilty. Both men waived time for sentencing at their arraignments Friday morning.

Beard to Head U of O Press

Named to head the University of Oregon Press next fall following the retirement of Robert C. Hall is Fred A. Beard of Chicago.

The appointment, announced by President H. K. Newburn, will be presented for confirmation at the next meeting of the State Board of Higher Education.

Beard is superintendent of the Press at Moody Bible Institute. Prior to his work with that institution he was at the Good News Press in Chicago. He attended Des Moines University and for four years had practical experience in college printing and publications at the University of Chicago Press.

For 12 years he was associated with the Iowa State College Press and during his association there he lectured at the college.

The new superintendent, who will also hold the rank of assistant professor of journalism, will assume his duties on the first of July when Hall is formally retired. Hall has been in charge of the Press since 1917, coming here under the late Dean Eric W. Allen about six months after the Press was founded.

Eugene Firms Submit Low Construction Bids

A low bid of \$14,390 for construction of an operator's residence, garage, and walks at Fern Ridge Dam on the Long Tom River was submitted in Portland Friday by Werner and Jeske of Eugene.

Another Eugene firm, the Brighter Homes Store, entered a low bid of \$5,375 for the construction of a water and sewer system for the residence.

Dean Publishes Chemistry Text

Publication of a new chemistry text, "Modern Colloids," by Robert B. Dean, assistant professor of chemistry in the University of Oregon, has been announced by the D. Van Nostrand Co., Inc., New York publishers.

"Modern Colloids," Dr. Dean's first book, is an elementary treatment of colloid science, containing material about colloid science needed in the biological sciences and agriculture, as well as in analytical, organic and industrial chemistry, and biochemistry.

The book was written while Dr. Dean was at the University of Hawaii as an assistant professor of chemistry. He came to Oregon in 1947.

Cancer Education Study Set by Health Group

Meeting of the state library building in Salem Thursday, Jan. 29, at 10 a. m. to review a cancer teaching outline now in the process of production for Oregon junior and senior high schools will be the health instruction committee of the Oregon State Joint Committee for Health and Fitness.

Mrs. Jennelle Moorehead, chair-

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man of the committee and a professor of physical education in the University of Oregon, said the purpose of the outline will be to facilitate teaching of cancer prevention in the Oregon state health education course of study.

Dr. Frank Queens, cancer expert for the University of Oregon medical school and the Oregon chapter of the American cancer society, served as medical consultant in preparing the outline.

Also attending the meeting from the University of Oregon, will be Dr. H. S. Hoyman, associate professor of physical education prepared the state course in health education for the six grades.

ATKINSON RIDES WIND
MIAMI, Fla., Jan. 24.—A Woolford Farm's Delgado, Atkinson, plowed over a palm beach handcap, won by two lengths Saturday.

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