

### Good Berry Season Indicated by Run At All Local Plants

Reports from Salem canneries indicate that the 1926 strawberry crop is undoubtedly the largest and best conditioned ever grown on Willamette Valley acreage.

Growers and packers report that the crop has profited to a great extent by the recent rains and anticipate an unprecedented harvest. With the evident return of good weather, gooseberries are also coming in to the local markets and packing plants this crop being a leader over previous years as to quality. Full crews are on hand at both the Hunt Brothers canneries, north Front street; and the Oregon Packing Company's plant, south 13th street. Both of these plants are working on strawberries and gooseberries, the season's run having started last week although interrupted by the period of rain.

**Many Are Employed.**  
Wednesday morning, the Oregon Packing Company's plant had a short, but very heavy run of 800 crates of strawberries and 250 sacks of gooseberries. The crew of about 225 hands employed here had completed the run by mid-day. As the season develops under influence of good weather, this plant will run full shift having contracted a large acreage of strawberries, loganberries and cherries.

The season is also just getting under way at the large plant of Hunt Brothers. Reports from this plant indicate an unusually attractive season's run. The Hunt Brothers plant, which has been recently enlarged is now operating a full day shift on the two seasoned berries.

### Johnson Urged To Head Third Party by Friends

Portland, June 16.—A group of Johnson admirers set 20 petitions in circulation at noon yesterday urging Hiram W. Johnson to bolt the republican ticket nominated at Chicago and head a new party. If Senator Johnson issues a statement that he will abide by the decision of the convention, the movement launched in Portland and which is in sympathy with a similar movement started in New York, will automatically cease.

Those who have banded themselves together to tempt the Californian to repudiate the platform and nominees of the republican party are in nowise connected with the official Johnson organization which had charge of his campaign in Oregon during the recent primaries. It is an entirely volunteer organization and working independently of the Johnson machine.

### Extent Of Shriners' Invasion Is Shown By Portland Man

"Oregon Shriners have raised and will spend, over \$200,000 to bring this dominant class of visitors to Oregon and to Portland," stated Judge G. W. Stapleton of Portland, Wednesday noon while addressing a Rotarian banquet audience at the Marion hotel. Judge Stapleton is a member of Al Kader Temple, the Portland Shrine.

In describing the Shrine organizations that will make the visit to the Rose City, the speaker designated 87 patrols, two mounted patrols, 11 drum corps, two jazz bands, 19 chanters organizations and 72 visiting bands which will be augmented by four local bands. These organizations from all parts of the United States will be brought to Portland in 43 special trains.

Judge Stapleton asserted that the people of the Willamette valley have an opportunity to give this section substantial advertisement by bringing these visitors right into the heart of the world's most attractive agricultural and horticultural section.

### Applications For Drivers Licenses Being Received

Applications for motor vehicle operator's license effective July 1 are now being received over the counter in the secretary of state's office, beginning today, and blanks on which to mail in applications are being mailed out to every motor vehicle owner in the state. No request for any certain license number will be observed, according to a letter of instruction accompanying the application blanks, but all applications received up to June 21 will be drawn from a box and the number assigned accordingly. After that date the licenses will be issued as applied for

and the numbers assigned in the order the applications are received. It is expected that not less than 100,000 motor vehicle drivers will apply for the new license within the next thirty days.

### Polk Towns Seek Injunctions To Stop Road Work

Injunction proceedings to prevent the state highway department from proceeding with the improvement of the west side Pacific highway thru Polk county as designated by the state highway commission and ignoring the route designated by the 1917 legislature, was started in the Multnomah county circuit court Tuesday, according to information reaching the capital this morning. It is understood a mandamus proceeding to compel the observance of the route designated by the legislature and including the towns of Dallas and Independence will be filed in the Multnomah county circuit court today.

The suits are brought by J. W. Kaate, Portland attorney, in behalf of the City of Dallas and the City of Independence and name the members of the state highway commission as defendants.

### Governor Asks All Citizens to Entertain Shrine

The citizens of Oregon are urged in an open letter given out by Governor Olcott this morning, to lend their cooperation in making the visit of the Shriners to the state next week an unparalleled success. The letter follows:

"Next week, from June 21st to June 26th, inclusive, Oregon is to entertain the members of the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. These men and their wives will come from every corner of the nation. It will be a gala week for Portland and for all Oregon. This forty sixth annual session of the imperial council will be one of the greatest events in the history of the order, as well as in the history of the state. Thousands of visitors will come to the Pacific coast, their eyes turned toward the state which is rapidly becoming known as the Fairland of the west. It is due to the visitors, as well as to the name of our state, that they be given greeting and entertainment such as they have received in no other city which may have been the Mecca of their past pilgrimages.

### Campers Here Fear Gasless Regions

Salem's auto camp is already being used by a great number of motorists, some of whom are staying in the city rather than take a chance at present on traveling through the "no gas" regions at various points on the road. Numerous signs on which appear, "Free auto Camp Grounds" directing parties to Salem's large tract for the

convenience of travelers were put out Wednesday morning under the supervision of T. H. McCroskey, manager of the Commercial club.

### 200 Jap Miners Killed

Tokio, June 14.—Two hundred miners have been killed by an explosion of fire damp in the Yubari coal mines at Sapporo, on the island of Yeso, according to dispatches received here today.

### Gasless Motorist Comes Here Aided By 4 Moth Balls

How four common moth balls played their part in a formula which brought a motorist, southbound, in a satisfactory if not odorless manner, from the bone dry gas regions to Salem recently, was explained today to E. T. McCroskey, manager of the local Commercial Club by a motorist at the Salem auto camp.

Arriving at an automobile camp north of Salem with but a quart of gasoline in his tank, the motorist explained how bare of the explosion-producing fluid his gas receptacle was.

"Guess you're stuck for a while," a sympathetic fellow autoist observed. "Not much," the gasless motorist replied confidently. "I've a formula that'll take me anywhere. Watch me tomorrow morning."

They watched. Five gallons of kerosene, a quart of benzene, some wood alcohol and some other liquids were mixed. And into this four loud-smelling moth balls were dropped.

"And he got out, too, and came as far as Salem," the camper concluded to Mr. McCroskey, "but the odor—it was awful. Anybody traveling back of him, I fear, would be subject to asphyxiation."

Automobile experts declare that the use of these "special formulas" is not only dangerous but injurious to a motor.

### Deaf School To Graduate Seven Thursday Night

Seven students will be graduated from the Oregon state school for the deaf, Thursday evening, June 17. The exercises will begin at 8 o'clock and the public has been extended an invitation to attend.

"Where there is a will, there is a way" is the motto of the 1926 class. White and pink are the class colors and a pink rose, the class flower. Those who will receive diplomas tomorrow evening are: Cleo Vinyard, Grace Hostetter, Erna Lahme, Gene Dixon, Pearl Lunday, Winnie Gaway and Leslie Dugan. The program: Invocation, Rev. C. H. Powell. Lip-reading exercise, beginning pupils.

Essay, "The Home Beautiful," Cleo Vinyard. Pilgrim tableau—(1) The Pilgrims Leaving Delshaven, Holland; (2) The Mayflower Crossing the Atlantic; (3) Signing the Compact in the Cabin of the Mayflower; (4) Landing on Plymouth Rock; (5) The Treaty With Massachusetts; (6) Pilgrims Going to Church; (7) The Pillory, Stocks, and Ducking Stool; (8) John Alden and Pricilla; (9) The First Thanksgiving Day.

Industrial parade, students from vocational departments. Speech and rhythm (showing use of piano in developing voice), beginning class—Recognizing and reproducing high and low pitch (eyes closed); recognizing march time rhythm; keeping time and beating time; rhythmic speech (syllables); rhythmic speech (sentences). Primary class—Rhythmic speech and action; action play "Yankee Doodle." Intermediate class—Rhythmic speech and action; action play, "Ring a Song of Sixpence."

"The Minuet," primary pupils. Valedictory, Erna Lahme. "Now the Day is Over," our little ones. Presentation of diplomas, Governor

### North Salem, Thru Highland Branch, Secures Library

Salem public library has approved the arrangements made by the residents of North Salem and established a library to be known as the North Salem branch library.

For the present, at least, it will be accommodated in the Highland school building. Mark E. Elliott, H. C. Hummel and Ward K. Richardson have signed the agreement as representatives of the North Salem community. Mrs. George Thompson is appointed librarian, and she will have the library open every Wednesday evening. A collection of 150 books is being sent to equip the library.

As a branch of the Salem public library it is to be administered under the same rules. Any patron of the public library who finds it more convenient may borrow from the branch library, if he will return to the main library any books he has borrowed there and present his card at the branch. Upon request, the main library will send to the branch any patrons' card that they may be ready for use there. Residents who are not now library patrons may register at any time and their cards will serve at either place. The only restriction on the use of the two libraries is that books must always be returned to the library from which they were borrowed.

Larger Library Available. If the patrons of the branch library fail to find the books on the subjects they wish, the branch librarian will re-

quest the books from the main library to be sent out for the next open night. The public library is making every effort to develop this new undertaking in a manner that will adequately serve a community which by reason of its distance from the center of town has never been able fully to avail itself of the library privileges offered at the public library.

The librarian's report for the month of May shows a circulation of 4552 books; 130 books have been added during the month, making a total of 15,284 books in the library.

### Graduates Give Art Glass Window To Alma Mater

Following the traditional custom of senior classes of Willamette University of leaving a gift to the school, the class of 1926, at the class day exercises Tuesday, presented the university with a beautiful art glass window for Waller hall.

Harold Ohling, president of the class made the presentation and expressed the hope that the future graduating classes of the institution would look upon it as a precedent for their gifts. He said that it was the hope of the class of 1926 to return some day and see Waller hall equipped with such windows "a fitting monument to the sacredness of her history."

An appreciated feature of the afternoon's program was the presentation by the Gannell & Robb studio, of a frame containing pictures of the entire student body. The junior class winners of the interclass rivalry cup, were

given the trophy by John ... of the supreme event, who told the class that the cup would be of significance if the winners did not continue at a winning gait.

Among the many interesting members of the program was a sensory test the senior breakfast by the junior class and the rehearsal of a scene in the public speaking department by the sophomores.

### Pig Clubs' Work Pictured In Film

The Burton Holmes film being shown at the Oregon theater this week, Wednesday and Thursday of this week, is attracting a great deal of favorable comment among persons interested in the work portrayed. The film shows the splendid results obtained from the labors of children who are members of the organization, the Pig Clubs, according to the organization's plan, to loan money for the purchase of pig. The correct way to build a pen, and the systematic way of keeping other phases of the work are displayed in such a manner as to hold the interest of the audience and drive home the lesson that the organization of the plan had in mind. In connection with this it is interesting to know that the United States National bank has a club of Salem, of which D. W. Eyre is patron, is one of the most progressive in the States. Mr. Eyre has received splendid press notices from some of the leading magazines in the country, because of his interest in the work.

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