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OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Principal Events of the Week Briefly Sketched for Information of Our Readers.

Roadwork is in full blast on the main roads of Baker county.

A new hospital is to be erected at Burns, the county seat of Harney county.

There have been a total of 1902 licenses issued to real estate dealers of Oregon for the year 1920.

Central Oregon Oddfellows will celebrate the 101st anniversary of the order in Prineville on the evening of April 24.

The high school bond election at Aurora carried by a vote of 62 to 54. The bonds will be issued in the sum of \$23,500.

Four big mountain lions trapped since the first of this year, was the record made by C. M. Holcomb, of Healdin on North Umpqua river.

Decrees defining and describing the rights of water users on Three creek, Snow creek and Hood river were issued by the state water board last week.

The women's debating team of Willamette University of Salem defeated College of Puget Sound women debaters by a two-to-one decision at Tacoma, Wash.

An emergency landing place for airplanes is being prepared near Cascadia for the convenience of planes engaged in forest patrol work in the Santiam national forest.

The Union Oil company of California paid to the secretary of state, \$3941.65, covering its sales of gasoline and distillate in Oregon during the month of March.

Joe Yee, hopgrower of Aurora, has contracted to deliver his entire crop for the 1920 season to Hugo Loewl of New York at a stipulated price of 65 cents per pound.

A representative meeting of large eastern Oregon wool growers held at Pendleton went on record as favoring auction sales of wool at Portland this spring and summer.

Despite the mid-winter drought, Central Oregon ranchers need have no fear of a shortage of water for irrigation this season, for storms during the last four weeks have built up the snow reserve in the mountains to normal, according to reports received from trappers in the foothills.

"OVER THE HILL"

A friend pointed a gun at Miss Elliott of Rieth and pulled the trigger. At the third pull a bullet struck the girl, slightly injuring her.

George Winship came down from his homestead near Philipsburg, Montana, and is in Walla Walla today, attending the funeral of his grandmother, the late Mrs. McKay.

Miss Maul Sherman, accompanied by her mother, will take an extended motoring trip through California after the close of school, with the possible view of locating in the south.

The estate of the late Edith J. Raymond consisting of a section of wheat land north of Athena, has been appraised at \$96,000 by F. S. Le Grow, B. B. Richards and W. O. Read.

Henry Barrett is well pleased with his crop of lambs this season. Lambing operations have been carried on at his stock ranch north of Athena, for several weeks with satisfactory results.

Mrs. E. C. Rogers entertained at dinner Friday evening, Mrs. McDaniel, Miss Grant and Miss Sherman, teachers. After dinner the party motored to Weston and witnessed the class play.

Owing to ill health, Dr. J. A. Baddeley left last week with his wife and little daughter for a sojourn in the sunny climate of Arizona. The doctor has been losing health for some time and hopes by rest and recuperation to regain it.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Woodward Monday purchased the Earl Tulloch home in Pendleton, the purchase price being \$25,500, and will move there next fall. They made a business trip to Portland last week, spending several days in the metropolis.

The city council decided to extend the replacing of water pipe the entire length of Main street, and ground is being broken for the work west of Second street. Now pipe has been laid down to Second street, and the excavation was filled this week.

Joe Elliott, who sustained a fractured leg a year ago, when his horse fell on the pavement at Walla Walla, met with a like accident recently on the road west of Athena. Again Joe's horse fell and this time the man is nursing a broken shoulder blade.

A number of members of the local Knights of Pythias lodge attended the Dokie ceremonial at North Yakima, Saturday. They went to Walla Walla and joined the caravan there on

SALVATION ARMY PLANS BOYS AND GIRLS INDUSTRIAL AND AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL



View of Bishop Scott school and Salvation Army boys being taught orchard work at Lytton school.

One of the big phases of the work the Salvation Army is doing in Oregon to prevent the ill of wrong teaching and poverty and to strike at the root of the despair and grief found in the cities, is the training and care of dependent boys and girls. One of the items of the budget to be raised for the Salvation Army work in Oregon provides for the purchase of the Bishop Scott school at North Yamhill as an industrial and agricultural school where neglected kiddies will be educated and made efficient workers so that when they go out into the world they will be an asset to society and not a charge upon the communities of which they will be members. The 1000 acre farm has a walnut grove and other orchards, and, under proper care of agricultural experts who will teach the boys, its productivity will go far toward making the school self supporting. The school is in no sense to be a penal or reformatory institution but on the other hand it is intended to provide sound vocational education for youngsters who, without it, are on the road to bad citizenship.

a special train. Five hundred Dokies marched in the parade Saturday night and 72 tyros were led through the mysteries of the order, which at this time is having a vigorous growth.

Athena-Weston Post, American Legion announces a dance for tomorrow night at the Athena opera house, and a large attendance is expected. Payant's orchestra will furnish the music, and an enjoyable time is assured. You are expected to go and take your friends with you.

The permanent organization of the Athena Commercial Club was effected Tuesday evening with eighty-one members on the roster, with a possibility of at least twenty-five more whom the committee on membership had not the opportunity of soliciting. M. L. Watts, vice president of the First National Bank of Athena and manager of the Preston-Shaffer milling plant of this city and treasurer of the Preston-Shaffer Milling company, was given the honor unanimously, of becoming the club's first president.

The Warren Construction Company, answering the call of the city of Athena for flat bids on certain specified street improvement, was the successful bidder at a meeting of the city council, held Monday evening. The Warren Construction company's bid for the work as specified, is \$19,700 complete, making the approximate cost to Main street property \$4.20 per lineal foot where there is curbing, and \$5.20 per lineal foot where there is no curbing at present.

Manager Littlejohn will pit his Athena baseball aggregation against the fleet bunch of Helix tossers on the home grounds Sunday afternoon, in the first game for the Blue Mountain League pennant.

PRIVATES WIN CITATIONS

70 Per Cent of Gallantry Certificates Go to Rankers.

Washington.—Enlisted men received nearly 70 per cent of the gallantry certificates issued to the A. E. F., a report issued by the war department showed. Citations in orders for gallantry in action for which no medal was awarded included 3343 enlisted men, 1219 company officers, nine general officers and 15 civilians and nurses.

The second division led all other divisions in receiving gallantry certificates, 911 such citations having gone to that division. The third division was second, with 535.

Soldier Insurance Pay Raised. Washington.—By unanimous vote, the house passed a bill increasing by \$20 a month the war risk insurance payment of the government to \$55,000 disabled soldiers and sailors now receiving vocational rehabilitation. Under the measure, which now goes to the senate, single men would receive \$100 a month and married men \$120.

WESTON SCHOOLS

Mrs. Luella Pinkerton was given an ovation by her pupils Monday when she appeared in the school room for the first time after a prolonged absence due to illness.

The children in the first grade have just finished all their reading work for the year and are "looking for more worlds to conquer." Next week they will start reading the supplementary book, Around the World.

The attendance in Mrs. Fitzpatrick's room has been nearly perfect this week—Ordell Pedersen, who has a bad cold, being the only one absent. The third and fifth grades have made an attendance record of 98.8 percent, winning the banner for the month.

Miss Love's room was the scene Tuesday afternoon of a terrific peanut shower in which, according to report, Miss Love was nearly overwhelmed.

After applying the whitewash brush to Helix, Weston High was taken into camp in a baseball game with Athena, score seven to one.

Friday, May 7, examinations in both Old and New Testament will be given.

The baccalaureate service for the graduating class will be held Sunday, May 16, 1920, in High School auditorium. President Penrose of Whitman college will preach the sermon.

Commencement exercises will be held Wednesday evening, May 19.

"Safety First," a sparkling farce comedy presented by the Senior class of Weston High school at Memorial hall last Friday evening, drew a capacity house. The play is conceded to have been the best home talent production given in Weston for years and the work of the all-star cast reflected great credit upon the efficient directors, Misses Lurline Brown and Elza Love, who had entire charge of the performance. Payant's orchestra contributed tuneful melodies between acts that were an enjoyable feature of the evening's entertainment. Box office receipts were \$136.

The cast included Misses Anna Lavender, Ruby Hall, Lois Lieuallen, Goldie Nesbit and Jessie Davis; Messrs. Worth Watts, Paul Hopkins, Gail Miller Williams, Maynard Jones and Theodore Walden. It is rumored that "The Westonia" is to be the best high school publication in Umatilla county.

\$1,129,000,000 COST OF FEDERAL CONTROL

Much of Government Loans to Railroads Considered as Loss.

Washington.—Total loss to the government growing out of federal control of the railroads was estimated by the house appropriations committee at more than \$1,129,000,000. This includes the \$225,000,000 estimated as guarantees to the roads under the terms of the transportation act.

The actual loss during the 25 months of active government control, was placed at \$904,000,000. The committee pointed out that the government lent \$862,000,000 to the railroads and said that since much of this went to weaker lines to prevent receivership during federal operation, all of this sum probably would not be recovered.

The committee was reporting on the emergency deficiency appropriation measure, in which \$300,000,000 was included for the railroad administration. Director-General Hines has asked for \$420,000,000 to wind up the administration's affairs, but the committee cut the total \$30,000,000, and recommended that the treasury be instructed to purchase \$90,000,000 worth of liberty bonds held by the railroad administration, thus making available that additional amount for winding up the administration's affairs.

The committee explained that it had made the reduction because the transportation act provided \$20,000,000 for settling claims against the government growing out of federal control.

Work on the Grants Pass district irrigation project is being pushed as rapidly as possible. Designs for the construction of the diversion dam are being prepared and several miles of ditch have already been completed.

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Standard Theatre Sunday Ev'ng Apr. 25



JOSEPH J. DOWLING and BETTY COMPSON in George Loane Tucker's "The Miracle Man" A Paramount Picture

The Year's Greatest Picture will come to the Standard Theatre on Saturday and Sunday evenings, The Miracle Man had six weeks run at the Imperial Theatre, San Francisco; three weeks at the Strand, Seattle; seven weeks in Los Angeles and two weeks in Portland. You will see it at the Standard.

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