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## OREGON NEWS ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

### Brief Resume of Happenings of the Week Collected for Our Readers.

Medford's fire damage during the last nine months was only \$40,395.72. The general indebtedness of the city of Pendleton was reduced by \$24,000 during 1923.

No automobile show will be held in Eugene this winter or spring, according to a decision of dealers of the city.

A total of 427 accidents in Oregon industries were reported to the state industrial accident commission during the week ending January 17.

One hundred and twenty-five men are now engaged in clearing the right of way for the government section of the Roseburg-Reedsport highway.

A census taken by 25 high school boys under the direction of automobile dealers showed that 964 of 1716 families in Astoria own automobiles.

The January campaign against accidents carried on by the employees of the Crown-Willamette paper mills at Oregon City has proved a big success.

Protest has been made by Willamette valley farmers over the new rail rates on hay from eastern Oregon to Willamette valley and Coos bay points.

The prohibition force for Jackson county, whose expenses have been running from \$850 to \$1500 a month, has been reduced by the county court to three men.

Some movement in hops is again in evidence in the Willamette valley, but, according to dealers, it is in the nature of a flurry and promises no permanent results.

Sam A. Kozar, since May 23, 1920, secretary of state, has announced that he will be a candidate for reelection at the republican primary contest to be held May 16.

Crews are being assembled at Dee, where work will be started soon on construction of a new concrete dam across Hood River by the Oregon Lumber company.

Bids for the improvement of approximately 94 miles of road will be opened at a meeting of the state highway commission to be held in Portland February 4 and 5.

A favorable report has been made by the senate commerce committee on the bill giving the consent of congress to the construction of a bridge across the Columbia at Cascade.

### Millions Are Starving, Says General Allen

In a letter just received at Oregon state headquarters for the American committee for relief of German children, 715 Corbett building, Portland, among other things Major-General Henry T. Allen, former commander of American troops in Germany and now national chairman of this relief work, said:

"My survey of the evidence has convinced me that Secretary Hoover is fully justified in saying that 20,000,000 Germans are now in serious danger. As is always the case in such emergencies, the most acute suffering is to be found among the children and the aged. The childhood of Germany is now gravely menaced by lack of proper food and clothing and the diseases resulting therefrom."

### Distinguished Guests

A party consisting of Ex-Governor West, Mrs. West, Miss Jean West, Miss Gladys Dunne, daughter of Ex-Collector of David A. Dunne, and H. B. Marrs, took dinner the Estacada Hotel Sunday evening.

Mark this date on your calendar—March 15. It is the last day for filing federal income tax returns.

Every married person living with husband or wife, in order to claim the exemption of \$2,500 and \$400 for each dependent, must make a return, although his actual net income for 1923 may have been only \$2,000.

## ELWOOD ITEMS

Wm. Knowles is building a fireplace.

Chris Bittner is in Oregon City working on some machinery for the Hawley mill.

Ed. Hodgkiss is still under the care of Dr. Harris but does not seem to improve very rapidly.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Freeman and baby of Colton, Ore., were the dinner guests at the L. N. Vallen home Sunday.

Stanford Cox and W. Knowles butchered eight pigs for Mrs. L. Keeth, Monday.

Mrs. Monte Vallen is able to sit up a few hours each day, her many friends hoping she soon will gain her usual strength. A small crowd met at her home Sunday evening to sing.

Willie Bittner has returned home from Portland and is feeling fine after his siege at measles.

Mrs. S. W. Jones is entertaining relatives, a Mrs. Towell and three children from Idaho.

Clifford Bonney is working for A. Vallen.

Fred Meilike was called to the St. Vincent hospital in Portland one day last week to see his sister Clara who is in a serious condition with blood poisoning in her finger. At first reports there was danger of her losing her arm. But last accounts that they might be able to save the arm but were in doubts about saving the finger.

## GARFIELD ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Wagner were Portland visitors last week.

The Skip-a-week club met with Mrs. M. G. Weatherby for an all day session Wednesday. After lunch the following officers were elected: Mrs. M. G. Weatherby, president; Mrs. J. C. Moreland, vice-president and Mrs. J. B. Robertson, secretary-treasurer. The next meeting will be with Mrs. J. C. Moreland, January 30.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Michal and Mrs. Minnie Eash were Portland visitors last week.

Saturday night Kenneth Dart was delightfully surprised in honor of his birthday, when several of his friends dropped in on him.

Saturday Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Palmateer, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Weatherby, Mrs. Minnie Eash and W. J. Corbin went to Gresham to attend the joint installation of eleven Granges.

Mr. and Mrs. Stene Roberts of Boring, were Sunday visitors at Garfield.

Mrs. L. G. Palmateer is spending a few days with relatives in Fairview.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Moreland were Portland visitors Tuesday.

Several thousand baby fish are being cared for at the Deep Creek hatchery.

### Community Club

The regular meeting of the Community club will be held tomorrow night at 8 o'clock in the lobby of the Estacada hotel. A splendid program has been arranged by some people from West Linn. The main speaker will be the Rev. H. Edgar, formerly pastor of the Presbyterian church at Oregon City. There will be singing and some humorous stunts by a comedian. Everybody should turn out and give the visiting entertainers a rousing welcome. Don't forget or you will regret.

George Pointer has painted a striking sign on the window of his paint shop.

## LOCAL ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Adams and daughter Betty of Portland, were guests Sunday, of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Lovelace.

Miss Ethel Young went on the noon car to Portland yesterday.

Dr. H. V. Adix of Gresham, was in town Monday on business.

When you need a watch, ring, etc., see A. N. Johnson. 5-10-1f

Arthur J. Copeland of Portland, called at this office yesterday.

Miss Irma Gates is learning the ways of the switchboard at the telephone office.

Mrs. Virgil Yonce of Oregon City, visited the Lovelace home Sunday.

Mrs. J. P. Woodlee Jr. has gone to Chico, Calif., to visit her mother.

Mrs. William Pinkley went to Portland, Friday, to see her sick sister.

Dr. C. P. Johnson is moving into the Jubb house, just vacated by U. S. Morgan.

E. G. Hopkins writes he has moved from Hughson to Mojave, California.

Ted Harders is building a modern up-to-date chicken house on his lots at the north end of town.

Dan Newman is visiting his aunt, Miss Maud Sturgeon. He is employed in a drug store in Portland.

Mrs. E. L. Alspaugh of Alspaugh station returned home from a visit to Portland, Sunday afternoon.

On the nine o'clock train to Portland, Sunday morning were Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Ellis, Mrs. Margaret Kilgore, Mrs. W. Grabeel and children, and Mrs. Ted Abberg and son Ted Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. U. S. Morgan have moved into their new house at the southeast corner of Fifth and Main streets. When it is painted on the outside, and the ground parked and cement sidewalks laid, as Mr. Morgan plans, it will be one of the prettiest residence properties in town.

### Aged Man Passes

Hans Johnson died at his son's, Chris Johnson, home at George, last Sunday, after an illness of two weeks. He was 92 years of age and a native of Germany, but resident in the U. S. for 65 years. The funeral was held in the George Presbyterian church on Wednesday afternoon, with interment in the George cemetery. The Rev. V. A. Weir pastor of the church officiated.

### District S. S. Conference

Sunday School workers of the Eastern Clackamas District will hold an all day conference, Sunday, January 27, at the Christian Church of Estacada.

The morning session at 11, will be a union service with sermon and special music. Following this there will be a basket dinner in which all are invited to participate. At the afternoon session the leading speaker will be R. D. Everett of Portland, a leading Sunday School worker of the state. Other features of the program will be an open discussion on "How we may make the opening and closing exercises of the Sunday School more interesting," led by M. C. Glover. There will be special music and singing under a good leader.

Everybody is cordially invited, especially to the afternoon meeting.

### Tamale Supper

The Currinsville Ladies Aid will serve a tamale supper in the M. E. church basement, Friday evening, January 25, from six to eight o'clock.

## UPPER EAGLE CREEK

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Douglass and son Kelly, of The Dalls were the guests of relatives down this way the past week.

Eagle Creek grange held its regular session last Saturday with 22 present, including children and visitors. A business meeting was held, the installation of officers taking place. Wm. Shearer of Springwater was presenter, and assisted by sisters Lottie DeShazer and Mollie Baker, installed the officers. During the lecture hour the new measure, Initiative Petition, State Government Reorganization and Proportionate Occupational Representation amendment, which is being brought before the people was discussed. A fine dinner was partaken of.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hoffmeister gave a party last Saturday evening at their home. Many of their friends and neighbors coming in and spending a pleasant evening with them. The time was spent playing cards, dancing, etc. About midnight a delicious luncheon was served.

The occasion happened to be Mr. Hoffmeister's 53rd birthday. Those present were: Mrs. Rose Baker, Lola Baker, George and Carl Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Walter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Akers, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hoffmeister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Haley, Mr. and Mrs. Will Douglass, Charles Murphey, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Murphey, Moe, Edna and Dave Evans, C. Howard, Chris Lingwell, Dave Hoffmeister, Vernon Douglass, Mrs. Remstarm, Edna, Earl and Frank Douglass, William Huggins and daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas Bow paid a visit to their country home over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Sersanous have another man running the Earl Crest Dairy Farm, Mr. Spears and his mother having left. A man by the name of Hursh, his wife and two children are living on the place.

Mrs. Phenstrom, Mae, Edna and David Evans were the week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Murphey.

Mrs. Hattie Clester and her daughter Orpha were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Douglass, Sunday.

Harley Whitten and Miss Adeline Oldham were calling on friends at this way Sunday.

Ray Woodlee butchered a beef the other day, selling it out to some of the neighbors.

### The Gumps at the Gem

Andy Gump and his interesting family are appearing at the Gem theatre on Saturdays and Sundays. We look forward to the arrival later on of Uncle Bim, the widow Zander, and possibly that "Babe person."

### Buys in Telephone Company

H. L. McKenney we understand, has bought a controlling interest of Dr. Adix in the T. & T. Company.

### Friday and Saturday Specials at the People's C & C Store

25 bars Bob White Soap at... 99c  
Large cans Armour milk at... 11c  
1 lb cans white Asparagus tips 43c  
Nut Krisp Cornflakes 3 for... 23c  
3 lb sks salt 7c; 8 lb sks salt 21c

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Job printing at the News office

## DECISIVE VOTE AT SCHOOL ELECTION

Last Thursday's election for school director, was the largest of any held heretofore. The interest it had aroused was shown by the fact that nearly every voter was present. The full auditorium of the High School, was packed, with many standing in the halls and at the sides. The issue hinged on whether a change in the past policy of the school board was desired or not. A. DeMoy was the candidate for the dissidents, and R. Marchbank at the 11th hour was put up by those who wished no change. It implied moreover, a vote of censure on or of confidence in the principal of the high school, hence the intense interest manifested, involving much feeling on both sides.

Gerald Wilcox, chairman of the board and champion defender of the principal, called the meeting to order, and first excoriated a circular which had been issued in the name of "Taxpayers' Committee," and distributed among the voters. This characterized the school management in uncomplimentary and unmistakable terms, citing two instances as examples. Mr. Wilcox called on those who were responsible to stand up, but nobody did. While it was natural that he should show much indignation, yet he evidently forgot another recent circular of an anonymous description, which was shown by county superintendent Vedder, to be full of, to use a diplomatic phrase, "terminological inexactitudes." For instance, although it purported to come from the school board, two members disclaimed any knowledge of it whatsoever.

As the circular accused the school management of extravagance, figures were put up on the blackboard, giving the receipts and expenditures for the last three years, which showed that the expenditures were much less last year than the preceding ones. But these figures did not tell the whole story, and if they had been thrown into debate, a different complexion would have been cast on them.

A. G. Ames moved that Earl Day, Henry Beers and H. L. McKenney should be appointed judges of election. This was seconded and carried. A. T. Elliott nominated R. Marchbank in a most complimentary speech, H. C. Stephens followed suit in nominating A. DeMoy. No other nominations were made and voting by ballot was then proceeded with. J. G. Hayman and Fred Bartholomew were appointed clerks. The balloting took a long time at least an hour and a half, but it was conducted in an orderly manner. One vote only was challenged, that of H. H. Smith, who lives outside the district, although his place of business is in town. His vote was reserved to the end, and finally after much deliberation allowed. When the votes were counted, 237 were for DeMoy and 116 for Marchbank. Probably the latter felt much relieved at the outcome, as he was almost forced into the race, and his personal popularity was evidenced by the vote accorded to him. No other man under the circumstances, could have done as well.

The people have now spoken with no uncertain sound, and there is now a majority on the board who will see that a change in methods is effected. It has been a most unpleasant business, friends have become estranged, and much ill feeling engendered, which will take some time to allay. At present the least said is the best, and the board should investigate, so that the truth can be ascertained. What we want to know is, what was wrong, and who was in the wrong?