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OREGON NEWS ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

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

At a well-attended meeting at St. Helens the Columbia County Lincoln club was organized.

La Pine's fourth disastrous fire in as many years resulted last week in a gross loss of \$20,000.

Mrs. Hattie Kessler, 50, committed suicide at her home at Tualatin by jumping head foremost in a well.

Oregon will be entitled to 10 votes at the democratic national convention to be held in New York city June 24.

Onion growers of Tualatin will ship about eight carloads this year, several carloads short of the 1923 shipments.

Approval of the McNary bill, designating the Old Oregon Trail as a national highway, was given by Secretary of Agriculture Wallace.

Henry J. Hansen, 30, was drowned, while his wife looked on, when he was pitched out of a boat in a slough of the Clatskanie river near Clatskanie.

Small landslides on the Tillamook branch of the Southern Pacific, brought down by continuous rainfall, caused delay to trains operating over the road.

Cash turnover by the state land department to the state treasurer in January aggregated \$125,876.43, according to a report prepared by George C. Brown, clerk of the state land board.

Notice of increase of capital stock from \$50,000 to \$2,000,000 has been filed with the corporation department by the Fidelity Savings & Loan association, with headquarters in Portland.

Two years in the state penitentiary is the longest sentence that has been meted out to a bootlegger in this state as far as Dr. J. A. Linville, federal prohibition director, has been able to learn.

Steps to clear Oregon's name of its "unenviable reputation" as a clearing house for divorces were taken by the annual convention of the Episcopal church of Oregon in session in Portland.

Owing to the start of logging operations at Millwood by the Silverton Lumber company, the Southern Pacific has again placed its logging train in operation between Millwood and Silverton.

About 20 women from surrounding neighborhoods met at Freewater and formed a woman's apple show association to promote household exhibits among women and children at the annual apple show next fall.

Utility companies of Oregon plan to expend not less than \$10,000,000 to \$12,000,000 during the year in business building and payroll activities, according to the Oregon public building information bureau.

John C. Herring, Cape Heceta rancher, accused of aiding and hiding the three Florence bank robbers for several days after the robbery was committed December 11, was acquitted by a circuit court jury at Eugene.

The Umatilla irrigation project gets \$949,000 for operation, maintenance and continuing construction during the next fiscal year in the interior department appropriation bill as passed by the house. The appropriation for the Klamath project is \$695,000.

Deposits in the banks of Oregon at the close of business December 31, 1923, aggregated \$274,091,633.98, or approximately \$5,000,000 less than on September 14 of last year, according to a report prepared by Frank Bramwell, state superintendent of banks.

State tax collected on gasoline and distillate sold in Oregon during the year 1923 aggregated \$2,046,964.33, according to a statement prepared by Sam A. Koser, secretary of state. The tax was paid on 72,789,723 gallons of gasoline and 3,814,155 gallons of distillate.

A committee was appointed at Salem to confer with similar committees from Albany, Corvallis, Eugene, Harrisburg, and other Willamette valley towns with relation to the proposal to pipe water from Clear lake, Lane county, to the various towns for municipal purposes.

The six counties in district No. 1 of Oregon—Baker, Union, Grant, Malheur, Harney and Wallowa—will send high school basketball teams to Union, February 28 to participate in a three-day district tournament to determine the championship and decide on the team to enter the state basketball tournament in March.

SPRINGWATER NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Monroe and Dorothy went to St. Helens, Oregon, on Saturday, returning Sunday evening.

Peter Erickson returned from Portland on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Guttridge and children, Joseph and Ruth, went to Silverton on Sunday to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Zurcher, Mrs. Guttridge's parents. Mr. Zurcher is ill with broncho pneumonia.

The Feb. Neighborly club will meet with Mrs. Bard.

GARFIELD ITEMS

Mrs. J. C. Moreland entertained fourteen members of the Skip-a-week club last Wednesday. A most enjoyable day was spent sewing. After the delicious lunch the business meeting and program were held. The next meeting, February 13, will be with Mrs. W. R. Reid.

Mrs. Minnie Eash was a Portland visitor last Monday.

Mrs. Joe Michal was in Portland Friday.

Mrs. J. B. Robertson, Mrs. Minnie Eash, Mrs. H. B. Davis and Mrs. M. G. Weatherby spent Thursday with Mrs. H. H. Anders, who has been confined to her home since Christmas.

Dr. J. Hewitt of Portland, visited his ranch in Garfield Saturday.

The regular session of Garfield Grange was held Saturday with 52 members and 4 visitors. The dinner at noon was prepared and served by the men. A fine business meeting was held and a most enjoyable Lecture's hour was spent. Music, readings, a talk on law enforcement by T. B. Young and a paper on Strange Habits of Plants, by Mrs. Eva Shaffer, were thoroughly enjoyed.

S. S. at Nora Memorial church Sunday, February 10, at 2 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Davis and Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Weatherby were Portland visitors Monday and Tuesday.

Friday night, February 15, ladies, bring a valentine with your name on it, to be auctioned at the valentine social and supper which will be held in Garfield grange. A good program of music by the Estacada band, and two sketches "At the Ticket Office" and "A School Entertainment," in which the pupils will be the grown ups back in school.

New Mail Route

It will be good news to the George people that beginning next Tuesday a daily mail route will be inaugurated between Estacada and Bissell. This will insure them getting their mail every day except Sundays.

Frank Howard who has been mail carrier on the Eagle Creek route will be carrier on this.

CARVER STATE BANK

American Legion

Next Monday evening at the I. O. O. F. hall the American Legion will hold a meeting to which the public is cordially invited. There will be a program and a speaker is expected from department headquarters who will talk on the Adjusted Compensation bill, soon to come before congress. Everybody welcome.

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LOCAL ITEMS

CARVER STATE BANK

Mark the date, February 23 Mrs. W. F. Cary spent the day in Portland Monday.

Mrs. Myrtle Morgan spent the week end in Estacada.

George Pointer was a business visitor in Portland yesterday.

A. N. Johnson was a business visitor in Portland a few days the first of the week.

Miss Gertrude Fink is home from Portland visiting her parents and other relatives.

T. P. McCauly took in Portland and Oregon City last Saturday looking for more mules.

Mrs. W. A. Heylman went to Portland last Saturday and returned Monday evening.

Mrs. Al. Havens was here a few days last week, visiting Mr. Havens, returning to Portland Sunday evening.

Dinty Moore, proprietor of the Gem picture house was in Portland Monday booking the pictures for his theatre.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Bronson went to Portland yesterday, to visit their sons Lee and Neal, until the first of next week.

The P. R. L. & log train is pulling about twenty cars of logs each night from the Porter Car-seus camp to Portland.

Percy Dawe was here last Friday, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Mort. Mr. Dawe is teaching in a day school and also a night school in Portland.

Mrs. L. C. Posson went to Portland last Saturday to visit her daughter Leta, who is employed in a beauty parlor in that city, returning Tuesday.

Carl Kimmel came from Portland, Tuesday afternoon for a brief visit at home. He is in the employ of the Associated Securities Company.

Elgin O. Crane bought one of the new residence properties in the west part of the city, of W. F. Cary, and with his bride is now nicely located there. Mr. Crane is a forest ranger.

Engineer V. H. Todd and his crew of assistants are registered at the Hotel Estacada. They are locating the steel towers from River Mill to Casadero for the P. R. L. & P.

M. G. Moore, Estacada Hotel man, went Saturday on the evening train to Portland to see Bill Cary in "Oregon Pioneers," now being screened at the Liberty Mr. Moore returned on the early morning train, Sunday.

As Governor Pierce had proclaimed a half holiday for yesterday in honor of the memory of the late Woodrow Wilson, the schools and the bank closed at noon and the stores were closed from about 2 to 4 p. m.

Miss Reliance Moore was taken sick with a bad cold which threatened to develop into pneumonia. Her mother, Mrs. M. J. Moore, went to her bedside at Monmouth, where she is attending the Normal school. Miss Moore is reported as having recovered and will enter her school again next week. Mrs. Moore is expected to return home today.

Mrs. George E. Lawrence entertained the Ladies' Aid of the M. E. church, yesterday afternoon, with a few invited friends. The rooms were decorated with hearts and "sweethearts" in the shape of delicious cookies were served as refreshments. Mrs. Harry Kitching accompanied by Mrs. J. E. Gates sang two solos. One feature of the afternoon was a brief service in memory of the late former president, Woodrow Wilson, conducted by the Rev. H. W. Mort.

BARTON.

Ruby and Edna Bates of Estacada spent Sunday at the Jens Pedersen home.

Martha and George Whitehead went to Grssham Tuesday to have some dental work done.

Joe Olen of Chicago started Monday for California, after visiting his uncle, John Walczac and family for several days.

V. H. Mier came home Sunday night for a few days stay and will return to Eastern Oregon soon, where he has been most of the winter.

Last Friday afternoon during a heavy shower lightning entered L. M. Petersen's store over an electric wire, burning out the meter and doing other light damage.

On Valentine evening the Barton school will give a program and basket social in Peterson's hall.

Miss Alice Hansen spent the week end in Portland.

Friday night burglars ransacked Harvey Gibson's store, taking about \$20.00 in cash from the postoffice and store and about \$150.00 worth of groceries of all kinds, also several tires and tubes. No trace has been found of the guilty parties.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Turner were Gresham and Portland visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Christensen visited Milwaukie and Portland, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Graham and son, who have been visiting Mrs. Graham's brother, W. J. Nolan, and his family, also friends in Portland, started last Monday to drive to Vale, Ore.

COLTON ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. Chris. Bittner and son Will made a business trip to Portland and Oregon City Friday.

Mrs. Della Vallen spent a few days last week at the H. H. Freeman home in Colton.

Miss Clara Meilike of Oregon City, who has been suffering with blood poisoning, is now able to be out at the home of her mother.

School closed today for an indefinite time. The board is now looking for another teacher.

BARTON

George Wolf, father of Mrs. Irvin Brown passed away at The Dalles January 25th. Funeral services were held the 28th at Sandy, where he was buried. He was 65 years old and had been in failing health for some years. He leaves a widow and five children, Esther, James, Edward, Sallie and Grace, besides a number of grandchildren.

Miss Blanche Patton a former resident of Barton was married to Bob Messenger at the English Lutheran church parsonage by the Rev. W. I. Eck of The Dalles in the presence of a few friends, recently. They will make their home at The Dalles.

Willard Wallace has returned home from attending school in Portland.

Telford's truck delivered feed to the Stassen, Forman and Wallace farms this week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Erdman were Oregon City visitors last week. Miss Mabel Erdman has returned to her work after a two week's vacation at home.

Gus Whitehead came home for the week end from Bridal Veil, Oregon.

M. A. Nelson purchased several heads of milk cows lately.

George Forman is able to be out again a little while each day.

RESTRAINING ORDER GRANTED BY JUDGE

The suit sought to enjoin the Estacada school board from trying the principal, Karl E. Einarson on charges which had been made against him, was decided by Judge Campbell last Friday at Oregon City, in his favor, on the ground that judges cannot be accusers. The charges had been preferred by two members of the board, who were subsequently to try the case.

But this decision does not imply that the accused was cleared of the charges for they were not on trial. The board as constituted, apparently is estopped from trying him on these, and it is doubtful whether if brought by other parties it could act. However the principal did not get off unscathed, for affidavits were read which were very uncomplimentary to his reputation in those places where he had previously taught, especially the one from the Douglass county superintendent of schools. As there was a large delegation of high school pupils present, they could not fail to mark that these affidavits were in violent contrast to the panegyric on him which was printed in the paper last week.

On the whole the directors need not regret the decision, as it will save them a lot of trouble. Enough has been made known to show that they have abundant evidence to substantiate their charges if they should ever come up for trial. The affidavits are only samples of what they have.

But strangely enough the point which will probably be most detrimental to him as a teacher, is the one of which all the papers took notice, namely his remark that "that no educated man believes in the Bible." Apart from its manifest absurdity, a school board will hesitate to engage a teacher who showed such poor judgment in saying such a thing before his pupils. But the attempt to put a religious complexion and origin to the dispute, is to draw a red herring across the trail. His religious views had little to do with it. Those who have opposed him did so on account of their profound dissatisfaction with him, his management and conduct of the school affairs.

The school board's authority has not been impaired and remains intact, the whole school being amenable to it. If it is flouted by any, the offender can be brought to book, if the proper procedure is followed.

A Judge on the Bible

The following is part of Judge Campbell's remarks last Friday when rendering his decision in the Estacada school board injunction case:

"It is poor policy for teachers to express opinions regarding any one else's religion, and it does not seem to be any advantage to be a fundamentalist or a modernist. Educated men disagree on these subjects and have no real proof for their opinions. Whether we believe there is a Supreme Being or credit the story of creation in Genesis, or whether we adopt the explanation given by science, that we reached our present state thru evolution—it all rests on some foundation that there is some superior being behind it all. It is poor policy to cast disparaging remarks about any person's religion, especially when they derive happiness therefrom, and it also is poor policy to say we do not believe in the Bible. There are truths there that were truths when written, and will be truths a million years hence.

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