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Thursday, December 25, being Christmas day the News will endeavor to go to press Wednesday. Advertisers and correspondents are kindly urged to get their material in as early as possible (one day earlier than usual) to allow the force to get the paper out Wednesday.

OREGON NEWS ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

Newton C. Cheney of Medford and Earl Leslie Wilson of Portland have been admitted to practice law permanently in this state.

Sewer construction work costing approximately \$200,000 will be completed by the city of Klamath Falls during the coming year.

Thousands of boxes of prunes were mailed and shipped by Portland citizens last week to friends and relatives in pruned states.

Two large male cougars, traveling together, were treed and shot by W. O. Allison not far from Ukiah. The larger weighed more than 200 pounds.

The demand for cross-bred lambs to form the foundation of breeding flocks has grown so keen that the price has been raised to 11 cents a pound.

Noel Eby, 18-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. N. K. Eby, who reside in West Sutherlin, was kicked to death by a horse when placing feed in the animal's stall.

Frozen fog which descended over Klamath Falls did considerable damage to telephone and power lines, and blanketed the city with a fascinating white frosting.

The Southern Pacific company has awarded a contract to the Utah Construction company for building approximately 22 miles of railroad from Grass Lake to Dietz.

A special school election called at Roseburg to consider the issuance of school bonds in the sum of \$165,000 resulted in the approval of the bonds by a vote of 416 to 210.

Fire, which for a time threatened the entire business district of Malin, was checked by the volunteer fire department after the Malin hotel had sustained damage of approximately \$1000.

Benton county is to have an "economic conference" January 13 and 14. The government has just completed an exhaustive survey of the county, the first to be finished in the Pacific northwest.

Fire losses in Oregon, exclusive of Portland, in November aggregated \$168,450, according to a report prepared by Will Moore, state fire marshal. There were a total of 25 fires reported.

A bill to limit the powers of county judges in their capacity as juvenile judges will be introduced at the next session of the state legislature, according to J. G. Tate, chairman of the state child welfare commission.

Construction of a new hatchery for the state fish commission at Beaver creek, which is about two miles from Hebo on the Tillamook highway, has been started. The hatchery will be one of the largest in the state.

So rapidly are demands for fiction volumes increasing at the Umatilla county library that the board has found it impossible to buy books in sufficient quantities with the money available to satisfy the demand.

Following a check of its own figures with estimates furnished by the county assessors' office, the Multnomah county tax supervision and conservation commission placed the local 1925 tax levy at 33.2 mills, as against 32.3 mills last year.

The value of all taxable property in the state of Oregon for 1924, including that equalized by the county boards of equalization and that equalized and apportioned by the state tax commission is \$1,958,880,736.61, as against \$1,842,410,618.66 for the year 1923. These figures are set out in a statement prepared by Earl Fisher, state tax commissioner. The total increase in valuations for the year 1924, as compared with those for 1923 is \$116,470,117.95.

Firemen's Dance

The Volunteer Firemen of Estacada will give the second of their dances next Wednesday evening, Dec. 24, in the park pavilion, and everyone who is interested in the welfare of Estacada should not fail to attend if possible. The least you can do is to buy a ticket to assist a worthy cause. These men are often called upon to assist you in a time of need and you should be ready to offer your assistance at this time. The money will be used to defray further expenses on the chemical apparatus installed. Remember the date. **Wednesday, Dec. 24.**

LABOR LEADER GOMPERS PASSES

Samuel Gompers, the veteran labor leader, died at San Antonio, Texas, early Friday.

Mr. Gompers was born in a London slum quarter, Jan. 27, 1850; he was put to work at the age of ten in a shoe factory, but soon apprenticed to the cigar trade. With his family and several relatives he came to America in 1863 and became a naturalized citizen at the age of twenty-one.

Mr. Gompers was president of the American Federation of Labor which he helped organize and which he led as president for thirty-seven years. For more than a half century, political ambitions, lucrative business opportunities and the lure of fame were unable to deter him from his trade union activities. During the World War, Gompers kept the labor forces behind the government and served as chairman of the labor committee of the council of national defense. He made several governmental journeys to Europe and was a member of the American delegation of the conference on limitations of armaments.

He was vice-president of the National Federation and president of the Pan-American Federation.

The body was carried by special train to Washington, D. C. where funeral services were held and will be interred in Sleepy Hollow cemetery, near Tarrytown, New York.

ELWOOD ITEMS

Walter Cox and Ed. Hodgkiss are working for Frank Bittner at Sandy.

Mrs. Matt Parks, who has been working in Portland, has returned home and at this writing is suffering with a severe cold.

L. M. Vallen finished butchering and peddling beef Friday. He has sold eight this fall.

There is to be a Christmas tree and program at the school house Wednesday evening, Dec. 24, under the supervision of Miss Butterfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Park and little son Pearl of Puyallup, Wash., spent a few days of this week visiting the former's brother Matt Park and family.

Stanford Cox made a business trip to Portland Saturday, returning Sunday.

Snow fell Monday by 2:30 p. m. to a depth of nine inches.

Entertains Newspaper Folks

W. C. Culbertson, owner of the Canby Herald, entertained the newspaper men and women of Clackamas county last Saturday noon at the Seward Hotel in Portland. Every newspaper in the county was represented.

Many important matters pertaining to newspaper work were discussed. Prof. George Turnbull of The School of Journalism, University of Oregon, Eugene, was present and gave an interesting talk relative to newspaper affairs.

Preliminary steps were taken looking to a permanent organization of all the papers of the county.

The next meeting will be held about the middle of January at the same place.

The Estacada Telephone and Telegraph Company suffered considerable trouble due to the disabled lines following the snow storm. A repair crew soon got them back into shape.

LOCAL ITEMS

Christmas Seals stand for the Christmas spirit.

Mrs. J. E. Gates returned from Portland on the afternoon train Monday.

Mrs. Margaret Kilgore and Alice were Estacada visitors last Sunday.

J. K. Ely was in Portland on Tuesday buying additional holiday things.

J. W. Dowty returned Monday from Portland where he has been for the past week.

Andrew Janssen, who has been at work drilling wells near Klittat, Wash., arrived in Estacada Monday.

One of the few things a penny will buy — A Christmas seal.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hannah of Portland, visited at the home of Mr. Hannah's parents in Estacada Sunday.

Mrs. Noble McMillan and child who have been visiting friends in Estacada left for Portland last Tuesday morning.

Denny Brothers, who purchased the Miller barber shop on Broadway last week, are now operating the shop. Look for their ad. in this issue of the NEWS.

Mrs. E. J. Potter of Portland who is interested in the Liberty was here last week and announced the consolidation of their interests with the Multnomah theatre corporation.

Each Home May Soon Have Its Own Ice Plant

Domestic refrigeration by means of electricity is certain to become almost universal. The report on the refrigeration committee of the National Electric Light Association calls attention to the rapid growth now noticeable in small electric refrigerating equipment. It states that quantity production and consequent lower priced machines are to be expected in the near future, so that the householder in the near future will soon be maintaining electric refrigerating machines for approximately the same amount now spent for ice.

ATTENTION

The attention of our readers is called to several new ads appearing in this issue of the News. When dealing with our advertisers it will please them if you tell them you read it in the News.

We are often hearing that "it pays to advertise" and this pleases both the advertiser and the News.

No matter how small an advertisement may be it will be read by a number of persons and in this way may bring you the desired returns.

Gem Announces Program

The management of the Gem theatre announces that in addition to the regular show next Saturday evening, Dec. 20, a vaudeville attraction by the Dale Vaudeville company will be given. This show is a laugh from start to finish with three big acts. The company carries the biggest little brass band in the world, and one of the attractions is John Dale, the funny black-faced comedian. The prices for the evening will be 35 and 10 cents.

The regular show for the Saturday and Sunday evening performance will be Gloria Swanson in "The Humming Bird," a melodrama of the Parisian underworld and smart society. Gloria is gorgeously gowned and shows a real genius as an emotional actress.

UPPER EAGLE CREEK

Last Wednesday evening several of the friends and neighbors of Mrs. Walter Douglass stepped in and surprised her. They came to help her celebrate her fortieth birthday. The evening was pleasantly spent in playing Progressive 500, Flinch and Pit and music and singing. A delicious luncheon consisting of sandwiches, cake, coffee and punch was served.

Mrs. R. B. Gibson called on Mrs. Ike Akers on Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. C. H. Paddison and daughter, Miss Naomi, made a shopping trip to Portland last Friday.

BARTON

G. A. Stone, father and brother, were out from Portland Sunday afternoon. Mr. Stone's little daughter is still quite ill.

There will be a combined Christmas program Saturday evening, Dec. 20.

Mrs. Louis Rivers was not very well Sunday.

Mrs. Iva Parks spent several days last week visiting friends at Oregon City.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Wallace and son spent Sunday afternoon at the Rivers home.

Mrs. Hattie Peterson and Miss Gladys Nolan delightfully entertained the Good Will club last Thursday, there being ten members present. Next meeting is to be at the home of Mrs. Maude Odel, Jan. 8, 1925.

Mr. and Mrs. George Forman and son went to Gresham and Portland on business one day last week.

It is reported that M. A. Nelson, who has resided here the past three years, will soon leave the Albert Horger ranch.

L. T. (Pat) Odell and Miss Gladys Ketchel were quietly married in Portland Dec. 6, and were charivariated Thursday evening.

Mrs. Elizabeth Case is still ill at latest reports.

GEORGE ITEMS

The George Grange held its regular meeting last Saturday evening and elected officers for the coming year. Next Saturday evening there will be nine candidates initiated into the Grange and the Eagle Creek drill team will do the work.

Mrs. Barney and children from Beaverton visited at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Joyner from Saturday until Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Wilson after staying over two weeks at the home of Julius Paulsen on account of an auto accident on Thanksgiving day have returned to their home.

Mr. Ed. Harders was a guest to supper on Sunday evening of Mr. and Mrs. J. Paulsen.

At the time of this writing, there is about eight inches of snow which fell in one day.

Move to Grab Part of County

A movement is again on foot to divide Clackamas county. At a meeting of the Federated Community Clubs of Multnomah county held at the Portland East Side Library, Tuesday of last week, the question as to the advisability and possibility of extending the county line of Multnomah county south to the Clackamas river, or as near there as possible, was taken up.

This would mean the taking from this county the most densely settled portion of it and about one-fourth the total valuation of the entire county.

SNOWSTORM CLOSURES CAMPS AND MILLS

Following rapidly upon the heels of this unexpected snow storm, came the closing down of practically, if not all, the logging camps and saw mills in this part of the country. Many difficulties always present themselves in a country so unaccustomed and unprepared for snow and low temperature as this one.

Porter-Carstens Logging company located on the North Fork of the Clackamas river stopped work the early part of the week and do not plan on opening up until the weather moderates considerably. This will mean that the supply of logs needed to keep the Electric mill at River Mill Station in operation, will be cut off and as they only have a small supply on hand it will no doubt be closed until Porter-Carstens again resume operations.

It is reported that about three feet of snow has fallen at this camp, making logging impossible. The P. E. P. company will take off the logging train they have been operating at night to haul the logs down to the Electric mill until the work is resumed. The Deep Creek Lumber company has had to stop work at this time as have also many of the smaller mills, due to the same difficulties which make it impossible to carry on their logging and other operations.

With the holidays so near lumber buying has become practically impossible. The mills all seem to be convinced that prices will be better after the beginning of the year, and with their stocks now reduced to minimum, they are refusing to take on any business that will have to be held over until 1925. Many prominent lumbermen state that there is every reason to believe that the lumber market for next year will be good as a whole. The present demands show that business is good along some lines while lagging along others. Taken as a whole the market is erratic and by no means well balanced.

Loose Wires Are Always Dangerous

No matter how innocent looking a wire dangling in the street may be, says the Oregon Public Utility Information Bureau, it is nevertheless a potential death hazard, and should be avoided as one would avoid poison or small-pox.

Only a short time ago, two Seattle boys were electrocuted while trying to hoist a garbage can to the top of a light pole as a Halloween prank. Numerous fatal accidents have recently been recorded where boys and grown ups have attempted to string radio aerials across live wires of high voltage, or to attach them to light poles. These high tension lines carry almost certain death at all times, and sometimes even a "dead" wire swinging in the wind strikes a "live" wire and becomes an instrument of death.

Therefore the best policy is to consider all loose wires as being deadly and keep as far away from them as possible.

Measure Heart Beats

Among the most recent electro-medical discoveries is a means of diagnosing heart ills, which is called electric cardiography. By means of electrical connections to the patient the heart is forced to contract and its various reactions are recorded on a very delicate film, which, when translated, shows the exact nature of the illness.