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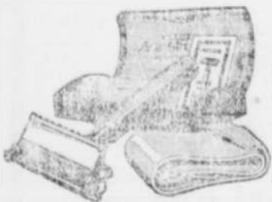
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OREGON STATE NEWS OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

Randon proposes to have a golf course ready by 1928 on which visitors to that beach city may play.

Complete renovation of the Forest Grove postoffice will be under way within a few days, it was announced recently.

Dale Drew, 21-year-old son of Chas. Drew, prominent Klamath rancher, was drowned at Lost River dam, 10 miles south of Klamath Falls.

Lane county's bonded indebtedness is now \$1,531,700, \$130,500 having been recently paid off with Oregon and California land grant tax refunds.

Establishment of a new postoffice at Beaver Marsh, in Klamath county, is announced by postal authorities. William Zumburne is postmaster.

The Baker County Cow Testing association has completed organization and the new tester, Leroy Wright of Klamath county, has begun work.

The plant of the Capital City Bedding company of Salem was destroyed by fire last week, with a loss estimated at \$30,000, partially covered by insurance.

Oregon's flint crop will be light, possibly less than half a crop, while the walnut crop will be large, according to growers who met last week at Dundee.

Dedication of the new Crooked river bridge crossing the Crooked river canyon in the extreme southern part of Jefferson county will take place Friday, July 15.

Arrangements are being made for the Sandy pioneer and early settler's picnic, which is announced for July 31 at the Robert Konrad grove, on Bluff near Nancy.

While engaged in stringing wire on a power line near Jacksonville, J. H. Harrington of Ashland was killed when he accidentally came in contact with a 2200-volt wire.

The Barker, 55, of Mapleton, who had been employed at the W. H. Dandy sawmill at Junction City died in a Eugene hospital following an automobile accident on Lake creek.

Ground was broken last week for the construction of an \$18,000 exhibit building on the Klamath county fair grounds. The large structure will be completed by September 1.

Building permits at La Grande for the first six months of this year show an aggregate construction figure of 6733,715, a higher total than for any one year in the city's history.

James R. Nunamaker, 73, owner of one of the largest aggregate holdings of Hood River valley orchards, dropped dead last week while sitting in his automobile talking to a neighbor.

The appointment of George Alexander of Hillsboro as state prohibition commissioner to succeed William S. Levens, effective July 15, was announced by Governor Patterson last week.

A special election will be held in Beardsman July 16 for the purpose of voting on increasing the corporate boundaries of the city, and taking in the school and other property to the Columbia river.

Charter of the McKenzie river lodge of Masons, organized in Eugene some time ago, was presented last Saturday night. Several grand lodge officers were in attendance to conduct the ceremonies.

Connie J. Grabb of Baker was elected president of the Oregon State Elks association without opposition at the final session of the 1927 convention held in Baker last week. Astoria was chosen as the 1928 convention city.

With the heaviest traffic on the highways in the history of the state there was not a single fatal traffic accident over the Fourth of July holidays in Oregon, according to T. A. Rafferty, chief of the state traffic squad.

Six yone different varieties of wheat were inspected at the Umatilla county grain nursery north of Pendleton last Monday, when the annual field day of the county grain growers was held. D. E. Stephens, superintendent of the experiment station at More, and George R. Hyslop, head of the farm crops department at Oregon Agricultural college, explained the results obtained in the development of new types of grain and the benefits of certain types of fertilizer.

The cherry crop in the Ashland section is exceeding all expectations, according to officials of the local Fruit and Produce association, who stated that instead of only one car for shipment to the east, the crop will total several cars.

With a program that has attracted poultrymen from southern California and northern Washington, as well as all parts of Oregon, the thirty-second convention of the Oregon Poultrymen's association was held in Corvallis last week.

POULTRY

HIGH MORTALITY LOWERS PROFITS

High mortality and low egg production go hand in hand in the farm poultry flock and if the death rate of hens is high the results from the flock will be only mediocre, regardless of how well the hens are bred and fed, says H. H. Alp, poultry extension specialist of the college of agriculture, University of Illinois.

"Records which 234 farm flock owners kept in co-operation with the college show a mortality rate of 12 per cent annually. If this rate is figured for the entire state there would be an approximate loss of 3,000,000 birds annually.

"A 12 per cent mortality on first thought may not seem very high, but it must be remembered that along with a mortality as high as this there goes a general low production throughout the flock. It is not so much the loss of a bird dying that counts as the loss caused by low production through sickness.

"While the causes for mortality may vary to a certain extent, the chief and main causes will be the lack of sanitation and personal attention. Very little credit for the mortality being no higher than 12 per cent can be given to improved conditions in and around poultry houses. Conditions probably have not improved a great deal with regard to sanitation. Diseases have increased and have given more trouble every year. The chief factor in protecting the flock is one of preventive measures.

"Hen mortality is spread fairly well over the whole year. The spring months quite often show an increased death rate due to increased production, especially so where the birds are forced for production. There is a certain mortality that might be termed normal mortality. This is where death results from causes beyond the control of the operator and is not due to a disease and should cause no worry. The bulk of the mortality, though, can be influenced by the personal ability of the operator. The determining factor with mortality is health and vigor and health and vigor come only from good stock, sanitation and feeding.

"All that is necessary to say as a warning to poultrymen in regard to hen mortality is to remember that vigor can be defined as a hen's ability to live and thrive under ordinary conditions and it is essential to have this factor exhibited in selecting layers and breeders.

"Poultry drugs and medicines should not be trusted to keep the flock free from mortality. Prevention and sanitation should be practiced instead and an abundance of common sense used in handling the flock."

Ventilators Should Be

Regulated in Incubator

In hatching eggs in incubators it is frequently difficult to provide enough fresh air or give proper ventilation to the incubator and at the same time to keep the eggs from losing too much moisture.

The poultry department at the New York State College of Agriculture at Ithaca, N. Y., says the ventilators should be kept closed during the first ten days of incubation, because the chick inside the egg requires very little oxygen. After the tenth day the chick needs more oxygen and the amount increases gradually until the need is largest during the last three days.

After the tenth day of incubation the ventilators may be opened more and more until they are wide open at the eighteenth day. The moisture pans should not be allowed to get dry at any time.

Eggs should lose about 15 per cent of their original weight, and not more, during the three weeks of incubation. If they lose more moisture than this it is impossible to replace it. Sprinkling the eggs with warm water several times daily during the last three days is often recommended, but while this can do no harm, it can do little good.

When a baked potato is done, work it until the skin is loose, jab a fork into one side and make an opening to let out the steam. Drop in a lump of butter and serve at once.

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GEORGE ITEMS

Mrs. Marian Batson, of Portland, has been spending two weeks vacation with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Johnson and children were calling on the Klinker

and families on Sunday after-noon.

Mr. Thomas C. Kelley is spending some time with his sister and husband Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Held.

Guests on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Ruhl, were Mrs. Samuel Mueller, Mr. and Mrs. Forsythe and children, Mr. and Mrs. Emmanuel Mueller and Mr. and Mrs. Moggert.

Mrs. Marie Klinker and family had as guests on Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Henry Voderberg and children and children and Miss Helen Klinker all of Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnson's guests on Sunday, were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ginther and Miss Dora Voderberg of Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Held and Mr. Kelley were calling on Mr. and Mrs. Joe Weiderhold Sunday evening.

EAGLE CREEK

R. W. Aspaugh and family of Eagle Creek, Ore., visited Mr. Aspaugh's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Aspaugh recently.

C. H. Aspaugh, wife and daughter, of San Diego, Calif., visited their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Aspaugh during the month of July. Mr. Aspaugh have not seen Charley since he was five years old.

A. H. Alspaugh, wife and daughter and Mrs. Kennedy of Calif., who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Alspaugh and other relatives have returned to their home in California.

Boy Scouts come out often and camp on their Brown Memorial Park near Alspaugh on Eagle Creek. They are building and fixing up camp. Boy Scouts are having a good time and look so happy.

W. R. Freeman of Portland had as guests about three hundred or more neighbors and friends at his ranch near Alspaugh last Sunday, July 17. Delicious refreshments consisting of Ice Cream, Cake, Sandwiches, Berries and other good eats were served. Birthday cake was large and pretty.

Mr. Freeman's friends presented him with a full purse. Mr. Freeman, in his genial way responded verbally to this. Mr. Freeman was sixty years old that day.

Mr. and Mrs. Richmond and son Sam have moved to the ranch recently purchased from Dick Githen.

Mr. and Mrs. Tracy of Portland are spending the summer on the Moore Park down near the creek.

Dinty Moore has good patronage by the public at the park this season.

UPPER EAGLE CREEK

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Gibson and H. I. Udell and family were over to the Gibson place picking cherries for a couple of days last week.

Eagle Creek Grange meet at the grange hall last Saturday and held a short session initiating a class of six in the first and second degrees. The candidates were: Mr. and Mrs. Rex Oodil, Mrs. Elva Looney, Miss Doris Looney, Wilbur Looney and Frank McGraw. After partaking of a delicious dinner grange adjourned on account of the heat and some wishing to attend chautauqua.

Mrs. Ed. Douglass and daughter, Betty Jean, of Youcalla, were guests of relatives down this way the first of the week.

Mac and Sibley Smith of Portland are visiting at the home of T. M. Clester and are helping Tracy Clester out some wood for the school.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Douglass and children, were guests at the home of Walker Douglass over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Woodie and children were visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Woodie Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Douglass and children were chautauqua visitors last Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker Douglass attended chautauqua Sunday.

UPPER GARFIELD

No change of circumstances can repair a defect of character.

Mr. Emil Leitner was a business visitor in Portland last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Stether of Portland were visiting their ranch, last Sunday.

Mrs. Roberts McBroon and daughter, Betty, of California visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Reid a few days last week. Mrs. McBroon left for Portland Friday to make preparations for her sisters wedding, Miss Elizabeth Reid, which is to take place August 6 at Portland.

Mrs. Cassie Epperson, daughters Kate and Eva of Portland are visiting relatives in Garfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kelley visited Mrs. Kelley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Anders, Sunday.

A surprise party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Taylor Tuesday evening, July 26 in honor of their son, Harold's 16th birthday. The evening was spent very pleasantly with games until a late hour. Among those present were the Misses,

Viola Hendrickson, Helen Anders, Ruth and Mildred Ayers Evelyn, Bernice and Irene Davis, Mildred Taylor Audrey Wray, Kenneth Dart, Angus Hendrickson, Claude Shriner, Donald Wray, Byron and Leonard Anders.

Glen Davis had the misfortune to fall of a wagon last week but it did not prove serious as he is able to be around.

The men folks are very busy this fine weather getting in hay and attending to other necessary work that the majority of the hoeing is left to the women folks to do. Mrs. Howard Hunt is doing her share of the hoeing on their place.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Young and son Harold visited at their ranch last Sunday.



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