

WEALTHY SEATTLE HOMES ARE RAIDED

Much Valuable Liquor Seized in Millionaire Residences.

EXCLUSIVE CIRCLES OF SOUND SHOCKED

Sheriffs Find Rare Old Whiskies and Wines—Hot Legal Dattle Foreseen—No Arrests Made.

Seattle, Wash.—Seattle's wealthiest and most exclusive circles which got their first shock Monday when the Rainier club was raided on search warrants under the new prohibition law were rocked by a social volcano when the homes of two millionaires were raided by deputies acting under orders of Sheriff "Bob" Hodge, the coal miner aspirant for the governorship, and large and valuable stocks of fine wines and liquors were seized.

Where the law officers' lightning will strike next is the topic in the homes of Capitol Hill and Richmond Highlands.

The palatial home at the Highlands of W. E. Boeing, millionaire lumberman, was raided at noon Wednesday by deputy sheriffs. Sheriff Hodge had been told that an \$8000 stock of liquors belonging to the Seattle Golf and Country club had been secreted there in violation of the dry law.

In one room in the basement the deputies said they found a specially fitted device by which great numbers of bottles were put away, corks down. The liquors were of the richest kind, including bottled Scotch, rye and Bourbon whiskies, vermouth, champagne, including some of the vintage of 1830, and valued at \$60 a quart; a case of Pol Roget, Chartreuse and other liquors and three cases of beer.

In the butler's pantry were found 18 bottles of beer and about 15 bottles of assorted drinkables.

The liquor found in the basement was said by the deputy sheriffs to be worth at least \$2000.

Mr. Boeing is president of the Greenwood Lumber company and of the Northwest Aero club.

The home of D. E. Skinner, president of the Skinner-Eddy Steamship company and of the Port Blakely Mill company, was raided, and a stock of liquors worth about \$3000 confiscated by deputy sheriffs.

In each instance the great stocks were removed and will be held pending hearing of the cases. No arrests will be made.

It is said to be practically certain that the raid will result in hotly contested legal battles, attacking the dry law from the standpoint of raids on private residences and particularly that feature of the common law granting a householder extraordinary rights in his premises.

Rumor has it also that further residence raids are in prospect, directed against the homes of officials of various clubs.

Mr. Skinner was delivering an address upon "The Merchant Marine" at a luncheon of the Seattle Real Estate association when a note was handed him informing him his home was being raided. He angrily denounced the police, thinking it was they who were making the raid instead of the sheriffs, and declared he had ordered his servants to destroy all liquor, smash the bottles so the law officers could not hold orgies on fine wines at his expense.

The prohibition law permits persons to keep in their own homes not more than two quarts of spirituous liquors and 12 quarts of malt drinks.

More to Be Executed.

Chihuahua City, Mex. — The Villa Andits who looted Magistral, a mining camp in Durango, several days ago, and who were attacked and beaten by Carranza troops Thursday at Guerrero, are said to include some men who took part in the slaughter of 18 foreigners at Santa Ysabel, January 10. Several prisoners taken were being brought here to be executed and their bodies displayed with those of Jose Rodriguez and Miguel Baca-Valles, which were exhibited at Juarez.

Montenegro to Fight On.

Paris, via London — The following official statement was issued Thursday: "The wireless news of the surrender of the Montenegrin army appears somewhat premature. It is now announced from another source that negotiations between Austria and Montenegro have been broken off, the conditions of surrender imposed by Austria having been found quite unacceptable by Montenegro. "The royal family is about to proceed to Italy."

GALE SWEEPS OVER CALIFORNIA; UPSETTING 400 OIL DERRICKS

Bakersfield, Cal. — Sweeping with the violence of a tornado, a southwest gale blew for three hours in the Midway oil district, starting Tuesday afternoon, destroying property estimated at \$250,000. More than 400 derricks were blown down and several engine-houses in the oil fields were wrecked. Several dwellings and bunkhouses were also toppled over. The damage was greatest in the North Midway and McKittrick districts, where more than 250 derricks were destroyed.

The San Francisco-Kittirek boiler-house was wrecked in an explosion when a crown block went crashing through the immense boiler. The Associated Oil company lost 64 out of 84 oil derricks.

At Los Angeles two men were reported drowned and more than 100 people were homeless as a result of the heavy rain storm which caused almost every river and stream in Southern California to overflow its banks and inundate the lowland adjacent.

Liquor Seized in Prohibition Raid on Fashionable Seattle Resort

Seattle — The Rainier club, the principal club in Seattle, was raided late Tuesday by deputy sheriffs who confiscated 400 quarts of whisky, champagne, gin and other intoxicants. The raid was made under direction of Sheriff Robert P. T. Hodge, who obtained a search warrant authorizing his deputies to enter every room in the large clubhouse at Fourth avenue and Marion street.

None of the liquor was found in the old barroom or in the club's storeroom in the basement. Most of it was found in a trunk hidden in a locked linen closet on the fourth floor. The house manager said that he had no key to the closet and the officers forced open the door.

Other seizures were made in members' rooms, where more than the statutory allowance of two quarts of spirituous or 12 quarts of malt liquor was found. The property of members having less than these amounts was not disturbed.

Allies Land Troops Near Capital of Greece to Force Country's Hand

Berlin — Berlin newspapers, according to the Overseas News agency, express the belief that the landing of allied troops at Phaleron, five miles southeast of Athens, is considered as supplying proof that the entente powers intend using extreme means to force the hand of Greece.

The news agency says that according to prevalent reports, the Greek government has transferred part of the state archives to Larissa, in Northwestern Greece, where, eventually, the Greek government likewise will be transferred.

Berlin newspapers, commenting on the latest news regarding Greece, unite in stating that the entente seeks to have abandoned all regard for Greek neutrality and sovereignty. The landing at Phaleron is regarded as proof that the entente is now going to use extreme means for forcing Greece into the war.

REO REFINEMENTS

"So many buyers—over seventy thousand—have been so proud of their cars that it was found almost impossible to find room for improvement.

"The chassis of the 1916 is practically the same as last year—in fact it has been the standard of the REO for over five years," said F. W. Vogler, president of the Northwest Auto company, in showing the cars being "groomed" for the opening of the Auto Show, Monday, June 24th in Portland.

"The chief feature of the Reo," he said, "is its accessibility due to the simplicity of construction and resulting ease of replacing and adjusting.

"And you'll notice that all instruments are now on the steering post—this enables the driver to do all adjusting without stooping or taking attention away from the road ahead.

"The new 'hook-up' of the starting device is the only new feature in that connection.

"In these days when the stealing of motors has become a well-organized business, the thief-proof locking device on the Reo is causing the gentry engaged in the new profession to pass the Reo. This lock enables the driver to simultaneously lock the starting device, the transmission and the floor boards. The starting device is made inoperative, at the same time the transmission gears are locked in neutral position. And to make assurance doubly sure, the floor boards are locked down so that it is impossible to get at the working parts.

"You will see these features at the Show. The advantages—that would take columns to describe—will be easily seen at a glance."

NEWS ITEMS

Of General Interest

About Oregon

Road Bonds Urged to Build Permanent Highways

Salem—A state bond issue for making permanent road improvements and an increased tax levy to provide for maintaining state highways and for redemption of the bond issue, are recommended by E. I. Cantine, chief deputy engineer, in his annual report submitted to the State Highway commission. Construction of a coastal beach highway from Astoria to Crescent City is also urged.

When the locating parties have completed their work in Douglas, Wasco and Sherman counties, Engineer Cantine announces that the Columbia Highway will be located from Seaside, in Clatsop county, as far as Wasco, in Sherman county, and the Pacific Highway will have been surveyed from Portland to the California line, with the exception of a section in Josephine county.

"It is believed that the date is rapidly approaching when the state will have to undertake the maintenance of the main trunk highway, such as the Columbia and Pacific highways," writes Mr. Cantine. At the present time the State Highway commission does not hold itself responsible for the upkeep of roads constructed from state funds, leaving this duty to county officials.

The report urges upon the commission the advisability of working for enactment of legislation authorizing it to lay out highways and procure rights of way for them, and empowering the commission to arrange with the counties for the maintenance of such state laid-out roads until a state maintenance program is adopted.

Expenditure of the highway department from January 1 to December 1, 1915, totaled \$223,128.81, according to the report. Of this amount \$58,443.48 was expended on the Columbia Highway in Columbia county, and \$15,702.97 on the Rainier Hill section of the highway. The sum of \$34,106.70 was expended on the Columbia Highway in Clatsop county. The Mitchell's Point construction of the Columbia Highway cost \$41,896.36.

Railroad Work Moves Forward in Harney County

Ontario — In spite of the severe weather, work continues on the O.-W. R. & N. extension west from Riverside, Or., to points in Harney county.

Nearly all the grading has been completed as far as Oakley and the rock cuts and bridges are now progressing rapidly. Mail service to Riverside has been begun, the mail run on the thrice-a-week train being from Ontario to Riverside.

Between Bend and Burns the Strahorn surveying party is in the field, running the newly-projected line between those interior points. H. N. Bogue, chief engineer for the Strahorn party, was in Burns last week and hired a saddle horse for the purpose of a closer investigation of the Sage Hen pass. Leaving the horse, he proceeded by auto to Bend, so it is not known whether this pass will be used by the new line, but probabilities are that it will.

Everything indicates that within a few months work will actually be under way to connect Burns finally with the outer world, and to do away with "Interior" Oregon forever.

Klamath Ships Livestock.

Klamath Falls—One of the largest shipments of livestock from Klamath county this year left on the Livestock Special this week. This comprised 25 carloads for California and Portland markets. The biggest shipment was of lambs sent to San Francisco by O. T. McKendree, of this city. There were over 2000 head, filling 20 cars. Two cars of cattle and one car of hogs were shipped by Fred Stukel to Sacramento. Charles Horton consigned two cars of cattle to the Union Stockyards at Portland.

Heavy Timber Felled by Storm.

Melalla—One of the severest storms known in this section for years has done heavy damage to standing timber. A tract known as the Schusted claim, which cruised 12,000,000 feet, is reported by Fred Schafer, a sawmill man who was hunting cougars in that vicinity, to have lost at least 5,000,000 feet of timber, which was blown down. In many places the trees are piled 20 feet high.

Power Plant Destroyed.

La Grande—When fire Wednesday burned the Mill Creek power plant, which assists in generating electricity for the Eastern Oregon Light & Power company, the city became hard pressed for power juice. All big consumers were promptly shut off until temporary repairs can be made.

NORTHWEST MARKET REPORTS; GENERAL CROP CONDITIONS

Portland—Wheat—Bluestem, \$1.12 per bushel; forty-fold, \$1.07; club, \$1.04; red Fife, \$1.02; red Russian, \$1.01.

Hay—Eastern Oregon timothy, \$17 @ 17.50 ton; valley timothy, \$14 @ 14.50; alfalfa, \$17 @ 19; oats and vetch, \$13.

Millfeed—Spot prices: Bran, \$28 ton; shorts, \$25; rolled barley, \$30 @ 31.

Corn—Whole, \$37 ton; cracked, \$38.

Vegetables—Artichokes, \$1.25 doz.; tomatoes, California, \$1.50 @ 1.75 crate; cabbage, \$2 cwt.; garlic, 15c pound; peppers, 15 @ 17 1/2; eggplant, 15 @ 17 1/2; sprouts, 8c; horseradish, 8 1/2c; cauliflower, \$2.25 dozen; celery, \$5 crate; beans, 10 @ 12 1/2c pound; lettuce, \$2.40 @ 2.50 crate; peas, 8 @ 10c pound.

Green Fruits—Pears, \$1 @ 1.50 box; grapes, \$4 barrel; cranberries, \$12.50.

Potatoes—Oregon, \$1.50 @ 1.75 per sack; Yakimas, \$1.50 @ 1.75; sweets, \$2.75 @ 3 per cwt.

Onions—Oregon, buying price, \$1.75 f. o. b. shipping point.

Apples—Spitzenbergs, extra fancy, \$2.25; fancy, \$2; choice, \$1.25 @ 1.50; Jonathan, extra fancy, \$1.50; fancy, \$1.25; choice, \$1; Yellow Newtowns, extra fancy, \$2; fancy, \$1.75; choice, \$1 @ 1.25; Baldwins, extra fancy, \$1.50; fancy, \$1.25; choice, \$1; russets, orchard run, \$1.

Eggs—Buying prices: Oregon ranch, premium, 33c dozen; No. 1, 30c; No. 2, 27c; No. 3, 20c. Jobbing prices: Oregon ranch, canded, 35c @ 37 dozen.

Poultry — Hens, small, 15c; large, 16c; small springs, 15 @ 16c; turkeys, live, 20c; turkeys, dressed, choice, 26c; ducks, 12 @ 16c; geese, 12 @ 13c.

Butter — City creamery, cubes, extras, selling at 32c; firsts, 29c; prints and cartons, extra. Prices paid to producers: Country creamery, 25 @ 29c; butterfat, No. 1, 32c; No. 2, 29c.

Cheese — Oregon triplets, jobbing buying prices, 17c pound, f. o. b. dock, Portland; Young Americas, 18c.

Veal—Fancy, 12 1/2 @ 13c pound.

Pork—Fancy, 8 1/2c pound.

Hops—1915 crop, 9 @ 11 1/2c pound.

Wool — Eastern Oregon, 18 @ 25c pound; valley, 25 @ 26c; fall lambs' wool, 25c; mohair, Oregon, 28c.

Cascara bark—Old and new, 3 1/2 @ 4c pound.

Cattle—Choice steers, \$7.25 @ 7.75; good, \$6.75 @ 7; medium, \$6.50 @ 6.75; choice cows, \$5.50 @ 6; medium, \$4.75 @ 5.25; heifers, \$4 @ 6.40; bulls, \$2.50 @ 4.50; stags, \$3 @ 5.25.

Hogs — Light, \$6.75 @ 7.25; heavy, \$5.75 @ 6.25.

Sheep — Wethers, \$6 @ 7.25; ewes, \$4.25 @ 6.55; lambs, \$7 @ 8.25.

Fruit Business Makes Big Gain.

Puyallup — The bookkeepers of the Puyallup & Sumner Fruit Growers' association are completing the annual inventory of the business, from which will be made the regular report to the members and stockholders at the annual meeting in February. While the figures have not yet been given out, expect the amount of products handled by the association during the last year, it is stated on reliable authority that the total business for 1915 will amount to at least a third of a million dollars more than in 1914. The 1914 business was approximately \$1,250,000. Last year's increase was more than 25 per cent.

Dairymen of the valley are planning to organize a cow testing association. Prof. E. O. Gibson, of the State college, will take a leading part in the work as soon as he can find time from his other duties as dairy instructor at the winter school. A committee consisting of W. J. Langdon, C. L. Boss, Adolph Loncke, J. A. Shrenghost and Dr. F. B. Gault is doing the necessary advance work among the dairymen.

It is roughly estimated by experts that one-third of the cows in Pierce county are "boarders," that is, the milk does not pay for their feed and upkeep. The testers' association teaches the dairymen how to find these cows so they can dispose of them and get better ones in their places. It will also advise the members as to the best kinds of feed.

More Orders for Oregon Hops.

Portland—The hop market is firmer, with a broad and healthy demand. Orders are more plentiful than at any time since the year opened. The Hubbard & Jones lot of 204 bales at Independence was bought by McClellan at 10 and 11 1/2 cents.

S. T. Edmiston, of Sherwood, has started a movement for the formation of an association or bureau of growers, the object of which is to collect information, independent of the dealers, as to the exact quantity of hops grown in the state. He believes the growers are seriously handicapped by the lack of such information, and thinks that a properly organized body can obtain the data accurately. It is his intention to take the first steps toward organization in this section.

NEW PLAN OF TESTING PUPILS TO BE TRIED IN EIGHTH GRADE EXAMS.

In the May and June Eighth grade examinations a new plan will be tried in testing the pupils in the subjects of U. S. History and Civil Government, according to a statement issued by State Superintendent of Public Instruction J. A. Churchill. During the examination the pupils will be allowed to refer to their text books, but the questions will be so framed as to test the ability of the pupil in expressing what he has learned in clear, concise language. The advantages of such a plan are, that it permits the teachers to emphasize the historical events which she considers most important; it gives the trained teacher greater freedom, so that she can do a much higher quality of work than simply helping the pupils to "cram" for an examination; it frees the teacher and the pupils from so teaching and studying as to make the examination the end; it tends to give the pupils power of expression and eliminates the memorizing of unimportant dates and facts.

"There is always danger," said Superintendent Churchill, "of the examination system developing a question and answer method of teaching. Any plan whereby the examination becomes the end is unpedagogical, and the examination usually deteriorates into a memory test. With this new plan, if the teacher will adopt it for the pupils' monthly tests, they will learn by the close of the year how to use the text as merely a reference work in writing their final papers. The questions will be so worded that it will be impossible for the pupil to copy any amount from the text book, but he will find help by turning to it to refresh his memory on some point that has escaped him just for the moment. When writing an examination a pupil often finds that he cannot recall the answer to a question. He is then liable to be come so nervous and frightened that he will fail in the entire examination. This is really the common-sense way to prepare a pupil for his work in the every day world, for if a man has to write an article or prepare a paper on any subject, he does not attempt to depend upon his memory for the proof which he wishes to use from various sources to substantiate his statements; rather, he has on his table a number of reference works dealing with the subject upon which he is writing.

FARMERS' AND HOME-MAKERS' SHORT COURSE IN SESSION

Corvallis—Many parts of Oregon are represented in the gathering of farmers and homemakers at the Agricultural college for the annual short course work which began last week. Unlike the work of Farmers' week the short course work is carried on with the regular college work, and it extends over a period of four weeks. Much of the work is given as class and personal instruction through lectures, demonstrations and laboratory exercises. In many instances the training is made a personal matter, specialists of the college staff directing the work of individuals in their chosen courses.

Eight courses are offered in fields and crops, eight in farming combined with raising livestock and dairying, eleven in creamery work and dairying, five in garment making and house-keeping, five in food preparation, ten in orcharding, and two in wood and metal shop work.

In each of these selections can be made and more or less optional work taken, as in orcharding, where use can be made of the special facilities offered by the college in pruning or spraying or other specialty. By completing the prescribed work in any of the foregoing courses, students may receive a certificate setting forth the work accomplished. Some of the courses are progressive and require a minimum of work in specified subjects as an entrance requirement.

In addition to the work of the foregoing courses a series of lectures on commercial and business subjects, on poultry, history, economics, zoology, chemistry, farm accounting, and highway construction, will be given throughout the four weeks. For further information send for complete program to O. A. C., Corvallis, Ore.