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OREGON WEATHER

Generally fair, with moderate easterly winds.

OLD FRUIT TREES TO BE REJUVENATED

The immediate rejuvenation of the hundreds of millions or more of lost on barren fruit trees throughout the United States, so as to bring them up to their full productivity, is the object of a new movement which has been started by the food administrators of Iowa, working with the nursery men and the agricultural agents of that state, and which is being energetically taken up by other food administrators all over the country.

"This is a splendid and very practical idea," said W. K. Newell, assistant federal food administrator for Oregon, "and one that we expect to follow up in this state. We all recognize that fruit is a necessary food and extremely valuable in the maintenance of general good health. While Oregon is especially prolific in fruits of high quality and great variety, there are many orchards that are being neglected and have not been bearing up to their full quality or quantity for a number of seasons. Owners of such orchards should immediately get in touch with this office or with the Oregon Agricultural college at Corvallis for advice as to how to rejuvenate their trees and get them into full bearing as soon as possible. The aggregate amount of the fruit that neglected trees in this state may be made to yield, if the orchardists will cooperate with the food administration in this movement, will be a very substantial addition to Oregon's food resources. Full production of every kind of food is urgently asked by Mr. Hoover, in order that we may feed our armies and our allies, and fruit is a very important item. The rejuvenation of old or neglected fruit trees is merely efficiency, and we must have more efficiency if we are to win this war against the most efficient nation in the world."

Last year 7,500 murders were committed in the United States. The cities with the highest homicide record are Memphis, Atlanta, New Orleans, Nashville and Charleston, the five lowest, Newark, Providence, Rochester, Milwaukee and Reading.

An ordinary aeroplane, exclusive of the engine, has 200 separate pieces, besides over 4,000 nails, 3,000 screws, 1,000 steel stampings and 800 forgings.

AN ESTABLISHED FACT

WORCESTER SALT IS THE BEST IN THE WORLD

IT COSTS YOU NO MORE THAN POOR SALT

Kinney & Truax Grocery

QUALITY FIRST.

PHONE 21

The post office department is accused of paying \$1,175,000 above the contract price for envelopes. It replies that the added cost is to be charged to the consumer.

The house in Jopka, where St. Peter stayed with Simon the tanner, is to be secured by the church army as a center for the care of British troops fighting in Palestine.

Little bits of sugar.
Little grains of wheat,
Give the fighting soldier
Energy and heat.

A. WYLBURG IS MADE COUNCIL PRESIDENT

At the recent conference of county agricultural councils and county agents held at Corvallis during Farmers' week an organization of the federated County Agricultural Councils of Oregon was perfected.

This organization is made up of the members of the agricultural councils of the state, and is to work in connection with the state leader of county agents of Oregon.

A. Wylburg was chosen as the representative from Josephine county council, and we are pleased to say that he was also made president of the state organization.

It stands in the same relation to him as does the local council to the county agent. It is just a step farther in general organization and co-operation. The executive board is made up of one member of each local council throughout the state.

This is more than passing significance to Josephine county, and Mr. Wylburg. Josephine county has been active in organization and co-operative work, and Mr. Wylburg has been an energetic worker along these lines.

GRANTS PASS BANKING CO. ELECTS OFFICERS

At the meeting of the Grants Pass Banking Company, held January 24, the following officers and directors were elected:

President—Claus Schmidt.
Vice-president—J. A. Robie.
Cashier—Frank C. Bramwell.
Assistant Cashier—Geo. P. Jester.
Directors—J. A. Robie, Frank C. Bramwell, Claus Schmidt, Geo. P. Jester, John Hampshire, Franklin S. Bramwell, Herbert Smith.

STORY OF THE OREGON GAS & ELECTRIC CO.

No doubt there have been good reasons for the general public distrust of most public utility corporations, but there have been no reasonable grounds for such an opinion as regards the Oregon Gas & Electric company, as shown from our constant desire to take fully into our confidence the general public as regards the ups and downs of the company since its incorporation in 1910, as will be shown in this, as well as a number of articles to follow, making an open book of our affairs and relations with the public in complete detail.

We cannot dwell too strongly on our desire to serve the public and to give them complete and satisfactory information both regarding our financial and mechanical operation. We are dependent upon the public and the public is dependent upon us and our relation should be one of complete cordial co-operation, for we are thoroughly dependent upon the public for our continued existence and prosperity and the public is dependent on us for all those things which go to make modern living so complete and satisfactory. For instance, the first inquiry made in any community by a prospective settler is whether there is gas, electricity and water, with which to make his habitation up to date and comfortable.

We shall in the following article endeavor to place before you such information as may seem to be pertinent regarding the management of the gas company, both financial and operative and as we would consider to be of interest to the public.

In this connection will state that any inquiry from any of our patrons regarding any details will receive our most careful and conscientious consideration.

OREGON GAS & ELECTRIC COMPANY.
(To be continued)

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Grants Pass Fruit association will be held Monday, February 4, at 2 p. m. at the association warehouse.

G. S. EATON,
Secretary.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that I will not be responsible for any bills contracted by my wife, Mrs. J. M. Whitsett after this date, January 25, 1918.

J. A. WHITSETT.

Cards at the Courier office.

MILLER ADDRESS WILL BE OF LOCAL IMPORT

The address of Frank J. Miller, chairman of the state public service commission, who will speak at the Chamber of Commerce luncheon tomorrow noon, is of interest at this time, in view of the taking over of the public utilities by the national government. Of especial interest to the people of Josephine county is the effect this order will have on the road from Grants Pass toward the coast.

It is understood that Judge Twoby is at this time in Washington investigating this feature of the federal order.



The Twoby's are anxious to have the order so amended that it will include local lines such as the C. & O. C. Whether or not the order does affect these short roads will have a great influence upon the immediate extension of the road, and it is believed that should these short lines be eliminated from the government order there is assurance that construction will proceed upon the road from Grants Pass to Selma.

The Chamber of Commerce is especially fortunate in getting Mr. Miller's acceptance at this time, as the public utilities commission is overloaded with work, and it is at a considerable sacrifice that Mr. Miller agrees to come to Grants Pass, although he has expressed his appreciation of the opportunity to do so.

STRIVING TO MAKE GRANTS PASS FIRST

Friday of this week brings the drive for members for the Junior Red Cross. An excellent showing has already been made in Grants Pass, with the East school organized as an auxiliary, and the Fourth Ward and the Junior High all signed ready to be organized. With only a little effort the schools could all be organized Junior Red Cross auxiliaries before the drive is put on. The Riverside scholars are all signed, with the exception of a very few, who will probably come in early in the week.

The high school has been slow in signing the Junior Red Cross pledge cards, the many school duties probably taking their attention, but the teachers and supervisors expect to be flooded with pledge cards in the next few days. One meeting has been held by the young ladies of the high school and great interest manifested. A number of students in the domestic science class have been busy with Red Cross work for some time. The young men in the high school are showing a great interest and from indications all will sign the pledge card.

Eugene Halliday, a high school student, assisted by Miss Parker, gave a party last week and the proceeds, amounting to \$5, was donated to the Junior Red Cross work in the high school.

As far as is known the East school is the first school in the state to be organized. It is hoped that the entire city will be signed up before the drive and Grants Pass may again be the first city in the state, this time with the Junior Red Cross.

Reading Books.

Hermits, exiles and castaways alike seem to do their reading ostentatiously. De Quincey in his mountain retreat spoke of reading German metaphysics digested with the aid of opium, notes a writer. Hugo spent his exile with Shakespeare. Shipwrecked sailors on remote islands ordinarily have their Bibles, and snivel over them. Napoleon at St. Helena took comfort in books, though he never found his ideal reading, as accounts of his own affairs were denied to him. David Grayson used to ramble through country lanes with Montaigne in his knapsack; Mary MacLane, while clutched in the desert arms of "this Butte," read Keats and ate cold boiled potatoes at midnight; Jesse Pomeroy, Massachusetts' famous lifer, studies the Greek philosophers. Man and his book always; is there anyone who has not an ideal desert island—and are not books second only to food?

NEW TODAY

(CLASSIFIED AD RATES.—\$5 words, two issues, 25c; six issues, 50c; one month, \$1.50, when paid in advance. When not paid in advance, 5c per line per issue.)

JOS. MOSE AGENCY—Fire insurance, plate glass liability insurance. 204 1/2 Sixth street. 1f

INSURANCE—Any kind, best of companies. L. A. Launer, real estate. 1f

FOR SALE CHEAP—One new rear tire carrier for 490 Chevrolet auto, also one B-Prestolite tank complete. P. E. Gottschalk garage. 69

KEYS FOUND at Bijou theatre. Owner can have same by calling at the Courier office and paying for ad. 69

WANTED TO RENT—A furnished house with garage. Phone 523-L. 78

WANTED—Span of mares weighing about 1,400 pounds each. State age and full particulars in first letter. A. O. Aust, Wolf Creek, Ore. 69

FOR RENT—5-room modern furnished house. Gas, electric lights, etc. 207 West C street. See N. E. Townsend, 621 A street. 78

BIJOU—Tonight

Presents

DUSTIN FARNUM

"North of Fifty-Three"

The famous novel by Bertrand W. Sinclair, has delighted millions of readers. As a film masterpiece, in which it will find its way into the hearts of millions of picture goers. You'll be among them if you see this great production!

THRILLS AND TROUBLES
Fill every minute of this tale of the great Northwest.

The story deals with the marriage of a man to a woman whose reputation has been sullied by the evil designs of another.

Also—HEARST PATHE NEWS
GET THE HABIT 10c and 25c

On and After January 24, 1918 CITY TRANSFER CHARGES

Will be as follows:

All drummer trunks to and from hotels, each	\$.50
All local trunks anywhere in city, each	.50
All household goods, per load, in city	\$2 and \$3.00
All car loads feed, sugar, flour, hay, etc., from S. P. track, per ton	.75
Team in city, per hour	1.50
Trucks in city, per hour	2.00
All show trunks, each, round trip	.50
Show props, and scenery, per load, round trip	6.00
Freight from S. P. freight office, up to 250 lbs.	.25
Freight from S. P. freight office, 250 to 1,000 lbs.	.50
Freight from S. P. freight office, 1,000 to 2,000 lbs.	1.00

ANDREW SHADE
F. G. ISHAM
HARRY COUGLE
BUNCH BROS.

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SURGEONS ENROLL IN NAVAL RESERVE

Portland, Jan. 26.—The uncertainty existing as to the enrollment of registrants under the selective draft law in the naval reserve force was relieved by the receipt by the local naval recruiting station of a letter from the bureau of medicine and surgery, Washington, D. C. The letter details the procedure for medical students and graduate physicians in enrolling in the naval reserve force as assistant surgeons.

"Any registrant at any time regardless of classification and order number, may be commissioned in the army, navy or marine corps," the letter quotes from the selective service regulations, "and thereafter, on presentation by the registrant to his local board of a certificate of his commanding officer stating that he has been so commissioned, such certificate shall be filed with the questionnaires and the registrant shall be placed in Class V on the ground that he is in the military or naval service of the United States."

The navy is still urgently in need of medical officers, and candidates found qualified will be assigned to immediate active duty if so desired. Candidates found qualified for enrollment and serving as interns will, as far as practicable, be permitted to complete such course of internship.

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