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## PREVENT HOLIDAY FIRES

"How terrible it is to read newspaper accounts of fires at Christmas time," reflects an exchange. "This is the happiest season of the year, especially for children, but fires often bring suffering and death, creating a roaring furnace of flames where but a short time before had been a joyous home."

Yet simple precautions will prevent holiday fires:

When using a candle in your window, be sure it is an electric one, properly wired, as they are generally safe.

If you have a Christmas tree, set it up securely so it cannot topple over. Don't place it near heating or lighting fixtures.

For trimming the tree use only noncombustible materials such as metal tinsel, flake asbestos and powdered mica for snow effects.

For illuminating the tree, lighted candles should never be used. Properly installed electric lights are safer and give a colorful effect, but safest of all is a colored spotlight focussed on the tree.

Again it is necessary to caution smokers to be careful with their matches and smoking materials near trees and decorations. Of course, keep matches out of the reach of small children.

## FUNERAL COSTS

A movie colony dog drew a \$1000 funeral not so long ago, and a granite shaft of beauty, impressiveness and cost now marks the spot where the late lamented is interred, says the Bend Bulletin.

The expense must seem ridiculous, even to the average dog lover. It is more than the ordinary family is able to afford in paying its last respects to a mourned father or mother, son or daughter. Smaller amounts than this might have given needed aid to the suffering and distressed, might even have saved lives. But the amount was paid for a dog funeral.

The other day in New York city a gambler died. The world was poorer because of his life; it benefitted by his death. And when the body was laid away for an ill-deserved rest it was encased in a \$25,000 casket.

The expenditure in the movie colony was more excusable.

The Press recognizes merit in the editorials contributed to its column devoted to "High School Notes." The editor of this school column is John Kirk, fourteen year old junior classman, and it is from his versatile pen that flows many grains of logic and sound philosophy. The news and other features of the column he directs through competent assistants, comprised of Carl Calvert, faculty and alumni; Eldon Myrick, athletics; Virgie Moore, student body; Beatrice Hiteman, classes; Cecil Pambrun, subject classes; Thelma Schrimpf, Harold Kirk, George Gross, Frances Cannon, Helen Foster, reporters; Miss Mildred Bateman, advisor.

With two smashing defeats recorded against a special tax to take up outstanding warrants and to maintain the present school standard of District No. 7, it becomes apparent that taxpayers do not choose to support the school on its present cost basis. However, we shall soon have the opportunity to chronicle the result of Weston's Union High school election to vote on its tax, which totals \$16,629.61, of which \$9,360.00 is for personal service. Athena defeated her proposed total tax of \$14,152.70, of which the sum of \$9,210.00 is for personal service. Weston will vote on her tax tomorrow.

Pounding out fifty years of activity at University of Oregon, John Straub is enshrined in the hearts of all who know him. With these few words the Morning Oregonian gives glowing tribute to Dr. Straub: "For a half century Dr. Straub has served the cause of education at the University of Oregon. He has endeared himself to the thousands of young people who have attended the institutions, and they have gone forth better men and women for his helpful contact upon their lives. The accomplishments of such a career are beyond estimate."

Winter fog floating in the Northwest air lanes is the greatest menace that the pilot has to face. A "hole" in the fog that was a life beacon to one flyer the other day at Spokane, closed up before another plane could zoom through and resulted in a crash which snuffed out five lives and made debris out of a twelve-passenger Ford plane.

Conductors and trainmen of Western railways cut a melon in Chicago last week when they accepted a 6 1/2 per cent wage increase, based on

the approval of the federal fact finding commission, with no change in working rules. The wage increase affects 42,000 employees and adds \$6,500,000 to the payrolls of the Western roads.

After fishing in the Rogue, we fail to see where Herb could get any kick out of trolling for dolphin and mackerel from a battle ship.

## 22 Years Ago

November 30, 1906

Misses Kate and Jessie McEwen came up from St. Joseph's Academy to spend Thanksgiving at home, accompanied by two young school friends.

The first masquerade of the season will take place at the opera house this evening. Music will be furnished by Kershaw's full orchestra and a large attendance is anticipated.

W. D. Chamberlain has purchased John Peebler's interest in the firm's implement business. Mr. Peebler will go to Pendleton having secured a position with an implement firm there.

"Joe," Dr. Plamondon's famous driving horse, succumbed to the ravages of a long illness and died Tuesday night. The animal was highly bred and was known far and wide as one of the best horses in Eastern Oregon.

A noticeable interest was taken in the union temperance meeting held at the Baptist church in this city Sunday night. The attendance was quite large and the discussions by V. E. Hoven, minister of the Christian church, and Rev. George T. Ellis of the Baptist church, were interesting.

Bruce Wallace is in the city from Boise City, Idaho, having arrived this morning in company with his sister, Miss Belle Wallace, of Alba, to attend the funeral of their father.

Ad Pinkerton came to the Press office this morning, lugging a wild goose and a smile. The goose was for the Press man and the smile in honor of breaking the Athena record for goose killing so far this season. Ad tells a different tale than the one we heard last night. He and Mr. Cannon slayed 15 of the wary birds.

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. In the Matter of the Estate of William Matheny, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given to all persons whom it may concern:

That Herman Peters has been appointed administrator of the estate of William Matheny, deceased. All persons having claims against the estate are hereby required to present them with proper vouchers as required by law, with the administrator, at the law office of Will M. Peterson, attorney at law, Stangier Building, Pendleton, Oregon, within

six months of the date of the first publication of this notice which is the 16th day of November, 1928.

HERMAN PETERS, Administrator  
Will M. Peterson, George R. Lewis  
Attorneys for Administrator. N16D14

## ESTATE OF MARY TOMPKINS, DECEASED

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County. In the matter of the estate of Mary Tompkins, deceased.

Notice is hereby given; that the undersigned have been appointed executors of the estate of Mary Tompkins, deceased, by the Judge of the above entitled Court and have qualified as such executors. All persons having claims against said estate are required to present the same, with proper vouchers, to the undersigned, at the office of S. A. Newberry, their attorney, room 250 Postoffice Building in Pendleton, Umatilla county, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated this 8th day of November, 1928.

ARTHUR R. COPPOCK  
JOHN TOMPKINS  
Executors of the estate of Mary Tompkins, deceased. N9D7

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