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Principal Events of the Week Assembled for Information of Our Readers.

THE MARKETS

Portland

Wheat—Big Bend bluestem, hard white, 73½¢; soft white, western white, hard winter, northern spring and western red, 58½¢.

Hay—Buying price, f. o. b. Portland: Alfalfa, \$14@15; valley timothy, \$15@15.50; eastern Oregon timothy, \$15@18.50; clover, \$12; oat, \$12.50; oats and vetch, \$12.50@13.

Butterfat—19@21c.
Eggs—Ranch, 19@24c.
Cattle—Steers, good, \$5.75@6.25.
Hogs—Good to choice, \$4.65@5.45.
Lamb—Good to choice, \$4.50@5.50.

Seattle

Wheat—Soft white, western white, 59c; hard winter, northern spring, 61c; western red, 60c; bluestem, 72c.

Butterfat—23c.
Eggs—Ranch, 19@24c.
Cattle—Steers, good, \$5.75@6.25.
Hogs—Good to choice, \$5.50@5.60.
Lamb—Choice, \$4@4.50.

Spokane

Cattle—Steers, good, \$5.50@6.
Hogs—Good to choice, \$5@5.25.
Lamb—Medium to good, \$3.50@4.50.

Building construction in Klamath Falls during 1931 totaled approximately \$600,000, the lowest year since 1926.

Fifty years of wedded life in Baker and Malheur counties was celebrated by Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Elms, pioneers of Ironside, recently.

The postal receipts for the Grants Pass postoffice for 1931 were 2.25 per cent more than for 1930, amounting to \$34,994.93, as compared to \$33,351 in 1930.

Three prospectors in the Mule Creek district near Gold Beach stumbled onto an outcropping of a large ledge which assays \$90 in gold and \$1.15 in silver.

Building permits issued during the year in St. Helens amounted to \$61,450, according to records in the office of the city clerk. Permits in 1930 totaled \$149,430.

All of the merchants of Dallas have decided to discontinue the handling of bread shipped in by outside bakers and to support the local product, thus encouraging home industry.

The state land department turned over to the state treasury \$58,437.77 during December, according to a report prepared by George G. Brown, clerk of the state land board.

Night school for adults was opened under auspices of the Pendleton school board beginning January 5, it has been announced by Austin Landreth, city school superintendent.

A campaign to interest property owners of Roseburg and Douglas county in building and improving property now instead of waiting until next

spring is being planned by the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce.

Dedication of a marker on the Jacksonville Methodist church, the oldest church building in the Rogue River valley took place recently at Jacksonville. Members of the Crater Lake chapter D. A. R. were in charge.

Godfrey Seymour, for 70 years a resident of Gardiner, celebrated his 100th birthday on New Year's day. Mr. Seymour went to the Umpqua region before there was a town of Gardiner and was engaged as a captain of river boats in that section.

The eastern pear market is holding strong, with favorable future prospects, according to advices received by Medford fruit distributors. Good Anjous have been selling at \$3.75 per box and as high as \$4. This is about double the price of last year.

Due to increased demand for battery stock three mills are operating in Port Orford cedar in Curry county. They are the Tremblay mill at Wedderburn, the Marsh-Ponting mill on the Rogue river, and the West Coast Separator company plant at Ophir.

January 25 to 29, inclusive, is Lane county fair week, it has been announced by O. S. Fletcher, county agent. Monday will be poultry day, Tuesday horticultural day, Wednesday farm crops day, Thursday a special day for the discussion of problems in economics and Friday is dairy day. Fair week is an annual event and is sponsored by the Lane county agricultural club.

The Northwestern Smelting company of Seattle has secured an option on the quicksilver mining claims of W. W. Smith, A. G. Ames and Grover Kiggings, near Squaw mountain above Estacada, and has commenced operations.

That they are making better than wages is the claim of a number of people in Curry county who are working the black sand beds along the coast, which were left exposed to view by the recent high tides and heavy seas.

Saving of \$150,236.61 in county expenses was revealed at McMinnville when the Yamhill county court made public the budget for 1932. The budget calls for a tax levy of \$376,041.55 against a total of \$523,288.16 for last year. The decrease is approximately 28 per cent.

The farmers of Lowell and vicinity have banded themselves together and signed up between 400 and 500 cows in order to influence someone to start a cheese factory, and they now have scouts out looking for a suitable party. This is one of the very best dairy valleys in the upper Willamette valley.

The fishing trawler Comet is a wreck near the north Coos bay jetty and her owner and two other men who rode when she was hit by a heavy breaker were drowned. Nearby rests the remains of the coast guard lifeboat from the lookout station in which Captain Holts and four guardsmen tried to rescue the imperiled men.

Military equipment worth \$53,166.02 will enter Oregon during the early part of 1932 from federal arsenals and depots. Requisitions for materials needed by the Oregon National Guard as

New Officers Named for U. of O. 'Oregon Dads'



Plans for an active year were made at the recent meeting of the "Oregon Dads" at the University of Oregon. Above are the new officers, and members of the executive committee. Left to right, Sam H. Baker, Grants Pass; Allan F. Hunt, Burlingame, Cal.; Carl Haberlach, Tillamook; Dr. George A. Massey, Klamath Falls; Dr. Arnold Bennett Hall, president of the University; Charles Hall, Portland; Mrs. Marian Phy Ager, executive secretary; C. C. Hall, Portland; O. Laurgaard, Portland, retiring president; J. C. Stevens, Portland; W. Lair Thompson, Portland, president; Wilson H. Jewett, Eugene, secretary; Paul T. Shaw, Portland, and W. C. Reugnitz, Portland.

announced by Major General George A. White include almost all types of equipment. The material will be paid for by the federal government.

One of Coos bay's main resources, dairy products, shows a fine record for the past year. One creamery, that of the Mutual association, located in Marshfield, had an output of 800,000 pounds of cheese and 300,000 pounds of butter, drawing from points on Coos river and inlets. Other factories have good records in the same area.

Farmers and farm laborers far outnumber all other classes of workers in gainful occupations in Oregon as announced by the census bureau in detailed statistics of the 1930 census. Farm owners and tenants number 47,700 men and 2273 women; farm laborers 26,170 men, 597 women, and unpaid family farm workers, 3978 men and 240 women.

The state highway commission will rebuild the South beach ferry slip on the south side of Yaquina bay, on the coast highway, and an application has been made to the district engineer of the war department for a permit, a hearing on which will be held soon. The former slip was constructed too near the shore, and the new plans call for an extension 75 feet out into the channel.

John C. Lynch Buried In Camas, Washington

Mr. John C. Lynch, who passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Blinich Robertson of Portland, last Thursday after an illness of five days

of pneumonia, will be remembered by many of the older residents of Wasco and vicinity.

He was born in Sagamon county, Ill., where his early life was spent. He married Anna, youngest sister of the late J. H. Johnson of Wasco, Oregon. He came to Oregon in the year 1882 and in the spring of 1884 moved from Albany, to Eastern Oregon in company with J. H. and Lee A. Johnson to what was then Wasco county, and they all settled on homesteads in the Bigelow neighborhood, 8½ miles northeast of Wasco. In the year 1904 he moved to Fredonia, Kansas, where he resided a couple of years, then returned to Wasco where he lived several years in the house now owned by Chas. Gollifer. On account of his wife's ill health he moved to Camas, Wash.

For several years he has lived in Portland, where his daughter, Mrs. Blanche Robertson, and his son, Warren D. Lynch, reside. His remains were laid beside his wife at Camas, Wash.

WEATHER REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING JAN. 13

DATE	MAX.	MIN.	PRECIP.
Jan. 7	45	34	.00
" 8	45	35	.00
" 9	48	37	.02
" 10	45	36	.00
" 11	52	35	.35
" 12	37	27	.00
" 13	30	17	.03
Total for week			.040

Northwest Wheat Diminishing Rapidly

Portland Ore., Jan. 13—Predicting the Pacific northwest wheat surplus at the end of the present crop year will be the smallest in history of the area, Henry W. Collins, vice president in charge of the Pacific Coast division of Farmers National Grain corporation, today made public a tabulated wheat stock in the three northwest states which set the surplus on January 1 at 10,750,121 bushels.

The carryover on July 1, 1931, the beginning of the crop year, was 20,000,000 bushels, Mr. Collins reveals, indicating a wiping out of nearly one half of the surplus to date.

"The report shows but 10,754,121 bushels to work on during the next seven months for export and for all rail shipments east," said Mr. Collins. This year's supply, including crop and carryover at the beginning of the season, totaled 83,150,000 bushels, the report reveals.

"In normal years, the carryover at the end of the season in this area is about 10,000,000 bushels, continued Mr. Collins. "Therefore, we feel that by the time the next crop is available for movement, our surplus will be the smallest ever known on the Pacific Coast."

The tabulation gives production figures for Oregon, Washington and Northern Idaho, setting this year's crop at 60,700,000 bushels. One normal crop for this territory runs around 80,000,000 bushels.

Eagle Scouts Honored At Sunday Service

Eagle Scout badges are one of the rarest things in scouting for only one scout in about 900 receives this honor. Two boys from Wasco, Leon Smith and Francis Watkins, of troop 36, were made Eagle scouts last Sunday at an impressive service in the Methodist Episcopal church.

The scoutmaster N. Sherman Hawk gave a sermon and the troop acted out a pantomime, "The Seven Ages of a Scout" which was read by the Scout Executive W. W. Belcher, of The Dalles. The parents of the boys to be honored were called to the platform and the mothers were privileged to pin the badges of highest scouting honor upon their sons.

A lunch was served in the basement of the church by the ladies of the congregation after the service. Short talks were made by the new Eagle scouts, by E. R. Westlake, of Bend, E. D. McKee, chairman of the Wasco troop committee and by Theodore Johnston, chairman of the Moro scout committee.

Mrs. B. E. Hailey presented the two boys with Eagle scout rings.

Legion Boys Recall Songs of Army Days

Householders living near the Legion hall might have thought Wednesday night that the ex-service men had reverted to the practice of "The infantry, the infantry, that laps up all the beer" if they had judged from the sounds that came from the Legion meeting. Such was not the case, however, but the attempts at close harmony were caused by the request of Commander Theodore Johnson's that every member bring his army songbook and have a little group singing.

From an artistic point of view the result was probably up to army standard where the only requirement was to open your mouth and make a noise.

Of a more serious nature was the action of the legionnaires in voting to buy trees for the local boy scout troop in an endeavor to help beautify the city and surrounding farmsteads. The trees will be put out early this spring.

CROP PROSPECTS BETTERED BY RAIN

More Moisture in Ground Than Any Time Since 1928

SNOW ALL GOES INTO SOIL

Rain Adds More Available Moisture; Ground Wet 18 Inches

Crop prospects for Sherman county were again elevated during the week when rain in copious quantities fell Monday. The week also saw the final bit of the wet snow seep into the ground with little or no run off. After a night of wind Monday's rain fell on the unfrozen ground and it, too, was absorbed by the soil.

Reports from different sections of the county confirm the belief that the ground is wet down about a foot and a half. In some hard places farmers state that the moisture has not penetrated this far, but the general belief is that it is wet down for this distance in most places.

Since the winter of 1927 and 1928 this is the deepest moisture that has been in the ground at this time of the year and farmers are much encouraged.

Legionnaires Invited To Hood River Conference

Legionnaires and Auxiliaries of District 5 which includes Sherman county will meet in Hood River on January 21 for a district conference. State Commander Alex Parry and Jerry Owen, editor of the Oregon Legionnaire, will be present as well as some Portlanders whose working with the convention committee.

This meeting will inaugurate plans for the next year's national convention to be held in Portland and will map out the part of the fifth district in those plans.

News of Another Day For Those Who Remember Olden Times

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E. D. Burleigh had published a long article on Single Tax.

Messrs. George, Adlors, and Henry Perrault made proof on their land before county clerk Hays this week.

R. J. Ginn, just home from Umatilla county reports the wheat crop there about the same as in Sherman county with 12 bushels being considered a pretty fair crop.

County court met with John Fulton judge, and John A. Moore and D. H. Leach, commissioners present.

John Medler made proof on his timber claim last Monday. His witnesses were N. P. Johnson and R. H. Armsworth.

The Grass Valley Comedy Company will give an entertainment in Astoria in the near future.

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The White Collar Line is putting a tourist steamer on the Portland-The Dalles route capable of making a round trip daily.

J. H. Böttermiller, of Kent, has rented his house and barn to O. Eakin who intends to open a hotel and livery stable.

The Program for the Sherman county

Teacher's Ass'n meeting included talks by Sup't Ragsdale, Prof. White and others.

Dr. Logan extracted a bullet from the foot of Hugh Chrisman's 12 year old son, accidentally shot while handling a rifle.

W. D. Holman sold four porkers for John Johnson this week that averaged 280 each at 5c per pound.

J. Harvey Smith has decided to retire from active business for a time, on account of ill health. His successor in the business will be Joe McDonald who will be associated with W. F. Weigand and G. B. Bourhill.

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A rare bird has been captured at Biggs by A. B. Wolford. It was identified as a pelican and measures eight feet spread of wing.

The O. T. Burnett picture show will give its last performance in moving pictures tonight, Thursday, giving fifty slides of the San Francisco earthquake.

H. W. Strong and wife and daughters returned from a visit with friends and relatives in Portland and valley points. He has shipped his last car of cattle and a car of hogs.

Old Timers To Dance at Grass Valley Friday Night

For those whose feet tingle at the dulcet strains of "Over the waves" and for those who long to whirl around the floor to the stirring notes of "Whirlin' Rufus" the second recurrence of the Old Timers Mid Winter Ball at Grass Valley to-night will be as merry in the wilderness of modern dance tuncs which have no appeal to one born in the nineties or before.

The ball will be a charity affair, as all of them are, for the local community chest will profit from the returns of the dance. An orchestra from The Dalles, who have won repute as purveyors of old time music will furnish the tunes.

Callers will be there to instruct the bowing and jigging dancers of quadrilles when to "alla man left" and "salute your partners" as well as when to undertake the more intricate steps and movements of that parent of yesterday's folk dancing.

And supper it is to be pot-luck with the committee furnishing the coffee and fixin's. And be not afraid, states the committee, that it will be inadequate to the requirements of the dancers for even in these so-called hard times each woman sees to it that her contribution is of the very best and able to compete with anyone. There will be plenty and come to spare when the major dome of the kitchen calls his "Come on 'get it'" along about midnight.

And when, in the wee small hours of the night after the dancers, many unaccustomed to the exercise, are tired and the fiddler raises his bow to strike the first notes of that benediction to all properly conducted old time dances, Home, Sweet Home, may every one be as well satisfied and happy as they have been at the end of the other Old Timers Mid-Winter Ball.

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