

OREGON STATE NEWS OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

A huge gold nugget valued at about \$400 was on display at Medford. It is from the Big Six mine near Jacksonville.

Klamath county's biggest fair closed at Klamath Falls recently with all attendance and gate receipt records broken.

The Columbia county paving crew has just completed five miles of asphalt pavement on the Nahalem highway.

A female deer with forked horns was killed in the Ochoco woods by Mrs. John W. Lawrence of Bend. The doe was a three-pointer.

The cheese factory at Eagle point is nearing completion and will be placed in operation shortly. Electrical machinery is now being installed.

Threshing in the country around Enterprise is about over. Good yields for all crops are reported. In some sections wheat has yielded 60 bushels an acre.

The \$150,000 union station being built at La Grande by the Union Pacific system will be ready for use by December 6, 20 days earlier than was originally expected.

Clearing of the county road to extend from Westlake, on Siletco lake, to the new Oregon coast highway has been started, according to reports sent to the Lane county court.

Oregon's receipts from the gasoline tax have aggregated \$30,547,855 since the tax became effective in February, 1919, according to figures from the state highway department.

The Bergman Seed & Commission company's warehouse in Baker was damaged and 500 bales of hay and 117 bales of straw were destroyed by a fire of undetermined origin.

Recent storms in the mountains of southern Oregon have opened up areas in Crater national forest which have been closed to travel since June, Hugh B. Ranking, supervisor, said.

The Eugene box factory, burned in July, will be rebuilt as soon as a suitable site has been obtained. The plant when rebuilt will be three times as large as the one destroyed.

With 90 per cent of all crafts of the Salem labor unions employed, union labor conditions in the city look more bright, according to Frank Marshall, business agent for the central labor council.

The city council of Salem has postponed indefinitely a proposal to install a civil service system in city affairs. The matter will probably come up to the voters in the election of 1932.

Knocked down and trampled by a huge buck mule deer, Virgil Bewley of Klamath Falls was able to arise and bring the animal down with one shot before it plunged out of sight in the brush.

The Lake county fair, scheduled for October 11, will not be held this year, according to a decision of the fair board. The season is getting late and crops this year have not been up to standard.

Curry county's assessed valuation exclusive of the valuation of public utilities approximates \$5,761,944, according to Assessor Moore. This is about \$151,000 less than the valuation of last year.

A great battle between Indians armed with stone-age weapons was fought on a ridge nine miles east of Bend many years ago. It is the belief of Roy Cook, Bend resident, who found a vast number of arrowheads and spearheads on the old battleground. Cook collected several hundred pounds of artifacts in a short time.

A two-headed snake was found on the Pluam farm in the Silverton hills. The snake was nearly eight inches long and both heads were perfect and seemingly normal in every way.

Construction of the highway cutoff that will shorten the distance from Marshfield to Emphre to three miles has begun by the contractors, who were awarded the contract on their bid of \$27,800.

The Union high school has been dismissed for ten days to enable the students to assist in harvesting the grain crop. Three packing plants are handling the crop, to be shipped to eastern markets.

Contracts totaling \$75,550.95 for rebuilding the city water system at Grants Pass have been let by the city council. Work started October 1, the date the city assumed ownership of the water system.

G. B. Nightingale, 48, highlander for the Clark-Wilson Lumber company, was buried 220 feet to his death near St. Helena. As the top left the spar and he was swung violently back and forth, his belt broke.

To arrive at a more scientific method of treating criminals the University of Oregon school of law will conduct a survey of the penal institutions of the state and present the findings to the coming legislature.

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SHOOTS POUSE AND SON, THEN KILLS HIMSELF

Tragedy Ends Long Quarrel With Family of Estranged Wife.

Milwaukee.—After seriously wounding his oldest son and his estranged wife, Anna, Michael Peckman turned the gun on himself in his wife's home here recently and sent a bullet into his heart, the tragedy ending a long quarrel with her family.

Circuit court records reveal that Mrs. Peckman started divorce proceedings against Peckman April 15. They were married in Yugoslavia November 18, 1908, have been in America since 1910, and have seven children. She alleged that her husband was cruel and threatened to kill her on more than one occasion. He was \$30 in arrears on his alimony at the time of the shooting.

The first indication that neighbors had of any tragedy other than the common knowledge that Peckman generally quarreled with his wife when ever he came to see the family, was

when Michael, Jr., twenty, dashed out of the house holding his hand to his side where the bullet had entered and ran into the meat market of Andrew Hoffmann, where he asked that the police be called.

Wounded Boy Collapses.—Then the wounded boy made his way home and collapsed. The last worked nights and had just retired for the day when his father called Elizabeth, four, and Frank, two, the youngest children, were at home with Michael, Jr., and the mother and saw the shooting. When the father arrived at 8:20 a. m., Steve and August, the other boys, had left for work. Anna and Katherine were at school. Michael, Jr., had eaten breakfast after returning from work and had gone to bed just before his father came.

The quarrel that precipitated the tragedy began when Peckman gave Elizabeth and Frank a nickel each and told them to go out and get an ice cream cone. Mrs. Peckman objected to their leaving the house and the shooting ensued. In his anger the husband seized his wife by the throat. She screamed and called for young Michael. As he heard his son getting out of bed the father released his wife and, drawing his revolver, headed for the bedroom door adjoining.

Just as the boy emerged dressed only in his night shirt, the father shot and then wheeled, fired at his wife with almost the same motion he pointed the gun to his left side and pulled the trigger.

Son Spreads Alarm.—Despite his wound, young Michael struggled into his trousers and with out shoes, stockings, coat or hat, ran to the meat market next door and spread the alarm. He was stretched across his own bed unconscious when police arrived. The mother was found on the floor and the father only a few feet from her.

In the man's pocket when the body was searched at the coroner's office was found a letter written in the Hungarian language.

According to Detectives Eugene O'Gorman, Charles Byron, and Harry Quinn, Peckman was a heavy drinker and particularly quarrelsome ever since he and his wife separated. He frequently threatened to kill his wife.

The detectives relate an incident that occurred when he came to the house Sunday, May 4. He had just filled a glass with water preparatory to taking a drink when his wife made some remark. He crushed the glass in his hand, unmindful of the cuts inflicted.

"Like that glass, I will crush you some day," Peckman is quoted as having said.

Peckman was at the house recently, too, according to neighbors, who said that occasionally they heard loud words.

Gets a Job and Dies.—Aberdeen, Scotland.—William Gray, an unemployed, gladly took a job as fireman on the traveler George Auger. He was washed overboard and drowned a few hours later when the ship went aground.

Carries Bullet 50 Years.—Berlin.—Fifty-nine years after Loren Ernst, slightly wounded in the Franco-German war, the bullet in his leg caused him great pain and had to be removed by an operation.

Mussolini has demonstrated that a dictatorship is the ideal form of government for people who will stand for it.

Unless the Einstein theories become best sellers, if then, not much is looked for in the way of plagiarism suits.

It is hard to understand why Great Britain wants to buy Greenland unless it is thinking of going into the ice business.

Maryland Puts Ban on Sunday Flights.—Baltimore, Md.—Commercial flying may be halted in Maryland on Sunday. W. W. Moss, Jr., local airport manager, charged with violating county "blue laws" by hauling sightseeing passengers on Sunday, was fined \$7.45.

He has asked a grand jury hearing.

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Four truck drivers employed by lines operating freight carriers through the Columbia gorge had cause to remember the warning against overloading recently issued by Justice Meredith of The Dalles, when fines of \$125 each were levied against two of them and warrants were issued for the arrest of the others on their failure to appear.

The number of Douglas county farms has increased from 2275 in 1920 to 2488 in 1930, a gain of 213, or 9.4 per cent, according to a census report. For census purposes a farm includes all the land directly farmed by one person. A tract of at least three acres used for agricultural purposes and which produced to the value of \$250 the year before is classed as a farm.

The electric apple and pear box nailers installed by the Apple Growers' association have been running to capacity for the past month. These machines take the place of a large number of men who have heretofore been employed in nailing apple and pear boxes for the association and growers. Each machine will do the work of about five men. As high as 2575 boxes have been nailed in one day by one machine.

DRY CHIEFS DEMAND ADDITIONAL AGENTS

More Cash Also Requested for Law Enforcement.

Washington.—Heavy increases in manpower and money will be asked at the next session of congress by the executives of the two newly organized federal agencies charged with enforcement of the prohibition law.

Amos W. W. Woodcock, director of the bureau of prohibition, announced that he has definitely decided to request more prohibition agents, probably 500.

At the same time Dr. James M. Moran, commissioner of the bureau of industrial alcohol, said he would need an additional 50 inspectors and 40 agents and clerks to handle permit work formerly handled by prohibition agents.

Director Woodcock explained that his plan to augment the dry forces is only a move to improve an already satisfactory organization.

The present force in the prohibition bureau, which was transferred to the Department of Justice July 1, consists of 2,700 employees, of whom about 2,000 are agents. Five hundred more would be an increase of 25 per cent. In the industrial alcohol bureau of the Treasury department, headed by Director Moran, there are approximately 1,000 employees and an addition of 130 more would be 8 per cent.

As the average cost of maintaining an agent in the field is \$4,000 a year, an increase such as Mr. Woodcock contemplates requesting would cost about \$2,000,000 annually while that asked by Director Moran would amount to about \$500,000, a total of \$2,500,000. This year's appropriation for the two bureaus was \$15,000,000.

Announcements by the two dry law executives regarding personnel were made after a conference with their subordinates at which enforcement programs were discussed.

Unification of the border patrol services, a step sponsored by the "Wickersham commission and provided for in a house bill pending before senate, was strongly advocated in a radio speech by Seymour Lowman, assistant secretary of the treasury. He declared that such a reorganization would not hinder travelers or disturb friendly relations with Canada.

Approximately 25,000,000 people and 7,000,000 automobiles will cross the border this year. Mr. Lowman said.

"Some attribute this enormous travel to the supposed American thirst for booze," he continued. "However, to buy booze in Canada you have to have a permit to purchase, and the records show that less than three out of every one hundred American visitors qualify as buyers."

Mexico Is to Pay U. S. \$12,500,000 on Account.—New York.—Further details of the new Mexican debt agreement, signed here recently by Luis Montes de Oca, Mexican finance minister, and Thomas W. Lamont, of J. P. Morgan and company, were revealed in a statement issued by the international committee of bankers on Mexico. The chief points in the new debt settlement pertaining to the scale of annuities, the refunding bond issue, retirement of arrears, deposit of bonds and reorganization of the National Railways of Mexico are covered in the statement.

The statement says: "In general the agreement provides for payment of annuities beginning with \$12,500,000 (United States) for the year 1931, increasing to \$15,000,000 in 1936 and thereafter."

King of Britain Signs Navy Pact; Await Japan.—London.—Philip Snowden, chancellor of the exchequer, announced in the house of commons that the instrument for the ratification of the London naval treaty had been signed by King George VI. He said the ratification would be deposited simultaneously with those of the Dominions, the United States and Japan when all three parties to part three of the treaty are in a position to bring the treaty into force. The treaty has been approved by both the house of lords and the house of commons and as soon as the ratification of the other powers have been deposited, it becomes a part of the law of Great Britain.

200,000 Bushels Wheat Sent to Foreign Trade.—Burlington, Iowa.—Barges hauled at least 200,000 bushels of wheat here for shipment to foreign countries in the last two weeks. Seven of the vessels, each carrying 30,000 bushels, have been dispatched to New Orleans where the grain will be transhipped for the export trade. The local elevator has a capacity of 10,000 bushels and is connected with the Burlington dock and river terminal.

Bandits Slain in Bank Holdup.—Glen Cross, S. D.—In an attempted escape after robbing the Glen Cross State bank of approximately \$13,000, one of three bandits was slain by the cashier. Another was killed by a sheriff.

Hoover to Visit Mexico.—Mexico City.—President Hoover has accepted an invitation to visit Mexico. It was announced by President Ortiz Rubio. The exact date has not been set.

While it unquestionably is metal of some sort, we don't believe cantaloupe is the kind of misfortune with a silver lining.

To be fashionable, people who live in glass houses shouldn't throw stones. They should save them and build a rock garden.

A good tip on the stock market is a great asset. The value of a tip is as variable as that of the stock to which it may relate.

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Short Skirt O. K'd.—Isle of Wight.—Short skirts and cream colored stockings are useful in that they warn motorists of young couples walking in the shadows, the bishop of Barking stated at a conference here.

THE MARKETS
Portland
Wheat — Big Bend bluestem, 93c; soft white, western white, 76½c; hard winter, northern spring, western red, 73½c.

Hay—Drying price, f. o. b. Portland: Alfalfa, \$18.50; valley timothy, \$16.50; eastern Oregon timothy, \$18.50; clover, \$14; oat hay, \$14; oats and vetch, \$14.

Butterfat—37c.
Eggs—Ranch, 19¢33c.
Cattle—Steers, good, \$7.50 to \$7.75.
Hogs—Good to choice, \$10.50 to \$11.75.
Lamb—Good to choice, \$5.50 to \$6.50.

Seattle
Wheat—Soft white, western white, northern spring, 78c; hard winter, western red, 77c; bluestem, 94c.
Eggs—Ranch, 19¢29c.
Butterfat—41c.
Cattle—Choice steers, \$6.75 to \$7.25.
Hogs—Prime light, \$12 to \$12.15.
Lamb—Choice, \$6 to \$7.

Spokane
Cattle—Steers, good, \$6.35 to \$6.75.
Hogs—Good to choice, \$11.25 to \$11.55.
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Denver Kincaid, Ashland.
Bert Lampa, St. Helens.
L. H. Martin, Moro.
F. O. Pollard, Yreka, Calif.
E. F. Smith, Heppner.
Mrs. Wm. Schuenen, Helix.
Lee Oey, North Powder.
T. L. Shown, Goldendale.
Emma Turner, Mikkalo.
Henry Trowbridge, John Day.
J. H. Wood, Eugene.
V. P. Harris, Athena.

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Henry Schultz, Pendleton.
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