

OREGON NEWS ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

Brief Resume of Happenings of the Week Collected for Our Readers.

Early buying at a base price of 45 cents, characterized the opening of the Christmas turkey market at Roseburg.

Leland Carl, 16, of Hubbard, died at a Salem hospital as the result of injuries suffered in an automobile accident.

Concrete products manufacturers of Oregon, Washington and Idaho met in Portland and formed a permanent organization.

Three robbers held up the Bank of Troutdale, seized \$400 and escaped in a stolen automobile after eluding two deputy sheriffs.

The twenty-ninth annual convention of the Oregon Wool Growers' association will be held in Pendleton for three days, January 21-23.

The city of Vernonia has acquired a tract of three acres one block from the main street on Rock creek, which will be made into a public playground.

The annual short course in dairy manufacturing conducted by the dairy department of the Oregon Agricultural college will be given January 4 to 30.

Total budget expenditures of \$15,682,297 for the year 1926 were certified by the tax supervising and conservation committee of Multnomah county.

J. K. Flynn of Portland was reappointed a member of the state board of conciliation for a term of four years. Mr. Flynn represents the employers on the board.

Government hunters in Oregon killed 437 coyotes, 35 bobcats, 79 porcupines, 25 badgers and five skunks during the month of November, 48 hunters working.

That the bag limit on mule deer in Oregon be reduced to one buck with horns, was a recommendation made by the Deschutes Rod and Gun club to the state game commission.

Marion county's tentative budget of proposed expenditures for 1926, as prepared by the budget committee, indicates an increase of \$69,656, when compared with the year 1925.

When the Salvation Army took inventory of its receipts from street kettles at Salem, there was found in one of them a set of teeth in which were a number of gold fillings.

Portland's population at the close of 1925, six years after the last decennial census, is 335,774, compared with 258,288, an increase of 30 per cent, according to a survey just completed.

Yeggs blew open the steel vault in the bank at Shedd and took about \$5000 in bonds and negotiable papers in addition to \$118 in cash from the safety deposit boxes of depositors.

Major R. T. Colner, district engineer at Portland, has submitted a report to Washington, D. C., recommending construction of a channel 35 feet deep and 500 feet wide from Portland to the sea.

Removal of Frank Bramwell, state superintendent of banks, was demanded by W. B. Hatnes and other officials of the Portland National bank at a special meeting of the state banking board at Salem.

Klamath county assessed fines in the amount of \$9233.50 for liquor law violations during August, September and October, according to a report prepared by Will Levana, state prohibition commissioner.

One hundred and one mills reporting to the West Coast Lumbermen's association for the week ending December 5 manufactured 97,157,191 feet of lumber, sold 94,179,841 feet and shipped 106,967,470 feet.

Oregon taxpayers will be obliged to contribute \$7,200,830.79 for state purposes during 1926, according to an announcement made by the state tax commission. The 1926 levy is \$292,000 less than that for 1925.

Miss Thelma Martin, of Salem, probably has the distinction of being the first woman to serve as an officer of a barber's union in this state. At a meeting of the Salem barbers' union Miss Martin was elected vice-president.

William Hart, Umatilla county rancher and buckaroo, was freed by a jury in the court of Federal Judge Bean in Portland on a charge of having murdered Mathew Sheoship, Umatilla Indian, who died September 12, 1924.

Assurance that the timber will be saved in the immediate vicinity of the Lava river cave, scenic spot of great interest to tourists, ten miles south of Bend, has been given by officials of the Shelvin-Hixon company, who have written the state highway commission a notice that the company is preparing to deed a strip of land surrounding the mouth of the cave to the state. The Lava river cave is one of the volcanic wonders of the Deschutes country.

A survey of the cost of producing hay on the irrigated lands of Crook county is being made by R. S. Besse, farm management specialist of the extension service, Oregon Agricultural college, co-operating with W. B. Tucker, county agent.

So successful has been the policy of oiling macadam highways in eastern Oregon and on the Mount Hood loop that the highway commission has announced that it would have nearly three times as many miles under oil in 1926 as there were in 1925.

Plans for the erection of a 125-foot monument at Astoria to Captain Robert Gray, discoverer of the Columbia river, the explorers Lewis and Clark, and John Jacob Astor, founder of Astoria, were announced by Ralph Hudd, president of the Great Northern railway.

The state fish commission and Tillamook county officers are defendants in a suit brought against them by Tom Price, commercial fisherman, who seeks to enjoin them from enforcing a recent order closing certain streams in the county to net fishing and commercial fishing.

Robert W. Cameron of Portland, wealthy life insurance man, died at his room in the Geiser Grand hotel at Baker. According to Dr. A. H. Hixon, who made an examination of the body, death was caused by drinking poisonous liquor, of which two partly filled bottles were found in the room by police.

Fifteen inmates of the old state training school for boys at Salem were transferred to the boys' institution completed recently near Woodburn. Approximately 105 other boys will be sent to the school as soon as the buildings are equipped. Between 50 and 60 boys will be retained at the old institution.

There is sufficient flax acreage in the Willamette valley to provide raw material for the proposed new \$440,000 linen mill at Salem for many years, according to an announcement made by directors of the company following a survey conducted by a flax expert brought from the east to investigate the situation.

Charles A. Smith, president of the Pacific States Lumber company, better known as the Coos Bay Lumber company, died at his home in Berkeley, Cal. Mr. Smith, whose investments in Oregon were between \$20,000,000 and \$25,000,000, has been identified with the lumber industry of this state since 1900.

Fire losses in Oregon, exclusive of Portland, for the month of November aggregated \$173,956.22, according to a report prepared by the state insurance commissioner. There were 43 fires reported, three of which were of an incendiary origin. The most disastrous fire was at Olex, where a store and contents were destroyed with a loss of \$40,000.

At the meeting of the Western Nut Growers' association at McMinnville, J. A. Holt of Eugene was elected president for the coming year. Dr. Robert Nixon of Forest Grove, vice-president for Oregon; John Spurgeon, Vancouver, vice-president for Washington; C. E. Schuster of Corvallis, secretary-treasurer. Forest Grove was selected as the meeting place for the association in 1926.

Taxable property in the state of Oregon, including equalizations and apportionments by the county boards and state tax commission, is \$1,084,537,618.91, according to the assessment roll summary for the year 1925. It is upon this figure that the state tax levy for 1926 will be based, after being equalized by application of the tax ratios of the various counties. The assessed valuations for this year show an increase of \$25,656,882.30 as compared with those of last year.

The new \$200,000 bridge over the Willamette river at Harrisburg was opened to traffic last week. The bridge is the last Willamette river bridge unit on the Pacific highway and takes the place of the Harrisburg ferry that has been in use for years. Construction of the bridge has been under way for the last 18 months. The bridge has three 140-foot spans, making the total length 540 feet, but with the addition of approach construction the length stretches out to 1600 feet. The bridge is of concrete and steel.

Fresh beef, which on June 30 of this year was quoted at \$7.50 a 100 pounds, was listed at \$9.35 in bids received by the state board of control in connection with furnishing supplies for the various state institutions during the six months starting January 1, 1926. Bacon, which six months ago was quoted at approximately 30 cents a pound, has dropped to 27 cents per pound, while coffee can be purchased under the new bids at 29 1/2 cents a pound as against 31 1/2 cents six months ago. Hard wheat flour has advanced from \$7.42 a barrel to \$7.64. Lard compound also has increased in price from approximately 12 cents a pound to 13 2-5 cents. Pure lard has dropped from 17 2-5 cents a pound to 16 7-10 cents. Mutton has advanced from \$7.20 a 100 pounds to \$7.45. Cane sugar has dropped to \$5.45. Ham has dropped from 27 cents to 26 cents a pound. Prices for beans are approximately 25 per cent lower.

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dressed in my traveling costume, I sent for my father to bid him good-bye-away from the guests.
"Father, I have changed, haven't I? And yet they'll never believe I intend to be anything but a flapper wife. I adore Curtiss and I'll never, never look at anybody else." I poured out my heart.
"There, there," he patted my hand, "a bride shouldn't worry about anything in the world and certainly she shouldn't mind the harmless rallery of her friends. That always follows a girl who has been unquestionably a belle."
"But I worship my husband and I'll

always be true to him, even in my thoughts," I replied vehemently.
"Your mother said those very words to me, Susie, on her wedding night." A shadow of sadness clouded my father's eyes and entirely removed the smile from his face.
I wondered what he could have meant.
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"I will," I replied so softly that only my lips moved.

PAGEANT TO BE GIVEN AT CHRISTIAN CHURCH

A pageant in which the Christmas scenes as related in Lew Wallace's "Ben Hur" will be depicted in pantomime is to be given at the Springfield Christian church on Sunday evening, December 29, as one of the chief features of the church's observance of the Christmas season.

Extracts from the book will be read by Mrs. Ora Read Hemenway as adult members of the church execute the pantomimes. The shepherd scene on the hillside at night, the coming of the wise men, and the scene showing Joseph and Mary and the cradle, will be depicted. A children's chorus will take part in the pageant.

The dramatic direction is in charge of Mrs. Hazenway. Preceding the pageant the church orchestra will give several selections, and instrumental and vocal solos of Christmas music will be presented.

On Sunday morning the children of the church school will present their

annual Christmas program. The morning program will include: Exercise by primary boys; motion song; recitation by Bruce Maxey; lullaby, Muriel Tyson, and song by the intermediate girls.
In charge of the entire arrangements for the Christmas programs are Mrs. R. E. Mosher, Mrs. W. P. Tyson, Mrs. R. G. Masters and E. E. Morrison.

ILLEGAL PARKING CAUSE OF POLICE COURT FINES

Fines were imposed on two men by Recorder R. W. Smith, Monday.

I. D. Heddypeth, of Springfield, was assessed \$2 after pleading guilty to parking his automobile too near a fire plug, as charged by Night Policeman Hinson. Frank Blada, of Eugene, paid a fine of like amount for parking his automobile in front of the city fire hall Saturday night.

New Train Working.

A work train began working daily between Springfield and Jasper Monday, in addition to the gravel train that is working on this section carrying gravel to the terminal in Eugene. The new train is equipped with a ditcher, and is widening cuts on the line.

Ford Shipment Arrives—A carload of Ford automobiles and Fordson tractors arrived Monday from Portland, for the Danner Motor company of Springfield.



For Ever Child, Both Young and Old

SUGGESTIONS For the Smaller Boys and Girls



IRON TOYS

Iron toys that are practically unbreakable and that will amuse and interest the tiny tots are sensible and economical. We have a large supply of the newest designs. Many of them sell for as low as ?? cents each



ROCKING HORSES

What little boy or girl is there that would not be tickled to find a Rocking Horse awaiting his pleasure on Christmas morning? Select one for your son or daughter from our large stock. They are all in perfect working condition, cheap too.



TRAINS—TRACKS

Well-built toys that will keep from year to year and which can be added to from time to time are the most sensible to buy. Trains that run on real Tracks are just this kind and can be made larger and larger at any time. \$1.50 will start a railroad.

NOVELTY TOYS

Dolls in all sorts of Transformations. Animals such as cats, dogs, bears, rabbits and monkeys. There are clowns that will tickle the little lady's funnybone and others that will captivate her childish fancy. They range in price from 50c and up.

SUGGESTIONS For the Little Lady Growing Up



DRAWING BOOK

Is your daughter artistically inclined? Most children love to draw and it in an excellent taste to cultivate in them. We have just received a large order of Painting Books with pattern drawings that are simple, yet instructive. There is a color chart.



TOY BEARS

What child is there that is not both proud and happy when they are the owner of a Teddy Bear? They range in length from baby ones six inches long to big "papa" bears eighteen inches long. Some are brown, others white.



DOLLS

Your daughter will just want to cuddle them all in her arms and shower her childish love and motherliness upon them. They are made with the one idea. Good workmanship and child pleasure. Half regular price.

ROCKERS, \$1.35

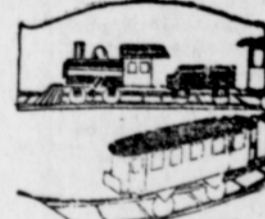
Little bright red rockers—strongly made. How little girls love them!

SUGGESTIONS For the Older Boy



TRICYCLES

In the spring, summer and fall a Tricycle will keep the lad out in the open, for he will wheel himself up and down the block for hours at a time. Some are painted black with red wheels and white rubber tires. The frames and rims and spokes are of steel.



ELECTRIC TRAINS

and other kinds as well. Your kid can have more fun with one of these trains than with anything else. They are modeled along the same lines and work on the same principle as regular trains.



DRUMS

from 50c to \$2.00. These drums are well made and are a source of much enjoyment for youngsters. It wouldn't be Christmas without the boy had something to make a noise with.

KIDDIE KARS

from \$2.50 up. Put health and happiness into the boy of yours by giving him a useful gift he can get lots of exercise out of. Girls too like to ride these Kiddie Kars. We have them all sizes.

Hall's Cash Store

Main and 4th Streets, Springfield