

OREGON NEWS ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

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

The annual convention of Sunday schools of Yamhill county was held at McMinnville.

Grain shipments from Haines are practically at a standstill, awaiting favorable prices.

A mass meeting at Boardman decided in favor of building a \$1500 gymnasium for the school.

The city of The Dalles dedicated a new storage reservoir and pipe line in Sorosis park at a cost of \$94,000.

Governor Pierce reappointed Frank Miller of Albany a member of the board of regents of state normal schools.

W. A. Wiest of Klamath Falls was appointed district attorney of Klamath county to succeed E. L. Elliott, resigned.

Dr. Arnold Bennett Hall, president of the University of Oregon, plans a tour of the state upon his return from Washington, D. C.

Consolidation of the Central Oregon Press, morning daily, and the Bend Bulletin, afternoon daily, was announced at Bend.

Nearly 20 creamery men from western Oregon attended the second meeting of the Oregon Creamery Operators' association at Salem.

Salem's population is in excess of 25,000, according to Polk's directory just issued. The directory contains approximately 12,000 names.

That Medford will be made a United States weather station was announced in a telegram received from Senator McNary at Washington, D. C.

Clifford Elford, convicted at Marshfield of the murder of William Whobrey, was sentenced by Judge Kendall to a life term in the Oregon penitentiary.

A. L. Martin of Marshfield will be urged as a member of the state game commission when Governor-elect Patterson considers changes in the commission, it is stated.

Plans and specifications for the new plant of the Oregon Milk company at Albany will be ready for prospective bidders by December 1, E. C. Peery, president, announced.

A Guernsey cattle sale will be held at the Clackamas county fair grounds at Canby Wednesday, December 1, sponsored by the Clackamas County Guernsey Cattle club.

Approximately 250 Shriners from all parts of southern Oregon gathered at Roseburg for their annual fall ceremonial and initiation, having a class of more than 50 candidates.

Tony Rubio, 25, was injured fatally when he was crushed under a log which rolled on him at the logging camp of the Willamette Valley Lumber company, five miles above Black Rock.

Thirteen persons were killed and 227 persons were injured as the result of motor vehicle accidents in Oregon during October, according to a report by T. A. Raffety, chief inspector for the state traffic department.

The state treasurer has paid off the last installment of \$480,000 borrowed from the various banks of Oregon during the month of October and early in November to meet the current expenses of the state government.

The state of Oregon will receive an inheritance tax totaling \$150,048.16 from the estate of Mrs. Jeanette Meier, widow of one of the founders of the Meier & Frank store, who died in Portland several months ago.

Enactment of an income tax law similar to that sponsored by the state grange in the recent campaign was urged upon the forthcoming legislature by the Marion and Polk county Pomona grange meeting in Salem.

Apples continue to pass through Hood River valley warehouses in heavy volume, averaging more than 30 cars per day. Shipments to date have reached 3245 carloads, more than 1000 cars in excess of total shipments for 1925.

A bottle filled with an ounce of small gold nuggets was displayed in Medford by J. A. Taylor, who for a short time has been operating a mine at Jacksonville. The gold, he said, was taken from a hole less than a foot square.

Nicholas J. Sinnot, representative in congress from the second Oregon district, has returned to Washington from his home at The Dalles in order to testify as a government witness at the conspiracy trial of E. H. Doheny, oil magnate.

Salem post, American Legion, at a meeting of the Salem council, pledged \$2400, payable November-1, 1927, with which to defray the costs of the summer band concerts and expenses attending the operation of the municipal rest rooms.

With banners flying and bands playing, 8000 residents of Oregon and Idaho marched the streets of Ontario Friday in a monster demonstration of their appreciation of the inauguration of work on the Owyhee and Vale irrigation projects.

The annual meeting of the Association of Land Grant Colleges and Universities to be held in July, 1927, will probably be awarded to Portland, it was indicated at the close of the 1926 session of the organization in Washington, D. C.

Klamath Falls' vision of a beautiful city park became a reality when Rufus S. Moore and Mary L. Moore, widow of the late Charles Moore, Sr., ex-state treasurer, donated a tract of 114 acres facing Upper Klamath lake for a park site.

For the third year in succession Jackson county has the honor of sending the highest-scoring girl in the state of Oregon to the annual national club congress at Chicago. The honor this year went to Mary Galey, 15, Ashland high school student.

Government surveyors have begun making a survey and location for a railroad to carry construction materials from the Homsdale branch of the Oregon Short Line to the "Hole-in-the-Ground" site of the proposed Owyhee river irrigation dam.

The Umpqua broccoli exchange distributed \$242,171.47 to the broccoli growers and other interests connected with the industry during the unfavorable 1926 season, according to the auditor's report made at the stockholders' meeting in Roseburg.

Jefferson Myers, member of the United States shipping board, has been appointed by Governor Pierce to represent the state of Oregon at the national conference of the American construction council to be held in New York. Mr. Myers is now in Washington.

The toxin-antitoxin campaign against diphtheria, conducted by the health officers in Portland and throughout the state, has resulted in a sudden drop of diphtheria cases in the city of Portland from 218 at this time last year to 63 since September 1 this year.

Over \$1,000,000 worth of farm produce will be raised annually on the Tumalo project when the campaign of colonization now under way is completed, according to D. J. McLellan, project manager. It is expected that the project will be completely settled in another year.

C. A. Howard, state superintendent elect, was elected vice-president of the Oregon educational research council at a business meeting held in Monmouth. Other officers are: President, Earl R. Douglas of the University of Oregon; secretary-treasurer, Charles E. Franseen of the Oregon Normal school.

As the result of litigation now pending in the circuit court at Salem, millers and merchants of the state were advised by W. A. Dalziel, deputy state sealer of weights and measures that the sale of flour, either white whole wheat, graham or rye in sacks of equal subdivisions of a barrel of 196 pounds, will be permitted until further notice.

Repeated requests for permission to trap and kill beaver which, it is asserted, are found damaging property reach the state game commission. Because beaver are growing scarce in the state each of the requests is investigated by the commission to make sure that they are not made by or for professional beaver trappers who want to sell the skins.

A new cattle tuberculosis eradication law for Lane county, or one that could be agreed upon by all counties of western Oregon, was discussed at a meeting of herd owners at Eugene and a draft submitted by Dr. Fred H. Thompson, federal veterinarian, for southwestern Oregon, was referred to a committee of five to work over and submit to the state legislature at its session early next year.

A tentative program calling for expenditure of \$97,514,000 on existing federal irrigation projects out of the reclamation fund, has been submitted to the budget bureau and to Representative L. C. Crampton of Michigan chairman of the house subcommittee on interior department appropriations by Secretary of Interior Work. Expenditures amounting to \$22,660,000 would be made on projects situated wholly or in part in Oregon under the proposed program, including \$17,714,000 on Owyhee, \$3,115,000 on Vale and \$1,831,000 on Klamath.

Oregon monthly pensions have been granted as follows: Mary E. Swain, Portland, \$30; Lydia E. Ensley, Portland, \$30; Selma F. Diller, Portland, \$30; Fredo H. Noltner, Portland, \$25; Louis M. Layton, Portland, \$25; Adolph Fassler, Portland, \$20; Alice A. Burton, Portland, \$30; Mark B. Rolfson, Portland, \$20; Marvin McGinnis, Portland, \$25; Teofil Mikowski, Astoria, \$30; Hannah M. Wood, Gresham, \$12; Bessie Archibald, Corvallis, \$30; Claude M. Huddleston, Corvallis, \$40; Lucille M. Stearns, Ashland, \$30; Louis C. Thibodeau, Seaside, \$25; John R. Parr, Bend, \$20; Amanda J. Miller, Springfield, \$20.



THANKFUL BROWN TELLS SALLIE HER PLAN

The next morning at exactly ten o'clock I rang the doorbell of the Brown residence, which was located on a hillside in the oldest part of town. While I waited for it to be answered I looked around. The house gave evidence of a more prosperous past and, though it was sadly in need of paint.

The garden, which stretched on both sides of the old brick walk, was typical of Thankful and I knew she spent many hours there. Violets grew on either side of the path and one felt, instinctively, that in the summer hollyhocks and morning glories and larkspur would add their quaint blossoming to the place which was so evidently of other times. The yard was enclosed by a fence over which honeysuckle and roses would climb in the Spring.

A pretty girl of about seventeen opened the door. It was plain to see that she was not at all the old-fashioned type. Her mannerisms were all of the new generation and there was a bit of a frown between her eyes, as if she resented being called from the new novel which she held in her hand. Instantly I knew that this was one of Thankful's sisters whom she struggled to shield from all hardships by overtaxing her own strength, which was none too robust.

"Thankie's in the kitchen," she announced, "putting up jam. Go on back." She designated the rear of the house with a wave of her hand and rudely started toward the sitting room reading as she went.

The pantry was a large and cheerful place. Sunshine filtered through dotted-swiss curtains edged in blue gingham and Thankful was standing by a white pine shelf mixing the ingredients for a cake.

"I was told that you were putting up preserves," I said, after she had greeted me cordially and urged me to sit down. "I suppose Kitten told you that. Shows how much she knows about what's going on back here," she smiled indulgently. "I finished those an hour ago," she nodded to a cupboard which held row after row of glasses, all of uniform size with fresh paraffin tops. The grape jelly shone like old burgundy in the bright morning light and there were also jars of golden marmalade with bits of lemon peel and spices which Thankful said Kitten liked with ting hot biscuits and tea.

"You smart thing!" I exclaimed, "and what kind of cake is that complicated thing going to be?"

"Chocolate - marshmallow - fudge," she enumerated, "the kind Addie adores!"

The jelly then was made for Kitten and the cake was the kind of which Addie was especially fond. Always, it seemed to me, this lovely girl was thinking of someone other than herself.

"Where is Addie now?" I asked.

"She's taking a business course," she replied, "Mother disliked the idea intensely but," she blushed, "it seemed necessary with things so frightfully dear. And Kitten just couldn't go out in the world. She's the baby you know. Just a minute," she flung over her shoulder, "while I put this in to bake." I could see her through the door as

more fun than owning a cunning book shop and running it myself? How much does he want for it?"

She smiled. "I love your enthusiasm," she said, "I believe you're ready to write a check but I wouldn't want you to do anything until you talked to him about it and see the place for yourself."

"But it sounds perfect!" I declared, "how on earth did you know about it?" I asked.

"Well you see I've always had a passion for books. I took a library course at school and if I'd been rich I should have been a collector for there isn't anything that gives me more pleasure than association with books. I thought I'd get a position in a library here after father passed on but Kitten and Addie didn't take to housekeeping so I felt it would be better for them if I stayed at home."

Yes, I thought, while Kitten fitted about to parties and Addie went out to some interesting work and mingled with people, forming stimulating contacts and getting colorful experiences, while she stayed at home to cook and sew and drudge her life away in drab and monotonous routine!

Suddenly I had an idea.

"Listen Thankful. Tell you what I'll do. I want this shop and I'm going to have it, but I need your help. I don't know a darn thing about books. All I can do is discuss Michael Arlen and Carl Van Vechten and other authors of 'best sellers' as they come along, but when it comes to real literature I'm a total blank. The only decent things I've read were at college and I've forgotten most of them. Turgenyef, Tolstoy and Balzac sounds like a salad dressing on a trans-

Atlantic liner to me! But," I concluded, "I could handle the modern high-brow department. How's that?"

Her face gleamed. Her deep brown eyes shone like stars. "Oh," she breathed, "how wonderful that would be! All my life it has been my dream. Books. To be with them. To touch them, to rustle their pages and smell them! The very odor of books spurs my imagination." She dreamed for a moment, then swiftly her expression changed. "But how," she asked, "would mother and the girls get along?"

"Never your mind about that. You'll earn enough to hire a cook and a girl to clean up and have something left over for clothes besides."

"Kitten does need a new evening dress. She's just at the age when she goes to a lot of dances and perhaps if I went to work Addie wouldn't have to take a job."

"Call your friend and tell him we're coming down. Please."

She went to the phone and while she was away my thoughts played with the fascinating idea of the shop. Just that morning father had presented me with a check for a more than generous amount. I wouldn't tell Curtiss until I had secured the shop. Then I'd call him up and tell him to come to a certain number down town. He would find me bare-headed behind a counter and wearing a smock (Ivender would be lovely for Thankful and myself) and then, what would he say?

Texas in Meeting

Former residents of Texas will conduct an all-day meeting at the Woodmen hall here today. More than 150 are expected to attend the Thanksgiving basket dinner.



Thanksgiving Greetings

On this day of Thanksgiving we offer heartfelt greetings to all our friends and patrons. We are thankful for their friendly appreciation of our service, and we look forward to being of increasing greater usefulness to them.

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