

OREGON STATE NEWS OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

The celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Astoria Presbyterian church was held last week. The first carload of Clark Seedling strawberries left Hood River last week end, destined for Minot, N. D. Vern Pike, Glendale logger, was killed instantly when he was struck by a falling tree, which crushed his skull. The 35th annual session of Oregon Yearly meeting of the Friends' church (Quakers) was held in Newberg last week. Jack Glover, Portland, won first prize in the safety essay contest conducted recently under direction of the highway educational board. Formal announcement of immediate construction of a new three-story \$50,000 Methodist Episcopal church was made in Klamath Falls recently. The eighth annual roundup to be staged under the auspices of the citizens of the Callapooia valley will be held in Crawfordville July 4 and 5. A total of \$2,613,103.62, representing all of the first half taxes due the state from county treasurers this year, has been received by the state treasury department. Ontario wants a high school gymnasium and the citizens are planning an election at an early date to authorize a \$15,000 bond issue for erection of the building. The West Linn city council has passed a resolution opposing the move to consolidate West Linn and Oregon City within the corporate limits of the latter place. Printing of 325,000 official pamphlets containing the arguments for and against the measures to be voted on at the special election June 28 is now under way. John Vert, pioneer resident of Pendleton, has offered to build and present to the city a \$65,000 community building, providing the people will agree to maintain it. A large rattlesnake with ten rattles and a button, the second largest to be killed at that point in the past two weeks, was killed in the Delrio orchard at Rock Point. Among measures which will face voters of Jackson county at the special election June 28 is one voting a one-mill levy to provide for continuance of the Jackson county fair. A horse trail is under construction by the forest service from Rhododendron to the top of Zigzag mountain. This trail will be of great service in locating fires and rushing help to the scene. Mrs. Paul F. Lake, wife of an Albany contractor, was burned to death in her home in Albany last week. Details of the tragedy are unknown, as she was alone, while her husband was at work. General contract for the construction of the Klamath Falls union high school was let by the union high school board to James L. Quinn, Portland contractor. Quinn's bid was \$182,000. The first linen ever to be manufactured west of the Rocky mountains was delivered to Salem stores last week by a Salem linen firm. Flax for the linen was grown within 20 miles of Salem. Field mice are reported causing much damage to pastures in eastern Oregon. In the Innaha country, as much as 25 per cent of the grass on the ranges has been reported cut off by the rodents. In a hand-to-paw fight with a wounded mother bear, Robert McKarrow of Fairview, near Marshfield, recently won through by bringing down a crushing ax on the bear's head. The bear killed one of his dogs. The fourth cash distribution, totaling \$95,000, was forwarded to Hood River fruit growers by the Apple Growers' association last week. One more distribution of about \$100,000 yet remains to be made. Work on the log house to be built by the state highway commission across the Oregon Trail from the Emigrant Springs monument near Meacham on the Blue mountains has begun, according to William Doby. The building will be constructed of logs and will be two stories in height. The Washington county court has accepted the resignation of Judge William R. Stephens as justice of the peace for the Dilley district and has ordered the district consolidated with the Forest Grove district. The first joint meeting of the California Library association and of the Pacific Northwest Library association was held June 13, 14 and 15 at Gearhart. The occasion marked the 32d annual gathering for the California group and the 18th conference for the Oregon association.

Probably enticed from the earth by the heavy rains of the past few days an army of angieworms squirmed over the streets of Bend last week. This was Bend's second invasion by bugs and worms in the past week. Early in the week millions of stump beetles were blown in by a storm. May's combined wheat shipments from the Columbia river district of 1,314,299 bushels brought the total water movement for the 1926-7 season to date to 28,616,645 bushels, registering a material gain over the showing for the same period in the 1925-26 season, when 16,178,219 bushels had been floated. The public service commission has suspended until July 15 the proposed new tariff having to do with intrastate freight rates on livestock. The tariff will be considered at a joint meeting of the interstate commerce commission and the public service commission to be held in Portland July 5. After eating a small electric light globe down to the brass core, Gene, 2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Gillis of Bend, was under the surveillance of a physician. The little boy was said to have enjoyed the diet of glass more than he did a bottle of iodine he spilled on himself the day before. Timely assistance of his wife with a shotgun saved G. M. Kirkpatrick, Shastaview farmer, from being gored to death by a maddened bull. As he was trying to put a ring in the bull's nose the animal charged, knocking him down. Mrs. Kirkpatrick fired at close range and the wounded animal drew off. Fire losses in the state of Oregon, exclusive of Portland, for the month of May aggregated \$458,394, according to a report prepared by the state fire marshal. There were a total of 75 fires reported, of which three were of an incendiary origin. The most disastrous fire was at La Grande, where a fertilizer plant was destroyed with a loss of \$300,000. Robert M. Zehner, 18, of The Dalles, was killed instantly when a metal rod he had been using to fish for driftwood in the flooded Columbia river came in contact with the 6600-volt power line of the Pacific Power & Light company. The youth was standing on a cast iron sewer pipe which made a ground and resulted in burns about the hands and thighs. There were two fatalities in Oregon due to industrial accidents in the week ending June 9, according to a report issued by the state industrial accident commission. The victims were Ross M. Gedney, Madras, patrolman, and Ralph W. Steinmetz, Klamath Falls, laborer. There were 734 accidents reported to the commission during the week covered in the report. With the exception of strawberries, the 1927 production of Oregon's principal fruit crops promises to be much lighter than last year, says F. L. Kent, agricultural statistician, United States department of agriculture. A very heavy rot last season, with a very dry growing period and considerable winter and spring cold weather damage, are contributing factors in the lower 1927 prospects. Fourth class postmasters have been named in Oregon by Postmaster-General New as follows: Mrs. L. S. Stoner, McCredie Springs, as postmistress at Cascade Summit, Klamath county, new office; Jens P. Peterson, McCoy, Polk county, vice James E. Houk, resigned; Mrs. Clara M. Wilson, Sheridan, as postmistress at Buell, Polk county, new office; Ebert L. Hoover, Mikkalo, Gilliam county, vice George F. Purdy, resigned. Building contracts totaling \$225,847 were awarded in Corvallis last week by the building committee of the board of regents of the Oregon Agricultural college, the cost to be met from receipts from a new student tuition fee of \$12 a term over the coming biennium. The new construction will include a physics building to be completed by January 1, a combined poultry and veterinary building and new green house, both to be completed by September 15 of this year. The Devils Lake beach resorts will enjoy electric power on June 10. The Mountain States Electric Power company has completed a power line from Toledo to this district. Electric service will be given to Taft, Nelscott, Camp Roosevelt, Delake, Oceanlake, Wecoma and Lakeocean at the head of Devils Lake. Most of these places have been wired for current. Street lights have been placed on the highway from Oceanlake to Camp Roosevelt. Oiling of highways in Deschutes and Crook counties will be completed in about one week and work on The Dalles-California highway in Klamath county south of Bend will be finished by July 1. It was estimated by highway officials. Earl Miller, 23, of Wolf Creek, was killed instantly when his hand was caught in a belt on the rockcrusher operated by Vonderhellen & Pierson, 14 miles below Prospect, on the Crater Lake highway, and his head was crushed in the heavy machinery.

Community News

By Special Correspondents

UPPER WILLAMETTE

Fourteen seniors were graduated from the Pleasant Hill high school last Friday, June 10. Dr. E. V. Stivers of Eugene gave the commencement address. The senior poem was given by Bessie Fogles, class history by Howard Kull, class prophecy, Helen Larimer, class will, Annette Mattman, advice to juniors, Daisy Winfrey. Hazel Wheeler was valedictorian and Berry Mauney salutatorian. Presentation of diplomas was made by D. G. Linton, chairman of the school board. The teachers for the past year were E. E. Kilpatrick, Mrs. F. F. Cooper and Miss Lottie Bendshadler. Those who received diplomas were Gertrude Dilley, Anita Hathaway, Daisy Winfrey, Bessie Fogles, Berry Mauney, Howard Kull, Cora Olson, Mary May Lindley, Annette Mattman, Hazel Wheeler, Helen Larimer, Minnie Olson, Marie Kelsay, Hazel Kull. Friday morning June 10, the following received baseball letters at the Pleasant Hill high school. Harold Humphrey, Donald Kabler, Kenneth McKenzie, Carl Linton, Gerald Kabler, Berry Mauney, Lyman Tinker, Clarence Monson, Paul Harden, Eugene Parker. On the girls team were Minnie Olson, Vera Aubrey, Gertrude Dilley, Darline Hall, Josephine Mathews, Verna Higgins, Alicia Jacobs. Following the presentation of the letters the school body went to Lowell bridge for a picnic. The two teams won the county baseball cups this year. Laden with ice cream and cake the ladies of Pleasant Hill actung as hostesses gathered at the Tinker home Thursday afternoon June 9 and gave Mrs. Tinker and her infant son a surprise shower. Many beautiful and useful gifts were presented to the new baby. Those present were the Mesdames Olson, Higgins, Callison, Linton, Brown, Curtis, Jordan, Hyde, Swift, Godbolt, Wangelin, Schrenk and the following children, Vera, Marjorie, Robert Linton, Gloria Schrenk, Emma Beebe, Robert Olson, Sasee Dehila Hyde, Vydyette and Wayne Curtis, Bonnie Jeanne and Frederick Bruce Tinker, Jim and Sally Godbolt. The annual Pleasant Hill picnic will be given this year Saturday June 18 under the auspices of the Christmas Endeavor. The annual public school meeting will be held Monday afternoon June 20 at 1:30 at the Pleasant Hill public school house for the purpose of electing one new director to take the place of E. B. Tinker who goes out this year and one clerk to take the place of Mrs. E. B. Tinker the present clerk. Mr. and Mrs. Morningstar and Miss Cora John went to Monmouth Wednesday to attend the graduating exercises of the Normal school when Miss Mildred Morningstar and Miss Verna Manning will graduate. Miss Mildred Morningstar will teach at Goshen next year. Ray John, who has been attending Normal this year, will teach the upper grade at Tierman next year and be principal of the school. Mr. and Mrs. Cushman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Munn, are living in the cottage on the Jordan ranch. Mrs. C. P. Mason of Gallup, New Mexico, is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Bristow. Mrs. F. B. Godbolt of Red Bluff and two children, Sall and Jimmy are visiting at the home of her brother Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Tinker. Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Cooper have moved onto their ranch for the summer. J. A. Phelps, who recently purchased the northeast corner of the Olson ranch is working at the Beaver mill and making improvements in the cottage on the place.

THURSTON

The Texas club met with Mrs. Ernest Bertsch last Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Hadley visited Mrs. Hadley's mother, Mrs. Taylor Needham, last Wednesday. Curtis Price, Perry Price and Jay Grant returned home last Wednesday evening. They attended the O. A. C. at Corallis the past year. Mr. and Mrs. Ross Calvert and Anda Calvert from Junction City visited relatives in Thurston last Wednesday. Misses Hazel Russell, Leone Edmiston and Lois Mathews attended the picnic at Edenvale school last Wednesday. Mildred Price motored to Vida last Thursday and stayed all night with her sister, Mrs. Arch Shough, and gave the eighth grade examinations at Leaburg last Friday. Miss Mildred Price, Mrs. Jennie Edmiston and son, James, motored to Ashland last Monday to attend the commencement exercises at the Normal school there when Miss Hazel Edmiston graduated. Thurston community has decided to celebrate the Fourth of July. Committees for different parts of the work were appointed Sunday evening. Mrs. Alberta Weaver and daughter, who have spent the winter at Leaburg where Mrs. Weaver has taught, moved back to Thurston a few days ago. Curtis and Perry Price left Sunday for McKenzie Bridge where they have employment in the forest. Next Sunday, June 19, will be the county Sunday school convention at Marcola. Several from Thurston expect to attend. Mr. and Mrs. Bert Weaver and Mr. Moore motored to Crow last Sunday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Holland. Mrs. Jennie Edmiston from Eugene spent the week-end with relatives here. Mr. and Mrs. A. Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Weaver and son and William Weaver attended the picnic given by the Wild Rose Dairy last Thursday. Francis Gray from Landax is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Gray. Mrs. William Rennie, who has been visiting relatives in Salem for several days returned home Friday evening.

Adventure Pays



Could you be mad at him? Morris Halegna is only 9 years old, and he sailed, stowaway, from N. Y. with 14 cents, for Cuba. He sailed back home with \$14.14—gifts from passers-byers.

Theora Rhodes spent the week-end in Springfield.

Mrs. Oscar McMahon and daughter, Elizabeth, have gone on a trip to Los Angeles, California. They are driving through. Bert Snook and sister, Miss Pearl Snook, visited friends in Thurston last Sunday. Mrs. Arch Shough from Vida spent Sunday with her parents Mr. and Mrs. John Price.

Comes To Springfield—Mrs. M. Paulson of Motor Route B came to Springfield to transact business Monday.

Tonsils Removed—Van Frederick Peterson of Springfield underwent a tonsil operation at a local surgeon's office Tuesday.

Comes From California—Mrs. Jennie Veach of California will arrive today to visit for a while with her cousin, Mary Roberts.

Advertisement for Commercial State Bank. Headline: 'Don't depend upon the MATTRESS'. Text: 'Nearly every day we read of some unfortunate person who loses their savings of many years. Sometimes it is stolen, burned up along with the house, pickpockets get it, rats eat it up, or someone throws out an old vase that was serving as a family savings bank. This is gross carelessness and never safe. Furthermore, it is costing you real money—for hidden, idle money earns no interest. Play safe and bring your savings to this bank—where integrity and safety have been the most important watchword for many years. Protected by Electric Burglarly Alarm System A GOOD BANK IN A GOOD COUNTRY Commercial State Bank Springfield, Oregon'

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