

OREGON STATE NEWS OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

The total of new construction in La Grande during 1927 was \$873,660. This is the largest figure in the city's history.

Albany's rainfall during 1927 was 44.97 inches, six inches above normal, according to F. M. French, government weather observer.

More than 100 fox breeders of Oregon were in Salem last week attending the annual convention of the Oregon Fox Breeders' association.

For the first time in ten years, no children were burned at Christmas-tree celebrations. Fred W. Roberts, Portland fire marshal, announced recently.

James T. Jenkins, a dairyman of Bandon, shipped 17 cars of cattle to California in 1926 and sold 12 in 1927. He is building up a dairy herd of 2000 cattle.

A class of 510 candidates was initiated by the Salem lodge of Elks last Monday night as the culmination of a two months' intensive drive for new members.

Oregon motorists will be permitted to drive automobiles bearing 1927 license plates until January 16, according to tentative arrangements announced recently.

An organization has been formed in Jackson and Josephine counties to beautify the Pacific highway from Grants Pass to Ashland by planting trees and flowers.

The Douglas county turkey crop of 1927 was the largest for many seasons, a total of 17 carloads being shipped out of the county for the Thanksgiving and Christmas trade.

Plans submitted by the county clerk of Clatsop county for a bridge over Lewis and Clark river, 7 1/2 miles south of Astoria, were approved by the war department last week.

The receipts of the Medford post-office last month which were \$10,205.46, showed an increase of 12.3 per cent over the receipts of December, 1926, which were \$9083.47.

Election of officers and the adoption of a 1928 program will be taken up at the annual meeting of the Clackamas County Jersey Cattle club at Oregon City next week.

Deposits of Portland's 24 commercial banking institutions on December 31 amounted to \$165,498,072, reflecting a gain of \$3,674,453 over the \$161,823,619 reported in December 31, 1926.

Half again as much money was taken in by the city of McMinnville in 1926 for fines as in 1927, according to Judge Shirley. The sum reached \$1764.50 in 1926, and only \$1054.50 this year.

Mrs. Jean K. Porter of Condon, school superintendent of Gilliam county, was elected president of the State Association of County School Superintendents at the annual convention last week.

As the result of activities carried on by the sheriff's office in the enforcement of the prohibition law in Clackamas county, Sheriff Mass has turned over a total of \$10,875 collected in fines during 1927.

Fire believed to have originated from spontaneous combustion destroyed a warehouse and second-hand store in the heart of the downtown business district in Salem last week resulting in a loss estimated at \$100,000.

Harry Lloyd Wolfgram, 13, was killed last week when he stuck his hand in a rotary clothes dryer at St. Mary's hospital. His arm was torn off. The youth's body was thrown against the steel frame of the machine, breaking his neck.

Albany is the only municipal corporation in Linn county which will have a lower city tax this year than last year, according to County Assessor Grant Froman. Albany's city levy will be 55.7 mills. Last year it was 56.5 mills.

With the prison population up to 635, the highest in the history of the institution, the jails filled with men awaiting trial and only three bunks left in the entire institution, the housing problem at the state penitentiary at Salem has reached most serious proportions, according to Henry Meyers, superintendent.

Two large eagles, in mortal combat over the carcass of a jackrabbit, met death at Pendleton when they were electrocuted on high-power tension lines, according to the mute evidence found by linemen patrolling the wires following the recent storm.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hembree of Lafayette celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last week at their home, surrounded by 30 of their relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Hembree were both born near Lafayette and lived there most of their lives.

Records of the Portland postoffice for 1927 showed 78,766,890 pieces of mail were put through the canceling machines there, according to John M. Jones, Portland postmaster. This is an increase of 4,031,755 over 1926.

Commemorating the arrival of the Cerro Gardo the first steamship to enter Tillamook bay harbor to load lumber for shipment direct to a foreign market about 75 of the leading business men of Tillamook and Garibaldi assembled at the Whitney inn last week.

Portland has 75,425 boys and girls between the ages of 4 and 20 years, shows the school census, just completed. This enumeration will form the basis for Portland's apportionment of the state school tax in making the 1929 budget, \$10 being allowed for each child.

Report of W. G. Ide, manager of the land settlement department of the Oregon state chamber of commerce and the Portland chamber of commerce, shows that 63 new farm families settled in Oregon during December, representing a total investment of \$234,000.

Oregon corporations paid approximately \$325,000 less in federal income taxes last year despite the increase in their tax rate under the revenue law of 1926, according to the preliminary report on income statistics for the calendar year 1926 issued by the treasury department.

"Old Dobbin," whose days of utility are rapidly drawing to a close, is coming to a sad end in Wlamath county. Thousands of horses, running wild on the range, are being caught and sold to the Butte Packing company of Montana. They will be butchered and sold as cheap meat in Europe.

H. H. McDowell, proprietor of the Mack Marie lodge at North Beach, was fatally shot near Booth on Siltcoos lake last Sunday, when a shotgun in the hands of L. M. Kimmel of Roseburg was accidentally discharged. The two men, lifelong friends were shooting ducks when the accident happened.

Increase in assessed valuation of Klamath Falls coupled with economy of various municipal levying boards has resulted in a material reduction in 1928 taxes. The millage rate is 58 mills, as compared with 76.8 mills last year. Assessed valuation of the city has increased from \$7,061,036.13 to \$8,326,012.75.

Textbooks adopted by the state textbook commission for use in the public schools of Oregon cannot be used legally for a period in excess of six years, according to an opinion prepared by the attorney-general recently. The opinion was sought by Charles A. Howard, state superintendent of public instruction.

The city of Medford had an enviable record during the last year in the matter of fires and comparatively little fire loss, according to the annual report submitted by Fire Chief Roy Elliott. The fire department answered 150 alarms of fire and the total fire loss was only \$69,971.89, on which \$68,261.89 of insurance was paid.

The outbound cargo movement for the Portland district during 1927 has amounted to 2,669,319 tons, valued at \$133,141,330, and in 1926 it was 2,655,132 tons with a value of \$134,599,159. The inbound movement for last year was 2,398,980 tons with a value of \$145,691,691, and in 1926 it was 2,290,889 tons valued at \$141,293,756.

The most costly and stubborn fire in Tillamook in years caused damage estimated at \$50,000 last week when the Masonic building was burned so badly fire is expressed that the upper floor and walls may fall at any time. The fire lasted five hours and four firemen were overcome by the heavy smoke, which hampered fire fighting efforts.

Postal savings in Oregon for the fiscal year ended June 30 totaled \$2,607,882, according to John M. Jones, Portland postmaster, who has just received a copy of the department annual report. This is an increase of \$394,630 over the previous year, the report shows. There were 6432 depositors for the year and the government paid \$26,617 in interest.

Fifty women in a crowd jammed in front of the Hub, a department store in Marshfield, which had advertised a sale, were plunged into a depression one day last week when the sidewalk leading to an indented entrance collapsed. The women fell in a heap a distance of about three feet but only one was injured enough to require medical care. About 500 women were waiting to get into the store when the collapse occurred.

Compilations by lumbermen and logging concerns estimate that in lumber, logs and poles, Coos bay shipped during 1927 approximately 300,000,000 feet of forest products. This is a smaller amount than was shipped in 1926 by about 25,000,000 feet.

The Baker White Pine Lumber company has just installed a new out for its main drive from the power plant of the local mill at a cost of \$4000. It is 160 feet long, 33 inches wide and 3/4 of an inch thick. It contains many thicknesses of leather.

TOWN AND VICINITY

Drive To Corvallis—Mr. and Mrs. Fred Louk drove to Corvallis Sunday to visit with friends.

Here From Jasper—Mrs. Myrtle James of Jasper was a Springfield visitor Sunday.

In From Leaburg—Mrs. C. E. Curry and Mrs. W. H. Craft of Leaburg were in town Sunday.

Marcola Man In—V. M. Mills of Marcola was a Springfield visitor Monday.

Vern Kirkpatrick Leaves—Vern Kirkpatrick left Tuesday over the Southern Pacific of Louis, Illinois.

Mrs. Weber Here—Mrs. Carl Weber of Eugene visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Frese Sunday.

Wending People Here—Mrs. Nathan Chaffee of Wending was in Springfield Saturday on business.

Drive to Corvallis—Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Flanery and Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Emery motored to Corvallis Sunday.

At Albany Monday—Mr. and Mrs. John Henderer were Albany visitors early this week.

Here From Mable—P. A. Bell of Mable was a Springfield visitor Sunday.

Has Major Operation—R. H. Parson underwent a major operation at the Pacific Christian hospital Sunday.

Undergoes Minor Operation—Abbie Cooley underwent a minor operation at a local surgeon's office Saturday.

Motors to Portland—Elmo Pierson rode his motorcycle to Portland Saturday night, returning Sunday.

Mrs. Swarts Improved—Mrs. C. E. Swarts, who has been ill, was reported improved early this week.

Here Over Week-End—Miss Dorothy Broughton of Portland spent the week-end in Springfield.

Visits Mrs. Cowden—Mrs. Josephine Johns of Garden Way visited Mrs. Alma Cowden, her sister, Sunday.

In Pacific Hospital—Mrs. Floyd Thompson of Lowell is in the Pacific Christian hospital. She has been ill for some time.

Perkins at Mapleton—George Perkins was here over the week-end from Mapleton, where he is building a school house.

Appendix Is Removed—Vernon Spores, 8-year old son of Fred Spores, underwent an appendicitis operation at the Pacific Christian hospital Monday.

Many Here Yesterday—Among out-of-town visitors here Wednesday were Mrs. Jess Wilcoxon, Wendling; A. Thorgersen, Marcola; R. Harbert, Cottage Grove; Charles Sylvester, Waltherville; Mrs. Redmond and Mrs. Fred Fischer, Marcola; Carl Williams, Marcola; Mrs. Joe Kennedy and Mr. and Mrs. Seth Bowers, of Wendling.

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Mayor at Creswell—Mayor G. G. Bushman spent several days this week at Creswell on a business trip.

Jasper Man Here—Ira Higgins of Jasper was a Springfield visitor Wednesday.

Oakridge Visitor Here—G. H. Snider of Oakridge was a visitor in Springfield Wednesday.

Richmond at Albany—Sam Richmond of Springfield and Dr. R. C. Faust of Eugene attended the Spanish War Veterans convention at Albany late last week.

Leave for California—Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lepley, who have been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Lepley for some time, returned Sunday to their home at Oakdale, California.

Marriage Licenses for Week

During the past week marriage licenses have been issued by the county clerk to the following: J. L. Beatty, Cottage Grove, and Kelen Kefauver, San Diego; Wayne Reid and Josephine Purdy, both of Eugene; Harold Hays, Lexington, Illinois, and Mildred Brubaker, Eugene; B. J. Nasholm Eugene and Ruth Jensen, Crow; Ejner Kjar and Anne Boysen, both of Wendling.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE ON EXECUTION IN FORECLOSURE

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an execution and order of sale in foreclosures issued out of the Circuit Court of Lane County, Oregon, on the 6th day of January, 1928, in a suit wherein on the 3rd day of January, 1928, in said court Elmer Roberts, as administrator of the Estate of Jack Rodman, deceased, plaintiff, recovered judgment against the defendants Josephine Mills, L. L. Mills and George M. Svarverud for the sum of \$565.60 with interest at 7 per cent per annum from the 12th day of November, 1927, and for the further sum of \$75.00 attorneys' fees and the costs and disbursements herein, which judgment was enrolled and docketed in the Clerk's office of said Court in said County on the 3rd day of January, 1928, and said execution to me directed commanding me in the name of the State of Oregon, in order to satisfy said judgment, interest, attorneys' fees, costs of suit and accruing costs to sell the following described real property, to-wit:

Lot No. 2 in section 23, township 16 south of range No. 4 east of the Willamette Meridian, in Lane County, Oregon, excepting a strip of land 50 feet wide through said lot conveyed to Lucky Boy Mining Company, also excepting a tract conveyed to Nellie T. Matlock, and excepting a tract conveyed to T. C. Luckey, and excepting a tract conveyed to Roy Stein, all of said premises being in Lane County, State of Oregon, together with the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or appertaining.

Now, therefore, in the name of the State of Oregon, in compliance with said execution and order of sale and in order to satisfy said judgment, interest, attorneys' fees, costs of suit and accruing costs, I will on Saturday the 11th day of February, 1928, at the hour of one o'clock, in the afternoon of said day, at the Southwest front door of the County Court house, in Eugene, Lane County, Oregon, offer for sale and sell for cash, at public auction, subject to redemption as provided by law, all of the right, title and interest of said defendants Josephine Mills, L. L. Mills and George M. Svarverud and all persons claiming by, through or under them or any or either of them in and to said premises.

FRANK E. TAYLOR, Sheriff of Lane County, Oregon. Ja. 12-19-26: F. 2-9:

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