

**OREGON STATE NEWS OF GENERAL INTEREST**

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

Mrs. Elizabeth Jane Fisher Robinson, 87, a covered wagon pioneer of Oregon and a resident of The Dalles for nearly half a century, died there last week.

Raymond Walls, 26, suffered fatal injuries Sunday afternoon when struck by logs in the three-mile chute at the Ralph Davis camp on Bear creek in Walla walla county.

Egg producers of Coos county have formed the Coos County Egg Producers' association with a total of 12,999 hens, the object being to find a home market for eggs.

The first wool sale in Ontario for 1928 was reported last week when Steve Woodward of Westfall sold the crop from 1400 sheep to J. M. Johnson for 35 cents a pound.

The 1927 hop crop of the Willamette valley is practically all sold, only a few small lots remaining in the warehouses, for which a price of 20 cents a pound is being offered.

Firemen answered 2028 alarms, of which 444 caused a total loss of \$731,275.12, last year, Edward Grenfell, fire marshal at that time, declared in his annual report, filed recently.

Ten cougars in 10 days is the record recently made by Delmer and Stanley Colegrove in the Pistol river region of Curry county. They were paid a bounty of \$25 each for the animals.

Members of the Linn-Benton county Jersey Cattle club at their annual meeting in Albany last week unanimously indorsed the proposal to restore a county agent to Linn county.

Portland's infant mortality rate for 1927 was 46.2 to every 1000 births, a "rate seldom attained by cities in our class," Dr. John G. Abele, city health officer, declared in his annual report.

C. P. Ragsdale, stockman and rancher of eastern Oregon, is the owner of an artesian well that was tapped recently on his ranch near Jamison that is flowing at the rate of 270 gallons an hour.

The stork was extremely kind to Mr. and Mrs. William Gray of Pondersa, near Baker. They became parents of triplets born at St. Elizabeth's hospital last week. They were girls, all of them.

The annual mid-winter meeting of the Wing, Fin and Floetfoot club of Union county will be held in La Grande on the evening of February 7, with claims as the main item on the dinner menu.

Miss Marie Iverson of Medford was elected president of the Crater Lake union of the Christian Endeavor in the annual convention of the southern Oregon district, which was held in Grants Pass last week.

A committee of Medford business men is considering a proposition of E. C. Miller of Portland, to erect a ten-story modern office and store build-

Mid-year students graduating from Portland high schools will number approximately 755, the office of the superintendent of schools reported. Of this number 355 are boys and 399 girls. Jefferson high school, with 115 to receive diplomas, has the largest outgoing class.

Pacific university celebrated the 74th anniversary of the granting of its charter Sunday night in the college gymnasium at Forest Grove. A huge white birthday cake with the span of years written upon it—1854-1928—was served to the student body and faculty members.

William Heitman, 74, was kicked and trampled to death by horses on his farm near Dodge, Or., southwest of Estacada. One horse kicked him under the belly of the other and the second horse then joined in the attack. The man was dead before a doctor could reach him from Estacada.

The total apple shipments from Imbler will be 250 carloads, according to E. J. Hazen, Union Pacific agent at that point. Mr. Hazen has been agent in Imbler for several years, and has given the local apple market careful study. He also stated that 30 carloads of potatoes would be shipped.

ing in that city to cost \$325,000, local interests to furnish \$75,000.

Forty hotel managers of southern Oregon and northern California were guests of the Del Rogue hotel at Grants Pass when the southern Oregon branch of the Hotel Men's association was formed last week.

An excellent outlook for the dairy industry of the northwest and of that section in particular was pictured to dairymen who attended the annual meeting of the Eastern Oregon Dairymen's association at Haines last week.

Pneumonia took the greatest toll in Portland in many weeks when 15 deaths were reported for last week by Dr. John G. Abele, city health officer, and the total of 101 deaths from all causes also was an exceptional week's record.

Students in agriculture in the college in Corvallis have joined with others of the institution in favoring the use of the designation "Oregon State college," in preference to the title Oregon Agricultural college, by which name the institution has long been known.

The first community auction sale idea is proving popular with farmers throughout Yamhill county. The idea of their getting together to sell goods in a co-operative sale seems to appeal, and numerous listings have been received. Household goods, live stock and farm implements are the most frequent entries.

Sweet Home and Foster have quite a few new residents. The people are mostly those interested in the highway and railroad building. They have been forced in many cases to locate in private homes for accommodation.

Miss Betty Rackleff, pretty telephone operator of Reedsport, received shock and burns last week when the Coos and Curry telephone office was destroyed by fire. The blaze started from an explosion in the wood-burning stove used to heat the quarters.

Many at Oratorio—A number of Springfield women attended rehearsal of the Eugene Oratorio club Monday night on the university campus.

Return From Portland—Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lambert returned Sunday evening after spending some time in Portland with their daughter, Mrs. Jean Martin.

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**TOWN AND VICINITY**

Stacey Is In—O. L. Stacey of Waltherville was a local visitor Tuesday.

Here From Waltherville—Everett Waring of Waltherville was a visitor in Springfield Tuesday.

Waltherville Man Here—W. L. Rauch of Waltherville was a Springfield visitor Monday.

Undergoes Operation—Mrs. C. M. Parker underwent an operation at the Pacific Christian hospital Saturday.

Eugene Woman Here—Mrs. Sarah Elliott of Eugene was a visitor in town Monday.

Pohl at Portland—Al Pohl, brother of Mrs. M. B. Huntly, went to Portland Monday. He may remain there.

Visits in Springfield—Joe Lemmons, of Portland, visited his father-in-law, in Springfield Monday.

Blossom Is Visitor—E. L. Blossom, of Eugene, route 2, was a Springfield visitor Wednesday.

Frank Merzdorf Here—Frank Merzdorf, Motor Route B, Eugene, was a Springfield visitor Tuesday.

Mr. Collier Visits—Arnold Collier, county club leader, was a visitor at the Lincoln school here Tuesday.

Here From Jasper—Mrs. Mark Sebring of Jasper was a shopper here Monday.

Rainbow Resident Here—Mrs. George Williams of Rainbow spent a part of Monday visiting here.

Lowell Woman Here—Mrs. F. M. Snider of Lowell was a Springfield visitor Monday.

Grove People Here—Mr. and Mrs. Roy Howard of Cottage Grove spent Sunday visiting friends in Springfield.

Portland Men Here—P. M. Barber and W. B. Lutz of Portland were among out-of-town visitors here Tuesday.

Officers Take Tests—Officers of the Springfield company, Oregon National guard, took quarterly tests at Eugene this week.

Returns From Bandon—Cal Burns made a trip to Bandon Sunday, returning with his mother, who spent some time there visiting her daughter.

Montana Woman In Town—Mrs. Nora Boutian of Stevensville, Montana, is here to visit her brother, Harl McPherson, and other relatives.

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Former Resident Visits—Mrs. Jennie Cannon, former resident of Springfield and well-known here, has been visiting here this week. She now lives in Portland.

Goes To Florence—M. D. Lingo drove to Mapleton Saturday and with the Junction City delegation attended the meeting at Florence of the Siuslaw Chamber of Commerce.

Guests at Bertsch Home—Mr. and Mrs. M. J. McKlin, Mrs. Jennie Cannon, Mrs. Bert Doane and son, Milton, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bertsch, near Thurston, Sunday.

Visit From Portland—Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Jordan of Portland, visited with friends and relatives here part of Tuesday and Wednesday. Mrs. Jordan was formerly Miss Billie Berg of this city.

Undergo Operation—Both Mr. and Mrs. Meillon of East Main street underwent operations Monday. Mrs. Meillon had a major operation at the Pacific Christian hospital, and Mr. Meillon was operated on for an eye trouble.

Raymond Man Here—John Jordan, Raymond, Washington, former owner of the Willows apartment house on Second street, was a visitor here early this week. Mr. Jordan was called into Oregon by the death of a relative at Harrisburg.

Former Superintendent Visits—V. D. Bain, former superintendent of schools here, and Mrs. Bain, stopped here for a short time Sunday on their way home to Woodburn, where they now live. Mrs. Bain had been visiting for some time with her relatives at Weed, California, and was met on her way north by Mr. Bain at Roseburg.

Fire DESTROYS SWOPE HOUSE AT GLENWOOD

Fire of undetermined origin destroyed the attractive country home of J. W. Swope, in Glenwood Park, West Springfield, between 6 and 7 o'clock early yesterday morning, doing damage estimated at more than \$25,000.

Mr. and Mrs. Swope and their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Lew Baldwin, Hood River, were sleeping in the house when the blaze started in the basement, and barely escaped in time after the alarm was sounded. The house, one of the most attractive country places in this district, was totally destroyed, as were the contents, even to the wearing apparel of Mr. and Mrs. Swope and their guests.

The Eugene fire department was called, but due to the fact that no water was available and the fire had gained such headway, nothing could be done but prevent the flames from spreading to the barns, where Mr. Swope keeps fine registered cattle, thereby preventing much heavier loss.

The Springfield fire equipment, also, was called to the scene of the blaze, with Herbert Moore in charge.

Much of the loss was covered by insurance.

**HIGH SCHOOL WILL FEATURE PLAY AT AUDITORIUM FRIDAY**

A play and a skit will be featured in a program at the Springfield high school auditorium Friday night at 7:30 o'clock. "A Case of Suspension," and "A Womanless Wedding," are the titles of the two skits planned.

Several musical numbers will be given on the program, including selections by the high school orchestra, directed by Miss Grace Potter. A girls' octet, composed of Dorene Larimer, Ruth Carlton, Melba Mellon, Venice Hawke, Frances Frizell, Evelyn Manley, Jule Pollard, Winifrid Tyson, will sing.

The cast of the first play, "A Case of Suspension," has been chosen as follows:

Dorothy, Alice and Mildred, young ladies of the seminary, played by Dorene Larimer, Lucille Richmond and Nadine McMurray.

Harold, Tom and Jack, boys from a nearby college, played by John Lynch, Leroy Nice, and Paul Potter.

Miss Ophelia Judkins, Winifrid Tyson.

Prof. Emilus Edgerton, Hartford McVey.

Kathleen, Edith Eaton, Jonas, Richard Harpole.

The cast of "The Womanless Wedding," is as follows: Miss Petite France, Lawrence Roof; Mr. U. S. America, Lloyd Mattison; Mr. Paris

Carl McKinnis; Mrs. Paris France, Clifford Murphy; Mr. London England, Freeman Squires; Mrs. London England, Coy Leathers; Mr. Anglo Saxon, Everett Squires; Miss Madrid Spain, Clifford Darr; Mrs. Knowall, Roy Streamer; Miss Riga Russia, Thayer McMurray; Aunt Africa, Read Hemenway; Mr. Lyon France, George Mason; Miss Nice France, Ralph Hughes; Mr. Leyden Holland, Goldon Houk; Mr. Rome Italy, Ennis Yarnell; Mr. Montreal Canada, Franklin Drury; Miss Janeiro Brazil, Ofa Luce; Miss Brussels Belgium, Claire Thurman; Miss Buenos Aires, Randall Withers; Mrs. Stockholm Sweden, Albert Harper; Mr. Oslo Norway, William Cox; Mrs. Dublin Ireland, Dick Kliese.

Return from Colorado—Mrs. Walter Lipas and brother returned Wednesday night from Colorado, where they attended the funeral of their father.

Moves From Apartments—Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Halleck are moving today from the Laxton apartments to a house on Eighth and E Streets.

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**Announcement**

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