

OREGON STATE NEWS OF GENERAL INTEREST

Principal Events of the Week Assembled for Information of Our Readers.

Fire destroyed the building formerly occupied by the Sibley Mills Lumber company at St. Helens. Donald R. Baker, 23, was injured fatally when he fell from a lumber carrier at the Florence mill, breaking his spine. North Fork ranchers near Florence report that the tent caterpillar has destroyed a large part of this year's fruit crop. Approximately \$20,000 damage was done to the Lebanon garage and its contents by fire which started from an undetermined cause. According to conservative estimates the 1930 pear and apple crop of the Rogue River valley will total 4375 cars, of which 4125 will be pears. Donald Bellenbrook of Monument fell off of a combine in Heppner and received a cut eyelid, which required several stitches to close the wound. The Medford city council voted to fight the earwigs this summer. Elmer Ostman will head the eradication work, which will be financed by the city. Filling silos with oats and vetch for summer dairy feed was begun recently when Dale Fowler at Grand Island and Clark Noble at Unionvale filled theirs. By a vote of 15 to 2, landowners under the Willow river project at a meeting at Brogan agreed to a plan to secure water from the Burnt river watershed. A Boy Scout camp to replace the one burned last summer on the Applegate will be built at Lake of the Woods, officials of the organization at Medford have announced. Tillamook will be represented by the chamber of commerce in the celebration and pageant that will be staged in the dedication of the opening of the Salmon River road, July 19. As insurance for future salmon runs the state game commission will conduct a campaign for the removal of abandoned dams in coastal streams, or provide adequate fish ladders. Permission has been granted by the war department for the construction of a bridge across Wilson river on the Oregon Coast highway north of Tillamook. The bridge will consist of three spans. Preliminary steps to encourage extensive development of the present canneries or the establishment of new plants to handle the produce of the Rogue River valley have been taken at Medford. A four-week-old buck deer is being fed on a bottle at McMinnville by Game Warden Charles Bratcher, who plans to turn the fawn over to the city park, if the approval of the state warden is obtained. Because of the depression in the lumber market, the Edward Hines Western Pine company plant at Burns has curtailed its output by cutting down operations to four days and nights each week. Election of Lynn Cronmiller as state forester to succeed the late F. A. Elliott, who died recently, was announced by the state board of forestry at a meeting held in the executive department at Salem. A dangerous curve on Pacific highway a mile north of Cottage Grove, often referred to as Deadman's curve because of several fatal accidents at that point, is being straightened by a state highway crew. An airplane dusted with sulphur the 29-acre clover field of Henry Strixness, located one-half mile south of Redmond. They carried 200 pounds of sulphur at a time. Two hundred people witnessed the operation.

THE MARKETS Portland Portland Wheat—Big Bend bluestem, \$1.10; soft white, western white, 97c; hard winter, northern spring, western red, 95c. Hay—Alfalfa, new crop, \$18.50; valley timothy, \$20.50@21; eastern Oregon timothy, \$22.50@23; clover, \$17; oat hay, \$15; oats and vetch, \$16. Butterfat—\$23.10. Eggs—Ranch, 19@22c. Cattle—Steers, good, \$10.75@11.25. Hogs—Good to choice, \$9.50@11. Lambs—Good to choice, \$7.50@8.50. Seattle Wheat—Soft white, western white, hard winter, western red and northern spring, 96c; Big Bend bluestem, \$1.05. Eggs—Ranch, 16@24c. Butterfat—\$4c. Cattle—Choice steers, \$10@11. Hogs—Prime light, \$12.10@12.25. Lambs—Choice, \$8@9. Spokane Cattle—Steers, good, \$8@8.50. Hogs—Good to choice, \$11. Lambs—Medium to good, \$8@8.50.

Reedsport was without power, lights and water recently as the result of a high wind which bowled over trees and broke down the lines of the Peoples West Coast Hydro-Electric company and caused a broken main in the city water system. The Cove co-operative cherry growers' association has contracted its 1930 crop of Royal Annes to Libby, McNeil & Libby for \$4 cents. It was announced at La Grande. The outlook for a good cherry crop in the Grande Ronde valley is promising. Visitors from many parts of the state have been attracted to West Linn recently to see a palm tree in full bloom at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Winkel. This unusual specimen is believed to be of the Yucca variety, and has reached a height of over six feet. Dr. L. F. Griffith, 62, assistant superintendent of Oregon State hospital and a prominent alienist, died at Salem after an illness of several months. Dr. Griffith had been associated with the state hospital for 39 years. During the last 25 years he had served as assistant superintendent. Albany will be advanced to the rank of first class postoffice July 1. Due to gain in postal receipts during the year, and Myrtle Point steps up from third class to second class. Condon, Freewater, and St. Benedict drop to third from second, and two other offices, Boardman and Wamoc, from third to fourth. Fire that for a time threatened the Libby, McNeil & Libby cannery and the mill of the Wasco Warehouse & Milling company at The Dalles destroyed the smaller of two warehouses owned by the latter concern, doing a damage estimated by E. O. McCoy, president of the company, at approximately \$45,000. The annual convention of tent caterpillars has been in progress in the Prescott swamp for several days. All the foliage has been eaten from the swamp willows and cottonwoods. They roam the rails of the narrow trestle connecting Prescott with the highway in restless hordes, and hundreds are sacrificed with the passing of every car. The clam bake sponsored by the Lions club of Newport and spread to the public at Newport was the most largely patronized clam bake ever offered on the Newport beaches, according to Bert Allen, president of the Newport club. A public clam bake is one of the rare occasions these days as clams are scarce and the financing of such occasions is difficult. Five high-grade Jersey milk cows, belonging to Peter Cuc, a farmer living in the Peavine district near Sheridan, died very suddenly, and it is thought the deaths were due to poisoning, according to Sheriff Manning. Large quantities of paris green and salt were found in the pasture where the animals had been feeding. Where the poison came from is a mystery. The ground squirrel problem in the Willows section has been one which has occupied the attention of many farmers to a considerable extent during the past few weeks. Since the weather turned dry the rodents have been moving into the grain fields in large numbers from the large tracts of range land, much of which is located near the grain fields in the hill farming areas. The Umatilla county court signed its part of the co-operative agreement between the department of agriculture, the state highway commission and Umatilla county relating to work and appropriation for a section of the Pendleton-John Day highway known as Oregon forest highway No. 3 and comprising a section running 3.2 miles south of Ukiah and one running 5.2 miles north of Dale. By a margin of 6 to 1, the city of Toledo bonded itself in the amount of \$15,000 to purchase additional right of way for the Corvallis-Newport highway through the county seat. This right of way, and a six-mile section between the east side Pioneer mountain and Toledo, are the only sections of this road between the Pacific and Roosevelt highways not improved with straightening and outfitting. Five Oregon counties will be accredited by the state livestock sanitary board within the next few days in connection with the bovine tuberculosis campaign. These include Coos, Deschutes, Curry, Columbia and Benton. Counties previously accredited are Clatsop, Polk, Tillamook, Josephine, Lincoln, Yamhill and Hood River. In accredited counties the tests must show that not more than one-half of 1 per cent of the cattle are infected. The Corvallis municipal paving plant was seriously damaged by fire when a blaze of undetermined origin consumed the frame building and partially destroyed the street flusher, a tractor and three motors stored in the plant. The Oregon Dairy and Cheese Co-operative association has been organized by a group of Medford business men with capital stock of \$12,000. The factory will be located at Central Point and operations will begin in about a month.

Word has been received at La Grande that the new cooperative creamery to serve Union and Willows counties would be located at Union. The Rogue River Valley Traffic association has gone on record in favor of postponing the annual Jackson county fair to October. The September dates comes at the height of the fruit season and works a hardship on growers and shippers. The Farmers Co-operative Creamery company of Baker, which recently purchased the Commercial Creamery company plant, is adding another department to its operations, a casein plant, which is expected to be in operation within the next two weeks. James Brindley, 45, clerk at another Burns hotel, lost his life in a fire of undetermined origin which destroyed the Grand hotel with a loss of about \$45,000. Ten other occupants of the hotel escaped, but were unable to dress or to save any personal belongings. It is feared that the apple crop in the Shedd section will be light next fall. Some trees did not bloom well and apparently they were injured by the extreme cold weather last winter. Some growers do not have enough apples to make spraying their orchards worth while. At a meeting of the North Morrow County Fair board Mrs. W. C. Isom was elected treasurer and Mrs. O. Corryal was re-elected secretary. The office of president has not yet been filled. The fair is held alternately at Irrigon and Boardman and will be held at Boardman this year. The C. A. Spaulding Logging company, which operates a large mill in Salem, has announced that their operations would be placed on a 40-hour per week basis. This is necessitated, it was said, because of the unsatisfactory lumber market and a desire to keep their present crew employed. A fall out of a window at Ashland almost cost Robinson Overby, a small girl, her speech. When she fell she struck with her teeth in such manner to almost sever her tongue toward the back of her mouth. Physicians managed to sew up the wound and the girl is expected to suffer no ill effects. That the farm lands of Union county are considered by the state land board as high-grade land risks is indicated by the fact that out of a total of \$5,570,924.85 that has been loaned from the state irrevocable school fund, loans aggregating \$456,253.21 are in the hands of Union county land owners. Jersey breeders of Linn and Benton counties conducted the largest Jersey cattle show at Albany that has ever been put on by the Two-County club. With 88 exhibitors showing 141 cattle, all entry records were broken. Each entry is certified as abortion free and otherwise a thoroughly healthy cow. Orchardists in Marion county have declared war on the native band tail pigeon which is said to be causing heavy losses in prune and cherry orchards. Several orchardists have obtained permits from the state game commission permitting them to kill the pigeons, which are said to be stripping the fruit trees. Fire, believed to have been of incendiary origin, destroyed the Roy Beebe mill at Leona, with a loss estimated at around \$350,000. The fire threatened the entire town of Leona, as no water was available. Dynamite was used to destroy the lumber dock and keep the fire from spreading away from the buildings. The new two-story grange hall at Williams is nearing completion. The structure is 40x50 feet in dimension. The first story is constructed of concrete, housing storage, dining room and kitchen, while the second story, of wood construction, will be the main assembly hall, with a large stage room. The hall will be dedicated July 4. Tranchell & Parelius, Portland, Or., contractors, started work recently on the \$150,000 union station being built in La Grande by the Union Pacific system. The firm has 180 days to complete the two-story structure, which, when completed, will be the largest depot between Portland and Boise on the O.-W. R. & N. railroad. To John R. Moore, Portland, goes the distinction of owning the lowest motor vehicle license number in Oregon, No. 1, and of being the first person in the state to receive the 1930-1931 license distributed under the new fiscal year license law. Dennis K. Koupal, Eugene, will have No. 13, much sought despite its reputation. Daylight saving time, which started at La Grande recently, has proved a failure, and now La Grande is operating on standard time. The city commission rescinded its previous proclamation at the request of 533 petitioners. Hood River county Pomona grange, in defense of the dairy industry, has adopted resolutions pledging to buy no substitutes for butter and urging merchants to discontinue the sale of oleomargarine and other butter substitutes.



Bishop Attacked Rev. James Cannon, Jr., Methodist Bishop of Virginia, whose activities as a "dry" lobbyist are under scrutiny by church and Congressional authorities.

52 FARMERS BUY 9,250 POUNDS CHLORATE Fifty-two farmers purchased 9,250 pounds of chlorate weed killers in the pool closed last Monday by County Agent O. S. Fletcher, and the chemicals were delivered on Thursday of this week. Two kinds of chlorates were purchased, 6,500 pounds being sodium chlorate and 2,750 pounds acid chlorate (calcium chlorate weed killer). Persons who failed to get their orders in the first pool may send them to the county agent at any time as he plans to order the weed killer once a week until the demand is filled.

U. S. TO SPEND \$5,000 FOR HOP INVESTIGATION The United States department of agriculture will establish a fund of \$5,000 from other appropriations for the department and use it for a research and investigation for the control of downy mildew in hop fields. Announcement of this was made this week by Senator McNary at Washington. Some of the mildew has been discovered in local hopyards and it is expected that most of the funds will be used by the Oregon state agricultural college in an investigation in this state. Jasper Resident Here—Mrs. Orlo Jones of Jasper spent Monday visiting in Springfield.

THURSTON Mrs. Helen Peterson from Salem and her young son, Donald Leslie, have been moved from the Pacific Christian hospital in Eugene to the home of her sister, Mrs. Lawrence Gosler. The high school annual election was held Monday afternoon. Roy Edmiston was elected director. Fred Gray was the director whose time had expired. Mr. and Mrs. Earl from Harrisburg visited their daughter, Mrs. Richard Hart, last Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. John Price and daughter, Mildred, and Mrs. Jennie Edmiston motored to Noti last Sunday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Price. Elmer Wells from Texas who formerly resided here was in Thurston Monday. He formerly owned the farm where Ray Rennie lives. Mrs. Richard Hart motored to Harrisburg last Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Day Morgan and sons and Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler and children from Eugene spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Taylor. Junior Morgan and Lois Wheeler did not return home with their parents but remained to spend the week at the Taylor home. Misses Lorena Wilson and Helen Chandler from Portland were callers at John Edmiston's Sunday morning. They report Miss Maude Edmiston, who is in Portland receiving medical treatment as improving greatly. Mrs. Ira Nice spent last Thursday in Springfield with Mrs. John Nice. Mrs. Ellen Needham and son, Ray Mitchell, attended the wedding of her niece, Miss Nellie Teeter to Mr. Clarence Peterson last Sunday at Cottage Grove. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Baugh motored to Eugene last Sunday and visited Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Jackson.

Marriage Licenses During the past week marriage licenses have been granted by the county clerk to the following: Eugene Howe, Portland, and Hazel Miller, Eugene; Otto Kaufman and Cora Smith, both of Eugene; Clarence Peterson and Nellie Teeter, both of Do-rena; Lee Cruzan, Dexter, and Oneta Smith, Springfield; Homer McKinley and Ola Rogers, both of Newberg; Paul Sisler and Lillie Coleman, both of Eugene.

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