

POULTRY MARKING MACHINES ARRIVE FOR DISTRIBUTION

SHIPMENT INCLUDES APPROXIMATELY SIXTY MACHINES

To Be Available at Office of Assistant County Agent Saturday Morning.

Approximately 60 poultry marking machines, ordered by local project poultrymen, arrived Thursday morning and will be available Saturday forenoon at the office of assistant county agent Jenkins. Those who ordered the machine are requested to get them at that time if possible. Those who have not paid are also requested to bring the remittance with them.

The markers were ordered last week after a series of demonstrations were conducted at various farms by the assistant county agent. These demonstrations illustrated the use of the machines and gave the producer an opportunity to choose between the several kinds. The pool order was then sent out.

ELECTRIC EEL IS HERE

"Buy an eel—and beat the power company!"

Most any day now, you can expect to read the message on the billboards of the nation, in its newspapers and over the radio.

No home will be complete, in the near future, without its eel. The great captains of industry will breed their own eels. Every manufacturing plant will swarm with eels.

When you go to the country, you will take a "beet" set with you. You'll be telling your next door neighbors, "Yes, I don't see how we ever got along before we got Oscar our pet eel!"

But you're dying with curiosity. Why the eels? Well, it seems, says the Seattle Star, that the Philadelphia zoo has imported electric eels from Trinidad. According to the supervisor of the zoo, Emerson C. Brown, each of the eels generates one horsepower.

The Philadelphia scientists have found that the eels can be connected electrically and made to run egg beaters, toy trains, light up electric bulbs and do other tricks.

Why the eels are electric no one knows. But they are. They use electricity to shock their enemies. But now the ingenious mind of man is turning their popularity into commercial channels. The eel's batteries will soon be turning out "juice" for homes and factories.

The electric eel is here! Freedom from bills! Free "juice" for everybody! Hot dog!

PHEASANTS LIBERATED

The 20,000 Chinese pheasants that have recently been liberated from the game farms at Corvallis, Eugene and Pendleton will greatly enhance the opportunity of the hunter when open season comes this fall. Liberations were made in those sections of the state where the Chinese pheasant is known to thrive.



WEATHER REPORT

According to Charles Taylor, observer. For the week ending July 17.

Thursday, July 11	83 48
Friday, July 12	92 44
Saturday, July 13	92 56
Sunday, July 14	93 65
Monday, July 15	88 61
Tuesday, July 16	91 52
Wednesday, July 17	96 51
No Rain.	

STORED FURNITURE SCORCHED WHEN GARAGE CATCHES AFIRE

Matches Believed to Have Been Ignited by Mice, Causing Fire at J. V. Allen Farm.

Several pieces of furniture which had been stored in a garage on the J. V. Allen farm on Butter creek were scorched when a blaze broke out in the building last Friday. A box of matches had been stored in a basket with the furniture and it is thought that they were probably ignited by the mice.

The smoke from the fire was discovered by O. T. Lockridge and Ralph Shafer who were driving past on the highway. They turned in and quickly extinguished the blaze before any serious damage resulted.

UNION PACIFIC SYSTEM EXPANDS STAGE LINES

Beginning Monday, July 15, the Union Pacific Stages, Incorporated, will operate from the Central Stage Depot at West Park and Taylor streets, Portland, as well as from the Sixth street stage terminal, it was announced today by B. T. Peyton, manager.

"The Union Pacific Stages," Mr. Peyton said, "has just completed negotiations with Mr. A. Jaloff of the Paramount corporation to take over the lease on the central stage depot.

This marks another high point in the rapid expansion of the Union Pacific Stages, which now operate 63 busses over a total of approximately 1600 miles of highway in Oregon, Washington and western Idaho. The rapid development of this company first became apparent April 8 when its resident, J. P. O'Brien, announced the purchase of the Blue Mountain Transportation company from the Emma Coldiron interests. This was followed by an announcement on April 10 of the absorption of the Interstate Coach company. The purchase of these two companies involved several hundred thousand dollars and add approximately six hundred miles of line. By taking in these companies and taking over the operation of various smaller lines in the northwest, the Union Pacific Stages now gives service between Portland and Baker, Oregon, and Lewiston, Idaho, via Pendleton, Oregon, as well as direct service between Portland and Spokane via Umatilla. Daily schedules are also from Portland to Bend and from Spokane to Lewiston and Spokane to Pendleton all schedules being so arranged to make direct connections furnishing direct service out of Portland to all the above named points.

Last week Mr. Peyton announced the purchase of eighteen new twenty-six passenger reclining chair parlor car coaches, all of which have arrived and been put into service.

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NEW MAIL SERVICE STARTS

Tuesday, July 16, marked the first delivery of mail over the extended rural mail routes from the local post-office to include the Umatilla and Irrigon districts. Two carriers are handling the service, the extension merely requiring a different division of the work.

STEALS CAR

Lewis Partlow of Toppenish, Washington, was arrested Monday morning by deputy sheriff B. J. Nation when he was found to be in possession of a car stolen from Jack Smith who lives on a ranch near Hermiston. Partlow was taken to the county jail at Pendleton.

Entertain At Dinner

Mrs. A. H. Norton entertained with a dinner party at her home Thursday evening honoring the birthday of her husband. Four guests were invited for the evening.

Mrs. E. N. Boynton left Saturday night for Portland where she will spend two weeks visiting.

Big Time in Store for All in Eugene July 25, 26 and 27



Eugene is inviting the entire state to participate in its Sunset Trail celebration, an event which will include the famed Sunset Trail pageant, the pioneer parade, industrial parade, and the largest air circus ever held in this part of the Northwest. This photo shows Miss Mary Gierhart, one of the princesses of the Royal court, and Cal M. Young, head of the pioneer phase of the event.

SHIPMENT OF CALCIUM CHORATE AVAILABLE FOR WEED CONTROL

Carload Ordered by County Court has Arrived; Application Made by Three Local Farmers.

A carload shipment of calcium chorate, ordered by the Umatilla county court, has arrived and is now available, according to Geo. H. Jenkins. Three farmers of this district made application for the mixture, intending to use it on various weeds. It is used principally for the control of morning glories in the wheat country but is found to be of benefit in the control of other weeds as well. Another shipment will be made about August 1 and anyone interested in getting a supply at that time may make application.

The mixture is put on when the foliage of the weed is the biggest, either a large or small sprayer being used for the purpose.

SENATOR TO FISH

While in Oregon on his annual summer vacation Senator Frederick Steiwer will devote three or four days to fishing. He is an ardent hunter and angler and is familiar with the game trails and trout streams of most sections of eastern and central Oregon.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS

At The Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Alderman of Butter creek, are the parents of a seven and a half pound baby girl born at the Hermiston hospital July 14. Mrs. D. R. Brownell of Umatilla is in the local hospital receiving medical treatment.

To Pendleton. Frank Stone and family were among the Hermistonians who were in Pendleton Monday for the circus.

To Pendleton. George H. Jenkins, assistant county agent, made a business trip to Pendleton Wednesday.

Walter Beasley Improving. According to word received from Mrs. W. B. Beasley, Walter Beasley who has been seriously ill in a San Francisco hospital for some weeks is slowly improving. His mother has been with him for the past three weeks.

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Employed at Bielman's. Ed. McMillan is a new employee at the Bielman Motors' garage.

SMITH-SEE

The marriage of Miss Shirlee Helen Patterson Smith of Bellingham, Wn. to Mr. Arthur Bryan See of Hermiston was solemnized at a beautiful wedding at St. Paul's Episcopal church in Bellingham Monday evening, July 8. The ceremony was performed by the bride's father, Rev. Canon Ernest B. Smith assisted by the Most Rev. A. U. dePencier, archbishop of Vancouver, B. C. and Rev. F. J. Stevens, principal of St. George's college, Prince Albert, Saskatchewan. Mrs. See graduated from the Saskatoon college and the Bellingham State Normal school. She has been a teacher in the kindergarten department of St. Albans girls' college at Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, and in the public schools at Birch Bay and Renton. Mr. See graduated from Beloit college in Wisconsin and is affiliated with the Sigma Chi fraternity.

Mr. and Mrs. See left Bellingham immediately after the ceremony for Vancouver, B. C. and a tour of Vancouver Island. They arrived in Hermiston the first of the week where they will make their future home. Mr. See has been with the local branch of the Tum-A-Lum Lumber company for several months.

FACTS ABOUT THE TELEPHONE

Toronto leads all Canadian cities in telephone development.

The city of London now has 133 telephone exchanges as compared with 120 a year ago.

In 1880 there were 2100 Bell telephones in service in Canada. Now there are more than 750,000.

Several islands off the coast of Maine are being connected with the mainland by telephone cables this summer.

The Telephone Pioneers of America will hold its sixteenth convention in the city of Minneapolis on October 17, 18 and 19.

Enough telephone wire to girdle the earth twelve times has been added to the Bell telephone lines in the Canadian provinces of Ontario and Quebec during 1928.

Four hundred carloads of apples were sold the other day as a result of a transcontinental call made from London to a Yakima (Wash.) fruit broker.

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COUNTY NURSE TO TALK AT FARM BUREAU AUX. MEETING

Scheduled for Friday Afternoon At 2 O'clock at Columbia Park.

Miss Edna Flannigan of Pendleton, Umatilla county nurse, will be present at a meeting of the ladies auxiliary of the Farm Bureau Friday afternoon at Columbia park. Miss Flannigan will talk on health problem, stressing particularly her work in connection with her position as county nurse. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 2 o'clock and all members are urged to be present.

THEATRE NEWS

"The Phantom City" Sat. and Sun. "The Phantom City," Ken Maynard's latest western, is to be shown at the Columbia theatre next Saturday and Sunday. It presents an entirely new angle to western pictures, inasmuch as it is a combination mystery drama and western, with, as you can imagine, plenty of thrills and laughs.

The theme is typical of the "dead" towns of California, for there are hundreds of ghost camps throughout the west with buildings still standing as they were abandoned fifty years ago. The town of Hornitos, near the Yosemite Valley, was the location used to make the picture. This town is one of the landmarks of Calaveras county, the locality of many of Bret Harte's stories.

An all star cast in Eugenia Gilbert, James Mason, Charles Myles and Blue Washington is furnished Maynard by Charles R. Rogers, producer of Ken Maynard features, in support. Albert Kogell is the director and Harry J. Brown the supervisor of the production.

"New Year's Eve," Wed. and Thurs. Thrill-seeking theatergoers will be amply satisfied at the local theatre next Wednesday and Thursday when the Fox film, "New Year's Eve," is shown. The exciting climax of the picture is shown in an atmosphere of crackling automatics and venetian gangsters, and the final reel of this picture dealing with the girl's reach for happiness is said to keep the spectators perched on the edge of their seats. Many of the scenes were made just as they appear on the screen, with the actors, especially the leading man, Charles Morton, in considerable real danger from flying bullets. In one episode Morton dodged a steel jacketed missile by a scant 3 inches, the bullet shattering the window where his head had been a fraction of a second before.

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TURKEY THEFT REPORTED BY FARMERS OF DISTRICT

H. G. McCulley Loses 300 Turkeys Last Week; Boardman Producers Also Report Loss.

Turkey thieves have been working in the Hermiston district during the past week according to reports from farmers. Last Wednesday night some 300 small turkeys were taken from the H. G. McCulley farm just outside the city limits. This was the largest loss reported although earlier in the week, 30 small turkeys were taken from another farm, according to reports. Information has also been received here of similar losses in the Boardman district where poultry, both chickens and turkeys, were taken.

A standing reward of \$100 has been posted for some time in this community for the capture and conviction of poultry thieves.

40 ET 8 BANQUET PLANNED FOR STATE LEGION MEETING

A big 40 at 8 wreck and banquet is scheduled to take place as part of the entertainment program of the American Legion convention in Salem August 8, 9 and 10. This event is on the calendar for the opening day to be opened by a business session at 3 P. M., followed by the wreck and banquet at 9 o'clock that evening. The Polk County Vulture is in charge of arrangements and the ritualistic work will be furnished by the degree team of the Portland Vulture. They promise to give the "Goofs" an evening replete with thrills.

Election of officers for the ensuing year will occupy an important part of the afternoon business session. The banquet will be served immediately following the wreck in an adjoining hall of the same building. A large class of initiates is expected from the various Vultures throughout the state. It will be worth your while to "Trail 'em to Salem" in August.

CLOVER SEED MEN WILL MEET CRISIS

Oregon Growers and Dealers Will Change Varieties to Save Big State Industry.

A complete change of clover seed types among Oregon seed producers, particularly those west of the Cascades, has been recommended by a late conference of growers and dealers which met at Oregon State college to make plans to meet a crisis in the seed market situation throughout the south and east.

The seriousness of the present situation, already reflected in the market, was emphasized by Dr. A. J. Pieters of Washington, D. C., a federal specialist who has been in close touch with the practical and experimental results obtained from Oregon seed in the east. Lack of disease resistance and hardness of Oregon seed is killing its market, he reported.

The trouble seems to have arisen from the introduction in Oregon of foreign seed which has produced good crops under the favorable conditions of this state but which in turn has produced seed unsuited to eastern conditions.

Experiment station specialists reported success with a new disease resistant type of clover which is this year being grown in limited quantities in all seed producing counties in Oregon. All seed from these plots is to be retained for Oregon use for a year or two.

Meanwhile sources of pure, hardy types of clover seed, including a few types in eastern Oregon, are to be located so as to permit Oregon growers to obtain large quantities of suitable strains as quickly as possible. Seed certification will then be put in practice to protect the Oregon market for the improved seed.

As the situation was found to demand almost an immediate revolution in this million and a half dollar industry, steps were taken to organize a state seed council which will consist of growers, dealers and experiment station specialists to assist in the change.

Returns From Redmond.

Mr. Vestal, manager of the Mutual cream station, has returned to Hermiston after a two week's visit with relatives in Redmond, Oregon.

LIGHT & POWER CO. MAKES SURVEY FOR EXTENSION LINES

ENGINEERS NOW WORKING ON COST ESTIMATES

Rural Service to be Rendered Where Cost Will not be Prohibitive Is Plan.

Hermiston Light & Power Company have completed the field measurements necessary in estimating the costs of construction of rural lines to Irrigon, from Hermiston to the Experimental farm, from Hermiston east and north toward Cold Springs reservoir, out the Butter creek road, through the Meadows south and west of Stanfield, over the Stanfield project east of that town, as well as other minor extensions, according to a statement given out by the company through J. A. Clarke, resident manager.

"The company's engineers are now engaged in working out estimates of the cost of the various planned extensions, and it may be some time before the final figures are available," the statement went on to say. "The company is, of course, anxious to extend its services wherever demand has arisen, but only in those instances where such extensions will not saddle the prospective consumers with a burden that is more than they can readily bear.

"It is to be realized that in thinly settled communities, some districts could only be reached by the expenditure of more money than would be economically feasible. Despite the many advantages that accrue from the use of electricity on the farm there are some instances in which the cost of the desired extensions may prove prohibitive.

"It is obvious that the company itself cannot make expenditures upon which it is sure to suffer a loss or even upon which it will be unable to make a fair return. As a utility, it is strictly limited by rule to the expenditure of a certain sum for each prospective customer. The standard is that the company can expend \$60 for each new service guaranteeing a monthly revenue of \$2.

Of course, for assured returns per service of increased amounts, the company's contribution would be proportionately larger. In other words, for a guaranteed monthly revenue of \$6, the company would expend 180 instead of \$60. The cost of the line over and above the total of the per service contributions by the company must be borne by the prospective consumers.

"The company intends to install the cheapest standard construction that will give good service, and in those cases where the necessary subscription by the expected consumers proves more than the company regards as equitable, the extensions will be discouraged.

Each extension is to be computed separately, and the most economical length of line per number of consumers is to be decided when these figures are available. Mr. Clarke, the resident manager, will then call on the residents along the planned line, and furnish them with detailed estimates of the total cost. At that time, a more careful study will be made as to the possibility of obtaining additional power and cooking loads, and the amount that the company can contribute will then be recomputed on the basis of the guaranteed minimum monthly revenue.

The customers along the projected line will then be informed exactly how much they will have to pay to obtain service.

"Where the engineering studies prove that the requested construction is economically practical, it is hoped that the lines will be completed before winter, though it is yet too early to make any definite promises."

MANAGER FROM MICHIGAN

John A. Clarke, resident manager of the Hermiston Light & Power company, which was recently taken over by the American States Public Service company, moved here from Sault Ste Marie, Mich., where he was in charge of the meter department of the Edison Sault Electric company. Mr. Clarke and family came to Oregon by motor.