

OREGON STATE NEWS OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

Notwithstanding Eugene has a reputation for rain, the month of November was the driest 11th month on record.

The fourth annual harvest jubilee sponsored by the business men of Lebanon was held recently. Attractive displays were made by the merchants.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Dow of Youngs River Meadows, Clatsop county, recently celebrated their 64th anniversary on the homestead they took up in 1879.

Building activity in La Grande in 1930 that will total more than \$415,000 and a continuous operation of all local industries indicates a big year for that community.

The population of the state pententenary at Salem has passed the 800 mark for the first time in the history of the state, according to Henry L. Meyers, superintendent.

Portland postoffice receipts moved up 7.24 per cent in November as compared with November a year ago, the postoffice department announces. The total for the month is \$249,000.

Sheep being hauled in a truck by Ernest Schmidt of Shaniko were stung when the motor of the truck exploded a few miles north of Redmond and set fire to the vehicle.

Approximately 130 miles of improved market road and at least five miles of paving will be completed by the Marion county court in 1930, according to announcement made recently.

George Fleming, contractor, reports excellent progress in clearance work for the Glenada sector of the Roosevelt highway. The grading crew has started one of the heaviest fills of the project.

Pierce Wilson of Talent, Jackson county, is the owner of a guitar that was brought to America in 1624 on the Mayflower. It is in a state of perfect preservation and has a clear, true tone.

Business men of Sutherlin have decided to make an immediate canvass for funds to complete the Leeper dome oil well. It is estimated that \$4000 is needed to sink the well to the 3500 foot level.

Seven prizes have been offered in the form of merchandise by the Albany Ad club to the winners of an ornamental lighting contest. Contestants include private citizens, schools and churches.

Trustees of the Umpqua highway improvement district met with the county court at Roseburg in an effort to adopt a program for work to be done between Drain and Scottsburg during the coming year.

One pie sold for \$42.75 at an entertainment put on by the senior class at the high school building at Hubbard. It went to Hy Everding, president of the Portland Gun club, who is spending a vacation there.

A new industry for Washington county has been established near Beaverton with the planting of five acres to holly trees by F. J. Deas. This is thought to be the first commercial planting of holly in Oregon.

Boys from all parts of southern Oregon were in Medford for the older boys' two-day conference, which was held at the high school under the auspices of the northwest council of the Young Men's Christian association.

Automobiles registered with the secretary of state for the first time may use license stickers, covering the first six months of 1930, on and after December 20. This was announced by Hal E. Hoss, secretary of state.

THE MARKETS

Portland
Wheat—Big Bend bluestem, \$1.35; soft white and western white, \$1.24; hard winter, northern spring and western red, \$1.22½.
Hay—Alfalfa, \$23.50@24 per ton; valley timothy, \$20.50@21; eastern Oregon timothy, \$22.50@23; clover, \$20; oat hay, \$19; oats and vetch, \$20.20.50.
Butterfat—39@43c.
Eggs—Ranch, 30@44c.
Cattle—Steers, good, \$10.25@11.
Hogs—Good to choice, \$9.25@10.25.
Lamb—Good to choice, \$10@11.
Seattle
Wheat—Soft white and western white, \$1.23; hard winter and western red, \$1.22; northern spring, \$1.22; bluestem, \$1.47.
Eggs—Ranch, 39@43c.
Butterfat—46c.
Cattle—Choice steers, \$9.50@10.25.
Hogs—Prime light, \$10@10.15.
Lamb—Choice, \$10.50@11.
Spokane
Cattle—Steers, good, \$9.25@10.25.
Hogs—Good and choice, \$10.
Lamb—Medium to good, \$8.50@9.

CHURCH NOTES

Baptist-Christian Church
Every boy and girl knows what to expect as a lesson in Bible school on the Sunday before Christmas. The time honored custom of studying the birth of Jesus has not been changed, though the lesson title is somewhat different this year. May this great fact of his birth be faithfully presented by every teacher and so studied by every scholar. The message of the morning will be on "Emanuel." The significance of this title of Jesus must not be overlooked. The truth it conveys is most fundamental to our faith and needs to be strongly emphasized. Christian Endeavor meets at 6 o'clock and a number of songs will be practiced for carols before the regular service at 6:30. Evening worship is at 7:30. Song service will be in keeping with the season. The message will be on "Jesus, the Savior of Sinners." Paul says, "This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." A Christmas program will be given on December 24 at 7:30.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCHES

"God The Preserver of Man" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, Dec. 15. The Golden Text was, "The Lord preserveth all them that love him" (Ps. 145:20). Among the citations which comprised the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible: "The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer" (II Sam. 22:2). The Lesson-Sermon also included the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures", by Mary Baker Eddy: "The history of Christianity furnishes sublime proofs of the supporting influence and protecting power bestowed on man by his heavenly Father, omnipotent Mind, who gives man faith and understanding whereby to defend himself, not only from temptation, but from bodily suffering" (p. 387).

M. E. Church

The Sunday school at 10 o'clock in the morning. There will be no preaching service in the morning. In the evening you are cordially invited to attend the Christmas program at our church. The following program will be given at 7:30 promptly: Invocation Pastor "Away in a Manger".....Prim. Dept. Playlet, "Trimming the Christ-

mas Tree".....Primary, Jan. Depts. Recitation Dayton Bielman A story cantata—"The Word That Came True".....The Choir with Morris Pierson reader and a tableaux by seven members of

the Sunday school. A Vist by Santa Claus. Benediction. We desire to take this opportunity to thank each and every one in his community for your friendship and

loyal support in the work of the church and from the very bottom of our hearts wish you a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. D. W. Payne and family.

MODEL FOR A FRIEZE



Sgt. Walter B. Andrews, Company E, Thirtieth Infantry, stationed at the Presidio in San Francisco, who has been picked by the commanding officers of the Infantry in answer to a call from Maj. Gen. Stephen O. Fuqua, chief of Infantry, asking the picture of the "most soldierly" soldier in each Infantry regiment. The photograph will be placed in a frieze to be installed permanently at headquarters in Washington.

Women and Money

In the hearing of a divorce case the other day the wife asserted that she had received only 40 cents in money from her husband in the ten years they lived together. But just to show it isn't safe to trust a woman with money it was proved that she spent 20 cents of this money for turnips. No wonder the men cling to their dough.—Los Angeles Times.

Preserving Floors

The forest service says that to prevent dry rot in floors the wood should be treated with a preservative before it is used and there should be air vents in the foundation so that the air would not be confined beneath the floor.

A Christmas Card

By MARTHA BANNING THOMAS

It had a picket fence of white
Around a snowy garden,
And tiny flames of candle-light
Shone on the window-sills at night
As if to ask a pardon
Of a little boy who rang the bell,
(He wore two bright red mittens),
The candles' shining seemed to tell
That all within was very well,
And several fuzzy kittens
Came following behind the boy
(Some friends of his most likely)
Their tails were waving plumes
of joy
And every kitten had a toy
And carried it politely.
I think that they had come to call
And bring a Christmas present;
I saw a trumpet and a ball
A doll, a cart, and that's not all;
It looked extremely pleasant.
I wish that little boy was me,
I've wished it every minute;
How awfully jolly it would be
To walk into that house and see
Who's really living in it!

"SCENIC OR SIGN-IC?"



The photograph, according to the Standard Oil Bulletin, illustrates "a motorist viewing California Mountain Scenery." The Standard Oil Company of California is now conducting four prize contests with a view to finding a solution of the problem of the defacement of the scenery of the Pacific Coast by objectionable advertising signs. Cash prizes of \$1,000, \$500 and \$250 are being offered for the three best 1500-word or less answers as to how the evil can be corrected; of \$500, \$250 and \$125 for the best 500-word or less statements on why it should be corrected; of \$250, \$125 and \$75 for the three eight-word or less slogans which will most effectively arouse public sentiment on the question, and additional prizes of \$200, \$100, \$75, \$50 and \$25 for the five best amateur photographs of actual signs which best portray defacement. The judges of the contest are: Hon. Horace M. Albright, Director, National Park Service. Kathleen Norris. Ex-Senator James D. Phelan of California. W. L. Valentine, Former President, Automobile Club of Southern California. H. B. Van Duzer, Chairman, Oregon State Highway Commission. Mrs. H. F. Alexander, Seattle Garden Club. David Whitcomb, Chairman, Executive Committee, Pacific Empire Association. Full text of conditions may be obtained from any Standard Oil office or by writing to the company at 225 Bush Street, San Francisco.



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F. B. BARKER, AGENT

WITH UNBOUNDED ENERGY AND A RENEWED DESIRE TO BE OF SERVICE, WE PREPARE FOR NEXT YEAR, MINDFUL OF THE WONDERFUL COOPERATION AND FRIENDSHIP SHOWN US IN 1929. MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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WE SAY "MERRY CHRISTMAS" TO YOU WITH A PROMISE TO KEEP UP OUR HIGH STANDARD OF SERVICE AND COURTESY, AND TO STRIVE TO PLEASE OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS AT ALL TIMES.

Knerr's Repair Shop



NO WORDS CAN CONVEY THE DEPTH AND SINCERITY OF OUR GREETING WHEN WE SAY "MERRY CHRISTMAS" TO ALL OF YOU. WE HOPE THAT ALL YOUR WISHES ARE FULFILLED IN 1930.

The Hermiston Hotel