

# Scappoose and Vicinity

## Doyle Hamlin Star Player

Doyle Hamlin did not play against Rainier in basketball as stated in last week's issue. Hamlin was ineligible under the new age ruling and he has not played since.

Doyle was, expecting this to be his big year. He is a senior and takes part in no other sport. Illness delayed his graduation. He has played but two years on the team.

Dutch West played in place of Hamlin against Rainier.

### Scappoose Locals

Mrs. A. A. Gates and Miss Doris of Monmouth Normal spent the week end visiting friends in Apple Valley.

Ruth Hoven of Monmouth Normal spent the week end with her parents here.

Mrs. Marcella Page came up from St. Helens Sunday, spending the day at her home here.

Mrs. Beatrice McKay spent Sunday at the Kilworth home returning to St. Helens Sunday evening.

Superintendent Votaw of the S. P. & S. and Asst. General Manager Kittle called a short time at the local depot to see Mr. Stout while en route to lower Columbia river points.

Marjorie Allen came home from U. of O. Friday to spend the week end here with her parents.

Mrs. Andrew Tittle is spending a few days in St. Helens closing her home. The Tittles intend to live in Scappoose.

Mrs. Hollenbeck went to Yankton recently, where she will be the guest of the Than Brown family for a few weeks.

F. M. Benoit of Willamette spent Sunday at the J. T. Bennett home.

Nellie Dorn, who has been visiting relatives in Portland the past two weeks, returned to Scappoose Sunday.

Mrs. Geo. Wilson, Columbia county president of the W. C. T. U., spent Sunday evening in Scappoose.

Mrs. Bullock, formerly of Scappoose, who has been in Alaska and other points, is house guest at the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. B. H. Allen.

Mrs. Effie Marcy of Canby is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Smith.

Charles Graham, who is confined to his room at the Portland hospital, is reported improving nicely.

Miss Anna Sieberts of Astoria is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Geo. Klavane.

## Scappoose Coach Wants Larger Track Turnout

With the first show of warm weather about a dozen track men began limbering up. There will be no other athletic activity for the boys this spring.



## "Monkey Biz"

Without brimming over with joy, we hear of a "selling plan" outlined by a telephone company to get 10 or more new phone users before next January. Like all pep meetings, the phone managers tell their different exchange managers how all must strive to sell and sell, to see who wins.

While they strive to see who wins, the poor newspapers with dim eyes see vanishing spaces of ads disappear. Indeed fortunate will be the station to get an appreciable increase of subscribers under this plan, unless the population greatly increases. Sometimes service and better equipment sells better than a pep campaign or contest.

Many a mean kid will receive a pat on his bean from an ambitious politician, as the candidate talks to Maw about his platform.

"We, who handle the mail, seem to be the most popular males in town," said Tommy Bateman.

Nothing seems to worry Al, as long as the store across the way is empty.

Usually the downfall of a promising boxer starts when some female has said something about his good looks and he enters the ring trying to save 'em.

Now that Rainier has won the Eagle trophy, "on with the battle."

Non-skid surface will be placed on Columbia River Highway from Portland to The Dalles.

## W. C. T. U. Program Vital With Statistics

Mrs. Geo. Wilson, president of the W. C. T. U., gave startling facts regarding the use of cigarettes and narcotics at the meeting held in Scappoose Sunday evening.

Rev. G. N. Magwood spoke on "America First," or "10 Years of Prohibition."

## Local Patient Still in Danger

Mrs. Bert Adams, who suffered severe scalp burns in December and who has been a patient at the Good Samaritan hospital since, is having a serious time with her scalp. Monday a second skin graft was given.

## Lavendar Club Celebrate 2nd Anniversary

The Apple Valley Lavendar Club will celebrate its second anniversary at the home of the president, Mrs. J. T. Bennett, tomorrow.

## S. E. Bryant Says Best Team Won

Basketball season is almost over and the championship has gone to the best team, Rainier. It has been my good fortune to see these lads play almost every game, the only poor one being against St. Helens at the opening of the season.

Rainier has a bunch of consistent performers. There seems to be no outstanding stars, but a well-balanced machine. They have an offensive that functions and a real defense. They will receive additional honor with the awarding of the Vernonia Eagle trophy.

Personally I would like to see this last award tendered with a bit of ceremony fitting to such an occasion.

## P.-T. A. Hold A Meeting

Regular meeting of the P.-T. A. will be held at the usual place March 7, according to Mrs. J. G. Watts, president.

## D. W. Pennington Buys Scappoose Garage

D. W. Pennington of St. Helens took possession Monday of the City Garage, owned until then by Large & Son. The new owner is well known in St. Helens as a business man. Mr. Large will remain in Scappoose for the present.

## C. E. Mellers Attend Rally at Portland

S. E. Bryant, Ellen Berg, Miss Leavenworth, Jants Magwood and Minnie Scholtz, Fred Smith, Ben Smith and Mrs. Marcy attended the rally in Portland Sunday afternoon.

## Have Grade Teachers As Dinner Guests

Miss Jennie Schoole entertained Principal Otto Peterson, Miss Vera Price, Laura Uhlman, Fern White and Vera Roscoe at 6 o'clock dinner Monday evening at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Schoole, west of Scappoose.

## P.-T. A. Membership Campaign Continues

The second grade won the P.-T. A. membership drive with a total of 39 members. A total of 69 members were gained in a week.

Hood River—Highway Garage building on Oak street being remodeled.

Beaverton—Plans completed for construction of \$325,000 St. Mary's school building near here.

## FASCISTS SENT THOUSANDS INTO EXILE WITHOUT TRIAL

Nephew of Former Italian Premier Charges Government With Inhuman Treatment.

New York—Charges that the Fascist government has imprisoned and exiled thousands of its political opponents without trial, subjecting them to extremely inhuman treatment, are made by Francesco F. Nitti, nephew of the exiled former premier of Italy, and himself an escaped prisoner from the rocky penal islands off the north African coast, in an article in the North American Review.

Nitti's article is presented as a part of his forthcoming book, the announcement of which has aroused vigorous Fascist opposition to its publication and caused the offices of the publishers both in London and New York to be put under police guard.

Nitti, once a Rome bank executive, was arrested, he says, with 3,000 other anti-Fascists in Rome during the first two weeks of Fascist power in 1923. He was never shown a warrant for his imprisonment and never brought to trial. Within two weeks he was deported to the penal islands for five years, although no specific charge was ever filed against him. At least 29 members of the Italian chamber of deputies suffered the same fate, he says, before the entire body of 200 anti-Fascist deputies was summarily ousted from their elected positions.

The entire body of political prisoners was subjected to innumerable hardships, he declares. On occasions 20 prisoners were crowded into cells built for six or seven. "We lacked even sufficient food for washing," he says. "I loved macaroni, cooked in water and mixed with boiled worms. By paying outrageous amounts we were able to obtain dried figs and onions. We slept on the floors, on mattresses stuffed with wood shavings, two of us on each mattress."

## Bad Health in Rural Areas Costs Billion

Washington—The United States suffers an annual economic loss of \$1,000,000,000 because of lack of adequate health services in rural communities, stated Surgeon General H. S. Cummings in a recent report to congress.

At the present rate of progress it will take fifty-one years before all the rural communities will be receiving the necessary health service, he said. During the fiscal year just completed, the public health

service co-operated in 207 counties located in 17 states. The establishment of county health organizations provide the machinery through which all public health services may be conducted in proper sequence and proper relation one to the other. These organizations insure to communities a well-balanced, comprehensive and general program of public health work adapted to their needs. They also serve as the most practical means for preventing the intrastate and interstate spread of disease.

It was such organizations as these which were established in the areas affected by the Mississippi flood of 1927 that were largely instrumental in averting outbreaks of disease which threatened to follow the wake of flood.

## French Farmers Seek Right to Kill Larks

Paris—The lark, the symbol of poets and favorite dish of epicures, has lost prestige in France, where a movement has just been started for its extermination. As a result of losses to agriculture caused by larks sweeping down from the skies and making a meal on newly sown wheat seeds, deputies representing the farming districts of the country have asked for a revision of the hunting laws to bring about a more general slaughter of these birds.

## Death Rate in United States Shows Increase

Washington—The birth rate of the United States fell from 20.7 to 19.7 per 1,000, while the death rate increased from 11.4 to 12.1 during the year ended June 30, 1929, the United States Public Health service reported. The infant mortality rate jumped from 54.8 to 67.9 per 1,000 births. The report stated that the increase in the death rate probably is due in part to influenza.

## French Attempt to End Roaming by Land Gifts

Paris—France is striving to stop the aimless wanderings of the gypsy tribes of Syria by offering them land to till and houses in which to live. Although the instinct to rove on the part of these nomads has dominated them for centuries, French colonial officials are confident that they can be made sedentary and point to the changes that have been brought about in the habits of some of the tribes.

Plan War on Ants Canberra, Australia—A special campaign is planned against white ants, the pests held responsible for

the destruction of 25,000 telephone and telegraph poles annually, besides damage to bridges, harbor works and public and private buildings.

Boy St. Patrick Logansport, Ind.—William Rivers, nine years old, was acclaimed as Indiana's boy St. Patrick. He broke up a nest of live snakes along the Wabash river, killing 26 and bringing six home as trophies.

## 340 Traffic Deaths in London in 3 Months

London—During July, August and September of 1929, 340 persons were killed in the metropolitan police district of London. The total injured over the same period was 14,200, while 32,000 persons suffered either property or personal loss.

Private automobiles were the worst offenders, killing 88 and injuring 4,905. Trade and commercial vehicles killed 112 and injured 1,900. Omnibuses killed 25 and injured 845.

Trams took the lives of seven, but injured 559. Jaywalking and careless driving are given as the chief reasons for the number of deaths and accidents. Hesitating or faltering are also listed as important reasons for the high toll in lives and property.

## Chinese Are Urged to Use Native Silk

Peking, China—"Dress in Chinese silks rather than in foreign woolsens" is the slogan of the Native Silk Products Salvation association, printed in Chinese newspapers here. The association urges students and all persons who can afford to do so to wear silks made in China, rather than woolsens made by foreigners.

This campaign is the opposite of one made a year ago by Marshal Feng Yuhsiang's adherents, who urged the people to wear cheap cotton cloth, no matter how rich they were.

WINDOW Signs Silver Plating Re-silvering Mirrors Local agent for HEALTHO PRODUCTS H. R. ELTON 959 Bridge St. Vernonia

\*\*\*\*\* Trick Watches Latest Fad Among Parisians \*\*\*\*\* Paris.—European watch manufacturers have gone modern and this year's watches look like anything but a watch. The smartest boulevard shops show watches with only four hours indicated—3, 6, 9, and 12. You have to guess the rest. There is another without hands. When you want to know what time it is you press a button and the dial lights up with lighted hands pointing directly to the hour. There are watches hidden in cufflinks, in women's necklaces, and in a leather strap no wider than a shoestring. It seems, however, the smaller they are the higher they come. \*\*\*\*\*

Nehalem — Nehalem Theatre reopened to public.

Hillsboro—West Coast Telephone Company reports that this exchange had net gain of 202 stations during last year.

Warrenton — Columbia River Fishermen's Cooperative cannery here will cooperate in matter of canning vegetables.

La Grande—Five story unit will be constructed adjoining Sacajawea Inn on south corner of First and Washington streets.

Astoria—Plans are underway for construction of Trinity Lutheran church edifice at corner of 16th and Franklin at cost of \$50,000.

Cushman—Cushman sawmill may start operations before March the 1st.

Bandon—Bandon trout farm shipping large quantities of trout for market.

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