



NEWSLETS GATHERED ABOUT COUNTY COURT HOUSE

Minor Matter of More than Passing Interest

Attempts Suicide in Jail

"Bill" Benecke, who was in the employment of the E. W. Hodson pharmacy at Newberg, and lifted articles from the store and disposed of them later, pleaded guilty in circuit court and was sentenced by Judge Belt to incarceration in the county jail for six months. Wednesday morning of last week he attempted to commit suicide by choking himself with a necktie. A physician was called and the would-be suicide was brought to. Young Benecke has been living in Portland of late, and recently returned to work for Mr. Hodson for whom he had worked for some time two or three years ago.

Will be Tried February 16

The trial of John C. Peterson, of Newberg, has been set for February 16. The grand jury indicted him on two counts—for forgery and for larceny by bail. Peterson was up to a week ago in charge of the grocery department of the Miller Mercantile Co. at Newberg. He pleaded not guilty when arraigned and George Brownell, the noted Oregon City lawyer, will appear in his behalf when the trial comes off. Peterson came to Newberg two years ago from Estacada and entered the employment of the store in the Quaker City. Peterson is alleged to be the principal in certain shady automobile deals.

"Dutch Pete" is Freed

Peter Stroff, alias "Dutch Pete" is again a free man, the grand jury failing to indict him with the shooting of J. E. Clark because of lack of corroborating evidence, it is said. Chas. Gosso the inmate of the penitentiary, was brought here by guards, to give his testimony before the grand jury.

Weidner Will Filed

The will of Paul Weidner, of Detroit Mich., executed Oct. 17, 1917, has been filed. Each of his children are remembered with \$100. The remainder of the estate goes to his wife. The will directs that at her death that \$20,000 shall go to a daughter, Olga Weidner Kling.

Robert Butchers, Sr., who died in McMinnville, devised according to his will \$200 each to his sons, George Irwin, Winfred Arthur and Robert John J., and the rest of the property goes to his wife, Electa E. Butchers, who is named executrix of the estate.

The will of the late Frank J. Canfield was filed January 28. It was executed May 2, 1916, in the presence of Frank W. Fenton and E. C. Apperson. His wife Delilah Cramer Canfield is named executrix. Provisions are made for Elsie M. Ferch, who gets \$5,000, \$25 payable each year for 20 years by Delilah H. Youngberg who is bequeathed 49.92 acres of land; another daughter Kathleen M. Thornton also gets \$5,000 payable in sums of \$250 for 20 years by Edgar P. Canfield who receives 110 acres of land. The remainder of the property real and personal is willed to the widow.

Obtain Marriage License

Marriage licenses have been issued to the following: Esther Ellen Kidd, Amity and Charles Moe, of Bellevue; Idylla Ann Brownhill and William Russell Manley, both of McMinnville; Elsie May Lloyd and Charles Wesley Lauder of Sheridan. Up to the middle of last week February had not felt the presence of Cupid in this county.

Collects Bounty

George R. Null of Yamhill, Route 1, collected \$2 on a bobcat pelt.

Archie Brown of Willamina, was paid \$4 for a coyote skin.

Bounties have been collected by Elmer Scheese, of Blaine, Ore., who got a warrant of \$52 for 16 bobcats, 2 coyotes, 1 panther and 1 wolf. This is the largest amount of pelts brought in by a single individual for many months.

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TREATY AGAIN IS BEFORE SENATE

Peace Pact Brought up For Consideration Monday; Bitter Fight Forecast.

Washington. — The peace treaty, which has lain in a parliamentary pigeonhole since November 19, while a basis for its ratification was unsuccessfully sought in private negotiations, was brought formally before the senate again Monday.

Although prompt agreement is expected generally on many of the minor points at issue, a long and bitter contest is forecast over article 10 and perhaps a few other treaty provisions. The leaders on both sides profess to see some hope of ratification, but other senators believe the deadlock certain to continue until the controversy has been fought out in the presidential campaign.

Besides the outstanding issues of the treaty fight the most prominent subject of discussion among senators was the letter of President Wilson laid before the democratic conference and made public by Senator Hitchcock. The president's renewed declaration of opposition to some of the language of the republican reservations were interpreted in different ways.

Some declared the letter an uncompromising reiteration of the stand taken by the president on the eve of the November ratification vote and asserted that its publication had widened the breach between the democratic and republican forces. Others, professing to see new evidences of concession in the president's words, predicted an opposite effect.

Although the president's letter was written before publication of the statement of Viscount Grey regarding reservations, in some quarters it was suggested that the letter would not have been permitted to become public if the British statesman's views had resulted in any change in the president's position.

YAMHILL COUNTY SCHOOL NOTES

Interesting Items of School Happenings Furnished by County Superintendent

No. 1, the Merchant school has been temporarily closed by a vote of the patrons and the pupils are attending the Yamhill and Carlton schools.

Co. Sup't Allen, of Columbia county, accompanied the county superintendent in a visit to the Amity school on Monday of last week. Sup't Allen addressed high school students at assembly, and also addressed a meeting of the Parent Teachers' Circle in the evening. He expressed himself as being well pleased with the work in the school, and was also very enthusiastic in his commendation on plans of the Parent Teachers' Circle. Seventy-seven persons attended the meeting, which was an interesting one from start to finish. Rev. Frank Barnell and the county superintendent also addressed the patrons for a short time. Sup't Allen also attended a meeting of the Rural School Improvement Club at Fairview, No. 24 on the evening of the 31st of January. A fine program was rendered after which the evening was spent in a social way. We dare to hope that the Columbia County superintendent was well pleased with what he saw in the Yamhill County schools and that his visit may be repeated at some future date.

Miss Esther Wilcox of No. 6, the Levis, school, was detained at home last week by the illness of her sister, Miss Mary Wilcox. Miss Helen Ward, of the teachers' training class of the McMinnville schools substituted for Miss Wilcox during the entire week.

No. 8, the Sitton school, has erected one of the finest horse sheds in the county. Many of the pupils ride to school, and the shed is a much needed improvement.

No. 12, the Waddell school, has been temporarily closed by a vote of the patrons, and the pupils are attending the Whiteson school. N. V. Rowe, of McMinnville, is in charge of the Whiteson school.

The grade pupils of the Lafayette schools will give a program in the near future to finish paying for their phonograph. The high school pupils of the same school will give a program later on.

A program was recently given by the Dayton schools to assist in financing the hot lunch that has been established. The money will be expended for necessary utensils for serving the lunch. A charge of five cents is made to each pupil for each lunch. During a recent visit we had the pleasure of seeing the pupils during the noon hour, and we would judge that the hot lunch idea is quite popular with them.

The pupils in No. 31, the Fairdale school are attending school in Moore's Valley for the winter.

J. L. Northup, of Newberg, and Mrs. E. O. Jones have charge of the Fernwood school, No. 32. J. W. Lorett, the former principal, has taken the Dayton Prairie school, No. 18, in order to be nearer his home.

The pupils of the Patty District, No. 33, are being transported each day to the Amity school. This is the second year that No. 33 has been closed by a vote of the patrons, therefore it would seem that they are satisfied with the experiment of temporary consolidation.

Miss Lois Varney, of Corvallis, formerly of McMinnville, has taken the place of Miss Grace Farrar in No. 36, Gopher Valley school. Miss Farrar was released from her contract by the board.

Mrs. Clara Land, of the upper Willamina Valley school, is again at her desk after her extended trip to the East. Mrs. Land was called away by the illness of her father.

No. 39 Cherry Grove, has been temporarily closed, and the pupils are being transported to the Amity school.

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HOOVER SAYS HE IS NOT A CANDIDATE

New York.—Herbert Hoover issued a statement here defining his attitude toward the presidency. He announced that he is not a candidate for the nomination and that no one is authorized to speak for him politically. If the league of nations is made an issue in the election he says he will vote for the party that stands for the league. In response to requests that he declare allegiance to either one or the other of the great political parties, Mr. Hoover said:

"I am being urged by people in both parties to declare my allegiance to either one or the other. Those who know me, know that I am able to make up my mind when a subject is clearly defined. Consequently, until it more definitely appears what the party managers stand for, I must exercise a prerogative of American citizenship and decline to pledge my vote blindfold.

"I am not unappreciative of the many kind things that my friends have advanced in my behalf. Yet, I hope they will realize my sincerity in not tying myself to undefined partisanship."

OREGON WEEKLY INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

Prosperous Industries Make Prosperity for all of us.

Portland to Pendleton highway to be ready next summer for travel.

L. J. Simpson and associates incorporate Coos Bay Logging Company.

Warrenton sawmill adds 65 to crew on day and night shift.

Oregon motor vehicle license fees total \$1,325,000 for 1920.

Gold Lill—Savage creek timber tract sold to be cut at Medford.

Marshfield—San Francisco firm will cut myrtle in Brewster valley.

Bandon—Coos county cheese output for 1919, 2,500,000 pounds.

Portland to Los Angeles on high by end of next summer is road slogan.

North Bend to reclaim 750 acres tide land at cost of \$400,000.

Anybody can wreck a public utility or railroad system—it takes men of constructive ability to put them back in working condition.

Hood River starts movement to build hospital.

Brownsville growers make success of broom corn.

Albany to get animal hospital with wards for dogs and cats.

Portland city council has decided it does not know how to operate the streetcar lines of that city.

Another interstate hydro-electric plant being built on paper for Oregon and Washington.

Salem—\$187,377 expended to date on soldier education aid.

Eugene—Mutual creamery acquires site for condensery.

Astoria—50,000,000 feet of lumber went out in ships during January.

Klamath Falls unions demand wage increase in lumber industry.

Cottage Grove—New sawmill to be erected near here.

Albany—Fruit crop here this year is largest in history.

Missouri Mule (Labor)—"An honest day's work for honest wages, and honest wages for an honest day's work is the just and fair solution toward industrial peace."

Ashland—Big road contracts in this vicinity to be rushed to completion this spring.

Aurora—Movement to promote planting of loganberries and other small fruits here this spring.

Grazing of 1020 head of cattle and horses and 16,700 head of sheep in Cascade national forest authorized by secretary of agriculture.

Oregon food products are winning increasing prestige in outside markets.

Bend—24 miles of road built under supervision of Deschutes National forest officials at a cost of \$5772 during 1919.

Portland—Northern Pacific Terminal Co. granted permit to construct spur tracks, sidings and switches for benefit of new \$1,500,000 home of Montgomery Ward & Co. Work on the structure will start immediately.

Adoption of simple metric system of weights and measures being urged for this country. Of all civilized nations, the present coinage of the British Isles as well as the weights and measures of the British Isles and of America are of the old antiquated and inefficient German origin and discarded years ago by that nation itself.

Echo—Construction work on Teel project continues despite severe cold and snow.

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