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A representative of the state fair was here this week and stated that he considered the crop showing in this section best he had seen in the state. Others say that the corn field of W. B. Van Dyke, near Nyssa, is as fine as they have ever seen in any of the alleged corn states. There are other good fields in the Big Bend, especially the Alex Wade field. We know that Malheur county can make a prize winning exhibit at the State Fair and as the expense will be met by the state it is the duty of our people to prepare for such an exhibit. Now is the time to save the grasses and a little later the grains. Get busy and show those web-footers what a good country can produce.

Roosevelt in a speech at Philadelphia this week lays the blame for Wilson's election on Penrose. The most of the people have known for a long time that Roosevelt was the man that rendered Wilson's election possible by insisting on his own nomination.

FRUITLAND NEWS ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. Puchert and Carry Tusling will leave the last of the week on a fishing trip to Squaw creek, to be gone two weeks.

The practice ball game here Friday afternoon between the home team and the league team of Payette resulted in favor of Payette 10 to 1.

Ed Fitzgerald will leave Thursday to look at land near Midvale with a view to Trading his Whitley bottom home.

The people of this vicinity are expecting a fine time 4th at the picnic at Grant Fisher's given under the direction of the W. C. T. U. A good program has been arranged with a picnic dinner in the shade.

D. L. Ingard's have moved into the packing house, torn down their old house and will build a modern home.

The members of the Methodist congregation gave Rev. C. E. Deal a surprise party Tuesday evening at Epworth hall, the occasion being his birthday.

Ralph Makinson was entertained at dinner Sunday at the Bayer home.

Frank Taylor will leave after the fourth for the Twin Falls country.

Miss Lilly Winter went to Caldwell last week to visit with relatives until after the 4th.

A grandstand was erected last week at the High school ball grounds. Tickets were sold for one game to pay for the materials, \$54 being realized.

Miss Apphia Robinson drove to Nampa Monday to visit the home folks. She was accompanied by Earl Scritchfield and Irene Cotton.

E. A. Stegner is building an addition to his home. G. C. McGee and R. G. Wilson are doing the work.

A delegation came down from New Plymouth Tuesday extending an invitation to their celebration the 4th. Their band gave us some good music, which was appreciated.

Arthur Day left Tuesday for Kansas, to take charge of his father's farm.

C. K. Huntington returned Monday from a week's stay in Boise.

The Philathea class of the Baptist Sunday school entertained the Baraca class Thursday evening at the home of Josephine Holt.

Editor Merritt of the Nyssa Journal was here Monday interviewing the local merchants.

NEWS FROM OUR NATIONAL CAPITAL

Japan's Protests Against California Alien Land Laws is Absorbing Topic.

Washington. — Japan's protests against the California alien land law, brought conspicuously before the public again by publication of the correspondence between the Washington and Tokio governments, was discussed with absorbing interest in official and diplomatic circles.

One phase of the negotiations disclosed in the correspondence which attracted particular interest in official circles was said to suggest the possibility of an issue entirely new in the history of the United States. In Italy in connection with the promise by the Japanese government to grant land ownership to Americans, appeared the words, "reserving for the future, however, the right of maintaining the condition of reciprocity with respect to the separate states."

This, it was pointed out, appeared to be a distinct reservation by the Japanese government of the right to retaliate directly upon the Californians by singling them out among American citizens for exclusion from the right to possess real property in Japan.

May Rush Railroad Land Survey.
Surveying lands embraced within railroad grants will be pushed rapidly if the senate sustains an appropriation of \$100,000 made by the house.

The western members, with Secretary Lane, want to make sufficient appropriations each year to carry the work to a speedy termination. It was pointed out to the house that as long as the railroad lands remained unsurveyed they were virtually the property of the railroads, while title could not pass and the lands could not be taxed.

There is a demand in most of the western states to have the railroad lands surveyed so that they can be taxed by the states and made to bear their proportion of the cost of local government.

Senate Secrets Get Out.

Stirred to action by the apparent freedom with which the proceedings of the foreign relations committee in consideration of the Nicaraguan and Colombian treaties have been published from day to day, several senators agreed on a resolution asking for authority to subpoena senators and Washington correspondents to an inquiry to determine how the proceedings of the committee—which are supposed to be especially secret—get out.

Evidence that not all senators entirely approve the idea that the committee's proceedings shall be secret was given by Senator Norris, who is not a member of the foreign relations committee. He offered a resolution that all senators be furnished with copies of the daily testimony before the committee on the treaties, that senators who were to vote on the matter should have the benefit of it.

House Insists on Mileage Cut.

Amid a maze of parliamentary tangles that kept members guessing, the house sent back to conference the question of mileage of representatives in congress.

The body voted in favor of 5 cents a mile each way for senators, and the defeat, 184 to 59, of a motion to recede from disagreement to the senate proposition of continuing the present 20 cents a mile, sent the whole question back to be threshed out again by the conferees.

National Capital Brevities.

Despite the opposition of Turkey the house agreed to the senate amendment providing for the sale of the battleships Idaho and Mississippi to Greece.

United States supreme court ruled that retail lumber dealers who blacklist wholesalers for selling direct to the consumer violate the Sherman anti-trust act.

The interstate commerce commission suspended until January 10, proposed increased rates on melons from California to Oregon and Washington. Railroads are not liable for damages for personal injuries to interstate employees or their families who are hurt while riding on passes, according to a ruling of the United States supreme court.

It has been proposed to President Wilson that the name Culebra cut in the Panama canal be changed to the Gaillard cut in honor of the late United States engineer, who harnessed the mountain at that point.

For fear that the interests of the fall campaign would be affected, house leaders have decided not to force a vote now on the proposed Hobson amendment providing for nation-wide prohibition.

The new federal reserve banking system will not get in operation until some weeks hence, it is thought, as result of the delay of the senate in confirming the president's nominees on the board. The bank was to start August 1.

BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

Nearly three miles of municipal railroad is in operation at Grants Pass, the first road of its kind to be started in Oregon.

The Oregon state federation of labor urges Senator Chamberlain to aid in passing the senate bill restricting immigration. The illiteracy test has the indorsement of the federation.

Sixty members of the Oregon National Guard were vaccinated with typhoid prophylaxis at the Clackamas rifle range.

M. F. Henderson of the University of Wisconsin has been engaged as pathologist and weather observer for Jackson county, at a salary of \$2500 a year and \$1500 for incidental expenses.

Senator Chamberlain offered amendments to the sundry civil bill providing \$207,000 for the improvement of Tillamook bay and \$5000 for use in assisting the state of Oregon in guarding against forest fires.

The state immigration commission, has urged through Senator Lane, better life-saving service on the ocean beaches north of the Columbia river. Life saving crews are willing to undertake patrol work on the beaches.

The Astoria 19th annual regatta will be held Thursday, Friday and Saturday. From point of attendance, varied attractions and amusements and the number of participants in the big races, it bids fair to outclass by far any of its predecessors.

Dr. J. P. Wallace of Albany has declared that he will not accept the democratic nomination for state senator from the fourth district, and E. D. Cusick of Albany, republican choice will therefore have the field to himself.

Mrs. M. C. Reed, of Portland, was chosen president of the Women's Home Missionary Society of the Oregon conference of the Methodist Episcopal church for the ensuing year, at the close of the 28th annual meeting of the society at Albany.

Declaring that it would be un-American and unpatriotic for a French ship to lead the pageant through the Panama canal at its opening, the Spanish-American War Veterans of Oregon, at their sixth annual reunion, which opened at Salem, adopted a resolution urging President Wilson to give the honor to the battleship Oregon.

The interstate commerce commission has further suspended from July 10 until January 10 the operation of certain schedules for increased rates applicable to transportation of melons in car lots from certain points in California to points in Oregon and Washington.

Burglars, who made a well-planned raid on the postoffice at Jasper, lost the greater part of their loot at the last moment because they awakened Leslie Wright by using too much nitro-glycerine. Mr. Wright shot at them with a rifle. They shot back and ran. They left \$300 in stamps behind. About \$50 in cash and some jewelry was carried away by them.

Petitions have been completed and a proposed charter amendment filed for the abolishment of the commission form of government in Baker and the substitution of the city manager plan. The proposal will be voted on at the general election in November, and, if carried, will be followed by another election in ten days of five commissioners to serve at nominal pay, who shall employ a city manager from any part of the country at an annual salary of not to exceed \$3600.

The McKenzie River highway, the only motor car outlet from the Willamette Valley into Central Oregon, has been formally declared open and safe for motor traffic. The announcement is made through the United States Forestry officials, who have been instrumental in building what is now practically a macadamized highway, open to all classes of motor traffic across the Cascade mountains. They also have been instrumental in obtaining nearly \$20,000, including road district money, which will be spent to complete the highway this summer.

The biggest military encampment ever held in Oregon will begin at Gearhart July 13 and continue ten days. There will be about 2000 National Guardsmen from Oregon and Idaho and 50 regulars from the Twenty-first infantry in the camp on the plain north of Gearhart. Every preparation has been made for the mobilizing of the troops and the establishment of a good camp with all possible comforts and conveniences. The program provides interesting events for each day, the principal features to be maneuvers, drills and military performances of all kinds. The Guardsmen will be furnished with clothing, transportation, blankets, meals and all other necessities free of charge and will be paid for their services. The guard officers will receive the same pay as officers of similar rank in the regular army and privates will be paid from \$1.25 to \$2.50 a day. The Twenty-first infantry from Vancouver will march to the camp, leaving the barracks July 2 and arriving at Gearhart several days ahead of the Guardsmen.



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Dissolution Notice.
The firm of Cope & Dunnuck has been mutually dissolved this 11th day of June, 1914. E. Cope will remain in the same location. See locals.
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