

NEWS OF GENERAL INTEREST IN IDAHO

Important Occurrences Of The Past Week From Cities In Our State

Plan to Build a Railroad.
Wallace.—Another railroad is to be constructed in Shoshone county, to be known as the Emerald Creek railway, according to articles of incorporation filed in the office of the county recorder. The new company is an Idaho corporation, with its principal place of business at St. Maries, and is incorporated to locate, build, equip and operate a railroad by steam or electricity, starting at a connection with the Milwaukee railroad, in the southwest corner of Shoshone county, and running in a southerly direction following Emerald creek for about 25 miles.

New Bovill Fire Ordinance.
Bovill.—The council, because of the recent fire entailing a \$125,000 loss, passed an ordinance prohibiting the erection of any building except it be of stone, cement or brick with given specifications of thickness of walls, etc., within a certain prescribed area, including the main business section and also a large area which is likely to become so. Frame buildings within these fire limits can not be repaired, enlarged nor altered in any manner without permit from city council.

Gooding to Talk at Kellogg.
Kellogg.—Word has been received that Frank R. Gooding, former governor, will appear here at a political rally July 28. The local committee has made arrangements to have the meeting in the industrial union auditorium. While Gooding is a candidate for the senate, the committee will arrange for public meetings for any candidates who visit the Cour d'Alenes. Gooding is slated to speak in Wallace July 27.

Freight Rate Contested.
Boise.—Examiner Pugh, of the interstate commerce commission, opened a hearing in this city in the case of the Boise Lumber company against the Pacific & Idaho Northern Railroad company and the Oregon Short Line, in which the lumber company asks for a reduction in rates for hauling sawlogs over these roads and the recovery of alleged excessive freight rates.

IDAHO GRAIN CROP LARGE

Government Report Carries Good Cheer to Gem State Farmers.

Boise.—Every important crop in Idaho will be larger than usual this year, according to the July report issued by the United States bureau of crop statistics in conjunction with the weather bureau. In winter wheat, spring wheat and oats it is predicted the Idaho crop will go more than 1,000,000 bushels above the average. It is predicted the barley crop will go 2,000,000 bushels over the average.

The corn crop shows a larger proportionate increase over the average than any of the others, but it is not so large in bushels because there is less corn raised in this state than there is of other more hardy crops. The crop is estimated at 285,000 bushels.

It is predicted that the winter wheat crop will be 9,829,000 bushels. Spring wheat is estimated at 5,690,000. Idaho's bulkier crop, oats, is estimated at 15,100,000 bushels.

The outlook for potatoes would appear to be good. For Idaho the crop is estimated at 5,410,000 bushels this year, against an average for the past five years of 5,232,000 bushels.

Culdesac Votes Water Bonds.
Culdesac.—The taxpayers of Culdesac, at a special election, voted bonds to the amount of \$10,000 to purchase the present water system, the vote standing 55 for the bonds and 9 against. As soon as the necessary steps have been completed the municipal authorities will take over the plant and make extensive improvements.

Orcutt Again Sued for Libel.
Orofino.—James W. Blake, president of the Orofino State bank, has filed suit for libel against P. L. Orcutt, publisher of the Republican, asking \$25,000 damages. The complaint practically covers the same ground as that of P. H. Blake, filed on July 8th. P. H. Blake alleged an article in Orcutt's paper was defamatory. This is the third suit against Orcutt based on the article.

Twin Falls Man Out.
Twin Falls.—M. J. Sweeley, of this city, has made formal announcement that he will be a candidate for the republican nomination for the office of lieutenant-governor. Leaders of the republican party in this part of the state are reported to have pledged their united support.

BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

Prompt action by Mrs. A. Austin, wife of Albany's chief of police, prevented the escape of a prisoner her husband had placed in the city jail.

Young prune orchards in the country about Monmouth are making a rapid growth, surpassing apple, pear and cherry trees in many places.

An order has been placed for 80,000 pounds, or 40 tons, or two carloads, of paper for use in printing the initiative pamphlets. This amount of paper is sufficient to print 300,000 copies of a pamphlet with 128 pages.

Retail meat, poultry, fish markets and grocery stores do not come under the workmen's compensation act, according to an announcement of the state industrial accident commission. The commission said the businesses were not of a hazardous nature.

After many months of correspondence between the state railroad commission and the officials of the Southern Pacific and Oregon Electric, the two railroad companies have agreed to a rate of \$2.25 on coke shipped from Fairfax, Wash., to Salem.

The immense flag provided by the people of Oregon for the gigantic tree that is to do service as a flagpole in front of the Oregon building at the exposition was raised at San Francisco, the ceremony being the principal feature of the Fourth of July celebration on the exposition grounds.

The state printing board has decided to bring the state printing department under the workmen's compensation act. The construction work on the Tampo Irrigation project has been brought under the act, so all the hazardous industries under the supervision of the state have been given protection under the new law.

There were 94 industrial accidents reported to State Labor Commissioner O. P. Hoff last week, this being the largest number reported any week this year. Three of the accidents were fatal. J. O. Foulke was killed at Coyote in connection with railroad work. Duke Staul was killed at Goble while logging. Claude Bowman was killed while logging at Camp Creek.

A. W. Cornell, a farmer living near Riddle, Douglas county, never saw a streetcar in his life until he came to Eugene in his automobile and the first one he saw he collided with. He ran into an Eleventh avenue car with his automobile as he entered the city. He appeared greatly chagrined and offered to pay for the damage done to the car, although his automobile was damaged more than the car.

Deputy Sealer of Weights and Measures Buchtel announces that all counties but two will soon be equipped with weight-testing and measuring apparatus. Mr. Buchtel has received equipment for Baker, Harney, Lincoln, Manheur, Union and Umatilla counties. Immediately after testing the apparatus it will be divided and forwarded to the various county clerks.

Twenty-nine measures will be voted on at the general election in Oregon next November, which is nine fewer than were submitted to the voters at the last election. Eleven of the measures to be placed before the voters were submitted by the last legislature. An important amendment to be voted upon provides for statewide prohibition. It would prohibit the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors in the state. Another amendment would abolish the state senate. It was initiated by the officers of the Oregon state grange, Oregon State Federation of Labor, People's Power League, Farmers' union, Farmers' Society of Equity and Proportional Representation bureau. An amendment for proportional representation, initiated by the same organizations, provides that every voter may vote for any one aspirant for representative in the legislative assembly and no more. The 60 aspirants who receive the greatest number of votes throughout the state would be declared elected.

Water permits issued by State Engineer John H. Lewis during the quarter ending June 30, call for the expenditure of approximately \$11,000,000 to make use of the water. There were 147 permits to appropriate public waters issued during the quarter. The proposed ditches and pipe lines aggregate 202 miles in length, and provide for the irrigation of 21,587 acres of land; for the development of 1715 horsepower and for the municipal supply of six towns. One of the most important of these permits is that granted to L. C. Seawell of Payette, Idaho. He proposes to irrigate 10,544 acres with the waters of the Owyhee and Crooked creek in Malheur county. This land lies a short distance from Ontario. The Eastern Oregon Land company of San Francisco proposes to irrigate 4818 acres in the Willow creek valley in Malheur county with the waters of Burnt river. The water is to be conveyed from the Eldorado ditch, which was constructed many years ago for mining purposes. The six towns for which water was appropriated for municipal supply are Turner, Marshfield, North Bend, Beaverton, Myrtle Point and Falls City.

NEWS FROM OUR NATIONAL CAPITAL

Plan for More Autonomous Government in Philippines Is Laid Before Congress.

Washington.—An administration-approved plan for a more autonomous government in the Philippines as another step toward independence was laid before congress, in a bill introduced by Congressman Jones of Virginia.

Mr. Jones is chairman of the house insular committee, and his measure declaring the purpose of the people of the country as to the future political status of Filipinos, follows a long series of conferences with the president, Secretary Garrison, Manuel Quezon, the Philippine resident commission to the United States, and democratic members of the insular committee, all of whom have approved it informally.

The bill makes no attempt to fix a date for Philippine independence. Its preamble recites that it was never the intention of the people in the inception of war with Spain to make it a war of conquest or territorial aggrandizement. It asserts that it always has been their purpose to recognize the independence of the islands "as soon as a stable government could be established therein." It declares it to be desirable to place in the hands of the Filipinos as large control of their domestic affairs as may be consistent with the exercise in the meantime of the right of sovereignty of the United States.

Wilson Will Stand by Warburg.
The administration met defeat in the first stage of its fight to have the senate confirm the nominations of Thomas D. Jones, of Chicago, and Paul M. Warburg, of New York, as members of the Federal reserve board.

The banking and currency committee voted 7 to 4 to report the nomination of Mr. Jones to the senate with an unfavorable recommendation, and agreed to postpone indefinitely further consideration of the nomination of Mr. Warburg.

"The senate must take the responsibility for an incomplete federal reserve board. The president is determined to stand or fall by Warburg. He will not nominate a substitute for him."

This was the declaration given out unofficially as the White House's last word on the controversy between President Wilson and the senate committee on banking and currency over the confirmation of Paul Warburg and Thomas Jones as reserve board members.

No attempt was made in administration circles to conceal the fact that the issue had caused an almost complete split between the president and some of the leading democratic members of the upper house.

Bryan Defends Columbian Treaty.
Secretary Bryan issued a statement vigorously defending the proposed treaty to settle differences between the United States and Colombia over the separation of Panama. The treaty has met vigorous opposition in the senate, and ex-President Roosevelt has attacked it as a vehicle for the payment of "blackmail."

Mr. Bryan declared it was necessary to discuss only the fact that an estrangement existed and not the events which gave rise to the differences; and that, regardless of whether Colombia has a just grievance against her more powerful neighbor, no one would deny that the former country sustained great financial loss, considerably more than the \$25,000,000 which the United States would pay under the treaty, through the separation of Panama.

As to the expression of regret on the part of the American government, to which opponents of the pending convention offer their bitterest objection, the secretary said this was almost identical with a similar expression in the Dubois memorandum on the basis of which the Taft administration unsuccessfully sought to placate Colombia.

National Capital Brevities.
A delegation of Chicago business men called on the president to protest against certain anti-trust legislation which has been proposed.

The house passed the bill which the senate had approved providing that homesteaders might dispose of the surface rights to lands which contained minerals.

Secretary Wilson, of the department of labor, is pleased at reports he is receiving which indicate that the number of American citizens emigrating to Canada is decreasing.

President Wilson believes that business men are coming around to the administration's view of anti-trust legislation and are willing and ready that the program laid out be put through at the present session of congress. He made this plain to callers, following a talk with Henry Ford, the million-acre auto manufacturer, and other representatives of business.

Brief News of the Week

The much discussed order issued by Secretary Daniels last April banishing all intoxicating liquors from the American navy became effective Wednesday.

Thousands of school teachers from every section of the country will begin to assemble in St. Paul at the end of the week in anticipation of the opening of the annual convention of the National Educational association.

The centennial anniversary of the battle of Horseshoe Bend, in which General Andrew Jackson broke the power of the Creek Indians and saved the great southwest from British domination, will be celebrated Saturday with exercises on the battlefield in Alabama.

One of the most drastic prohibition laws ever adopted by any of the states went into effect Wednesday in West Virginia. The law not only prohibits the manufacture, sale and importation of intoxicating liquors, but forbids the sale of any newspapers or periodicals containing liquor advertisements.

The biggest mercantile failure in the history of the United States was precipitated when receivers were appointed for the H. B. Claffin Company, of New York. The company, it is estimated, owes more than \$30,000,000, which at the present time it is unable to pay. Its assets are said to be \$44,000,000.

Nearly half the "Old Witch City," of Salem, Mass., rich in historic buildings and traditions, was devastated by a fire that caused an estimated loss of \$20,000,000; destroyed 1000 buildings, including a score of manufacturing establishments and made 10,000 of the 45,000 residents homeless.

The hundreds of Norwegian-Americans who have returned to attend the festivities in commemoration of the centenary of Norway's independence will hold a big celebration in Christiania Saturday in honor of the independence day of the United States. The feature of the celebration will be the unveiling of a bust of Lincoln, a gift to the Norwegian nation from Governor Hannan of North Dakota.

SAVED BY PREHENSILE TRAIT.

Baby Grasps Locomotive Rod When Auto Is Smashed.

Portland, Ore.—A baby's inherited characteristic to grasp at a nearby object, much as the ape seizes a limb of a tree, probably saved the life of three-year-old Lois Frazier when an automobile in which she was seated was struck by a Southern Pacific train on a crossing near Clackamas station. The child's leg was fractured. The auto was demolished.

Mrs. Ruby L. Frazier of Portland, mother of the injured child, was driving the machine. In it just before the crash were Mr. and Mrs. James Linn of Lents, their two children, Florence, seven years old, and Ethel, five years old, and the baby.

The machine came to a stop across the tracks. The older persons leaped out, and Mr. Linn lifted out the older children and was reaching for the baby when the impact came. As the mother screamed frantically the party looked among the ruins for the missing child, but in vain. Finally some one cried out that the child had been found. She was hanging for dear life to the brace rods which run from the boiler to the pilot bed. Apparently she had been thrown against the pilot and had grasped the rods intuitively.

The child was brought to Portland and taken to Good Samaritan hospital.

MONKEY CATCHES MEASLES.

Ramped With Human Chum Who Already Had Disease.

Birmingham, Ala.—Pat, one of the big monkeys at the Avondale zoo here, has the measles.

Pat's keeper has prescribed a dose of castor oil, and the monkey is expected to get well in a short time.

Pat caught the measles from his friend, Jack Allen, a nephew of the keeper, Dr. J. M. Allen. Pat and the boy are great friends. The boy caught the measles and was confined to bed. Pat got lonesome and insisted on seeing his friend. He didn't show his insistence in the usual way, but Mr. Allen says he could not misinterpret the monkey's dependence and lack of appetite. He took the monkey to see the boy.

As soon as Pat got in the door he broke away from the keeper, jumped on the bed and began to frolic with Jack. Two days later Pat was all broken out with the measles and very sick.

Mr. Allen didn't confine the two friends to the same bed, but he did take Pat home for treatment and says the monkey is doing well.

Mrs. Margaret Anderson, widow of Colonel Edward Clifford Anderson, and a great grand-daughter of Thomas Jefferson, died at Savannah. She was a native of Virginia.

A donation of \$2,550,000 from John D. Rockefeller to the Rockefeller Institute of Medical Research was announced by Henry James, manager of the institute. This gift brings the sum total of Mr. Rockefeller's contribution to the institute up to \$12,550,000.

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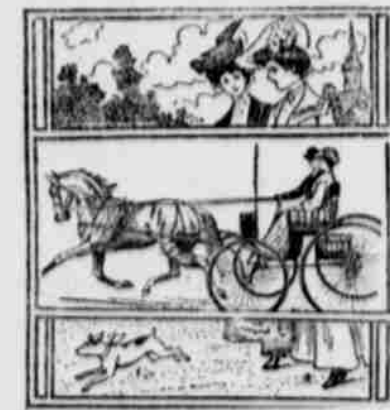


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