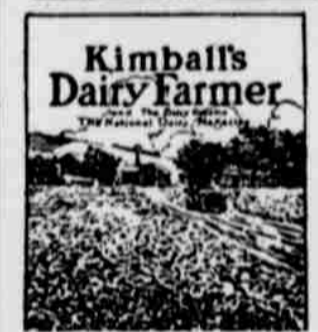


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FRUITLAND NEWS BY OUR CORRESPONDENT

A sad accident occurred Sunday while Mr. F. W. Swank the Fruitland blacksmith was duck hunting three miles east of New Plymouth, his gun was accidentally discharged the shot hitting him in the left side. He was taken to the Ontario hospital where everything possible was done for him but Monday morning at seven he passed away. He leaves a wife and two children—a little girl about nine and a baby girl who have the sympathy of the entire community.

Mr. Bryant and family have moved to the place vacated by Mr. Henry Nurre. They have rented the ranch for next year.

The bankers of Payette and New Plymouth and the good roads commissioners met at Fruitland State Bank Thursday to discuss matters concerning the state highway.

Mr. H. A. Ireland was here last Monday and Tuesday on business concerning the corn club. He also held a meeting at the school house Tuesday concerning the testing of dairy cows and Tuesday evening at milking time he held a demonstration meeting at Mr. J. O. Stritchfield's which proved interesting and instructive.

Several from here attended the meeting at the Baptist church in Ontario Sunday evening. The meeting was conducted by a Nazarene evangelist.

Our high school basketball team played at New Plymouth October 16,

the result being 23 to 13 in favor of Fruitland. A return game will be played here this Friday afternoon.

Mr. E. E. Hunter is improving but is still almost helpless. He has the sympathy of his many friends who hope he will soon recover.

The six year daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Swab, had her adenoids removed Sunday of last week. Drs. Drysdale and Wright performed the operation.

Under the management of C. H. Sargent the evaporator is doing good work and he is receiving large orders which he is shipping out.

The Progressives held a big rally here last Wednesday evening, thirteen candidates being present. The meeting was held in Frank's hall. J. M. Royston, chairman introduced the speakers who were John J. Plowhead, candidate for prosecuting attorney, A. E. Blunck candidate for probate judge, H. Harland candidate for state senator, M. G. Reibling candidate for state legislature, J. H. Young candidate for state legislature, Miss Riddle candidate for county school superintendent. The others present were Martin O. Luther, for clerk; F. W. Richards, for assessor; M. G. McConnell, for sheriff; G. McGee for surveyor; John Nelson, B. T. Swatman and J. W. Brandt county commissioners, who were introduced and pledged themselves to stand by the progressive platform.

Mrs. C. E. Stewart formerly of this place but now of Whitley Bottom was a guest at the L. B. Makinson home the first of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Barber of Lima, Montana, who formerly lived here have been spending a short vacation seeing

after business interests near Middleton and visiting at the home of Mrs. Barber's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Dorothy in Payette who formerly lived two miles east of here. The sons and daughters gathered together at the home of Mr. E. B. Dorothy last Sunday and enjoyed a family reunion. Mr. and Mrs. Barber left for their home where Mr. Barber will take up his position in the U. S. Forest reserve.

The three packing houses shipped eleven cars of apples to the middle west states last week.

Frank and Lester Rands, Neil Vanetta and Jake Shearer and son have gone to the hills for a chase after the deer. No doubt they will bring home plenty of venison.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Bowers who have spent the summer at the Bowers and Hunter ranch north of Payette have moved to the Bowers home east of town.

Senator Brady accompanied by several other candidates and the Payette band was in town Friday. The Senator spoke to a large crowd at the school grounds at noon.

A Halloween party at Eworth hall this Friday evening given by the eighth grade and their teacher Miss Apphia Robinson. A program and costumes and luncheon suitable to the occasion will be the features of the evening.

The Fruitland Grange will meet this Friday evening at Frank's hall. A corn judging contest will be conducted by H. E. Robinson. Members of the boys' Corn Club will take part. The meeting will be open to any who are interested in the work and will be helpful as well as interesting.

Mr. Henry Nurre and family left

Wednesday evening for western Oregon to make their home.

The Democratic speakers at the rally Saturday evening were: Mr. D. L. Ingard, Ernest Anderson, J. F. Bales.

\$3,631,210 PAID TO HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS

Salem, Ore., Oct. 24.—Salaries totaling \$3,631,210 were paid the teachers of the public schools of the state during the year ending June 30, 1914, and there were employed in the schools 1101 male teachers at an average monthly salary of \$84.25, and 4650 women teachers at an average monthly salary of \$61.74.

The estimated value of the schools, houses and grounds in the state is \$14,221,105, and the value of the furniture and apparatus \$1,408,869. The total enrollment was 128,984, and was classed as follows: Between ages of 6 and 9 years, 36,523; from 9 to 12 years, 34,884; from 12 to 14 years, 24,368; from 14 to 20 years, 33,204.

The average monthly salary of principals of buildings of more than one room, \$95.16. The private schools of the state employ 393 teachers and have an average attendance of 2821 males and 2125 females.

Should the welfare of eighty per cent of the people be considered or that of twenty per cent.

Do you prefer the old court house at Vale or a modern building at Ontario with ample vault room to protect your records.

BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

Eugene S. Cothran, of Portland, has been appointed inspector of the geological survey service at a salary of \$1500.

The speech of A. L. Mills, president of the First National bank, made at Portland August 14, was ordered printed by the senate as a public document.

Negotiations are afoot in Harney county for the location of a Mormon colony on lands now owned by the Oregon & Washington Colonization company.

Another epidemic of dog poisoning has broken out in Pendleton and the indignation among dog owners is such that big rewards are being offered for the apprehension of the guilty persons.

That a snake will commit suicide to escape torture was demonstrated at Silver Lake, when two cats, the property of a homesteader near the lake, herded a big diamond rattler into a hill of red ants.

Charging that title to the land was acquired by fraud, the government has started suit through the federal court to cancel patent for 640 acres of land now owned by Stephen Harter, a sheep rancher of Grant county.

Circuit Judge Kelly sentenced Roy Carroll, convicted of killing John Zoller, marshal of Gorvais, to life imprisonment in the penitentiary. Carroll's attorneys signified their intention of appealing to the supreme court.

That the European war presents a golden opportunity to Oregon to develop its mineral resources and add millions to the wealth of the state is the belief of C. W. Clapp, a mining man of 30 years' experience, who lately came to Portland from Nevada.

The sale of 87,500,000 board feet of timber in the Crater Lake national forest has been authorized by the forester at Washington, D. C. It is estimated that the sale will bring over \$250,000 into the national treasury, 35 per cent of which will be spent locally on roads and schools.

One mile of fruit, 12 feet high and eight feet wide, weighing 3,000,000 pounds, is the estimated record of the Milton Fruit Growers' union to date this year. This does not include local or express shipments or fruit sold to peddlers. About 14 carloads of prunes are going out daily at the best prices in many years.

Thomas Brunk, of Eola, state representative from Polk county, and a prominent livestock raiser, left Monday to act as judge of livestock at several fairs in Washington and Montana. He will go first to Chehalis, Wash., then to Spokane, and later to Helena, Mont., where he will attend the Montana state fair.

Joe Knowles, the artist-nature man, who has just completed his 30-day primitive man experiment in the Siskiyou forests, 60 miles southwest of Grants Pass, has returned to civilization. The return was celebrated as a gala day in Grants Pass, and practically the entire citizenship turned out to greet Knowles, when he arrived.

Having been put out of the saloon business because of the bad reputation of his place, W. Margullis of Portland says he will open the largest coffee house on the Pacific coast for the purpose of giving men out of work meals for small cost. The coffee house will be in the building formerly occupied by the saloon.

Complaining that the management of several railroad companies in the state allowed passengers during the recent warm spell to remove their shoes, and that the atmosphere of the cars became unbearable, a resident of the state, whose name is withheld, has asked the state railroad commission to issue an order forbidding passengers from indulging in the practice in the future.

The secretary of agriculture advises Senator Chamberlain that the department will not go further in cooperative tuberculosis tests as requested by Patrons of Husbandry of Forest Grove. The department is arranging tests of pure bred cattle throughout the country under signed agreements with owners, believing this plan will be more efficacious than promiscuous tests.

Pomona Grange, which includes every Grange in Douglas county, is planning to hold a "good roads" meeting in Roseburg on Saturday. The program will include addresses by persons well versed in road building, as well as musical numbers and a general discussion. Good roads enthusiasts from all sections of Douglas county will take part in the general discussion, which will be one of the features of the program.

Saturday, September 19, is the date set for the third annual Hood River county Industrial School Fair. Ten industrial clubs have been organized in the various school districts of the county and keen rivalry will exist among the boys for the trip that is offered by the Commercial club to the two boys scoring the highest in any two projects proposed by the state superintendent of instruction. The successful youths will be entertained in Salem by the state fair association.

BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

Three are dead and one seriously injured as the result of a fire at Morgan, which started at 11 o'clock Friday night and destroyed property valued at \$12,000.

Six Medford people are in Portland undergoing the Pasteur treatment to prevent hydrophobia as the result of a strange epidemic of rabies in that city recently.

The senate committee on public lands has reported out Representative Sinnott's bills permitting entrymen to file on an enlarged homestead after making final proof.

With the tooting of steamboat and factory whistles and the ringing of church and school bells, Astoria celebrated the opening of the Panama canal.

Roseburg celebrated the opening of the Panama canal by an automobile parade, blowing of whistles and ringing of bells. The few firecrackers in town also were fired.

That Frank J. Rooney, whose body was found near Troutdale last Tuesday, was murdered a week ago appears certain from developments, according to Deputy Sheriff Beckman, who is investigating the case.

Because of the danger of forest fires as a result of campfires carelessly left by hunters, Governor West has issued a proclamation closing the deer hunting season. It became effective Monday.

State Highway Engineer Bowley states that August 26 has been fixed upon as the time for opening bids for construction work to be performed on the Columbia river highway in Hood River county. This county recently voted \$75,000 in bonds to build its link of the highway.

Through the efforts of Representative Hawley and Senator Lane, congress recently passed a bill granting a pension of \$20 a month to Dr. William W. Oglesby, of Cottage Grove, who served as captain of company C, Second Oregon state militia, in the Bannock Indian war in 1878.

Representative Sinnott's bill, previously passed by the house, permitting homestead entrymen to divide their five months' annual leave of absence from their land into two periods, passed the senate. Under the existing law the homesteader must take his leave in one continuous period.

When the cadet regiment of the agricultural college visits the Panama-Pacific exposition at San Francisco next fall it will be in the high classification known as class C. This is a technical rating adopted by the war department to designate those cadet regiments in which military interest and proficiency is very high.

Practically every southern Idaho and eastern Oregon city and town was represented at a meeting held at Baker to further the movement to secure the routing of the national highway from the Snake river through Baker, Union and Umatilla counties to the Columbia river, rather than through central Oregon, which is making a strong effort to get the road.

A special appropriation of \$15,000 has been granted by congress to improve the Clackamas fish hatchery on the river below Clackamas station. The government owns two sites on the Clackamas, only one of which is used. The present site is above the site recently purchased, which will become the new location for the building. Plans are being completed at Washington.

After following his man for nearly two years, during which time he trailed him to the Argentine republic on the south and Edmonton, Alberta, on the north, Charles T. Hass, of the Hass Detective Agency of New York, arrested Oslin N. Jackson at Grants Pass on the charge of embezzling \$85,000 in New York City. Jackson came to Grants Pass last spring and purchased a ranch about eight miles from that city and was erecting an \$5000 residence.

Announcing that the money could be used to better advantage, the state fish and game commission has removed the bounty on bobcats. The bounty has been \$1 a scalp and the state has paid out about \$6000 so far this year. Commissioner Duncan said a large part of the animals had been caught in the southeastern part of the state and that the hunters benefited other states as much as they did Oregon. The removal of the bounty on bobcats has no effect on the bounties on cougars and wolves, the commission announced.

Three boys were caught in the act of setting forest fires on the headwaters of the Siuslaw river and they will probably be prosecuted. Carl V. Oglesby, head warden for the Lane County Fire Patrol association, had suspected that the numerous fires discovered in that portion of the mountains were being maliciously started, and began to watch for the guilty parties. One evening this week he caught one youth 19 years old and two boys between 11 and 13 years old applying a burning torch to the dry underbrush and fern on both sides of the road for half a mile.