

OREGON NEWS IN BRIEF

With a student body of more than 3000, the Oregon Agricultural college opened Monday for the fall semester. The Sherman county assessment rolls for this year show an assessed valuation of \$11,756,170. Last year it amounted to \$6,553,240.

Clearings of Portland banks for the week ending Saturday totaled \$30,519,406.52, compared with \$16,002,072.78 for the corresponding week of last year.

Conrad P. Olson, of Portland, was appointed associate justice of the supreme court by Governor Withycombe to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Justice Frank A. Moore.

Burning out five bridges, a forest fire east of Gates stopped traffic on the Eastern and Albany-Detroit branch of the Southern Pacific. It required five days to restore the line.

The food administration has authorized District Representative Houser, at Portland, to grant modifications of the 60-day storage rule so as to permit storage of grain up to six months.

J. D. Brown, who was certified as the nominee of the National party for representative in congress for the third district, has filed notice of his withdrawal with Secretary of State Olcott.

The state board of control has appointed Mrs. E. T. Moores, of Salem, as superintendent of the Oregon school for the blind. Mrs. Moores is the widow of the late superintendent of the institution.

The Oregon Poultrymen's association will create a fund to provide for labeling eggs produced by members of the association, thereby guaranteeing their quality when they are placed on the market.

Twenty-six years of honorable and faithful service to the state of Oregon on the supreme bench came to a close when Justice Frank A. Moore died at Salem after a long illness. He was 74 years old.

Dugald Campbell, of Eugene, brought one crop from his farm to town in an automobile and sold it for \$960. The crop was 240 pounds of peppermint oil, which he raised and distilled on his place north of Eugene.

The Hood River irrigation district has made application to the state irrigation securities commission to have \$167,000 in bonds certified under the state law. The purpose is to refund an outstanding issue, and reduce taxes.

Dr. Joseph Schafer, professor of history at the University of Oregon and dean at the summer school of the university, has left for Washington, where he will take charge of the work of the national Board of Historical Service.

The Medford irrigation district bond election resulted in 145 votes for to 120 votes against bonds in the sum of \$1,500,000 for prosecution of the work on the Butte Creek project to cover 20,000 acres of the best farm land in the heart of the valley.

Through joint action of the city council and the chamber of commerce a clean-up campaign was inaugurated in North Bend and Monday every resident of the city cleaned his premises and the streets adjacent to his property of all rubbish and accumulated refuse.

In response to representations submitted by Senator McNary in behalf of Oregon wool scouring mills, the Wool administration said that Oregon producers are free to have their wool scoured in Oregon if they so desire under regulations adopted by the government.

The Oregon state fair last week was a record-breaking exposition in many ways. Record-breaking weather surrounded the state show from start to finish. On Thursday attendance records of fair history were smashed when more than 34,000 people entered the grounds.

The old Klondyke coal mine of Beaver Hill near Marshfield in Coos county was opened for the first time in 20 years and 160,000 tons of coal was found still in the tunnel. The output will go to the government for fuel in engines used in hauling logs from the Boutin tract of spruce.

A building feat comparable to that of the Vancouver cut-up mill has been accomplished at Marshfield with the completion of a bridge 1500 feet long in seven days with a force of 125 soldier laborers. This bridge is part of a spur to a railroad being built to the Boutin tract of spruce.

Farmers will be allowed to erect new buildings on their premises, providing the structures do not exceed a cost of \$1000 and are essential. This is an amendment to a previous order of the war industries board that only buildings built under the sanction of the Emergency Fleet corporation, the army or navy or the railroads would be permitted. Alterations or additions to buildings already constructed are still allowed, providing they do not exceed the maximum of \$2500 cost.

The Oregon Highway commission has made a final decision on the north and south route via Fort Klamath in Wood River valley to be a part of the central Oregon highway on which state funds will be used in construction. The commission adopted resolutions

instructing the engineer to petition the government to co-operate with the state and Klamath and Lake counties on the road between Klamath Falls and Lakeview as a postal road. The decision of the commission on the northern route settles an extended controversy between residents of the Wood River valley and reservation residents in the neighborhood of Chilquinn.

Senator McNary submitted to the War department an offer from D. H. Welch, of Astoria, to donate to the government 100 acres of land just east of Tongue Point, near Astoria, for a site for a quartermaster's depot. The offer has been referred to the divisional quartermaster's office at San Francisco.

A highway map of Oregon, declared by State Highway Engineer Nunn to be the best ever published in the state, has been prepared by the state highway commission. It shows all passable highways, important cities and towns and is drawn according to exact scale so that distances can be determined accurately.

A reduction of 1 cent a loaf on bread has been ordered by W. B. Ayer, state food administrator, upon advice from the baking division of the food administration at Washington. The reduction is ordered as a result of an investigation by the division on manufacturing cost and wholesale and retail prices of bread.

Three serious forest fires were reported raging in Clatsop county last week. One of the most serious blazes was burning on the Western Coopersage property on Young's river where camp 7 of the spruce division was destroyed. Another fire was in the Knappa district, and the third in the Necanicum district, south of Seaside.

The war is making such inroads upon the available supply of high school teachers that J. A. Churchill, superintendent of public instruction, announced that next June he will issue emergency war certificates to applicants who do not come up to requirements heretofore prescribed for teachers in standard high schools.

Because Pacific coast oil producers are required to furnish oil for airplane use, thus cutting down the specific gravity to a point below that required under the Oregon law, Deputy Sealer of Weights and Measures Wortman has instructed all deputy sealers not to prosecute dealers who sell gasoline not passing the specific gravity test.

Secretary of State Olcott has called a meeting of the state emergency board for Wednesday, October 9, to consider the deficiency needs of the state institutions. The board of control has asked that the meeting be called and a request has also been made by Dr. R. E. Lee Steiner, superintendent of the state hospital for the insane, where the deficiency will amount to \$100,000.

The first beardless rye ever known has been produced by Robert Withycombe, son of Governor Withycombe. Mr. Withycombe, who is in charge of the eastern Oregon Agricultural college experiment station of Union county, has worked for 13 years trying by various processes of pollination to produce a variety of beardless rye and at last it appears that he has succeeded.

Because of the death of Justice Frank A. Moore, of the supreme court, Secretary of State Olcott issued a supplementary certificate to county clerks, directing them to insert, in the notice of offices to be filled at the general election on November 5, a line to read as follows: "One justice of the supreme court, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Justice Frank A. Moore."

Delay in government orders as to shipping is causing a grave condition of congestion among prune packers of the Willamette valley. The season's prune crop, estimated at 60,000,000 pounds, has been practically commandeered by the government. The congestion in the warehouses is causing a delay in the packing of the remainder of the crop, all of which may cause great loss.

Although less than six weeks only is lacking in completion of the concrete work, it is likely that the big \$40,000 concrete bridge being erected across Hood River jointly by the county and State Highway commission will not be open for traffic this year. The new bridge will require a 70-foot fill, eight feet deep, and it seems to be a question at present as to where the funds for the fill will come from.

On behalf of the government, Bert E. Haney, United States district attorney, has instituted in federal court the first suit in Oregon for condemnation of timber wanted by the Spruce Production corporation for war purposes. The action is against the Coos Bay Lumber & Coal company, a Wisconsin corporation, and involves 3360 acres of spruce and cedar timber in Coos county. The government takes up this action because the Coos Bay company declined to sell its stumpage at the fixed price, and demanded \$2 per thousand more.

What has become of the old-fashioned horse with the fly net?

PRUSSIAN MIND AT WORK.

The Germans are too much given to judging others by themselves. Their whole motive and action have been utterly materialistic. They started this war because they thought Germany would gain from it in a material way, and everything they have done in the war has been in promotion of German gain and aggrandizement, says Charleston News and Courier. Being themselves as a nation incapable of anything but selfish purpose, they seem totally unable to understand that other people may be differently constituted. That is why Vice Admiral von Capelle, the German minister of marine, in discussing the submarine warfare, asserts that America is building a merchant marine fleet not for the purpose of winning this war, but for the purpose of capturing the world's trade in the period after the war. That is typical of the way the German mind works. Von Capelle knows that if Germany were in America's place today she would be working tooth and nail to profit to the utmost possible extent from the distress and the losses of the other countries, and so he concludes that this is what America is doing.

Reallocations of land have been frequent in Russia, but this transfer of land from one farmer to another, or from a father to his eldest son, has not taken into account the young men who have grown up in Russia's rapidly increasing population. Kluchie had an entirely new and complete redistribution of the available land two days before we came there, Maynard Owen Williams writes in the Christian Herald. The lands are now divided into good and bad, and each peasant has been given three strips of land in each, one of which must lie fallow each year. But nothing is said about fertilizing the land, and Russia not only does not use nightsoil, the source of the Chinese farmer's wealth, but even ignores the value of animal manures. The manager of the count's estate uses all the manures from his large stables on the land. Under the present distribution of land in Kluchie, each male over twenty-one has 16½ acres.

Economize on all food that can be most easily and safely be sent to our soldiers and allies, is about all that the food administration is asking of us. We hear of the untold sufferings and privations that both our allies and enemies are going through, so we can better appreciate our happy lot. Providence certainly has never been mean with us. Year after year she has blessed our people with bountiful crops and has kept us free of any far-reaching cataclysm, disaster or pestilence. Let us pray that she will continue to bestow her blessings on her privileged children.

A lady suggests that men will be willing to wear patched trousers if it can be made known they can afford better, but are merely wearing patches to conserve money and material for the war, says Houston Post. So she suggests a patch of red, white and blue to be known as the "liberty patch." Would it be proper for a patriotic citizen to sit down on the national colors that way?

Russia failed to support its army and its army failed to fight for Russia, and today Germany is taking over thousands of square miles of rich farming and mineral lands, title to which is held by Russians who will have their deeds considered mere scraps of paper by the conquerors. Make the United States a success instead of a failure like Russia.

There is not going to be any more immigrants to the United States who in war will be afflicted with an attack of prior affections. The immigrant who gets in hereafter will have to make a speech every Saturday night denouncing the ruler of the land he hailed from and repeating the words of "Star-Spangled Banner."

The latest achievement of the airplane is the crossing of the Andes at an altitude of 10,000 feet. The machine was managed by Lieutenant Cendalaria of the Argentine army, and made a trip from Zapala, Argentina, to Curico, Chili, a distance of 115 miles.

But if we do begin to eat more cheese, as the government urges, have we any assurance that the manufacturers won't make the holes bigger and the retailer won't charge us more for 'em?

The "don't worry" specialist would do better work next summer if he could devise some means of guaranteeing a coal supply for the coming winter.

The average Mexican citizen is more or less excusable for not knowing from one day to the next precisely what his politics is going to be.

A medical officer at the front says married men stand shell shock better than single men. Naturally, they're more used to family jars.

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BAPTIST—Eighty-seventh street and Fifty-eighth avenue. Sunday services: Morning worship, 11 o'clock, evening, 7:30; Sunday school 9:45; B. Y. P. U. 6:30 p. m. A cordial welcome to these services. Rev. E. A. Smith, Pastor.

EVANGELICAL—Ninety-second St. near Sixty-third avenue. Sunday services: Sermon 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. Sunday school 9:45 a. m.; Y. P. A. 6:45 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday at 8 p. m. A cordial welcome to all. Rev. N. Shupp, Pastor.

FREE METHODIST—Fifty-seventh avenue and Ninety-first street. Sunday school 2 p. m.; preaching 3 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. All are cordially invited to these services. Rev. Mary Hillis, Pastor.

FRIENDS—Ninety-second street near Woodstock avenue. Sundays: Bible school, 9:45 a. m.; preaching services, 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Christian Endeavor, 6:25 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday at 8 p. m. A cordial welcome to all services. Miss Lurana Terrell, Pastor.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL—Eighty-sixth street and Fifty-eighth avenue. Sunday school 9:45 a. m.; preaching 11 a. m. Bible study class 5:30 p. m.; preaching 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:30. Rev. L. B. Jones, Pastor.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST, Fifty-eighth ave and Ninety-fourth St.—Sabbath school Saturday, 10 a. m.; preaching, Saturday, 11 a. m.; Sunday, 7:45 a. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.

ST. PETERS CATHOLIC—Ninety-first St. near Fifty-sixth ave. Sundays: Low Mass, 8 a. m.; High Mass, 10:30; Sunday school 8:30 a. m.; Choir, rehearsal 12 m. Week days: Mass at 8 a. m.

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CHRISTIAN SCIENCE (Fifth)—4204 Sixty-second street. Sunday services at 11 a. m. Sunday school, 9:30 and 11 a. m. Wednesday evening testimonial meeting at 8 o'clock. All are welcome.

England will include men up to fifty-five years old in her new draft. It may be a young men's war, but it is knocking the props from under that old Osler theory.

To quote London, a good man's wartime boot as now standardized sells for \$5.25. But what will a boot for an ordinary man sell for?

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WOMEN AND THE WAR



By MRS. HENRY P. DAVISON

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Hostess Houses in the military camps all over the country are one phase of the Y. W. C. A. War Work Council's activities. These reception houses are placed at the entrance to the cantonments for the use of women visiting their soldier relatives. So necessary have these proved that tents and borrowed rooms were pressed into use until houses could be built. Often the Association rooms in the nearest town were turned temporarily



Mrs. Davison

into hostess houses.

"We put up an extra cot," reported one western secretary, who returned to tell the War Work Council of the special needs of her community. "For an old Lithuanian mother who came a hundred miles to see her boy in camp. She cannot speak a word of English and she has to have her old black pipe every hour. But her boy loves her.

"Another charge bestowed upon us is the girl-wife of a 'bootlegger' arrested for selling whisky to soldiers. He was wild with anxiety about her till we said we would look after her.

"A thirteen-year-old imp has just been turned over to our care. She ran away from a convent, and, being adventurous, made straight for camp."

Any hostess can tell you heart-breaking stories of times when the

hostess house has been the refuge of stricken women. She can tell you also of incidents when the hostess house has brought about a happy ending.

Prayers of gratitude for the Hostess House are murmured every night in many towns by women who are of no particular importance to any one except to some man in the army—and to God.

The commandants of the camps are as appreciative of the hostess houses as is the most forlorn woman. No house is erected except at the direct request of the commanding officer. Fifty-four houses are now in use, others are being built as fast as lumber and carpenters can be secured.

Each house has its individuality. The plans for the building at Camp Gordon, Atlanta, Georgia, were redrawn by Miss Fay Kellogg in order to save three magnificent oak trees. A fine old Southern mansion secured for the Young Women's Christian Association headquarters at Petersburg, Virginia, is as popular with the soldiers from Camp Lee as is the official hostess house.

The hostess houses serve the entire nation.

The work with girls is one of the most important functions of the War Work Council. It deals with all kinds of work with girls. Girls in small towns, in cities, in country villages, and in the great manufacturing centers are all touched by the unusual conditions of a country in a state of war preparation. Their patriotism may urge them toward unexpected pitfalls. Their very enthusiasm leads them into danger.

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