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Nearly Three Hundred New Laws Now Effective In Oregon

SEVERAL PERTAIN TO CURRY COUNTY, PROVIDING FOR CREATING SALARIES OF DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND COUNTY JUDGE.

Some 280 new laws enacted by the last Oregon legislature went into effect on May 28, and included in the long list are several pertaining to highway and the operation of the state highway department.

Of these the new market road law is considered the most important. This measure puts market road work in the state on a more permanent basis and corrects the divided authority that has formerly existed with respect to market roads. The act requires counties to work out definite market road programs, and requires each county also to prepare market road maps which must be approved by the state highway commission. This map of the system of highways in the county must show the roads leading from producing to marketing centers. The new law is the backbone of a county market road system that is calculated to do for the counties what the state system of highways has done for the state. It provides for the appointment of a county engineer who shall have charge of the road construction.

To Have County Engineer.

The Curry county court will, in all probability, appoint E. Fred Wann, county surveyor, as county road engineer. This will make the office more remunerative, altho it will still be on a per diem basis.

Other Road Laws in Effect.

Another new act gives the highway commission authority over all ferries and toll bridges on state highways. It has particular reference to the Roosevelt highway. This will effect Curry county's one ferry, on Rogue river above Gold Beach.

The act repealing the quarter mill road tax removes the last property tax that applies to the state highway fund.

The tax on distillate, which for some years has been 2½ cents a gallon, is removed by a law that becomes effective today.

Two of the new highway acts do not become effective at once. On January 1, 1926, the so-called peddlers' license fee act becomes effective. It provides for a 50 per cent increase in the license fees assessed against all trucks and cars used commercially by their owners in the delivery of products, such as gasoline and oil and bakery products.

Truck Limit One Year Later.

The act reducing the maximum load limit of trucks from 22,000 to 20,000 pounds, and the maximum load for any one axle to 14,000 pounds, will not become effective until January 1, 1927.

An amendment is made to the lien law, providing for a lien on logs. The owner of the logs has the alternative of releasing the lien by filing a bond with the county clerk in double the amount of the lien. The object is to protect the laborer.

Can Sell Timber.

The state land board, under a new act, is authorized to sell the timber from state lands. Under the old law not more than 320 acres of state land could be sold to any one person regardless of the timber on the land. The new act provides that the timber alone may be sold either at public auction or by sealed bids.

Few Tax Laws Start.

Few of the new laws effective pertain to taxation. One regulates the assessment and taxation of transient livestock transferred from one county to another, dividing the assessment between the counties.

Tax Paying Time Changed.

Of considerable importance is the act whereby the dates on which the first half of taxes is due is changed from April 5 to May 5 and the second half from October 5 to November 5.

Forest Patrol Effectuated.

Several acts relating to the state forestry department carried the emergency clause, but two important ones are effective. One of these amends the compulsory patrol law by changing the definition of "forest land" so that it includes everything that contains enough forest debris to further the spread of fire. This makes it possible for the state forester to place cutover land and land of a similar character on the tax rolls in order that it shall bear its share of the protection costs. Exemptions for patrol costs are now limited to resident owners for not to exceed 160 acres if more than half of it lies

CIVIC CLUB BAZAAR AND DANCE TO BE HELD JUNE 6

Mesdames Robert and Bernal Forty were hostesses to the members of the Civic Improvement club on Thursday afternoon. There were several visitors present to spend the afternoon of the last regular club meeting for the summer. Among them were Mrs. Lorin Forty of Wedderburn; also Mrs. Clinton and Mrs. McFadden.

Arrangements for the club bazaar on June 6 were completed and committees appointed to manage the affair. There will be the usual fish pond as a side issue and it is hoped that the club dance in the evening will be patronized fully, in respect to the purpose for which the bazaar and dance is given, that of civic improvement.

within one mile of the owner's permanent address.

Another act gives the board of forestry authority to acquire by gift or donation in the name of the state forest or brush-covered land which is suitable for the growing of forests or for park purposes. This land is forever reserved from sale, but small isolated tracts may be exchanged for the purpose of blocking holdings for administrative purposes. Revenues derived from the sale of products from the lands go towards carrying out the provisions of the act.

Under the head of insurance one amendment gives more freedom to fraternal benefit societies in that the law is not held to restrict their right in the use of any surplus above the accumulation required by rate tables and accretions thereon, provided the surplus is used for the common benefit of all members. Other amendments pertain to securities and bonds to be deposited with the state insurance commissioner by foreign and alien corporations and companies engaged in fire insurance in Oregon; adjusters of fire and marine insurance, and the standard policy forms of life insurance companies.

The real estate brokers' act is strengthened, adding to the power of the real estate commissioner and further protecting the public.

Other new laws include the following:

Extending benefits of state bonus and loan act to Spanish war veterans. Regulating salmon fishing in Rogue river. Regulating fishing in Coquille river. Requiring treasurers or other officers of counties, cities, towns, irrigation districts, drainage district reclamation districts or other political subdivisions to report to the state treasurer the status of their bonded indebtedness. Providing that one X mark only is necessary in voting for president or vice president. Repealing requirement that bride must be resident of county where marriage license is obtained. Regulating sale of milk products and preventing fraud and adulterations. Authorizing organization of mutual savings banks. Providing for clearing of registration lists by postmasters removing from lists furnished by secretary of state names of persons who are no longer residents of community. For convenience in mailing pamphlets. Providing for permanent records of milk and cream tests at places where purchased. Salaries Increased. Increasing salaries of supreme judges. Increasing salaries of district attorneys. Through the new law the Curry county district attorney is increased from \$1200 to \$1500 per year. Increasing salary of county judge of Curry county. Under this law County Judge Bailey gets an increase from \$1000 to \$1500. This bill was introduced and put thru to passage by State Representative S. P. Peirce of Curry county.

For arbitration and award in controversies except relating to real estate titles.

New banking code. Creating a commission to study and report on possible simplification of local government in Multnomah county and state of Oregon.

Requiring recording of marriage licenses and divorces with the state board of health.

Standardizing and grading eggs. Regulating possession, sale and use of pistols and revolvers.

Creating department of Americanization and non-paid commission of five members.

Providing for poultry veterinarian.

DEFENSE DAY DEMONSTRATION ON JULY FOURTH

WAR DEPARTMENT GIVES SANCTION TO NEW MOVE—GOVERNORS OF STATES JOIN IN APPROVAL.

WASHINGTON, June 1.—A defense day demonstration will be held July 4, war department officials decided after their Armistice day plan had been rejected by President Coolidge. At first it was thought that the shortness of time before independence day would make the organizing of a mobilization test too difficult, but it was decided to undertake the task and make the affair as extensive as the limited time would permit.

Army officials were reluctant to break the tradition of a national defense day which they sought to establish with the first annual test last September.

While President Coolidge said he did not have any objection to a test held on some other day than November 11, he emphasized that the demonstration must be purely voluntary on the part of the states and instructed the war department to emphasize this point if it decided to carry out the plan.

"I have no objection to the holding of the test this year," President Coolidge said in his letter, "but I do not approve your proposal that it be held on Armistice day."

"If you consider it desirable to hold the defense test this year I would suggest July 4 as being a more appropriate date. Otherwise I think it desirable to get authority of congress, if any day not national holiday, is proposed."

"It occurs to me that your communications to the governors of the several states should emphasize that their response to the proposed test plans is purely voluntary."

"I mention this for the reason that their action must necessarily be predicated on what they consider to be the best interests of their states."

PORT ORFORD PEOPLE OBSERVE MEMORIAL DAY

Memorial day was fittingly observed Saturday, May 30.

A flag drill and strewing of flowers into the blue deep Pacific from the wharf at 10:30 a. m. by some of the small girls of the town, directed by Mrs. Bernal Forty, honoring the drowned veterans and those of the navy was an impressive exercise. This is a splendid custom and one practicable for Port Orford, and it is hoped that it will be repeated each year.

Exercises at the cemetery at 2 p. m., announcements being made by Rev. Smith consisted of: Invocation, Dev. Smith; America, congregation; Rev. Smith; America, congregation; wyle; Lincoln's Gettysburg address, John F. Gillings; reading, Davis Ponting; flag drill, small girls; Star Spangled Banner, congregation; benediction, Rev. Smith.

The cemetery has put on a new appearance with the large white posts around it.

CHETCO RIVER BRIDGE COLLAPSES MONDAY EVENING

Word reached Port Orford Tuesday night that the Chetco River bridge, in Southern Curry county, collapsed on Monday night, and is now out of commission. The west span is said to have completely gone down. This bridge was condemned several months ago by the state highway bridge experts, and it was fortunate that no one was on the structure when it collapsed.

County Commissioner Ed Sypher of Langlois passed through Port Orford Tuesday on his way to Gold Beach, where he was to be joined by County Judge Bailey and the two intended on going to the scene of the accident to confer with Commissioner Bud McVay and arrange for taking care of traffic.

Either the old ferry road, two miles up the Chetco, not used for ten years, will have to be brought into service, arrangements made to plank the railroad bridge of the C. & O. Lumber company, and use it for all traffic.

A speeding automobile in Indiana turned over twice and then kept on going. The car proved that its own tendencies were sound and that the difficulty lay in convincing the driver that cars run better right side up.

THREE HUNDRED OR MORE DELEGATES TO COME IN JULY

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER OF UNITED VETERANS WRITES FULL PARTICULARS—HALLS AND STENOGRAPHER ENGAGED.

At least 250 delegates will be in attendance upon the state convention of the Spanish-American War Veterans, which is to be held in Port Orford July 23, 24 and 25, according to the information just received by G. W. Norton, secretary of the local Chamber of Commerce from Geo. F. A. Walker, department commander.

Mr. Norton, who is giving some time to the proper consideration of this big meeting for Port Orford, has already engaged the necessary three halls for the conventions of the war veterans and their woman's auxiliary; also has arranged for officers' headquarters for the men at the Seaside hotel, and for the women at the Knapp hotel.

Mrs. Magnolia Zumwalt has been engaged as official stenographer for the veterans' convention.

THIRTY-TWO EIGHTH GRADUATES FROM CURRY COUNTY SCHOOLS

A total of 32 pupils graduated from the Eighth grade of the Elementary schools of Curry county, according to the information furnished by Mrs. Jennie M. B. Cope, county superintendent. Brookings led the list with the greater number, 14, while Harbor came second with 5, and Gold Beach third with 4. Those successfully passing the Eighth grade examination were:

Port Orford—Edna Miller and Floyd Wright. Wedderburn—Alris Cooke. Gold Beach—Laura Ralph, James Cook, Charley Caughell and Elizabeth Turner.

Langlois—Beryl Sorensen, Dorothy Spangler and Esther Chenoweth. Illaha—Kenneth Meservey and Florence Meservey.

Brookings—Ralph Parker, Margaret Dye, Lois Clark, Luella Isenhardt, Edward Ganong, Earl Tucker, Letha Smith, Homer Ransom, Lyla Peterson, Benjamin Jones, Edward McLean, Wayne Watkins, Niles Place and Gertrude Sorensen.

Wedderburn, District No. 18—Ellen Adams. Harbor—Golda Seabee, Thelma Handsom, Beulah Fitzhugh, Vesta Humphrey and Ralph Atwood.

EXPERT INSTRUCTOR ATTENDS LODGE MEETING

A Special Communication of Port Orford Lodge No. 170 of Port Orford, and Golden West Lodge No. 135 of Langlois, was held in the Masonic lodge room on Monday evening, June 1st, at which time a school of instruction was held for the benefit of both lodges, by U. S. Hufford, of Newport, Oregon. Mr. Hufford holds a first grade certificate from the Committee on Masonic Instruction, which can be earned only by passing an examination one hundred per cent perfect on all written and unwritten work of the various degrees, a distinction held by very few members of the Order. Mr. Hufford expressed satisfaction at the good attendance at the meeting, and complimented several of the members on their proficiency in certain parts of the work.

Stockholders of Bandon Bank Called For Full Assessment

It may be all right to be a stockholder in a bank if the institution pays 15 to 30 per cent dividend yearly, but not so fortunate if the bank closes and then the comptroller of currency call upon each and every stockholder to pay a 100 per cent assessment for the benefit of the depositors. This latter has just happened in the case of the First National Bank of Bandon which closed two months ago. An assessment of this nature ought to aid materially in reopening the institution. The sum of \$15,000 is expected to be realized from this source. The assessment is to be made on or before June 29, 1925, or the receiver will take necessary means to collect same.

OREGON EDUCATIONAL LAW DECLARED UNCONSTITUTIONAL

SENATOR STANFIELD MAY VISIT HERE

ADVISES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HE CONTEMPLATES TOUR TO STUDY CONDITIONS IN CURRY COUNTY.

There is a very strong probability that United States Senator R. N. Stanfield will visit Port Orford during the present summer for the purpose of gathering first hand data and desires of the Port of Port Orford commission in the way of harbor improvements at the hands of the federal government, as well as other matters of public import.

Senator Stanfield has written the local Chamber of Commerce that he desires to get in close touch with all sections of the state on all matters and realizes that this can be done only by a personal insight, which he intends to give.

Hopes are expressed that the senator might visit Port Orford during the time the Spanish-American War veterans are here, in July, and make an address before the gathering.

FORMER VICE-PRESIDENT THOS. R. MARSHALL DEAD

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 1.—Thomas Riley Marshall war-time vice-president of the United States, died here today. He passed away at the New Willard hotel, where he had been ill several days with a cold and heart affection. The end came unexpectedly, as he had shown improvement in the last week.

Marshall's death resulted from a recurrence of heart attack which he suffered a week ago. Tentative plans were made for burial at Marion, Indiana.

When the end came he was sitting up in bed reading the Bible. Only a nurse was at the bedside. Suddenly slumping down upon his pillows, he passed away without a word, apparently without pain.

Marshall's body will rest indefinitely in a receiving vault at Crown Hill cemetery, Indianapolis.

Native of Indiana. Coming from Virginia stock but a Hoosier by birth, Thomas Riley Marshall, while a successful lawyer, never courted national prominence until it was thrust upon him in 1908 by his nomination as governor of Indiana and again later when he was selected as President Wilson's running mate in 1912 and 1916.

LARGE ROOSEVELT HIGHWAY CONTRACTS IN CURRY ARE AWARDED

The two largest contracts for Roosevelt Highway work awarded this year went for stretches in Curry county, and both were won by well known contractors. The biggest contract went to John R. Hill of Harbor, well known in Port Orford, and who did much of the sub-contract work in this locality two years ago, and was for the Chetco River-Winchuck stretch of better than five miles, and for which Mr. Hill will receive \$90,065. His many friends are glad to hear of his good fortune.

The Gold Beach-Hunter's Creek stretch of 2½ miles went to D. P. Plymale of Bandon, who built the Hunter's Creek-Myer's Creek stretch last year, and was bid for at \$70,445. Mr. Plymale is already on the ground and expects to complete the job entirely, including the graveling by September 1. This stretch is through the town of Gold Beach.

The state highway commission is advertising to receive bids at its June meeting for a new bridge over the Chetco River in Curry county.

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U. S. SUPREME COURT HANDS DOWN UNANIMOUS DECISION—WOULD RESTRICT OPERATION OF PAROCHIAL AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS.

WASHINGTON, June 1.—A state cannot abolish private and parochial schools, the United States supreme court ruled today. The high court held the Oregon public school law, which did away with such schools by requiring children between the ages of 8 and 16 to attend public schools, was unconstitutional.

Justice McReynolds, delivering the opinion, said the inevitable and practical result of enforcing the Oregon law would be the destruction of the present parochial schools and other private primary schools, which are engaged in an undertaking not inherently harmful, but long regarded as useful and meritorious.

"Certainly there is nothing in the present record to indicate that they have failed to discharge their obligations to their patrons, students or the state," the court continued. "And there are no peculiar circumstances of present emergencies which demand extraordinary measures relative to primary education."

"We think it entirely plain that the act of 1922 unreasonably interferes with the liberty of parents and guardians to direct the upbringing and education of children under their control."

"As often heretofore pointed out, rights guaranteed by the constitution may not be abridged by legislation which has no reasonable relation to some purpose within the competency of the state."

"The fundamental theory of liberty upon which all governments in this union repose, excludes any general power of the state to standardize its children by forcing them to accept instruction from public teachers only."

"The child is not a mere creature of the state; those who nurture him and direct his destiny have the right, coupled with the high duty, to recognize and prepare him for additional obligations."

An Oregon federal court decision giving two schools an injunction restraining the state officers from enforcing the law in September, 1926, when it was scheduled to go into effect, was affirmed. The law, adopted in a general state election under the initiative in November, 1922, affected about 12,000 children now in private and church schools.

Governor Walter M. Pierce, Attorney General Isaac H. Van Winkle and District Attorney Meyers of Multnomah county, who were named in the injunction, appealed to the supreme court to dismiss it on the grounds that the law was a constitutional exercise of the police power of the state.

The Hill military academy and the Society of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary obtained the lower court injunction on the argument that the law, if enforced, would deprive them of their property without due process of law, in violation of the Fourteenth amendment to the constitution.

The two schools also contended the measure denied them equal protection under the law and impaired their contracts. Both schools were incorporated under the laws of the state of Oregon.

NOTED DAIRY HERD TO BE SOLD SOON

COQUILLE, June 1.—Judge Kendall today refused to confirm the sale of the I. Nordstrom dairy herd for \$4750, holding that the price was too low.

Herbert Howell, county agent of Josephine county, and Mr. Loughary, Jersey breeder of Monmouth, made the offer. Receiver Ray McNair submitted it to the court.

Nordstrom made an assignment some time ago. He has a fine place near Bandon and imported some noted Jersey stock.

Sealed bids will be asked soon.

CHILDREN'S DAY JUNE 14

Children's Day will be observed at the Community church a week from next Sunday, June 14. A program is being arranged.

Forest conservation is not "Woodsmen spare that tree" oratory; it is the wise use and continuous production of forest resources, according to the U. S. Forest Service.