

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

REGENTS GET BUSY.

New Buildings, New Books and New Teachers Ground Out.

University of Oregon, Eugene.—At the last meeting of the board of regents a frame building to contain six or eight rooms, at a cost of \$5,000, was authorized to be built on nine lots just purchased in Fairmount. It will be used after this year for a shop.

President Campbell was ordered to go East immediately to select a professor in geology, assistant in economics, assistant in civil engineering, assistant in psychology and a librarian.

The following new members of the faculty were elected: L. R. Alderman, professor of education, salary, \$1,800; Dr. Hugo Koehler, German, salary \$1,000; Mrs. Ella Pennel, assistant in English and assistant dean of women; Dr. R. C. Clark, assistant in history; Haines Curry, instructor in chemistry; Mozelle Hair, assistant instructor in English literature; Mabel Cooper and Miriam Van Waters, assistants in the correspondence school.

The board ordered \$10,000 worth of books for the library; the Mary Spiller home for girls to be finished and furnished and the library building furnished. The matter of authorizing an assistant in public speaking was deferred to some future time.

Demand for Linn Farms.

Albany.—Farm lands in Linn county are being eagerly sought and values have increased wonderfully within the last year. W. M. Lloyd, of Tangent, recently sold his farm consisting of 363 acres of pasture land for \$11,000. About five years ago this same farm changed hands and brought \$6,000. Two years ago W. M. Lloyd paid \$8,000 for it. A half dozen of the finest farms in Linn county have changed hands within the past week. There seems to be a steadily increasing demand for this class of realty. Every day prospective homeseekers are seen touring the country with the view of purchasing and establishing a home.

Cement Blocks for Depot.

Albany.—Three thousand cement blocks have arrived in the city from Eugene, and are to be used in the building of the new depot at this city. The work on the grounds has progressed so rapidly as to call for the laying of the blocks immediately. T. H. Ellis, of Eugene, is the contractor, and has had the supervision of the making of the blocks for the local structure. A large force of men is now at this city busily engaged in the work of constructing the new depot.

Cherry Grower Puts in Drier.

Salem.—S. P. Kimball, one of the largest growers of cherries near Salem, has just completed a drier with a capacity of 300 bushels of cherries a day. The poor market for cherries decided Mr. Kimball to install the drier. All cherries for the drier are carefully pitted by machinery. He believes that dried Royal Annes will net him a bigger profit than fresh Royal Annes at 3 cents a pound, the best price offered by the canneries.

Shipping Wool.

Elgin.—Now that the wool sales are over the wool stored in the warehouse of the Elgin Forwarding company, is being shipped as rapidly as cars can be obtained. From here the wool goes to Pendleton, where it is baled and then loaded aboard the cars for Boston. The warehouse of the Elgin Forwarding company is an exceptionally busy place, and a large force of men is required to handle the work.

Flour Mill for Baker.

Baker City.—A committee of business men composed of N. C. Haskell, W. J. Patterson and Sam Baer, has finished the work of soliciting a fund with which to purchase a site for the new 200-barrel flouring mill that is to be built by G. B. Stout, of Paoli, Ind. Mr. Stout asked that the city donate a millsite, and stated that he would erect a modern flour mill. Over \$1000 was raised by the committee in a few hours to pay for the land.

New Lumber Yards at Vale.

Vale.—The Vale Lumber company has finished putting in lumber yards at this place. The company is composed of parties from Union, who have mills and enough timber to last them 50 years, at the present rate of cutting. It is a strong company and will be a valuable addition to Vale's business enterprises.

Albany and Linn Apple Fair.

Albany.—Albany and Linn county are preparing for the annual apple fair to be held some time late in the season. The first of these fairs was held last year. The success was so marked that it was decided to again make a showing of the county's resources.

Klamath Cattle Shipments.

Klamath Falls.—The first shipment of beef cattle from Klamath county this season will start this week from the Horton ranch for the Oakland market. Cattle are looking fine in this section, especially in Wood river valley.

LOSE BY EARLY WOOL SALE.

Umatilla Growers Feel They Are Out \$40,000 as Result.

Pendleton.—Umatilla county sheepmen are very much dissatisfied for having been induced to sell their wool early in the season. They have never been satisfied with the prices received, and reports from recent sales in Montana have convinced them that they are really beaten out of between \$30,000 and \$40,000.

The reports from Montana show that wool there brought an average of five cents more a pound than the Eastern Oregon wools, and this difference cannot be accounted for by the difference in freight rates and shrinkage. An advantage of one cent is accounted for the Montana wool because of the shrinkage of the Montana wool was seven per cent less than that grown in Eastern Oregon. Computing prices on a basis of approximately the same ratio of shrinkage for this year, the Montana growers were readily entitled to 2 1/4 cents more a pound than the Oregon flock owners. The Oregon growers, therefore, naturally feel that their wool was worth as much as the Montana wool less this 2 1/4 cents, and not less the 5 cents, the actual difference paid.

Had the growers of this county alone have received prices corresponding to the prices paid in Montana, they would have received in the neighborhood of \$4,000 more for their clip than they did receive, and taking Eastern Oregon as a whole, the difference would have mounted into the hundreds of thousands.

GOVERNOR WANTS DELEGATES

Can't Fink Sportsmen Willing to Attend National Meeting.

Salem.—The National League of American Sportsmen, which meets at Lawton, Oklahoma, October 12 and 13, has requested Governor Chamberlain to appoint from one to five delegates from this state. The governor has requested a number of sportsmen in Portland to suggest names of persons who would be willing to represent Oregon at the Oklahoma meeting, but has been unable to secure any suggestions. The governor thinks the organizations of sportsmen in Portland should suggest names if they desire representation at the national convention. He has no other method of determining those who are interested or those who would go.

Clubhouse for College Girls.

University of Oregon, Eugene.—Girls at the University of Oregon will be well housed next year. At least three new houses, accommodating between 60 and 70 girls, will be ready for occupancy in September. The Mary Spiller House, named for the first woman connected with the university, will have rooms for 20 to 30 girls. The Klossie Tillacum Club will have a handsome new home by the opening of the university. The Zeta Iota Phi Sorority is building a new house, which will have room enough for 20 girls.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Butter—Extras, 25c per pound; fancy, 24c; choice, 20c; store, 16c. Eggs—Oregon, candled, 24@25c.

Poultry—Mixed chickens, 12 1/2c per pound; fancy hens, 13@13 1/2c; roosters, 7@10c; springs, 19@20c; ducks, old, 12c; spring, 14c; geese, old, 8c; young, 11@12 1/2c; turkeys, old 18@19c; young, 20@24c.

Veal—Extra, 8@8 1/2c per pound; ordinary, 7@7 1/2c; heavy, 5c. Pork—Fancy, 7@7 1/2c per pound; ordinary, 6c; large, 5c.

Mutton—Fancy, 7 1/2@9c. Hops—1907, prime and choice, 5@6c per pound; olds, 2@2 1/2c per pound; contracts, 9@10c.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, average best, 10@16 1/2c per pound, according to shrinkage; valley, 15@15 1/2c.

Mohair—Choice, 18@18 1/2c per lb. Wheat—Club, 86c per bushel; red Russian, 84c; bluestem, 88c; Valley, 86c.

Barley—Feed, \$23.50 per ton; rolled, \$27.50@28.50; brewing, \$26.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$26.50 per ton; gray, \$26.

Hay—Timothy, Willamette Valley, \$15 per ton; Willamette Valley, ordinary, \$12; Eastern Oregon, \$17.50; mixed, \$15; alfalfa, \$12; alfalfa meal, \$20.

Fruits—Cherries, 2@10c per pound; apricots, \$1 per crate; peaches, 50@85c per box; prunes, \$1@1.25 per c. rate.

Berries—Raspberries, 90c per crate; loganberries, 75@90c per crate; blackcaps, \$1.25.

Melons—Cantaloupes, \$2.25@2.50 per crate; watermelons, 1 1/2@1 1/4c per pound.

Potatoes—New Oregon, 1@1 1/4c per pound; old Oregon, 50c per 100 lbs.

Vegetables—Turnips, \$1.50 per sack; carrots, \$1.75; parsnips, \$1.75; beets, \$1.50; beans, 6c per pound; cabbage, 10@14c per pound; corn, 30@40c per dozen; cucumbers, \$1.25 per box; lettuce, head, 15c per dozen; parsley, 15c per dozen; peas, 21@30c per pound; peppers, 6@7c per pound; radishes, 12 1/2c per dozen; rhubarb, 1@2c per pound; spinach, 2c per pound; tomatoes, Oregon, \$1@1.50 per crate.

CONTINUE PROSECUTION.

Government Attorney Says Standard Fight Has Just Begun.

Chicago, July 24.—United States District Attorney Sims today gave out the following announcement:

"The government will file a petition for a rehearing in the Standard Oil case before the Circuit Court of Appeals within 30 days. If that petition is denied, the government will push the prosecution of all the cases against the Standard Oil company. The fight has just begun."

It is supposed that Sims received his instructions from Attorney General Bonaparte, as he announced yesterday that he could make no statement until he had conferred with Bonaparte.

The first new cases to be taken up will be those in Tennessee. The trials will be held at Jackson, in that state, November 8. These cases involve 1,500 counts, and will be prosecuted by Special Counsel James H. Wilkerson. The action will be pushed forward as rapidly as possible.

Attorney General Bonaparte today wired District Attorney Sims as follows:

"I feel that you and your assistants have done everything possible to protect the interests of the government and promote justice. I will write to you fully on the subject as soon as the opinion comes to hand."

ENACTS HISTORIC SCENES.

Splendid Pageant Seen in Grand Old City of Quebec.

Quebec, July 24.—The prince of Wales was the central figure yesterday in the magnificent spectacle of reproducing Quebec's historic past and ushering in the 300th anniversary of the founding of the city by Champlain. Aside from the spectacular features of the event, it was the occasion for a notable exchange of addresses between Vice President Fairbanks and the prince of Wales, in which the former spoke of the existing relations between the United States and Great Britain and the prince delivered a message of good will to the American government.

An enormous crowd filled the Place d'Armes fronting the Champlain monument, where the exercises were held. Here the prince received the addresses of the American and French representatives, the mayor of Quebec, and finally Champlain himself, reproduced as in the days of old, coming from the mimic reproduction of his original ship, the Don de Dieu, with some 5,000 followers representing every phase of old France in Canada.

DIE BY HUNDREDS.

Children's Disease Kills Ten a Day in Chicago.

Chicago, July 24.—Nineteen out of every 100 Chicago babies under 1 year of age have died during the first 22 days of July. This is about one-fourth of the quoted death rate of the city. There have been 10 deaths daily from bowel diseases of children under 2 years of age.

One of the noteworthy points of the city physician's report is in an Italian section of the city Gault Court. Here it was expected that, owing to the very congested conditions, a deplorable state of affairs would be revealed. Just the reverse was found. Crowds were there, and dirt was there, but babies, strange to say, were unaccountably healthy and strong.

According to Dr. Heman Spalding, of the health department, the common house fly is one of the great contributors to the complaints prevalent among the city's children.

Standard Stock Soars.

New York, July 24.—Stockholders of Standard Oil company and John D. Rockefeller in particular have good grounds for elation in the reversal of Judge Landis' decision. Today each and every stockholder of the big New Jersey corporation is richer by \$22 a share than before the decision of yesterday. Yesterday the oil stock was quoted on the curb at \$640 a share, but today the price jumped to \$662 a share bid, but none was offered under \$680, or within \$20 a share of the highest price the stock ever brought.

Oil Stock Will be Watered.

Chicago, July 24.—Following closely the decision of the United States Court of Appeals, reversing the decision of Judge Landis in the Standard Oil case, the Daily News today says: Bankers who have close affiliations with the Standard Oil company state that the organization will announce soon an increase in the capital stock of \$100,000,000 by \$500,000,000, making a total capital stock of \$600,000,000. There will be a decrease from the earnings for the fiscal year of about \$40,000,000 to the organization's surplus.

More Cotton Mills Resume.

Boston, July 24.—Several of the largest cotton mills of New England, which have been running on half time since the business depression became acute last spring, are preparing to resume operations to their full extent within the next week or two. Between eight and ten thousand mill operatives will be benefited by the change to full time.

NEWS ITEMS FROM WASHINGTON, D. C.

FORMS NEW UNITS.

President Makes Changes in Administration of Forests.

Washington, July 28.—A radical change is to be made in the administration of forest reserves, or National forests, during the coming fall; not a change of policy in any way, but a change in the manner of disposing of forestry business. The change is primarily in the interest of the people of the West, but incidentally it benefits the service, in that it will save considerable time, and permit of prompt action.

In brief, the large clerical force of the forest service, now maintained in Washington, is to be divided in halves; one half will remain here, the other half will be scattered over the West, wherever the service maintains division headquarters. About 250 clerks and stenographers will be sent out from Washington to Portland, San Francisco, Salt Lake, Denver, Missoula and Albuquerque, from 40 to 50 going to each place. These respective offices will be placed in charge of administrative officers, yet to be selected, and once organized will handle and dispose of practically all administrative questions that arise in their respective districts.

The Portland office, for instance, will handle all questions arising in the National forests of Oregon and Washington; Salt Lake City will handle cases from Idaho, Utah and Nevada; Missoula will handle Montana and Minnesota matters, and Denver will take care of questions arising in Colorado and Wyoming.

This change in administration will not entail any new appointments whatsoever. All the clerks will be transferred from Washington, and the administrative officers will be chosen from among the present officials of the service.

New Immigration Record.

Washington, July 25.—Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Labor William R. Wheeler predicts that during the next 12 months America will see the greatest flood of immigrants in her history. In an interview he declared today that all the aliens who fled to Europe on the advance of hard times last year will return, bringing others with them to the "land of promise." New York steamship companies alone, he says, have 600,000 return tickets out and the reappearance of good time will induce the foreign laborers to return to America. Wheeler gives it as his opinion that this influx will be headed toward the Pacific coast, where many opportunists await the laborer.

Resigns Under Cloud.

San Francisco, July 25.—Lieutenant Russell J. Hazzard, U. S. A., one of the party which accompanied General Funston on the famous expedition which resulted in the capture of Aguinaldo, the Filipino leader, will leave for Washington today to appear before the retiring board, seeking to be relieved from duty. The officer saw much hard service in the islands and is broken in health and spirits. Hazzard is the man who captured the deserter Arturo Howard, who is supposed to have killed General Lawton. For this capture General Chaffee recommended that Hazzard be given the medal of honor.

Benzoic Acid Harmful.

Washington, July 24.—"In the interest of health both benzoic acid and benzoate of soda should be excluded from foods." This is the conclusion of Dr. Harvey Wiley, chief of the bureau of chemistry of the department of agriculture, after a prolonged investigation to determine the effect upon the human system of these preservatives. The chemicals were given in various kinds of foods to Dr. Wiley's so-called poison squad, and he declared that their use is highly objectionable and produces very serious disturbance of the metabolic functions, attended with injury to digestion and health.

Secure Data in Europe.

Narragansett Pier, R. I., July 24.—At the forenoon session today of the monetary commission, a proposition was submitted for the appointment of a subcommittee to go to Europe in August. The subcommittee probably will comprise Senators Aldrich, Hale and Daniel and Representative Paget, and Representative Burton, of Ohio, a member of the commission who is now in Europe, would be the fifth member.

Japanese Sealers Eus.

Washington, July 28.—A dispatch received by the Navy department today from the gunboat Yorktown, on sealing patrol duty about the Pribiloff islands, Alaska, indicates that while the situation in sealing waters at present is quiet, five Japanese schooners are sealing near the island of St. Paul. If the sealing vessels should encroach upon the seal preserves a serious clash is probable.

WIRELESS IN FAR NORTH.

Government Will Establish New Stations in Alaska This Year.

Washington, July 23.—There is probability that, after all, wireless stations at Nome and Fort Gibbons, Alaska, will be established this year. The chief signal officer of the army is advised that the steamer Ohio reached Nome with her cargo in good condition. The cargo includes equipment for the wireless station at Fort Gibbons. As the equipment for the Nome station was damaged by the flooding of the hold of the boat in which it was shipped, it was feared that it would be impossible to install the Nome station this season, but now it is believed that the working instruments can be got together to establish the Nome station, and every effort will be made to do so.

The war department is highly pleased with the work done by the wireless stations. It has just received a report that the station on the Farrallones held communication with the St. Louis for 53 hours outside of Honolulu, 1,460 miles distant, her signals coming in loud and clear. Several messages were received and transmitted.

TRYING TO GET RESULTS.

Naval Conference is Struggling With Task Roosevelt Set.

Newport, R. I., July 25.—The naval conference met again today to continue the discussion of battleship plans and, it is believed, will continue daily meetings for some time to come. In the executive council, following the president's speech of yesterday, Mr. Roosevelt plainly told the officers present that he wanted "results" and would insist on them before the conference adjourned.

It was said that one result of the conference would be to abolish the general board of the navy, but officers now attending the sittings of the conference are widely varying in opinion as to the possibility or desirability of any such course.

War on House Fly.

Washington, July 23.—A national campaign against the house fly and mosquito has been planned and is about to be begun by the government bureau of insects. It will cover the entire country, and in its prosecution measures are to be urged by which not only communities but whole states will be enabled to rid themselves of these deadly enemies of mankind. In order to attain this end it is necessary merely to adopt a few simple and well-understood methods, the application of which may be entrusted to local boards of health. Where the mosquito is concerned, however, it is deemed advisable that there should be a general control by the state, because of the fact that certain species of these tuneless marauders are migratory and liable to appear suddenly in multitudinous swarms in places far from their breeding areas, giving profound discouragement to local efforts toward extermination.

Bids on Dry Dock Opened.

Washington, July 22.—Bids Saturday were opened at the navy department for the construction of drydock No. 2, at Puget sound navy yard. The dock will be built of concrete and granite. Congress appropriated \$2,000,000 for it. Bids were asked on two alternate propositions, one a dock 883 feet long, the other a dock 740 feet long. The bids follow: Cassey Lobse Winters company, Seattle, \$2,250,000 and \$2,108,000; Westlake Construction company, St. Louis, \$2,237,000 and \$2,111,000; C. J. Erickson, Seattle, \$1,625,000; no bid on smaller dock; Jack Black Masonry Contracting company, St. Louis, \$1,999,196 and \$1,915,000; Puget Sound Bridge & Dredging company, Seattle, \$1,975,000 and \$1,880,000.

Postoffices on Warships.

Washington, July 24.—Arrangements are being perfected for the installation of a postoffice on every ship in the United States navy, authorization for this action having been made at the last session of congress. Under the provisions of the enabling act enlisted men on each ship may be appointed as postmaster and assistant postmaster, their regular pay to be increased \$500 and \$300 a year, respectively. They will be required to give bond of \$100.

New Bids Are Called For.

Washington, July 22.—Instructions have been sent to the army construction quartermaster at San Francisco to invite new bids on 30 days' notice for the construction of the big army supply depot and the shipment station at Fort Mason, Cal. The contract was awarded to the P. J. Carlin Construction company, of New York, but they failed to sign the contract.

A. Y.-P. Money Available.

Washington, July 22.—The treasury department Monday notified W. M. Geddes, currency distributing officer for the exposition company, that the government appropriation for the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition at Seattle, amounting to \$600,000, is now available.