

BRIEF NEWS - OREGON

A new strawberry cannery is being built at Hood River and it is expected the plant will be in operation in time for the care of this year's crop.

Work of remodeling the statehouse at Salem is progressing rapidly and it will be completed this summer, it is expected.

Halibut fishing at Newport promises to be a thriving industry this year. A number of Portland men are interested in boats which will be used.

Bandon is the scene of some activity on account of gold being found in paying quantities in black sands. Work is returning \$3 to \$30 a ton.

With the stock show but little more than a month ahead, Union is making preparations to hold the annual event on a vast scale.

Bumper crop of strawberries is predicted for the Marion county section, the growers seeing no dangers ahead aside from possibility of frosts. Rains have not hurt blossoms.

What is said to be a new kind of oyster has been discovered in the reefs off Newport. The bivalve is larger than transplanted eastern variety and resembles the Japanese product.

In event the president issues a call for militia, the Oregon militia will concentrate and organize for field service at Clackamas, under plans arranged by the militia division of the war department.

The damage to the prune crop in a radius of 15 miles from Salem is said to be about \$300,000 as result of recent heavy rains. If the cold weather continues the loss will be heavier, says Robert Paulus, secretary of the Salem fruit union.

Representative Hawley has received by parcel post squared pieces of manzanita of beautiful color from Ashland. The committee on agriculture plans giving the speaker a gavel made of wood from the various states represented by its members. Hawley was asked to procure the manzanita.

In his initiative petition, which was filed with the secretary of state April 24, William A. Carter, republican candidate for governor, estimates that a saving of over \$500,000 annually will be saved the taxpayers of the state by the abolition of certain boards and commissions and the consolidation of others provided for in the petition.

Whether the prohibition party will put up a candidate of its own for governor or will endorse one of the candidates of the other parties already in the field will be the most important step to be decided at the state convention of the prohibition party to be held in Portland May 5 and 6.

Greek drama in the original Greek tongue for the first time in the Pacific northwest will be played in Portland May 13 and 14 by the students and faculty of Reed college. The *Antigone of Sophocles* is the accompaniment of the special music written by Mendelssohn is the drama selected for production.

If a plan approved by the local school board and the local dental association is carried out Pendleton will next year install a free dental clinic in her public schools for children who cannot afford to consult the dentist. The board will equip an office, and the local dentists will donate their services free of charge on certain days.

Thousands of voters of Oregon are debating the question of the effect that woman suffrage in this state will have upon the prohibition election next fall. Many take the view that the women will vote upon this proposition as their husbands and brothers do. Others argue that the women will in many instances take upon themselves the responsibility of voting as they think best.

President Wilson has been asked to sanction the organization in Portland of a regiment of prospectors and miners to take the field in Mexico. This regiment would be composed of men who are accustomed to the outdoor life, and their ability to give good account of themselves, either in field or mountain, under any and all circumstances, is their chief claim for recognition.

Representative Sinnott has introduced a bill conveying to Klamath Falls all the unsurveyed lands on Lake Ewauna for a public park. He has also submitted to the committee on public lands an amendment to the coal land leasing bill, providing that lessees pay all the state and county taxes on leaseholds. This, he thinks, will tend to remove the objections to the policy of reserving such lands in public ownership.

The secretary of the treasury informs Senator Chamberlain that information gathered from the departments requiring room in the federal building at Astoria indicates that a three story building having 9000 feet of ground area will be necessary. The cost of such a building, to be brick faced and fire proof throughout, will be \$250,000. Senator Chamberlain will introduce a bill providing for the erection of such a building on the present site.

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VOTE YOUR EXACT CONVICTIONS

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We have been asked by several to write something on the proposed bond issue of \$850,000 for permanent highways in Marion county. We have looked over a great deal of data on the subject and find nothing so simple, so direct and so much to the point as the article in Tuesday's Statesman by J. H. Albert, President of the Capital National Bank of Salem, which we reproduce on the first page. Read that article over carefully and then form your own judgment of the bond issue.

INDUSTRIAL NEWS OF THE STATE

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Bandon churches are building a revival tabernacle.
An \$8000 meat packing plant is being erected at Burns.
A new Christian church has been dedicated at North Bend.
The Springfield cement block factory is working a larger force.
Building docks and a seawall will enable Astoria to fill many streets.
Astoria continues its campaign for the use of wood block paving.
Washington population 1,250,000, Oregon 700,000. What's the matter?
Flavel will celebrate driving the first piling in the great Hill dock system.
The Smith-Powers logging road is to be completed south to Myrtle Point.
The California Oregon Power Co. is seeking franchises in Douglas county.
E. D. Phillipi is shipping 200 calves to Silverton to help out the dairy industry.
The J. K. Armsroy Co. has up the proposition of building a cannery at Roseburg.
The Eugene street car system is to be equipped with \$40,000 pay-as-you-enter cars.
The Nyssa cheese factory on the Snake river in March made 12,233 pounds of cheese.
A large ice manufacturing plant has been completed and is ready for business at Bend.
The Farmer's Union of Coos county has decided to build a co-operative store at Marshfield.
During the first two weeks of April, Coos Bay shipments of lumber to San Francisco aggregated 6,000,000.
The Golden Star and other mines in the Bohemia group are putting in machinery and doing development work.
D. L. Harden of Eugene has invented a drinking fountain for home and schools that will be manufactured there.
Portland merchants are asking modification of the minimum wage and eight hour law to give more girls a chance to work.
Home industry won out at Eugene by an order of the city giving all orders for sewer pipe to the Eugene Concrete works.
Elmer Dover of the Oregon Power Co. says with cheap power the 3 Pacific Coast states will have seven million population by 1920.
Merchants and farmers plead the right of their sons to learn trades from which they are shut out by the apprentice ruling of the minimum wage commission.
The Vancouver bridge across the Columbia is to be on the draw or bascule plan to let the largest sailing vessels through and is to be built of Oregon fabricated steel.
May 15, Marion and Clackamas counties vote on good roads bond issues that will cause about a half to be expended for labor on permanent highways if the elections carry.
Labor union and closed shop policies on the Portland water front are driving shipping more and more to Puget Sound on account of high cost of loading and unloading vessels.
Labor Commissioner Hoff declares that under the decision of the Supreme Court certain laborers at state institutions must come under the eight hour law, if the state has to borrow money to pay them.
The grange in many parts of the state is refusing to support the eight hour laws and other propositions emanating from Labor unions. For the past ten years the two bodies have worked together.
Fewer game laws, fewer boards and commissions, and less interference with industries, and more capital invested in manufacturing enterprises, is the line of development now advocated by the people of Oregon.
Labor Commissioner Hoff has renewed his fight to force all public institutions upon an eight hour day and the State Board of Control refuses to comply, saying the legislature did not intend to put the state employees under the eight-hour public works law.

Lyons and Fox Valley

F. A. Massile and family of Lyons visited at the Hadley Hobson home Sunday.

Ed Trask and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Mercer, Christine Shindler and W. R. Surry and family attended church at Mill City Sunday.

Ruth Ring returned home last week after an extended visit with relatives and friends in Portland.

Mrs. J. H. Johnston visited her father and friends at Kingston last week, she returned home Saturday.

Ed Burnett moved into the J. O. Sandburg house last week.

The T. S. Townsend Creamery Co., having installed a new vat, are now able to handle all the cream received at Lyons without shipping any to Salem.

Miss Christine Shindler closed a successful term of school last Friday with a picnic in the grove.

Geo. Peting has been working for W. R. Surry last week, helping fill some of the mud holes in the county road.

Ray Fox and son and Prof. Cane were seen going fishing Sunday.

J. H. and G. F. Johnston planted potatoes last week.

Lawrence Trash visited at Mill City Sunday.

The new teacher, Miss Estella Jones will teach one month of school at Fox Valley, which will begin April 27.

C. T. Maybee and Ralph Wash attended the ball game at Mill City Sunday.

J. O. Sandburg is building a new house bungalow style. E. E. Trash and son are the architects and builders.

Wm. Patterson returned home last week after having spent the winter in California with his sons.

Joe Peters and wife are beautifying their home with a coat of paint and a new lawn fence.

Mrs. Bodiker returned home last week after an extended visit in Albany.

Mt. Pleasant

Otto and Charley Peters and Harry Downing spent a few hours at the Pat Lambert home Sunday.

Mrs. Leshe Townes spent Sunday and Saturday at the H. Shank home.

Church was well attended Sunday morning and Monday evening.

Mrs. Fax Thayer and Miss Effie Ray were Jordan visitors Friday.

Miss Margaret Smith returned to Albany Tuesday morning where she has been employed at work in the chair factory for some time.

Misses Bessie and Verna Shank were guests at the Ed Smith home Sunday.

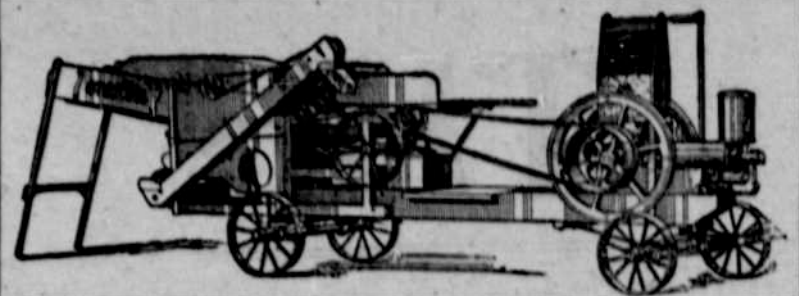
Fred McIntyre and wife of Salem motored up to M. F. Ryan's Sunday.

Misses Neva, Leslie and Bertha Thayer of Scio spent a few days with their sister Mrs. Floyd Shelton last week.

Lewis and Elmer Ray, Dave and Ernest Aegerter and Willie Ryan attended the program given at the Shindler school house Friday and reported a very interesting time.

W. R. Ray is tearing down a part of his house which he intends to rebuild soon.

Mrs. Leslie Townes and Effie Ray went to Mill City Monday evening to spend a few days with Mrs. Don McKnight.

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Otto Peters spent Sunday evening at the Lee Downing home.

Mrs. H. Shank called on Mrs. H. Senz Friday afternoon.

G. H. Ray is building a new wood shed.

Miss Hazel Lambert attended the program and basket social given at the school house on the McCully mountain Saturday night.

Mrs. H. Senz was Stayton visitor Saturday afternoon.

Several of the neighbors helped Joe Pietrok raise his new barn one day last week.

Mrs. W. H. Fuson visited the school Friday.

Leslie Townes and Arnold Senz helped H. Shank reroof his barn last week.

Rock Point

Alvin Burns has a new auto.

Mrs. L. M. White of Salem spent the week-end at the J. T. Hunt home.

W. H. Downing, E. C. Downing, J. T. Hunt and B. F. Fresh motored to Salem Saturday.

Mrs. T. J. Hill and son Max spent Sunday evening at the J. T. Hunt home.

Alvin Burns motored to Silverton Saturday.

Albert Frank is hauling sand and gravel to build a foundation for his new barn.

Elmer Downing of McAlpine and Geo. Schmitt spent Sunday at Silver Creek Falls.

School Notes

The fifth grade pupils are studying Hofmann's "Christ and the Doctors," the fourth grade pupils are studying Schreyer's "A Halt in the Oasis," they are also working on picture study booklets.

The sixth and seventh grades have three hammocks, that they have made, for sale. If any one wishes to buy one they can see them by calling at the school house.

Alice Smith has quit school, she will move away. Orval Weddle, Henry Lulay, Henry Tate and Gladys, Amelia and Rae Glover are absent from school on account of illness.

Misses Katherine McShane and June Kearns went to Gervais last Friday for a visit at the Finney home. Miss McShane spent Saturday in Portland; they returned to Stayton Sunday evening.