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OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Important Occurrences of Past Week Briefly Compiled for Our Readers.

The total registration of Oregon automobiles is 21,800.

The commercial club of Newberg is arranging for a corn fair this fall.

A better babies' contest is being planned for Pendleton to be staged April 21 and 22.

A school for convicts at the Oregon penitentiary has been opened with an enrollment of 50 men.

The organization of a civilians' rifle club with 56 charter members was completed at Albany.

A state Sunday school convention will be held at Roseburg for three days, beginning April 24.

Industrial club work among the Klamath county public schools is to be taken up again this year.

Morrow county farmers are rejoicing over the prospects of a bumper crop this fall, as the ground is in fine shape.

A survey has been begun in Lane county to eliminate the six railway crossings between Eugene and Cottage Grove.

A rich manganese strike is reported from Pleasant Valley. Surveyors are on the ground and many claims have been staked.

The dates for Condon's spring race meet have been definitely set for May 31 and June 1 and 2, and \$2000 in purses is offered.

The Lebanon paper mill, which had been operating but one paper machine for more than a year, started to run to its full capacity.

Wheat shipments by the water route from Portland during the nine months of the fiscal year ending March 31 total 8,450,851 bushels.

The Redmond commercial club and good roads enthusiasts are making arrangements for another "good roads day" Saturday, April 8.

Expenditures authorized by the O. W. R. & N. company, in addition to the normal improvements, for the present year aggregate \$3,659,000.

Twice as many foreign corporations have been admitted to do business in Oregon since January 1 this year, to March 22 as in the corresponding time in 1915.

Two churches of Corvallis, this spring have purchased property on which to erect new churches and a third church has authorized a \$6000 addition.

From the sale of its school lands and interest on the irreducible school fund for the last 46 years the state of Oregon has received the sum of \$13,141,166.78.

Although last winter was a severe one, the damage to the Columbia river highway in Clatsop county can be repaired, it is said, at a cost not to exceed \$1000.

Building permits in the city of Eugene for the month of March show an increase of \$8522 over the corresponding month last year, when the total was \$14,455.

Expenditure of \$40,000 to build ten additional stalls to the 25-stall roundhouse at La Grande by the O. W. R. & N. is announced. Work will be started soon.

The construction of the \$750,000 addition to the Hawley Pulp & Paper company's plant, which is now well under way, has resulted in a general business revival in Oregon City.

Salaries of women teachers in Oregon are advancing faster than the salaries of men instructors, according to data compiled by J. A. Churchill, state superintendent of public instruction.

The week ending March 30 was a record one for accidents, according to the state industrial accident commission, the total reported being 206. None of the accidents reported was fatal.

A minimum wage of \$8.64 a week for all adult women workers of the state is favored by members of the investigating committee recently appointed by the industrial welfare commission.

Fifty landseekers made application at the United States land office in Portland for government land in the former Siletz Indian reservation when some 16,000 acres were thrown open to entry.

A big shipbuilding plant to construct wooden vessels for transoceanic trade will be started in Portland within the next 30 days. Portland, Spokane, Seattle and eastern capitalists are back of the enterprise.

The state industrial accident commission received reports during March of 608 non-fatal and five fatal cases and disposed of 619 cases. March's list makes a total of 8972 handled by the commission since it was organized.

The shortage in the supply of paper-making materials does not affect the Oregon City paper mills in the slightest, say officials of the two plants. Not until all the pulp wood in the forests of the Pacific northwest is used will the Oregon City mills face a shortage in the supply of raw material.

C. C. Hall has begun his duties as supervisor of the Santiam national forest with headquarters in Albany, succeeding F. H. Brundage, who was transferred to Portland to be supervisor of the Columbia national forest. The amendment of the Prineville charter to permit of the borrowing of \$100,000 on a bond issue for the purpose of building a railroad from Prineville to the Oregon Trunk railroad near Redmond, a distance of 18 miles, carried.

Governor Withycombe has appointed Fred G. Buchtel, head of the state weights and measures department under State Treasurer Kay, a delegate to the national convention of weights and measures, to be held in Washington, D. C., in May.

J. M. Blank, of Canyon City, has been appointed by Governor Withycombe as district attorney for Grant county, succeeding V. G. Cozad, of Canyon City, who has resigned to become register of the United States land office at Burns.

Officials of the O. W. & R. Co. are arranging to put into effect within the next few weeks a new wage schedule that will provide slight increases in wages for conductors and brakemen employed in the freight service on various parts of the system.

Charles B. Pfahler, formerly clerk of the Episcopal diocese of Oregon under the late Bishop Charles R. Seading, was held to the grand jury at Portland after a preliminary hearing in the district court at which he admitted having destroyed the records of the diocese.

Representative Sinnott has nominated, as the result of a competitive examination, the following candidates for admission to the Annapolis naval academy: Principal Mark Crouter, Union; alternates, Herbert E. Hunt, Baker; Cyril M. Parsons, Bonanza, and Harold D. Sproule, Ontario.

Formal announcement that Clyde B. Aitchison, chairman of the Oregon public service commission, had accepted the position as chief of the valuation department of the National Association of Railroad Commissioners, was made by the commission. Mr. Aitchison will resign after the primaries next month.

The desert land board has notified officials of the Central Oregon Irrigation company that it must not sell water to lands on the project not now obligated to be served under the company's canal unless first a cancellation of an equal amount of irrigable lands for which the canal is now obligated is executed.

In addition to the big Hawley paper plant now under construction at Oregon City, it is reported that the Oregon City Manufacturing company, operating the Oregon City woolen mills, is considering the expenditure of \$100,000 in making additions to the present plant, which is said to be swamped with "war orders."

Statements from the 177 state banks and 84 national banks in Oregon combined into a report by State Bank Superintendent Sargent shows a total gain in resources of \$7,400,078.82, and a net increase in deposits of approximately \$9,250,000, for the year ending March 7. Postal savings and other government deposits show the only decrease in the report.

Candidates filing by nominating petitions or declarations for state or district offices must send them in to the secretary of state by April 14, which is the latest date upon which petitions or declarations may be filed under the law. Aspirants for county offices, however, who file with the clerks in their respective counties have until April 19 in which to file.

During March, 37 vessels loaded at the mills in the lower Columbia river district. Their combined cargoes amounted to 27,918,604 feet of lumber. During the same period, 8,771,057 feet of lumber was loaded at the mills in the upper river district, making a grand total of 36,689,661 feet of lumber that was shipped in cargoes from the Columbia river in the month of March.

Registrations for the coming primaries May 19 show an increase of 19,245 since last week, according to reports filed with Secretary of State Olcott by the different county clerks. The total as compiled shows 140,886 persons listed on the books as compared with 121,141 last week. Republican registrations so far number 93,480; democratic, 35,224; progressive, 843; prohibitionist, 3320; socialists, 3328; and miscellaneous registrations, 4191.

Four world indoor records were smashed, three of them by Fred Kelly of the Los Angeles Athletic club, and the fourth by Harry Cole of Oregon Agricultural college, in the big far western championship indoor meet held at Corvallis. Oregon Aggies captured premier honors, gathering a total of 49 points. University of Oregon took second place with 30 points, Los Angeles Athletic club finished third with a total of 29 points, and Maitnah club finished fourth with a score of 20. Other teams finished in the following order: University of Southern California, 13; University of Idaho, 8; Willamette university, 6; Columbia university, Portland, 3; Olympic club, San Francisco, 3; and unattached, 5 points.

ADMIRAL VON CAPELLE



Admiral von Capelle, who succeeded Von Tirpitz as head of the German navy.

BRIEF WAR NEWS

Greater activity than usual has been displayed in the fighting between the Germans and Russians in the region of Baranovichi, southwest of Minsk. Capture of the village of Malancourt in the Verdun region west of the Meuse, was announced by the German war office. The Germans took 328 prisoners.

One hundred and fifteen persons are missing from the Russian hospital ship Portugal, sunk in the Black sea by a hostile submarine, among them being 15 Sisters of Charity.

According to official advices from Paris the Germans are gradually closing in on Verdun, drawing their lines a little closer northeast of the fortress, where, by massed attacks from two directions, they have secured a footing in the village of Vaux.

Aircraft have been active around Verdun. The French brought down three German machines, but Berlin asserts that the aerial combats have resulted in their favor. Both sides have been busily engaged in dropping bombs on military establishments at various points.

The board of trade's summary of casualties to British shipping reported in March shows that 19 steamers aggregating 44,609 tons and eight sailing vessels of 1885 tons were sunk by enemy warships. Forty-three lives were lost in the case of the steamers sunk by warships and 81 in steamers sunk by mines.

American Ambassador Gerard at Berlin cabled Secretary of State Lansing that the German officials were investigating the attack on the French channel packet Sussex and the torpedoing of the British steamer Englishman and had assured him that they would give him all available information at the earliest possible moment.

The French now have entirely evacuated the village of Vaux and have drawn their line south of the town, but in its immediate outskirts. Berlin says that northeast of Haacourt, between Malancourt and Le Mort Homme, the Germans have entirely cleared the French from about 1000 yards of trenches, where they had remained since the German victory on this sector, March 30.

SHORT NEWS NUGGETS

Dr. James B. Angell, 87, president emeritus of the University of Michigan, died following an illness of a week. He was a noted educator and diplomat.

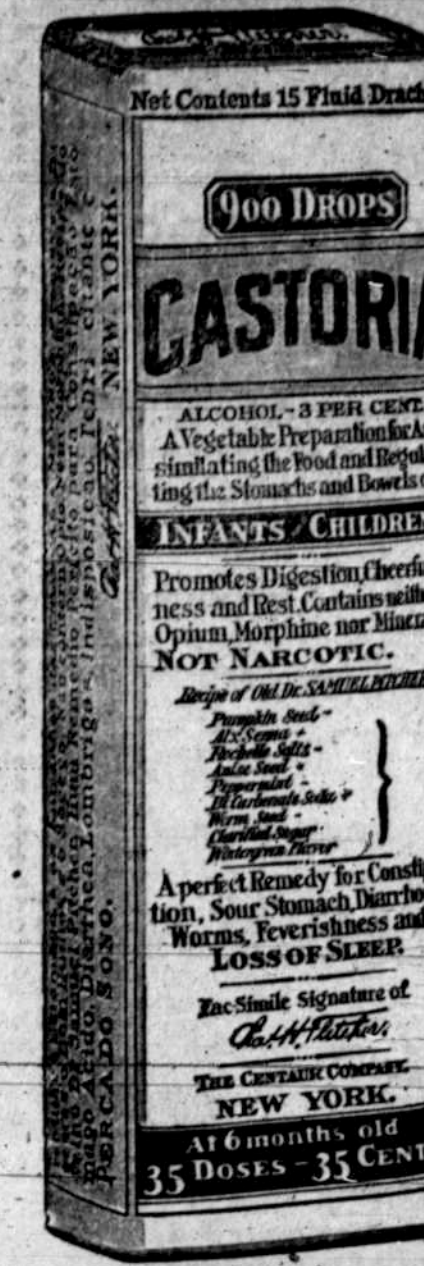
Captain Hans Tauscher, husband of Mme. Galski, the noted opera singer, was arrested on the charge of participation in a conspiracy to blow up the Welland canal in Canada.

Eastern railroad managers replied to the demands of their employes for an eight-hour day and higher rates for overtime work by submitting propositions of their own for discussion.

The Daughters of the American Revolution announced the inauguration of a nation-wide campaign for contributions to relieve destitute non-combatants in Belgium and northern France.

The big trans-Pacific passenger steamer Chiyo Maru grounded in a fog on one of the Lema islands south of Hongkong. Nine tugs and launches from a British torpedo boat destroyer went to her assistance, and took off her 299 passengers from San Francisco and Manila.

A German stowaway who gave his name as Ernest Schiller held up the captain and 56 members of the crew of the British steamer Matoppo, compelling them at the point of a pistol to change the course of the vessel and land him at the Delaware breakwater, after he had rifled the ship's safe and taken their valuables. He was captured by the coast guard while being rowed ashore.



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