

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Important Occurrences of Past Week Briefly Compiled for Our Readers.

William H. Brunk, 72, Oregon pioneer of 1849, died at his home in Salem last week.

Multnomah county has a tax delinquency of \$595,907.91, the heaviest in its history.

Four banks in Medford have more money in vaults, subject to local checks, than for three years.

Mystery surrounds the identity of a man who committed suicide on the county road near Canby last week.

Thirty-four pounds of tubers from the seed of one potato is the record reported by Mrs. Thomas Richardson of Cottage Grove.

The 16th annual convention of the Oregon State Teachers' association, eastern Oregon division, opened at La Grande Wednesday.

For the week ending October 27, 300 accidents were reported to the state industrial accident insurance commission. None were fatal.

Nearly 300 logging men from all parts of the Pacific coast were in Portland last week for the eighth annual Pacific Logging congress.

Fifteen of the 26 persons who took the recent bar examination passed, according to announcement of Clerk Moreland, of the supreme court.

Officials of the Applegrowers' Association of Hood River declare that the apple market situation is being seriously affected by the car shortage.

The Southern Oregon Traction company has reported a net deficit of \$5606.69 for the year ending June 30, to the state public service commission.

Passage of a law whereby citizens of Oregon absent from the state on military duty may have an opportunity to vote will be urged on the next legislature.

Newly surveyed townships in Malheur county, aggregating 32,000 acres, have been thrown open for sale by the state. Bids for the land will be opened December 19.

The new \$200,000 auxiliary power schooner, City of Astoria, was launched from the McEachern-Standifer-Clarkson yards on Young's river at Astoria Saturday.

The government has allowed the Southern Pacific company 30 days more time in which to check over the O. & C. tax-claims presented by the several land grant counties.

The Polk County Road Builders' association was organized in Dallas last week. The association is composed of three delegates from each of the road districts of the county.

Because of the inadequate mountain water supply now used by McMinnville the water and light commission has asked for a bond issue of \$90,000 to obtain an additional supply.

No 5-cent loaf of bread is to be bought in Baker. A 10-cent loaf, weighing two ounces less than that sold formerly at that price, and a 15-cent loaf, are on the market instead.

Wiley Winn, a well-known Weston farmer, has purchased the Joe Hodgson ranch, one mile north of Weston, comprising 673 acres of wheat land, for a consideration of about \$100,000.

Preliminary surveys on the Oregon, California & Eastern railway, projected by Robert E. Strahorn, are virtually completed and arrangements for financing the enterprise are well under way.

The Southern Pacific car shortage reached 2646 in Saturday's report to the state public service commission. The highest previous record was on Thursday, when a shortage of 2536 was reported.

A cable received by Douglas Wood announces the sale of Newtown apples sent from Grants Pass in the London market at \$3.50. This is a record price, and nets Grants Pass growers better than \$2 a box.

In its "safety first" campaign during the past year, the state labor department has inspected 524 factories and shops in Oregon with a view of eliminating the risk to employes from improper labor conditions.

Payrolls established by the shipyards on Young's bay have stimulated much urban and suburban homebuilding in Astoria. It is reported that not less than 100 homes are under construction at the present time.

An increase of \$8440 in the biennial appropriation for the state insurance department is recommended by Harvey Wills, insurance commissioner, in his estimate of the department's needs for the next two years.

A new instrument known as a "telegophone" is being installed at the different stations on the branch lines of the Southern Pacific out of Albany and permits the sending of telephone messages over telegraph lines.

The Pioneer Packing company of Oak Grove, consisting of a number of young farmers and fruitgrowers, who established the first community packing house in the Hood River valley, have this season introduced an innovation by contracting for the picking as well as the packing of the apples.

"Salem Week" is being celebrated in the state capital this week. The week is being devoted to awakening the civic spirit and bringing citizens in closer touch with the forces working for the advancement of the city.

A bill limiting the employment of women to 48 hours a week will be prepared and introduced at the legislature next January. The Consumers' league will be sponsors for this measure and will work for its enactment.

A carload of flax seed was sold in Portland by the management of the Eugene flax project, which is being conducted by the Eugene chamber of commerce. The sum of \$2.40 a bushel, or a total of \$1200, was received for the seed.

Fruit, vegetable and grain yields in the section tributary to Salem this year exceed past records, according to an estimate of Robert Paulus, manager of the Salem Fruit union, who places the total value of the crops at \$2,540,000.

Immense schools of silversides are reported outside the mouth of the Columbia, but the knowing ones say heavy rains that will increase the flow of fresh water are needed before the fish will enter the river in any considerable quantities.

Inspection of feasible routes for the establishment of state highways to be embraced in the five-year building programme which will be undertaken by the state in co-operation with the government has been completed by John H. Lewis, state engineer.

On petition of the county courts of Union and Umatilla counties, the state highway department will co-operate with these counties in making a survey of a road across the Blue mountains between Pendleton and La Grande. The joint county courts have agreed to pay all expenses for the survey.

According to a telegram received from the interstate commerce commission by the public service commission the former is exerting every possible effort to relieve the country-wide car shortage, but is without power to enforce the rules of the American Railway association governing prompt return of cars.

The California superintendent of public instruction is so pleased with the book on rural architecture published by State Superintendent of Public Instruction Churchill, that he has asked for permission to use a number of the plans in a pamphlet being prepared by the California department of education.

A series of lectures and demonstrations covering various phases of agriculture and home economics were given by the extension service of the Oregon Agricultural college in Klamath county. Meetings were held at Pievna, October 20, Mount Laki, October 31, Merrill, November 1 and at Bonanza, November 2.

Portland is in second place in the shipbuilding on the Pacific coast. Starting from practically nothing a year ago shipyards and shipbuilding contracts have flowed into the hands of the manufacturers of that city steadily until there are 38 contracts totaling \$21,520,000 reposing in the safes of Portland shippers.

Notice is hereby given that we, the undersigned resident tax payers, representing ten per cent, of the resident tax payers in road district No. 24, Marion County, Oregon, hereby give notice to the tax payers of said district, that there will be a meeting of the resident taxpayers of said district, at C. O. F. Hall Sublimity, Ore., in said district, at 2 o'clock P. M., on the 27th day of November, 1916, to vote an additional tax for road purposes, as provided by an act of the legislature of 1913.

Signatures: Wm. Van Handel, N. Highberger, Al Phillips, Carl H. Downey, Nick Zimmerman, C. H. Rossiter, Jos. Susbauer, R. P. Phillips, Alois Beitel, Jos. Spenner, F. J. Reisterer, E. C. Denny, B. H. Gescher, W. H. English, J. W. Phillips, F. A. Zimmerman, Geo. H. Bell, John Hafner, Jos. Zimmerman, F. A. Bell, Philipp Meier, Jos. A. Ditter, Philip Steffes, Geo. Roeser, F. Wolf, A. Wolf, B. Denny.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed in the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Marion, his Final Account as Administrator of the estate of L. P. Humphreys, Deceased, and that said Court has fixed Monday the 4th day of December, 1916, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, as the time, and the County Court Room in the County Court House in Salem, in Marion County, Oregon, as the place for hearing said Final Account and all objections thereto.

Dated at Salem, Oregon, October 31, 1916.

O. W. HUMPHREYS, Administrator of the estate of L. P. Humphreys, deceased.

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The Oregon branch of the American Red Star society has sent to Senator Chamberlain its formal protest against the sale of American horses and mules to the warring nations. Besides its objection to sending the animals to Europe to slaughter, the animal relief society points out that extensive sale of American horses will interfere with national plans for preparedness.

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police Slover, of being unable to be here night to speak in the E. Cline, of Portland his stead to a fall line had just returning before many middle west confer- Methodist church on