

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Events Occurring Throughout the State During the Past Week.

Springfield Gets New Water Plant.
Springfield.—Approximately \$15,000 will be spent this winter by the Oregon Power Company in betterments of the local water system. Doubling of the capacity of the storage reservoir and the laying of nearly four miles of mains of varying sizes and the installation of a filter are the larger features of the projected improvements. In addition to the \$15,000 to be expended at once, the plans contemplate the expenditure of \$10,000 more in four years to meet the growth of the city.

Big Sheep Deal Made.

Klamath Falls.—What ends probably the most important sheep deal ever made in this region was the delivery here by Dave Elder, of Lakeview, of 2000 lambs to McKendree & Arthur, of this city. The task of driving this big band of sheep over 100 miles was no easy one, and several men were necessary to look after them on the road and see that they were carefully pastured when stops were made.

SELL GYPSUM DEPOSITS

Big Cement Corporation Gets Control of Valuable Property.

Huntington.—The Lime Kilns at Lime, have been closed for the winter. With the announcement of the closing of the plant also comes the news of the sale and the formal transfer of the property to the Acme Gypsum Cement Company to take place December 1. This has been officially announced and that the deal for the transfer of the gypsum deposits owned by the Oregon Lime & Plaster Company along the northwestern road on Snake River has been consummated and the company will take charge at the same time.

With the acquisition of these properties by this corporation the largest manufacturer of hard plaster in the United States, it is announced that a large mill will be erected at the site of the gypsum deposits on the Northwestern road that will cost \$100,000, and that construction of the plant will be commenced in the early spring.

City Issues Ultimatum.

Hillsboro.—The city council gave notice to the Washington Oregon Corporation, which had a franchise for water and light, that the terms of the contract had been broken, and that unless a new contract were entered into the right to do business in the city would be forfeited. The council held there had been a water shortage, and that the company had not lived up to its agreement, under the contract, to install extensions.

FIRST CASE IN U. S.

All Land in Big Railroad Grant Contended Subject to Forfeiture.

Albany.—That every piece of land in the Oregon & California Railroad land grant as well as that actually involved in the suit brought by the government will be subjected to forfeiture if the government wins its case is a contention in an answer filed here in the case of William George vs. The Curtiss Lumber Company, now pending in the circuit court of Linn County.

Officials of the department of justice have given out assurances that the holders of small tracts will not be disturbed, but it is contended in this case that these assurances amount to naught and that present officials cannot bind their successors; that while it is the present policy of the government to leave the small holders of this grant alone, their titles, too, will be unmarketable and subject to forfeiture if the United States wins its case.

This is the first case in the United States in which this question has been raised and its decision involves approximately 375,000 acres of land, representing 2000 separate sales by the railroad company. This is the most valuable part of the grant, as it is that part lying in the Willamette Valley and adjacent to it and much of it now thickly settled.

Ranchers Make Protest.

Pendleton.—Believing their present and future interests to be in jeopardy ranchers along Birch and McKay creeks met at Pilot Rock to protest against the proposed extension of the Umatilla project. Resolutions were adopted calling upon President Taft and Secretary Fisher to reject the proposed extension.

Legal Sack 100 Pounds.

Portland.—One hundred pounds stands as the measure of a sack of potatoes, by a decision in municipal court. The ruling will not be appealed and unless attacked will stand as the law.

BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

Over 25,000 Oregon Christmas trees were shipped from Canby to California.

The first annual Snake River Valley poultry show will be held in Ontario January 18-21.

A special election will probably be held January 15 to vote on extending Albany's city limits.

A total of 11,000 turkeys were shipped from Douglas County for the Thanksgiving trade.

A carload of thoroughbred brood sows was received at Bend and distributed among farmers of that part of Central Oregon.

The coast artillery troops at Fort Stevens are now adopting and putting into practice the new 1911 drill regulations for infantry tactics.

The Agricultural College Glee Club, in conjunction with the College Mandolin and Guitar Clubs, will take a trip throughout the northern and eastern parts of the state the latter part of February and the first part of March.

Actual construction work on the Southern Pacific Company's Coos Bay branch has been begun by Twoby Bros., who have the contract for construction of the first 23 miles out of Eugene and to bore the big tunnel through the Coast Mountains.

A preliminary line has been run for the proposed railroad from Dallas to Siletz Bay, through the timber belt of the Siletz Basin, and the excellent agricultural land to the west of the Coast Range of mountains. This proposed railroad is being backed by the Falls City Lumber Company, with head offices in Portland.

Major C. E. Dentler, U. S. A., government inspector with the Oregon national guard, is soon to make a tour of the armories of the state, preparatory to filing his report, upon which will be based the appropriation for the national guard of this state for the ensuing year. Major Dentler's trip is specifically for the purpose of ascertaining how many men are prepared to take the field if necessity arise.

State Capital Gleanings

Governor West issued a pardon for W. E. Clark, the I. W. W. agitator, who was recently arrested on a charge of disturbing the Salvation Army at its open-air meetings.

William Waldo, one of Oregon's most prominent representative men and at one time president of the State Senate, passed away at his home in Salem after a lingering illness.

Acting Governor Olcott, State Treasurer Kay and Architect Knighton accepted the girls' dormitory at the Institute for feeble minded, which has been built at a cost of \$2500. The hospital building at the mute school was also accepted.

Six thousand 1912 automobile tags with duplicates, weighing 7000 pounds, were received by Secretary of State Olcott. These number plates are green with black figures, to distinguish them from the old, which showed a black figure on a yellow background.

Recent testimony given before the state railroad commission by representatives from Newport was repudiated by the Newport Lincoln County Commercial Club, which sent a letter to the commission saying that the testimony received was not indicative of the feelings of the people of that section.

As a parting move, just before leaving for the East and his trip on the governors' special, Governor West commuted to life imprisonment the sentence of Jans M. William Hassing and issued a formal statement to the effect that during his administration capital punishment will be eliminated in this state.

The report of the second Oregon soil survey to be made by the department of agriculture is being mailed to persons in the region affected. This survey covers the Marshfield area and is similar to that covering the Klamath country. A third will be out in the near future covering the Rogue River Valley and another later on Yamhill County.

Oregon has had six governors since George E. Chamberlain assumed office in 1909. He was followed by Frank W. Benson, who in turn was followed by Jay Bowerman. Ben Selling was governor for 24 hours at one time. When Governor West crossed the Oregon state line on his way to St. Paul Ben W. Olcott became acting governor, making the sixth man to hold this position.

That there will be objections from the Central Oregon Development Company to the desert land board's plan to place control and management of the company under a committee of three, on the ground that it will interfere with development work on the project and jeopardize chances for finishing the rest of the project, now seems likely. The company is expected to take the stand that the broad, liberal policy of letting it go ahead with its work and completing the entire system should be followed.

PLUMBING TRUST GIVES UP

Government Evidence Against Combine on Coast Strong.

Washington.—The "plumbing trust" which government officials say controls the sale of plumbers' supplies in most of the Rocky Mountain and Pacific Coast regions, has capitulated to the Department of Justice and is seeking to avoid court proceedings.

Representatives of the trust will present their ideas of dissolution at a conference to be held later in the week.

The evidence against the combination is strong. United States District Attorney McCormick, of Los Angeles, who is familiar with the workings of the combination, has been ordered to Washington by Mr. Wickersham to be present at the conference.

Coast Cities Win Rate Reduction.

Washington.—Portland, Seattle and Tacoma jobbers won an important victory before the Interstate Commerce Commission when that body ordered a 20 per cent reduction of all interstate class rates from these cities to points in Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana, and directed that the new rates be put into effect January 2, 1912.

Primary Issue Raised.

Washington.—In addition to choosing a meeting place for the next Republican national convention, the Republican national committee at its meeting here on December 12 is expected to go on record regarding the presidential preference primary. A resolution calling for the committee's endorsement will be brought before it by an "insurgent member," according to information received here.

EASTERN STATES SEE WESTERN GOVERNORS

Special Train Bearing Western Governors Will Tour Eastern States.

St. Paul.—The governors of 11 western states—California, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Colorado, Montana, Nevada, Wyoming, South Dakota, North Dakota—started from St. Paul Monday night on a 5000-mile tour of the East and Middle West, carrying exhibits of the products of the states they represent. The governors will attend conferences and get acquainted with the business men of the many cities they will visit in an effort to attract further public attention to the western country as a desirable field for the home-seekers and the investment of capital.

The governors will be accompanied by their secretaries and members of their staffs. The party will be in charge of former Governor James H. Brady, of Idaho, with whom the idea of the trip originated, and Riley Atkinson, secretary of the chamber of commerce of Boise, Idaho.

THE MARKETS.

Portland.

Wheat—Track prices: Club, 80c; bluestem, 82c; red Russian, 78c.
Barley—Feed, \$34 per ton.
Oats—No. 1 white, \$31 per ton.
Hay—Timothy, valley, \$16; alfalfa, \$14.
Butter—Creamery, 36c.
Eggs—Ranch, 50c.
Hops—1911 crop, 45c; 1910, nominal.
Wool—Eastern Oregon, 9@16c; Willamette Valley, 15@17c.

Seattle.

Wheat—Bluestem, 83c; club, 78c; red Russian, 78c.
Barley—\$35 per ton.
Oats—\$30 per ton.
Eggs—Ranch, 45c.
Butter—Creamery, 36c.
Hay—Timothy, \$15 per ton; alfalfa, \$14.

Teachers' Examination.

Notice is hereby given that the county school superintendent of Crook county will hold the regular examination for applicants for State papers at Prineville, commencing Wednesday, Dec. 20, at 9 o'clock a. m., and continuing until Saturday, Dec. 24, at 5 p. m., as follows:

For State Certificates (one-year, five-year, life):
Wednesday a. m., arithmetic, civil government, English literature.
Wednesday p. m., geography, grammar, physics.

Thursday a. m., orthography, theory and practice, bookkeeping.
Thursday p. m., writing, physiology, geology.

Friday a. m., U. S. history, physical geography, botany.
Friday p. m., school law, psychology, geometry.

Saturday a. m., reading, algebra, general history.
Saturday p. m., composition, American literature, history of education.

For State Primary Certificates—
Wednesday a. m., methods in reading, methods in arithmetic.
Wednesday p. m., methods in language, methods in geography.

Thursday a. m., orthography, theory and practice.
Thursday p. m., writing and physiology.

Friday a. m., Thesis. Subjects for thesis: Lessons by stories, language work in primary grades, number work in primary grades, busy work in primary grades, possibilities of nature study in primary grades, phonics in primary grades, child study. Applicants choose one subject.

Friday p. m., psychology.
Note. Questions on theory and practice, writing, arithmetic, physiology, and psychology will be the same for primary certificates as for other certificates.

R. A. FORD,
County superintendent.

Resolution of Condolence.

Whereas, the Supreme Ruler of the Universe, in His infinite wisdom, has deemed it fit to remove from further association with us on this sphere our former brother, Harry L. Adams, a charter member of this order and one of the founders of this Nest,

We, the members of local Govern-

ment Nest, No. 1588, Subordinate Order of Owls, in open lodge assembled, take this opportunity of expressing our heartfelt sympathy to the relatives and family in this their bereavement, and extend to them and his many friends our sincerest condolences.

ROY G. BUTLER,
S. R. COOPER,
WILLARD H. WIRTZ,
Committee.

Pure-bred White Wyandott cockerels for sale. RAY V. CONSTABLE, Adamson's Drugstore. 11-2-11

Election Notice.

The annual election of the Prineville Fire Department for Chief and Assistant Chief will be held at the City Hall in Prineville on Monday, December 4th, 1911. Polls will be open from 5:30 p. m. to 7:30 p. m.

GEO. SUMMERS,
President Board of Directors.

Friends Attention.

I am working for the \$1000 prize in the Pacific Homestead \$10,000 contest, for the candidate receiving the most votes. Subscriptions wanted, new or renewal, yearly or 6 months, price \$1.00 year; 50 cents for six months, also votes clipped from the Pacific Homestead each week. I am near the head of list and will appreciate any assistance given me. Contest closes December 23.
MRS. J. C. BREEDING.

We rent houses; phone us a description. For rent—7-room, modern; 2-room with woodshed, pump and chicken yard. STROHDAHL & COBDAIT.

Notice to the Public.

I am handling express from the railroad for three different stage lines and while their rates are not the same I will be obliged to hold any and all express-ages until it is paid for even if it didn't come by the stage line as directed. Yours truly, ALBERT NOBLE. 11-16-11

Brood Sows for Sale.

Good stock; also 15 6-weeks' pigs. 11-30 J. C. BUIX, Powell Buttes.

For Sale or Trade.

34 acres of choice garden land adjoining city of Centralia, Wash. Address B. F. Hogard, Centralia, Wash. 11-30-11mp

Notice for Publication.

Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon,
November 24th, 1911.
Notice is hereby given that George Moore of Prineville, Oregon, who, on April 27th, 1910, made Homestead No. 9861, for 64 ac. 1/4, and 1/2's sec. 22, township 17 south, range 16 east, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final commutation proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Warren Brown, county clerk, at his office at Prineville, Oregon, on the 2nd day of January, 1912.
Claimant names as witnesses: George Crawford, George A. Little, Alvin Peterson, Elsworth T. Curtis, all of Prineville, Oregon, 11-29-11.
C. V. MOORE, Register.

For Your Thanksgiving Dinner



You will find all things needed, such as Nuts of all kinds, Canned Fruit and Vegetables, Oranges, Bananas, Lemon Peel, Orange Peel, Citron, Olives, Pickles, and everything usually kept in a First Class Grocery. Remember that in our Dry Goods and Shoe Department you will find bargains not found elsewhere. Holiday goods now arriving. As usual we will have a full line to select your gifts from. Come early before the best are taken.

The Leader

MRS. I. MICHEL, Prop.



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You can't keep waiting if you are going to secure an overcoat of really clever style. You must remember this: An overcoat on your back right now, is worth two that you might expect to own later. It is the early purchaser who invariably secures the smartest style and most fascinating fabric. When you purchase early you have a score of shades, colors and patterns to select from—you have many different models to choose from—you have everything necessary to the securing of garments which will prove an excellent purchase. Come while the season's young.

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AT THE OLD BRICK STORE.

School Bond Sale.

Notice is hereby given, by the undersigned, the county treasurer of Crook County, Oregon, that pursuant to an order of the board of directors of school district No. 35, of Crook County, Oregon, he will sell for the best price obtainable, \$500 six per cent bonds of said district on or before the 1st day of December, 1911, at the office of the county treasurer in Prineville, Ore. Dated this 2nd day of November 1911.
RALPH L. JORDAN,
County treasurer of Crook County.

Lots for Sale.

A bargain, four lots, for sale, one of all, in most desirable building section. Inquire before purchasing elsewhere, at this office. 10-19.

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