

## OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

### Events Occurring Throughout the State During the Past Week.

**Railroad Buys Land in Seaside.**  
Seaside.—The old Ben Holladay home here, including a section of land south of this city, has been purchased by what are believed to be representatives of the Southern Pacific for railroad purposes, and it is believed from the operations of surveyors and other representatives of railroad interests that the Southern Pacific is gradually perfecting its plans for a railroad through this city to the Columbia river.

**Near Beer Only in Name.**  
Roseburg.—The chemist who has been analyzing the "near beer" secured by the sheriff during his raid on 10 Roseburg near beer stands and a brewery has found in several cases that the liquor contained an intoxicating percentage of alcohol. The result of no test has been exactly made known but it is presumed all the liquor contained the same percentages of alcohol.

### 38 MEASURES ON BALLOT

28 by Initiative Petitions, 6 by Legislative Resolution, 4 Referendum.  
Salem.—There will be 38 initiative and referendum measures to go before the people of all the state at the general election which will be held November 5. In addition to these there are seven local measures which have been filed with the secretary of state.

Although the last day for the filing of petitions was a legal holiday the office of the secretary of state remained open to receive petitions.

The seven local measures which will go on the ballot in the respective electoral districts which are affected include three measures for single tax, as provided for under the county tax amendment of 1910.

The 38 measures which will go on the ballot all over the state of Oregon are varied in many details. Of these 38 bills and amendments 28 have been proposed by initiative petitions, six have been referred to the people by resolution of the state legislature and four have been referred to the people through the medium of referendum petitions.

**30,000 Greet New Line Into Albany.**  
Albany.—Midst the siren shrieks of whistles, the clanging of bells, the roll of drums and the booming of firecrackers, 30,000 residents of Albany and a dozen towns of the Willamette valley welcomed the first passenger train to be run over the new extension of the Oregon Electric Railway from Salem to Albany—a palace train bearing 800 lively boosters from Portland.

**Phone Combine Made.**  
Medford.—The Home Telephone company, operating in Medford and the Rogue River valley, has taken over the entire plant and equipment of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company and hereafter there will be but one telephone system in southern Oregon.

### LAND RESTORED TO U. S.

**Judgment of \$26,250 Against Oregon Lumber Company and Others.**

Portland.—Five thousand nine hundred acres in Baker and Grant counties were restored to the government and a judgment of \$26,250 was given against the Oregon Lumber company, David Eccles, Grant Geddes, Joseph Barcon, Frank M. Shurtliff, F. H. Atkinson, J. R. Smurthwaite, W. A. Green and J. E. Hyde in the United States district court by Judge Bean. This judgment was the result of an agreement reached out of court by John McCourt, United States district attorney, and the defendants, who were sued for fraudulently securing patents to United States lands. The money damages represent the value of timber cut.

The defendants were also indicted on charges of conspiracy to defraud the government, growing out of the same transactions and the judgment will not in any way affect the government's position in the criminal cases. It is believed that the defendants will plead guilty at the fall term of court, when their cases are called, and ask the clemency of the court. Grant Geddes, one of the defendants, is now dead.

The transactions took place during 1904, 1905, and 1906.

**Joseph Ordinance Strict.**  
Enterprise.—The first licensed saloons in Walla Walla county in six years opened Wednesday in Joseph. The Joseph council voted to grant two licenses. The Joseph ordinance, drawn in the years since the county went dry, July 1, 1906, is one of the strictest in the state.

## BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

Senator Chamberlain has introduced a bill to reserve certain specified lands and make them a part of the Santiam national forest.

Fire starting from an overheated stove in a barber shop bath room destroyed a block of business buildings at Bend, causing a loss of \$35,000.

At the special school election held in Heppner to bond the district for \$40,000 to build a new schoolhouse, the proposition carried, 188 to 55.

The Scandinavian-American bank of Astoria has increased its capital stock from \$50,000 to \$75,000 and will erect a new bank building to cost \$40,000.

Thirteen miles of steel rails have arrived at Vale, and track laying has begun on the Oregon Eastern railroad from Vale to Riverside, 80 miles west.

The first big log raft of the season left the Columbia river this week for San Diego, Cal. This big cigar-shaped raft was built by the Benson Timber company at Clatskanie and contains 4,000,000 feet.

So that all Oregon could join in celebrating with the Elks at their grand lodge meeting in Portland for at least one day, Governor West issued a proclamation naming Thursday, July 11, as a legal holiday.

Sex hygiene instruction in the schools and school ventilation and the open-air school formed the principal themes for discussion at the open session of the Oregon Congress of Mothers, held at the University of Oregon.

The Oregon hop crop this year will be the largest since 1907, unless weather conditions later in the season become extremely unfavorable, which is not likely. A conservative estimate of the 1912 crop in Oregon is 110,000 bales.

The election held in Hood River for the purpose of voting on a \$90,000 bond issue with which to conduct a municipal water plant resulted in a vote of 115 for bonds and 10 against. The vote cast was only about one-fourth of the city's vote.

Class freight rates from the Missouri river and points of origin east to destinations in the Willamette valley through Portland have been held to be unreasonable by the interstate commerce commission, and reductions averaging 12 per cent were ordered.

The Indian bill, passed by the senate, carries amendments appropriating \$66,000 to satisfy the claims of Tillamook, Clatsop, Chinook and other Oregon Indians, and \$15,000 to construct a bridge across the Deschutes river near the Warm Springs reservation.

Porter Brothers, railroad contractors, have the contract for building 80 miles of the Eugene-Coos Bay branch of the Southern Pacific. Much of the track work will be completed before the rainy season sets in and tunnel work will be carried on during the winter.

The state purchasing board has awarded contracts aggregating \$65,408 for supplies for the state institutions during the next six months. Of this total Portland firms received contracts for \$25,523, Tacoma \$21,990, and Pendleton, Salem and Roseburg the remainder.

Henry Huesing, aged 25, a rancher, was shot with a heavy charge from a shotgun; Jack Smith, "Happy" Bolton, a machinist, and Howard Bates, all La Grande people, were more or less badly cut and bruised as the direct consequences of a free for all fight between Italians and some white men at La Grande.

Governor West has revoked the parole of Calvin Judy of Douglas county, who was paroled by Governor Chamberlain after having served 15 years of a life sentence. Alleged threats made by Judy against his wife during a dispute over property rights caused Governor West to revoke the parole.

Gladstone Park near Portland will be a Mecca for union labor of Oregon July 29, when John Mitchell, ex-president of the United Mine Workers and vice president of the American Federation of Labor, will speak. His subject will be "The Philosophy, Purposes and Ideals of the Trades Union Movement."

After a trial lasting over four weeks the jury in the case of Jack Roberts, indicted for the murder of Donald McCloud Stewart, brought in a verdict of murder in the first degree. Roberts was accused of having slain Stewart and George Hastings in an attempted automobile holdup on the Whitehouse road on March 29.

The Hawley Pulp & Paper company at Oregon City has let the contract for a steel and reinforced concrete building in which will be installed presses for printing fruit wrappers, bag machines, paper towel machines, and toilet paper rewinders. The building and equipment will involve an expenditure of \$80,000.

In an opinion by Attorney General Crawford to George G. Brown, clerk of the state land board, the attorney general holds that corporations cannot purchase lands which have reverted to the state from the compromise of the state with the Warner Valley Stock company, although he holds that private individuals may purchase such lands.

## CHAS. F. MURPHY



Photo by American Press Association.  
Charles F. Murphy, leader of Tammany Hall, who headed the New York delegation at the Baltimore convention.

### Brief News of the Week

Life insurance organizations of the United States and Canada distributed \$592,640,000 in 1911.

American medical officers in Porto Rico confirm the reports that bubonic plague is prevalent in the island.

Twenty-one were killed and 39 injured, a number fatally, as a result of a wreck on the Ligonier valley railroad at Wilpen, Pa.

The supreme court of the District of Columbia holds that a retailer may sell a safety razor at any price he chooses, notwithstanding any stipulations to the contrary by the manufacturer.

Twenty deaths in the two days of torridity Chicago experienced was the record when the statistics were footed up. In addition there were half a hundred serious prostrations and 18 persons were bitten by rabid dogs.

The Cuban revolution is practically at an end. Its principal leaders have either been killed or captured. Admiral Usser has cabled the navy department that no rebels have been seen for several days and the American naval vessels have been ordered home.

### People in the News

Champion Jack Johnson stated that he would probably retire after he meets Al Paizer on Labor day.

Miss Lucy Goode White, a newspaper woman, has been nominated by the socialist party of San Francisco, for superior judge.

George Wingfield has declined the appointment as United States senator from Nevada, and Governor Oddie has appointed Judge W. A. Massey, who has accepted.

For the first time since August, 1909, the German and Russian emperors met and held a consultation at Baltic Port, a seaport of Russia near the entrance of the Gulf of Finland.

Sarah Platt Decker, noted Colorado suffragist, was stricken with intestinal trouble while attending the biennial convention of the General Federation of Women's Clubs at San Francisco and although an operation was performed, she died Sunday.

### Political News Bits

That the tariff issue will overshadow all others in the coming campaign was the positive declaration made by Governor Wilson.

Governor Hadley of Missouri, says the republican party in his state is already sufficiently progressive and that a third party is not needed.

Senator Cummins, of Iowa, refusing to join the third party movement, says he believes problems can be solved more quickly through the republican party.

The republican state convention of South Dakota adopted a platform which makes no mention of Taft or national issues, and elected five presidential electors bearing the Roosevelt label.

The conference of California progressive republican leaders with Governor Johnson ended in decision to make the fight for Roosevelt in California under the designation of the republican party.

Judge Edmund B. Dillon of Columbus has been nominated for governor by the republican state convention of Ohio. The Taft forces were in control of the convention and a Taft platform was adopted.

Governor Osborne of Michigan an ardent Roosevelt supporter at the Chicago convention, declares his belief that there is no necessity for a third party. He says the real republican party has no candidate this year, and republicans can vote for Wilson without leaving their party or bolting.

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**Notice for Publication.**  
Department of the Interior,  
U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon,  
June 27th, 1912

Notice is hereby given that Thomas Long, of Post, Oregon, who, on July 9th, 1907, made homestead, No. 1969 serial, No. 0489, for his nee, sw<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> nee<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> sec<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, n<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> sec<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, section 10, township 16 south, range 12 east, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make five-year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Warren Brown, county clerk, at his office at Prineville, Oregon, on the 9th day of August, 1912. Claimant names as witnesses: George Luckey of Prineville, Oregon, Henry Brunner, Frank Post, Joseph Post, of Post, Oregon. 7-4 C. W. MOORE, Register.

**Notice of Final Settlement.**

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of C. W. Clark, deceased, has filed his final report and the court has set Monday, the 9th day of August, 1912, at the county court room in the county court house, in Prineville, Crook county, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing any and all objections to said final report, and the discharge of the administrator from his trust. Dated this 4th day of July, A. D. 1912. C. C. O'NEIL, Administrator de bonis non of the estate of C. W. Clark, deceased.

**Notice for Publication.**

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office  
The Dalles, Oregon, June 14th, 1912.  
Notice is hereby given that Carl John Sundquist of Prineville, Oregon, who, on June 8, 1906 and November 12, 1907, made homestead No. 15261 serial, No. 0082, for nee<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> sec<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, w<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> sec<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, and sw<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> sec<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, section 22, township 13 south, range 13 east, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make five-year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Warren Brown, County Clerk, at his office at Prineville, Oregon, on the 30th day of July, 1912. Claimant names as witnesses: Numa F. McColin, William Clawson, Otto Borreson, George J. Brown, all of Prineville, Oregon. 6-20 C. W. MOORE, Register.

**Notice of Final Settlement.**

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed his final account as administrator of the estate of Silas E. Adams, deceased, with the Clerk of the County Court of the state of Oregon for Crook county, and the said court has set Monday, the 8th day of August, 1912, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon as the time for hearing said final account and any objections that may be made thereto, and for making such order as may be required in the premises. Dated and published first time June 20th, 1912. W. E. ADAMS, Administrator of the estate of Silas E. Adams, deceased.

**Notice for Publication.**

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office  
at The Dalles, June 25th, 1912.  
Notice is hereby given that Sears Lee, of Prineville, Oregon, who, on February 27th, 1911, made homestead, No. 0812, for sw<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> section 8, township 17 south, range 16 east, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make commutation proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Timothy E. J. Duffy, U. S. Commissioner at his office, at Prineville, Oregon, on the 10th day of August, 1912. Claimant names as witnesses: Nathaniel W. Morrisette, George T. Kitching, Leo Battinger, of Prineville, Oregon, Ralph E. Gates, of Bend, Oregon. 7-4p C. W. MOORE, Register.

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