

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Events Occurring Throughout the State During the Past Week.

State Editors Hold Meeting.

Oregon City.—With an elaborate banquet, tendered by Franklin T. Griffith, of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, the annual convention of the State Editorial association was brought to a close at Hotel Estacada. Officers for the coming year were elected as follows: President, E. E. Brodie, Oregon City Enterprise; vice-president, Sam Evans, Klamath Falls Northwestern; secretary, Phil S. Bates, Portland. A. E. Voorhies, of Grants Pass, was chosen to succeed the retiring member of the executive committee.

Wallowa Land Deal is Big.

Enterprise.—Three deeds placed on record at the courthouse here transferred 28,063.79 acres of Wallowa county land, by far the largest real estate deal or trade in the history of the county.

In one deed the George Palmer Lumber company, of La Grande, transferred to the East Oregon Lumber company, of Enterprise, 13,830.85 acres of timberland. In two deeds the East Oregon company and Duval Jackson, its president, transferred to the Palmer company, 14,238.93 acres.

Oregon Short Line Pays Big Dividends

Salem.—The Oregon Short Line, Salem, Falls City & Western, Sumpter Valley railroad, and Coos Bay, Roseburg & Eastern Railroad and Navigation company have reported profits in their annual reports to the state railroad commission for the year ending June 30, while the Portland, Eugene & Eastern Railway company reported a profit on its electric lines and a large deficit on the steam lines. The report of the Oregon Short Line is for the entire system, only a small part of which is found in Oregon. The report of this line shows an especially prosperous condition, a dividend of 10 per cent having been declared and a large surplus being on hand. Dividends totalling \$10,000,000 were paid.

NUMBER EMPLOYES LARGE

Labor Bureau Statistics as Gathered for Biennial Report

Salem.—Figures prepared by Labor Commissioner Hoff for his annual report show there is a total of 1230 general merchandise stores in the state, and during this year they employed 9480 people to whom a total salary of \$7,284,000 was paid.

The following figures show the number of other business institutions engaged in business in the state, the people employed, and the total wages paid, as compiled thus far for Mr. Hoff's biennial report:

Electricians, 85; employment agents, 35; engineers, civil and surveying, 250; engineers, consulting and contracting, etc., 60; engineers, mechanical, 50; engineers, mining, 30; engineers, supplies, 30; express, dray and transfer men, 378; dealers in farm implements, 190; dealers in fish and poultry, 50; florists, 74; dealers in fruits, wholesale, 34; fuel dealers, 178; furniture, retail, 390; general merchants, 1230.

Farm implement stores.—In the 190 farm implement stores of the state an average of 760 persons were employed during 1914, to whom a total wage of \$608,000 was paid.

Fish and poultry.—The 50 dealers in fish and poultry employed 98 people and paid them \$79,000 in wages.

Fuel dealers.—The 178 dealers in fuel gave employment to 490 persons and paid them a total wage of \$41,050.

Furniture, retail.—The 390 retail furniture dealers employed 840 people at a total wage of \$58,800.

Transfer and express.—The 378 transfer and express men employed 756 people at a total wage of \$52,920.

Recall Law Upheld by Supreme Court.

Salem.—On every count the state supreme court upheld the validity of the amendment to the state constitution providing for the recall of public officials.

The decision is in the case appealed from Columbia county arising from the recent recall election in which Andrew L. Clark was elected to supersede W. A. Harris as county judge to determine which of the two is entitled to the office.

Registration for Multnomah is 95,926.

Portland.—Ninety-five thousand nine hundred and twenty-six voters, by far the largest number ever listed in Multnomah county, had registered when the books were closed.

Voters who have qualified are divided between 58,135 men and 37,791 women. Divided into parties, they are as follows: Republicans, 59,795; Democrats, 22,506; Progressives, 3895; Independents, 4417; Prohibitionists, 2729; Socialists, 1584.

PRINCE GEORGE



Prince George, son of the King of Serbia, who is leading the Serbian army against the Austrians.

BANK ROBBED OF \$20,000

Sedro-Woolley First National Held Up By Six Men.

Sedro-Woolley, Wash.—Six masked and armed men robbed the First National Bank of Sedro-Woolley of more than \$20,000 at 8:50 o'clock Saturday night and escaped into the woods, after slightly wounding three citizens whom the robbers shot while fleeing from the bank.

Cashier J. Guddall, the assistant cashier, a bookkeeper and three citizens were in the bank when the robbers arrived. Two of them stood outside, shooting up and down the street to keep the citizens indoors, while the other four kicked in a large plate-glass window and climbed into the bank, firing volleys from their pistols to enforce their commands to those inside to hold up their hands.

While two of the four robbers who entered the bank kept those inside at bay the others went through the cash drawers, taking all the money in sight ranging from \$20 gold pieces and bills of every denomination down to the last cent in the tills.

The quartet then dashed outside, where their companions awaited them, and then all ran down the street one block. Turning off into Ferry avenue, they disappeared in the darkness.

Chicago Profits by War.

Chicago.—Supplies and food worth \$150,000,000 have been sent to Europe from Chicago since war was declared, according to figures made public by John Arnold, chairman of the foreign relations committee of the Chicago Association of Commerce.

Seven Americans at Naco Wounded.

Washington, D. C.—Seven Americans, four troopers of the Ninth and Tenth cavalry, and three civilians were wounded in Naco, Arizona, by bullets fired by belligerent Mexican forces across across the boundary.

STEAMER BURNS ON COLUMBIA

Portland.—The steamer Santa Catalina, a huge \$700,000 steel freighter of the W. R. Grace Co.'s line, plying between New York and Pacific coast ports, including Portland, took fire and was beached against the Oregon shore of the Columbia river, two miles from St. Helens. She is practically a total loss.

The great vessel, one of the largest entering the Columbia river, caught fire as the result of an explosion in her engine room. Two car-loads of ammunition in her cargo exploded with the fire adding horrors and damage.

Forty-two members of her officers' staff and crew are safe, but one fireman, Gus Johnson, is dead. He was entrapped in the engine-room instantly when the explosion occurred, and heroic efforts of Captain J. F. Rose and his aides to rescue him before the ship was abandoned were futile.

The Santa Catalina is beached within two rods of the dock at Columbia City, two miles coastward from St. Helens.

THE MARKETS

Portland.

Wheat—Club, 95c; bluestem, \$1.01; red Russian, 90c.
Hay—Timothy, \$17; alfalfa, \$13.50.
Butter—Creamery, 35c.
Eggs—Ranch, 30c.

Seattle.

Wheat—Bluestem, 99c; club, 95c; red Russian, 89c.
Hay—Timothy, \$16 per ton; alfalfa, \$13 per ton.
Butter—Creamery, 36c.
Eggs—32c.

BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

Albany was 50 years old October 16. The Moose lodge of Hillsboro has decided to build a \$30,000 lodge building.

Martin Angle, the first white male child born in Jackson county, died at Grants Pass of Bright's disease.

The state railroad commission has ordered the Oregon Electric railroad to establish a flag station between Sidney and Talbot.

J. D. Mickle, dairy and food commissioner, will recommend to the legislature that a law be passed requiring the reporting and branding of Chinese eggs.

The annual conference of the Pacific coast district of the Danish Lutheran churches begins at Portland Thursday and will last through the following Tuesday.

Folk county prunegrowers have harvested a smaller crop than in several years. Although no figures have been compiled, an estimate places the yield at 65 per cent of that of last season.

The Southern Pacific operated at a profit in Oregon, as well as over its entire system during the year which closed June 30, from the annual report filed with the state railroad commission.

Sluslaw port commissioners met at Florence and decided to proceed with the jetty work, in spite of the fact that the harbor bill contains no appropriation for Sluslaw harbor improvements.

In the circuit court at Crants Pass Judge Calkins sentenced E. Dennison, found guilty of an attempt to extort money from Oslin M. Jackson, to from six months to two years in the state penitentiary.

Astoria's public docks and waterfront measure and the municipal wharves and dock bill is opposed by the Port of Astoria commission on the grounds that they are not for the best interests of the state.

Columbia River commercial fishing interests are raising \$5000 to turn over to the department to enlarge the scope of fish propagation, under the system adopted by the fisheries department of the Oregon Fish and Game Commission.

A sawmill will be built at Klamath Falls to cut 26,000,000 feet of timber in the Crater National forest recently purchased by W. E. Lamm, of Danville, Ill. Mr. Lamm's contract with the forest service requires that the timber be cut within four years' time.

Sixteen outside states are represented in the university student body, according to the registrar of the University of Oregon. Washington leads the list with 14. Idaho, California and Wisconsin follow in the order named. There is one student registered from India.

R. E. Clanton, superintendent of hatcheries, at a meeting of the state fish and game commission, said that the take of salmon eggs for hatcheries this year was the largest in the history of the state. He said the take, which is principally of the early Chinook, will total more than 30,000,000.

Labor Commissioner Hoff announces that there were 70 accidents in Oregon industries during the week ended October 14. Only one was fatal, B. Namba, of Baker, a section hand, was killed by a train. As usual a majority of the accidents were in connection with railroad work and logging.

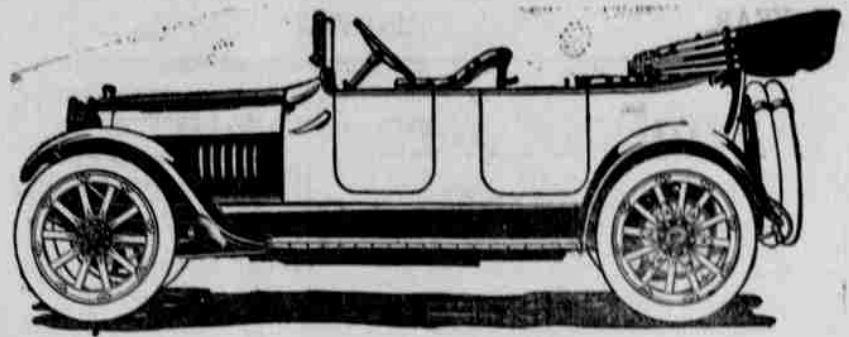
The state land board at Salem has called for separate bids for the leasing of the beds and waters of Albert and Summer lakes, in central Oregon. The tenders will be opened December 14 instead of December 10, as originally planned. Bonds of \$5000 will be required from the person securing a lease of either of the lakes.

Oregon's population has increased nearly 200,000 since the 1910 census was taken, according to researches just completed by the promotion department of the Portland Commercial club. Of this gain 75,000 has been in Multnomah county. All the counties except four show marked increases, the four showing decreases being Sherman, Morrow, Josephine and Hood River.

The reclamation service has just issued a bulletin on the Deschutes river projects. The booklet deals with the North Canal unit of the Central Oregon Irrigation company's Carey act segregations, and the discharges, diversions and storage requirements of the Deschutes river; the cost of the works and their present value. An appendix has been added by John H. Lewis, state engineer of Oregon. The book contains a map of the project.

At the recent city election in Roseburg the proposal to issue bonds in the sum of \$500,000 to finance the construction of a railroad to Coos Bay carried. This bond issue provides that the railroad must be built from Roseburg to Coos Bay before the bonds are available. The company accepting the contract to build the road will be required to furnish approved securities of \$500,000 as evidence of good faith before the bonds are issued. The commissioners who are to construct the road are now making arrangements for the improvement.

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AGENTS FOR CHALMERS AND BUICKS

Notice for Publication.

Department of the Interior.
U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, O. e.
October 16, 1914.

Notice is hereby given that Richard R. Kimpler of Prineville, Ore., who on March 28, 1810, made homestead entry No. 05326, and on January 28, 1914, made additional homestead entry No. 012469, for sec. 14, n. 1/2 sec. 14, n. 1/2 sec. 23, and sw. 1/4 sec. 24, township 16 south, range 16 east, Willamette meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof to establish claim to the land above described before Warren Brown, county clerk, at Prineville, Oregon, on the 28th day of November, 1914.

Claimant names as witnesses: Curt Wilson, Paul A. Mertsching, Edgar Bundy, Frank Mertsching, all of Prineville, Oregon.
H. FRANK WOODCOCK, Register.

10-22p

Notice for Publication.

Department of the Interior.
U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Ore.
October 13, 1914.

Notice is hereby given that Shellee Holland of Held, Oregon, who on February 6, 1911, made homestead entry No. 08083 for ne. 1/4 sec. 27, w. 1/2 sw. 1/4 section 25, n. w. 1/4 section 35, township 18 south, range 10 east, Willamette meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof to establish claim to the land above described, before A. S. Fogg, U. S. Commissioner, at Hampton, Oregon, on the 28th day of November, 1914.

Claimant names as witnesses: Paul Held, Jefferson F. Houston, Thomas Rickman, of Held, Ore., and Floyd Baker, of Roberts, Ore.
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