

## OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

**Hunter Slays Game Warden.**  
Medford.—Game Warden A. S. Hubbard of Ashland, 30 years old, was shot and killed by Lorin Martin, a professional deer hunter, near Trail, when attempting to make a search of Martin's cabin for evidence of poaching.

Sheriff Single and Deputy Sheriff Wilson walked to the cabin of Lorin Martin, arrested him and brought him to the jail at Jacksonville, where he is held without bail. Much to the surprise of his friends, Martin made no attempt to get away and did not resist arrest. He met Sheriff Single on the trail in front of his cabin, and with the remark, "Guess I am the man you are looking for" handed over his rifle, kissed his mother good-by and was brought at once to Medford. According to Martin's story he shot Hubbard in self-defense.

**Eastern Oregon Fears Mad Coyotes.**  
John Day.—The spread of rabies among the coyotes of eastern Oregon is becoming a menace that is demanding serious attention. This problem is assuming such serious proportions that steps for the extermination of the coyote may be taken by the state or federal government at once.

In the interior counties of the state the mad brutes are causing much damage to stock. In the past six weeks it has been reported that a sheep herder in Malheur county was bitten and died before he could be taken to Vale for treatment, and another herder in northern Grant county, it is reported, was recently bitten and died before he could be given Pasteur treatment.

**Part Distribution of Forest Fund.**  
Salem.—The distribution of 25 per cent of the United States forest reserve fund for the fiscal year ending June 30 has been announced here and shows that a total of \$61,606.50 is to be apportioned to Oregon. Figures given out at the office of the secretary of state show that there are 15,589,934 acres in the forest reserve area in Oregon, out of a total area of 61,188,480 acres, and the apportionment is .003953967.

### ACCOUNTANTS MAKE REPORT

#### Claim That Some Officers of Counties Are Short and Others Careless

Salem.—Great extravagance and negligence is shown by the majority of the counties of Oregon, according to a statement by John Y. Richardson, chief accountant of the state insurance department. Richardson told of shortages totaling \$13,872.62 which he says have been unearthed recently.

The shortages ranged, at the time of the audit, from \$98.16 to \$7353.20. The former represented the shortage in the accounts of the treasurer of Josephine county, and the latter that in the accounts of the treasurer of Wheeler county. The Wheeler county treasurer has recognized his shortage by paying on it the sum of \$7000. The shortage claimed in the account of the treasurer of Baker county is \$1223.09, and that in the accounts of the treasurer of Marion county, \$116.66. The report shows a shortage of \$251.42 in the accounts of the sheriff of Douglas county, and that the county judge of Walla Walla county is apparently short \$2867.25. Further, the reports show that the business affairs of Columbia, Crook and Gilliam counties have been conducted by a number of their officials in a careless and unsystematic manner, and negligence and extravagance are manifest in the majority of the counties of the state.

#### George Solomon Freed at Albany.

Albany.—George Solomon, indicted jointly with Vada Grier for murder in the second degree for the killing of the woman's husband, Frank Grier, was discharged following the acquittal of Mrs. Grier.

The case against Solomon was dismissed because of insufficiency of evidence to convict, inasmuch as Solomon had had no part in the actual killing.

#### Miser Found Dead in Squalor.

Marshfield.—Dead beneath his bed of rough planks in the back room of a dirty basement and in the midst of squalor, John Golden, a Coos Bay pioneer, known to be worth more than \$20,000, was found by the police. The man was 75 years of age and lived alone.

#### O. A. C. Announces Short Course.

Corvallis.—The Oregon Agricultural college has just issued its annual announcement of the winter short course, January 4 to 30. The circular of 24 pages is filled with pictures showing the work to be offered to the four-week students and each course is fully outlined.

### VICE ADMIRAL STURDEE



Vice Admiral Sturdee, the British commander who destroyed the German fleet in the South Atlantic.

### BRIEF WAR NEWS

Servia's successful counter offensive against the Austrians, resulting in the practical expulsion of the Austrian troops from Servian soil, was the most important war development during the past week.

The success of the Servian army came as a result of the withdrawal of several Austrian army corps to block the invasion of Hungary by the Russians. The Austrians remaining in Servia were too weak to withstand the attack of the Serbs and were routed with great losses.

The Russians were driven out of Hungary at the cost of disaster in Servia. Though the Russians were driven to the north of the Carpathians they accomplished the purpose of the Hungarian demonstration by liberating Servia.

The Russian troops which had been sent into Hungary weakened the Slav armies in central Poland at the same time. The events of the week reveal this as one of the reasons why the Germans have progressed so near to Warsaw. The bear sacrificed her own defenses to rescue her cub and Marshal von Hindenberg seized the opportunity to drive his wedge into the bear's Polish cave.

Although not accomplishing any result of military importance, the Germans were able to humiliate the British navy by making a successful journey of nearly 700 miles through waters guarded by the Union Jack. The escape of the raiders is all the more exasperating to Great Britain because three battle cruisers were in the attacking squadron. These capital ships are a part of Germany's first line sea strength and had they been destroyed the victory would have been of prime importance. Fog favored the Germans, but splendid seamanship also contributed to make this the most daring exploit of the war.

In France and Belgium the allies have made substantial progress during the week. Along a front of 70 miles, from Dixmude to Albert, the battle line has been moved forward by distances varying from several hundred yards to nearly five miles. There have been no such consistent gains since the allies gained the battle of the Aisne.

#### Loss of Ships is Denied.

London.—The Admiralty has issued a statement denying that any British warships were lost during the recent raid by a German squadron on the east coast of England.

#### African Revolt Wanes.

Cape Town, via London.—General Louis Botha, Premier of the Union of South Africa, considers the rebellion, apart from the rounding up of a few stray bands, is at an end.

#### More Than Million Germans Lost.

Geneva, Switzerland.—Statistics showing that Germany has lost 1,200,000 men, killed, wounded and captured, appeared in Swiss and German newspapers.

#### Durum Wheat Brings \$1.37.

Duluth.—Durum wheat sold at \$1.37 on the Duluth board of trade, the highest price ever recorded for that grain.

#### Taft Raps Referendum.

Detroit.—"The initiative, the referendum and the recall are a complete negation of the representative system established by the Pilgrims and Puritans," declared ex-President Taft in an address at the annual dinner of the New England Society of Detroit.

#### Eugene Zimmerman Dies.

Cincinnati.—Eugene Zimmerman, ex-president of the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton railroad and wealthy financier of this city, died suddenly at a club here from hemorrhage of the lungs. Mr. Zimmerman was the father of the Duchess of Manchester.

### BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

E. Henry Wemme, a prominent citizen of Portland, died of diabetes in a Los Angeles hospital at the age of 54.

The sum of \$500,000 has been lopped off the appropriation for the north jetty at the mouth of the Columbia river.

By a unanimous vote the state board of control voted to retain Will S. Hale as superintendent of the state school for boys.

Joe Gould, arrested at Oregon City on a charge of counterfeiting, was released by the federal authorities in Portland.

Officials of the Willamette Valley Southern Electric, have announced that the line will have regular service before February 1.

The convention of the Western Division of the Oregon State Teachers' association was held at the state university in Eugene this week.

Governor West has appointed Miss Henrietta E. Falling of Portland chairman of the woman's section of the Oregon Belgian relief committee.

Added appropriations for the protection of Oregon's timber resources are recommended in the annual report of the Oregon conservation commission.

A "Buy At Home" campaign is to be launched by the promotion department of the Salem commercial club immediately after the first of the year.

Spanish American war veterans at Albany formed a rifle club which will be affiliated with the National Rifle association. Frank C. Stellmacher is president.

According to figures compiled by the Salem commercial club, the average monthly payroll of the combined industries of the city amounts to a total of \$151,181.85.

Mrs. Anna Layton, a pioneer of 1847, died at her home in Philomath of heart trouble, aged 75 years. Mrs. Layton crossed the plains with her parents when 8 years of age.

The Douglas county grand jury returned an indictment charging Roy Farnum, suspected murderer of Edna Morgan, of Glendale, with a statutory offense. Bail was fixed at \$5000.

An appropriation of \$75,000 has been made by the federal government to purchase farm machinery, livestock and grain for the Indians on the Warm Springs reservation in central Oregon.

Portland's children between 4 and 20 years of age number 44,700, according to the annual school census. This is a decrease of 216 from the census of last year, when the number was 44,916.

A half million dollars has been spent on the construction and maintenance of roads in Clatsop county the past year and approximately \$75,000 remains to be paid contractors for work that is yet uncompleted.

It appears from the report of the Oregon Conservation commission, which has just been made public, that Portland, more than any other city in the country, is entitled to be called the "Power City." The commission reports a grand total of 3,139,170 horsepower in its vicinity.

The fish and game commission has decided that Fish Warden Clanton shall hereafter have full charge of all matters pertaining to fishing for commercial and sport purposes and State Game Warden Finley shall be allowed to handle matters in connection with game, game propagation and protection.

With the gradual completion of the grading on the new Willamette-Pacific line between Eugene and Coos Bay, forces are being materially decreased. With the exception of a few places, which will not be finished until April, the completion of virtually the entire grade is now a matter of a few weeks.

No fatal accidents were reported to Labor Commissioner Hoff during the week from the several lines of industrial activity throughout Oregon. Forty-nine were injured, the railroad, lumbering and paper industries reporting the greatest share. Twelve were hurt in railroad work, 10 in lumbering, and 11 in paper mills.

Secretary Lane, after a long conference with Representative Sinnott and Senator Chamberlain, expressed his willingness that congress should appropriate, without condition, \$450,000 for the construction of a government irrigation project in eastern Oregon, and said he possibly might favor the appropriation of a larger amount, if it should develop that \$450,000 would be inadequate. He gave assurance to both members of the Oregon delegation that he would not insist on a new appropriation by the Oregon legislature to match the amount appropriated by congress.

One of the most gigantic private development projects ever put forward in Oregon was initiated last week when Jason C. Moore, head of a New York syndicate, was granted by the state land board a 45-year lease on Lakes Summer and Abert, in the Deschutes country, for the construction of plants that will manufacture nitrate, potassium, sodium carbonate, bicarbonate, and other materials obtainable from the rich salt deposits in the lakes.

## HOUSE TO CONSIDER POSTAL REFORMS

### Postmasters' Salaries Safe— Contract System of Rural Delivery Blocked.

Washington.—After two days of hot words, which culminated in an exchange of invitations to personal combat between Representatives Heflin, of Alabama and Moon, of Tennessee, the house adopted a special rule to consider legislation for reforms demanded by the postoffice department in connection with the annual postal appropriation bill.

A defection of democrats from the leaders defeated a rule, which provided for consideration of amendments decreasing postmasters' salaries, the elimination of assistant postmasters, experimental substitution of contract service for the rural delivery service, increased salaries for rural carriers, changes in the compensation paid railroads for carrying the mails and other reorganization plans for the department.

The rule was passed with the provisions for cutting postmasters' salaries, abolishing assistant postmasters and the rural service substitution scheme eliminated.

#### Harbor Bill Pared Deeply.

The annual river and harbor appropriation bill, carrying \$34,138,580 for waterway improvements throughout the country, was completed by the house river and harbor committee. Estimates of the army engineers were reduced by nearly \$20,000,000 and the bill appropriates only for work on projects which have already been begun, and making no provision for new undertakings.

Columbia River, Celilo Falls to the mouth of the Snake River, \$45,000; The Dalles to Celilo Falls, \$80,000; at Cascades, \$10,000; Columbia and lower Willamette, below Portland, \$600,000; mouth of the Columbia, \$1,250,000.

Oregon, Coos Bay, \$80,000; Nehalem Bay, \$116,175; Coquille River, \$76,000; Siuslaw River, \$117,500; Snake River, \$20,000; Willamette River, above Portland and Yamhill River, \$42,500.

Washington, Grays Harbor and Chehalis River, \$15,000; Waterway Puget Sound to Lakes Union and Washington, \$6000; Cowitz and Lewis Rivers, \$22,000; Puget Sound, \$25,000; Skagit River, \$7000.

The bill also carries an appropriation of \$250,000 for examinations, surveys and contingencies.

#### Army Bill Follows Garrison Estimate.

The Army appropriation bill for \$101,000,000, agreed upon by the military committee of the house, follows the war department's estimates closely.

"We gave them practically all they asked for," said Chairman Hay, referring to appropriations for ammunition and other materials for defense.

An increase of 25 regiments in the regular army was proposed in a bill by Representative Anthony. Five additional regiments of artillery, five of cavalry and 15 of infantry would be provided, and the present law limiting the army to 100,000 men would be repealed.

Appropriations of \$400,000 for aviation and \$50,000 for armored automobiles, in view of the use of autos in the European war, are included in the bill.

### KINGS AGREE TO CO-OPERATE

#### Official Statement Says Monarchs Agree in Accord on Special Questions.

Stockholm, via London.—King Christian, of Denmark; King Gustavo, of Sweden, and King Haakon, of Norway, who, with their foreign ministers, met in conference at Malmoe to formulate a plan to combine their respective interests during the war, reached an agreement on the special questions raised. The statement is made in an official communication, in substance as follows:

"The meeting of the three monarchs was inaugurated with a speech by King Gustavo, who alluded to the unanimous desire of the kingdoms of the north to preserve their neutrality and pointed to the desirability of limited co-operation between the kingdoms as a safeguard to their common interests.

"The deliberations consolidated the good relations among the three kingdoms and resulted in an agreement to pursue the co-operation so happily begun and to arrange, when circumstances should occur, for fresh meetings between representatives of the three governments."

#### Maytorena Will Withdraw.

Washington.—Consular Agent Carothers telegraphed the state department that Governor Maytorena, commanding the Villa forces besieging General Hill's garrison at Naco, Sonora, was preparing to withdraw his troops to a point 10 or 12 miles from the border to eliminate the possibility of firing into American territory.

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#### Notice for Publication

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

November 19th, 1914

Notice is hereby given that

Arnold Kester, assignee of Albert B. Chapman, of Prineville, Oregon, who, on February 3d, 1910, made Desert Land entry No. 05941, for 4 1/2 sec 4 section 12, township 14 south, range 15 east, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make desert land proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Timothy E. J. Duffy, U. S. Commissioner, at Prineville, Oregon, on the 4th day of January, 1915.

Claimant names as witnesses: Floyd S. Townsend, Thomas M. Baldwin, William R. McFarland, Frank S. Towner, all of Prineville, Oregon. H. FRANK WOODCOCK, Register.

#### Notice to Creditors.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, the administrator with the will annexed of the estate of John Schmeer, deceased, to all creditors of said deceased and all persons having claims against said estate to present the same, with the proper vouchers, to the undersigned at the office of M. R. Elliott, in Prineville, Oregon, within six months from the first publication of this notice.

Dated and published first time this 12th day of November, 1914.

PAUL HELD,

Administrator with the will annexed of the estate of John Schmeer, deceased.

#### Notice for Publication—Isolated Tract.

Public Land Sale,  
Department of the Interior,  
U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon.

November 9, 1914.

Notice is hereby given that, as directed by the commissioner of the general land office, under provisions of act of congress approved March 28, 1912, (37 Stat., 77), pursuant to the application of Timothy E. J. Duffy, serial No. 013217, we will offer at public sale, to the highest bidder, but at not less than \$1.25 per acre, at 9:45 o'clock a. m., on the 8th day of January, 1915, at this office, the following tract of land: Sec 22, section 22, township 14 south, range 16 east, Willamette meridian.

Any persons claiming adversely the above described land, are advised to file their claims or objections on or before the time designated for sale.

11-19 H. FRANK WOODCOCK, Register.

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