

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Principal Events of the Week Briefly Sketched for Information of Our Readers.

The Polk-Yamhill-Marion Medical association held its monthly meeting at Dallas.

Oregon Agricultural college alumni has 18 per cent of its membership in national service.

A severe earthquake shock was felt in the Lakeview section at 5:45 o'clock Saturday morning.

Forty thousand young trout have recently been planted in the northern part of Klamath county.

The Oregon Poultry and Pet Stock association will hold its annual show in Portland December 3 to 8.

James Joseph Coyle, for 65 years a resident of Oregon, died at his home in St. Paul. He was 70 years old.

Oregon's quota of aircraft for that it is to supply for government uses has been announced as 4,500,000 feet.

The grain and provision store of Charles Burkhalter at Grants Pass was destroyed by fire with a loss of \$30,000.

A public meeting to organize a Benton county agricultural council will soon be called by the county agricultural agent.

Boys at the state training school for boys contributed \$12.20 with which to buy Christmas packages for the soldiers in France.

Earnings of paroled men since July, 1915, total \$235,473.77, according to a report of Parole Officer Keller, filed with the governor.

Polk county has dug the greater part of its potato crop, and in almost every district about one-half of a normal yield is reported.

Charles B. Croson died suddenly at Toledo. He was 73 years old and had been prominent in state and county politics for many years.

October was an exceptionally dry month in Astoria. The records show that the total rainfall during the month was but 1.25 inches.

During the month of October the state industrial accident commission sent out 3028 pay warrants to injured workmen and for hospital fees.

During the month of October 1225 automobiles were licensed by Secretary of State Olcott, and the total for the ten months of this year is 48,312.

Governor Withycombe has appointed Thomas Nelson of Astoria a member of the state board of pilot commissioners to succeed Edward C. Judd, resigned.

Work on the fish dam 20 miles up the north Umpqua river from Roseburg, has been abandoned by the state, owing to the inability to secure the needed men.

Judge J. C. Moreland, clerk of the supreme court, announced that out of 15 who took the examination for admission to the bar at Salem October 3, six failed.

Farm and garden and general produce raised at the Oregon state hospital for the 10 months from January 1 to October 31 this year amounted to \$87,943.73.

Mrs. A. M. La Follette, wife of State Senator La Follette, of Marion county, died at the Salem hospital from the effects of a stroke of paralysis. She was 70 years old.

The per capita cost at the state penitentiary has increased from \$21.33 in January when there were 486 inmates, to \$28.40 in October, when there were 341 inmates.

Plans for the immediate erection of a large planing mill at Wendling and the gradual electrification of the Wendling plant of the Booth-Kelly Lumber company were announced.

State Fire Marshal Wells has issued a warning about fires from defective flues and chimneys. He urges all citizens to make an inspection of their flues and chimneys and avoid possible loss.

Through the office of the Wheeler county agricultural agent, a carload of rye has been distributed among the farmers near Fossil. A shortage of rye seed necessitated a shipment from outside points.

The second annual home-coming week-end at Oregon Agricultural college, inaugurated as a custom of the institution last fall, is to be staged this week, with a program crowded with athletic contests.

Bids were opened by the state highway commission Tuesday for grading the Wolf creek hill, in Josephine county, a distance of approximately five miles. This is one of the worst hills on the Pacific highway.

It was indicated at a meeting of the state tax commission, sitting as a board of equalization, that the assessed valuation of both the Southern Pacific and O. W. R. & N. Co.'s properties probably will be reduced slightly.

For a month the Forest Grove school board has experimented with a cafeteria, furnishing a noonday hot lunch for the pupils and teachers at cost. The result of the first month's experience has proved highly successful.

Carl L. Davis, secretary of the Coos County Fire Patrol association, declares that forest fires have caused more damage and required more expenditures by the association than in any year since the patrol was organized.

The port of Bandon is considering the construction of a \$20,000 dredge for the purpose of guaranteeing the port a certainty of shipping the year around. Recent bar trouble caused by shoaling is expected to be taken care of by such a dredge.

Several Coos county high schools with domestic science departments are resuming the usual winter custom of serving noonday lunches for the accommodation of students who prefer to dine at the schools instead of returning home for meals.

Concluding that moving pictures furnished the state institutions by a film supply company of Portland were unfit for exhibition, the board of control has directed its secretary to make arrangements for a censorship of the films provided.

Secretary of State Olcott has sent notices to all state officials that any claims presented by them against the state for expenses for either passenger or Pullman fares or freight expense tax under the new tax law will not be audited by his office.

The appropriation of \$7500 for the state grain inspection department, under the public service commission, is now exhausted and the commission is preparing to ask the emergency board to authorize the department to incur a deficiency of probably \$5000.

A. E. Borthwick, one of the widely known grand army veterans of Oregon, formerly commander of the department of Oregon and at one time clerk of Multnomah county, died at his residence in Portland following an illness of several months. He was 72 years old.

Students of the normal school at Monmouth are making a comprehensive study of the different kinds of food products. The purpose announced in giving this instruction to the students is to enable them to teach the pupils the plan of the government to conserve food for the allies.

Six of the 468 accidents reported to the state industrial accident commission during the week ending November 1 were fatal. They were: John Wade, Astoria, brakeman; A. L. Badger, Portland, steel worker; W. H. Tice, Falls City, logger; Frank Geelan, Knappa, logger; E. Weatherston, Bend, logger, and John Oliver, La Grande, sawmill employe.

In October 25 vessels loaded at the mills in the lower Columbia river district and their combined cargoes amounted to 20,028,370 feet of lumber. During the same period 11 vessels loaded 9,427,842 feet of lumber at the up-river mills, making a grand total of 29,456,212 feet of lumber that was shipped by water from the Columbia river in the month of October.

Shaniko is a claimant for liberty loan laurels. Without wishing to underestimate the performance of Powers which averaged subscriptions of \$100 for each man, woman and child, and was accorded highest rank in the United States, Shaniko calls attention to the fact that with less than 300 population it contributed \$52,200, or \$174 for each inhabitant of the community.

In the belief that the grade of the old Oregon-Washington railroad may be used as the basis for a water-level road from Pendleton to Echo, a number of Pendleton business men and farmers have started a move to have the state highway commission locate the state road between these two towns so that it will pass over the old right of way, down the Umatilla river, instead of over the hill where the present road lies.

That the Horsefly irrigation project, which originally was created to irrigate 16,000 acres of rich land in Langell and Yonna valleys, about 20 miles east of Klamath Falls, by the installation of a dam at the head of Miller creek in Horsefly valley, will now be divided into about three separate units, and each unit proceed on its own private enterprise, was practically decided at a meeting of the members of the district held at Bonanza.

To correct an error made when he attempted to appoint members of the state board of vocational education before the law authorizing such board was effective, Governor Withycombe has reappointed the board members, with one change. He appointed C. F. Adams of Portland to serve in place of W. B. Ayer, food administrator. Other members are Mrs. George McMath and E. J. Stack of Portland, Mrs. Charles H. Castner of Hood River, and J. A. Churchill, superintendent of public instruction.

The big reservoir of the Tumalo irrigation project in central Oregon is pronounced a failure in a report made to the state desert land board by a commission of engineers appointed to investigate the project. The engineers recommend that water be procured from the Deschutes river to irrigate the lands in the project. This would involve a cost of \$340,000, they estimate. Leakage, due to bad breaks, and slow percolation make the present Tumalo reservoir useless for storage purposes, the report claims.

GERMANS RETREAT FROM AISNE FRONT

Paris.—France won a great and bloodless victory in a sweeping advance following a German retirement from all of the Chemin des Dames line between the Oise and Aisne canal on the west.

The captures of the French soldiers since September 23, it was officially announced, have totaled 300 heavy guns, 220 trench mortars and 720 machine guns. In 10 days, from October 21 to 30, 23 German airplanes were brought down and 28 forced to descend badly damaged.

The German retirement and the resultant French advance brings the envelopment of Laon, key city in the Hindenburg-Siegfried line, very close. The city is now less than seven miles distant from the new French lines—within range of heavy guns.

The ridges of the Chemin des Dames have cost the German crown prince almost as many men as did his assaults against Verdun and as with the French citadel, have gained him nothing. His present retirement was a foregone conclusion when the French bored in the corner at the extreme westward end of the Chemin des Dames, threatening his flank.

"Americans Captured" Says Berlin. Berlin.—"North American soldiers were taken prisoner in reconnoitering by our forces on the Rhine and Marne canal," an official statement declared.

Electric Controlled Boat Fails. London.—An attack was made on British vessels patrolling the Belgian coast by an electrically controlled high speed boat. The boat was destroyed.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon. September 21, 1917. Notice is hereby given that WALTER H. RANSOM, of Held, Oregon, who, on August 21, 1913, made Homestead Entry, No. 511888, for E 1/2 Sec. 21, E 1/4 NW 1/4, Sec. 22, N 1/2 NW 1/4, Section 27, Township 19, South, Range 19, East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before H. C. Ellis, United States Commissioner, at Bend, Oregon, on the 29th day of November, 1917.

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNTING. Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, the administrator of the estate of Arthur L. Bennett, deceased, to all persons interested in said estate that the said administrator has made and filed with the county clerk of Crook County his final accounting of his administration of said estate and that the Court has set Monday, the 12th day of November, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the county court room in Prineville, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing and settling said final accounting. At which said time and place any person interested in said estate may appear and object to said final accounting.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon. September 26, 1917. Notice is hereby given that HARRY EVANS, of Held, Oregon, who, on June 9, 1911, made Homestead Entry, No. 09141, for E 1/2 W 1/2 E 1/2, Section 20, Township 19, South, Range 19, East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before H. C. Ellis, United States Commissioner, at Bend, Oregon, on the 29th day of November, 1917.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon. September 21, 1917. Notice is hereby given that FRAN T. CARPENTER, of Held, Oregon, who, on March 9, 1913, made Homestead Entry, No. 61465, for E 1/2 SE 1/4, Sec. 17, E 1/2 NE 1/4, Sec. 20, NW 1/4, Section 21, Township 19, South, Range 19, East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before H. C. Ellis, United States Commissioner, at Bend, Oregon, on the 29th day of November, 1917.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon. September 21, 1917. Notice is hereby given that GEORGE W. BEEBE, of Held, Oregon, who, on October 18, 1915, made Homestead Entry, No. 61823, for N 1/2, Section 28, Township 19, South, Range 19, East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before H. C. Ellis, United States Commissioner, at Bend, Oregon, on the 29th day of November, 1917.

NOTICE. IN THE COUNTY COURT OF MARION COUNTY, STATE OF OREGON. In the Matter of the Guardianship of Cecil Welfer, Virgil Welfer and Lillian Welfer, Minors. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, as guardian of said estate, under and by virtue of an order of said court, made, given and rendered in and by said Court in the above entitled proceedings on the 15th day of October, 1917, will from and after the 1st day of December, 1917, proceed to sell at private sale for cash on hand for the highest price obtainable an undivided two-thirds interest in and to the following described real property belonging to Virgil Welfer and Lillian Welfer, to-wit: The South one-half of the South-West quarter of Section 11, and the North-East quarter of the North-West quarter, and the North-East quarter of Section 14, and the South-West quarter of the North-West quarter of Section 13 in Township 16, South of Range 14 East of the Willamette Meridian, in Crook County, Oregon, together with the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon. October 12, 1917. Notice is hereby given that BARTHOLOMEW J. MURPHY, of Bend, Oregon, who, on November 4, 1911, made Homestead Entry, No. 09633, for S 1/2, Section 3, Township 20, South, Range 20, East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before H. C. Ellis, United States Commissioner, at Bend, Oregon, on the 4th day of December, 1917.

NOTICE. The establishment of the new Deschutes County at the General Election held in November, 1916, necessarily made changes in the boundaries of some of the voting precincts in Crook County. Therefore, it will be necessary that new boundaries be established for a number of the precincts of said Crook County. The Attorney General has held that such changes shall be made at the December term of the County Court. There are also some localities that wish to have new precincts established. In either event, it will be well to advise the County Court how the boundaries are wanted. It is difficult for the Court to know just where the lines should be established without some assistance from the voters. For that reason, I will suggest that any electors who may desire to have changes made in their precincts, notify the County Court in time to make the proper changes at the December term, which will convene on Wednesday, December 5, 1917.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS. Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, the administrator of the estate of William C. Congleton, deceased, to all creditors of said deceased and to 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 date of this notice. Dated this 25th day of October, 1917.

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