

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

Senator Chamberlain, of Oregon, was 85 years old January 1.

The Willamette river at Albany reached a lower point in the year just passed than at any time since 1861.

A disastrous fire that occurred at Haines destroyed five buildings and caused damage that is estimated at \$14,500.

Herbert Speckhart, aged 25, committed suicide at the Speckhart ranch near La Grande. He and his wife had quarreled.

A total of 2407 cars completely filled with Klamath county products were exported from Klamath Falls during the year 1918.

Landowners in the vicinity of West Stayton and Turner, in Marion county, are planning the organization of an irrigation district.

Mrs. Roy Herrick and her two children were fatally burned when their home at Silverton was destroyed by fire. All died shortly afterward.

December was a month of exceptionally wet weather in Astoria. According to the official records the rainfall during the month was 11.23 inches.

Instead of having the compensation law optional with employers, a bill will probably be introduced in the legislature making the law compulsory.

Harvey Wells, state insurance commissioner, has been under quarantine, suffering from an attack of influenza, in Los Angeles, where he spent the holidays.

Publication of retail prices as a check on food dealers has been discontinued by the food administration following advices from Washington that this check is now considered unnecessary.

In justice court at Astoria E. P. Bailey, as manager of the Pacific Power & Light company, was found guilty on a charge of permitting crude oil to flow into the waters of the Columbia river and fined \$250.

Thirty guests escaped in their night clothes when the brick building occupied by the Albert hotel and the Optimist Publishing company at The Dalles, was destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated at \$40,000.

O. S. Blanchard, of Grants Pass, has been appointed by Governor Withycombe as a member of the Oregon bureau of mines and geology. Mr. Blanchard succeeds J. F. Reddy, of Medford, whose term has expired.

Warden Stevens has proposed to the state board of control to install a lighting plant at the state penitentiary at a minor cost to provide 150 horsepower and furnish night lighting for both the penitentiary and asylum.

Withdrawal of the Spruce Production division soldiers from mills and logging camps in the Coos bay district has caused a marked shortage of help, and workmen can obtain work wherever industries are operating.

Much valuable war work was done in Oregon by home demonstration agents, according to a summary just completed. Beginning the year with a single worker the work has enlarged until the close of the year finds 10 workers in the field.

D. B. McKnight, Linn county judge, who has had the distinction of officiating at more weddings than any other person in the county for several years past, maintained his record in 1918. He performed 49 marriage ceremonies in the year just ended.

All employees of the Pendleton Woolen mills who have been on the payroll during the past year will participate in extra earnings amounting to several thousand dollars, the management has announced. The earnings will be based on wages.

The 27th annual convention of the Oregon Dairymen's association will be held January 14 and 15 in Hillsboro. The convention will take the place of the regular farmers' week and short course that usually is held at the Oregon Agricultural college.

Charles H. Gram, labor commissioner-elect, has announced the personnel of his deputies, with one exception. E. M. Hansen, Portland; J. C. Bradford, Corvallis, and J. H. West, Salem, are the three deputies named under the factory inspection law.

Attorney-General Brown was instructed by the state board of control to start ejectment proceedings against the Salem Hospital association, providing the building it now occupies and which is the property of the state, is not vacated by January 13.

A decided decrease in the number of industrial accidents is shown in the statement issued last week by the state industrial accident commission. However, in the list, which totals 377 accidents, there are five fatal accidents, as follows: E. A. Bealer, Ontario, logging; J. R. Haney, Knappa, logging; Thomas W. Phillips, Powers, logging; T. H. Ebener, Portland, shipbuilding; A. N. Durant, Portland, janitor.

Fred E. Ward, millionaire stockman of Hemet, Cal., has notified A. H. Lea, secretary of the Oregon state fair, that the directors of the Los Angeles fair have Mr. Lea's name under consideration for a possible secretary of that association at a salary of \$5000 a year.

Thirty-one residents of Swiss Home, Lane county, have petitioned the public service commission to order the Willamette Pacific Railway company to maintain a station agent at Swiss Home. They contend there is enough business at that point to justify the expense.

School children of Oregon were instrumental in selling more than \$2,500,000 worth of thrift stamps during 1918 and in every way joined in keeping "Oregon first" in war activities, according to the biennial report of Superintendent of Public Instruction Chas. Hill.

The bodies of George H. Sims and his wife were found in bed at their home in Bond. A revolver was clutched in the hand of the woman, and the police declare there was evidence to show she had shot her husband while he lay asleep and then had turned the gun upon herself.

The department of agriculture, in its annual aggregate crop value comparisons, says that the total value of thirteen crops in Oregon embracing all the crops raised on the farm for 1918 was \$53,387,000. This was a record-breaker yield. In 1917 the aggregate for these crops was \$72,467,000.

Mail service to Canyon City and Prairie City, Grant county, having been cut off by the strike on the Sumpter Valley railroad, Second Assistant Postmaster-General Praeger has promised Representative Sinnott that special service will be provided by stage, either by way of Condon and Fossil or via Yukiah.

The Sumpter Valley railroad company has filed with the public service commission a new passenger tariff, increasing the rate from 4 cents, the old rate, to 5 cents a mile. On the basis of the passenger business done on the road for the last three years, this would mean an additional revenue of about \$12,000 a year.

With but 264 appeals filed in 1918, a remarkable decrease in cases coming before the supreme court is shown in a statement issued by Court Clerk Benson. In 1917 there were 332 cases. The falling off is attributed largely to the prohibition law and the workmen's compensation act removing personal injury cases from the courts.

Figures included in the report of the state industrial accident commission show that accidents reported to the commission during 1918 have averaged 84 for each day of the year, or a total of more than 25,000. For 1917 the total was slightly more than 15,000. The increase is due largely to increased activity in shipbuilding.

While no definite action has been taken by state or United States authorities, the federal government, it was recently announced, may apply \$64,000 to the construction of the proposed Loop road, which will connect the Columbia highway with the old Barlow trail, located in the upper Hood River valley. In this case Oregon will expend a like sum.

County Clerk Brown estimates that 4000 Umatilla county citizens whose names appear on the registration books of the county have failed to vote at any of the three elections during the past two years. The office is now engaged in eliminating these names from the rolls. Four thousand names is about 40 per cent of the total registration for the county.

The Baker Commercial club will send Joseph N. Teal, of Portland, and D. C. Eccles and Frank Gardiner, of Baker, to Washington to confer with railroad administration authorities there on the situation on the Sumpter Valley railroad, provided the railroad administration has "an open mind" on the subject, according to advices received by the public service commission.

A state fund for providing subsidies for high-class bulls in order to eliminate entirely low breeding strains, is a plan which is being advocated by cattle men of the state, particularly for dairy herds and legislation to prevent the sale of bulls for breeding purposes unless such are eligible to registry, will be presented to the legislature, State Veterinarian Lytle has announced.

Organization of an \$800,000 concern with E. B. Kingman as president and A. W. Miller, vice-president and treasurer, to build and operate a sawmill of 100,000 feet capacity, either at Eugene or in the company's timber in the Alsea country, has been announced at Eugene. Construction work on the plant is expected to start soon and the mill probably will be in operation early in the spring.

A flock of 275 milk goats inspected and graded by experts of Oregon Agricultural college, will arrive at the Portland Union stockyards about January 20 and will be offered for sale to the children of Portland city schools in the hope of developing an important industry among city children. The milk-goat project has received the indorsement of the school authorities of the city, who have arranged for the formation of "goat clubs" among the school children.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, November 11, 1918. NOTICE is hereby given that CHARLES S. CONGLETON of Paulina, Oregon, who on January 28, 1918 made H. E. No. 914436 and June 16, 1918

made Additional Entry No. 915484 for SW 1/4 NW 1/4, NE 1/4 NW 1/4, Sec. 26, Township 18, South, Range 23 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Three Year Proof to establish claim to the land above described, before L. M. Miller, United States Commissioner at Paulina, Oregon, on the 6th day of January, 1919.

Claimant names as witnesses: Earl H. Laughlin, Sylvester Paulkner, Ira B. Higgins, and Oliver R. Uickey, all of Paulina. H. FRANK WOODCOCK, Register

NOTICE TO CREDITORS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the undersigned, the Administrator of the Estate of John Mocho, Deceased, to all creditors of said deceased, and to all persons having claim 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 December 12, 1918. ISAAC M. MILLS, Administrator of the Estate of John Mocho, Deceased. YOU CAN BUY Sugar Cured Ham at 40c Sugar Cured Bacon at 40c Breakfast Bacon at 45c At Gerardo's Meat Market 614

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, December 28, 1918. NOTICE is hereby given that MARTHA E. SMITH of Prineville, Oregon, who, on June 8, 1918, made Desert Land Application No. 915203, for SW 1/4 SW 1/4 Section 26, Township 18 South, Range 17 East, Willamette Meridian, has filed

notice of intention to make final Desert Land Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Warren Brown, Clerk of the Circuit Court, at Prineville, Oregon, on the 6th day of February, 1919.

Claimant names as witnesses: Samuel M. Bailey, I. Fay Bailey, Albert Way, Mary E. Way, all of Prineville, Oregon. H. FRANK WOODCOCK, Register

NOTICE All parties owning any lumber or other articles at our saw mill are hereby ordered to remove the same within 30 days from this date.

SMITH BROS. December 19, 1918, Prineville, Ore. 614p

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at The Dalles, Oregon, December 18, 1918. NOTICE is hereby given that CHARLES PALMER of Roberts, Oregon, who, on April 9th, 1916, made Homestead Entry No. 911934 and on May 7th, 1914 made Add. Hd. No. 913186 for SW 1/4, Sec. 17, T28N, R23E, Sec. 19, E1/4, SW 1/4, W 1/4, E1/4, Sec. 20, Township 17 South, Range 17 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, Clerk of the Circuit Court, at Prineville, Oregon, on the 6th day of February, 1919.

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