

Highway Conditions In Western Oregon

Willamette.—The road is open between Eugene and Rigdon for cars and across summit for wagons. In fair condition.

McKenzie Highway.—Open between Eugene and Summit, in good condition to Blue River, and fair from Blue River to summit. Cars can now get over the pass, but road is not in the best of condition.

Medford-Klamath Falls.—This road is open entire length and in fair condition. Cars can now go to Crater Lake.

Crescent City-Gold Beach.—Open and in good condition, Crescent City to Brookings. Still a little rough between Brookings and Gold Beach.

Grants Pass-Crescent City.—Open entire length and in good condition.

Santiam Wagon Road.—Open between Foster and the summit of the Cascades, and in fair condition. Several wagons have made passage over this route. No automobiles are reported as crossing the summit.

Waldport-Alesea.—Open entire route and in passable condition for summer travel. The road south from Waldport via Yahai and Camp Perpetus to Ten Mile Creek is open and in permanent summer condition.

Anna Creek.—Open and in fair condition.

Eugene-Florence.—Open entire route for summer travel, but in poor condition. In many places the road bed is rough and narrow, with many sharp turns, and is only for experienced drivers.

Riddle-Tiller.—Open and in good condition for entire length. A Douglas county crew is cutting down some of the worst grades between Canyonville and Tiller.

Cottage Grove-Disston.—Open and in good condition between Cottage Grove and the Fuston ranch. Closed to autos between this point and Bohemia. No detours possible. Wagons can get over this road.

Pacific Highway.—Open and in excellent condition except where construction is in progress between Medford and Riddle. Paving is going on between Grants Pass and Rogue River making a detour over a rough road on the north side of the river necessary.

Three Rivers.—Open between Willamina and Tillamook. Very rough for six miles thru the Grande Ronde Indian Reservation, where it is practically impassable for several days after heavy rains. Construction work is in progress thru Grande Ronde and between Dolph and Hebo. Detour down Little Nestucca.

Bandon - Gold Beach.—Open and passable for light cars entire length.

HILTS, CALIFORNIA, ITEMS

R. Borden spent several days in Medford last week. Jess Lewis and family and Mr. and Mrs. Banks Newcomb spent the Fourth at Ft. Jones.

Among the people that spent the Fourth in Ashland were John Nelson and family, Harry Warren and family, Mr. and Mrs. Adair, Mr. and Mrs. Moro Bailey, Emil Magnuson and family, Russel Porter and family, J. E. Jones and family, Joe Williams and family, and many others. All report a good time.

Charles Lutman spent Thursday with his family.

The many friends of John Hibbert were sorry to hear of the death of his father at Pittsburg, Calif. Mr. Hibbert has been in poor health for some time. He leaves to mourn his loss his wife, three sons and four grandchildren.

Mrs. Henry Clark is spending a week with Mr. Clark's parents at McCloud.

Mrs. Wm. Muir spent Sunday visiting friends at Siskiyou.

H. W. Stanley, manager of the Fruit Growers Supply Co., has resigned his position. Mr. Stanley has been manager of the store for the past two years. He expects to leave for Denver, Colo., August 1. Ray Holland has accepted the position vacated by Mr. Stanley.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Trefren spent Sunday at the Copco dam.

Miss Elma Bailey gave a birthday party for Field Rice in honor of his 22nd birthday. A pleasant evening was spent playing 500. Mrs. A. E. prize while Moss Bailey received the rent's prize. Donald McPherson got the booby prize. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Stonehouse, Mr. and Mrs. Moro Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Trefren, Lester Knaves, Louise Cartanza, Donald McPherson, Gladys Elkins, Elma Bailey and Field Rice.

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FISHING LAWS GIVEN

OUT BY GAME WARDEN

ROSEBURG, Ore.—That the closed season during the months of December, January, February and March, established by law at the last session of the Oregon legislature, does not bar hook and line fishing during that period is the welcome announcement made by State Game Warden Carl D. Shoemaker, who was in Roseburg for a brief period on his way to Marshfield.

"The closed season law has been misunderstood by anglers generally thru the state," said Mr. Shoemaker, "and this misunderstanding is due to the fact that little or no attention has been paid to the distinction made by the legislature between fish that are classed as salmon and those designated as trout."

"Salmon trout, as they are called, the land-locked stunted Chinook commonly known as 'jack salmon,' and that greatest delight of all Oregon anglers—the steelhead—are not affected by the closed season law. These three species of game fish are classed as salmon, and they may be caught the year round with hook and line without legal interruption."

"The closed season law does apply, however, to all other species of game fish, such as the rainbow, cutthroat, redeye and black spotted river trout, in fact all trout—so called, except such fish as are not classed by law as salmon."

When asked regarding the pheasant farms, recently purchased by the state, Mr. Shoemaker said that the two farms consist of 28 acres near Corvallis, and 48 acres near Eugene.

"Because the Chinese pheasant, once so plentiful thruout western Oregon, are now rapidly being hunted out until there are only a few left the farms were purchased with the idea of raising the birds and liberating them at the right season of the year. For every hen liberated in the spring," says the game warden, "we can safely count on eight young pheasants hatched. This will give the sportsmen 8,000 young for every 1,000 birds liberated. By the old method," explained Mr. Shoemaker, "whereby the birds were liberated in the fall, a great loss resulted from shooting, from the hard winters Oregon sometimes suffers and from their natural enemies. If this method still prevailed a closed season would be imperative."

By the present method of liberation, Stonehouse carried off the lady's 2,000 liberated, or 1,000 pairs, 8,000 birds can be counted on which, with the old ones, will mean 10,000 birds each season.

Two Hundred Years Ago.

"And herein it is that I take upon me to make such a bold assertion that all the world are mistaken in their practice about women; for I cannot think that God Almighty made them . . . so glorious creatures . . . with souls capable of the same accomplishments with men, and all to be only stewards of our houses, cooks, and slaves." This advanced doctrine, which in its climax sounds somewhat as if it were uttered in a present day convention, was written, as is noted in a recent book on English literature, some two hundred years ago, by Daniel Defoe.—Outlook.

Coconut Palm the Tropical Cow.

Copra consists of the dried meats of coconuts. It contains from 50 to 63 per cent of oil.

In India, Cochín China, the South Sea Islands and elsewhere the oil has been used as food since the dawn of history, for the fats contained in it are singularly like the milk fats of mammals in most respects. It is already in wide use in this country as "nut margarine," which is coconut oil into which some butter has been melted and the whole churned with skim milk—that is, milk with the fats removed—and worked as ordinary butter.



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PLACE STATUES AT GRAVES

People of Budapest Have Odd Methods of Perpetuating the Memory of the Dead.

While all civilized nations either bury their dead or place them in vaults or mausoleums, there is a curious custom carried out by the people of Budapest. This is found in the large cemetery in that city which is known as the Kerepesi Koztemero, where nearly every family in Budapest buries its dead. It is very large and contains a number of handsome monuments, especially the one to Kossuth, who is known as the George Washington of Hungary.

The visitor to that city of the dead will find at the grave a photograph, painting or statue of the person who is buried beneath each stone, an exchange states. When the family is wealthy there is the bust or a recumbent figure of the dead man or woman made from his or her latest picture, while beside it sits or stands the statue of the nearest living relative, man or woman, carved from life.

In some instances the figures of several living members of a family sit beside the grave of a parent. But perhaps the most interesting of all are pictures embedded in the gravestones covered with glass and thus protected from the weather.

Still another peculiarity is the bronze or iron lamp posts on the graves and the huge silver balls set up on many. The latter are like the colored glass balls used upon our Christmas trees, except they are always silvered and much larger. There seems to be no way of lighting the lamps, and the only inference is that they are used to light the dead to heaven or where candles may be placed when relatives or friends are offering prayers for the dead.

HISTORY NOT MERE RECORD

Writer, to Set It Down Successfully, Must Use His Constructive Imagination.

There is no commoner cause of historical misjudgment than the tendency to read the events of the past too exclusively in the light of the present, and so twist the cold and unconscious record into the training service of controversial politics. And yet history is inevitably to a great extent a work of the imagination. No good historian is content merely to repeat the record of the past. He has to understand it, to see behind it, to find more in it than it actually says. He cannot understand without the use of his constructive imagination, and he cannot imagine effectively without the use of his experience. I believe it is one of the marks of a great historian to see both present and past as it were, with the same un-

POTATO DEGENERATION

DIAGNOSED AS DISEASE

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, July 17.—Disease and not "running out" of seed stock is at the real bottom of the potato degeneration troubles that reduce the crop to little potatoes and few in a hill, according to the findings of the international potato disease conference recently held at Long Island, New York.

"Altho the parasites of these diseases have not been isolated, evidence that they exist as the cause conclusive," says Prof. H. P. Baras, plant pathologist of the experiment station and representative of Oregon at the conference. "Leaf roll and mosaic have been observed by growers and inspectors, but they were considered unimportant physiological conditions instead of symptoms of serious diseases."

It was found that leaf roll troubles are due to an attack on the circulation channels that conduct the carbohydrates made in the leaf to the tuber, preventing the translocation of this important substance. Leaves of affected plants go on elaborating starch during the day as usual, but the diseased channels have no power to carry the stored foods down to the tuber during the night. Hence the leaf is over-charged with starch, becomes thickened and finally rolls, giving rise to the name.

In mosaic the leaves are of a mottled appearance, evidently due to injury to the chlorophyll cells. Hence it is likely that the leaves fail to manufacture carbohydrates in normal supplies. In both cases the potato suffers lack of carbohydrates, the principal food materials.

The extent to which these diseases damage Oregon seed stock and how to limit them will be made the subject of special investigation by Professor Baras.

Coal Family Numbers 200.

Ammonia, aspirin, carbolic acid, indigo, oil of wintergreen, saccharin, toilet water—this isn't a druggist's catalogue. It's just the first names of a few of the members of the coal tar family.

The chemical department of Barrett & Co., New York, has just presented to the American Museum of Natural History a chart showing this family tree. More than two hundred direct descendants of Old King Coal are indicated on the chart, and, each in its proper place, the descendants are represented by typical specimens.

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