

ISNT PORTLAND INTERESTED?

The proposed linen mill at Salem is waiting on Portland. The question is whether Portland is to make good its promise to subscribe \$175,000 of the issue of \$600,000 shares of stock.

Portland ought to do its part. One hundred millions worth of flax products are imported annually into America. This country brings in every year \$25,000,000 worth of foreign flax products of the kind the proposed linen mill at Salem would turn out.

Running but eight hours a day, the mill would turn out \$600,000 worth of output a year. It would consume all the flax that could be grown on 8000 acres of farm land. Based on results in Eastern Canada, the net profit to farmers would be \$30 per acre, with a probability of \$33 or more.

In Ontario, Canada, the industry is well developed and is growing. Conditions there are not so favorable as in Western Oregon, according to the statement of experienced experts.

Here is the situation with the proposed mill. Salem stockholders have subscribed more than their quota of \$300,000 for the stock. They have a total now of about \$310,000.

The way to build up Oregon is to utilize her assets. The power to produce the best flax in the world is one of those assets.

Most of all, it would inaugurate an industry of unbounded possibilities. Oregon has in this power to produce flax one of the most valuable of assets.

THE SIX SALEM CANNERIES AND THE BARRELING CONCERNS GETTING BUSY

The Sixth Cannery, in West Salem, is having the Finishing Touches Added and Will Be Going Full Time Within a Few Days—A Very Complete Cannery Plant Made From the Old Cunningham Dryer—More Extensive Barreling Operations This Year Than Heretofore

The Salem canneries are all running on strawberries now, and most of them also on gooseberries. The Hunt cannery will have about 500 people at work today.

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This is the Cunningham dryer rebuilt completely rebuilt into one of the best equipped canneries in the country, with a capacity of about 150,000 cases for the season.

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Surely a very fine job has been accomplished, in making every thing about the new cannery handy and convenient, and economical of operation.

Some gooseberries are already in, and strawberries will begin to come today or tomorrow.

Only canning will be done this year, and all the fruits of the grower members will be taken from gooseberries to apples.

Barreling "Barrels" of Them Baker, Kelley & McLaughlin are nicely established this year in the old Lofu plant, on Trade street, facing the alley, between Commercial and Liberty streets.

They have been receiving at the Salem plant for a couple of days some Oregon, Marshall and Wilsons; very fine berries. They are receiving berries also at Albany, Woodburn and Lebanon.

FLIGHT TO ALASKA SAID INTENTION OF AMUNDSEN

PROLONGED HOP CONTEMPLATED AT POLE

Head of Appointed Relief Corps Declares Intention Was Announced

NEW YORK, May 27.—(By Associated Press)—Amundsen planned to go on to Alaska if successful in his quest of the north pole, it was announced today by Bernon S. Prentice, New York stock broker and brother-in-law of Lincoln Ellsworth, the explorer's companion.

"I happen to know it was Amundsen's intention, if conditions were favorable at the pole to go on to Alaska," he said. Prentice announced that he was chairman of an American advisory committee, appointed by Amundsen and Ellsworth to take relief measures if necessary.

Prentice made no comment on these conflicting assertions beyond stating that he "happened to know" the Alaska trip had been Amundsen's intention, and adding: "I know that he (Amundsen) sacrificed the advantage of having a radio apparatus with him in order to be able to take on additional gasoline."

TITHING BILL ATTACKED

PETITIONS FILED FEW MINUTES BEFORE MIDNIGHT

Ten minutes before midnight referendum petitions bearing 9350 certified signatures attacking the so-called tithing bill were filed with the secretary of state. Time for filing expired at midnight, but when no word was received from the office closed, it was believed that the petition would not materialize.

BOARD PLANS FAVORED

SCRAPPING OF OLD VESSELS SAID BEST FOR SHIPPING

WASHINGTON, May 27.—(By The Associated Press)—The Shipping Board took a step today toward weeding out obsolete vessels and placing its fleet on a more compact basis, adopting a resolution recommended by its scrapping committee specifying that 200 designated ships should be advertised for sale as scrap.

The action was hailed by Chairman O'Connor as enabling the board to turn its attention more definitely to the sale of ships for operation. He left immediately after the board meeting for Detroit to keep an appointment with Henry Ford, who is expected to bid for the ships to be scrapped and in addition has indicated that he might buy 20 or 30 others for operation.

Mr. O'Connor intends to discuss the refrigerator vessels situation with the manufacturer and also the possible purchase of other ships for operation along lines indicated in a conversation with Mr. Ford a few weeks ago.

QUOTA QUICKLY RAISED

LEGION WORKERS OBTAIN \$4000 IN SHORT ORDER

Practically without a hitch, Salem's quota to the American Legion endowment campaign within 48 hours after the opening hour, and Capital Post has the honor of going over the top with a bang.

At 4 o'clock \$3500 had been subscribed, while several teams were in the field and had not reported. From all indications it is safe to say that the quota was realized, and the city will be among those listed as subscribing more than their share.

AUTO BUS MEASURE REFERENDUM FILED

Petitions Bear 30,000 Signatures With 19,832 Certified

MARION COUNTY IS THIRD

Names of 1347 Obtained Here; Needed Revenue Dealt State Until the General Election in 1926

Bearing approximately 30,000 signatures, of which 19,832 have been certified, referendum petitions attacking the bus and truck measure passed by the 1925 legislature, were filed with the secretary of state Tuesday. The petitions were filed by the Oregon Motor Stage Association and the Auto Freight Transportation Association.

Multnomah county led in the number of signatures, having 6604. Coos county was second with 1675, and Marion county third with 1347. Approximately 9000 signatures were necessary.

Filing of the petitions automatically deprives the state of any additional revenue from increased fees upon automobile stages and trucks until it is referred to the people at the general election in November 1926 unless a special election is called.

AMUSEMENTS MAY 30 CONDEMNED BY VETS

MEMORIAL DAY HELD SACRED TO DEAD COMRADES

Capitalism Not Good Americanism; Military Journey to Be Held at OAC

Representatives of military and patriotic organizations of the city, particularly the older ones, are unalterably opposed to baseball games, motorcycle and automobile races, dances and the military tournament at the Oregon Agricultural college in particular being held in connection with Memorial Day.

CATTLE MEN ASK FOR MORE GRAZING LANDS

INFLUX OF CIVILIZATION REDUCING PLAINS RUNNING

More Extensive Use of National Forests Being Sought by Breeders

PORTLAND, May 26.—In the face of irresistible advances of railroads, irrigation projects and highways into the once unlimited range country of Eastern Oregon, more than 60 cattlemen meeting here today at the two-day convention of the Cattle and Horse Raisers' association of Oregon, recognized the inevitability of the influx of settlers and framed an appeal to congress for more extensive use of the grazing lands of the national forests.

The association formed plans to ask for radical reforms in the administrative policy of the national forests in regard to grazing. Instead of the annual permit system now in practice, the association will ask for long-term leases, preferably for five or 10 years.

The cattlemen will ask that the grazing policy be shaped by congressional legislation and that only the details and routine of administration be left to officials of the department of agriculture and the forest service.

SIX BODIES ARE FOUND

Coal Mine Tragedy Occurs One Thousand Feet Below Surface; Fresh Air Is Sent to the Victims

COAL GLEN, N. C., May 28.—(By The Associated Press)—Hope that any of the three score or more miners entombed in the Carolina coal company mine near here yesterday would be found alive was abandoned by rescuers early today.

Members of the rescue crews, who had recovered six bodies from the mine expressed the belief that if the miners escaped the three explosions which wrecked the shaft, they have succumbed to the afterdamp.

Escapes at Night—Robert Howard, inmate of the Oregon State Training school, fled last night when he broke from a dormitory at 12 o'clock. Notices were given the Salem police to be on the alert.

NORTH STILL SILENT ON FATE OF POLAR LEADERS

NO WORD IS RECEIVED FROM AMUNDSEN EXPEDITION

Five Days Now Elapse Since Two Planes Hopped Off For Frozen Zone

NEW YORK, May 26.—(By The Associated Press)—The North American Newspaper Alliance announces through The Associated Press at 9 o'clock tonight that it was still without word from the Amundsen-Ellsworth north pole expedition. It is now five days since the two planes started from Kings Bay, Spitzbergen, headed for the pole.

WASHINGTON, May 26.—(By The Associated Press)—Secretary Wilbur declared today he regarded as "remote" any chance of sending the dirigible Los Angeles or Shenadoah into the Arctic in search of the Amundsen polar expedition.

The present intention, he added, is await the departure of the MacMillan expedition to the north next month and if the explorer has not reported by that time, to see what can be done by scouting with the air planes of that party.

If the party can be found and relief work is necessary he declared, the navy will be disposed to do what it can. Although beyond the call of humanity, there is no claim upon the United States with respect to the expedition, government officials from President Coolidge down have shown considerable interest in the undertaking.

COMMISSION MAY REOPEN RAIL CASE

Petition to Interstate Commerce Body Completed Tuesday

Petition to reopen the Southern Pacific-Central Pacific railroad case insofar as it affects the railroad map of Oregon in order that should the application of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific for permit to extend to Klamath Falls be granted in order that the public service commission may order a joint and common user or joint construction and common use of the present uncompleted line has been made of the interstate commerce according to H. H. Corey, chairman of the public service commission.

"We have asked a further hearing on the Southern Pacific-Central Pacific case at the same time hearing is held on the application of the Hill lines," Mr. Corey said.

RIGHT HELD RESERVED

Protection of Public By Preventing Needless Duplication of Construction Object Corey Says

As a result of the intervention by the public service commission, the order of the interstate commerce commission made February 6, 1923, in the Central Pacific case, specifically reserves the right to reopen proceedings at any time by order of the I. C. C. either upon the initiative of the commission or motion of any person claiming an interest for the purpose of making such order as the commission may deem necessary supplementary to the original order.

SELECT SCHOOL SITE

NEW ASHLAND NORMAL WILL BE LOCATED IN CITY

Selection of a site for the new Southern Oregon Normal school at Ashland was made Tuesday by the board of regents. The site comprises 18.75 acres south and at the end of the Ashland boulevard and one block from the place where the Pacific highway leaves the boulevard and directly west of Indiana street. The site is valued at \$30,000.

CHEMAWA HAS PROGRAM

CLOSING EXERCISES FOR THE YEAR BEGINS ON SUNDAY

The Kiwanis club, as an organization has been invited to attend the closing events of the Chemawa Indian Training school on the last of this week. The program which has been arranged allows for a competitive drill for boys and physical education exercises for girls, followed by a dress parade in which the student body will participate.

FRESH FRUITS SHIPPED

GOOSEBERRIES STARTED EAST—LETTUCE MOVING

Fresh fruits are being moved from the Salem district, the first carload to green gooseberries for eastern shipment left this week from the Hunt cannery.

JAPANESE ARE CHARGED

VIOLATION OF ALIEN LAND LAWS LAID TO SIXTEEN

SEATTLE, May 26.—Wholesale evasion of alien land laws was charged by Prosecutor Ewing D. Colvin in informations filed in superior court here today against E. C. McGonigle, Algonza City marshal, and 16 Japanese truck farmers, operating in the fertile White river valley, between here and Tacoma.

Rail for the accused was set at \$1000 each. The complaints may be the forerunner of similar charges against more than 100 Japanese who are said to be tilling and occupying the valley land in violation of law, Colvin explained. McGonigle is charged in the complaint with being the fiscal agent of a large syndicate of Japanese farmers, who are occupying truck farms under the guise of being "hired hands."

NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC CHAIRMAN RESIGNING

PARTY LEADERS PLAN MEETING IN NEAR FUTURE

Arkansas Man Now Practically Conceded Successor to West Virginian

WASHINGTON, May 26.—(By The Associated Press)—Reports were current here today that Clem Shaver of West Virginia was preparing to resign as chairman of the democratic national committee and that Representative William Oldfield of Arkansas had been agreed upon as his successor.

Party leaders are planning to have a meeting of the committee probably within three weeks.

Information that a compromise had been reached on the democratic national chairmanship leaked out coincident with announcement by Mr. Oldfield of preliminary plans for the 1926 congressional fight.

Mr. Shaver was said to have informed committee members several months ago he would not retire until a harmony candidate had been found. To the end that a compromise might be found changes have taken place between representatives of Mr. Shaver, William G. McAdoo and Governor Smith and it appears to leaders here that a fight over the chairmanship can be avoided.

DOHENY INTERESTS TO FORFEIT LEASE

Fraud Found and Harding Held to Have Exceeded Power as President

SETTLEMENT IS ORDERED

Will Get Credit for Work; Proposed Contracts Will Not Be Made Public "For Military Reasons"

LOS ANGELES, May 28.—(By The Associated Press)—The Doheny oil interests, in a decision rendered late today by Federal Judge Paul J. McCormick, were ordered to give up for cancellation their leases in naval oil reserves No. 1, Elk Hills, Cal., and contracts for construction of oil storage facilities at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

MISSING SILVER FOUND

\$25,000 SERVICE SET OF BATTLESHIP OREGON SAFE

BREMERTON, May 28.—The missing \$25,000 silver service of the dismantled battleship Oregon is safe in the hands of the Bremerton Navy yard supply officer, it was said here today.

KILLED IN TRUCK WRECK

OLYMPIA, May 28.—Crushed under the cab of the transfer truck on which he was riding when the truck was thrown off the road by the trailer of a passing logging truck, J. H. Murray of Chicago, a traveling salesman for a clothing house was instantly killed near here yesterday afternoon. Efforts are being made to locate relatives.

SHOOT STARTS TODAY

EUGENE, Ore., May 28.—The 13th annual Oregon state trap shoot starts Friday morning at 9:30 o'clock to last three days. Sportsmen from Idaho, Washington, California and Oregon are to participate, advance registrations show.

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SALEM ELKS WILL LAY CORNERSTONE

Appropriate Ceremonies to Mark Rites Beginning at 7 O'Clock Tonight

LODGE FORMED IN 1896

From 47 Charter Members Organization Increases Until 1410 Names Are Now Listed on Roster

The laying of the corner stone of the new Elks temple at 7 o'clock tonight will mark another chapter in the history of the local lodge. Fitting ceremonies are to be observed with William S. Levens, state prohibition commissioner, as orator of the day. As district deputy grand exalted ruler he officiated when the Liberty street temple was dedicated.

Members of the lodge are to gather at the old temple at 6:45 o'clock and will march to the new temple, headed by the Elks band, Charles Knokland, chairman; Irazzer Small, and Phillip Holmes are the committee members in charge.

Following the exercises the Elks will march back to their old quarters for their regular Thursday evening lodge session.

The Salem Elks lodge was organized April 21, 1896 with 47 charter members, using the old YMCA building as lodge room. D. Solls Cohen, district deputy grand exalted ruler was in charge at the time. The first exalted ruler of the Salem Elks was John Knight, who was transferred from the Portland lodge. Following their location in the old building, the organization secured the IOOF hall on Court street. In 1912, they built the Liberty street temple. Since then they have built one of the finest temples in the northwest, costing approximately \$175,000 which will be dedicated in a later date, probably during the national Elks convention in Portland in July.

Several important documents are to be placed in the corner stone. The most important one will be a paper containing a brief history of the local lodge, in addition to the roster of 1410 members, blueprints, which have been officially approved by the grand exalted ruler, a letter bearing his signature, and acknowledgment of the plans, a copy of the June Elks, the latest issue of the Pacific Coast Elk and of the Salem Elk-let.

A picture of the old Liberty street temple will be included in the list, a copy of the contract used in constructing the old temple, which has been signed by C. Van Patten, and members of the building committee. Other articles to be included are the Oregon Statesman, the Portland Oregonian and the Capital Journal.

Members of the building committee who directed the construction of the new temple are Charles R. Arpherd, Dr. H. H. Olinger, W. D. Evans, E. W. Hazard, Homer H. Smith, T. B. Kay, and F. T. Wrightman.

A list of the past exalted rulers of the local lodge, 29 in number, will also be placed in the corner stone.

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