

COMMONWEALTH PROGRAM ARRANGED

THIRD ANNUAL CELEBRATION IS TO BE OBSERVED

State's Most Prominent Men and Women Will Be Among the Speakers—Will Last for Two Days.

The Third Annual Commonwealth Conference will be observed at the University of Oregon on Friday and Saturday, January 13 and 14. The programs number some of the most prominent men and women in the state, including papers by Governor-elect Oswald West, Mrs. Clara H. Waldo, former lecturer for the State Grange, Mrs. Sarah A. Evans, president of the Federation of Women's clubs, Hon. Chas. Galloway, member of the state tax commission, Dr. William House, of the medical faculty in Portland and J. C. Stevens, formerly U. S. district hydrographer. The official programs for the conference are as follows:

Friday Afternoon.
"Steps Toward the Attainment of Ideal Conditions for the Rural Communities of Oregon." Paper by Clara H. Waldo; discussions by C. E. Spence, master Oregon State Grange; H. A. Darnall, lecturer State Grange; and L. R. Alderman, state superintendent of public instruction.

"Improvement of Life Conditions in Oregon Through Co-operation of Women's Clubs of Oregon and the State University and other Agencies of Social Betterment." Paper by Sarah A. Evans; discussions by representatives of Women's clubs of the state.

Friday Afternoon.
"Enlistment of University Alumni in More Active Social Service." Paper by Hon. Charles V. Galloway; discussions led by representatives of University clubs of the state.

Friday Evening.
"Oregon's Problems Growing Out of Large Land Holdings and Transportation Conditions in the State." Address by Governor-elect Oswald West.

Saturday Forenoon, Jan. 14.
"Development of a Public Health Conscience in the People of Oregon." Paper by William House, M. D.; discussions led by W. Carleton Smith, M. D.

"The Civic Responsibility of the Lawyer." Discussions by members of the Oregon Bar association.

Saturday Afternoon.
"A Scientific Inventory of Oregon's Land, Water and Mineral Resources Through Co-operation of Topographic, Hydrographic and Mineral Surveys." Paper by J. C. Stevens; discussions by Hon. J. N. Teal; D. C. Henny of U. S. reclamation; and John H. Lewis, state engineer.

"Utilization of Oregon's Power Resources Upon the Farm and in the Home and Factory." Discussions by representative electrical engineers of the state.

Many visitors are expected from the state at large. An invitation will be extended to the members of the state legislature to attend the sessions on Saturday afternoon. The Eugene Commercial club has pledged its financial support towards entertaining the lawmakers and defraying their traveling expenses.

SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL REVOKES RAILWAY FRANCHISE

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 24.—Pending the action of an injunction issued by Judge Hanford, the city council, which yesterday revoked the franchise of the Seattle-Renton and Southern Railway (electric) announced today they won't attempt to stop the trains within the city.

Great crowds of suburban persons attended the meeting yesterday and cheered when the franchise to operate in this city was revoked by a vote of 17 to 1. The action was taken in the face of an injunction got out by the road to prevent the vote. The franchise was revoked because the company attempted to boost fares from five to fifteen cents.

OPENING BIDS FOR CHILEAN BATTLESHIPS

Washington, Dec. 24.—Bids for construction of two new Chilean battleships will be opened in London, January 19, and it is said at the state department prospects are favorable for securing a modification of the proposed contract so that British shipwrights will not be given a particular advantage in the bidding over American interests. There has been no change, however, in the original plan which provided that the armor and armament for the two vessels must be bought in England.

STRIKERS ARMED WITH ACID BY LEADERS

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 24.—Leaders of the garment workers strike has distributed acid among the strikers with instructions to throw it into the faces of strike-breakers, according to a confession the police allege was made today by Theophile Julik, who admitted he threw acid into the eyes of Edward Olsson, blinding him. The attack was part of a carefully planned crusade the police assert and every precaution has been taken to prevent a recurrence of the disgraceful outrage.

Supreme Court Cases Set.

Salem, Ore.—Following are the supreme court cases set by Clerk Moreland for the first week in January: Tuesday, January 3, 10 a. m., Dunigan vs. Wood, Marion county; 2 p. m., Smith vs. Southern Pacific, Douglas county; Wednesday, January 4, 10 a. m., Callapoo Lumber company vs. Rice, Linn county; 2 p. m., Smith vs. Polk county, Polk county; Thursday, January 5, 10 a. m., Talbot vs. Cook, Multnomah county; 2 p. m., Ulmen vs. Mount Angel, Marion county.

Let us create a new precedent, something of our very own.

GREAT SALT LAKE IS A PUZZLER

INLAND SEA PROVES MYSTERY TO SCIENTISTS

Men of Learning Unable to Solve the Problem of its Escaping Waters and Diminishing Area—The Maelstrom Near Antelope Island.

The Great Salt lake of Utah continues to be one of the greatest mysteries of nature. For sixty years its rise and fall have been studied by scientists in an effort to account for the changes, but as yet they have reached no satisfactory solution of the problem as to what is the principal cause of the decrease in its depth.

Those familiar with its depth and the shrinking in its size each year assert that at the end of twenty years or so the bed of the lake will be nearly all exposed, with the possible exception of a few shallow pools of water. Then, perhaps the mystery connected with it will be solved.

In its dimensions the lake is really a sea, it being above seventy-five miles in length and fifty miles across at its greatest width, containing, therefore, over 2,000 square miles of surface. Near the shores the water is so shallow that there are places where one may wade out from the beach for a distance of a mile, yet will not be immersed up to his shoulders.

The buoyancy of the water is such that it is almost impossible for one to remain on his feet at a greater depth, his body being lifted up as a strip of wood thrown into the water in a vertical or oblique direction like a dart is returned to the surface in a horizontal position.

Indeed, it is believed the Great Salt lake will support more weight to a given volume of water than even the Dead sea, to which in many respects it bears a striking similarity. The large quantity of salt in solution is the principal reason for the buoyancy. As the lake recedes its bottom is shown to be composed of a heavy crust of salt, which is almost pure, lying upon a stratum that consists chiefly of sand. In this respect the bed of the lake is similar to some of the deserts in the southwest which once contained bodies of water equal in size to that in Utah or even larger.

It is known that the Great Salt lake loses a large quantity of water yearly by evaporation, but estimates of this quantity indicate that it is far less than that annually poured into the lake from the rivers and creeks entering it.

So far as is known no natural outlet exists, but the lake supplies an irrigation system in the country adjacent to it to a depth of four inches of the present area. This is a very small portion of the volume of water that enters it through its feeders, so the scientists know the water escapes in some other manner than by the irrigation canal or by evaporation.

This is proved by the fact that the increase in the quantity that enters the lake at a rainy season at times does not increase its depth, and the records show that actually it has fallen immediately after the Jordan and other streams have contributed a larger volume than usual.

Near what is called Antelope Island is an indication that a subterranean opening exists. Frequently the waters near the island are so violently disturbed that people in the vicinity call this place the "maelstrom" and carefully avoid it when on the lake in boats.

A number of years ago, it is said, a sailing vessel loaded with sheep chanced to approach too near the "maelstrom" and despite the strong breeze that was blowing the force of the water was greater than the power of the sails, the vessel being drawn into the middle of the disturbance and capsized. Although sheep are naturally strong swimmers and land was but a few hundred feet away, not one of the animals escaped and most of the carcasses went under never to appear again.

While the buoyancy of the water is so great that it will support a person without aid, the boats designed for use upon the lake must be constructed especially to counteract this feature.

The ordinary wooden vessel when empty is actually too light to be navigated with safety upon it, since such a small portion of it would be immersed. Care must therefore be taken, especially in the building of sailboats, lest they be top heavy. For this reason navigation is dangerous on the lake even when there is only a moderate wind, unless the sailing vessel is loaded heavily so that it sits deep enough in the water to counteract the buoyant tendency.—New York Press.

RAILROAD NOTES OF ALL AMERICA

What promises to be a fierce passenger rate war between the railroads operating from Chicago to New York has ended in a boost of rates. Edward C. O'Brien, who went to Uruguay as United States minister, has decided to remain in that country as the promoter and president of a new railroad.

John Ringling, the circus king, has just completed a railroad connecting White Sulphur Springs, Mont., which he practically owns, with the main line of the Milwaukee.

English and German bankers have organized a \$14,000,000 company and have commenced work on a railroad from the city of Puebla, Mexico, west to a port on the Pacific ocean.

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MONMOUTH OIL WELL SHOWS.

At Depth of 1750 Feet Foreman Confident of Finding Petroleum.

Monmouth, Or.—The Oregon Pipe & Oil company, which is boring for oil on the Whitaker farm, three miles north of this city, has reached a depth of 1750 feet. Some weeks past there was considerable gas in evidence, and on being lighted would burn in the air about ten feet. At the present time the drill is alternately bringing up rock and shale. The drill is operated by a 25-horsepower steam engine. The diameter of the well is eight inches. The cost of the entire plant is approximately \$6500, including the casing, valued at \$3000. The work has been in progress eight months, averaging about forty feet a day, a force of men working day and night. The foreman stated today that oil in paying quantities is certain.

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E. A. MANN, DENTIST, OFFICE Main street, next to Commercial Association rooms. Office 'phone, Black 3421; residence 'phone, Black 2351.

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DR. THOMAS VAUGHAN, DENTIST. Office in Judd building. Phone, Main 73.

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RALEY & RALEY, ATTORNEYS AT LAW. Office in American National Bank Building.

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Portland local, leave... 9:00 a. m.
Ore. & Wash. Express... 1:50 a. m.
Portland limited... 12:15 p. m.
Fast Mail... 11:45 p. m.
Motor... 4:35 p. m.
Pilot Rock Mixed... 9:06 a. m.

Eastbound—Oregon division—
Fast Mail... 1:50 a. m.
Ore. & Wash. Express... 5:15 a. m.
Chicago Limited... 5:15 p. m.
Motor... 10:20 a. m.
Portland local, arrive... 5:10 p. m.
Pilot Rock Mixed... 3:00 p. m.
Washington Div.—Leaving Pendleton.
Walla Walla local... 5:25 p. m.
Pendleton passenger... 7:00 a. m.
Spokane local... 1:30 a. m.
Washington Div.—Arriving Pendleton.
Pendleton local... 1:30 a. m.
Walla Walla local... 8:50 a. m.
Pendleton passenger... 8:00 p. m.

NORTHERN PACIFIC.
Leaving Pendleton—
Passenger... 1:30 p. m.
Mixed train... 7:30 a. m.

Arriving Pendleton—
Passenger... 10:00 a. m.
Mixed train... 7:30 a. m.