

BRIEF NEWS OF OREGON

George H. Bartlett has been appointed postmaster at Bartlett.

Articles of incorporation for the Security State Bank of Woodburn have been filed.

Residents of Paisley have voted to incorporate, only three votes being cast against the proposal.

Two hundred people attended the dedication of the Mountain View grange hall at Lewisburg, five miles north of Corvallis.

Circulars containing information regarding the winter short courses are now being sent out from the Oregon Agricultural College.

A potato show will be held in Redmond on the same day the O. W. R. & N. Co.'s demonstration train arrives there, November 2.

The trial of James L. Riley for the killing of Louis Long, pugilist, on the road between Redmond and Opal City, last June, has begun before the circuit court of Crook County.

Suit was brought in the circuit court to enjoin John Mullen, city recorder of Springfield, from placing the liquor question before the voters at the election to be held November 7.

In the national forest reserve between Bachelor Butte and Spring River, 30 miles west of Bend, another natural wonder has been discovered by rangers. It is a cave filled with clean, pure ice.

Thirty-five indictments were returned by the grand jury of Lake County on evidence furnished through Assistant District Attorney Venator, among them being a large number of violators of the liquor laws.

Ex-Representative William R. Ellis, of Pendleton, and Robert A. Miller and Alexander M. Wright, of Portland, have been elected by the Supreme Council of Scottish Rite Masons to be knights commander of the court of honor.

H. L. Rees, of the plant pathology department of the Oregon Agricultural College, is in Hood River, where he will inspect the orchards of that section in a preliminary investigation of the mushroom root rot and diseases of the prune.

Judge John S. Coke of Marshfield has dismissed the suit of the Booth-Kelly Lumber Company vs. the City of Eugene, in which the company sought to restrain the city from using the waters of the McKenzie River for its power plant at Waternville, alleging that to divert the water into the canal would lower the river and hinder the company's logging operations.

State Capital Gleanings

All the telephones in the state house are to be given weekly baths in formaldehyde solution.

The railroad commission has informed the Southern Pacific Company that it must take steps to maintain an open station at Tallman immediately.

Efforts are being continued by the Salem Board of Trade to avoid the transfer of Superintendent Chalcraft of the Chemawa Indian School to Oklahoma.

Secretary of State Olcott has confirmed the report that he had given orders to all the department heads in his office that the prefix "honorable" should no longer be used in the official correspondence.

Secretary of State Olcott has requested the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company to send to the secretary of state an itemized statement of the business of the Willamette locks from January 1 to December 31, 1909.

Governor West has caused to be prepared an itemized statement of various contracts for state supplies, this statement showing that \$82,232 is represented in contracts for the six months' period, of which \$14,093 went to Salem firms.

The new course of study for high schools in the state which was issued from the printer recently for Superintendent Alderman is exactly as the old with one important addition—the inauguration of a teachers' training course in high schools.

At the request of State Game Warden Finley, Secretary of State Olcott is sending motor vehicle license registrations to all deputy game wardens in the state, to be used in detecting hunters who persist in shooting birds out of season while standing in autos on the public highways.

Attorney General Crawford is asking for a continuance in the university referendum case partially because he has to leave for Washington, D. C., the day after the suit is to be reopened here, and also to enable attorneys for petitions to collect evidence and get ready to open their case.

It is probable that within a short time the charters of more than 150 foreign corporations doing business in this state will be revoked by the corporation department, under a legislative enactment of 1911, which extended the power of revocation to that class of corporations as well as to domestic corporations. All those that have been delinquent for two years or more come under this class.

Dr. ANNA H. SHAW



Dr. Anna H. Shaw, president since 1905 of the National Woman Suffrage Association, was unanimously re-elected at the Louisville convention.

WOULD AMEND PRIMARY

Spokane "Progressives" Ask for Presidential Preference.

Spokane—The Spokane Progressive Republican organization has endorsed the movement for a special session of the Washington Legislature to enact a law giving a vote on Presidential preferences. Senator Miles Poindexter is expected to support the movement and is to speak at a public meeting Monday at which delegates will be named to a convention proposed for Tacoma, which will demand that Governor Hay will call the special session.

Petitions for the special session are in circulation here.

O'Neil May Give Bail

Vancouver, B. C.—Bernard F. O'Neil, the fugitive Wallace, Idaho, banker, against whom extradition proceedings have been commenced, will be permitted to furnish bail. Judge McInnes decided that bail might be furnished.

PASTOR IS ACCUSED OF POISONING GIRL

Boston.—Rev. Clarence Virgil Thompson Richeson, the young pastor of the Emmanuel Baptist Church, Cambridge, was arrested for the alleged murder of Avis Linnell, of Hyannis, Mass., to whom he had been engaged.

Miss Linnell, who was 19 years old and a student at the Conservatory of Music, was found dead in the bathroom of the Young Women's Christian Association home here.

At first the police believed that she had committed suicide, but later developments indicated that she had unknowingly taken cyanide of potassium sent her by some other person, in the belief that it would remedy her embarrassing physical condition.

Mr. Richeson was engaged to marry Violet Edmonds, heiress to a fortune of half a million dollars, and, if the police theory be true, he committed the crime in order to remove a dangerous obstacle to his wealthy desire.

The wealth of Millionaire G. F. Edmonds' estate will be poured out to finance the defense of Mr. Richeson. George F. Edmonds was the father of Moses Grant Edmonds and grandfather of Miss Violet Edmonds whose marriage to Richeson was to have taken place October 32. Moses Grant Edmonds said that his faith was unshaken in the young clergyman and intimated that the family would stand by him until the last.

Robinson Smashes Another Record

Rock Island, Ill.—Aviator Hugh Robinson established a new airplane record by flying for a distance of 373 miles with a load of 1000 pounds of mail matter.

THE MARKETS.

Portland.
Wheat—Track prices: Club, 81c; bluestem, 84c; red Russian, 79c.
Barley—Feed, \$31 per ton.
Oats—No. 1 white, \$29 per ton.
Hay—Timothy, valley, \$16; alfalfa, \$12.
Butter—Creamery, 34c.
Eggs—Ranch, 36c.
Hops—1911 crop, 41c; 1910, nominal.
Wool—Eastern Oregon, 9@15c; Willamette Valley, 15@17c.
Mohair—Choice, 37c.

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Barley—\$29 per ton.
Oats—\$29 per ton.
Eggs—36c.
Hay—Timothy, \$15 per ton; alfalfa, \$16 per ton.

IMPORTANT RULING IN THE TIMES CASE

Court Holds Juror Not Barred by Belief in Dynamite Theory.

Los Angeles.—By denying a challenge of the defense against Talesman George W. McKee, based on the ground that while McKee had no prejudice against James H. McNamara the talesman believed the Los Angeles Times was blown up by dynamite, Judge Bordwell upset a cherished contention by the defense. The ruling was based on the court's belief that in spite of McKee's opinion he could and would be a fair and impartial juror. Of this the court is the sole judge.

It was the position of the defense that an opinion such as McKee held was in itself evidence that he could not be impartial in hearing evidence concerning McNamara, who is on trial for the murder of Charles J. Haggerty, a machinist killed in the Times disaster.

The defense held that under its contention that the Times explosion was caused by gas, a man ought to believe that theory, or none at all, to be an impartial juror, and after the court had announced his ruling, McNamara's counsel still argued earnestly against it.

Must Control Judges Says "Teddy"

New York.—The judiciary of the United States must be brought within the control and made answerable to the well thought-out judgment of the people, is the opinion of Theodore Roosevelt, who spoke on "The Conservation of Womanhood and Childhood," before the Civic Forum.

HILL TALKS ON MONEY

Advocates Modification of Plan for Central Reserve Association.

St. Paul.—J. J. Hill appeared unexpectedly before the Monetary Commission to give his opinion on a financial plan for the country.

Mr. Hill advocated a modification in the plan for the organization of the Central Reserve Association, which is now under consideration, with an authorized capital increased from \$300,000,000 to \$400,000,000. Each bank holding stock in the organization should have only one vote and no vote for stock ownership; that there should be no government directors on the national board; that the National Reserve Association should be permitted to make loans to member banks on security consisting of first-class industrial corporation bonds.

Governor West Changes Pardon Policy

Salem, Ore.—Governor West has again taken a new departure in his policy of handling applications for executive clemency by establishing a plan of turning all such applications over to the State Parole Board for the consideration of that board before they are acted upon by him.

GERMANS INTERESTED IN PROPOSED CANAL

Washington.—Although officially Washington denies that it is concerned over the report that Germans with unlimited capital have proceeded further than the tentative stage with the plans for a canal to rival the one being built by the United States across the isthmus of Panama, nevertheless it is said on what is regarded as good authority that a secret agent of the United States has been investigating the progress of events in Costa Rica and Nicaragua and has reported that the officials of both those republics have lent encouragement to the scheme.

German engineers are known to have made exhaustive surveys in connection with what can be nothing else than an interoceanic canal project. A Berlin syndicate, it is said, proposes to take advantage of the original waterway to Lake Nicaragua and then utilize the Sapoa River to a point where it is only seven miles from Salinas Bay.

Explosion Kills Nine.

Harrisburg, Ill.—Nine men were killed, 16 others, gravely wounded, were carried up by rescuers and 15 more imprisoned by a cavein, as a result of the explosion of a keg of powder, which ignited blackdamp in O'Garra mine No. 9, a mile south of here.

Oklahoma Scene of Race Conflict.

Coweta, Okla.—Ed Suddeth, a negro, was shot to death by a mob of citizens who had armed themselves, following a battle between blacks and whites, in which Suddeth killed J. B. Beavers, city attorney, and wounded Carmen Oliver and Steiler Thompson, white men.

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Events Occurring Throughout the State During the Past Week.

Ashland Waits for Buildings.

Ashland.—That Ashland will see the erection of two imposing buildings, one state and one federal, next year, is the belief of citizens here. The state has formally accepted the deed for the armory site and urges that work be started early in the year. The armory will be a \$50,000 structure. The federal building is a \$100,000 structure.

Dallas Probers Secret.

Dallas.—The Dallas Commercial Club has appointed a "secret committee" to investigate all soliciting schemes. Every solicitor for a charitable or boosting enterprise must explain his mission to the secretary of the commercial club. The "secret committee" will then investigate and if the cause is a worthy one the secretary will be instructed to give it written indorsement.

START S. P. ROAD SOON

Work is to Go On as Soon as More Holdings Are Secured.

Eugene.—Right of Way Agent Buell, of the Southern Pacific Company, said that construction work on the Eugene-Coos Bay railroad would begin immediately after a deal for the purchase of the Lane County Asset Company's holdings had been concluded. The asset company holds a short stretch of right of way needed by the Southern Pacific Company, and when this is acquired the Southern Pacific Company will have a continuous right of way for 20 miles.

Reports are current here that the company has let a contract for the first 20 miles of road out of Eugene, and the statement of Buell would seem to confirm them, although officials of the company in Portland decline to make a statement. It is known here that the company is making active preparations in regard to contracting for meat and other provisions for an early start on the work.

Exhibit Room Is Plan.

Cottage Grove.—A glass exhibit building at the Southern Pacific station to display products of the Cottage Grove country for the education and edification of visitors and passengers that alight from trains while stopping at the depot, is being arranged by a committee appointed by the commercial club.

Depot Contracts Are Let.

Springfield.—Word has been received here that the Southern Pacific Railroad Company has let the contract to build depots at several stations along the new Natron extension.

BEEF FAMINE FEARED

Cattlemen Are in Market to Buy and Not to Sell.

Pendleton.—The Northwest is threatened with one of the most serious beef famines in the history of the country, in the opinion of Eastern Oregon stockgrowers and cattle-buyers. Instead of offering their cattle for sale hundreds of ranchers throughout the interior counties from which come the beef have gone into the market as buyers and are taking everything in sight at prices never before paid for feeders and range stuff.

The high prices which have prevailed during the past two years for both cattle and hay and the scarcity of the latter during the two feeding seasons, have caused every rancher throughout the interior to sell off lower than ever before and to raise as much hay as possible. They now find themselves with a large quantity of hay on hand and no way to get it to market as the supply of feeders has been depleted to an abnormal condition.

Develop Cement Deposit.

Falls City.—Work on the railroad to the cement quarry, located two miles east of here, is advancing very rapidly under the supervision of A. E. Teal, the contracting engineer. Already one mile of track has been laid and the roadbed graded.

Aged Hen Still Busy.

Forest Grove.—Mrs. Ula Hanna of this city is the owner of a hen that probably holds the record among Oregon bidders for age and laying ability. The hen is 12 years of age, and still produces a number of eggs each month.

Commercial Club Starts Boosting.

Bay City.—The commercial club has laid plans for an extensive advertising campaign to follow the opening of the new line to Tillamook Bay. This city has much to offer homeseekers and intends to let them know it.

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