

# OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

Work on all new buildings at the Oregon state hospital has started. Baker is planning to have a genuine old-fashioned Fourth of July celebration.

Every county in the state has paid the first half of the state taxes for this year.

The Condon Racing association is holding its annual meeting this week, June 6, 7, 8 and 9.

A floral show will be held in Pendleton this year. The date has not yet been determined.

Contracts on the new women's dormitory for the University of Oregon will be let probably this week.

While May was an exceptionally cold and cloudy month in northwestern Oregon, the rainfall was far below the average.

Charles L. McNary, United States senator designate, has left for Washington immediately to assume his duties in his new position.

The month just closed was the wettest May in Umatilla county in recent years. Records show almost twice the normal rainfall.

Joe Wallace, who shot and killed his wife some weeks ago on a ranch near Mayville, and who confessed, was sentenced to life imprisonment.

The final report on the farm survey in Clackamas county, based on reports from almost 300 farms, shows an increase in acreage of 9 per cent.

A. E. McCully purchased of Colonel J. H. Raley, at Pendleton, a tract of farm land on Juniper canyon consisting of 1974 acres, the consideration being \$72,000.

Secretary of State Olcott has apportioned \$77,029.23, received from the government from forest reserve rentals and sale of timber, among 11 counties of the state.

Orders for 175,000,000 to 200,000,000 feet of lumber for government ship contracts probably will be placed with mills in Oregon and Washington within the next few days.

Ben Rockwell, 28, and W. H. Rambo, 52, were killed at Mill City when a logging train got away from the crew, as they were coming out of the woods with a load of logs.

The active season for mohair is over in this state. Over two-thirds of the clip has been sold and the holders of the remainder are making no particular effort to market it.

The Independence Creamery company of Independence will erect a creamery fully equipped for making butter and also a cheese factory in Harrisburg within six weeks.

With men and women prominent in the affairs of the Pacific northwest in attendance, the first re-union of the pioneer teachers and students of the old Umpqua academy was held at Wilbur.

All mills on Coos bay have announced the minimum wage for able-bodied men, commencing June 1, would be \$3.18, which is declared to be the highest wages paid on the Pacific coast for millworkers.

Manager Emmett Galligan of the Irondyke Copper mine at Homestead reports the opening of a 125 foot wide ore body, carrying gold values of \$12 to the ton, 5 per cent copper and two ounces in silver.

J. W. Shoemaker, a striking sheep shearer, was shot and killed at Riverside by James Johnson, a gang boss, during a quarrel over a strike of union sheep shearers, which resulted from a demand for increased pay.

F. F. Childers and associates, who own the Greenback mine, the largest producer of copper ore in southern Oregon, have closed a deal for the Webb mine of nine claims, seven miles southwest from Waldo.

With a view to helping in the food-preparedness campaign at Roseburg, the Douglas County Water & Light company has announced a material reduction in the cost of water to be used for irrigation purposes in Roseburg.

Because their request for a raise of 50 cents a day for all men receiving less than \$4 a day was not granted, about 50 of the unskilled laborers at the St. Helens Shipbuilding company's plant at St. Helens went out on a strike.

In order to determine as nearly as possible the labor conditions of the state, the district agents of Marion, Polk, Douglas, Linn, Clackamas and Washington counties met in conference with the extension officials of the Oregon Agricultural college at Corvallis.

The Miami Quarry company has completed work on a \$225,000 contract for jetty construction at the mouth of the Siuslaw river, near Florence. This contract completes a jetty construction programme covering a period of eight years. North and south jetties have been constructed during that time, and the water on the bar increased from nine to 15 feet to 18 to 20 feet at low tide.

At a meeting of the Salem Fruit Union in Salem announcement was made that 1700 acres have been signed up in this year's prune pool, as against 1400 last year. Growers estimate that the prune crop will be average this year.

Earnings of paroled men from the state penitentiary continue to show a steady increase, according to the report of Parole Officer Keller. The earnings for the month of May of 272 men totaled \$12,103.42, or an average of \$44.50 per month.

Fifty-three thousand dollars have been raised of the \$60,000 which is Oregon's and Idaho's share of the national \$3,000,000 fund for work of the Y. M. C. A. in the army and navy training camps. Portland has thus far contributed \$18,000 of her \$25,000 share.

An Oregon girl won the interstate prohibition contest for the Pacific coast at Los Angeles. Miss Margaret Garrison of Willamette University was the successful candidate. She will represent the Pacific coast at Washington, D. C., in the national contest in a few weeks.

As one of the first state-wide moves under the new state fire marshal law, Insurance Commissioner Harvey Wells, who also is state fire marshal, will send out the latter part of this week a letter of instruction to all fire chiefs of the state and to others who have charge of firefighting.

The University of Oregon is considering a plan of sending professors along with military organizations, if the war department will permit such an arrangement, according to an announcement by President P. L. Campbell. The purpose of the plan is to permit students to continue studies while in the service.

Ephraim Barnes, supervisor of the Minam forest, has received a telegram from headquarters to the effect that all stockmen holding permits to graze stock in the reserve will not be compelled to relinquish their permits upon enlisting in the army. Each will be required only to notify the office of his enlistment and other herds will be substituted until his return.

In the Willamette and Columbia river district and along the Oregon coast a total of 13 shipyards are building vessels, eight others are laying out plants and five more have taken initial steps and are arranging for active operations, a total of 26 plants. Actually under construction now are 23 steel steamers and 39 wooden craft. The eight plants now being laid out already have 14 ships contracted.

Grant Smith & Co., of Portland, will execute a contract for the construction of a \$60,000 highway in Coos county between Glasgow and Hauser, 16 miles, and will commence work this month. The county court advertised the job as a unit of the \$362,900 bond issue system, but received no offers. The court then decided to build the highway on force account, borrowing the equipment of Grant Smith & Co.

On the ground that the problem of feeding the nation as a result of war is not the work of months, but of years, E. J. McClanahan, president of the Oregon State Poultry Breeders' association, has announced plans for a statewide meeting of Oregon poultrymen, to be held in connection with the Oregon state fair at Salem this fall. At that time it is proposed to outline a campaign for the spring and summer of 1918.

A remarkable showing of the speeding up of industrial activities throughout the state is indicated in the weekly report of the industrial accident commission for the week of May 25 to 31, inclusive. Of the 454 accidents reported four were fatal, the fatalities being Frank Babelt, lone, railroad operator; Ulysses S. Hanson, Heppner, railroad operator; Abijah Bickford, La Grande, trespasser, and Harold Hanson, Colton, millworker.

A letter received by Secretary Olcott from L. A. Liljeqvist shows that the game laws of the last legislature, as they refer to Chinese pheasants, are slightly tangled. Three different acts were passed, and Attorney Liljeqvist expressed a desire to know the time of passage to ascertain, if possible, which is controlling. The three chapters of the session laws involved are 297, 340 and 413. Secretary Olcott has advised Attorney Liljeqvist that Chapter 297 was received in his office February 17; Chapter 340 on February 16, and Chapter 13 on February 19.

Since a few days ago when the state land board failed to receive more than one small bid on \$500,000 worth of rural credits bonds which were advertised for sale, and it was decided to ask the banks of the state holding state funds to take over these bonds, only approximately \$150,000 worth of the issue has been sold, all told among nine banks. On the other hand a number of leading banks have flatly refused to invest in the bonds. As a result the state land board is facing a peculiar situation, and it seems possible, even probable, that the board will be compelled to shut down on loans in the near future and close up the rural credits account for a time, save as to those loans already made or to be made, out of the small amount of money on hand.

## WESTON LEADER

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FRIDAY, JUNE 8, 1917  
Entered at the postoffice at Weston, Oregon, as second class mail matter.

"If you turned hell upside down you'd find 'Made in Germany' stamped on the bottom," says Billy Sunday.

Oregon owes the adoption of its good roads program to Portland. Multnomah county saved the bond issue from defeat by its magnificent majority, although deriving not a dollar's worth of direct benefit from the measure. In marked contrast was the vote of three or four to one cast against the bonds by such counties as Linn and Lane.

Although still paying about three prices for news print to a trust that the government promised to bust and busted not, the country papers are giving up a lot of free space to various federal and correlative activities. No merchant is asked for free clothing, no grocer for free sugar, no farmer for free wheat—but the country editor is expected to and does donate freely of his only stock in trade as "a patriotic duty."

The man who makes money in a community has a duty to perform to that community, says Up-to-The-Time magazine. It may be that he has made his money by his superior business ability, and that he would have done as well anywhere. That does not alter the case. If his gifts are great his responsibility is equally great. No man was placed on earth for the sole purpose of making money, and the man who has this as his ideal had better never have been born. It is not an act of charity but the performance of a simple duty for the man who has made money to pass a little of it on for the benefit of the community—even though he never expects to see a dollar of his contribution back.

The Walla Walla Union congratulates Oregon on passing the road bonds measure and adds: "And here is where this inter-mountain country has reason to sit up and take notice, for it means good roads will now be built across the Blue mountains. These are the roads that A. F. Alexander, of Up-to-The-Time magazine, Walla Walla good roads advocate, has been everlastingly boosting."

### A RED CROSS APPEAL

Henry L. Corbett, Red Cross chairman for Oregon, sends the Leader the following with the request that it be published.

At last the war has gotten into Oregon hearts. Our all in devotion and sacrifice is the spirit over-sweeping the state since the northwest "Mobilization meeting" for the Red Cross in Portland, Monday. The universal service of mercy was the proposal that recruited each of the many prominent men and women from every Oregon community for service until the state has produced its \$500,000 quota of the \$100,000,000 emergency Red Cross Fund which President Wilson by proclamation has thrillingly appealed to the nation to raise.

The state of shame would indelibly be imprinted on Oregon's fair name if by negligence of our own mother who has given her son and support as a warrior for his country should be uncared for, or if any boy at the front wounded, should die, the hospital care needed to bring him back to that mother."

The words, uttered by one of the speakers at the great Red Cross conference of leaders from Washington, Idaho, Montana, Utah and Oregon, were the words needed to bring home the nature of red cross work and to make the spirit of giving and of sacrifice burn clean and high in every heart. It did not need to be said that the amount asked of Oregon is less than a dollar for each member of the state's population, whereas Canada's contribution to war relief now totals more than \$17 for each man, woman and child of that country.

It was only necessary to outline the plan of campaign, which was done clearly and tersely by Lyman L. Pierce, Western Secretary; H. L.

Corbett, state chairman and L. G. Nichols, state campaign manager, in order to add definiteness to every state committee member's determination that Oregon shall exceed rather than fall under its quota.

The campaign week is June 18-25. Each community will have as chairman of the local committee the biggest man in heart, patriotism and executive ability of that community. Teams will be organized in accordance with the size of the community. Committees on publicity, headquarters and meetings and office administration will be created. All preliminary work will be done systematically; all possible information will be gotten into the hands of the people; when committees call there should be but one thing left, have the money ready.

Each community organization will include canvas of nearby smaller towns.

Qualifications of a Wife.  
An exchange asks: "Can an actress make a good wife?" If she's a good actress she probably can.—Life.

### BREVITIES

Mr. and Mrs. A. Sempert of Portland are reunion visitors of their son and daughter.

Allison Wood and Lowell Duncan have come up from Prospect farm for Weston's annual picnic.

Pianos tuned and repaired at reasonable prices. First-class work guaranteed. A. W. Lundell, Mus. Bach.

Mrs. Frank Smith of Walla Walla is visiting at the home of her mother near Weston while recovering from an attack of quinsy.

L. W. Barnes of Chelan, Wash., and Frank Reaney of Soap Lake, Wash., members of early pioneer families of the Weston country, are here for the reunion. Mr. Barnes is accompanied by his son and daughter.

The supreme court has affirmed the decision of Circuit Judge Phelps in the case of Frank Rogers versus J. W. Maloney, and Maloney becomes the victor in the legal battle between these two prominent farmers. The dispute arose over the possession of some Indian land, and nearly led to open warfare.

Brazil Firm on Seizure of Ships.  
Rio Janeiro.—Brazil has replied to the German note protesting against the requisitioning of German ships with a declaration that the republic has acted within the strict limits of the law, even as interpreted by Germany.

German Warship Sunk.  
London.—A German destroyer has been sunk and another damaged in a running fight between six German destroyers and Commodore Tyrwhitt's squadron, the admiralty announces.

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If the town is prosperous YOU ARE SURE TO SHARE in the prosperity.  
When you send your dollar out of town you KISS IT GOODBYE.  
TRADE AT HOME

## Fill In Picture Puzzle No. 7



THE rhinoceros you draw in No. 6 is fierce, isn't it? It is one of the most dangerous beasts when attacked. It charges like a bull, with its head down. Its horns are very strong. What chance would an unarmed man have against him, children? Still, man captures him, and the horns are useful. They are carved into whip handles and other articles. The next picture that you will draw, starting from No. 1 to 2, 3, 4, etc., will make you think of cold weather.

## OVERLAND

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