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OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

The next meeting of the Oregon state grange will be held in the spring of 1918 in Salem.

Miss O. Shaw was appointed postmaster at Pleasant Home, vice Mrs. C. J. Britton, resigned.

Everett, 19-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Green, of Haines, died from injuries caused by the kick of a horse.

Henry M. Hansen, Salem correspondent of the Portland Telegram, has been appointed Senator McNary's private secretary.

Guy Oliver, of Corvallis, private in company K, 3d regiment, O. N. G., was drowned in the government canal at Celilo while in bathing.

As the result of co-operation between the government and state authorities a shad hatchery has been established at St. Helens.

George Palmer Putnam, private secretary to Governor Withycombe, has resigned, and the resignation has been accepted by the governor.

Contract for the new \$50,000 women's dormitory building of the University of Oregon was awarded to Van Patton & Son, of Salem.

Forty-one thousand one hundred motor vehicle licenses have been issued so far this year, approximately 8000 more than all of last year.

A class of 40 applicants was licensed to practice dentistry in Oregon at a meeting of the Oregon state board of dental examiners in Portland.

A deal has been closed by which Astoria is to have another shipyard. The new company is to be headed by F. Rogers, former mayor of Salem.

A. B. Cordley, Corvallis, has been elected chairman of the state lime board in place of Warden Charles A. Murphy of the state penitentiary.

County Judge J. B. Dodson, of Yamhill county, whose home was in McMinnville, died at St. Vincent's hospital at Portland following an operation.

S. M. Reagan of Hillsboro was elected president of the state Veterinary Medical association, which held its annual meeting in Salem last week.

Paying \$175 an acre, George Peringer, one of the largest farmers in the county, bought the John La Roque allotment on the Umatilla reservation.

Mrs. Henrietta B. Whitney, widow of George M. Whitney, pioneer pastor of Eugene who died in 1895, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. George A. Westgate, in Portland.

The "Made-in-Lebanon Fair," was largely attended and was a decided success, both from the standpoint of exhibits and producing funds for the Chautauque association.

Cal Neal, who is employed at the Oregon Portland cement quarries, a few miles south of Roseburg, was killed almost instantly when he was knocked beneath some loaded ore cars.

The Shaniko wool sale, set for June 23, has been postponed to July 6. Owing to the late, cold season and the scarcity of shearers, not over half the Shaniko clip has been shorn to date.

The Portland commission of public docks has taken steps to select the site of the \$3,000,000 freight and grain terminal voted at the last election, from among a score of available locations.

Hearings before the Oregon public service commission on the railroad's application for a 15 per cent increase in intrastate freight rates probably will start in Portland in the first week of July.

Word has been received at Madras from Senator Chamberlain that the controller of the currency has approved the application for the organization of the First National bank of Madras.

Miss Lillian Tingle, principal of the Benson polytechnic school for girls, of Portland, will give up her position to become head of the new department of household arts in the University of Oregon.

The first car of fat hogs ever shipped from Burns, has topped the Seattle market at a quarter above any previous price and the animals are said to be the best hogs received there for months.

Franklin J. Miller, who has been selected by Senator McNary for admission in the government's naval academy at Annapolis, is a son of Frank J. Miller, chairman of the Oregon public service commission.

One hundred good road boosters of

Yamhill county, representing Carlton Newberg, Lafayette, McMinnville, Sheridan, Amity and Yamhill, met in McMinnville and organized a permanent good road association.

Attorney General Brown has advised District Attorney Gehlar, of Marion county, that the county may go ahead and advertise for bids on the construction of a new intercounty bridge over the Willamette river at Salem, and that the contract between Polk and Marion counties as to the payment for the bridge holds good.

During the past week 282 accidents, of which one was fatal, were reported to the state industrial accident commission. The fatal accident resulted in the death of J. Manduhoff, a logger who was killed at Blind Slough.

Decision to erect and maintain a Masonic home in co-operation with the Eastern Star was reached at the business session of the Grand Lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons for the jurisdiction of Oregon.

Three hundred members of the Girls' Honor Guard of Oregon, representing most of the 68 organizations and 4354 members in the state, assembled in Portland during the rose festival last week for the first annual convention.

The Pacific synod of the Evangelical Lutheran church will hold its annual convention in Portland from June 19 to 24. Delegates, ministers and laymen will be present from Oregon, California, Washington and British Columbia, Can.

Present indications point to record strawberry prices for the Hood River and White Salmon valley this season. The ruling quotations remain at from \$2.50 to \$4 a crate, and local shipping agencies are not able to meet the demand.

The first arrest, of alleged slackers in Benton county was made when Deputy Sheriff O. E. Holderman brought in Charles Tassell and Clarence Estep from Alpine and lodged them in jail pending advice from federal authorities.

A survey of the proposed road from Eugene to the coast as provided in the state highways commission's plan for road improvement in the state will be made at once, according to an announcement made by E. J. Adams, state highway commissioner.

Dr. J. Howard Miller, a well known Portland and Astoria dentist, died at St. Vincent's hospital in Portland 10 minutes after he had fallen from a fourth story window of the Morgan building. The police express the belief that he committed suicide.

John M. Mann, member of the house of the last legislature, and recently elected city commissioner of Portland, has filed his resignation as legislator with Governor Withycombe, as the city charter prohibits him from holding the two offices.

The April results of the first Central Oregon Cow Testing association show a steady increase in the production of butterfat and it is hoped that, with the improved methods adopted by the association this increase in butterfat production will steadily advance.

County Agent Blanchard of Crook and Deschutes counties, reports that \$207 worth of poison has killed about 41,400 jackrabbits, at a cost of about one half cent per rabbit, which is one tenth of the amount paid by Crook county as a bounty for each rabbit killed.

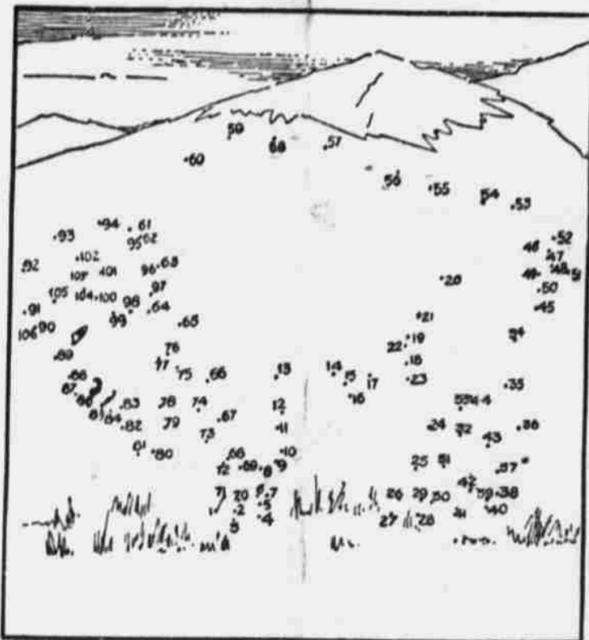
United States Senator Charles L. McNary, justice of the Oregon supreme court, former dean of the law college of Willamette university, and Senator George E. Chamberlain, former governor of Oregon, received the degrees of doctor of laws, at the commencement exercises.

Oregon schools have responded nobly to the call to arms. Statistics gathered by J. A. Churchill, superintendent of public instruction, show that up to the time of the closing of school a total of 1121 students have enlisted either in the national guard, the regular army or the navy out of the high schools, colleges and universities of the state.

The state highway commission, at a meeting in Portland attended by Commissioners Benson and Thompson, decided to defer any action looking toward a definite road-building program until after the state supreme court decides whether the state board of control can issue bonds under the Bean-Barrett law to match the \$1,800,000 of Federal money available.

That the rodent poisoning campaign now being carried on by seven of the county agricultural agents of Oregon with the co-operation of the United States biological survey will result in the saving of \$300,000 worth of food crops from the ravages of harmful rodents, is the belief of R. A. Ward, who is representing the bureau of biological survey in this work in this

Fill In Picture Puzzle No. 9



THE seal you drew in No. 8 did make you think of cold weather, didn't it? Sealskin is very valuable. If you don't believe it, ask mamma. The oil of seals also is valuable. There are not many more seals. They are fast going out. Now, try your pencil on this picture, starting from No. 1 to 2, 3, 4, etc. You'll draw another animal almost extinct. A big city in northwestern New York is named after him. Thousands of these animals used to roam the plains of the United States.

THE 1000 control bill now before congress.

George A. White, adjutant-general of the Oregon national guard, informed sheriffs of the state, at the sheriffs' convention in Portland, that in recognition of their good work in handling the war census, Governor Withycombe has confirmed recommendations that county registration boards shall pass on exemptions from military service when selective conscription begins in Oregon.

"No company will be permitted to operate in this state unless it protects its policyholders by setting aside sufficient reserve to carry its liabilities, and keeps its operating expenses within a reasonable amount," says Insurance Commissioner Harvey Wells in the ninth annual report of the insurance department, which has just been issued. "The new insurance law is effective as of May 21, 1917," says Mr. Wells, "and it is one which will give protection to the citizens, as well as agents and companies who are conducting business in a legitimate manner."

FOOD LEGISLATION WILL BE RUSHED

Wilson Instructs Hoover to Immediately Organize for Food Conservation.

Washington.—Congress' delay in passing the administration's food bills drew from President Wilson an order directing Herbert C. Hoover to proceed immediately with organization of the new food administration insofar as it contemplates food conservation and elimination of waste through the co-operation of volunteer forces.

"While it would in many ways be desirable to await complete legislation establishing the food administration," the president wrote, "it appears to me that so far as volunteer effort can be assembled we should wait no longer."

Plans for enlisting every housewife in the country as a volunteer member of the food administration have been announced by Mr. Hoover, who plans to reach the women through the state defense councils and through various women's organizations. Every woman will be taught how to save food in the kitchen and how to purchase for her family.

President Wilson's insistence that the food bills be speeded up caused the senate to put the food control bill next on the calendar and taken up Monday when the house also began debate on the bill. The measure was reported to the senate without recommendation.

Food speculators have been taking \$50,000,000 a month for the last five months—a total of a quarter of a billion dollars—from the American people, Herbert C. Hoover told senators in explaining the purposes of

EUROPEAN WAR NEWS

It is reported that General Smuts, the celebrated Boer leader, has been invited to join the British war cabinet.

German artillerymen recently taken prisoner say that many long-range guns now being used by the Germans have been taken from warships.

The massing of entente troops in Thessaly, Greece, seemingly is an indication that big events are in the making in the Macedonian theater in an attempt to retake Serbia.

In a fight with a submarine in the Mediterranean the Japanese destroyer Sakaki was torpedoed and 57 of her crew were killed and 14 wounded. The damaged destroyer was towed to port.

Rome reports considerable achievement by Alpine troops in the capture of a strong Austrian position at Cornova Cavento in the eastern Trentino, at an altitude of more than 10,000 feet.

To the east of Arras, on the front in France, the British troops have been compelled to fall back from advance positions before an attack delivered by the Germans, which was covered by a heavy bombardment.

Elihu Root, head of the American mission to Russia, in a speech to the council of ministers in Petrograd, declared that America was fighting for Russian freedom as well as her own and asked Russia to fight equally for American and Russian freedom.

Big Red Cross Drive Successful.

Washington.—The big drive of the American Red Cross for a \$100,000,000 war relief fund met with unbounded success in all parts of the country.

Ex-King of Greece in Switzerland.

Lugano, Switzerland.—Ex-King Constantine has arrived here, accompanied by his wife and the former crown prince of Greece. Immediately upon his arrival a telegram from Emperor William was handed to him.

Tanker Sunk by Submarine.

New York.—The oil tank steamship John D. Archbold, of the Standard Oil company, has been sunk by a submarine. The announcement was made at the offices of the company here. Four members of the tanker's crew were lost. The Archbold was sent to the bottom last Saturday in European waters. The John D. Archbold was two days out en route to this country from France. The ship was armed and a gunner's crew from an American warship was on board.

EXPORT BOARD TO BE NAMED BY PRESIDENT

Washington.—To meet the situation created by congressional delay in passing food legislation the administration demands, President Wilson will appoint a board of export control, to have drastic authority over American exports—particularly exports of food.

The purpose of the new board will be to formulate regulations for and give advice to the licensing bureau authorized in the recently enacted export license bill.

The licensing bill is designed to prevent exports to European neutrals from reaching the central powers. Withholding by congress of the authority contained in the Lever-Chamberlain food bill has left the federal government unable to cope with the food situation and neutrals now are reported to have bought up enormous quantities of grain. Unless some way is found to prevent this grain from leaving the country the allies and the United States both would be seriously handicapped in a vigorous prosecution of the war.

"FOOD SUNDAY" JULY 1

Mr. Hoover Calls on Pastors to Preach Conservation Sermons.

New York.—Co-operation with the department of agriculture in impressing upon the people of the country the necessity for the "largest possible production of food and the smallest possible quantity of waste" was urged by Herbert C. Hoover in a letter to 200,000 clergymen of various denominations, distributed through the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America.

All pastors are requested to preach on food conservation Sunday, July 1, and to endeavor to interest religious and civic bodies in a food-saving campaign.

"Civilization" at Weston June 20.

RUSSIA WILL FIGHT AMERICANS ASSURED

Promises to Continue in War and Make No Separate Peace.

Petrograd.—A stirring proclamation placing the council of workmen and soldiers' delegates on record as irrevocably opposed to a separate peace was adopted by the council. The proclamation was prompted by Austrian efforts to lure Russia into a separate peace.

"The Russian people consider war inevitable and will continue it. The Russians have no imperialistic wishes. We know that you have none. We shall fight together to secure liberty, freedom and happiness for all the world. I am happy to say that I do not see any moral idea or factor between America and Russia to divide us. We two peoples—Russia fighting tyranny and America standing as the oldest democracy—hand in hand will show the way of happiness to nations great and small."

These ringing words, expressing the attitude of the Russian government toward America and the American mission, headed by Elihu Root, were voiced by M. Tereshtenko, minister of foreign affairs, responding for the council of ministers to Mr. Root's address of sympathy and goodwill on the part of the American government.

LIBERTY PROMISED BELGIUM BY WILSON

Washington.—In greeting Belgium's war mission President Wilson expressed America's solemn determination that on the inevitable day of victory Belgium shall be restored to the place she has so richly won among the self-respecting and respected nations of the earth.

Secretary Lansing accompanied the commission to the White House, where Baron Moncheur, head of the mission, handed to President Wilson a personal letter from King Albert and expressed in a short address Belgium's gratitude for America's aid.

"Since the first days of the greatest tragedy which has ever befallen humanity," said the baron, "Belgium has contracted an immense debt of gratitude to the generous American nation."

"In a magnificent outburst of sympathy for the little country which had chosen to delay a powerful and pitiless enemy rather than to tarnish its honor or forswear its pledged word, the initiative of American citizens gave to the unfortunate victims of German cruelty in Belgium the most splendid evidences of generosity."

DUMA ORDERS OFFENSIVE

Prolonged Inactivity Along Battlefield is Considered Treason to Allies.

Petrograd, via London.—The Duma, in secret session, has adopted a resolution for an immediate offensive by the Russian troops.

The resolution declares a separate peace with Germany or prolonged inactivity on the battle front to be ignominious treason toward Russia's allies.

The first meeting of the Pan-Russian congress of all councils of workmen and soldiers' delegates, upon the vote of which depends the immediate destiny of Russia, both international and domestic questions, has assembled.

The first act of the congress was to ratify the expulsion by the provisional government of the Swiss socialist, Robert Grimm, who is reported to have been the medium through which the Germans attempted to arrange a separate peace with Russia.

Rhems Cathedral to Be Monument.

Washington.—Conversion of the battle-torn cathedral at Rhems into a pantheon for the unknown dead of all the armies fighting in France for the common cause of democracy has been determined upon by the French government. The plan will be put into execution as soon as the war is over, was announced in dispatches to the headquarters here of the French restoration fund.

American Commands Allied Fleet.

London.—Vice-Admiral William S. Sims, U. S. N., has been appointed to take general charge of the operations of the allied naval forces in Irish waters. Admiral Sims will act in this capacity while the British naval commander-in-chief is absent.