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## OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

Bandon is talking of bonding the city to build a shipyard.

The myrtle wood industry of southern Oregon is increasing.

The Coos and Curry fair was held at Myrtle Point last week.

The annual Morrow County fair was held at Heppner last week.

The sixth annual Columbia county fair opened at St. Helens Wednesday.

A state grain inspection office will be opened in Pendleton within a few days.

Lincoln county is coming into prominence rapidly as a stock and dairy county.

John H. Bowden, one of eastern Oregon's oldest pioneers, died at Baker, aged 87 years.

The senate Sunday held a special session to hear eulogies on the late Senator Lane, of Oregon.

The fifth annual southern Wasco county fair was held at Tygh valley September 18, 19 and 20.

Not less than 200 pigs from the boys' pig clubs of Oregon will be shown at the Oregon state fair this year.

Tuesday the biggest county fair ever held by the Linn County Fair association, opened its gates at Seilo.

The D. C. Eccles interests, of Ogden, have purchased the bimetallic mine near Greenhorn from Anthony Mohr.

Portland in 1916 had the lowest infant death rate of any city with a population of 50,000 or more in the United States.

F. R. Brown, of Deer Park, Wash., has been named as county agricultural agent in Marion county by the Oregon Agricultural college.

Five more counties, Benton, Umatilla, Clackamas, Baker and Marion, have joined the group of 15 that maintain county agricultural agents.

George A. White, adjutant-general of Oregon, has been assigned to active duty in orders placing him with the Forty-first Infantry division for service in France.

It is definitely settled that all students of the military science at the Oregon Agricultural college will get free uniforms from the United States war department.

County teachers' institutes are now being held in the various counties of the state. They began last April in Lincoln county and will end in Multnomah on December 1.

The house appropriations committee adopted an additional item of \$10,000 to cover the deficiency for fire protection on Oregon and California and Coos wagon road grants.

Miss Junia Todd has resigned her position as dean of women at Willamette university to accept a similar position at Simpson college, Indianola, Iowa, her alma mater.

The announcement of the sale of bonds and the award of contracts for the Gohoco irrigation project has caused a general activity in real estate in and near Prineville.

At the present time there is one automobile for each group of 18 persons in the state of Oregon, and 38 per cent of all the cars, or slightly more than one in three, are Fords.

Emery Olmstead, president of the Northwestern National bank of Portland, was elected vice-president of the Oregon section of the Pacific Northwest Tourist association at Seattle.

Guy W. Talbot, of Portland, was elected president of the Northwestern Electric Light & Power association, in convention at Spokane, and Portland was chosen as the 1918 convention city.

H. S. Dixon, a Prineville stockman; W. H. Daughtrey, president of the Union Stockyards, Portland, and E. P. Marshall, a Pendleton farmer, were named as judges of the Round-Up at Pendleton.

Hood River Bartlett peaks for canning purposes reached the high water mark of \$37.50 per ton last week f. o. b. Hood River. This is the highest price ever paid in Hood River for canning stock.

The Lane County Poultry association which holds its annual exhibition in connection with the Lane county fair October 3, 4 and 5, announces that there will be large cash premiums and more special awards than in the past.

Attorney General Brown has filed in the supreme court briefs for the

state in the Hyde land fraud cases, which are on appeal from seven circuit courts. The briefs fill two large volumes, making a total of 724 printed pages.

In a complete check made by the chamber of commerce of the number of wooden vessels under contract in Oregon, the total is placed at 118, of which 75 are for the government, 23 on private account and 20 for France. Added to that are two steel steamers afloat that are being finished and 21 others are either on the ways or contracted for.

Attorney-General Brown, in an opinion to Insurance Commissioner Wells, holds that there is no limitation as to the number of agents that an insurance company may appoint in the state to transact automobile insurance business.

Three million acres of rich agricultural lands can be added to the food producing area of Oregon by proper drainage, is the statement of the Oregon State Drainage association in its first biennial report, which is just off the press.

An American-Scandinavian Patriotic festival, participated in by Dr. Alma Webster Powell, the world-famous prima donna, will be the leading feature of the opening of the coming state fair, to be held at Salem September 24 to 29.

Mrs. Laura Starcher, head of the first city administration in the country composed entirely of women, has resigned as mayor of Umatilla and gone to Parma, Idaho, to live. Her successor is Mrs. Helen T. Duncan, appointed by the council.

Approximately 1800 men left their places in the wooden shipyards of Portland Saturday morning at 10 o'clock in compliance with their previous announcement that they would strike unless their demands for closed shops and higher wages were granted.

It would not be lawful to invest the state school fund in irrigation district bonds, even though the bonds have been approved by the state securities commissioner, according to an opinion given by Attorney General Brown to G. G. Brown, clerk of the state land board.

Completing the plans originally approved for its Bend lumber plant, the Shevlin-Hixon company will install a fourth band this winter, increasing the daily production to 300,000 feet and adding approximately 150 men to its payroll at the mill and in the woods.

Active work on the Gales Creek & Wilson River railroad, now being built westward from Wilkesboro, to the terminal of the United Railway, toward tidewater near Tillamook, is progressing rapidly. The first 10-mile unit will be completed before the first of the year.

C. E. Spence, master of the state grange, is in Washington, to confer with a party of grangers from other coast states and representatives of the department of agriculture in regard to the price of wheat recently fixed by the government. Oregon's other delegate is W. W. Harrah.

During the past week 450 industrial accidents, of which three were fatal, have been reported to the state industrial commission. The victims of the fatal accidents were: Frank Rowley, Kelso, Wash., logger; Abraham Lincoln, Portland, steel worker; Karl Dahl, Deer Island, logger.

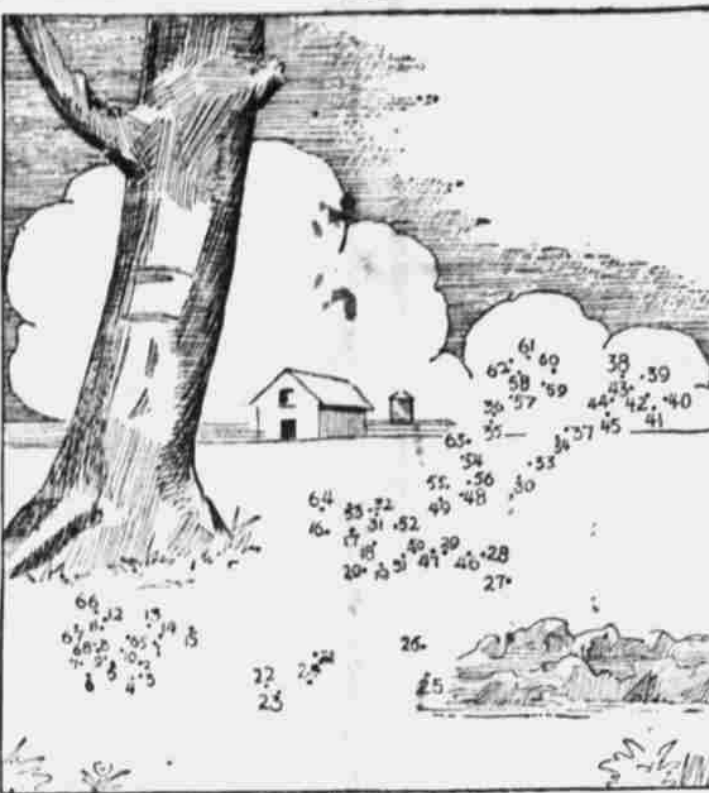
The ports of Newport and Toledo held a joint meeting at Toledo and decided to proceed with the work of improving Yaquina harbor by building the south jetty as soon as the specifications are prepared. Improvement bonds will be sold for \$418,000 or as much as the estimates require. The work will be done by contract.

Decision of the state highway commission to postpone construction of the west side route of the Pacific highway until the completion of the east side road has evoked wide indignation. There is talk of holding a meeting of representatives of west side counties to ascertain if steps can not be taken to force the commission to do otherwise.

A resolution demanding the removal of Allen H. Eaton as a representative in the state legislature from Lane county and his resignation as a member of the faculty of the University of Oregon because of his participation in the meeting of the People's Council of America for Democracy and Peace at Chicago was unanimously adopted at a meeting of the Eugene chamber of commerce.

Drink Macaroni will serve in place of a glass tube for a patient who cannot sit up to drink or will sometimes induce a child to drink its milk when otherwise it would not.

## Fill In Picture Puzzle No. 19



THE owl that you drew in your last picture has queer looking eyes, hasn't it, children? It also is called a wise old bird, isn't it? Now, children, have you ever seen a farm? Here's a chance to draw one of the most important machines used by farmers. Cincinnati, the great Roman conqueror, after beating all his foes, went back to the peaceful occupation of cultivating the soil. Start your pencil at No. 1, draw a line to 2, 3 and 4 and see what you will get. Sometimes this machine is operated by hand, sometimes by animals and sometimes by motor.

## SWEDEN REALIZES SERIOUS SITUATION

Stockholm.—Sweden realizes the seriousness of the situation created by the recent disclosures at Washington regarding the transmission of German dispatches and expects to take all steps possible to put matters right. Foreign Minister Lindman stated during an informal talk. All transmission of German dispatches had been stopped, he said, and Germany had been asked for an explanation of the abuse of the privilege formerly extended. The foreign minister, during the entire conversation, seemed imbued with the desire to see the situation cleared up fully and completely on a basis satisfactory to the United States and Sweden, and in a way to permit the continuance of the most friendly, cordial relations with the American government and people. "As soon as I was informed of Secretary Lansing's statement," he said, "I immediately gave orders to cease this practice. This would have been done earlier as a matter of course had my attention been called to the undesirability of the practice."

## EUROPEAN WAR NEWS

In Flanders, Berlin admits the success of a local British attack on the Ypres-Menne road.

In Champagne and in the Verdun region the German crown prince has made ineffectual attacks against the French lines.

On the Bainsizza plateau, northeast of Gorizia, and in the region of Monte San Gabriele, the Italians on Saturday advanced their lines on the southeastern edge.

British troops, in a successful raid into the German lines near Cherlay, southeast of Arras, wrecked dugouts and defenses. Berlin officially says in this effort an attack in force and announces its repulse with heavy losses.

Northwest of Rheims the French repulsed a strong German attack in the region of Solvay. Northeast of Verdun, on the right bank of the Meuse, the French fire drove back the Germans, who essayed an attack north of the Caurlerx wood.

General Korniloff, leader of the recent rebellion against the provisional government, and General Lokomsky, the commander of the northern front, who refused to take command of the Russian armies after Korniloff was deposed, have been arrested and the revolt is ended.

"Eat Plenty of Hard Food." "There are three things to keep in mind when considering diseases of the teeth—first, that soft food is injurious, and that plenty of hard food should be eaten; second, that infection in the gums and tooth cavities may cause disorders and the pus being swallowed and so conveyed to the stomach and intestines; thirdly, that the pus may cause more serious trouble by being absorbed through the lymphatics."

## SEATTLE STRIKERS GAIN FIRST POINT

Seattle, Wash.—Five thousand striking carpenters, joiners and helpers won the first point here Monday when one of the largest steel shipyards in the city agreed to use only lumber cut in eight-hour mills.

Other shipyards and contractors "stood pat" and as a result most contracting jobs in the city were idle, while the shipyards either worked with reduced crews, or not at all.

The strike is an effort to assist striking mill and forest workers to obtain an eight-hour day in northwest mills.

The L. W. W.'s, who will be active in the camp and mill strike, held an all-day meeting in Seattle Sunday at which a plan to "strike on the job" was discussed and agreed upon.

The L. W. W.'s plan to resume work and to cease at the end of eight hours of work each day.

## TRIP TO COAST IS PLANNED

Shipping Board Hopes to Settle Coast Strike on Seattle Basis.

Washington.—Strikes in Pacific coast shipyards holding government contracts having assumed such serious proportions, Chairman Hurley, of the federal shipping board, announced that he was considering going to San Francisco late this week in an attempt to settle the trouble.

Strikes at Seattle, Portland, Los Angeles, San Francisco and other places on the Pacific coast now are holding up about 12 per cent of the government ships under construction. The shipping board hopes to settle all on a basis to be determined for Seattle yards within a few days.

Reports reached the board that the San Francisco strike was prompted partly by an erroneous impression on the part of the union leaders that the high wage scale granted by a single Seattle shipbuilding company had been agreed to by all and ratified by the government.

## Urge Special Session of Legislature

Portland, Or.—By the unanimous adoption of a motion, offered by William F. Woodward and vigorously seconded by Mayor Baker, the members' council of the Portland chamber of commerce at its weekly luncheon requested Governor Withycombe immediately to convene the Oregon legislature in special session for the purpose of enacting appropriate legislation for the financial assistance of dependent relatives of the soldiers and sailors who have enlisted from this state.

## A Study in Reflections.

A Kansas woman insists that the way to make windows shine is to scrub them with kumput. This suggests an explanation of the polished surface of bald heads.

## PRICE PUT ON AMERICANS

German Officer to Give 400 Marks for First Foe Taken.

British Headquarters in France and Belgium.—German military authorities on the western front have shown concern about the imminence of the American army's entry into the fighting by offering rewards for the production of the first American prisoners. The general commanding the eleventh reserve division recently put the price of 400 marks on the first American soldier brought dead or alive, into his lines.

This information has been disclosed by the diary of a Prussian sergeant of the twenty-third reserve infantry regiment. He wrote at the end of July:

"We are supposed to have had Americans opposite us for some time now, and two divisions of Portuguese on our right. The man who brings in the first American, dead or alive, to headquarters has been promised the iron cross of the first class, 400 marks and 14 days' leave."

## Germany Permits Free Peace Talk.

London.—The crop of so-called peace rumors that the German censors are permitting to sprout in leading German newspapers convinces the London press and public that Berlin is preparing home opinion for another adroit peace maneuver which probably will take definite shape before the snow flies.

## Japan Promises to Stand by the Allies.

Philadelphia.—Speaking beneath the tower of Independence Hall, Viscount Ishii, special ambassador of Japan, asserted complete sympathy of Nippon with ideals of human liberty and promised that she would stand with the allies "throughout the struggle for liberty and for freedom."

## Two German Submarines Sunk.

Copenhagen.—Two German submarines have been sunk by British naval forces, reports the Bergen correspondent of the "Tidens Tegn." Six men from the U-boats were taken prisoners.

## Submarine Rumors Discredited.

Washington.—The navy department, after a complete investigation is no foundation, is reported of a hostile submarine off the New England coast last week.

## Shell Just Misses Sayre.

Paris.—Francis B. Sayre, President Wilson's son-in-law, has just returned from a trip to the Italian front with other American and British officials of the Y. M. C. A., after having escaped a six-inch shell by only 40 feet.

## Farmers Big Borrowers.

Spokane, Wash.—Up to the close of business Saturday 869 farmers of the northwest had borrowed approximately \$2,000,000 through the federal land bank here.

## Pullman Potato Growers Called.

Pullman, Wash.—A meeting of great importance to the potato growers of Washington will be held Friday, September 21, at North Yakima, to discuss the advisability of adopting for the state of Washington the proposed potato grades and standards recommended by the bureau of markets of the United States department of agriculture.

## THE MARKETS

Portland.  
Wheat—Club, \$1.96; bluestem, \$2; red Russian, \$1.93; forty-fold, \$1.98.  
Barley—No. 1 feed, \$48 per ton.  
Hay—Timothy, \$27 per ton; alfalfa, \$24.  
Butter—Creamery, 46c.  
Eggs—Ranch, 40c.  
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## President Asks Children to Help.

Washington.—President Wilson issued a proclamation calling upon the school children of the nation to do their part in the war by joining the Junior Red Cross to assist in the mercy work of the senior organization.

## Ship Builders Strike in San Francisco.

San Francisco.—All work on \$150,000,000 government shipbuilding contracts in San Francisco and the bay region was suspended indefinitely when 24,000 members of unions affiliated with the Iron Trades Council struck for a higher wage.

## CONGRESS HOPES TO ADJOURN IN OCTOBER

### Cloture May Be Resorted to if Necessary to Speed Up Action on Bills.

Washington.—Congressional plans contemplate adjournment early in October.

Speed in the senate alone is essential to carrying this plan into effect. The house has almost completed its work and conferees are making all possible haste to reach agreements on measures that have passed both houses.

Indications are that the senate will co-operate, as it rushed through the trading with the enemy and the war bond bills last week in record time and has taken hold of the soldiers' and sailors' insurance bill, one of the two remaining big measures it has to pass, with an apparent determination to expedite consideration of it. Cloture may be resorted to if necessary.

Agreement on the war credits bill authorizing \$11,538,000,000 of new bonds and certificates was reached by senate and house conferees with no change in the issues proposed.

Carrying \$7,000,000,000 of war deficiency bill is in the senate's hands, following its passage by the house without a dissenting vote. The senate probably will act promptly after its appropriations committee, which is now considering the bill, reports.

The committee began hearings on the bill with Secretary Baker appearing as the first witness. The bill is the biggest first measure in American history. Among the larger items of appropriation are:

Shipping board, \$1,749,000,000; fortifications, \$1,495,000,000; emergency funds, \$200,000,000; torpedo boat destroyers, \$235,000,000, and machine guns, \$338,000,000.

## PRESIDENT RETURNS FROM VACATION

Washington.—President Wilson war back at his desk Monday to find war work far advanced and congress showing signs of early adjournment. After 10 days' rest, a cruise on the Mayflower and a visit with Colonel House, the president is feeling fit.

He let congressional leaders know that he wants action this session on the soldiers' and sailors' insurance bill and has other legislation pending which might prevent adjournment early in October.

One of the biggest jobs ahead of the president this week is determination of a fair retail price on bituminous and anthracite coal. His proclamation is expected before October 1.

A ton gross for retail of \$1.50 to \$2 per ton for retail coal dealers is understood to be favored by Fuel Administrator Garfield.

The consumer who carts away his own coal probably will receive a slight reduction.

## CAMP READY FOR 18,000

Men of Various States Will Be Grouped Together.

Tacoma, Wash.—Orders have been received at Camp Lewis to break up the companies into skeleton organizations of 30 men each to prepare for the new draft of 18,000 men. Men of Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Alaska will be grouped together when the new draft arrives, and as far as possible the men of the same cities and towns will be together.

Northern California will be a district by itself and southern California another district. The fourth district will include Nevada, Utah, Wyoming and Montana. The arrivals will total 3500 a day. Arrangements have been made for a large receiving shed near the entrance. It is thought the entire 18,000 will be handled as easily as the first 5 per cent.

## Troops Sent to Astoria.

Portland, Or.—By recommendation of Governor Withycombe, who acted at the request of the Hammond Lumber company, one company of the Third Oregon infantry was sent to Astoria by Colonel Clarence E. Dentler, United States army, commanding this army district, in connection with the shipyards strike there.

## Proof Positive.

"Riches has wings," said Uncle Eben. "Ef you don't believe it, look at de feathers in de millinery store."