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OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

The city of St. Helens will build a municipal dock.

Portland banks made a new record Friday, when clearings totaled \$13,160,218.

The annual meeting of the Oregon Butter and Cheesemakers' association will be held in Portland December 11-12.

Thomas E. Paxton, city editor of the Baker Morning Democrat, died at Baker of pneumonia, following influenza.

A wind storm at Hood River took a large part of the valley's unpicked apples, estimated at 20 per cent of the million-box crop.

Henry F. Glasser, a young farmer living three miles north of Lebanon, committed suicide at his home by shooting himself with a rifle.

The new 76-foot concrete bridge at Tygh valley has been completed and will be ready for traffic as soon as the approaches to the bridge are completed.

John A. Muldrick, a well-known Grant county capitalist, passed away at his home in Canyon City of pneumonia, following an attack of influenza.

December 26 to 28 are the dates set for the annual meeting of the Oregon State Teachers' association in Portland. An attendance of between 1200 and 1500 persons is expected.

Fraternity activities, with the exception of meetings of a purely business character, will be suspended at the Oregon Agricultural college on account of a ruling by the war department.

A committee of the Oregon Dairy council has reported that there has been a decrease of 52,000 dairy cows in Oregon since January 1, 1918. This report is based upon a census of milk cows September 1.

Lady-bugs will be collected by forest service men and freed in wheat fields of Oregon, according to District Forester Cecil. This decision follows a plea made by wheat growers who last year lost heavily through aphids.

The federal administration has advised that the Oregon public service commission raise rates for the Sumpter Valley railroad, thus providing funds with which to pay the increased wages demanded by the striking employees.

Multnomah county has been denied permission by the public service commission to construct a crossing at grade over the O.W. R. & N. tracks at Osborn avenue, in Portland, the commission holding the crossing too hazardous.

Through efforts of the business men of Albany and Salem and the Portland chamber of commerce development bureau, steps are being taken to organize an Oregon chamber of commerce, composed of all the state's commercial organizations.

An order has been received from army headquarters at San Francisco requiring daily nose and throat spray treatment for employes in the shipyards and sawmills of North Bend as a means of checking the spread of Spanish influenza.

Since December 10, 1916, 187 wooden ships have been launched in Oregon yards and those at Vancouver, Wash., which are in the territory, having a capacity of 493,300 tons, according to a statement compiled by the Portland chamber of commerce.

Mrs. Laura A. Beck, of Portland, a widow, 66 years of age, is the oldest student enrolled in the University of Oregon at Eugene this year. She declares she does not believe in years, and just to prove it she has begun working toward a degree in the university.

With a mayor, five councilmen, treasurer, recorder and two water commissioners to be elected November 5 at Rainier, so little interest has been taken that nominating petitions have been filed for only three candidates, one each for recorder, treasurer and councilman.

School teachers are entitled to their pay for the time the schools are closed during the influenza epidemic, Superintendent Churchill says, basing his statement on an opinion of Attorney General Crawford in 1906, when similar conditions arose during a scarlet fever epidemic.

Farmers planning to see ground

lime should apply it as early as possible, to get the full benefit of its action on next season's crops, advises Dean A. B. Cordley, chairman of the state board. Unless the lime is put on before the ground becomes too soft this fall it may not be possible to apply it until well into next spring. Early orders are necessary to keep the state lime plant running. Money for operating expenses must come from lime sales, and lack of bunker facilities makes it necessary that sales keep up with the manufacture.

The Pacific International Livestock show in Portland this year will be held at the Ice Palace arena, Twentieth and Marshall streets, November 18-23, according to an announcement made by Secretary A. H. Lea, of the state fair board, who also is managing the big stock show this year.

Eugene wholesale houses dealing in grains and grain products canceled all orders placed with the Albers Brothers Milling company of Portland, for undelivered quantities of cereals and other products, as a result of the arrest of Henry Albers, president of the company, on espionage charges.

As one of the features of the forthcoming united war work campaign 15,000 or more grammar and high school students of Oregon will be enrolled as victory girls and victory boys, pledging and soliciting funds and doing what they can for the good of the big brothers called to fight for liberty.

Charles H. Green, United States wool administrator and distributor, has valued a lot of close to 1,500,000 pounds of northwestern wools in Portland warehouses and within the next few days will pass upon about 750,000 pounds more. This will leave some 4,000,000 pounds of the 1918 clip still to be valued.

An increased number of students at the state school for the blind makes more room necessary, according to the biennial report of Mrs. May Moore, superintendent, to the state board of control. Attendance at the institution last year was 33. For this year 40 pupils are already enrolled and more are to be received later.

Through a deal involving between \$85,000 and \$100,000, Elmer D. Paine, of Eugene, became the sole owner and manager of the Eugene and Springfield flouring mills of the Eugene Mill & Elevator company. Mr. Paine, who has been a half owner in the company, took over the interest of Charles S. Williams, also of Eugene.

DEMOCRATIC TICKET

For United States Senator
16—OSWALD WEST of Multnomah county.

For Congressman
17—JAMES HARVEY GRAM of Baker county.

For Governor
20—WALTER M. PIERCE of Union county.

For State Treasurer
24—DAVID P. MASON of Linn county.

For Supreme Court Justice
A. S. BENNETT of Wasco county.

(Write in name of A. S. Bennett and mark an X before it.)
For Attorney General
28—GEORGE M. BROWN of Douglas county.

For State Superintendent
30—J. A. CHURCHILL of Baker county.

For Commissioner of Labor
32—C. H. GRAM of Multnomah county.

For Public Service Commissioner
35—FRED A. WILLIAMS of Josephine county.

For Water Superintendent
36—GEO. T. COCHRAN of Union county.

COUNTY TICKET
For Circuit Judge
38—G. W. PHELPS of Pendleton.

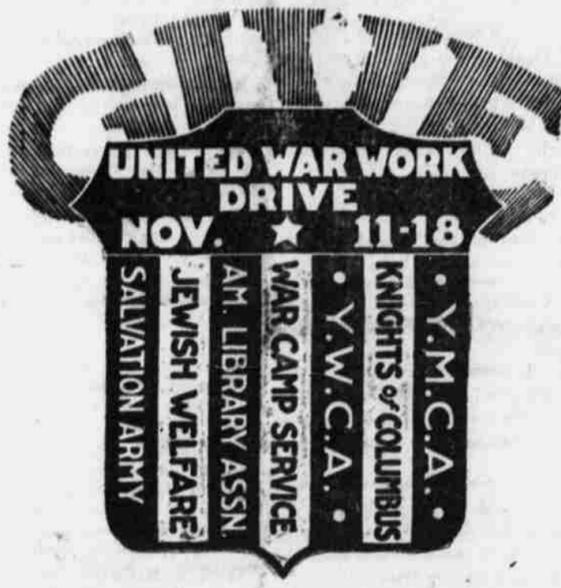
For State Senator, Nineteenth District
39—NORBORNE BERKELEY of Pendleton.

For Representative, 23d District
45—LOU HODGEN, Umapine.

46—ELLA TERPENING of Pendleton.

For Sheriff
47—T. D. TAYLOR of Pendleton.

For County Commissioner
54—L. J. McINTYRE, Milton-Freewater. (Paid Adv.)



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TWELVE NATIONS DECLARE FREEDOM

Philadelphia.—History has repeated itself. More than 50,000,000 people of the subject races of Europe have, through their representatives, cast aside their Teuton shackles and, in the same room in Independence hall where America's thirteen original colonies proclaimed their independence, twelve nations united in a solemn pact of unity and a sacred pledge to "place our all—peoples and resources—at the disposal of our allies."

Dr. Thomas Masaryk, leader of the new Czecho-Slovak republic, seated in the same chair used by John Hancock 142 years ago, was the first signer of the declaration of common aims of the independent mid-European nations.

The signers of the declaration pledged themselves on behalf of their respective nations to unitedly strive to the end that these wrongs shall be righted, that the sufferings of the world war shall not have been in vain.

Recommendations for the settlement of the ancient wrongs of the people of middle Europe will be laid before the peace council. It is hoped by that time that they will have been endorsed by all the people here represented.

The people represented constitute a chain of nations lying between the Baltic, Adriatic and the Black sea, comprising Czecho-Slovaks, Poles, Jugoslavs, Ukrainians, Lithuanians, Rumanians, Italian Irredentists, Greeks, Albanians, Zionists and Armenians.

Roumania Entered by French Patrols. Paris.—French patrols have crossed the Danube river and entered Roumania near Palanka, defeated German detachments and taken prisoners, says the official report from the war office.

Reported Ludendorff Has Resigned. Copenhagen.—General Ludendorff, first quartermaster-general of the German army, has resigned.

U. S. USES BIGGEST CANNON IN FRANCE

Washington.—Details of the achievement of the navy department in making available for use on the western front of great 16-inch naval guns, which press dispatches have reported to be hammering the German railway centers back of the Oise-Serre front, were made public by Secretary Daniels. The naval guns which have been in operation since September 15, are manned and operated by officers and men of the United States navy, under the command of Rear Admiral Plunkett, ex-director of the office of gunnery exercises and engineering performance.

The guns are of 50 caliber, 65 feet long, weigh about 100 tons without their carriages, and are said to throw a heavier projectile and have a greater muzzle velocity than any weapon ever placed on a mobile land mounting. The weight of the explosive used with each projectile is many times greater than that used in the freak German long range guns, and in point of their destructive force they are incomparable.

The organization to man one gun requires an entire train, including the gun car itself, ammunition cars, a crane car, and construction, sand, timber, kitchen, fuel, workshop, berthing and staff radio cars.

Declaring that he is the rightful owner of a large tract of timber held by the defendants on the lower Siuslaw river and valuable property in Portland, N. B. Holter has filed suit in the circuit court at Eugene asking that the property be sold and proceeds to the extent of \$121,478 be turned over to him. The defendants in the case are the Mapleton Timber company, the Stuart Ferguson Timber company, Josephine B. Ferguson, executrix of the estate of E. Z. Ferguson, and John Porter.

Lou Hodgen Democratic Candidate for the Legislature

I have served one term in the Legislature. If I am re-elected, the best interests of the State of Oregon and the County of Umatilla will, in the future as in the past, have my support, regardless of party.

(Paid Adv.)

Five fatal accidents out of a total of 515 industrial casualties were reported to the state accident commission for the week ending October 24. They are: W. H. Davy, Brookings, lumbering; Albert Patterson, Portland, fuel company; John H. Freeburg, Portland, shipbuilding; Charles L. Knapp, Portland, shipbuilding; James Wilson, Astoria, paper mill.

The highest wages awarded to street railway employes anywhere in the United States were awarded by the war labor board to the employes of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company. The new scale for motor-men and conductors is 46 cents per hour for the first three months; 48 cents for the next nine months, and 50 cents per hour thereafter.

Senator McNary has made an extended argument before the senate finance committee in support of the petition of Oregon loganberry growers for a reduction in the proposed internal revenue tax on loganberry juice. The bill as passed by the house provides a tax of 20 per cent of the value, which, it is asserted and is agreed by the Food administration, would ruin the industry.

In a letter to R. H. Alshon, regional director for the railroad administration, Public Service Commissioner Corey asks relief for minor roads in the matter of interchange of cars, urging that Mr. Alshon take the matter up with the larger roads. Mr. Corey reports considerable complaint against the order of the director-general abolishing the 24-hour free switching time allowed the minor roads.

REPUBLICAN TICKET

For U. S. Senator, Short Term
13—FRED W. MULKEY of Multnomah county.

For United States Senator
14—CHARLES L. McNARY of Marion county.

For Congressman
18—N. J. SINNOTT of Wasco county.

For Governor
22—JAMES WITHEYCOMBE of Marion county.

For State Treasurer
23—O. P. HOFF of Multnomah county.

For Supreme Court Justice
27—CHARLES A. JOHNS of Multnomah county.

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28—GEORGE M. BROWN of Douglas county.

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For State Senator, Nineteenth District
40—COLON R. EBERHARD of Union county.

For State Senator, Twentieth District
41—ROY W. RITNER of Umatilla county.

For Representative, 22d District (Joint)
42—C. E. WOODSON of Morrow county.

For Representative, 23d District
43—C. G. BROWNELL of Umatilla.

44—E. P. DODD, Hermiston.

For Sheriff
48—GEORGE TONKIN of Pendleton.

For County Clerk
49—R. T. BROWN, Pendleton.

For Recorder
50—B. S. BURROUGHS, Pendleton.

For Treasurer
51—GRACE A. GILLIAM of Pilot Rock.

For Coroner
52—J. T. BROWN, Pendleton.

For County Commissioner
53—G. L. DUNNING of Stanfield. (Paid Adv.)

343 PERISH WHEN STEAMER IS WRECKED

Princess Sophia, With All on Board, Lost in Alaskan Waters.

Seattle, Wash.—Three hundred and forty-three persons, most of them out-bound Alaskans and residents of the Yukon territory, lost their lives when the Canadian Steamship company's passenger steamer Princess Sophia was picked up by storming winds and waters, dragged across Vanderbilt reef and dropped to the bottom of Lynn canal, an arm of the inside passage not far south of Skagway, Alaska.

"No survivors," read a wireless from Juneau, Alaska, telling of the loss. The loss of life is the largest involved in any of the many marine disasters of the north Pacific and the greatest number of persons that ever perished in any shipwreck off the Alaskan coast.

The vessel went to her doom in a storm, carrying with her all those aboard, both passengers and crew. According to reports received by local Canadian Pacific officials, there were 268 passengers and 75 members of the crew.

Those perishing undoubtedly include a number of Alaska operators of prominence especially from Fairbanks, Ruby, Iditarod and other lower Yukon districts; also presumably a large number of Klondike operators and residents of Dawson and other towns along the Canadian Yukon.

GERMANY AWAITS ARMISTICE TERMS

Copenhagen.—Germany's answer to President Wilson's latest communication says:

"The German government has taken cognizance of the answer of the president of the United States. The president is aware of the far-reaching changes which have been carried out and are being carried out in the German constitutional structure, and that peace negotiations are being conducted by a people's government in whose hands rests, both actually and constitutionally, the power to make the deciding conclusions.

"The military powers are also subject to it.

"The German government now awaits proposals for an armistice, which shall be the first step toward a just peace, as the president has described it in his proclamation. (Signed) "SOLF."

AMERICAN MISSION ARRIVES

Problems Facing Allied Diplomats Are Called Complex by Col. House.

Paris.—The American delegation has arrived in Paris to attend the inter-allied diplomatic council which opened its sessions Tuesday in Versailles.

The party included Colonel E. M. House, Admiral Benson, Frank Cobb of New York, Joseph G. Grew of the state department and Benson's aids, Commander Carter and Lieutenant Commander Russell.

"We are now confronted with different and more complex problems than we considered 11 months ago," said Colonel House. "I feel confident they will be met with the high courage and wisdom that comes from lofty motives and unselfish hearts."

Liebknecht Gets Ovation.

Paris.—An enormous crowd assembled before the Reichstag building in Berlin, calling for the abdication of Emperor William and the formation of a republic, according to a special dispatch from Zurich to L'Information.

Dr. Carl Liebknecht, the socialist leader, who has just been released from prison, was applauded frantically. He was compelled to enter a carriage filled with flowers, from which he made a speech declaring that the time of the people had arrived.

Austria Accepts Wilson's Views.

Amsterdam.—Austria in her reply to President Wilson accepts all the views expressed by the president in his note of October 18.

Austria says she is ready and willing, without awaiting the result of other negotiations, to negotiate peace and an immediate armistice on all Austro-Hungarian fronts.