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OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

The tenth annual strawberry fair and rose festival will be held in Lebanon this week.

Carl Whitlock, 12 years of age, of Medford, was drowned in the Rogue river near Gold Bay.

Preparations for the erection of a new \$100,000 Presbyterian church building at Pendleton have been completed.

The extension division of the University of Oregon will hold its summer school in Portland from June 23 to August 1.

Lane county goat owners will realize about \$20,000 on mohair this season, according to N. S. Robb, county agricultural agent.

The resignation of Colonel John L. May as adjutant general for the state of Oregon was received by Governor Olcott, effective June 1.

The boys' and girls' clubs of Coos bay held a big meeting Wednesday in Marshfield. Exhibitions of sewing by the girls and cooking demonstrations were given.

Following an attempt at reconciliation with his divorced wife, Lee Patterson, aged 36 years, a resident of Baker, shot himself through the head with a revolver.

Roseburg will celebrate the national holiday with a three-day program, July 2-4. The B. P. O. E. will sponsor the biggest celebration of its kind in the history of Douglas county.

Oregon's lumber production has increased 60 per cent since 1915, according to figures compiled by T. J. Starker, forest examiner, office of products, United States forest service.

Through a system of savings accounts the Umatilla public school children have earned and invested in war savings stamps and liberty bonds the sum of \$720 during the school term.

Because of the belief that western buyers are too cautious and that there is greater competition in the eastern market, a considerable amount of Umatilla county wool is going to Boston.

Governor Olcott has announced the appointment of V. H. Vawter of Medford as a member of the board of regents of the University of Oregon. He succeeds W. H. Gore, whose term has expired.

The wool pool of Yamhill county was sold to Nissen Brothers of Bellevue. Competition in the sales was strong. The entire clip is estimated at about 50,000 pounds, and the accepted bid was 50 cents.

Stockmen of Lane county are planning a trip by automobile this week from Eugene to the lower Willamette valley points to inspect herds of pure bred cattle, and study methods of handling herds.

Umatilla county now has \$757,000, received from the sale of road bonds, for road work being done in the county. As fast as contracts can be let the road construction planned is being put under way.

J. M. Thomas, deputy game warden of Coos county, has been informed that wild pigeons are so numerous on several inlets of Coos bay that ranchers are destined to suffer heavy losses from their depredations.

With the election of delegates to the supreme chapter which convenes at Denver, Colo., from September 31 to October 3, the fifth annual convention of the P. E. O. Sisterhood of Oregon came to a close at Eugene.

Prosperity seems to have struck a number of school districts of Lane county. New school houses are being planned by some and improvements will be made generally this summer, according to E. J. Moore, county superintendent.

Willis Caldwell, a farmer living about two miles from Brownsville, stalked and killed a huge bald eagle, which he says he has been trying to get for several years. The bird was a male and measured 6 feet 4 inches from tip to tip.

School superintendents and other educators of the state will meet in a series of four educational conferences at the University of Oregon, June 25, 26 and 27, according to announcement by Dr. H. D. Sheldon, dean of the school of education.

A heavy frost wiped out the entire crop of tomatoes, potatoes, beans and corn in Lane county last week. Replanting will be necessary in every section of the county except a few pro-

ected patches along the Willamette and Mackenzie rivers.

After holding up three employes and robbing the Bank of Hines of \$3116 in currency, a lone robber gave his victims their choice of being locked in the vault, which might have meant death by smothering, or of taking an oath on a Bible that they would not leave the bank or give an alarm for 30 minutes. The three took the oath and kept it. The holdup occurred after banking hours. The bandit escaped in a taxicab.

A two weeks' short course for boys and girls in practical agriculture and home economics correlated with club work is expected to bring many young people to the Oregon Agricultural college for the summer session.

Articles of incorporation of "The American Legion" have been filed with the secretary of state and transmitted to Corporation Commissioner Schullerman for approval. The American Legion is the new nation-wide organization of world-war veterans.

With the prospects for the largest fruit crop in the history of the Umpqua valley, the Umpqua Valley Fruit union has just closed a deal for a lot 50x180 feet at Roseburg, upon which a modern structure of reinforced concrete four stories high will be erected.

M. G. Nease of Portland, president of the Central Oregon Oil & Gas company; M. E. Baumeister, G. E. and G. M. Lawrence were in Burns last week getting leases from land owners in the region of Dog mountain. It is their purpose to start active development at once.

Building operations throughout the Willamette valley are improving and works that have been delayed for the last two years because of the war are under way or being planned in the valley cities, according to John M. Scott, general passenger agent of the Southern Pacific.

Protests have been made to Hood River county officials against drivers of motor trucks who, it is alleged, overload their vehicles, and with boxes, lumber and other articles projecting over the sides of racks, make it impossible for passenger cars to pass on most highways.

The improvement of 164.12 miles of state highway is involved in the call for bids issued by the state highway commission. These bids, which cover paving, grading and excavating, will be opened by the commission at their meeting in Portland, June 10, when the contracts will be awarded.

Steelheads planted a few years ago in East lake, 40 miles from Bend, have grown to a size making it virtually impossible to land them. N. G. Jacobson, supervisor of the Deschutes national forest, reported on his return from a trip to the lake. Some of the fish, he estimates, will weigh over 40 pounds.

Assistance for a large number of lumber concerns in Portland and that section of Oregon was sought from the war finance corporation by Representative Hawley and Whitney L. Boice of Portland. The aid asked involves approximately \$1,000,000 needed to finance a contract for lumber and lumber products for export to Australia.

Professor M. L. Granning of Corvallis, head of the auto mechanics department at the Oregon Agricultural college; H. R. Fancher of The Dalles and E. E. Boggs of Portland will be the three members constituting the board of automobile mechanics examiners provided for by an act of the last legislature according to announcement made by Governor Olcott.

Captain Jacob Kanzler of Portland was selected by Governor Ben W. Olcott for appointment to be judge of the court of domestic relations at Multnomah county, a petition created by act of the last legislature, which also created the court. The appointment will be held in abeyance, pending determination of the legality of the act under which the office exists.

Pendleton is to have a 1500-barrel flour mill. In addition to its present three mills. Announcement was made by H. W. Collins that he and his associates had determined on the enterprise, let a contract for the building and purchased the necessary machinery. The company will be capitalized at a quarter of a million dollars. Its plant is expected to be in operation shortly after the first of the year.

Adolph Lewis, arrested at The Dalles with Edward Primrose, who afterward pleaded guilty to a charge of murder in having slain Chief of Police Ralph Gibbons in an attempt to escape arrest on a charge of having robbed the Bank of Washougal, Wash., was convicted by a jury in the circuit court of manslaughter, as an accessory to the Gibbons murder. He had previously confessed complicity in the robbery.

Y. W. C. A. Provides Home For Actresses at Camp Dix, N. J.



Actresses who play in the Liberty Theater at Camp Dix, N. J., find a touch of home in the Players' House which the housing committee of the Young Women's Christian Association, of which Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., is chairman, operates for them. Because of the distance from any town where they might stay, it was necessary to provide some sort of living accommodations for the actresses. The Y. W. C. A. built the house, supplying it with all conveniences such as sewing machines, washtubs and ironing boards. Camp Upton, L. I., has a similar house.

COMPLETE PLANS FOR HANDLING GRAIN CROP IN RUSSIA RELIEVED

Washington.—Plans for the inauguration of a permit system to control the movement of this year's mammoth grain crop, announced by the railroad administration, contemplate appointment of grain control committees at each primary market, comprising a representative each of the operating and traffic departments of the railroad administration, and a third party representing the transportation division of the United States grain corporation. Shippers will apply through the railroad agent at the point of origin to the grain control committee at the market to which they wish to send their product. If conditions permit, permission for the shipment will be given promptly. Otherwise the shipment will be delayed until storage facilities are such that the grain can be moved without causing freight congestion.

A copy of the permit when issued will be transmitted by the grain control committee to the railroad by which the shipment is to be made so that necessary action may be taken to furnish cars. The system is similar to that which was used in clearing freight congestion last year.

WILCOX WINS BIG RACE

Three Killed, Two Hurt in Indianapolis Automobile Contest.

Indianapolis, Ind.—Howard Wilcox of Indianapolis won the seventh annual international sweepstakes race of 500 miles at the motor speedway, his time for the distance being 5:44:21.75. Two drivers, Arthur Thurman and Louis Lecocq, and a mechanic, R. Bandini, were killed during the contest, and two others were injured.

As a result of his victory Wilcox won a prize of \$20,000. Fifty thousand dollars was divided among the first ten drivers. The other prize winners finished in the order named: Hearne, Goux, Guyot, Alley, De Palma, L. Chevrolet, D. Hickey, G. Chevrolet and Thomas.

Archangel.—The American cruiser Des Moines arrived here simultaneously with transports bringing new British volunteer army units to relieve the American and other troops who have been fighting since last August.

The ships on which the new forces arrived will transport the first unit of American infantry, which it is expected will be homeward bound in one week.

The last American infantry on the Volopta railway front has just been relieved after nearly eight months' service. The Americans received a rousing farewell from the British and Russian command at Obozerskaya.

PROCLAIM RHINE REPUBLIC

New Government is Installed Provisionally at Weisbaden.

Mayence.—The Rhine republic was proclaimed Sunday in various Rhine cities. The population welcomed the event with satisfaction and expressed the hope that it would put an end to the painful uncertainty prevailing in the Rhine provinces regarding the allied nations and Germany.

The new government is headed by Dr. Dorden. It has been installed provisionally at Weisbaden. Dr. Dorden addressed a message to the different governments and to the peace conference.

320,000 Americans Returned in Month.

Washington.—During May 320,000 American soldiers returned from France, Secretary of War Baker informed Secretary Daniels in a letter, praising the work of the navy department. This movement created a record for the transportation of troops in either direction, the secretary said.

Britain's Transport Bill Is \$82,000,000.

Washington.—England's bill for transporting 1,000,000 American soldiers across the Atlantic in British snips is approximately \$82,000,000.

PAINTING THE NEEDLE

New Yorkers awoke one morning to find in their breakfast headlines the news that a zealous park employee had discovered signs of disintegration on the surface of the city's most treasured antique—Cleopatra's Needle. Photographs revealed that the monolith was peeling, large pieces of sandstone having fallen from the tall shaft, carrying with them part of the prized hieroglyphs.

London's twin sister of Cleopatra's Needle was reported as resting comfortably and enduringly on the banks of the Thames, and the rival port wondered whether a preparation would be found to stay the attacks of their harsher climate.

Such a preparation was soon forthcoming. A new paint combination as a preservative for stone was invented

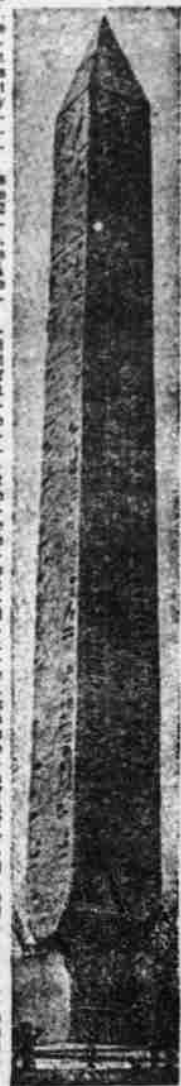
THE OBELISK.

The Obelisk was presented to the City of New York by the Khedive of Egypt. Lieutenant Commander Gorrings, U. S. N., after a three years' effort, obtained possession of it to its present position, at an expense of nearly \$100,000. It was finally swung into position at noon, January 22, 1881.

The height of this monument, from base to tip, is 69 feet, 2 inches. The measurement of the base, square through its axis, is 7 feet, 8 1/2 inches. The entire weight of the monolith is 219 1/2 tons.

Since it was quarried near the torrid zone, it has traversed the entire length of Egypt, most of that of the Mediterranean Sea, and the width of the Atlantic Ocean—a distance of 8,400 miles—traveling itself a first rate traveler for one whose age has exceeded 4,000 years.

In the course of its existence it has seen Pharaoh and his host going to their destruction in the Red Sea; Sisehak marching to the conquest of Jerusalem; Cambyzes despoiling the land; Hieroculus and other Greek students engaged in pursuit of Egyptian lore; Alexander the Great on his victorious expedition through the land of Goshen; six and a half centuries of Roman sovereignty and Christian struggles at Alexandria; all the long line of Moslem rulers, since Caliph Omar; and now, leaving altogether its native land, it stands looking upon the million dwellers in this metropolis, whose site was unknown to the Eastern world at a time when the Obelisk had been in existence for two thousand years.



AUSTRIANS RECEIVE ALLIED PEACE TERMS

Only Part of Treaty Presented to Teutons at Meeting at St. Germain.

St. Germain.—Austria was on Monday given 15 days to reply to the terms of peace presented by the allied nations.

The entire treaty was not presented to the Austrians and the 15 days' stipulation with regard to their reply, therefore, refers only to the portion of the terms handed them at Monday's session.

Following is a summary of the conditions of peace as presented to the Austrian plenipotentiaries:

The conditions of peace of the allied and assembled powers, with exception of military reparations, financial and certain boundary clauses, were handed to the Austrian plenipotentiaries. Those clauses which are not yet ready for presentation will be delivered as soon as possible, the Austrians in the meantime having the opportunity to begin work on the greater part of the treaty in an effort to facilitate a final decision.

The Austrian treaty follows exactly the same outline as the German, and in many places is identical with it except for the change in name. Certain specific clauses which applied only to Germany are of course omitted, and certain new clauses included, especially as regards the new states created out of the former Austro-Hungarian empire and the protection of the rights of the racial, religious and linguistic minorities in Austria, Czechoslovakia, Roumania and the Serbian-Croatian-Slovenian state.

Austria is left by the treaty a state of from 5,000,000 or 7,000,000 people inhabiting a territory of between 5000 and 6000 square miles. She is required to recognize the complete independence of Hungary, Czechoslovakia and the Serbian-Croatian-Slovenian state, and to cede other territories which previously in union with her composed the empire of Austria-Hungary with its population of over 50,000,000 people.

Austria agrees to accept the League of Nations covenant and the labor charter, to renounce all her extra European rights, to demobilize her whole naval and aerial forces, to admit the right of trial by the allied and associated powers of her nationals guilty of violating the law and customs of force and to accept detailed provisions similar to those of the German treaty as to economic relations and freedom of transit.

TERRORISTS AGAIN BUSY

Washington.—Another attempted reign of terror, directed chiefly against public officials who have been active in their prosecution of enemy aliens and other radicals, was launched shortly before midnight Monday.

A bomb explosion which damaged the residence of Attorney-General A. Mitchell Palmer, in Washington, but which apparently resulted only in the death of the bomb planter, was followed at brief intervals by similar explosions in seven other cities in a belt extending from Cleveland to Boston.

Besides Washington, Cleveland and Boston, cities in which bomb outrages occurred were Pittsburg, Paterson, N. J.; West Philadelphia, New York and Newtonville, Mass.

West Philadelphia and Pittsburg were subjected to two separate explosions.

The similarity of the reports received from the various cities recalled to the authorities the May-day bomb plot of a month ago.

The bomb planted under the steps of the home of the attorney-general wrecked the dwelling, smashed in the windows of adjoining houses for a block, but injured no one within the Palmer residence.

Strikers Raid Winnipeg Parliament.

Winnipeg.—A parading crowd of 2000 or more returned soldiers and union men swept through the provincial house of parliament and then marched to the city hall, where they broke up a council meeting. In both buildings speakers, using violent language, charged that Premier T. C. Norris and Mayor Charles F. Gray were not dealing properly with the strike situation and shouted that "something had better be done soon."

Shake Well Before Taking



Aviation Altitude Record Broken. Paris.—Adjutant Casale, a French aviator, in a flight for altitude, ascended 31,000 feet. This constitutes a world's record.