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OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

The Roseburg fruit cannery is experiencing a serious shortage in help. A post of the American Legion, to be known as the Arthur E. Glover post, was formed at Fossil.

John R. Nevins of Portland has been appointed instructor in farm crops at Oregon Agricultural college.

Senator McNary has introduced a bill to donate a captured German cannon to the city of Pendleton.

A big black bear weighing 196 pounds was killed in the Polk station neighborhood, north of Dallas.

Bids are being advertised for a concrete bridge over Canyon creek at John Day, on the John Day Highway.

Central Oregon's potato crop will be the biggest and best that has ever been produced, according to reports.

On account of the prune and hop harvest, opening of the schools at Dallas has been postponed until Sept. 29.

Two resignations in the clerical force of the Roseburg postoffice leave one vacancy, for which there is no applicant.

Pendleton sheep shippers are expressing anxiety at present, owing to a shortage of cars for shipping their stock.

Forty-eight teachers have been employed for the Dallas schools during the next term which opens here September 8.

Governor Olcott has received an invitation from Secretary Daniels to review the Pacific fleet at San Francisco on Labor day.

Portland tailors and shoe repairmen have made demands for substantial advances in wages to go into effect the first of next month.

Boston attorneys have approved the validity of \$300,000 worth of Oregon state highway bonds recently sold to eastern bonding houses.

Contracts aggregating \$30,956, for the improvement of six streets in the business and residence districts of Bend, have been awarded.

John Vanderveld, Banks postmaster, has resigned. His resignation has been accepted and Henry Atlee has been appointed his successor.

Jeannette Rankin, of Montana, first woman to hold a seat in congress, is in Portland visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Herbert Dragg.

Stock to a total of \$52,000 has been subscribed for the new hotel which is proposed to erect in North Bend. The total cost will be \$100,000.

In the opinion of several citizens of Silverton, the city council elected last November is not qualified and all business transacted by that body is illegal.

The Salem Fruit union shipped to points in Canada a carload of dried loganberries, for which the organization will receive approximately \$29,000.

More than a dozen carloads of surplus army canned food is now en route from Fort Mason, Cal., to Portland for distribution throughout Oregon.

Herbert Nunn, state engineer, has received samples of road signs which it is proposed to install at conspicuous points along the state highways of Oregon.

There were a total of 566 accidents in Oregon during the week ending August 21, according to the weekly report of the state industrial accident commission.

An effort is being made to have the county courts of Linn and Benton counties take over and operate the ferry across the Willamette river at Ingram island.

An ordinance has passed the Pendleton city council providing fine and imprisonment for any person making any unnecessary disturbing noise within the corporate limits.

Numerous violators of the state fish and game laws were convicted in various parts of the state during the last few days, according to reports made to the game commission.

Just as the last load of hay had been haled in the fields of William Roberts and George Bowers, near Brownsville, the stacks took fire from the engine and were totally destroyed.

Eighty-five dollars a ton for pears delivered at the cannery at Sheridan, Woodburn and Lafayette is the price received for the Salem Fruit union pool, according to announcement.

The first unit of the big cannery of

the Puyallup and Sumner Fruit Growers' association in Albany, which will be one of the largest plants of the kind in the state, began work Monday morning.

The selection of J. N. Burgess of Pendleton to succeed W. L. Thompson as a member of the state highway commission following the latter's removal from eastern Oregon to Portland on January 1, 1920, has met with approval in all sections of the state, according to letters, telegrams and personal messages reaching the executive offices.

Members of the Mystic Shrine residing in Linn county will form a Shrine club for the purpose of assisting in the entertainment of visiting Shriners at the national convention in Portland next year.

Eugene J. Farrell, widely known through 28 years' connection with the commission firm of Everding & Farrell, of Portland, died at the Good Samaritan hospital, Portland, after a major operation.

Chief of Police Johnson of Portland has requested the governor's office to offer a substantial reward for the capture of Clarence Johnson, who is suspected of having murdered Mrs. Eunice Freeman in Portland.

Salmon caught outside the three-mile limit at the mouth of the Columbia river during the closed season may not be lawfully sold within the state of Oregon, according to George M. Brown, attorney-general.

Appointment of Alex Sweek as register of the United States land office in Portland has been confirmed by the senate and he will take his office upon notification from Washington that his bond has been approved.

Representatives of the state forester's office who visited Silverton to investigate the fire that has raged in the camps of the Silver Falls Lumber company reported that the total loss would not exceed \$100,000.

Proceedings to condemn the Central school building at Bend probably will be taken within the next few days as the result of a recent inspection of the structure by a representative of the state fire marshal's office.

A move is on foot in Salem to send a delegation of prominent men and women to Portland to receive officially the cruiser Salem, which is a part of the Pacific fleet, now on its way to the mouth of the Columbia river.

The Oregon hop crop this year will be only a third as large as it was before the war and prohibition began to affect it, yet the services of 10,000 or 12,000 men, women and children will be required to get it under cover.

Investigation of spruce production in Oregon during the war period will open in Portland this week, when the three members of the congressional committee who have been holding hearings in Seattle will hear testimony.

How to cope with the practice of Portland junk dealers who purchase second-hand automobiles and sell the license tags to buyers of new machines for 75 cents each is the problem that is confronting the secretary of state.

Captain Frank B. Hamlin of Roseburg has been elected by the school board of Springfield as superintendent of the schools of that city to succeed N. A. Baker, who has accepted the principalship of one of the schools in Portland.

The necessity of loading cars to full capacity and prompt releasing of cars in order to avoid a shortage of equipment during the busy transportation season is called to the attention of shippers, consumers and the railroad administration in a letter issued by the Oregon public service commission.

At a meeting of the state board for vocational education in Portland, Newton Van Dalsen, of Fort Collins, Colorado, was selected state director of vocational training at an annual salary of \$3000. Mr. Van Dalsen also will serve as state supervisor of industrial education. The appointee has been asked to report for duty September 1. He will make his headquarters in the offices of J. A. Churchill, state superintendent of public instruction.

Directors of the Oregon Dairy council, at their regular monthly meeting in Portland, decided to meet in conference with the executive committee of the Oregon Bankers' association to arrange for extension of credits by banks to enable dairymen to improve their herds by the addition of purebred stock. It is also proposed to obtain credit to add new herds and swell the production of milk.

Roumania Has Big Wheat Crop. Berne.—The Roumanian bureau here announces that Roumania will export more than 100,000 carloads of cereals from the present harvest.

He Has Had His Day



MEMORIAL HALL FINANCES—A REPORT TO SUBSCRIBERS

The Directors of Weston Memorial Association desire to collect all unpaid subscriptions, or portions of subscriptions, at once. We must have funds with which to complete and equip our building. A statement of receipts and expenditures to date is herewith submitted, which we trust will receive your consideration:

Amount subscribed \$3520.00
Amount collected to date \$1415.95

DISBURSEMENTS

To J. M. Ashworth \$ 700 00
To Belvail for brick work 75 00
To supplies and advertising 7 39
To labor bills for work on foundation 67 95
To light bill 1 00
To Clark Wood for printing 8 75
To Watts & Rogers for material furnished 169 53
To P. T. Harbour for sand 16 97
To Weston Transfer Co. for drayage 53 89
\$1100 48

CONTEMPLATED EXPENDITURES

To fire protecting booth (worth \$150.00) \$ 65 00
To Walla Walla Lbr. Co. for remodeling building. 1954 00
To 200 chairs at \$1.85 each 370 00
To picture machine 441 00
To Mr. MacKenzie 500 00
To re-arranging, painting and papering interior
To site secured for building, advanced by Watts & Rogers 800 00

(This last item is to be raised by additional subscriptions outside of the original sum.)

Watts & Rogers moved the Opera House at a cost of \$390.00, in even exchange for the barn on the new site. Much labor and team work has been done gratis and cheerfully. We are making every dollar do the greatest service possible.

We are now on the finish work and must have your co-operation. Please let us have a prompt response from you and we will push the good work along.

WAGE SETTLEMENT POSTPONED

Washington.—Postponement of the settlement of wage demands until normal economic conditions are restored, was announced by President Wilson as the policy which the administration will pursue in dealing with such questions, particularly those affecting railroad workers.

The president announced also that it was neither wise nor feasible at this time, when the most important question before the country is a return to a normal price level, to attempt to increase freight rates to provide funds for higher wages.

"We ought to postpone questions of this sort until we have the opportunity for certain calculation as to the relation between wages and the cost of living," the president declared. "It is the duty of every citizen to insist upon a truce in such contests until intelligent settlements can be made. I appeal to my fellow citizens of every employment to co-operate in insisting upon and maintaining such a truce."

Mr. Wilson's statement was issued in connection with the decision of himself and Director General Hines on demands by railroad shopmen for a 25 per cent advance in wages.

The decision of the president and the director-general was announced to a committee of 100, representing the shopmen. In reply to their demands for a 25 per cent increase, the shopmen were asked to accept an adjustment of their pay to the basis of 19 hours' pay for eight hours' work. This means an advance of the basic pay from 68 to 72 cents an hour, whereas an increase of 17 cents to 85 cents an hour was demanded.

WAR VESSELS TO BE SEEN

Pacific Fleet Will Visit Puget Sound and Columbia River in September. Santa Barbara, Cal.—The Pacific fleet will enter Puget Sound September 12, it was announced aboard the flagship New Mexico.

Admiral Rodman's tentative plans call for visits of the cruisers Birmingham and Chester and a division of destroyers, under command of Rear-Admiral Wiley to Portland, September 6 to 10, and of the pre-dreadnoughts Vermont and Nebraska and two destroyers, under command of Rear-Admiral Williams, to Astoria, September 7 to 11.

If the pilots of the Columbia river think it safe, the plans call for a visit of Admiral Williams and the Vermont to Portland. The date of this possible visit has not been set as yet, even tentatively.

When a married man laughs in his sleep his wife imagines he is dreaming that he is a bachelor.

There are a few rising young men in this world, but the majority keep their seats in a crowded street car.

You can't tell what a boy learns at college by the amount it costs his father.

JAPANESE SHANTUNG TITLE IS REPUDIATED

Senate Foreign Relations Committee Votes For Amendment to Peace Treaty.

Washington.—By a vote of 9 to 8 the senate foreign relations committee adopted an amendment to the peace treaty by which German rights in Shantung province, China, would go to China instead of Japan. All the democratic members and Senator McCumber, republican, North Dakota, voted against the amendment.

Chairman Lodge offered the amendment under which the word "Japan" would be stricken from the Shantung sections of the treaty and the word "China" substituted.

The committee also instructed Chairman Lodge to request President Wilson to send the senate the treaty between the United States and Poland signed June 28 at Versailles and such information as he has regarding the treaties now under negotiation with Austria, Bulgaria and Turkey.

Extending the scope of its public inquiry regarding the peace treaty, the senate foreign relations committee announced a schedule of hearings that promise to occupy most of its time for the next two weeks and to lead into the intricacies of political and territorial problems in several parts of the world. The disputed questions to be touched upon include the disposition of Fiume, of the Island islands and of the German colonies in Africa, and the claim of Ireland for independence. On the list of witnesses are representatives of the Italians, Jugo-Slavs, Hungarian-Americans, Greeks, Irish, Lithuanians, Ukrainians, Estonians, Letts and American negroes.

Baker Upholds Military Courts

Washington.—In approving the report submitted to him by Major-General Francis J. Kernan, head of the special war department board on court-martial and their procedure, Secretary Baker took the official stand that the present system should not be changed except in minor details.

Inferentially, the secretary upheld General Kernan's view that "court-martial have always been agencies for creating and maintaining the discipline of armies" rather than agencies for the "nice interpretation of technical rules of law."

The war board's report reflected the opinion of 225 officers who were circulated. More than half of those gave hearty approval to the present system, 43 condemned it as basically wrong and the remainder, a total of 57, pointed out specific weaknesses, which they thought should be remedied.

The most serious defect in the existing system, the report asserts, arises from "the lack of competent trial judge, advocates and counsel," and as a remedy it is recommended that defense counsel be appointed for each general and special court-martial and that special inducements be offered young officers to study law in order that they may be fitted.

MAIL BUSINESS PLANNED

War Department to Sell Surplus Supplies and Continue as Dealer.

Washington.—Retail stores for the sale of household commodities included in the surplus stocks of the war department will be established September 25, it was announced. The stores will be located in depot centers and other large cities and they will accept and fill mail orders.

Continued purchase by the department of certain necessities so that these stores may be continued indefinitely as a part of the government campaign against the high cost of living is understood to be under consideration.

Prices on all commodities offered for sale will be so fixed as to prevent discrimination between the purchasers who buy over the counter and those who purchase through the mail.

First Division Likes France.

Paris.—The officers and soldiers of the first division of the American expeditionary force, who are on the point of embarking for home, have sent an open letter of farewell to the French soldiers. The letter expresses admiration for the courage and sacrifices of the French troops and adds: "After America, we love France best of all."

FRONTIER DAYS

WALLA WALLA—THREE-DAY FEATURE

September 11 - 12 - 13

See the World's Greatest and Best Riders and Ropers in Keen Competition for Championship Titles and \$6000.00 in Purses.

Yakima Canutt—Scoop Martin—Ben Oakes—Eddie McCarty—Harry Walters—Pinky Gist—Hugh Strickland, and scores of other equally well known riders.

The famous Bucking Horses "Culdesac," "Coyote," "Speedball," "Monkey Wrench," "Sundance," "Black Diamond" and others.

THE WONDERFUL \$10,000 TRICK RIDING HORSE

and Harry Walters, the World's Star Trick Rider, Performing Skillful Feats of Exclusively Attempted Daring.

Relay and Pony Express Races—Steer Roping and Bull-Dogging—Immense Indian Congress—Saddle Horse and Wild Horse Races—Trick Roping and other thrilling events.

CIVIC CELEBRATIONS—ELKS' CIRCUS—FAIR EXHIBITS—STREET PARADES AND CARNIVALS—BIG THREE-DAY FEATURE—REDUCED RAILROAD RATES.