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## OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

### Principal Events of the Week Briefly Sketched for Infor- mation of Our Readers.

Vacant rooms and dwelling houses are at a premium in Dallas.

Hood River post of the American Legion was formally launched with 55 members.

The Coos county teachers' institute was held in North Bend October 13, 14 and 15.

State money on deposit in the banks throughout Oregon on October 8 aggregated \$3,647,838.37.

The building fund for the new Lausanne hall at Willamette university has reached nearly \$40,000.

Sumpter will vote on a new charter, embodying the commission form of government, on December 9.

It is believed that the total prune production of Douglas county for 1919 will be about 5,000,000 pounds.

Thirty-four pupils of Middle Grove school in Marion county earned a total of \$1200 during the summer vacation.

Of 4000 schools in the state of Oregon, 150 have been unable to open this fall on account of lack of teachers.

Thomas A. Braasfield, 83 years old, one of Baker county's earliest settlers, died at the home of his son in Baker.

Captains of all ships coming to Portland hereafter will be entertained by the Portland Chamber of Commerce.

Plans of the Silver Lake irrigation district of 8000 acres have been submitted to the state engineer for approval.

Marriages in Marion county during the quarter ending October 1, outnumbered divorces practically three to one.

Rev. William Ridgely Powell, one of the oldest clergymen in Oregon, died at his home in Portland at the age of 81 years.

For the first time in seven years, Baker has a city isolation hospital, established to accommodate a case of smallpox.

Miss Rosalina Espinosa, graduate of the University of Colorado, is the new professor of Spanish at the University of Oregon.

The Dalles district Columbia river conference of Methodist Episcopal ministers was held in The Dalles Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Anne Elizabeth Arnsperger, a resident of Oregon since 1853, died at the home of her sister, Mrs. Mary Rhodes in The Dalles.

Multnomah county road budget for 1920, as tentatively prepared by the road department, calls for a total appropriation of \$1,200,000.

Organization of a county farm bureau was effected at a meeting in Klamath Falls of farmers from all sections of Klamath county.

Eight Eugene dentists will care for the teeth of 72 children in the Eugene public schools during the present school year free of charge.

Demands were presented to the board of education by the teachers of the North Bend schools for an increase in salaries of \$20 a month.

Physical examination of Umatilla county school children is revealing that the majority are in need of medical, optical or dental attention.

Plans for the enlargement of the fish hatchery on the north fork of the Umpqua river has been made by the Oregon fish and game commission.

Heavy frosts last week killed plants in the big tomato and potato fields around Dallas and damaged the ripening fruits to the amount of several hundred dollars.

With the discharge from Good Samaritan hospital of Portland's first case of influenza for the winter season, the city is now without a single case of the dreaded disease.

W. D. DeVarney of Portland was appointed by Governor Olcott as a member of the child welfare commission to succeed Fred Lockley, also of Portland, who has resigned.

The thirty-third grand encampment of the Grand Commandery of the Knights Templars of Oregon met in Eugene with 70 delegates from different parts of the state.

Five thousand boxes of tomatoes from five acres of land at Dillard is the record made by T. B. Evans & Son. The fruit brought a price of more than 40 cents a box.

Curfew ordinances which require all boys and girls under the age of 18 years to be off the streets by 9 P. M. after October 1, will be strictly enforced hereafter in Salem.

A committee of five of the Portland police department appeared before Mayor Baker, with a request that there be a horizontal increase in salaries of approximately \$20 a month.

The seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding the Oregon City Congregational church will be made the occasion for the holding of the 71st state conference of the Congregational churches of Oregon, a three-day session being called for November 4, 5 and 6.

Eleven parcels of land, the property of various members of the Indian colony on the Umatilla reservation near Pendleton, will be offered for sale to the highest bidder on November 28.

Issuance of \$900,000 in bonds to finance irrigation of 28,000 acres of the Langell valley 30 miles east of Klamath Falls was approved at a special election of taxpayers of the district.

To study methods of logging used in the central Oregon white pine belt, nearly 150 members of the Pacific Logging congress which held its tenth annual session in Portland, visited Bend.

Hundreds of census enumerators are wanted and the supervisors of Oregon are wondering if they will secure enough to make the canvass. Oregon will require about 950 enumerators.

Enough money was taken in at the state fair at Salem over and above expenses to pay off the entire debt contracted for the construction of the stadium there and to leave over \$10,000 surplus.

Mothers and fathers of Oregon boys with the American expeditionary forces in Siberia may expect their sons home in a short time, the war department has advised Ben S. Fisher of Marshfield.

Claatsop post, American legion, is making good progress in its campaign to induce Astoria business men to withdraw their patronage from the Toveri, the Finnish daily, accused of disloyal utterances.

A nurse whose duty it will be to visit the homes of children who are absent on account of illness and to supervise health in general in the schools of Eugene is to be employed by the board of education.

Paid-up members of the American Legion in the state of Oregon number 9002, according to the report which Prescott W. Cookingham, state treasurer, was authorized to forward to national headquarters of the Legion.

After they had been made by 10 ex-service men to kiss the American flag, the eight I. W. W. members who were held in the Baker county jail pending action by the authorities, left Baker quietly upon being requested to do so by the police.

Following a reorganization of the board of directors of the Central Oregon irrigation district, George Moore becomes president of the district, and an order has been issued for a bond election on November 25 to vote on bonds amounting to \$240,000.

That the present basic price for wheat is fully justified by the condition of the world market and the dearth of world production was the declaration in Portland of Julius H. Barnes, federal grain director, in an address before the chamber of commerce.

A kissless winter! This is the edict of the Portland municipal bureau of health. "Ding bust it," commented Health Officer Parrish, with professional dignity. "I know this is going to make me one of the most unpopular parties in the little-old state, but it can't be helped. Influenza is responsible."

The resignation of W. L. Thompson as a member of the state highway commission became effective October 15, Mr. Thompson having made this request in a letter to Governor Olcott. J. N. Burgess, of Pendleton, began his duties as Mr. Thompson's successor on that date.

Since the organization of a state highway department in 1914 there has been expended and contracted for up to date the sum of \$21,971,666.97 of state and federal funds. To this is to be added approximately \$2,000,000 of county funds expended under the superintendence of the state highway department.

Ten years in the state penitentiary for stealing an automobile was the sentence handed out to Walter Willis by Judge Gatens of Portland, and the same judge sentenced Joe Gonia to five years in the same institution for the same offense. Judge Gatens has publicly announced that no mercy may be expected by automobile thieves in his court.

## ROOSEVELT MEMORIAL FUND



To the Roosevelt Memorial Association,

Roy W. Ritter, County Chairman,  
Pendleton, Oregon.

I herewith subscribe the sum of \_\_\_\_\_

to the ROOSEVELT MEMORIAL FUND.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

The above amount is inclosed herewith.

According to the plans of the Roosevelt Memorial Association, the Roosevelt Memorial Fund of \$3,000,000.00 is to be utilized to erect a National Monument in Washington, D. C.; to acquire and maintain a public park at Oyster Bay, N. Y., and ultimately to include Sagamore Hill, the Roosevelt home, therein, to be preserved like Mount Vernon and Lincoln's home at Springfield; and to endow a National Society to perpetuate the principles and ideals of Theodore Roosevelt.

Each contributor to the fund will receive a certificate of membership in the Roosevelt Memorial Association. A certificate will also be presented to every school contributing to the fund.

The name of every contributor will be placed on the list of names deposited in the National Monument to be erected at Washington, D. C.

## SPEEDY ACTION ON TREATY IS PLANNED

Washington.—Imminence of another test of strength in the senate controversy over the German peace treaty overtopped in interest and importance all matters likely to come before congress this week. Leaders in the treaty fight regard a vote on the Shantung amendments to the pact late this week as assured and hope that within ten days all other amendments can be disposed of.

Following disposal of the Shantung amendments, senate leaders plan to take up the "six to one" amendment of Senator Johnson of California.

By the time amendments to the treaty are disposed of and reservations come up for action, democratic leaders hope President Wilson will have recovered sufficiently to allow the holding of conferences.

The bulk of the democrats still are declared by party leaders to be solidly against the republican reservation program, while continued progress toward complete agreement of the republicans on the reservations is reported.

The house will consider comparatively minor measures this week, including disposition of the bill for vocational education of persons injured in industry and that to establish a federal budget system.

Profiteering Bill Passed

Congress Hits at Hoarding and Extends Food Control Act.

Washington.—Senate and house adopted the conference report on amendments extending the food control act to include clothing and food containers and providing punishment for profiteering and hoarding.

The bill now goes to the president, who asked for this legislation as a weapon against the high cost of living.

Hoarding and profiteering under the act are punishable by two years' imprisonment and \$5000 fine.

Washington.—The coal strike November 1 is expected to paralyze the country's industries.

## MAYNARD WINS FIRST LAP IN BIG AIR RACE

New York.—Lieutenant B. W. Maynard, the "flying parson," won the first coast-to-coast leg of the army air race, it was announced by officials of the American Flying club, which assisted the army in the conduct of the race.

His actual flying time for the 2701 miles from Mineola, N. Y., to San Francisco was 24 hours 59 minutes and 48½ seconds, as unofficially reported as the flight time.

While Lieutenant Emil Kiel touched the ground at Roosevelt field 26 seconds before Major Carl Spatz in the dash from west to east, Major Spatz, was credited with second honors, having left San Francisco three minutes behind Lieutenant Kiel.

KOLCHAK DEMAND ALLOWED

Russians to Get War Material Captured by Germans.

Paris.—The supreme council has accepted in principle a demand presented on behalf of Admiral Kolchak and General Denikine, asking that Russian war material captured by the German army during the war should be turned over to them for the use of their armies.

The inter-allied commission of control in Germany will supervise the execution of the measure.

The council further approved a report regarding the formation of an international commission sitting at Berlin, which will have charge of the interests of Russian prisoners still in Germany.

Prohibition Enforcement Law Passed.

Washington.—Enactment of the prohibition enforcement bill was completed by congress with the house adopting the conference report, already agreed to by the senate, and sending the measure to the president for approval.

Preceding the house approval of the report by a vote of 321 to 70, vain effort was made to send it back to conference with instructions to eliminate a section permitting state authorities to issue search warrants.

## At What Point Does Hope Die?

By NEAL McNEAL.  
Has human endurance any limit?  
At just what level of poverty, suffering, hunger and disease does the last flicker of hope fade out in the human breast and merciful Death bring welcome oblivion?

Certain it is that human beings have in the past survived days, weeks, even months, of unbelievable physical torture and mental anguish and, surviving, have returned again to normal. It is equally certain that all previous records of what human beings can endure and yet live have been broken by the experiences of the 6,000,000 Jewish men, women and children in Eastern Europe during the four years just past.

Now that relief workers have penetrated into the affected portions of the Old World, the full story of European Jewry's four years of horror is coming to light. The majority of the Jews abroad, according to reports now in the possession of the American Jewish Relief Committee, have lost their homes, their possessions, their health, one or more members of their families—have been bereft, in fact, of everything that makes life worth the living.

In hundreds of thousands of cases these unfortunates are so debened by their endless misery that they have all but lost the desire for life itself. The Jewish population of whole districts has not known a full meal in years, while there are almost 1,000,000 children alone who have either forgotten or have never known what milk tastes like. As a result all the diseases attendant upon starvation and lowered vitality are raging.

"It is difficult to believe," writes Dr. Boris D. Bogen, executive director of Jewish relief work in Poland, "that humanity can endure suffering to such an extent as is found here. The situation is so depressing that I think it miraculous people still continue to live. The number of homeless children seen on the streets is appalling."

"The amount of food is very limited, and, practically speaking, none is to be bought in the open market. It is remarkable that the people still continue their schools for educating the children according to ancient Jewish custom, and in this respect do not lose heart."

The above is typical of the accounts of the plight of the Jews in Europe that are received at the American Jewish Relief Committee headquarters at 15 East Fortieth street, New York.

These reports furnish the answer to the question as to how much human beings can suffer and still live. The present condition of the Jewish people abroad, according to all the information available, is the last word in human suffering and the utter limit of human endurance.

Relief Work Must Go On

New York.—Private charitable and relief organizations must now take over the work of feeding and succoring the poor of Eastern Europe, which was formerly done by the American Relief Administration, Herbert Hoover asserted in Paris just before his return to this country, according to a dispatch from the New York Times' foreign correspondent.

Outside help is imperative, he stated, especially in feeding and clothing the 3,000,000 to 4,000,000 children in Europe whose health and strength are being dangerously undermined by long malnutrition.

The work of feeding these children Mr. Hoover considers the most important single thing yet to be done. Of the total number of children affected about 1,000,000 are Jewish. Of this number at least 100,000 are orphans, according to information in the hands of the American Jewish Relief Committee, and most of these youngsters have no home save the streets of Polish cities.

A late report from Dr. Boris Bogen, executive director for the Joint Distribution Committee of Jewish relief funds in Poland, states that 375,000 Jewish children in that country are now being fed daily by his agency.

Careful estimates based on a partial census show that more than twice this number of Jewish children must be cared for. It is for purposes of expanding this work to care for all these needy youngsters that the American Jewish Relief Committee is seeking a fund of \$35,000,000 this year.

Without widespread and adequate help from charitable and relief organizations, according to Mr. Hoover's information, literally tens of thousands of these lads and lassies will not survive the coming winter.

After a heated contest in which the relative merits of La Grande and Pendleton were at issue, delegates from La Grande at the state federation of labor convention in Bend won the selection as the 1920 convention city.

The convention delegates voiced their disapproval by a vote of 61 to 27 of a resolution to petition President Wilson for the immediate release of all individuals imprisoned under the espionage act.

## ROAD TO RECOVERY FOR WILSON SLOW

Physicians Seem Satisfied  
With Progress the President Is Making.

Washington.—While President Wilson is believed by his physicians to be on the road to recovery, the process will be slow and tedious. The president, it was reiterated at the White House, must resign himself to strict observance of the physicians' orders to put aside all thought of his office while convalescing and remain in bed until danger of a relapse has passed.

Rear-Admiral Grayson, the president's personal physician, and the physicians he called in, continue to confine themselves to terse bulletins twice a day. That they are satisfied with the progress their patient is making is apparent from the spirit of optimism that pervades the White House, and the resentment with which various rumors as to the president's "real" condition are met by White House officials.

Dr. Grayson and the other physicians have adopted a policy of "standing pat" on their bulletins and will not even comment on the daily crop of rumors concerning the president that spring up over night.

The physicians' announcement was not taken to mean that Mr. Wilson would be prohibited from sitting up in bed, and it was considered entirely possible that he might be permitted to sign a few important bills and orders each day as his progress continues.

Discussion of rumors that Wilson will be ill so long it will be necessary to have his work delegated to someone else, probably the vice president, at least temporarily, was one of the principal topics of conversation around the government buildings. Many believed that if the president's case were as serious as that, his physicians would take the initiative in informing the country of it instead of letting things run along until the question is opened up in congress.

## Bomb Plot Suspect Arrested

Chicago.—Federal authorities at Gary, Ind., where military control was established by Major-General Leonard Wood after the situation growing out of the strike of steel-workers became too threatening for state authorities to handle, have arrested the alleged maker of the bomb exploded on the night of June 3 last in the doorway of the home of A. Mitchell Palmer, United States attorney-general at Washington, and have obtained evidence clearing up the terrorist bomb plots of May day and June 2, according to authoritative information here.

Evidence also has been obtained, it was said, that revealed the entire terrorist organization responsible for attempt against the lives of law-enforcement officers throughout the country who had been active in the arrests and prosecution of radicals.

Secret service men announced also that they had uncovered a plot to assassinate the mayor of Gary, discovered great stores of dynamite near Gary, and traced the printing of red circulars to Indianapolis. They said they had arrested the man who blew up an entrance of the Chicago post-office a year ago.

Since the 1600 soldiers of the fourth and sixth divisions took control of Gary investigations have been shrouded in secrecy. There have been many arrests made and a strong stockade was built to keep the prisoners in.

## Seattle Woman's Death Investigated.

Seattle, Wash.—Walter P. Miller is held in the county jail on an open charge, while the prosecuting attorney's office is investigating the circumstances surrounding the death of his wife, Mrs. B. Elnor Miller, divorced wife of Mayor George Baker of Portland, who drowned in Lake Washington shortly after noon Monday, Miller, who is a photographer and former deputy sheriff, insists on his innocence.

## Council of Japan Acts on Treaty.

Tokio.—The privy council has approved the peace treaty and submitted it to the emperor for his ratification. The privy council is an advisory body consulted by the emperor on important matters of state. Ratification of the treaty by the Japanese parliament has not been effected yet.

## That Winter Comforter

