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OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Principal Events of the Week Briefly Sketched for Informa- tion of Our Readers.

The annual corn show at Coquille was a big success.

Ashland is suffering from a rather serious fuel shortage.

The berry-growing propaganda has taken hold in Coos county.

The Bend lodge of Elks will soon begin the erection of a beautiful new \$65,000 temple.

Counterfeiters are flooding the Coos Bay district with spurious half-dollar and dollar coins.

Coos county taxable property, according to the board of equalization, has a value of \$22,492,241.

The Beaver Portland cement plant at Gold Hill is rushing preparations for operation as soon as possible.

More than 12,720 acres of wheat has been certified for seed purposes in Sherman, Union and Wasco counties.

The annual teachers' institute of Lane county is to be held at the Eugene high school November 24, 25 and 26.

Portland led the Pacific coast in the value of sales at its army quarter-master store for the week ending November 1.

Members of the Marion and Polk county medical association have boosted their fees to meet the steadily advancing cost of living.

A big delegation of commercial club secretaries of Oregon met at Salem Monday for the semi-annual convalescence of association secretaries.

Cannery companies cannot hold growers to strict performance of their contracts, according to a decision rendered by the circuit court in Salem.

Aneroid lake, in Willows county, was thrown open to hook and line fishing during the winter months by the Oregon fish and game commission.

Highest honors in the national accident prevention drive in the northwest officially have been awarded to the Southern Pacific lines north of Ashland.

Attorney General Brown gives notice that he will proceed to prosecute any one known to be guilty of violating the law against profiteering in foods and other necessities.

Oregon has been selected as the meeting place of the next annual convention of the Oregon State Hotelmen's association, which will be held on December 5 and 6.

H. R. Hoefler announced at Astoria that within 30 days he will begin work on the construction of a new candy factory. The cost of the plant will be approximately \$50,000.

Governor Olcott announced he would appoint George S. Sizemore as district attorney of Harney county to succeed M. A. Biggs, who has resigned, to take effect December 31, 1919.

Antonio Hanigsmann, son of A. Hanigsmann, Hood River orchardist, has attracted Indiana automobile accessory manufacturers by the invention of a map holder for motor tourists.

The Klamath Falls box-makers' union has decided to ask the state conciliation board to conduct an investigation of wage conditions and cost of living with a view to raising their wage scale.

Presbyterians of Albany, Lebanon, Brownsville, Mill City, Shelburn, Crawfordville, Gates, Mehama and Mount Pleasant will attend a new era conference in the First Presbyterian church of Albany.

In case of an I. W. W. uprising in Oregon similar to that which occurred at Centralia, Adjutant-General Staffin of the O. N. G. says he would be able to recruit between 1500 and 1600 men for immediate duty.

H. Lee Noe, of Vale, won the much-sought automobile license plate bearing figure one at the public drawing held in the office of the secretary of state. License number 13 fell to A. S. Harrison of St. Helens.

J. S. Howard, age 87, founder and first mayor of Medford, died in that city after a lingering illness. Known for a generation as the "Father of Medford," Mr. Howard first came to Jacksonville by oxteam in 1859.

J. C. Smith, proprietor of a confectionery store at Meedy, a short distance from Oregon City, was fatally burned when a gasoline lamp exploded while he was filling it with air. He died later. The store was completely destroyed.

A deal entailing a consideration of \$1,300,000 was closed at Astoria when

the Blodgett company of Grand Rapids, Mich., sold 9550 acres of timber lands in the Knappa and Blind slough districts to the Crescent Timber company of Davenport, Ia.

Dr. W. J. Phillips, a well-known dentist of North Bend, member of the board of education and president of the chamber of commerce, sustained a fractured skull and is now lying in an unconscious and precarious condition at the Mercy hospital as a consequence of an altercation and fist encounter with Mayor Henry Kern.

Governor Olcott's recent action in removing Thomas Nelson of Astoria as a member of the state board of pilot commissioners was regular and authorized by the Oregon statutes, according to a legal opinion given by Attorney-General George M. Brown.

The Vale Commercial club has sent copies of resolutions adopted by that body recently to the Oregon public service commission urging that an increase in rates be granted the Malheur Home Telephone company, which operates in that section of the state.

Dufur citizens are becoming aroused by incursions of bloodthirsty coyotes into herds of sheep and pigs and flocks of chickens. County Agent Fluharty has received an appeal to help ranchers in that vicinity. The coyotes are reported unusually ravenous this year.

Acting on the petition submitted by 73 ranchers in the Tumalo section, the Deachutes county court set December 20 as the date for an irrigation district organization election. The contemplated district includes the lands now within the boundaries of the Tumalo irrigation project.

The building of a highway to the Josephine county caves is to proceed without further delay. The forestry department has approved the project and issued instructions covering the location survey preliminary to letting the contract as soon as grading is possible in the spring.

A. C. Barbur, state insurance commissioner, has started a search for W. H. Jackson, alias J. F. Clark, who is wanted by officers in various parts of the state for collecting insurance premiums under the pretense that he was authorized agent of an eastern insurance corporation.

A total of \$4152.35 derived from 5 per cent of the sales of public lands in Oregon was apportioned among the several counties of the state. Harney county, which has 6,357,120 acres of these lands, received \$431.40, while Multnomah county, with 288,640 acres, received only \$19.59.

The work of preparing the statements certifying to the various county clerks of Oregon the state and district officers to be nominated at the primary election to be held next May is progressing rapidly under the direction of Sam A. Koser, assistant secretary of state, and should be completed this week.

All officers and every agency at the command of the state will be used in preventing in Oregon an outbreak of radicals, according to a statement issued by Governor Olcott. All sheriffs, district attorneys, mayors, chiefs of police and other officers will be instructed to use every effort to stamp out radical elements.

To insure the permanence of the Herman creek salmon feed grounds, one of the largest fish feeding points maintained by the state, the fish and game commission at its last session requested the state attorney-general to ask the state to begin condemnation proceedings for the purchase of the property, which hitherto has been under lease.

By unanimous decision of a special board of arbitration considering a scale of wages for the Portland street car men and other classified street railway employes, platform men were raised from a maximum of 56 cents an hour to a maximum of 62 cents an hour and those of other classified employes to a scale corresponding approximately with that figure.

A shipment of narcissus bulbs from Amoy, China, consigned to a Eugene store, was found to contain a number of Argentine ants, an insect much dreaded by all agriculturists. The ants have never appeared in this state before, according to C. E. Stewart, county fruit inspector. The inspector caused 12 crates of these bulbs to be incinerated to prevent the spread of ants.

To assure a naval base at the mouth of the Columbia, a site of 2500 acres at Tongue Point, valued by its owners at \$100,000, must be donated to the government, according to a telegram received from Representative C. N. McArthur by B. F. Stone, president of the Astoria port commission. A campaign to raise the \$100,000 for the purchase of the site so that it can be



RESERVATIONS WOULD NULLIFY PEACE PACT ARMORY GUARDED DURING MEETING

Washington.—President Wilson will pocket the peace treaty if it contains the Lodge reservations, he told Senator Hitchcock at a conference at the White house.

"The president has read and considered the Lodge reservations," Senator Hitchcock said, "and he considers them a nullification of the treaty and utterly impossible."

The program outlined by Senator Hitchcock after he had seen President Wilson will be carried through in the senate, Mr. Hitchcock said. This contemplated defeat of the ratification resolution, with the Lodge reservations attached, and the offering of a resolution for ratification without reservations. With the defeat of this resolution a deadlock would follow and compromise sought.

"I find the president is very much improved since I saw him last," the senator said on leaving the White house. "He looks better, talks better and is much more aggressive."

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WAGE SCALE SUBMITTED

Hines Makes Proposal to the Railway Brotherhoods for Increase.

Washington.—Director General Hines submitted to representatives of the four railway brotherhoods an increased wage scale amounting approximately to \$3,000,000 a month.

The proposal, laid before representatives of the brotherhoods at the closing session of the wage conference, was taken under advisement.

The increase would affect trainmen, firemen, engineers and conductors, but more particularly those employed in the slow freight train service.

There are many other questions affecting working conditions of trainmen which have not been decided. These will be the basis for further conferences between the brotherhood heads and members of the director-general's staff.

Plenty of Wool in U. S. A.

Washington.—Wool stocks sufficient to supply America for more than a year were on hand at the close of the quarter ended September 30, said an announcement by the department of agriculture.

Given to the government is to be instituted at once.

A special election has been called by the Salem school board for December 8, when the voters will be asked to authorize a total tax levy of 8.3 mills to provide funds with which to increase the salaries of the 150 teachers employed in the local schools. Because of the steadily advancing cost of living and the inability of the school board to increase teachers' salaries, considerable difficulty has been experienced in obtaining competent instructors for the present year.

Immediately following receipt at Salem of two carloads of military equipment for the Oregon national guard, Adjutant-General Staffin started the work of apportioning the supplies among the several companies in the state. Besides 28 transport wagons, 25 machine guns, several hundred modern rifles and large quantities of ammunition, the consignment included a number of tents, bedding and many other articles attendant to the comfort of the guardsmen.

A SCHOLAR'S PROTEST.

"Ah! A Romeo and his Juliet," remarked Mr. Dubwaite, as a loving pair strolled past.

"My dear sir," said Professor Diggs, "I have a great admiration for Romeo and Juliet as portrayed by the immortal Shakespeare. Apply the names of those graceful and romantic figures to a bow-legged young man in a 'waist-line' coat and a calceined young woman wearing a hobble skirt does great violence to my feelings."

Going the Rounds.

"That new nursemaid of Mrs. Styles seems a very obliging girl," said the lady in the satin jumper.

"What make you say so?" asked her friend in the purple gingham.

"Well, yesterday morning I saw her out with Mrs. Styles' baby, in the afternoon with Mrs. Styles' dog, and in the evening with Mrs. Styles' husband."—London Answers.

HER QUESTION.



"For the past decade," declared the grouch, "women have been neglecting the home more or less."

"Well," said the woman, "if we keep that up about 6,000 years, we'll be about square with the men, won't we?" After considering a while he did not attempt to refute her statement.

Boast Him.
I'm very fond
Of William Black.
He never talks
Behind my back.

Her Mistake.

Aunt—You should take more interest in what is going on. Why don't you read the newspapers so that you can converse intelligently with your husband.

Young Wife—I tried to, but I made a mistake. I read about the League of Nations instead of the baseball news.

Easy Pickings.

"Why does this convicted stock swindler shed tears over the prospect of spending five years in the penitentiary. That isn't a long term."

"It seems long to him. He's afraid by the time he gets out all the boobs will be separated from their liberty bonds."

Merits of the Professor.

"I've just been introduced to Professor Smart. Such a charming man to talk to; he doesn't make one feel like a fool in spite of his cleverness."

"Ah, my dear, that's because of his cleverness."

The Sugar and the Fly.

Vestryman (at meeting)—We must now take up the problem of getting our boys to church.

New Minister—That problem will solve itself if we can get our pretty daughters to go.

In the agitation to which the English language has been submitted, even the hyphen has been stirred up again.

The oyster is hailed as a nonvegetable food product which does not require a long career of expensive feeding.

One of the problems that should claim study is the unlimited supply of munitions available to Mexican gunmen.

In theatricals, as well as in baseball, some of the tensest moments of suspense take place in the managers' offices.

It is said that divorces have doubled in England since the war. Probably the habit of fighting is too strong.

A new aviation altitude record can't expect so much attention these days when prices are breaking altitude records daily.

That man who has invented a dust-proof sugar container would have a better thing if there was any sugar to put into it.

Father, who pays the bills, reports that the difference between a "fall dress" and "autumn apparel" is about \$29 a suit.

TEN RESERVATIONS ADOPTED BY SENATE

Speedy Action on Treaty Follows Invoking of the Cloture Rule by Senate Leaders.

Washington—At last clamping down the lid on its peace treaty debate, the senate substituted action for discussion with a vigor that quickly advanced the ratification fight into its final stages.

Working under cloture for the first time in history, the senate adopted in five hours 10 more of the reservations written by the foreign relations committee.

Republican and democratic leaders worked together to invoke cloture, piling up a majority which far exceeded the two-thirds necessary for adoption. In the count of 78 to 16 the two parties contributed about evenly.

Majorities ranging from 11 to 29 marked the adoption of the ten reservations. They related to domestic questions, the Monroe doctrine, mandates, Shantung, international commissions, expenses of the league of nations, armaments, the economic boycott and alien property rights.

In every case except one the republicans voted solidly for the committee proposals. They were joined on every rollcall by from four to nine democrats. The sole defection from the republican ranks was on the Shantung reservation, Senator McCumber of North Dakota swinging over to the opposition.

Four of the 12 democrats who helped put the reservations through voted with the republicans on every one of the 10 proposals considered. They were Senators Reed, Missouri; Gore, Oklahoma; Shields, Tennessee, and Walsh, Massachusetts. Senators Chamberlain, Oregon, and Trammell, Florida, voted for two each and Senators Owen, Oklahoma; King, Utah; Kirby, Arkansas, and Myers, Montana, for one each.

House Passes Railroad Bill

Washington.—The Esch railroad bill, providing for private ownership and operation of rail carriers, under broad federal supervision, was passed by the house, 203 to 159. The measure goes to the senate but it will not be taken up there until the regular session in December.

By a provision of the Esch bill, the interstate commerce commission will have authority over intrastate rates to the extent that it might order removal of any "undue burden" on interstate commerce.

Railroad workers scored a complete victory through incorporation of their plan for voluntary conciliation of labor disputes in the Esch bill. The house rejects a plan of compulsory arbitration, including an anti-strike provision.

In brief, the plan divides the railroad workers into three classes and for each it establishes an adjustment board and an appeal commission. No penalty against strike or lockout is imposed and membership on all six boards would be restricted to the workers and their employers and divided equally between them.

—W.S.—

HE'S GOT MONEY

"He's got money." Admit that when you hear that said of a man you instinctively look him over—look him over pretty respectfully as a rule. Whether you want to admit it or not, you have a bit of admiration for him. Why?

Because he is a man above the general run of human beings. He is a man who is independent—a man who looks the other fellow in the eye and tells him to "go to hell." He can't be bullied. He knows his rights and is in a position to demand them. His money gives him that power.

Independence is the open doorway to happiness. Only the possession of money or of things worth money can give independence. There is only one legitimate way to get money. Earn it and save it. All the capital in the world today was first earned and then saved.

You—everyman and everywoman—can be independent. Each week or month take so much out of your wage or salary envelope and invest in Thrift and War Savings Stamps. Live on what is left. Meanwhile the money put into the government securities goes to work earning 4 per cent interest compounded quarterly.

Make them say "He's got money" when you go by.