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OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

Pendleton and other towns in Umatilla county are to have fire surveys made during the week.

Andrew J. Foster was nominated by President Wilson to be receiver of public moneys at Lakeview.

For the first time in 12 years the Baker county jail was empty five consecutive days last week.

L. C. Cavanagh, 65 years old, retired hop grower and stock raiser, dropped dead in the Central cigar store at Salem.

Creswell, Lane county, has a post of the American Legion, the veterans of that part of the county having organized Friday night.

A farmers'-extension school, dealing with poultry, dairying and crop management, was held at Canyonville Friday and Saturday.

A strong sentiment is developing in Hood River county for a bond issue to pave a loop valley road connecting Odell and Hood River.

Roscoe Dorsey died in the Wallawa hospital as the result of wounds from pocket knives in the hands of two of his playmates a few weeks ago. He was 16 years of age.

Eight thousand acres of public land at Tule lake will be farmed this year by lessees of the government. The highest price per acre will be \$13.26 as against \$6 last year.

Practically all workers in the state are employed at present and there will be a serious shortage of labor by June 1, according to W. H. Fitzgerald, federal director of employment.

Kenneth H. Day, salesmanager of a big New York firm, who is making a survey of The Dalles fruit district, predicts that fruit will be higher than ever on account of the small California crop.

A large quantity of tri-nitro-toluol allotted to the Oregon state highway commission by the war department for use in road construction has been ordered shipped from Camp Lewis, Wash.

A movement has been started in Grant county to create a new county out of the northern portion to include the towns of Hamilton, Range, Fox, Granite, Austin, Long Creek and Sunnville.

State Prohibition Agent Frank Davis of Baker was arrested on a westbound train at The Dalles on information telegraphed ahead by the conductor and was placed in the city jail charged with drunkenness.

Work of completing the grading of the Hood River-Mosier stretch of the Columbia river highway is being delayed by broken steam shovels. Two of the big excavating implements are laid up for repairs.

The Florence Electric company has filed an application with the Oregon public service commission for an increase in rates. The minimum charge is now \$1, and the corporation asks that it be increased to \$1.50.

A vocational training school for all those who have not as yet completed their eighth grade work and have dropped out of school to go to work will be opened in the La Grande high school building in the near future.

The chief of the United States weather bureau has declined to establish a weather station at Oregon Agricultural college, Corvallis, asserting that it was impracticable, also impossible by reason of lack of funds.

Klamath county sheepraisers will meet at Merrill, March 17, in conference with Dr. H. E. Armstrong, federal livestock inspector, to consider methods of combating the spread of scabies among southern Oregon flocks.

Every available certified Burbank and White Rose seed potato in Oregon, aggregating more than 1000 sacks, has been purchased by Marion county ranchers, according to a report filed with the county community federation.

W. D. Barnes, county judge of Deschutes county, has resigned his office, according to announcement made by Governor Olcott. Robert W. Sawyer, a Bend newspaperman, was named by the executive as Mr. Barnes' successor.

Members of the Oregon public service commission will go to Bend on March 23, where they will conduct a hearing with reference to an application of the Central Oregon Irrigation company for an increase in maintenance rates.

Extravagance in dress will be eliminated from the Roseburg high school, according to a vote taken by the girls of the student body, when 180 cast their ballots in favor of uniform dress regulations, while only 16 favored the old order of things.

Two deaths, numerous injuries, several wrecked machines and a number of arrests on charges of reckless driving were among results of nearly 40 automobile accidents reported to the Portland police for the 24-hour period closing Sunday night.

WESTON BREVITIES

Woman wanted for general housework. R. G. Blomgren. Phone 11F12. Work mare 8 years old, weight 1400, with yearling colt, for sale. C. W. Metz.

My home property in Weston is for sale at a reasonable price. Jos. S. Llualllen, 2101 N. Fir St., La Grande, Oregon.

S. S. Shields, the Milton-Freewater produce dealer, was here Tuesday afternoon. He is reported to have offered \$4.50 a sack.

E. A. Bennet of Salem, father of Dr. N. P. Bennet, was a guest the first of the week of Dr. and Mrs. Bennet at their home in this city.

Robert Reynolds has returned from California, and is again on the Miller ranch near Connell. His mother, Mrs. E. Reynolds, will continue her stay in California for some time yet.

After "seeing it through" with the influenza epidemic in this neighborhood, Dr. McKinney himself fell foul of the pesky ailment this week. He is reported to be getting along nicely, and will probably be out in a day or two.

Rev. H. S. Shangle gave a most excellent address at the Methodist church Sunday morning. His talk was in the nature of a review of subjects discussed at a recent educational congress which he attended at Nashville, Tenn.

Fred W. Kleese and family are coming to Weston soon from Seattle and will locate on the mountain, where they have taken the Fred McNeff place. They will raise spuds and cut cordwood, and otherwise bestir themselves to swell the hum of industry in the uplands.

Chickens in Mrs. H. N. Greer's poultry yard south of town were seized recently with a disease resembling the "flu" in every symptom. Mrs. Greer described the malady in a letter to the State Poultry association, which has informed her that her chickens have the bronchitis.

J. N. York was in the other day from Neverfall Wheat farm north of town and was questioned about the crop outlook in his neighborhood. He says that hybrid stood the winter better than red chaff, which in some instances will have to be resown. His own wheat is hybrid, and is apparently O. K.

Eldon King was luckless enough to be kicked on the leg recently by a work horse. He discarded his crutches this week and is slowly and painfully re-learning the process of perambulation. His friends assert that if he had been kicked on the head the horse's leg would have been put out of commission.

After an absence of two and one-half years, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Wicker have returned to Weston and will again occupy their residence here. While away, they lived at Lind, College Place and The Dalles. Mr. Wicker says he is now confirmed in the belief that Weston is a very pleasant abiding place.

According to the Baker Herald, one of the biggest mercantile deals of the season was closed recently at Baker when Warren & Nordean, furniture dealers, sold their entire stock to the Hansen & Weas Furniture company. Jack Warren expects soon to move to his homestead. Will Nordean has not as yet decided as to his future activities.

The You Go I Go club were delightfully entertained by the Misses Jessie and Esther Davis at their home, last Friday evening. Diverting conversation and merry jest caused the time to pass swiftly. At a late hour appetizing refreshments were served by the hostesses, and the young ladies present voted the affair a most enjoyable one.

Whitman county, Washington, fourth richest agricultural county in the world under the last federal census covering agricultural production, will make a bid for premier honors under the census to be taken by



The End of a Perfect Day

the federal government within a few months, covering 1919. It is believed that the figures this year will show a substantial gain over those of ten years ago and that Whitman county is in a position to take its place as the leading agricultural county in the United States.

Mrs. Sim J. Culley was a most gracious hostess when she received as guests the Entertainment committee of the Saturday Afternoon club at her home last Thursday afternoon. A short business session was followed by an hour of social chat, during which time a dainty repast of ice cream, cake and coffee was served by the hostess. Those present were: Mrs. Leon Lundell, Mrs. Claude Price, Mrs. E. M. Smith, Mrs. H. Goodwin and Mrs. Culley.

Death claimed two of the oldest inhabitants of Spokane on the same day last week. Both were more than 100 years of age. One was Thomas Street, who would have been 101 on his next birthday, March 21, and the second centenarian was Samuel Merritt, who was 100 years old January 18 when he entertained a large number of his friends who came to wish him well.

Influenza has been troubling the Weston mountain people who have been spending the winter at Burbank, Wash. J. M. Wroe and family were seized with this ailment, as were also John Hyatt and his infant daughter, Mrs. Hyatt having so far escaped. All intend to move back soon to Basket mountain, as will also Albert Gould and family.

Mrs. Jane Singleton, aged 94, widow of John Singleton and Walla Walla's oldest pioneer, is dead after a long illness. She resided continuously on the same tract at the edge of the city of Walla Walla, where she took up her home 63 years ago. She was one of the first white women to make her home in Walla Walla.

In a message received by Mrs. H. Goodwin from Miss Stasia Walsh, the latter sends "kindest regards and best wishes to my ladies at Weston." She was then on her way to Paris and would go to Warsaw, Poland, in a short time for Red Cross duty.

Walter Webb and seven of his associates in road work have taken a sub contract from the Warren Construction company to quarry the rock for hardsurfacing six miles of state highway on the Weston-Milton sector.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Kennedy have disposed of their poultry flock and are moving soon to Walla Walla to reside. Mrs. Kennedy, who has been in failing health, will receive treatment there.

Will Moore, collector of the Port of Portland, was in Weston the first of the week. He discussed the weather, but if he said a word about politics, the reporter failed to hear it.

Glen Morrison has just completed a very neat and artistic piece of work in the painting of the H. Goodwin residence on Normal Heights.

Lane Farmers Make Booze

Farmers are doing it in foothills of Lane county, west of Junction City for there it was that Elvin Witham, was arrested by officers who discovered a moonshine still of large capacity in a cellar under his barn, which was reached through a trap door secreted in the bottom of a manger.

It was only by chance that the officers discovered the trap door, so

At the close of business in the state department on March 8 there were 268,584 persons registered for the primary election May 21, according to a report prepared by Sam A. Koser, assistant secretary of state and in charge of the registration work. April 29 will be the last day to register for the primary election and unless there is a spurt between now and that time fewer names will be on the poll books than for several years. At the time the registration books closed prior to the primary election in the year 1918, 302,697 persons had qualified.

"OVER THE HILL"

A daughter was born Monday to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Thompson at St. Anthony's hospital in Pendleton.

Mrs. F. S. LeGrow left Tuesday for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Sarah Bowles, and sister, Miss Laura, in Seattle.

The ditch for the new pipe line on the west side of Third street south to Current street has been finished and the pipe will be placed in a few days.

Mrs. Minnie De Peatt arrived home Tuesday from Kalispel, where she spent the winter with her daughter. For the past ten days she has been a guest of Mrs. Ella Brotherton near Prescott.

Marvin Long, who has been salesman in the Athena Department store, has gone to Kendrick, Idaho. His father recently purchased a store there, in which Marvin will assist as manager.

Mrs. G. Kopriva has returned from the Deaconess hospital in Spokane, where she submitted to a surgical operation for varicose veins. She will be confined to her home for some time, but hopes for permanent relief.

Miss Nason, county librarian, has notified the local library board that a visit will be made here in the near future by Miss Marvin, the state librarian, and herself. The state librarian has just returned from an official visit to Chicago.

Mrs. Jerry Stone arrived last week from the home of her son Clifford, near Pullman, and will spend the summer here — first visiting her brother, Virgil Perringer, at Bellingham, Wash. This week she spent with Mrs. George Perringer at Pendleton.

Pendleton papers report the marriage in that city Sunday, of Miss Winnie Boylen to Mr. Henry J. Childs, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Boylen. The bride is well and favorably known in Athena, where she has a large circle of friends.

Grandma Price, who arrived last week from Halsey to visit at the home of her grandson, M. W. Hansell, has taken a relapse after having had the influenza some time ago and has been very ill the past week. The services of Mrs. Daisy Stanton have been secured as practical nurse, and the patient is improving.

Frank Rogers fraternized with Athena friends Wednesday. Pendleton papers to the contrary notwithstanding, Frank still claims the county seat as his place of residence, and this well-known old timer expresses some gratification at the announcement in a recent paragraph that he is still a brother of his brother, L. L.

Ortis D. Harris, a young and successful minister well known here, having resided in Athena in his boyhood, has been retained by the Christian church at Milton as pastor to succeed Rev. Ross, who has resigned. The Milton church comprises several hundred members. Rev. Harris and wife, formerly Miss Zelma De Peatt, with their two children will move from Kalispel, Mont., his present pastorate to take charge of the Milton church about May 15.

A near accident occurred at the Main street crossing of the O-W. Friday evening, when a car driven by the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Gerking skidded into the Spokane passenger train which was at the station. It was raining at the time and the street was slippery, so that when the brakes were applied the car slid and skidded into the train. No injury resulted to the occupants of the car. The front of the automobile was wrecked to some extent.

Miss Opal Whitely, whose child diary in the Atlantic Monthly has caused such a furor in the literary world, visited Athena two years ago. She came to this city in the inter-

REVOLT OVERTHROWS EBERT GOVERNMENT

Ousted Party Calls Strike to Save Germany From Return of ex-Kaiser William.

Berlin.—The government of President Ebert, first president of the German republic, was overthrown by revolutionary troops, presumably as part of an extensive reactionary plot, on Saturday. The revolutionists, apparently working on carefully laid plans, issued a proclamation naming Dr. Wolfgang von Kapp, president of the fatherland party, chancellor of Germany and premier of Prussia.

Major General Baron von Luettwitz, former military governor of Belgium, was named minister of defense, replacing Noske.

Friedrich Ebert, president of the old government, who with most of his ministers hastily withdrew from Berlin when the revolting troops marched in and Kapp and Von Luettwitz took control, is reported to be at Stuttgart, and from this point of security is calling upon the socialists and working classes generally to stand by the old government and use the strike weapon so that the counter-revolution may be promptly suppressed.

In response to this appeal a general strike has been proclaimed in many places, but in other parts of Germany the call for a strike has not been received with favor.

While adherence to the new government has been promised by some of the outside states, Saxony has declared against it, and Bavaria, Wurtemberg and Baden have joined in denouncing the movement.

With the general strike proclaimed throughout Germany by the independent socialists, affiliated with the trade unions and other organizations, Berlin already is beginning to feel the pinch of suffering again. The water supply has been largely cut off and food is scarce. Hotels are shutting down, and if the strike continues means of transportation will be at an end.

Stuttgart.—Refusal to negotiate with the reactionary faction headed by Dr. Wolfgang Kapp, head of the new government at Berlin, was decided upon here by the council of the old cabinet, over which President Ebert presided. Unconditional resignation of the leaders of the new government was demanded by the Ebert cabinet, which arrived by a special train from Dresden.

CHEAP MEAT WEEK IS SET

Oregon Housewives Urged to Buy Inexpensive Cuts on March 29.

Washington.—Weeks in which the department of justice will initiate its plan to "save money on meat" in groups of states have been announced.

Retail dealers will carry unusual stocks of the cheaper cuts of meat, which customers are urged to buy.

Week beginning March 29 includes Washington, Oregon and California. April 12, Idaho, Nevada, Montana and Wyoming.

If customers would buy these cheaper, but "highly nutritious and palatable" cuts during these weeks, the department's statement said, "the saving effected will be tremendous and the slackened demand for the cuts now popular will result in lower prices thereon."

ests of the Y. W. C. A., and was entertained over a week at the home of Mrs. Sherman on the West side. Nothing extraordinary in the young lady's personality is recalled here. The only characteristic noted was her absorbing interest in the collection of curios.

Floyd F. Corporan, well known in Athena, and Miss Nellie Martinele of Baker, were married in that city Sunday, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Piper, Rev. Helman of the Methodist Episcopal church, officiating. Present at the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Piper, Miss Helen Miller, Miss Edna Bolton, Mr. J. M. Swaggart and Mr. Richard Hindman. A wedding dinner was served.

B. B. Richards, who is out for the nomination for county judge subject to decision of the republican primary election, will make an active campaign for the place on the ticket. If about every voter of the party in the county does not meet up with him before primary day, it will be because Jawn D., has taken gasoline off the market.