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OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

Robert Florer, 68, committed suicide in Baker by shooting off the entire top of his head.

The Lane County Holstein Breeders association was organized at a meeting in Eugene.

The state fire marshal will make an investigation of the recent fire at Oregon City, which destroyed property to the value of \$75,000.

Oregon Duroc-Jersey breeders from all sections of Marion county gathered at Salem Saturday for the annual picnic of the organization.

The public service commission has increased from 10 to 25 per cent the rates of the Idaho Power company for electric service in Oregon.

A force of 128 men is at work in the river bottoms of Lane and Linn counties, cutting balm, or cottonwood, for the manufacture of excelsior.

The first forest fire of the season in the north end of Jackson county has started in the timber on the head of Kane's creek, south of Gold Hill.

Seven persons were injured and property valued at \$30,000 destroyed in a fire that swept Halfway, a mining town 37 miles southeast of Baker.

Eight events will be contested in the first of a series of three firemen's tournaments to be held by the departments of Albany, Corvallis and Lebanon.

Sixteen cows registered in the Smith-Limpqua cow testing association produced more than 40 pounds of butter fat each during the month of March.

Marshfield's armory, built with local county and state funds, was dedicated Friday with a grand military ball given by the second company, Coast Artillery.

The 20th annual convention of the Oregon Federation of Women's clubs closed at Enterprise, after one of the most delightful gatherings of its history.

The annual Union livestock show is pronounced the best one ever held in Union county. A feature was a daily golf game between Boise and Spokane teams.

When the various units of the Oregon National Guard are recruited to their full strength there will be distributed annually \$100,000 of federal money.

On Saturday and Sunday, June 19 and 20, Salem will be host to about 500 motorcycle enthusiasts, representing practically every motorcycle club in the northwest.

Lane county has 2367 farms, of which 1889 are occupied by the owners and 478 are rented, according to the summary of assessments in the office of the county assessor.

Audit of the books of O. P. Hoff, state treasurer, in the recent grand jury investigation of his office, cost \$3600, according to figures presented to the state emergency board.

With the exception of a short stretch of a few yards where a sharp turn was cut off, the pavement on the Pacific highway between Eugene and Junction City has been completed.

After four days and nights chiefly given over the transaction of business of the organization, the Oregon State Grange concluded its 47th annual convention at Bend Saturday.

George T. Baldwin, state senator and delegate-elect to the democratic national convention, died at Klamath Falls. He had been ill ten days. Death was due to uremic poisoning. He was 65 years of age.

The taxpayers of seven school districts in the western part of Lane county will vote at the annual school meeting in each district June 21 on the question of establishing a union high school at Florence.

George L. Burt, the California potato broker, has notified the Bend Commercial club that no effort will be made to develop lands until an understanding has been reached regarding the employment of Japanese.

The halibut banks off Yaquina bay, discovered in 1912, are now laden with halibut. The fishing schooner Empire, in charge of Captain Anderson, arrived at Newport with 14,000 pounds of fish following two days' fishing.

With a view of exterminating coyotes between the John Day and Deschutes rivers by formation of a trapping district, Professor O. N. Nelson, in charge of the sheep department at Oregon Agricultural college will visit Antelope June 10.

'OVER THE HILL'

William Victor Shick and Miss Betty Baldwin were married at the Methodist parsonage in Pendleton Monday, Rev. R. E. Gornall performing the ceremony. William, who is well known here, is employed on the railway at Pasco, Wash., and the couple will make their home there.

Mr. M. L. Watts after receiving bids on his prospective new residence, has decided to defer building for a time on account of the high prices asked for building material.

The engineer for the Pacific Telephone company was in Athena Tuesday and took up the matter of removing the poles and wires from Main street.

You are invited to attend the Farmers' Picnic to be held tomorrow at Mission.

B. B. Richards went up to Spokane to spend the week-end with his wife and little son.

Will Harden has purchased the building he occupies from the Lester Swaggart estate.

Mrs. M. M. Johns left Monday for her home in Vancouver after visiting her children here for a couple of weeks.

M. L. Watts of this city will be one of the class from Umatilla county to take the Shriner's degree at Portland, Saturday.

Miss Gladys McLeod has returned from Hot Lake where she underwent an operation for the removal of diseased tonsils.

Hugh McIntyre went down to Forest Grove Monday where he was present at the graduation of his daughter, Miss Greta.

Homer Watts and Ray Logan returned Sunday from a fishing trip to the south fork of the Umatilla. They had fairly good luck.

Omar Stephens will represent the Athena Gun Club in the contests of the National Trapshooting Tournament at Walla Walla.

An early deal in wheat is reported, whereby L. L. Rogers purchases the standing crop of 400 acres from Geo. Lieuallen for \$21,000.

Mrs. A. M. Johnson and little daughter Lois went down to Portland Monday where the little girl will receive medical treatment.

John Stanton came up from Arlington, and after spending a day at his home here, departed for Montana, where he will remain for several weeks.

John English of Weston, civil engineer, who is in the employment of the federal government, at present stationed in Northern California, is enjoying his annual vacation, and spent Wednesday in Athena.

George Wall has returned from Portland and has decided to turn his attention to farming. He is now employed at the Willaby brothers ranch in Cold Springs.

The county court and the O. W. R. & N. Co. will probably agree on the construction of an overhead crossing at Saxe Station. At this point there has been a number of automobile accidents.

Elmer Booher of Condon, who recently was severely injured when his horse fell on him, is recovering. His mother, who was called to Elmer's home when the accident occurred, has returned.

Guy Cronk has severed connections with the Standard Oil company, and is no longer in the employ of that concern. Mr. Cronk will give his attention to his delivery and ice business.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Russell and daughter, have returned from a visit to the Al NorDean home at Loon Lake, Wash. Mr. Russell reports that ever so often the spirit moves Al and he goes out on the lake and spears a fish or two.

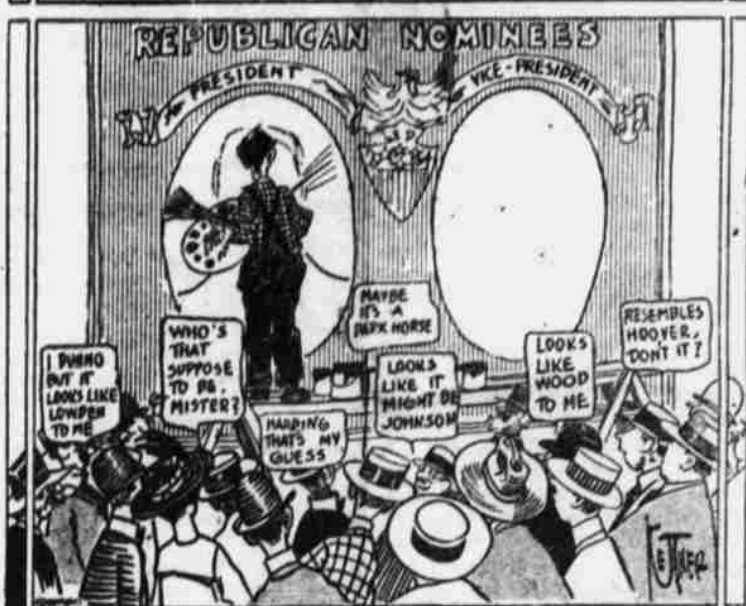
Mrs. W. E. Dobson left Monday morning for Portland where she will remain for the summer, returning this fall to teach in the Union district. Mr. Dobson started at noon, accompanying his car of freight over the N. P. and North Bank to Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. McFadden left the first of the week to visit in Portland and attend commencement at O. A. C., where they both formerly attended college. Mr. Elmer-Tucker of Weston, has charge of the store during Mr. McFadden's absence.

Mrs. E. A. Dudley, who recently returned from a motor trip to Long Beach, Calif., will go to Bingham Springs for the summer months. Mr. and Mrs. Dudley visited their son Max and daughter, Mrs. Herman Kirk, at their home in Washington state the first of the month.

Mrs. R. B. McEwen and sons, Edwin and Ralph, left Wednesday evening for Newberg where she will visit her parents, attending Grand Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star next week in Portland, where she holds the office of Grand Ada. Mr. McEwen will join them in Portland on the 20th and after attending the Shriners' session, the family will go to Seaside for a short outing.

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The surplus surfacing material on lower Main street, which is being removed by the Warren Construction company, to bring that portion of the street on the proper grade for hard-surfacing, is being carted onto the side streets, and used for filling in the low places. The removal of the present Main street surface is necessary to secure a firm, even base for the bitulithic pavement.

Mr. and Mrs. William Rice will leave Sunday morning, accompanying Ray Logan in his car, for Brownsville, going by the highway. They combine business with pleasure, business calling Mr. Rice to his former home. They will also attend the pioneers' picnic to convene at Brownsville next week.

Miss Ruth Rothrock, who returned recently from Berkeley, California, where she is attending the University, this week left with her mother for Rochester, Minn., where Mrs. Rothrock will take treatments at the Mayo Institute for relief from a long-standing case of rheumatism.

Women's Missionary Society

Mrs. Emma Barnett entertained the Women's Missionary society of the M. E. Church, South, at her home on Normal heights Wednesday afternoon. At the business session it was voted to hold a Christmas bazaar the afternoon and evening of December 4th, and the members will begin to prepare for same at once. An interesting program was given under the leadership of Mrs. Mary C. McNeel, numbers being contributed by Miss Alma Barnett, Mrs. H. Goodwin and the leader. Mrs. Mark A. Phinney was a guest and favored her hearers with a pleasing address. A light collation was served during the social hour by Mesdames Sarah Rowland and Hattie Wilsey.

They Sent a Poem

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Proebstel Sr. of Portland were unable to come to Weston as they anticipated, for the pioneers reunion. Mrs. Proebstel sent the following lines of her own composition, which were read from the platform by President Watts:

We greet you, pioneers!
May all your coming years
With joy be blest.
And well-earned rest
When comes life's eventide,
And you camp on the great divide.
May doubts nor fears dismay,
For there's the shining way
That leads to endless day,
Where love and peace prevail,
Where ends in joy the trail.

More Distillate Coming

With the announcement that another shipment of distillate is soon to be distributed among the farmers of Umatilla county, relief is felt to some extent for the fuel situation pertaining to gas tractors and harvester-motors, which now carry the burden of harvest work.

The East Oregonian states that an additional shipment of 80,000 gallons of distillate, to supply 100 Umatilla county farmers who did not receive gas from the last shipment of 100,000 gallons which went to 111 farmers, will be here for distribution before July 1. The shipments are arranged through the county farm bureau. There will be ten cars, and the distri-

but ion will be as follows. Pilot Rock, two; Pendleton, four; and Vanacyle, Helix, Athena and Mission one each. The estimated saving on the first shipment was \$9,000, and a proportionate saving is expected on the second shipment. The arrival of the distillate will greatly relieve the gasoline shortage.

The distillate is shipped in tank cars, and the farmers who receive it must furnish their own storage tankage, drawing the distillate from the car wherever it stops on the sidetrack in the railroad yards.

Miss Anice Barnes a Bride

Yesterday, June 10th, a five o'clock wedding was solemnized in the Episcopal rectory at Pendleton, where Rev. Alfred Lockwood, pastor of the Church of the Redeemer, united in wedlock, Miss Anice L. Barnes of Weston and Mr. Albert Vaughn, of Homestead, Baker county.

The bride was attired in a midnight blue tulle, wearing a small hat to match, and carried a bouquet of bride roses. The impressive ring ceremony was used.

The couple were attended by Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Barnes, parents of the bride, and Mrs. F. B. Boyd, her aunt. The bride is a well known and highly successful teacher of this county, having taught at Homestead, the home of the groom. Mr. Vaughn is a well known mining man of Baker county and has many friends in this county, having visited here in former years.

After the ceremony the party repaired to Jolly's Inn where dinner was served. The newly weds left this morning for Boise and other points will be visited before returning to Homestead, where they will reside.

Successful Bear Hunt

J. E. Jones and Peter B. Hass, Weston hunters, returned with bear meat—and plenty of it—from a recent expedition to the upper reaches of Couse creek. They killed a fat female bear dressing better than 300 pounds, and one cub. While trying to capture another cub, they allowed it to escape. Hass climbed a tree after it and it fought him so furiously that he dropped it for Jones to grab. The latter fumbled and when the bear slipped away chased it for more than 100 yards without avail. The big bear was shot by both men simultaneously at a distance of nearly 400 yards, both bullets taking effect. They had a hard time getting the meat out of the timber to a point where they could haul it by automobile, but not a few Weston friends are glad that they succeeded. The pelt, a fine one which will make a splendid rug, fell to Mr. Hass.

At Memorial Hall Theatre

Douglas Fairbanks will be seen in "He Comes Up Smiling" next Tuesday evening. Special two-reel comedy, Fatty Arbuckle in "The Cook." Nine reels for 35c-15c.

Saturday, June 10, Will Rogers in "Jubilo," screened from the great story in the Saturday Evening Post. Ford pictorial and good comedy. A fine 8-reel show for 35c-15c.

Breach of Promise Suit

The Portland Journal of Wednesday gives an account of a breach of promise suit filed by Miss Ethel Clark of Wilson, Oklahoma, against John Rothrock of Athena, for \$50,000. She alleges a breach of promise of marriage, and has been in Portland a month, having come to that city, she says, to marry Rothrock. The court summons was served on the defendant in Portland and he has ten days in which to reply.

PIONEERS' REUNION

The twenty-eighth annual reunion of the Umatilla County Pioneer association has passed into history as a successful and enjoyable event unmarred by the slightest untoward incident.

Bright weather brought big and jolly crowds that managed to get here despite the gasoline shortage. Saturday's crowd was one of the largest seen here since the old "political days."

The two days' program was carried out practically as announced, with President M. L. Watts of Athena presiding. It proved to be diverting and interesting. Friday's soloist was Mrs. Lela Gordon Saling of Weston and Saturday's Mrs. Bernice Richmond Blomgren of Walla Walla. The readings were given Friday by Floyd Ross of Walla Walla and Saturday by Mrs. Laurel E. Davis of Echo. The Walla Walla Commercial Club quartette sang Friday, and the Weston quartette Saturday. The music both days by Payant's orchestra was highly complimented.

A characteristic address of welcome was given by Mayor Banister, and President Watts made appropriate response.

Colonel J. H. Raley of Pendleton spoke Friday. He is a member of one of the earliest pioneer families in the county, and vastly entertained his audience with interesting and amusing recollections of old times. Rev. R. A. Atkins of Walla Walla was the stated speaker for Saturday and proved to be a "find." With an effective delivery and an inexhaustible fund of humorous anecdote with which to season his address, he delighted all. Having pioneered in Canada, Mr. Atkins was on familiar ground. J. T. Lieuallen of Adams gave a ten-minute talk Saturday afternoon.

R. Alexander of Pendleton was elected president of the association. Succeeding him as vice president is James A. King of Weston. S. A. Barnes continues as secretary and J. H. Price as treasurer.

Through lack of practice, the Weston ball team lost both picnic games which proved, however, to be well worth watching. The locals were defeated Friday by Helix and Saturday by Athena. The national game was followed by lively street sports.

Marshal Avery and his specials kept the town well policed, and there was not the slightest manifestation of disorder.

Highly enjoyable dances were given by the American Legion.

Collector Wants the "Dough"

June is a busy month for the Internal Revenue Bureau as during that month all special taxes for the fiscal year ending on June 30, 1921, are due and payable.

Collector of Internal Revenue, Milton A. Miller, has mailed out to all special taxpayers forms upon which return for payment of tax—must be made. These special taxpayers include proprietors of theaters, for hire automobiles, pleasure boats, pool and billiard tables, bowling alleys, shooting galleries, retail dealers in oleomargarine, brokers, pawn brokers, etc.

Other classes of taxpayers affected are druggists, physicians, dentists, and other practitioners, who must complete their re-registration under the Harrison act not later than July first, after which date they will be delinquent.

Death Claims Albert Schrader

Albert Schrader died at Walla Walla Sunday from leakage of the heart, following an attack of influenza last February. Mr. Schrader was 36 years old, and is survived by his widow, formerly Miss Minnie Kinnear of Weston, and one child. His mother, who arrived from Buffalo, N. Y., a day prior to his dissolution, is also left to mourn. Mr. Schrader was a popular traveling man and was also well known in baseball circles because of his ability as a pitcher. The funeral was held at Walla Walla Tuesday afternoon.

Umatilla Shriners attending the national convention in Portland will have splendid mounts, if the horses average up to the standard of those being assembled by Fay Le Grow of Athena. Mr. Le Grow has a string here which comprises the cream of the saddle animals of this part of the county. Eugene Osborn is grooming and exercising the saddlers and getting them in fine condition for the Portland pageant.

BIG CONVENTION AT CHICAGO OPENS

Senator Lodge Selected to Preside Over the Gathering.

Chicago.—The Republican national convention was called to order at 11:34 a. m. Tuesday by Chairman Hays of the national committee.

Chairman Hays brought down the novel with a whack, and the convention came quickly to order. Bishop Charles E. Woodcock of Louisville, Ky., offered the opening prayer and at its conclusion the audience broke into "The Star Spangled Banner," at the request of a song leader.

The swelling chorus filled the great hall and a sea of American flags was waved throughout the singing. "Now," shouted the leader, "three cheers for the greatest country on earth, the United States of America."

Three rolling cheers echoed through the big hall.

Hays Introduces Lodge.

Chairman Hays then introduced Senator Lodge as the temporary chairman, and the convention let out more cheers, and a rolling chorus of yes affirmed the selection. As a committee to escort him to the chair, Chauncey M. Depew of New York, Myron T. Herrick of Ohio, and Mrs. J. B. Hume of California were appointed.

The country must drive President Wilson and his "dynasty" from power and defeat the league of nations as he desires it, declared Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, temporary chairman of the Republican national convention, in his keynote address.

Senate Treaty Stand Defended.

Defending the senate's opposition to the treaty of peace as a high and patriotic duty, the senator flung down this gaudy:

"We make the issue; we ask approbation for what we have done. The people will now tell us what they think of Mr. Wilson's league and the sacrifice of America."

While emphasizing the point that around the league must be waged the 1920 presidential campaign and devoting much of his speech to arraignment of the Wilson administration, the senator found time to lay before the delegates the stand of the Republican party on other salient problems facing the nation.

Chief among these was Mexico. Declaring it was time for the United States to take a firm hand in things Mexican and end the "disgraceful record" of the last seven years, Senator Lodge urged that this country let the Mexicans choose as their president some strong and upright man who is friendly to the United States and determined to establish order and then lend him a real and cordial support.

Lodge Selected Permanent Chairman.

Senator Lodge, temporary chairman of the republican national convention, was selected by the committee on permanent organization as permanent chairman.

There were three nominations for the place and Senator Lodge was named on the first ballot, over ex-Senator Beveridge, Indiana, and Senator McCormick of Illinois. The vote was: Lodge 22, Beveridge 9, McCormick 7. On motion of the Illinois member, the recommendation was made unanimous. The action of the committee was approved by the convention.

Wood Backers Win Chairmanships.

Instructed Wood delegates won the two most important committee chairmanships—Senator Watson of Indiana for resolutions and Edward D. Duffield of New Jersey for credentials.

Frank H. Hitchcock was designated by the Wood delegates as their supreme strategist.

A Transportation Problem.

(Athena Press.)

Prior to the advent of the railway and the automobile, the problem of transportation was easy for Link Swaggart; for in those days he relied entirely upon cayuse locomotion. Now it's different. He started off the week by getting marooned in town during the rainstorm, and Wednesday he let a stock train pick up a carload of hogs and whisk them away while he lounged around in a restaurant waiting for a hamburger sandwich. Marion Hansell charged him more than the hogs were worth to jitney him to Walla Walla ahead of the train so as to enable Swaggart to deliver the stock to the buyer.