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## OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

Motor car service is to be restored between Pendleton and Umatilla, July 11.

Residents of Western Lane county have voted to establish a union high school at Florence.

The census bureau gave The Dalles a population of 5807, an increase of 927, or 19 per cent.

The First National Bank of Clatskanie opened its doors for business in temporary quarters.

Baker coal dealers are receiving liberal supplies of coal, removing any fear of an immediate shortage.

Exports from Portland for the month just ended amounted to \$7,753,555, the highest June record in the history of the port.

A charter has been issued to the Columbia Trust & Savings bank of Astoria. The institution is capitalized at \$100,000.

Funeral services for James Rice, a prominent banker and farmer of Madras, were held in the Elks' temple at The Dalles.

The census bureau announced the 1920 population of Baker City, Or., as 7729, an increase of 987 or 14.6 per cent since 1910.

The lumber mills operated by the Booth-Kelly lumber company at Wendling and Springfield closed Saturday, July 3, indefinitely.

The Albany Ministerial association has elected Rev. J. C. Spencer, pastor of the First Methodist church, president for the coming year.

Frank Barnes, engineer at the plant of the Eugene & Western Lumber company, Eugene, was killed when a main steam pipe exploded.

Based on the present registration of motor vehicles in the state it is predicted that more than 150,000 persons will apply for drivers licenses.

Harvey G. Starkweather was elected president at the annual meeting of the sons and daughters of Oregon pioneers at the Portland public library.

Responsibility for the gasoline stringency was laid to the oil companies in a report published by the committee of the Dealers' Motor Car association of Oregon.

That the lumber industry is slack in Coos county is indicated by the number of loggers drifting into Marshfield. Two mills have shut down for an indefinite time.

According to Labor Commissioner Gram there would be no shortage of labor in Oregon if unemployed persons would take work outside their regular calling.

The contract for construction of the dam for the diversion of water from Rogue river to irrigate 10,000 acres of land near Grants Pass has been let to a California contractor.

The public service commission issued an order permitting the St. Helens Lumber company to discontinue steam heating service to its few remaining patrons at St. Helens.

Governor Olcott has, in company with governors of other states, issued a proclamation urging enlistment in the United States navy. The quota recommended from Oregon is 500.

The public service commission issued an order allowing J. F. Daugherty to cease business as a public utility at Yoncalla. Mr. Daugherty has been providing a domestic water service.

Contracts have been signed by the Oregon Dairyman's league for the purchase of ten cheese and butter plants in different parts of the state. The deal involves more than \$200,000.

L. G. Hulin of Eugene has resigned as cashier and director of the First National bank of Springfield and his place has been taken by Lloyd C. Martin, who has bought Mr. Hulin's stock in the institution.

The Eugene Chamber of Commerce has taken up the proposed development of hydro-electric power on the Willamette and McKenzie rivers as a means of attracting manufacturing interests to the city.

The Carlton school budget for next year, carrying appropriations for the salary of one more teacher in the high school and for increased pay for all members of the staff was passed by a narrow majority, 48 to 42.

The state irrigation securities com-

mission has been asked to certify another \$134,000 block of bonds for the Grants Pass irrigation district, this being a part of the \$290,000 issue originally authorized by the district.

The state land board decided to exchange 50,000 acres of what is known as state script, and which is located in various sections of Oregon, for a compact body of 50,000 acres of federal lands in the Santiam forest reserve. The lands sought in the Santiam forest reserve would be used for forestry purposes.

According to the report of the postmaster at Salem the revenue of his office from the sale of stamps the past fiscal year was \$7392. Second class mail matter brought \$6654 and matter from the state offices \$14,260.

In reply to a query from the district attorney of Grant county, Attorney General Brown has given the opinion that no official or person has authority to suspend the enforcement of the statute prohibiting minors from playing pool.

One of the largest deals closed in Baker for some time culminated when final arrangements were made by the Cornucopia Mines company for the issuance of a \$300,000 mortgage to the Guaranty Trust company of New city.

Captain Jacob Speier, Portland harbor master, has issued an order requiring all vessels entering from foreign ports to obey the provisions of the new city ordinance requiring adequate protection against the introduction of plague.

Apparently the finances of the young men of Lane county are better than they were a year ago. County Clerk Bryson issued marriage licenses to 59 couples during June this year, as compared with 36 for the same month last year.

As a result of action taken by the apple and pear growers of Oregon, practically the same regulations relative to grading the fruit and the size of boxes for shipment will prevail this season in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana.

Twenty-one voters determined the fate of a \$105,640 budget it was ascertained when the count on the Bend special school district election was announced. The budget carried by a vote of 12 to 8, one ballot, improperly marked, being thrown out.

The grand jury at The Dalles, after examining 10 witnesses, found indictments against Oles Brown of Pensacola, Fla., charged with the murder of Otis Mayes, O. W. R. & N. brakeman, and Council Oliver, Norfolk, Va., as an accessory. Both are colored.

O. P. Hoff, state treasurer, is barred by law from purchasing improvement bonds issued by the city of North Bend, Coos county, for less than par and accrued interest, according to a legal opinion given by the attorney-general. The opinion was asked by Mr. Hoff.

Pioneers from all parts of the west assembled in Portland last Friday for the 48th annual reunion of the Oregon Pioneer association, whose membership includes only those who arrived in Oregon or were born here before 1859, the year Oregon was admitted to the union.

Construction of a paved highway extending from the southern Willamette valley to Salem and thence north of Salem to connect with the paved road on the west side of the Willamette river is the purpose of the Capitol Highway association, which was organized at Salem.

The West Coast Lumbermen's association is installing a display of Douglas fir and hemlock lumber in the state exhibit room on the ground floor of the Oregon building, Portland, that will make it one of the best educational showings of the kind that has ever been arranged.

Request for the assignment of two men in Portland from the United States health service to take adequate steps to prevent bubonic plague entering Oregon, was made by City Health Officer Parrish in conference with Major Richey Waugh of the United States public health service.

No petitions of aliens who desire to become citizens of the United States will be received by the circuit court of Multnomah county after August 1. Aliens must hereafter apply for citizenship papers through the United States district court, but in other counties in the state where the applicants would be inconvenienced by the fact that the only federal court in the state is in Portland, the state courts will continue to hear naturalization cases.



## "OVER THE HILL"

Clarence Gagnon was taken to St. Mary's hospital, Walla Walla, yesterday, where he will be operated on for removal of varicose veins. He was accompanied to Walla Walla by his wife and mother.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Radtke and children returned Tuesday evening from a three-days' stay at Hiawatha, where the big pool was thoroughly enjoyed. Extra winter clothing is recommended for this trip, as the temperature drops at night to an uncomfortably low point.

Attorney H. I. Watts spent the week in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Otho Reeder left this morning by auto for Tacoma.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Dimick of Salem, are guests at the home of their daughter, Mrs. W. C. Emmel.

Mrs. M. L. Watts and daughter, Vernita, arrived home yesterday morning from Portland and the coast.

Mrs. Curran L. McFadden was hostess last Thursday afternoon at her home to about twenty guests, her sister, Mrs. Carl McConnell being the inspiration for the party. The McConnells will soon move to their Helix farm.

Mrs. Clara McCoy, who has been a guest of Mrs. William Rice and Mrs. Lilla Kirk returned Tuesday to her home at Brownsville.

Lucien Gagnon was awarded the prize fishing rod at Watts & Rogers, for catching the largest trout of the season beginning April 1 and ending July 1.

Mrs. W. W. McPherson left yesterday for a two weeks' vacation from her duties at the local telephone exchange. She will visit relatives and friends at Jerome, Idaho.

Sims Dickenson and family arrived Saturday, and will move to their farm northwest of town in the near future. Mrs. Dickenson's health is very much improved after spending several years in Arizona.

So far Athena's water supply has held out to the extent that no curtailment has been called on the domestic supply. However, it is expected that conservation in the use of water will be observed by consumers, so that the present supply

will hold on as long as possible. Root growth has recently been removed from the pipes at the source of supply and pumping is being resorted to at the upper well after this week.

Mr. Hugh McArthur of Portland, has been very seriously ill the past week at the home of his brother in law, Geo. Banister on Fifth street. He is attended by Dr. C. H. Smith, and Monday his nephew, Dr. Fred Lievalen of Pendleton, was at his bedside. Mr. McArthur, who has a host of friends in this vicinity, is suffering from a complication of asthma, tonsillitis and kidney trouble.

Mrs. H. H. Hill, in company with her daughter, Mrs. C. O. Whiteman and family, of Walla Walla, left the first of the week for Newport, Oregon, for a summer's outing on the coast.

Mr. and Mrs. James McSherry came over from Tacoma the first of the week. Mr. McSherry returned, leaving his wife to visit for several weeks at the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. F. Sharp.

Kohler Betts, Athena high school boy, met with a painful accident Saturday, while cranking a gasoline engine. The handle struck him in the eye, and for a time it was feared he would lose the sight. He was rushed to Pendleton, where the injured member was treated, and is now at home. It is hoped no permanent harm will be done by the accident.

The lower portion of Third street from Main south to the city park is closed to travel, to permit of removing the macadam surface preparatory to treating it with bitulithic pavement. The county is also replacing the old bridge with a new one at the Wild Horse creek crossing, adjacent to the city park.

## Streets and Roads

(Athena Press.)

Superintendent Carlson of the Warren Construction company, informs Mayor Barrett that the hard surface work on Main street will begin next week. It will be started at the Fifth street intersection and proceed west

and south down Third street to the city park. It is understood the reason for starting at Fifth street, instead of west Main street, is that the above specification includes state highway contract work.

With the completion of the portion from Fifth street to the city park, the Athena-Wesson section of the state highway would be intact so far as it is graded at the present time, thus releasing the product of the plant for completing the street work.

The plant located in the southwest part of town has been worked to its full capacity in furnishing crushed rock for the state highway grade between Athena and Weston and up to this time has not been capable of furnishing material for street improvement.

With the installation of a second plant at the Winn place, east of Weston, the product of the local plant will be released from highway work during the period required for street improvement.

The removal of the macadam surface from Main street, leaves that thoroughfare in a deplorable condition. With the passing of every vehicle, the dust sifts into the stores and business houses, much to the discomfort of every one.

## Lumsden House Warming

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Lumsden were tendered a surprise house warming by friends and neighbors Thursday evening. Breaking a bottle of choice cider Mrs. Ralph G. Saling, in a charming manner, christened the new home "Happy Hours Cottage." J. Harl Williams conducted the ceremony of hanging a horseshoe over the front door. A tour of inspection of rooms and equipment was then made, after which a short program of stunts was given. A bounteous lunch embodying sundry of the good things of life was the closing feature of an event which did indeed "add to joy's too scanty sum a little more." Those participating in the festivities were: Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Price, Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. J. Harl Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Hey Winn, Mr. and Mrs. John Banister, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Fisk, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Tucker, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph G. Saling, Mr. and Mrs. H. Goodwin, Mrs. Clara McCoy of Brownsville, Oregon; Mrs. Lilla Hicks, Miss Dorothy Bullfinch, Miss Lois Saling, Mr. L. Halsey, Mr. and Mrs. Lumsden.

## Armenian Benefit July 17

The proceeds of the motion picture show Saturday evening, July 17, at Memorial Hall will go the Armenian relief fund.

Dr. F. D. Watts is donating the films, the Weston Memorial Association the hall and the Weston Leader the advertising. Patrons are merely asked to come and pay at the door as usual. They will not only see a splendid show, but their money will go to the stricken Armenians.

The bewitching Madge Kennedy comes July 17 in the new Goldwyn picture, "Leave it to Susan." This photoplay is a comedy, but much of its action borders on the dramatic. The beauty and mystery of the desert at night are exquisitely represented in this picture.

In addition there will be a two-reel comedy that will please both young and old.

## Picnic on the Walla Walla

An event changing the commonplace to the unusual was the picnic dinner enjoyed by a number of local folk who motored Sunday to an attractive place on the Walla Walla river some distance above the power plant of the P. P. & L. Co. An ample lunch embodying some of the most attractive dishes known to cookery was spread at one o'clock, to which sharpened appetites did full justice. The afternoon was spent in exploring attractive nooks and dells, the journey home being taken at sundown. Those composing the party were: Mr. and Mrs. J. Harl Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph G. Saling, Mr. and Mrs. Hey Winn, Mrs. Lillian Fredericks, Mr. and Mrs. H. Goodwin, Miss Opal Winn, Miss Eva O'Hara, Miss Lois Saling, Mrs. McCoy of Brownsville, Mr. and Mrs. William Rice, Mrs. Margaret Rabb and Mrs. Lilla Kirk of Athena.

The new uses that are being found for goat skins are going to make life more precarious for the consumer.

The silver in a dollar now costs five cents more than the dollar. But then in these days a dollar isn't so much.

## DIVISION OF GERMAN REPARATIONS MADE

### France Gets 52 Per Cent and Other Allies Share the Balance.

Brussels.—An agreement has virtually been reached by the allied plenipotentiaries in conference here with regard to the division of German reparations on the basis of fifty-two per cent to Great Britain, ten per cent to Italy, eight per cent to Belgium and five per cent to Serbia, it was stated here.

The remaining three per cent will be divided among the other allies, including Roumania, Portugal and Japan.

This tentative settlement was declared to have been arrived at in a conference of the French, British, Italian and Belgian delegates.

The conference, which has received alarming news regarding the progress of the Russian Bolsheviks in their offensive against Poland, will consider the military situation of the new republic. It was learned here Saturday. Marshal Foch, the allied commander in chief, and Field Marshal Wilson, head of the British general staff, have been consulted by the conferees on this subject.

## RAIL WRECK FATAL

Eighteen Killed and 100 Injured When Cars Crash.

Scranton, Pa.—In a collision between three cars on the Lackawanna and Wyoming valley railroad near South Pittston station 18 persons are reported killed and 100 injured. The accident occurred when lightning struck a telegraph pole along the line of the track and the pole fell over on the tracks in front of a car bound for Scranton.

A moment later a limited car crashed into the rear of the car that struck the pole, and a third car telescoped the second car.

Many of those killed and injured had attended the annual games of the Caldean clubs of Scranton and Pittston at Valley View park.

## Washington Alters Status of Counties.

Olympia, Wash.—Reclassification of counties in the state of Washington, based on the 1920 census, has been forwarded by Captain I. M. Howell, secretary of state, to county auditors for use in computing filing fees to be charged candidates for office in the coming elections. Actual population figures were not furnished the state department of elections by the census bureau, but a reclassification list was compiled by W. M. Stewart, assistant census director.

## Astoria and Salem Grow.

Washington.—Census figures given out on Oregon towns are as follows: Salem, Or., 17,679; increase 3588, or 25.4 per cent. Astoria, Or., 14,427; increase 4428, or 48.1 per cent. Medford, Or., 5756; decrease 3084, or 34.9 per cent.

## General Marshall Dead.

Washington.—Brigadier-General William L. Marshall, retired, discoverer of the Marshall pass across the Rocky mountains and constructor of Ambrose channel in New York harbor, died at an army hospital here.

## Colfax Swept by Fire.

Lewiston, Idaho.—A fire at Colfax, Wash., destroyed two blocks of buildings, including a flour and feed mill, laundry, lumber office, creamery and a block of residences.

## THE MARKETS

### Portland.

Oats—No. 3 white feed, \$67 per ton. Corn—Whole, \$82@83; cracked, \$84@85. Hay—Willamette valley timothy, \$34 per ton; alfalfa, \$28@29. Potatoes—Oregon, 8 1/4c per pound. Gems, 9 1/4c f. o. b. station. Butter Fat—58c. Eggs—Ranch, 37c per dozen. Poultry—Hens, 18@25c. Cattle—Best steers, \$10.50@11; good to choice, \$9.50@10.50; medium to good, \$8.50@9.50. Hogs—Prime mixed, \$15.50@16; medium mixed, \$14.75@15.50; pigs, \$11.75@13.75. Sheep—Lambs, \$10.50@11; yearling, \$7@8.

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