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OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

Foreign imports received at Portland during the month of June amounted to \$280,889.

Paving work has begun on the seven mile section of the Pacific highway north of Jefferson.

Benton county now has 46 threshing outfits. From present indications the crop will be the best in years.

Increased rates are allowed the Newberg Telephone company by an order of the public service commission.

Forest fires reported by the airplane patrol of the forest service totaled 33 during the latter half of July.

At a meeting of the state highway commission in Portland, August 24, bids will be opened on \$1,500,000 state highway bonds.

J. C. Nelson, an Oregon pioneer, died at his home in Newberg at the age of 93. With his parents he located in the Chehalis valley in 1845.

The first unit of the Langell valley irrigation district in Klamath county has made application to the state to approve a bond issue of \$197,000.

Oregon has a population in 1920 of 783,255, according to census figures, which is a gain of 110,520 or 16.2 per cent over the 1910 figure of 672,735.

Fred Peterson, 75, a native of Denmark, was burned to death when his cabin on the Mohawk river, 15 miles northeast of Eugene, was destroyed by fire.

W. I. Butters of Allegany has been held to the grand jury in Coos county on the charge of selling rocks for chittim bark to improve the weight of the bark.

Monday, September 6, Labor day, has been selected by Hood River as the date for formal celebration of the opening of the completely paved Columbia River highway.

Wheat harvest is under way in Morrow county and the grain is of first-class quality. The yield is a fair average although many fields were injured by the hot weather.

Oregon is suffering from a shortage of librarians, according to Miss Cornelia Marvin, state librarian, who has a list of eight important posts in the state that should be filled.

Notwithstanding the gasoline shortage, the number of automobiles visiting Crater lake so far this summer has exceeded the number that visited the resort during the entire season of 1919.

Approximately 95,000 motor vehicles are registered in Oregon, according to a statement made at the office of the secretary of state. This is one car for about every eight persons in Oregon.

The Fruit Growers' league of Medford has opened an employment bureau with the object of cooperating with other fruit growers in the allocation of pickers throughout the valley.

The public service commission has issued orders granting service rate increases to the Deschutes Telephone company of Clackamas county and C. A. Bradford telephone lines in Grant county.

During the fiscal year ending June 30, 850 dentists were licensed to practice in Oregon. Of these, 184 were non-resident. The licenses of 81 dentists were revoked because of non-payment of fees.

July was an exceptionally dry month in Astoria and the lower Columbia river district, according to the records in the local weather observer's office. The precipitation for the month was .9 of an inch.

The special committee of state legislators appointed to investigate the state game and fish commission will meet in Portland August 18 to hear anyone who has a complaint to make against the commission.

While testing out a forest service radio outfit at Eugene, human voices were picked up by the instruments. It was learned that the voices came from Portland through a wireless telephone apparatus in that city.

Fire destroyed the Strange Shingle company's mill, four miles from the city limits of Portland on the Linnton road, and burned four dwellings, four bunkhouses and a boarding-house, with a total loss of about \$60,000.

The Klamath Falls council has decided not to remove dice and card games from pool rooms and other public places but will amend existing ordinances by providing for revocation were sung.

of license in case gambling is allowed. An organization commanders of the National guard of Oregon have been authorized by Adjutant-General White to suspend drills during the harvest season so that guardsmen may help gather the Oregon fruit and grain crop. Attractions of boat races, automobile races, a carnival and the biggest agricultural, horticultural and industrial exhibit of many years will feature this year's Wasco county fair to be held at The Dalles October 4, 5, 6 and 7.

What is said to be the largest still yet captured in Oregon was raided near Newberg by federal revenue officers who seized 150 gallons of corn moonshine whisky and 800 gallons of corn mash. The still was said to have a capacity of 100 gallons a day.

Philip Ott, 45, a farmer of Hubbard, was killed almost instantly when his light touring car crashed through the railing of the bridge over Pudding river, just outside of the city limits of Aurora, on the Pacific highway, and fell a distance of about 40 feet.

Because of the tendency of members of the dental profession to come from the eastern states to the west, while few go from the west to the east, the state board of dental examiners has placed its disapproval on a proposed reciprocal exchange of dental licenses.

Officials of the socialist party have filed in the office of Sam A. Koser, secretary of state, certificates of nomination of candidates for presidential electors, secretary of state, dairy and food commissioner and commissioner of the public service commission for the western Oregon district.

Not less than \$358,000 will be netted this season to loganberry growers within a radius of ten miles of Salem, according to an estimate of J. L. Van Doren, berry buyer of Salem. The crop disposed of at a figure sufficiently high to bring this amount is estimated at 6,600,000 pounds.

While cutting hay on his farm a few days ago Fred Lockwood, a rancher of the North Fork country in the western end of Lane county, cut off both feet of his 3-year-old daughter, who was playing in the tall oats. The little girl was not seen by her father until an instant before the sickle hit her.

Following the breaking of a dike at Brownsmead in the eastern part of Clatsop county, approximately 300 acres of fine farm land were inundated and damage estimated between \$7000 and \$8000 has resulted. About 300 feet of the dike collapsed as a result of the sand foundation giving away.

Wasco county's population, according to census figures, is 13,645 men, women and children. An apparent decrease of 2788 since the 1910 census, totaling 16,334 persons, is explained by the county being redistricted and nearly one-third of the residents transferred to another county since 1910.

Death Calls Mrs. L. H. Dowd

Mrs. Emma Jane Dowd, beloved wife of Lewis H. Dowd, departed this life August 7, 1920, at Washtucna, Washington, after a long illness from anaemia.

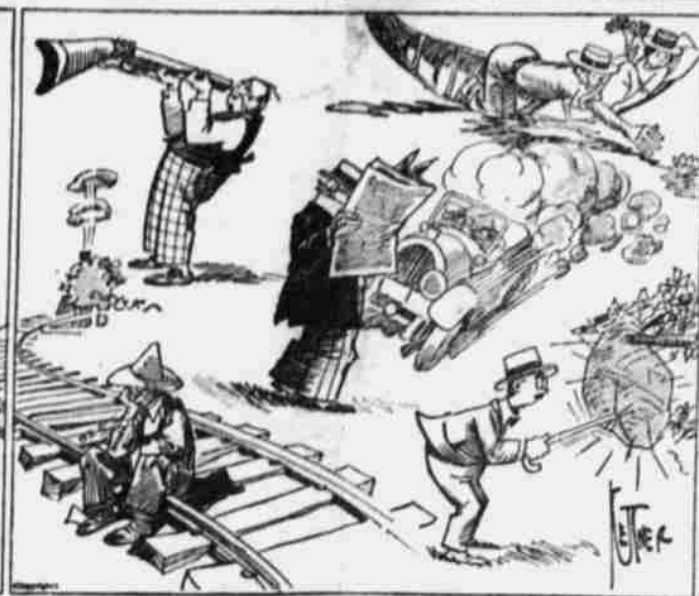
Mrs. Dowd was formerly Emma Jane Dissmore, and was the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. George P. Dissmore of Whitehall, Wisconsin. She was born September 19, 1869. April 27, 1893, she was united in marriage to Lewis H. Dowd of Dallas, Wisconsin. They were the parents of nine children, one son dying in infancy.

Mrs. Dowd came to Weston with her husband and family in 1905, locating on Weston mountain. Last fall they moved to Washtucna. She was converted in early life and united with the Baptist Church of Whitehall, Wis. She was an earnest and consistent Christian woman and a devoted wife and mother. The grief of the family is shared by friends into whose circles she came and who recognized and admired her virtues.

The deceased is survived by her husband; three sons, Hugh, Ralph and Henry, and five daughters, Mrs. Ruth Gould, Alice, Pearl, Margaret and Rheamny Dowd. She also left a number of brothers and sisters. Geo. R. Dissmore of Amity, Oregon, a brother, and Mrs. Sarah Knosberg of Barren county, Wisconsin, a sister, were among those present at the funeral.

The remains were shipped to Weston for interment. Services were held at the Baptist Church Sunday afternoon by Rev. W. R. Storms, who paid feeling tribute to the worth of the deceased. Appropriate hymns and prayers were read.

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"Over the Hill"

Harvest crews are rushing work along at a high rate since the rain and it is said a number of machines will operate Sunday in order to finish harvesting the following week.

Miss Kittie Sharp, who taught school on the Sound, returned home from Portland Wednesday and will spend the remainder of her vacation at the home of her parents.

The Preston-Shaffer Milling company had a force of men at work this week removing the wires from the electric light poles on Main street. The poles will soon be removed.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Willaby, on August 10, 1920, a daughter.

Mrs. Mary Tompkins of Walla Walla is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Coppock.

Fred Radtke of the Athena Department Store, is spending the week in the mountains. Mr. Radtke has been in poor health for the past month, but is recovering.

Dipping themselves in the brine of the Pacific, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Mattison are on their way by auto to take another dip, but the second dip will be in the Atlantic. The couple spent last night in the park camping grounds, proceeding on their way to Walla Walla this morning. Mr. and Mrs. Mattison are both linotype operators and for four years Mr. Mattison operated a machine in the composing room of the Portland Oregonian.

W. P. Willaby is up from his home in Portland to look after his farming interests.

Henry Dell and Bert Richards spent a day with their families at McDougal's this week.

Mrs. Henry Wood is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Alf Johnson, in Walla Walla, this week.

A bullet from a ".22" pistol found lodgment in Russell Carden's leg and it is still there. The boy says he took aim at a hawk, pulled the trigger and the pistol failed to go off. He swung it downward and the cartridge exploded after hanging fire for several seconds. The bullet entered the lower part of the leg, passing downward and lodged between the bones. Drs. Sharp and Smith failed to find it by probing and the lad was taken to Pendleton, where the X-ray disclosed its location. It will be left where it is unless complications should arise necessitating removal.

Max Hopper, assistant cashier of the First National bank, is taking his annual vacation at the present time.

Marion Hansell spent a portion of the week with his family at McDougal camp.

Matt Johnson and family have been camped near Toll Gate this week, garnering the huckleberry crop.

Athena is enjoying the advantages of street pavement, the Warren Construction company having completed the hard-surfacing of Main and Third streets from the alley below Jefferson street south to the bridge at City Park. The spaces on each side of Main street, left to facilitate laying cables containing electric wires for the new lamp stands when they arrive, will be hard-surfaced later by the Warren people. In the meantime the electric and telephone poles will be removed from these spaces.

Miss Vernita Watts left yesterday evening for California, where she will enter Mills college. She was accompanied as far as Portland by her mother.

The child born Monday to Mr. and Mrs. Don Wilkes lived but a short time after birth.

The Watts Monument.

The current number of the Granite Cutters' Journal, published at Quincy, Mass., contains for its cover design a half-tone reproduction of the monument erected to the memory of the late Jennie Gaines Watts, in the Athena cemetery. The monument, which is of Barre granite in broken column design and figure, was done by the famous sculptor, Angelo P. Ambrosini, and is considered to be one of his best works of the season.

The Huckleberry Crop.

The bountiful huckleberry crop in the Blue mountains is drawing hundreds of people mountainward, with the result that all camps are filled and even out-of-the-way places, wherever water is obtainable, camps of huckleberry pickers may be found. Not since 1894 has there been such a prolific crop of the mountain berries, and the high cost of other varieties of fruit is one incentive that causes a complete harvest of the huckleberry crop.

ALLIES AGREE ON AID FOR POLAND

Troops Will Not Be Used But Economic Move Is Planned.

Hythe, England.—Great Britain and France are convinced that the bolsheviks intend to capture Warsaw and set up a soviet government in Poland. In British and French circles it is admitted that the situation has brought a crisis only second in gravity to that of 1914.

The allied conference here reached a complete agreement on plans for dealing with the Russo-Polish crisis. They include the reimposition of the blockade, but on the advice of the experts no allied troops will be employed.

After the premiers decided to reimpose the blockade on Russia and to furnish munitions and technical advice to Poland, Lloyd George got M. Millerand to withhold application of aid until after the preliminary results of the conference at Minsk between the bolshevik and Polish representatives are known.

M. Millerand, who had urged the French policy which included the blockade and strong defensive measures, was obliged to yield somewhat to the milder policy of the British premier, who was determined that no allied aid should be used in Poland.

Establishment of a defensive line in Poland, considered by the conference, if carried out would, according to opinion here, be regarded by the British and French as more than a plan to aid Poland; it would be in effect a cordon sanitaire, to keep the bolshevik from western Europe. But from what happened at the closing of the conference it was considered that much would depend on the bolshevik attitude at Minsk.

JOINT SESSION TO BE HELD

Washington, Idaho and Oregon Commission to Sit Together.

Olympia, Wash.—As the state's questions involving allowance of increased freight and passenger rates on local traffic as fixed by the interstate commerce commission for interstate traffic are common to the northwest, the public service commissions of Oregon and Idaho will sit with the Washington commission on Tuesday, August 17, in a hearing beginning at 10 A. M. in the senate chamber here. The common problem before the commissions of the three northwest states will be to harmonize local increases asked with the required increase necessary to guarantee a return of 5½ per cent consistent with the recent interstate commerce commission ruling.

Bandit Villa Surrenders.

San Pedro, Coahuila, Mexico.—Francisco Villa marched into San Pedro Monday night between the lines of a cheering populace which greeted him with cheers of "Viva Villa." Behind him came his band of faithful followers, which, with their leader, surrendered to the De la Huerta government under terms agreed upon recently at Sabinas.

Deny Story League Formed War Staff

Paris.—The foreign office has issued a categorical denial of dispatches of a press agency, purporting to be from San Sebastian, stating that the council of the League of Nations had decided on the creation of an international general staff.

Professional Men Help in Harvest.

Bismarck, N. D.—A twilight army of bankers, lawyers, doctors and merchants doffed white collars and stepped out into the harvest fields in an effort to relieve what threatens to be a serious farm labor shortage.

151 Profiteers Convicted.

Washington.—A total of 151 convictions have been obtained in the campaign of the department of justice against profiteering.

London.—War between the allies and soviet Russia over Poland would be "an intolerable crime against humanity," and British labor has warned the British government that organized labor will be used to defeat such a war. This decision was reached at a meeting of the leaders of British labor.