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OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Principal Events of the Week Briefly Sketched for Infor- mation of Our Readers.

Former residents of Minnesota held a basket picnic at Salem Tuesday.

Irrigon is to have a new school building. Bonds for \$40,000 have been voted and sold.

The potato and wheat crops in the Deschutes valley will be unusually heavy this fall.

John M. Jones of Portland has received a recess appointment as postmaster at Portland.

Recent fires, with an aggregate loss of \$6000, caused citizens of Mallin to call a meeting to organize a better fire department.

The Albany cannery will be enlarged at once by the construction of a new structure, 60x90 feet, for a fruit and berry preparation room.

Henry F. Mellwain, of Eugene, who has been seriously ill for a number of months, shot himself through the temple and death followed instantly.

Vivian L. Dunten, aged 56, farmer of Camp creek, near Springfield, was stabbed to death during an altercation with William R. Elliott, a neighbor.

Records of the submarine mine target practice just completed at Fort Stevens indicate the phenomenally high score of 98 per cent on the figure of merit.

Nine boys and two girls, whose ages range from eight to 15 years, were rounded up at Salem on charges of committing petty thefts in different parts of the city.

More than 75 per cent of the motor vehicle operators' licenses, based on a total of approximately 165,000 applications received, have been issued by the secretary of state.

For the first time in the history of the Oregon City Manufacturing company of Oregon City it closed for two weeks to allow employees and superintendents a vacation.

The demand of the Northwest Millers' association for a 48,000-pound carload minimum on grain products shipments has been granted by the Oregon public service commission.

First Lieutenant Maylon E. Scott, 77th field artillery, Camp Lewis, Wash., has been detailed as assistant military instructor at the Oregon Agricultural college, Corvallis.

Application has been filed with the state engineer requesting state guarantee of interest on bonds in the sum of approximately \$250,000 voted by the Talent irrigation district.

Coyotes are becoming common in some parts of Coos county and an effort is to be made by residents in the pest-ridden districts to have the county court establish a bounty for the animals.

The hydrographic survey of the Umpqua river, which is being made by a United States coast and geodetic survey party stationed at Gardiner in charge of O. W. Swainson, government engineer, is nearing completion.

There are 400 insurance companies operating in Oregon at present, while the aggregate license fees and premiums received by the state amount to \$275,000 annually, according to A. C. Barber, state insurance commissioner.

Approximately 400 out of a flock of 700 sheep belonging to J. H. Hinton, stockman of Hamilton, Grant county, died recently as the result of eating lupine, a poisonous weed, according to Dr. W. H. Lytle, state veterinarian. Percy Cupper, state engineer, has assembled about 25 photographs of Oregon reclamation projects which will be on display at Seattle during the irrigation and development congress which convenes there September 16 and 17.

Refund of approximately \$11,000 covering shipments of asphalt to the state highway commission during the past seven years will be asked in a petition to be filed with the interstate commerce commission within the next few days, according to C. E. Lytle, traffic expert for the state highway department.

To meet an emergency among lumber manufacturers on Coos bay an agreement has been reached between several of the mills and the Four L's for a straight reduction of pay of 50 cents each man, this reduction to be temporary and to rule until the price of lumber products increase so that the present wage can be put into effect again.

Frontier Days and Fair

The Walla Walla Agricultural and Stock Fair has in prospect the biggest show in its history for the four days beginning September 15.

As usual, the famous entertainment feature, "Frontier Days, or the Passing of the West," will be the big drawing card. The most brilliant galaxy of riders ever attracted to the Northwest have already signified their attention of appearing. The three greatest wild west outfits in the business, Drumbeller, Irwin and McCarty, are now under contract. So evenly matched are the relay strings of these outfits that a hair raising finish may be expected daily. A host of the most expert and daring talent is slated to appear at the Walla Walla show.

More livestock entries have been already received than ever before.

Agricultural and horticultural exhibits will be larger and better, owing to the splendid work of the newly organized Farm Bureau. Wednesday, Sept. 15, has been set apart as Farm Bureau Day.

The Foley and Burke Combined Shows will be on the fair grounds all week. Beside the usual carnival attractions they carry a complete two-ring circus.

Miss Halseth Is Honoree

Mr. and Mrs. J. Harl Williams entertained delightfully on Wednesday evening, September the first, in honor of Miss Loraine Halseth, recently of Browning, Montana.

The evening was enlivened by games of an original and fascinating nature and by stories, ghostly and otherwise, told in the mystic glow of candlelight.

Miss Anna Lavender assisted the hostess in serving the delicious four-course supper, after which Miss Halseth was presented by Mrs. Williams with a book of Shakespearean gems, in remembrance of the occasion.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Tucker; Misses Halseth, Morrison, Ruby Price, Doris Barnes, Mamie Barnes, Anna Lavender, Esther Williams, Gladys Smith, Thelma Anderson, Dorothy Bullfinch; Messrs. Lester O'Hara, Lyle Webb, Rulon Smith and Carl Brandt.

The Belt Awaits the Champion

World's championships are settled at Pendleton as well as in the big leagues, Antwerp and elsewhere. The Pendleton Round-Up, which has its eleventh presentation Sept. 23, 24 and 25, will crown a world's champion cowboy again this year. Along with the title and the championship saddle presented by the Round-Up, the Police Gazette has again put up its gold and diamond studded belt. Last year it was won by Yakima Canutt.

New relay strings from California promising even faster relay and pony express races than heretofore, will be seen at the Round-Up. These strings will compete against the old favorites who have thrilled Round-Up audiences for years past.

Its Value is Demonstrated

The Patriot truck has proved to be a wonderful success. After demonstrating in some of the worst fields in the county I have proven to some of the farmers that a two and one-half ton Patriot truck and two men are equal to eighteen head of horses and three men. I have booked seven orders for spring delivery. You'd better order your truck now, so you will have it when you need it. I have from one to five-ton trucks.

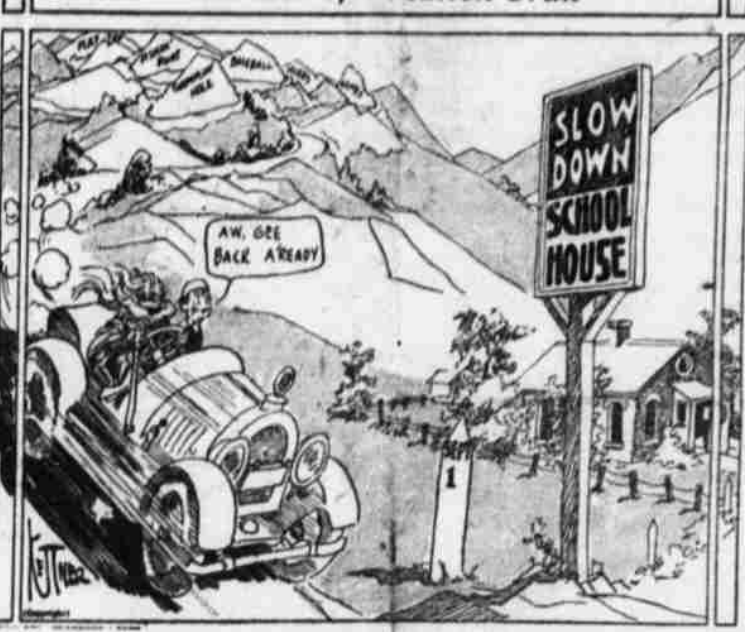
DR. S. L. KENNARD,
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Umapine May Get Interurban.

Extension to Umapine of the present interurban system from Walla Walla to Freewater and Milton is reported possible. The Walla Walla Valley Railway has been tearing up tracks in the city there and is said to be willing to lay the rails to Umapine under certain conditions. The extension would be six miles long.

Following an investigation held recently the Oregon public service commission has received a letter from officials of the Sumpter Valley Railroad company to the effect that all fire hazards along the lines of the corporation had been eliminated. It was charged that several fires had been started along the Sumpter Valley railroad through the carelessness of its employees.

The End of Vacation Trail



"OVER THE HILL"

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Pambrun are spending the week in the mountains picking huckleberries.

James Duncan began harvesting his crop of 290 acres of wheat yesterday. Rain of last week delayed his harvest work.

Mrs. W. O. Read and Miss Mattie Coppock are visiting relatives in Colfax, Wash., this week.

Mr. F. S. Le Grow and Mr. W. S. Ferguson, who will assist in putting on the Frontier Days exhibition at Walla Walla this year, are making preparatory arrangements.

The new bungalow homes of F. D. Watts and Alex McIntyre, on lower Third street, are gradually nearing completion. These two will be numbered among the finest homes in Athena.

W. R. Taylor has been appointed administrator of the David Taylor es-

tate. W. S. Ferguson, E. A. Dudley and F. S. LeGrow have been named as appraisers.

Mrs. F. B. Boyd is ill at her home this week with the prevailing fever, which has been epidemic in this vicinity for some time.

John Stone and wife arrived Tuesday from Honolulu for a visit with relatives. Mr. Stone, a former newspaper man, is secretary to the governor of Hawaii.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim McLean and children are here from Washtucna for a few days' visit with relatives.

Miss Bertha Murdock leaves Sunday for American Falls, Idaho, where she has a position as principal in a high school employing 20 teachers.

Eugene Osborne returned Wednesday from a week's fishing and hunting trip on the Little Salmon. At

Jarbo Meadows he caught a fine lot of trout. He made the trip with saddle and pack horse, and enjoyed his outing.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Dudley expect to leave on another trip to the mountains in quest of huckleberries.

Quite a change is apparent on Main street since the removal of the electric light poles. The street has the appearance of being much wider and the buildings lower, in consequence.

Ralph Carstens went alone to Portland this week to be fitted with an artificial limb.

Pastor B. B. Burton of the local Christian church will close his work here on Sunday, October 3, and accompanied by his daughter, Miss Hazel Burton, will leave for Los Angeles to reside permanently.

Marion Hansell is recovering from his serious illness.

Man Hunt Bills Filed.

Bills for the recent man hunt which resulted in the capture of the murderers of Sheriff Til Taylor, are being filed with the county clerk, says the E. O. Only a few came in these being from out of town, County Clerk R. T. Brown estimates that the county court will balk when some of the items come up for approval. In the bill received from one country store, totaling \$47, are cigarette and cigar bills totaling \$16.05. Matches are listed as additional and some one in the searching party also charged a tooth brush and paste to the county.

Water Still Abundant.

Less than two thirds of the water stored in the Cold Springs reservoir last spring for irrigation purposes on the Umatilla project has been used up to the present time. The supply of water for the project has been ample at all times this season, in spite of the fact that settlers are coming in constantly and much new land is being put under cultivation.

FEDERAL GUARANTEE FOR RAILWAYS ENDS

Cost to Government Since
March 1 Estimated at
\$600,000,000.

Washington.—Estimated to have cost the government \$100,000,000 monthly for the past six months, the clause of the transportation act which guarantees earnings to railroads of the country ceased to be effective at midnight Tuesday and the roads again will be on their own resources.

Further loans from the government, however, will be available from the revolving fund created by the act.

The bureau of railway economics has estimated that since the carriers were returned to their owners March 1, their earnings have been \$600,000,000 below their standard return.

Fewer than half a score of lines have produced revenue sufficient to equal actual operating expenses, which does not include the fixed charges of interest, taxes and dividends. Definite figures on the cost to the government of the earning guarantee provisions of the transportation act will not be known for several months.

Most of the roads have indicated already that they will have money coming to them as a result of the guarantee. The treasury has received dozens of certifications for advances under the guarantee within the last ten days and more are expected, Secretary Houston said.

GASOLINE DEMAND GROWS

Production Increases 13 Per Cent and Consumption 32.

Washington.—Although production of gasoline for the first six months this year was 13 per cent greater than for the same period of 1919, the increase in consumption was 32 per cent, it was reported by the bureau of mines.

Gasoline stocks at the end of June were \$9,841,000 gallons, or 15 per cent less than the amount on hand on June 30, 1919.

U. S. Banks Lend France \$150,000,000

Paris.—Jean Parmentier, administrator of the ministry of finance, who is in New York City negotiating with American bankers for payment of the French loan of \$250,000,000, has arranged for a loan of \$150,000,000 with American banks, according to newspapers.

Three Killed in Auto Race.

Santa Rosa, Cal.—Two automobile racers were burned to death beneath their overturned car and a 7-year-old spectator they struck was instantly killed when a light car entered in the Sonoma country fair races here left the track and crashed into a tree.

Utah's Population Given at 449,446.

Washington.—The census bureau announced the following 1920 population results: State of Utah, 449,446. Increase since 1910, 76,095, or 20.4 per cent. Helena, Mont., 12,937; decrease 475, or 3.8 per cent. Glasgow, Mont., 2059; increase 901, or 77.8 per cent.

Denver to Have State Guard.

Denver, Colo.—Immediate organization of a state constabulary to take over police powers in Denver when federal troops, sent here because of rioting growing out of the street car strike, are withdrawn, was agreed upon.

American Cruiser Sent to Dantzig.

Washington.—At the request of the state department, Secretary of the Navy Daniels ordered Admiral Huse, in command of the American naval vessels in Baltic waters, to send the cruiser Pittsburg from Reval to Dantzig for the protection of Americans, a considerable number of whom are now in Dantzig, Secretary Daniels said.

223 Miles An Hour by Plane.

Atlantic City, N. J.—"The Texas Wild Cat," an airplane entered by S. E. J. Cox, Texas oil magnate, in the Gordon Bennett cup races, to be held in France, September 27, has attained a speed of 223 miles per hour in secret test flights at Mineola, Long Island, Cox announced here.

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