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OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Principal Events of the Week Briefly Sketched for Informa- tion of Our Readers.

New buildings of modern type are being erected on the Benson Pheasant farm west of Silverton.

The laying of the superstructure for the \$100,000 Sacred Heart academy in Klamath Falls has begun.

Voters of Linn county at the coming election will pass upon the question of an increased county tax levy.

Rain interfered with the Lincoln County fair, keeping the crowds away and hurrying the fair financially.

County sheriff and county clerks of the state held two-day conventions in Pendleton Friday and Saturday.

The recent rains have stopped harvest work in Walla Walla county, and if it continues much damage will be done.

Residents of upper Hood River valley plan a vote on the proposition to increase the district's special road tax.

The rains of the past few days have damaged the evergreen blackberry crop of Lane county to a large extent.

Fully 50 per cent more potatoes will be available for shipment out of the Deschutes valley this fall than last season.

Irvin S. Cobb left Bend Thursday after a three weeks' hunting and fishing trip. He will travel east to the Oregon Short Line.

Gooley Sun, aged 7 years, was killed almost instantly at Salem when an auto truck in which he was riding was struck by a moving train.

Principals of the high schools of Deschutes, Crook and Jefferson counties met Saturday in Redmond to adopt the 1920 interscholastic gridiron schedule for Central Oregon.

T. E. Harold, who escaped from the state penitentiary at Salem in 1912 and was captured in Idaho a week ago, was returned to the prison. He has two years of his sentence yet to serve.

Decision of sawmill companies between Reedsport and Powers to reduce wages was abandoned after a conference with officials of the Local Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen.

The Crown-Willamette Paper company has purchased approximately 2100 acres of spruce timber land in Clatsop county from H. E. Noble of Portland, the consideration being \$213,500.

Not a single fire started in the timbered district of western Lane county during the past summer, according to a report by Carl V. Oglesby, supervising warden of the Western Fire Patrol association.

Discovery of a hybrid prune, the "New Oregon," which experts declare will revolutionize prune growing in the entire northwest, was announced at a banquet of prominent Oregon nursery men.

The candidates' campaign pamphlet, which will be printed and mailed to the voters of Oregon prior to October 17, is being compiled by Secretary of State Koser and will contain approximately 50 pages.

After five hours of deliberation a jury at Salem returned a verdict of guilty against Mrs. Lena Steiger, 65 years old, charged with conspiring with Jesse Mullinix to murder her husband last March.

Thomas A. Hayes of Portland filed with the secretary of state petitions of his candidacy for United States senator from Oregon at the general election to be held in November. Mr. Hayes will make the race under the independent banner.

Plans for the extermination of the alfalfa weevil, an insect which already has caused considerable damage to the alfalfa crops of the Pacific coast, were discussed at a meeting of prominent western entomologists held in Salem.

Five political parties will be represented on the ballot at the general election in Oregon on November 2, according to the certification of names and information regarding nominees and measures prepared by Sam A. Koser, secretary of state.

Communication has been received at the Oregon Agricultural college, Corvallis, from Morningside college, Sioux City, Iowa, to the effect that the college will send a debate team on a tour of the Pacific coast next spring, and asking a contest with O. A. C.

Personal investigation of devastation of forests along Oregon scenic

highways has convinced Herbert Nunn, state highway engineer, that the conditions are even worse than originally reported, according to a letter prepared by the engineer and submitted to Governor Olcott.

Patent has been received by the State of Oregon for 16,664.60 acres of Carey act land, reclaimed under the Central Oregon Irrigation project in central Oregon and located in the vicinity of Bend, Redmond and Powell Buttes, according to information received by the state engineer.

Fear that Mr. and Mrs. Jessie E. Tuck of Redmond may be lost, without provisions, in the Grizzly basin country at the foot of Mount Jefferson, prompted the departure of a large search party from Sisters. No news from the missing couple has been received for the past three weeks.

The Wasco county circuit court has dismissed the action brought by Silas Moody to enjoin the state highway commission from constructing a public highway across land connecting up the Columbia river highway in eastern Oregon with the new state bridge recently completed over the Deschutes river.

The first pay checks covering the army drill pay period of six months for the Fifth Infantry, Oregon National Guard, were received at the adjutant-general's office in Salem from the war department at Washington. The checks aggregate \$4,140.70, and cover the period from January 1 to June 30, 1920.

The continued fall rains have done great damage to the Oregon prune crop. Allowing for exaggerations in reports, which are usual when a crop is in danger or injured, prune men nevertheless believe that this year's crop has been cut down one-half. If this is true it will mean a loss of about \$3,000,000 to the prune growers of Oregon. There were prospects of the spring of a crop of 80,000,000 pounds of dried prunes in the state. The estimate was cut down to 60,000,000 pounds when the June drop came and now the rain damage has reduced the crop to 30,000,000 pounds.

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"OVER THE HILL"

C. E. Miller is in the city from Spokane. He is visiting his son Leon at Weston.

Mr. and Mrs. David Partch of Sunnyside, Wash., were Round Up guests at the Hansell home near town.

G. S. Prestbye of Kalispel, Montana, is in the city, visiting at the home of his brother, Attorney E. C. Prestbye.

Mrs. Ross and daughter, who reside near State Line, were over this week visiting Mrs. Roy Cannon, who is ill at the Cass Cannon home.

Mrs. A. B. McEwen and daughter, Miss Jessica, have been visiting here this week, at the homes of Mrs. H. A. Barrett and Ralph B. McEwen.

Miss Rena Allen, teacher in the primary grades, last Friday took her mother, Mrs. Allen, to the hospital in Pendleton for medical treatment. She was accompanied by Mrs. Lula Read. Mrs. Allen is reported to be in a very serious condition.

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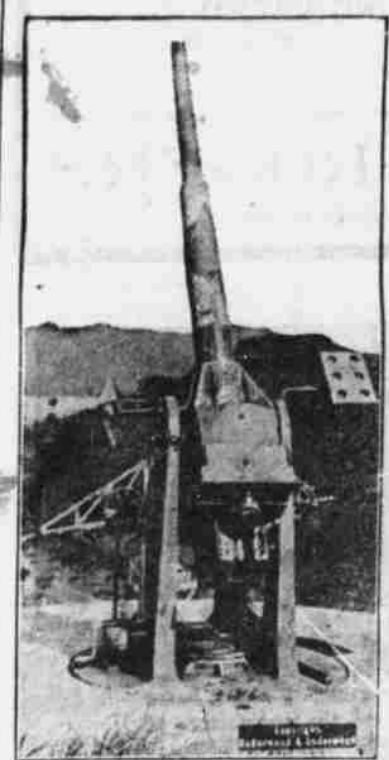
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Washington Welfare Officers Resign.

Olympia, Wash.—Declaring that the state industrial welfare commission as now constituted is inactive, Mrs. W. H. Udall, of Tacoma, for five years a member of the commission, and for the last two years secretary, tendered her resignation at a meeting of the commission here. Following adjournment of the meeting, Dr. M. H. Marvin, for seven years a member of the commission, and the oldest member in point of service, dictated his resignation to Governor Hart, effective immediately.

TO PROTECT PANAMA CANAL



One of the anti-aircraft guns which guard the Panama canal from air attacks. The guns have been placed on concrete bases in such locations as to protect the vital works of the canal.

TRADE BALANCE CUT SINCE 1919

Washington.—The American trade balance for the first eight months of 1920 was \$1,483,000,000, compared to more than \$2,000,000,000 for the corresponding period of 1919, according to figures made public by the department of commerce. They showed its import trade is expanding at a more rapid pace than export trade. Imports for the eight months of the year exceeded those of the 12 months of 1919 by approximately \$100,000,000. Imports in 1919 established a new high record. On the other hand, exports for the eight months were \$2,347,171,869 less than those in the 12 months of 1919 and were only \$211,000,000 greater than the exports for the first eight months of last year. The total of exports for the months was \$5,483,254,171. The total of imports for the eight months was \$4,000,627,445, compared with \$2,261,550,440 for the corresponding period in 1919.

DRYS TRAIL WETS OVERSEA

Would Cancel Citizenship of Brewers Who Start Foreign Business.

Washington.—Resolutions demanding that congress enact laws providing for the cancelling of the citizenship papers of Americans who go to foreign countries "to engage in business outlawed in this country," were adopted by the American section of the World Prohibition federation, meeting here in conjunction with the International Congress Against Alcoholism. The resolutions also asked that such persons be deprived of the protection of the American government and that so far as possible they be restrained from representing themselves as Americans.

Officer Found Slain Near Still.

Aberdeen, Wash.—Blindfolded, bearing three gunshot wounds and covered with two planks and a tangled mass of weeds, the body of Nicolas Koleski, 24 years old, a special officer of the Aberdeen police department, was found by boys in a shallow creek in dense woods about three miles south of South Aberdeen. He had been missing since last Tuesday, when he was assigned to hunt down operators of a still alleged to be located near the spot where his body was found.

Wall telephone for sale. Inquire at this office.

PRESIDENT REFUSES TO ANNUL TREATIES

Congress Held to Have Exceeded Authority in Ordering Abrogation.

Washington.—President Wilson has declined to take steps toward termination of certain commercial treaties as directed by congress in the merchant marine act, holding that "such a course would be wholly irreconcilable with the historical respect which the United States has shown for its international engagements."

Formal announcement of the president's decision was made at the state department. The merchant marine act as approved by the president on the closing day of the last congress session directed the executive within 90 days to give notice to foreign nations of the intentions of the United States to terminate any sections of existing commercial treaties which restrict the right of the American government to impose discriminatory charges on shipping in foreign bottoms.

The president, the state department's announcement said, also held that congress exceeded its authority in giving such directions. Secretary of State, citing as a precedent the action of President Hayes in 1876 in refusing the demand of congress that a treaty with China be abrogated. The power of modifying treaties, President Hayes held, is not lodged by the constitution in congress.

Termination of the 33 treaties, affected by the act, the president was said to have held, "would amount to nothing less than breach or violation of said treaties, which . . . covers every point of contact and mutual dependence which constitute the modern world." The announcement said that "he has vetoed the act would have nullified the great number of sound and enlightened provisions which it undoubtedly contains."

Japan's Offer Not Accepted

Washington.—Administration officials continue to decline to discuss for publication any of the phases of the negotiations with Japan growing out of the proposed anti-Japanese land law in California, but the impression has gone out that a proposal from Tokyo that the question be referred to a joint commission for solution would be unacceptable.

Conversations regarding the California law have been going on between Ambassador Shidehara of Japan and state department officials.

The attitude of the state department is described as one calculated to prevent the development of a feeling of alarm in the United States that might approach even approximately that which appears to be growing in Japan.

Conflicting opinions of both American and Japanese authorities on international law are said to have made the task of the state department officials and the Japanese ambassador more difficult. Proponents of the California law say that California, in enacting a measure barring the Japanese in this country from owning land in that state, would be refusing to the Japanese no rights or privileges that are not refused by Japanese law to Americans.

Japan contends that the California law, which is to be voted on in November, is discriminatory, because it does not apply to all foreigners alike, as does the Japanese law.

O. R. Hartwig of Portland, president of the Oregon State Federation of Labor, was nominated to continue in office at the state federation convention at Pendleton. Davie Ellis of Portland was nominated for vice-president and W. E. Kinsey, incumbent, was nominated for secretary-treasurer. Nominations for the executive board were as follows: Portland, Arthur Brock, J. C. Jensen, J. E. Starr; Salem, L. J. Simeral; Astoria, M. M. Lornsen; Pendleton, Charles Keane and Sandy McClain; La Grande, H. T. Dodd; Baker, Alex. Sewell; Bend, C. H. Baker. These nominations will be referred to all local unions affiliated with the state federation, to be voted on by referendum within 30 days. The new officers will take office March 1. Portland was named as the place for next year's state federation convention. No date was set.