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OREGON NEWS NOTES OF PRINCIPAL EVENTS HAPPENING DURING WEEK

A parade two miles long initiated the Armistice day celebration in Corvallis.

The Union Oil company has started construction of a new plant in The Dalles.

Farmers of lower Siletz bay met at Munos Landing and decided to organize a co-operative cheese factory.

Ninety-two students have been suspended from the University of Oregon for non-payment of laboratory fees.

Marion county officers in a series of raids conducted at Salem confiscated approximately 150 gallons of liquor.

The first farm bureau week ever observed in Linn county will be held in Albany from December 13 to 17, inclusive.

A record-breaking crowd from southern Oregon and northern California attended Medford's Armistice day celebration.

A majority of the assessors of the state, in convention at Salem, went on record as opposed to the proposed state income tax.

Sheriffs and county clerks from every section of Oregon met in annual convention at the Multnomah county courthouse last week.

Governor Olcott has been advised that the Brooks-Scanlon Lumber company at Bend has stopped cutting timber along The Dalles-California highway near Bend.

A "beekeepers' round-up" is the term applied to the meeting and conference of the Oregon State Beekeepers' association to be held in Pendleton January 26 and 27.

Marion county farmers interested in the flax industry will hold a conference in Salem this week to consider the organization of a non-profit growing and selling association.

Coos county has obtained par and a premium of \$945 for \$150,000 worth of good road bonds voted last June to match the state highway money on the Bandon-Camas valley road.

A Commercial club committee has reported favorably on the proposal to erect a memorial building at Salem in honor of the soldiers, sailors and marines who fought in the late war.

An understanding virtually has been reached by directors of the central Oregon irrigation district for the granting of the petition filed by some 200 settlers whose holdings are under the Pilot Butte canal, and who wish exclusion from the district.

The Oregon-Pittsburg Mining company, which recently acquired the Sylvanite group of gold mines two miles north of Gold Hill, propose to relieve the dwelling-house shortage in Gold Hill by erecting a sufficient number of modern cottages to house their married employees.

While the packing of fall fish has been stopped by the only two plants operating on the lower Columbia river this fall, heavy catches of silversides have been made by trollers operating off the mouth of the river during the last few days, and the bulk of them have been shipped to Seattle.

Failure to comply strictly with the so-called budget law enacted at the 1921 session of the legislature may result in legal contests with relation to the validity of special taxes voted in 29 road districts of Marion county last Saturday. The taxes voted in the several districts aggregate \$54,331.55.

Major George Ray was found dead in his room in North Bend by Frank Farrin with whom he boarded. Death was apparently from natural causes. The major was 82 years of age. He was a veteran of the civil and Spanish-American wars and several Indian wars, had been a comrade of Generals Pershing and Liggett.

R. C. Rowan, with a corps of experts in chemistry and assaying, has been engaged for several weeks in investigating the black sand deposits and Coos Bay. The party carries a long the coast between Cape Blanco laboratory with it and is making the most exhaustive research that has yet been carried out with the metals contained in the sands.

In small number of fires, and none of which were important, the past season of the Crater national forest was a record-breaking one. There were only 77 fires within the forest confines, and two in immediately adjoining state territory protected by the forest service. The total acreage burned over was 807.68 acres, and the total damage caused amounted to but \$763.14.

Continued open weather, with ordinary summer temperature, has worked the strawberry plants in the southern coast section overtime, and grocery stores in many sections of the country are still displaying strawberries for sale every day of the week. Such reports come from all the towns. The quality of the berries is said to be quite as high grade as in the summer time.

Heavy marketing of a comparatively light crop of potatoes is an outstanding feature of the November crop report of the United States bureau of markets and crop estimates, released by F. L. Kent, Oregon statistician. The Oregon potato crop estimate declined during the month of October and the 1921 production is now placed at an average yield of 90 bushels per acre on 43,000 acres, or a total of 3,870,000 bushels.

Salem hop dealers received a telegram from the Cunard Steamship company to the effect that English authorities had issued an order permitting the export to that country of half of the hop contracts held here. If the report is true, Oregon dealers said they would be able to forward immediately large shipments of hops to English growers. As yet no confirmation of the telegram has been received from the London officials.

Ratios for apportioning the state taxes for 1922 were announced following a meeting of the state tax commission in the offices of Frank J. Lovel, state tax commissioner at Salem. The total of the state's assessment roll, not counting public service corporations, is \$858,727,161.97, or, including exemptions of property up to \$10,000 for civil war veterans under the law of 1921, \$859,086,104.97. The total assessment roll for this year is approximately \$18,000,000 below that of last year.

The state industrial accident commission has received a check covering the first fine or penalty to be assessed against an employer for illegally employing a boy under the age of 18 years. The case involved a boy under 12 years of age who was employed as a skid greaser in connection with logging operations. He played with dynamite caps, one of which exploded and blew off part of a thumb and part of a finger. The penalty assessed against the employer amounted to approximately \$112.

Conference was held Saturday between the state highway commission and government officials relative to projects made possible under the new federal aid road bill. The highway commission will have to submit a primary and secondary road system to the secretary of agriculture for the latter's approval. Oregon will receive about \$2,405,000 from the government for road work, part of which must be expended on primary roads and part on secondary highways, and a portion is to be devoted to the construction of forest roads.

LOCAL FARM BUREAUS ARE QUITE ACTIVE

The Farm Bureau can become an agency through which the business and social needs of any community can be taken care of if the people of the particular community only take enough interest in their organization. The work which has been done by some of the local Farm Bureaus for the past year has been particularly interesting and worthy of note.

At Boardman the farmers are handling all of their local problems through their Farm Bureau. Among the later developments is that of organizing a Farm Home Association. They have also lined the farmers up on the Dairy proposition and as a result four cars of dairy cattle have been purchased.

The Irrigon farmers have also been busy and among other things we quote Mr. Glasgow as secretary for this work which are worthy of note. Coal prices there were exorbitant, they established buying connections, and delivered coal at Irrigon at \$11 per ton which was \$3 to \$4 less per ton than local prices. This was a means of bringing the local price down within reason and no further shipments were made. Last year they purchased a car load of corn from Iowa for local consumption, and just now are negotiating for a car which probably will be shipped by the 20th of November. This corn will not cost them laid down at Irrigon more than \$25 a ton which makes a reasonable priced feed.

The Farm Bureaus hold monthly meetings, are well organized, and are getting results every month of the year.

There is no reason why there should not be a live Farm Bureau organization in every community of Morrow county. Every other industry is organized and as farmers we have some difficulties as far as getting together are concerned, but we might as well make up our mind to overcome them one time as another. With good live community organizations which insure a real live working County Farm Bureau even the three lions which stands in the way of American agriculture as designated by Mr. Mansfield, as marketing, transportation, and finance, will be overcome and agriculture will resume in its forward march.

Let us print those butter wrappers.

AUTO LICENSES FOR NEXT YEAR NOW READY

Application blanks for 1922 licenses have been mailed by the Secretary of State to all motor vehicle owners in Oregon, so as to permit them to apply for and receive such licenses before January 1, 1922. Motor vehicle owners will avoid much trouble, annoyance and unnecessary delay by promptly applying for their 1922 licenses upon receipt of the application blanks. Deferring application for licenses until about the first of the year only congests the work of the Secretary of State's office and may result in the arrest of the car owners by traffic officers for failure to have the 1922 licenses on their cars after January 1st next. License plates for 1922 will have a yellow background and black figures and letters.

Up to the present time during the year 1921 there have been registered and licensed in Oregon 613 motor vehicle dealers, 6,436 chauffeurs, 178,620 motor vehicle operators, 3,106 motorcycles and 118,609 passenger and commercial cars, from which the total license fees aggregate \$2,319,307. The fees, less administrative expenses, are distributed one-fourth to the counties from which the registrations are received and three-fourths to the state highway fund for use in road construction and improvement throughout the state generally.

The distribution of the registrations up to September 15, 1921 shows that in Morrow county there were registered six motor vehicle dealers, 28 chauffeurs, 1,119 motor vehicle operators, one motorcycle, 739 passenger cars, two ambulances and hearses, 16 commercial cars of less than one ton capacity, and 58 trucks of from one to five tons capacity, or a total of 815 licensed passenger and commercial motor vehicles.

DAIRYMEN WILL BUY CONCENTRATES BY CARLOAD

Boardman dairymen are planning on shipping in concentrates by the carload on a co-operative basis to complete the ration for the increasing herds of dairy cows. On this basis corn can be laid down at \$25 per ton and barley at \$31. Those who want to get in on the deal see Paul Smith, who has the matter in charge.

BOARDMAN POST OF AMERICAN LEGION FITTINGLY OBSERVES ARMISTICE DAY

The observance of Armistice Day closed Friday night with a program by the American Legion, Post No. 104. Special features were community singing, portrayal of camp life including the pup tent, the crap game, camp songs and the difficulties of the doughboy experienced in getting

something to eat in a French restaurant. The address of the evening was delivered by Col. Emmet Callahan of Boardman and Portland, and it was most enthusiastically received. Special music was furnished by the Boardman quartet.

A MODERN PIED PIPER AT BOARDMAN TOWN

Eastern cities are speeding up their "overheads" thru the strains of music. Stenographers click their keys to the one step. Pittsburg stogies are rolled to the tune of the Oceania Roll. The East may peep the sun before the West, but that will be all. You have read of the cowboy in the midnight watch lullabying the restless herd to quietude. It has been left for a sheep shepherd to drum the flock to the range and back again. Mr. A. Levy employed by M. Marshall as herder is an ardent "to be" trap drummer. Drum practice tends to vibrate the evening lamp light, and Mr. Levy hit on the plan of range practice. Sheep, like people, must go thru the crux of the melting pot. Different airs effected the sheep in different ways. For instance, when Mr. Levy struck up "The Campbells Are Coming" the Scotch Shropshires were all attention. When he played "The Wearing of the Green" the South-downs were all alert, but when he played the Ulster Anthem it took seven herders and twelve dogs to separate the mass. When Yankee Doodle was struck up passable deportment of the band was observed but the black sheep, Trotsky and Lenin, were heard humming the Marsellaise. To you and I, music as well as food is part of life. Why not sheep? If music will make finer fleeces, broader shanks of cutlets, possible bankable assets, why no sheep music? A record will be kept for the year and report made public.

- Armistice Day Program
- I Song—America. Everybody Sing
 - II Song—"Smiles".....Quartette
 - III Reading.....A. L. Larsen
 - IV Song—"Joan of Arc".....Quartette
 - V Dialogue—"Ouf La La".....
 - Miss Giatt—Comrade Macomber
 - VI Song—"The Road to Home Sweet Home".....Quartette
 - VII Skit "Army Life in the Front Lines".....Post
 - VIII Piano Solo.....Mrs. Guy Lee
 - IX Address.....Comrade Callahan
 - X Piano Solo.....Mrs. Guy Lee
 - XI Song—"Star Spangled Banner".....Everybody

A large star made of chrysanthemums was displayed at the front of the stage. The floral design was the handwork of Mrs. Alice Dingman and a gift to the legion.

BETTER BOOK WEEK

Better Book Week is being observed by the local schools. The endeavor is to instill higher ideals and better reading habits. Lists of books recommended by the U. S. Department of Education for boys and girls are being presented as a guide to their reading. The library in the Boardman schools contains about 1000 books and magazines of juvenile nature, something over 2000 of adult fiction in addition to the reference books required by the state department of education for standardization.

EVANGELISTIC SERVICES

Evangelistic services to begin next Sunday are announced by Rev. Mr. Hillis of the local church. A similar series has just been completed at Irrigon with good results. Mr. Hillis has been in evangelistic work for several years and takes the view that what the world needs most is a good dose of the good old-fashioned gospel.

RAILWAY UNION HEADS NOW IN SESSION IN CHICAGO

The railway union heads are again in session in Chicago. The boards have again reduced wages much to the surprise and disappointment of the employees. Further plans will be worked out by the union heads.—Umatilla Spokesman.

ADVENTIST MINISTER ARRIVED

Pastor L. B. Losey arrived in Boardman this week with his family, and is now occupying the standard set last year. A new item of \$5000 to apply on a gymnasium was turned down. It was decided, however, to build an outdoor basketball floor which will also be used for tennis, the soil being too gravelly for an earth floor.

NO STRIKE BUT WAGES DROP

The railway wages have been reduced and the strike has been called off, and no one seems surprised in spite of the big headlines "The railway board promises no strike for a year as no reduction will be made within that time."—Umatilla Spokesman.

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NEARING THE END

