

OREGON NEWS ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

Brief Resume of Happenings of the Week Collected for Our Readers

Continued rains caused considerable damage to roads of the mid-Columbia district.

Marriages were not so popular in Union county in 1924 as in 1923, records show.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Lee of Reedsport are parents of Reedsport's first triplets, born Friday.

The auto camp maintained in the city park by Cottage Grove will be discontinued during the coming summer.

Brick work on a new central heating plant for Bend's public schools is nearing completion. Hog fuel will be used.

The Lane county court has authorized a concrete jail at Oakridge. The Southern Pacific will share in the expense.

Grove Orchard community near McMinnville has purchased a building which will be remodeled into a community hall.

Several roads near Albany were flooded by the high water last week and travel in nearly every direction from Albany was restricted.

With a desire to study floral questions and beautify Tillamook, a group of people interested in flowers have organized the Tillamook Floral club.

Two women and one man, students at Oregon Agricultural college, were dismissed by college authorities for alleged participation in liquor parties.

George O. Knowles was elected mayor of Cottage Grove to take the place vacated by J. H. Chambers, resigned, at a meeting of the city council.

Torakich Horinchi, Japanese, 42, was instantly killed near Perry when a rock which was being lifted by a derrick, split, half of it falling on his face.

Christian Ranley, 83, well known pioneer of Pendleton and an Indian fighter during the construction of the Union Pacific railroad, died at his home in Hood River.

Two million feet of logs were taken down the Siuslaw river by recent high water to the boom of the Siuslaw Boom company, near Cushman, where they will be stored until marketed.

Fruit trees in Lane county as a rule were not damaged as much by the recent freezing weather as during the zero weather in 1919, according to C. E. Stewart, county fruit inspector.

With Ochoco creek, a tributary to Crooked river, at flood stage, the Ochoco reservoir is rapidly filling with water, giving assurance to Prineville farmers of a season of plentiful crops.

Plans for the annual strawberry carnival to be held in Roseburg during May this year have already been started by the Umpqua Chiefs, who staged a very successful festival last spring.

Dr. W. T. Pby of the state board of health has begun a survey of Union county to discover the number of cases of goitre. It is claimed that Union county is one of the parts of the world where goitre is most prevalent.

Rising to 23 feet, the Willamette river at Albany set a new high mark for the winter. All through traffic was stopped except between Albany and Corvallis via the west side road, and between Albany and Portland.

If the senate passes the omnibus building bill, which has passed the house, there will be set aside out of the lump sum appropriation, \$300,000 for a federal building at Astoria, and \$120,000 for an extension of the building at Eugene.

On February 1 there was 10 feet of snow at the rim of Crater lake, 8 1/2 feet at Anna Spring camp, and the total precipitation for the previous month was 10.54 inches, according to the month's weather report received from the Crater national park ranger.

Jonathan Bourne, ex-United States senator from Oregon, will receive one-half of the estate, valued at more than \$1,000,000, left by his sister, Miss Emily Howland Bourne. Miss Bourne died in March, 1922. Ex-senator Bourne resides in Washington, D. C.

Because women violators of Bend city ordinances are obviously taking advantage of leniency being shown them due to a lack of women's quarters in the local jail, Bend's women prisoners will likely be sent to the Crook county jail in Prineville hereafter.

The number of Pacific coast fir mills that have gone onto the 5-day week is now more than 100 and approximately 23,000 employees are affected by the shortened schedule. Slack demand and accumulation of stocks at mills were the reasons assigned for reducing output until weather in the east permits full employment of building labor.

Hay shortage resulted in a comparatively heavy loss of cattle in central Oregon this winter, reports reaching Bend indicate. It was estimated that 13 per cent of the cattle in the vicinity of Sisters had died. Heavy losses were reported from Fort Rock.

The public service commission has authorized short time publication of special intrastate carload rates on seed wheat for reseeding purposes which has been made necessary as a result of the recent cold weather. The rates apply to those counties east of Hood River and south to Snake river.

After being deadlocked, 11 to one, for hanging for nearly 19 hours, the jurors at Klamath Falls who heard the case against Sim Pate, first of the gambling house murder suspects to face trial, compromised and returned a verdict of guilty of first degree murder but recommended life imprisonment.

One hundred and eighteen mills reporting to West Coast Lumbermen's association for the week ending January 31 manufactured 103,898,678 feet of lumber, sold 92,194,234 feet and shipped 98,636,648 feet. New business was 11 per cent below production. Shipments were 7 per cent above new business.

While no material damage to fall wheat will occur in Baker county on account of the recent severe winter weather, it is reported that deep freezing before snow fell will result in considerable damage to the alfalfa hay crop this year. In many instances growers will plow their alfalfa fields and reseed.

There were two fatalities in Oregon due to industrial accidents during the week ending February 5, according to a report issued by the state industrial accident commission. The victims were Mathaus Lettenmaier, Oregon City, beaterman, and Hal Lofton, Silver, laborer. A total of 549 accidents was reported.

Damage estimated at \$250,000 was entailed, thousands of head of sheep and cattle were drowned, houses and small buildings were swept away, a railroad bridge was washed out and Vale was covered with three feet of water when the dam on Bully creek, 19 miles west of Vale, broke under the pressure of flood waters.

A west coast branch of the National Lumber Manufacturers' association will be established at Portland in recognition of the increasing importance of the lumber industry in the Pacific northwest. It was announced at the headquarters of the association in Washington, D. C. Harold F. Hubbs, for many years a resident of Portland, will direct the Portland branch.

Suit was begun in circuit court at Eugene by J. H. Hawley and S. W. Boyd of Cottage Grove against the county court and the sheriff to enjoin the collection of 1924 taxes as they stand on the rolls, which have just been completed, on the ground that the amount levied upon this year exceeds by more than 6 per cent the amount levied upon last year.

Three thousand signs to mark forest trails in 22 forests in Oregon and Washington were shipped by the forest service at Portland to meet the growing demand of tourists who are making the forests their summer playgrounds. The largest shipment went to the Diamond lake region, where 550 signs were wanted, and the next to the Mount Hood national forest, which took 320 signs.

A chance for some of the farmers who are in the hog business to replace former losses with profits is seen by Fred Bennion, Umatilla county agent, following receipt of the government's report of a shortage of hogs amounting to 12,000,000 in January, 1925, as compared with 1924. Low prices for hogs and high price of feeds have caused hog production in Umatilla county to be greatly curtailed during the last two years.

The California Oregon Power company has applied to the federal power commission for a preliminary permit for an installation on Clearwater river, a tributary of the North Umpqua river, and Nowich creek, a tributary of Clearwater river, 51 miles northeast of Roseburg, Douglas county. It is proposed to construct a dam about three miles above the mouth of the Clearwater, creating a storage reservoir extending about six miles upstream, to furnish storage and power in connection with the company's other developments on the North Umpqua.

Damage to winter wheat in eastern Oregon last month was considerably greater than at first estimated, reports indicate. Between 90 and 95 per cent of the wheat crop in Morrow county will have to be reseeded, according to advices from R. W. Morse, Morrow county agent. New observations in Sherman, Gilliam and Wasco counties show early estimates far below actual figures. In Sherman county, 80 per cent of the grain is dead, according to D. E. Stephens, superintendent of the Moro experiment station. Between 20,000 and 24,000 acres will have to be reseeded in Wasco county, County Agent Daigh estimates.



Little Known Portrait of Abraham Lincoln

Freeman Thorpe Exhibiting His Portrait of Lincoln.

Lincoln Portrait Drawn From Life

In a Way, Most Interesting of All Pictures of the Great President

Freeman Thorpe, in an article published in Leslie's gave a deeply interesting account of how he made two life sketches of the martyred President, one of them being at Gettysburg while Lincoln was waiting to deliver his famous speech.

Mr. Thorpe wrote: "I was at home in Geneva, Ohio, when I heard that a train which was coming that afternoon from the east had on board Mrs. Lincoln, wife of the newly elected President. I hustled about and stirred up the militia company of the town, and when the train pulled in we had the cannon and were firing a salute in honor of the future occupant of the White House.

Then I was introduced to Mrs. Lincoln as the boy who had caused the salute. She was pleased, and treated me very graciously. Some weeks after that I wrote to President Lincoln and asked him to stop his inaugural train at Geneva, so I could make a sketch of him.

To my delight, Lincoln replied, agreeing to my request. I let it be known in Geneva that President Lincoln would honor the town by stopping there a few minutes, on his way to take office, and from sunrise until the train arrived every bell in Geneva kept up a continual ringing. People heard the noise away out in the country, and came in to learn what it was all about.



George G. Barnard, well-known sculptor, is here shown at his New York studio putting the finishing touches to the first of four 15-foot heads of Abraham Lincoln which are to be placed along the Lincoln highway, in four states.

When the train pulled in I was the first to clamber onto the platform of the President's car. There stood Lincoln ready to clasp my hand. Then I took my position on the next platform, and began my sketch, while the crowd pushed up to shake his hand. Of course that sketch was rough, but I got the likeness.

Then came the war. I enlisted and served in the Second Ohio cavalry, fighting in the Shenandoah valley. My health broke down and I was sent on detached duty to Jeffersonville, Ind., to recuperate. When I regained my health, I went on to Washington to rejoin my regiment. That was just before the first anniversary of the battle of Gettysburg. With my precious Geneva sketch of Lincoln, I went to the War department and asked for a furlough to go to Gettysburg and make another sketch of the President. For it had been announced that Mr. Lincoln would speak on that occasion.

I got the furlough and rode on the same train with the President, securing an audience. I showed him my finished drawing, made from the Geneva "sketch" which, he complimented it.

When we arrived at Gettysburg, we found a great crowd there, interested in the scenes of the battlefield, rather than in the program of speeches. There were many open graves and battle victims were being buried. Only a comparatively small number of people gathered about the stand to

hear the speeches. I stood within 15 feet of Mr. Lincoln, as he sat on the platform. There I made another sketch. There is a wonderful difference in its expression from that of the Geneva sketch! The lines are deeper; the countenance more grave. We listened two hours to the oration of Edward Everett, then the President stepped forward, a sheet of paper in his left hand. There he stood, his left foot advanced ahead of his right, and began to speak, gesticulating somewhat with both long arms. The crowd settled down to hear an hour's address, but it was all over in less than three minutes and the President sat down. There was no applause. The audience was astonished. Three minutes, when they had expected an hour! The meeting silently broke up.

In 1871 I went to Washington with my two Lincoln sketches. They were the only known sketches from life of the martyr President, and that fact interested the senators.

"They built a studio for me on the capitol roof, over the senate wing, and I occupied it for 20 years. I was twenty-seven years old when given that studio, but not until last year did I finish my portrait of Lincoln. The library committee of the senate recommended its purchase, and the senate unanimously voted \$2,000 for it.

Few but Have Kindly Feeling for Lincoln

"You (the South) have no oath registered in Heaven to destroy the government, while I have the most solemn one to preserve, protect and defend it," said Lincoln in his first inaugural. This is the Lincoln who appeals to the conservatives, the Lincoln who saved the Union, says a writer in the Boston Globe.

They quote him on emancipation: "If I could save the Union without freeing any slave, I would do it; if I could save the Union by freeing all the slaves, I would do it. . . . Whatever I do about slavery and the colored race, I do because I believe it helps save the Union."

However much he hated slavery, Lincoln saw the Union as his first job, and even the stodgiest Tory of today can respect him on this count.

But the nonconservative (from the lightest pink to the deepest red) remembers Lincoln's remark on first seeing a slave market. "If I ever get a chance to hit that thing, I'm going to hit it hard."

During the spring of 1919, one of the reddest magazines in America flaunted a full-page face of the Emancipator on its cover and in its editorial section justified its course with examples from the life of Lincoln.

Even Lenin, in one of his "Letters to American Workingmen," commented on the emancipation of the slaves and paid tribute to the President who accomplished it.

Presidential Victory Came as Birthday Gift

Almost in the nature of a birthday gift came the news to Abraham Lincoln that he had been elected President of the United States. The electoral college met and voted and on February 8 congress assembled in joint convention.

At this convention the vice president announced he had the return from the states of Tennessee and Louisiana, but in obedience to the existing laws, he held it to be his duty not to present them to the convention. Only the returns from the loyal states, including West Virginia, were counted. The result showed 212 electoral votes for Lincoln and 21 for McClellan.

On the very day of the President's birthday, announcement came to Washington that the cotton ships Sherman had sent from Savannah had put into New York and Newport, R. I. The dispatches were featured in the newspapers announcing the arrival of the vessels and commenting with favor on the prospects of getting cargoes of cotton from the newly opened ports of the South.

If there were any thoughts of death on his mind on his last birthday, however, it is more than likely that they were due to a conscientiousness of having labored under too terrific a strain for any man to survive, especially with four years more of vexatious problems and unceasing labor ahead.

CECIL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Farrons of Ione were callers at the Last Camp on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Troedson and Miss Francis of Ella, also Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stender and daughter of Seldomsen were all calling on friends in Cecil on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Funk and daughter, of the Logan cottage spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Happpol of Heppner.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Streeter and family of Cecil were the dinner guests on Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Tyler of Ewing.

R. E. Duncan of the Busy Bee was delivering a load of honey in Lexington and Heppner on Wednesday.

Miss E. O'Neal who has been visiting in Portland for sometime arrived home on Sunday and will visit with her parents Mr. and Mrs. O'Neal, she was accompanied by her niece little Miss Virginia Thompson.

Mrs. L. L. Funk, Mrs. Sexton and Mrs. Geo. Krebs were transacting business in Ione on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hynd motored to Heppner on business last Wednesday. Mrs. Hynd remained in town for a few weeks.

W. V. Pederson of Harper of Ewing also, Bot Lowe and Walter Pope of Cecil were all calling at the W. H. Chandler ranch on Sunday.

Mrs. Alf Medlock and sons of Rock-cliff spent Wednesday and Thursday with Mrs. Pat Medlock of Morgan.

One more band of sheep belonging to R. A. Thompson arrived at the Shepards Rest, on Tuesday and will be fed here for some time.

J. J. McEntire and daughter Josephine were Arlington callers on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Krebs and sons were in Heppner on Thursday.

T. H. Lowe of The Highway House, left on the local on Friday for Portland where he expects to be for a few days.

Marion Van Scholack of Arlington was a caller at the Karl Farnsworth ranch at Rhea on Saturday.

Chas. Hynd of the Pines-Ukiah arrived at Butterfly Flats on Friday and on Sunday left for Portland with a carload of cattle for Hynd Bros.

Harold Cox of the Shepards Rest transacted business in Ione Friday.

Miss Annie Hynd who has been in Heppner for a few weeks returned to Butterfly Flats on Sunday.

John Krebs accompanied by Pat Medlock and Bot Lowe were callers in Morgan on Tuesday evening.

Going Some!

The balance wheel of a watch revolves 18,000 times an hour, which means that it travels about 2,500 miles a year if constantly in use.



I'm Starting Now!

Resolve right now at the beginning of the New Year to save each week at least some small part of your income. It will prove the most profitable resolution you could make.

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The design of the ox team and covered wagon symbolizes the spirit of the old west. It typifies vision, endurance, hope, suffering and final accomplishment. Over the Old Oregon Trail from the Missouri river the covered wagons came and won an empire for the United States. The design is the work of Avar Fairbanks of the University of Oregon.