

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

Pendleton is to have a community style show Thursday and Friday.

A series of teachers' institutes is to be held in the different cities and towns of Lane county.

An enormous influx of eastern people onto Oregon farms with the coming of spring is predicted.

The Silver Falls Lumber company will start its newly constructed big mill at Silver Falls on March 12.

Arrangements are being completed for the establishment of a tannery and glove factory at Klamath Falls.

Out of 226 accidents reported to the state industrial accident commission during the week, not one was fatal.

The district convention of the Knights of Pythias of Union and Wallowa counties was held in Wallowa.

An epidemic of measles has swept Gateway and almost every family either has had or is having this disease.

The Coos and Curry Fair association has designated September 12 to 15 inclusive for the dates of the annual fair.

The new coast guard station at the mouth of the Siuslaw river, about three miles from Florence, will be completed May 1.

Attendance at the meeting of the Western Oregon Christian Endeavor union at Salem last week totaled between 900 and 1000.

The Lane county Pomona regatta, at a meeting at Santa Clara, passed resolutions opposing the proposed \$5,000,000 road bond issue.

Katherine M. Doan, supervisor and parole officer at the state industrial school for girls, has submitted her resignation to the state board of control.

To decide upon the purchase of a new \$45,000 site for the central school of Klamath Falls, the school board has called for a special election March 7.

Money from the rural credits fund will be available for lending purposes to the farmers of the state by the middle of March or the first part of April.

Portland has another shipbuilding plant, the Coast Shipbuilding company, a \$400,000 concern, which will engage in the building of wooden ships.

Circulation of petitions asking for a recall election against County Judge J. B. Messick and County Commissioner J. P. Ritter, has been started in Baker county.

With 450 bills enacted into law the session laws of 1917 will be the largest volume of session laws ever published by the state. The volume will be ready for sale early in May.

R. R. Raymond, administrator of the Raymond estate, sold a half section of wheat land near Weyland station, northwest of Helix, to S. S. Parris, well-known Weston farmer, for \$35,000.

Making preparation for the coming flax season, the state board of control has arranged for letting contracts to include a minimum of five acres and a maximum of 750 acres to any one man.

When a new law goes into effect in May, it will be a misdemeanor in Oregon for a person with insufficient funds in the bank to cash a check, providing he does it with intent to defraud.

A marker for the old Oregon trail, south of Eugene, has been prepared and will be set up at Coryell Pass, on the Pacific highway, between Eugene and Goshen, when the weather gets better.

It is reported that some of the officers of Crook county may resign their places as a result of the reduction of their salaries by the legislature, and the elimination of two deputy officials.

The Roseburg public schools were closed and the children were ordered off the streets and away from public gatherings last week because of an epidemic of measles in Roseburg and the surrounding country.

Encouraged by the greater returns to be made through the growing of beets for the sugar factory, a number of the hopgrowers in the Grants Pass district are digging out their hopyards and will plant beets this season.

Date for taking effect of the new rules promulgated by the Interstate commerce commission in an effort to relieve the unprecedented car shortage which has gripped this country, has been postponed from February 21 to March 15.

Adjutant General George A. White has resumed his place at the head of the Oregon national guard, following his muster out at Vancouver barracks, Wash., as captain of troop A, Oregon cavalry, which was disbanded after nine months' service on the California border. Major W. W. Wilson, who acted as adjutant general in the absence of General White, resumed his former position as inspector general.

SINKING OF LACONIA MAY BE "OVERT ACT"

Washington.—The sinking of the Laconia, with the loss of American lives, is looked upon by the American government as a clear-cut violation of American rights, according to an authoritative expression of opinion obtained after a conference between President Wilson and Secretary Lansing. No further investigation is considered necessary.

President Wilson and state department officials took the position that no further step would be taken until congress has had an opportunity to act on the president's request.

The view prevailed that the sinking of the Laconia should hasten action by congress. The first step of the government, it is indicated, will be to furnish American ships with guns and gunners for defensive purposes and insure them in the government war risk bureau.

On the basis of the official reports the sinking of the Laconia is regarded as another Lusitania case in principle, even though fewer lives were lost.

BAN ON WHISKY PROPOSED

California Grape Growers Will Introduce Anti-Saloon Bill.

San Francisco.—Addressing the Commonwealth Club, Frank Sweet, president of the Grape Growers' Protective association, said a bill to eliminate saloons and stop the sale of high proof liquors in California would be put before the legislature at the last half of the two-part session.

Outlining the proposed measure, the speaker said the law would bar all whiskey, gin, brandy, vermouth and other ardent liquors, but would place no limit on alcohol contents of wines and beers. It would close the saloons, but permit the sale of sealed bottles of wine and beer in retail stores, of which there may be not more than one for every 2000 persons.

Seed Spuds Are \$100 a Ton.

Seattle, Wash.—One hundred dollars a ton for seed potatoes is the price quoted to jobbers here by farmers in the valleys between Seattle and Tacoma.

Spuds Rise \$1 a Mile.

Gaston, Or.—Oregon potatoes increase in value at the rate of \$1 a mile as they travel east. A car of 655 sacks standing on the track here is worth \$2500. When it reaches the New York market, its value rises to \$6000.

Panama Would Help Guard Canal.

Panama.—The national assembly of Panama adopted unanimously a resolution expressing sympathy with the United States and a desire to cooperate in the defense of the canal zone.

Churches Make Big Membership Gain

New York.—The net increase in 1916 in church members in the United States was 747,000, a gain of 204,000 over the increase for 1915, according to figures made public here.

Chicago Takes Food Census.

Chicago.—A food census of Chicago was taken by the police department.

GERMANS ABANDON LINES TO BRITISH

London.—Under cover of a heavy fog, which shielded their operations from British observers, the Germans on Saturday carried out the greatest retirement they have made on the western front in the last two years and the British have taken possession of Pys, Serre, Miraumont and Petit Miraumont, including the famous Butte de Warlencourt, which has been the scene of some of the fiercest fighting of the war and in places is deep with the bones of dead men.

The German retirement, it is estimated, approaches a depth of three miles at some points.

The British soon will be in a position, possibly, to force the evacuation of Bapaume, which has been the key to the German position since the beginning of the battle of the Somme.

DUTCH DEEPLY INDIGNANT

Newspaper Says Honor Can Not Further Be Upheld by Protest.

The Hague, via London.—While officials remain gravely calm there has been an inevitable outburst of deep indignation on the part of the Dutch newspapers at what the Amsterdam Telegraaf calls "a blow in our face and the greatest humiliation to which a neutral has been subjected." The paper adds:

"We confess inability to see how the honor of our nation can further be maintained by protests."

Other less bellicose newspapers reflect hardly less embitterment on the part of the whole nation at the latest example of German ruthlessness, while

even German circles, it is learned, profess deep regret over what they admit to be a ghastly blunder.

The German legation at The Hague has issued a statement declaring that the disaster to the Dutch steamers was due "to an extremely regrettable coincidence of circumstances, which is unfortunate, but beyond our control."

Berlin Denies Insult to U. S. Flag.

London.—A Reuter dispatch from Amsterdam says that it is denied in a telegram from Berlin that the German authorities at Brussels ordered Brand Whitehead, the American minister, to lower the American flag over his legation.

Oregon Will Bond for Good Roads.

Salem, Or.—With only four dissenting votes the \$6,600,000 road bonds measure, amended to provide for its submission to the people at a special election next June 4, passed the senate. It was sent immediately to the house, which concurred in the senate amendments.

Anti-Spy Bill Is Passed by Senate.

Washington.—The administration espionage bill, providing severe penalties for spying on matters of national defense and punishing conspiracies to violate American neutrality, was passed by the senate by a vote of 69 to 19.

WORK OF LANE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL AGENT

Brief Resume of Activities Undertaken During the Past Year

Cooperative marketing, increasing the acreage and improvements in quality of corn and clover, drainage, organization of rural communities and a county agricultural council, improvement of the dairy industry, farm management demonstrations and a large amount of assistance to groups and individuals on a great variety of agricultural problems are the lines of work to which the most attention has been given during the past three years by the county agricultural agent of Lane county. This position is held by N. S. Robb formerly in charge of the farm department of the University of Idaho.

In cooperative marketing most has been accomplished along the line of livestock. This was started in the fall of 1915 by G. J. Hurd and the county agent. To date nearly 100 cars of stock have been shipped at a saving of several thousand dollars to the producers. The county agent also gave considerable assistance in the establishment of a farmers' public market at Eugent. This has been very successful and did over twenty-five thousand dollars worth of business during the past season. Through the efforts of Mr. Hurd and the county agent a wool pool was formed last summer, which disposed of 40,000 lbs. of Lane county wool very advantageously. Through the assistance of the county agent of Placer county, California, the Lane county agent was able to dispose of a carload of vetch seed that brought as high a price as any paid during the season and opened a new market for Lane county vetch seed. A considerable quantity of vetch and gray oats were disposed of through the county agent of Josephine county. Members of a grange on the west side of the county were aided in purchasing a carload of feed from members of the grange at Jasper.

An exchange list is published about the 10th of each month containing both "want" and "for sale" columns notices of meetings and timely articles. This is meeting with hearty approval of many farmers and aids in the disposal of many things which would otherwise be hard to move.

There is great need of producing feeds in Lane county, which contain more carbohydrates. Sufficient corn is not yet being produced to meet this need. There is a type of red-upland soil which will not produce a satisfactory yield of corn. Eight demonstrations of white winter barley are being conducted by the county agent on this type of soil to ascertain if it is a crop which will give satisfactory yields.

To encourage the growing of more and better corn the county agent aided the Bank of Commerce in Eugene in giving the first corn show ever held in Lane county. There were 135 entries. During both of the past two seasons corn contests have been held under the auspices of the granges. Considerable time has been devoted to this work by the county agent and all fields were judged by Prof. Hyslop, of the agricultural college.

There are three large areas in the county needing drainage in addition to the tide lands and marshes along the coast. Considerable time has been spent in advisory work in all of these districts and a power ditching demonstration attended by eighty persons was held at Aeme on October 15.

The organization of rural communities is carried on through the grange. There are now twenty active granges in the county. A county agricultural council has just finished two years of successful work. This is composed of one representative from each of the granges together with the officers of the Pomona grange and a member of the county court. This council meets the third Thursday of each month in the office of the county agent for the purpose of discussing the work and carrying on several projects with the aid of the county agent. Cooperative marketing and shipping is one of the



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