

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

Fear of an acute stock-feed famine is growing around Canyon City.

A shingle mill is to be erected on the North fork of the Willamette River at once.

Seven out of nine of the councilmen of Oregon City are facing a recall, including the mayor.

The backbone of the car shortage on the Southern Pacific lines in Oregon seems to be broken.

Another effort to create Cascade county out of the eastern section of Clackamas is reported to be afoot.

Sixteen hundred acres of producing prune land in Polk county gave a total of 3,500,000 pounds of dried prunes in 1916.

A carload of young shorthorn bulls, 43 in number aged 1 and 2 years, brought a total of \$19,000 at a sale at Union.

The new auxiliary schooner Margaret, the second vessel built at the McCracken yards at Astoria, was launched Saturday.

During the recent heavy snow storm almost every pole on the Riddle telephone exchange was broken and fell to the ground.

Baker county gold and copper mines are at present producing an average of \$300,000 a month, according to estimates of mining men.

With nearly 200 cases of measles in Roseburg the health authorities decided to delay opening the public school until late this week.

With 424 convicts at the state penitentiary, every able bodied man is now employed at some useful occupation, according to Warden Murphy.

Democrats from western Oregon gathered in Albany Saturday at a banquet, in honor of W. H. Hornbrook, former minister to Siam.

There are at least 80,000 sacks of potatoes held in storage in Portland, according to a report made to Assessor Henry E. Reed of Multnomah county.

Good road enthusiasts in the state of Oregon have been invited to attend a rally to be held in Eugene the afternoon and evening of Saturday, March 10.

The \$200,000 road bond issue voted in Wasco county at the last general election is valid, according to an opinion handed down by the supreme court.

Plans to reopen the famous Todd quicksilver mines at Elk Head, eight miles east of Yoncalla, which have been idle for 14 years, have been announced.

Over 50 delegates from the Y. W. C. A. organizations of western Willamette valley schools attended a conference at the Oregon normal school at Monmouth.

Only such measures as are designated in the act calling the special election itself will be on the ballot for consideration at the election to be held Monday, June 4.

The W. F. Drager Fruit company, of Roseburg, shipped 87,500 pounds of Douglas county prunes to London, where they will be distributed among the allied armies.

It is reported that the livestock of Douglas county suffered considerably as a result of the recent snow storm. Hundreds of sheep perished on the higher elevations.

Fifty Bandon business men are financing a stock company to the amount of \$5000 to reopen the Bandon woolen mills, which have been idle for the past two years.

Applications for grazing permits for 6491 head of cattle and 51,800 head of sheep have been made up to date to Supervisor W. G. Hastings, of the Deschutes national forest.

Whitworth Lord, one of the most active men in the early history of The Dalles, and, with perhaps one exception, the oldest pioneer of Wasco county, died in McMinnville.

Miss Bertha Dorris, for the last year and a half matron of the department of public safety in Eugene, has been appointed parole officer of the state girls' industrial school at Salem.

John V. Benes, a Portland architect, has been named to prepare plans and specifications for the proposed \$100,000 library building to be erected for the Oregon Agricultural college at Corvallis.

The Willamette University glee club has started on a 3000-mile tour of eastern Oregon, Washington and Idaho. The men will be absent for six weeks and will appear in more than 40 concerts on the trip.

Work was started this week by the Pearson Construction company on the elimination of the O. W. R. & N. grade crossings on Portland's East Side, a project contemplated for years. The contract amounts to \$507,000.

The state board of control has turned over to the advisory board of women of the girls' industrial school at Salem, all problems of hiring and discharging employes, or of accepting the resignations of such employes.

MUCH LEGISLATION SHUT OUT AT CLOSE

Many Administration Measures
Fail Because of Tangle
in Congress.

Washington.—Of the legislation on the administration program proper, only the revenue bill and the measure giving civil government to Porto Rico and American citizenship to its inhabitants, got through the legislative tangle at the close of the session.

Among the administration bills which failed were the measures to supplement the Adamson law, the bill to enlarge the interstate commerce commission, the Webb bill to legalize joint foreign selling agencies, and conservation legislation, including the general dam bills and water power bills. Bills which do not form part of the original program, but which were pressed unsuccessfully by cabinet officers and administration leaders included amendments to the shipping act to give the president power to commandeer ships, a drastic espionage bill which passed the senate but was never taken up in the house, and amendments to the federal reserve act to increase reserve bank gold holdings and decrease member bank reserves.

Congress provided for the payment of \$25,000,000 for the Danish West Indies. Among important enactments which were not specifically included in the administration program was the bill abolishing saloons in the District of Columbia and the rider on the postoffice appropriation bill making it a crime to transport liquor in interstate commerce into a prohibition state.

EXTRA SESSION SEEMS CERTAIN

Washington.—President Wilson, it was stated authoritatively, will do everything possible to find a way to arm American ships and protect them in other ways from submarine danger, in spite of the failure of the senate to pass the bill giving him specific power.

In deciding the legal status of the question, it was learned, the president and his advisers are considering the intent of the old statute passed in 1819 which was cited in the senate as prohibiting the arming of merchantmen for action against armed public vessels of nations in amity with the United States.

An extra session of congress before July 1 to pass appropriation bills, if for no other purpose, seemed to be certain. If the senate amends its rules so prompt action can be taken on an armed neutrality bill, an extra session of congress may be expected within the next two or three weeks.

Messages, apparently spontaneous, which came to government officials from all parts of the country, criticized in bitter terms the senators who prevented action on the armed neutrality bill.

WILSON IS INAUGURATED

Takes Oath Sunday to Uphold Constitution of United States.

Washington.—President Wilson took the oath of office for his second term at noon Sunday in his room at the capitol and was formally inaugurated Monday with public ceremonies.

Before a desk piled with executive business laid before him in the closing hours of congress and surrounded by members of his official family, he reaffirmed, with uplifted hand and grave features, his promise to uphold the constitution in whatever crisis may confront the nation in the momentous four years before it.

Members of the cabinet then crowded up with expressions of regard. Mr. Wilson returned them with a smile and then turned back to his desk to complete his interrupted task.

Vice-President Marshall did not take the oath Sunday, but was sworn in for his second term Monday at the special session of the new senate with the usual vice-presidential inauguration ceremony.

Idaho Iowans Display Wrath.

Caldwell, Idaho.—Former Iowa citizens residing here lynched in effigy Senators Keuon and Cummins, of Iowa. The action was taken by the former citizens of the Hawkeye state to express their indignation over the Iowa senators' co-operation with Senator La Follette, of Wisconsin, to prevent the enactment of a bill authorizing President Wilson to arm merchant vessels for protection against the German submarine warfare.

25 Americans on Laconia.

Washington.—All the evidence on the Laconia's destruction now compiled at the state department shows that 25 Americans were put in jeopardy of their lives by the German submarine. Three were killed.

CONGRESS DEFIED BY TWELVE SENATORS

Filibuster, Led by La Follette,
Defeats Bill to Give Wil-
son Power Asked.

Washington.—Twelve senators, led by Senator La Follette and encouraged by Senator Stone, democratic chairman of the foreign relations committee, in a filibuster, denounced by President Wilson's spokesmen as the most reprehensible in the history of any civilized nation, defied the will of an overwhelming majority in congress up to the last minute and denied to the president a law authorizing him to arm American merchant ships to meet the German submarine menace.

To fix responsibility before the country, 76 senators, 30 republicans and 46 democrats, signed a manifesto proclaiming to the world that they favored passage of the measure.

This declaration, embodied in the record of the senate, referred to the fact that the house had passed a similar bill by a vote of 403 to 13 and also recited that the senate rule permitting unlimited debate gave a small minority opportunity to throttle the will of the majority.

The 12 who went on record with the 13 members of the house against granting to President Wilson the authority he asked for congress in the crisis were:

Republicans—Clapp, Minnesota; La Follette, Wisconsin; Cummins, Iowa; Gronna, North Dakota; Kenyon, Iowa; Norris, Nebraska; Works, California.

Democrats—Kirby, Arkansas; Lane, Oregon; O'Gorman, New York; Stone, Missouri; Vardaman, Mississippi.

Senator Lane of Oregon was the only senator from the northwest to oppose giving the president power to arm American ships for defense against submarine attacks. He refused to sign the manifesto approving the bill.

GERMANY REGRETS DISCOVERY OF NOTE

London.—The German government's plan for involving Mexico and Japan in war with the United States, in event of hostilities between Germany and America, was defended in an address before the reichstag by the foreign secretary.

"We were looking out for all of us in the event of there being a prospect of war with America. It was a natural and justified precaution. I am not sorry that, through its publication in America, it also became known in Japan.

"For the dispatch of these instructions a secure way was chosen which at present is at Germany's disposal. How the Americans came into possession of the text which went to America in special secret code we do not know. That these instructions should have fallen into American hands is a misfortune, but that does not alter the fact that the step was necessary for our patriotic interests."

UNAWARE OF TEUTON PLOT

Knowledge of German Inguire Is Denied by Mexico and Japan.

Guadalajara, Mexico.—General Canide Aguilar, the provisional minister of foreign relations, has formally denied that the Mexican government had been approached by Germany with the object of forming an alliance hostile to the United States.

Tokio.—The declaration of the Japanese government, through Foreign Minister Viscount Motono, that Japan has received no proposition from Mexico or Germany to join in a possible war against the United States was supplemented in a statement made on behalf of the government by Kijuro Chidehara, vice foreign minister.

BERNSTORFF GIVEN ORDERS

Was Instructed by Berlin to Cripple Interned Vessels.

Washington.—Count von Bernstorff, the former German ambassador, was instructed from Berlin to arrange the dismantling of German war-bound ships in American harbors at the same time he received the Zimmerman note for transmission to Mexico.

This added thread in the mesh of German intrigue spun around this country while Germany was still protesting friendship was allowed to become known with the inference that full and detailed instructions were sent Bernstorff from Berlin to make war by this country impossible.

Washington "U" Is With President.

Seattle, Wash.—Eighty-eight members of the University of Washington faculty have wired the state's congressional delegation a request for their immediate and hearty cooperation with the president. The telegram endorsed President Wilson's foreign policy.



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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that by order of the county court of Lane county, Oregon, duly made and entered of record the 24th day of February, 1917, in the matter of the estate of Chauncey S. Whitlock, deceased, the undersigned Clarence G. Whitlock was duly appointed administrator of said estate.

All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present them duly verified as required by law to said administrator, at the law office of Alta King, First National Bank building, Cottage Grove, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated this 26th day of February, A. D. 1917.

CLARENCE G. WHITLOCK,
Administrator.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of William H. Arne, deceased, has filed in the county court of Lane County, Oregon, his final account as such administrator and that Tuesday, the 27th day of March, 1917, at the hour of 11 o'clock A. M. of said day has been fixed by said court as the time for hearing any objections to said report and the settlement thereof.

RUFUS C. ARNE, Administrator.
Alta King, Attorney for Estate f22m22

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of Edna L. Hedrick, deceased, has filed his account for the final settlement of said estate in the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Lane County and that Monday, the 26th day of March, A. D. 1917, at 11 o'clock a. m., at the Court room of said Court in Eugene, Lane County, Oregon, has been by said Court fixed as the time and place of hearing objections thereto and for final settlement of said estate by order made and entered of record the 14th day of February, A. D. 1917.

GEORGE M. HALL,
Administrator of the Estate
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H. J. Shinn, Attorney f22-m22

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