

## OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

### Important Occurrences of Past Week Briefly Compiled for Our Readers.

There is now 40 feet of water at the entrance of the Columbia.

The Albany fruit juice factory has closed a successful season.

Scarcity of skilled labor is keenly felt in the district around Baker.

The season for killing deer in Hood River county will open August 15.

Free mail delivery for the city of Klamath Falls is to be installed immediately.

This year's prune crop in Polk county will be exceptionally large and of good quality.

The president has nominated Elizabeth Thompson to be postmaster at Nyssa, Oregon.

An ordinance prohibiting card playing in pool or billiard halls is now in effect in Portland.

Work on the Portland auditorium which is under construction is now progressing rapidly.

Warden Minto of the state prison dismissed J. Frank Humphries, farmer of the institution.

Coos Bay saw its first circus last Friday when the Cooper Brothers' show exhibited there.

The Polk county educational board has elected Floyd D. Moore for supervisor of rural schools.

Marshfield was chosen by the Oregon grand lodge, Knights of Pythias, as the 1917 convention city.

Six convicts escaped from the flax camp of the Oregon prison, located five miles northeast of Salem.

Lebanon is to have a summer swimming pool with a competent man in charge for the rest of the summer.

A movement has started in Corvallis with the purpose of providing gymnasium quarters for women and men.

After teaching in the Salem schools for 22 years, Miss Emma Kramer, principal of the McKinley school, has resigned.

Rev. "Billy" Sunday opened the campaign to keep Oregon dry, in speaking in the Portland Ice Hippodrome, Tuesday night.

The 25th session of the Great Council of Oregon, Improved Order of Red Men, is to convene in Portland August 15 and 16.

Ira Wimberly, who was nominated for postmaster at Drain by President Wilson, has been a resident of that city for 25 years.

The flour mill at Prairie City has changed hands, O. G. Trester having purchased the interest of Dr. V. C. Belknap and R. C. Reese.

Many conflicts and duplications in the road laws of the state are pointed out in a 64-page pamphlet just issued by State Engineer Lewis.

During the first six months of the operation of the prohibition law only 1058 permits to ship in liquor were issued to Polk county people.

Installation of new machinery at the plant of the Bend Water, Light & Power company, to care for the increasing demands of the town, is completed.

The Utah-Idaho Sugar company of Salt Lake City, will pay the Sutherlin beet growers 50 cents a ton more than the contract price of \$4.75 for their crop this season.

Rev. Robert Booth, veteran Methodist minister, celebrated his ninety-sixth birthday anniversary in Roseburg at the home of his son, J. H. Booth, of Roseburg.

Found guilty of that clause of the law which prohibits intoxicating beverages at public gatherings, Jack Travers, of Cascade Locks, was fined \$100 at Hood River.

Chris Lassen, held at Oregon City for a week in the county jail as a suspect in the San Francisco bomb outrage, was committed to the state hospital for the insane.

Governor Withycombe has appointed Miss Margaret E. Howatson, of Portland, a member of the industrial welfare commission to succeed Miss Bertha Moores, resigned.

Reviewing the road expenditures of Multnomah county the first six months of the present year it is found that there was expended for labor \$122,759 and for materials \$101,729.

Portland will have a Fourth of July celebration next year. Preliminary steps for the event were taken at the final meeting of the committee which managed this year's ceremonies.

On the farm of Chester Ralph, on R. F. D. 2, Dallas, is a freak apple tree. The tree is now bearing fruit half grown and at the same time is in blossom for the second time this season.

Miss Esther Carson has been appointed secretary to Governor Withycombe, to serve during the temporary absence of George Palmer Putnam, who is with the troops on the border.

The condition of the Oregon boys at the border is in every way satisfactory, according to L. B. Rhodes, state secretary of the Y. M. C. A., who has recently returned to Portland after a visit of several weeks in the various troop camps.

Seven thousand acres of the rich bottom land of Butter creek will constitute a new irrigation district if the petition to be presented to the Umatilla county court at the next session is allowed.

Three thousand people attended the barbecue given on the bay beach at Newport to celebrate the raising of the first \$25,000 of the \$100,000 bonus to be given to help build a railroad into the town.

Engineer C. R. Broughton of the Southern Pacific lost his right foot, and Frank Lane, his assistant, was also injured in an accident at tunnel seven, on the Willamette-Pacific railroad near Marshfield.

The receipts of the state industrial commission for the month of July—\$93,956.61—were the highest in the history of the commission, according to a report issued by the commission covering its condition at the close of business on July 31.

The car shortage on the Southern Pacific in the Willamette valley continues to increase daily, according to reports received by the Oregon Public Service commission, and the closing of lumber mills is foreseen unless speedy relief is afforded.

Wheat quotations soared to a new top record for the season in Portland Saturday when \$1.14 was bid for bluestem at the Merchants' exchange. Quotations on other grades of wheat ranged from that figure down to \$1.07, which was offered for red Russian.

Services of J. C. Cady as superintendent of the Oregon penitentiary flax plant were terminated by the state board of control over the protest of Governor Withycombe. R. Crawford, of Portland, has been named to take charge of the harvesting of the flax crop.

Holding that the local ordinance closing theaters on Sundays is in violation of section 2135, Lord's Oregon Laws, commonly known as the Sunday closing law, Judge H. H. Belt, of the circuit court, lifted the Sunday lid from the moving-picture business in Dallas.

The Hughes campaign in Oregon was opened at a spirited rally held in the old Baker theater in Portland. James E. Watson, candidate for United States senator from Indiana, and for many years a republican leader in the national house of representatives, was the speaker.

What will be one of the most important meetings the Western Pine Manufacturers' association, the California White Pine association and the Western Box Manufacturers' association ever held will be in Bend August 9 and 10. It is expected that fully 100 pine manufacturers will attend.

The fact that liquor was being brought into Oregon in large quantities became known with the seizure by Sheriff Hurlburt of Portland of six trunks laden with whiskey. They were expressed from San Francisco. Their contents was discovered from the fact that one of them sprang a leak.

H. H. Childers, a government secret service man, has been on Coos Bay for the past few days, seeking out witnesses who would be valuable to the government in convicting S. A. D. Puter, Dick Puter, William Puter and five others recently indicted in the United States federal court at San Francisco.

Investigation of the flax acreage by members of the state board of control, Robert Crawford, the state's new flax expert, and J. W. Minto, superintendent of the Oregon penitentiary, developed the fact that a large percentage of the flax fields are foul with weeds and many fields will not be accepted by the board.

The stand of Attorney General Brown and District Attorney Evans that taxes collected in counties for road work could be spent as a general fund for the benefit of the entire county, taken in the case of the state, ex rel Brady, against the commissioners of Multnomah county, was sustained by the supreme court.

The recruiting campaign will be prosecuted with renewed vigor beginning the present week. Permanent stations will be opened in Eugene, La Grande, The Dalles and Portland. Five recruiting sergeants were detailed in connection with this duty. The work

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|                                                 |                                        |                      |                |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| L've Portland 7:15, a m.                        | Gerlinger 10:33.                       | Independence 11.     | Monmouth 11:10 |
| " Salem 9:45, "                                 | " " " "                                | " " " "              | " " "          |
| " " 1:40, p m.                                  | Dallas 2:55                            | " " "                | 3:20           |
| " " 4:00, "                                     | Gerlinger 4:38.                        | Independence 4:55.   | Monmouth 5:05  |
| " " 6:15, "                                     | " 7:00, "                              | " 7:20, "            | 7:30           |
| " Portland 3:20.                                | Connects with above                    |                      |                |
| " Corvallis 6:45, a m.                          | Independence 7:35                      | Arrive Monmouth 7:45 |                |
| " " 1:15, p m                                   | " 2:20                                 | " 2:30               |                |
| " Dallas 7:00, a m.                             | Arrive Monmouth 7:25                   |                      |                |
| " Airlie 8:30, a m and 3:55, p m.               | Arrives Monmouth 9:05 a m and 4:30 p m |                      |                |
| Leave Independence, 7, a m, 7:35, 8:45, 11, p m | 1:30, 2:20, 3, 4:15, 4:55, 7:20        |                      |                |

#### Trains out of Monmouth

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| L've Monmouth 7:15 a m.                                                        | Independence 7:35.               | Gerlinger 7:49. | Ar Salem 8:30  |
| " Same as above                                                                |                                  |                 | Portland 11:10 |
| " Monmouth 1:50, p m.                                                          | " 2:14, "                        | 2:27, "         | Salem 3:15     |
| " Same as above                                                                |                                  |                 | Portland 5:55  |
| " Monmouth 4:35,                                                               | " 4:55, "                        | 5:10, "         | Salem 6:00     |
| " " 9:05, a m.                                                                 | Dallas 10:10                     | " 11:10         |                |
| " " 4:30, p m                                                                  | " 4:55,                          | " 6:00          |                |
| " " 9:05, a m.                                                                 | Independence 10:50.              | Corvallis 11:50 |                |
| " " 5:10, p m.                                                                 | " 7:15, "                        | 8:15            |                |
| " " 7:25 a m and 3:20 p m.                                                     | Arrives Airlie 8 a m and 3:50 pm |                 |                |
| Leave Monmouth 7:15, a m, 8:15 9:05, 11:15, 1:50, 2:35, 3:20, 4:35, 5:10, 7:35 |                                  |                 |                |

### PICTURESQUE AMERICA.

Scenic Beauty of This Country Rivals the Best in the Old World.

The American tourist is prone to take too patronizing an attitude toward the sights of his own country. He hesitates to express enthusiasm about anything that isn't stupendous—that isn't in a class with the redwoods, Niagara and the Grand canyon. But when he reaches Europe the guides tell him what he ought to like, and he admires even the lesser "sights."

From Scotland's capital he journeys into the "bristling country" of the Trossachs, and if he has never seen the highlands of the Hudson or the Ozark hills of Missouri and Arkansas he will say again, "Nothing like this in America!"

Utter nonsense! Many an Ozark glen matches anything in Scotland for wildness and beauty, and there are scenes along the Hudson which are enough like the Scotch lake country to pass as twin sisters. The reason why every one has heard of Inversnaid and nobody knows about Hahatonka (a place far more wonderful), is because Inversnaid has had more publicity.

What may be even more difficult to believe, but it is none the less literally true, is the fact that there are stretches of the shore of the Missouri river which are as beautiful as the shores of "lovely Loch Achray." And I would defy the most expert to attempt to tell a picture of Ellen's isle, made famous by Scott's "Lady of the Lake," from snapshots of some of the little islands in the St. Lawrence or the Hudson.

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