

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Important Occurrences of Past Week Briefly Compiled for Our Readers.

The federal farm loan board will conduct a hearing at Portland September 7.

Wet weather has been hampering the operations of the penitentiary flax harvesting gangs.

Harvest is in full blast in the southern part of Morrow county and grain is unusually heavy.

Unexpected success is being met with by the circulators of the petitions to divide Crook county.

Printing of 246,000 wrappers for election pamphlets has been completed by Secretary of State Olcott.

A \$15,000 school building is to be erected at Gardiner as a gift from the heirs of W. P. Jewett, a pioneer.

Bend's sixth annual flower show, held Friday, surpassed all previous shows in number and quality of exhibits.

A survey of the Willamette river with a view to its improvement is soon to be undertaken by the federal government.

The new road from Seaside to the Tillamook county line, in Clatsop county, has been completed, and is now open to traffic.

There have been no fires in the Siuslaw national forest this summer, owing to the unusual amount of moisture during the season.

Nearly 100 men have enrolled in Portland for the citizens' training camp to be held at American Lake, Wash., August 28-September 23.

Several certified potato clubs have been formed in Oregon, the object being to grow a better grade of potatoes, according to Labor Commissioner Hoff.

Linn county farmers who raised vetch for seed this year are reaping a golden harvest. The yield is unusually large and the price is higher than usual.

J. A. Allen, a homesteader, shot and killed Lewis Butts at the Allen home on Rock creek, near Bridgeport, and then surrendered. He is now in the Baker county jail.

Crane is to be the eastern terminus of the proposed Oregon, California & Eastern railroad. The Strahorn field party has finished the line of their survey from Bend to that point.

The community packing house system of handling apple crops continues to grow in the Hood river valley, and no less than a half-dozen such institutions will be in operation this fall.

The apple growers association of Hood River secured the second prize in a group of four at the 22d annual convention of the International Shippers' association at Niagara Falls, N. Y.

The university of Oregon's experiment with the flax industry showed, according to the report of Labor Commissioner O. P. Hoff, that the net return to the grower amounted to \$36.50 an acre.

For the first seven months of this year residents of Clackamas county imported \$10,000 worth of liquor and alcohol under the prohibition law, a grand total of 4035 shipments being received.

During the time of the railroad completion celebration Thursday, Friday and Saturday Coos Bay will entertain between 4000 and 5000 visitors, according to the latest estimates of the Southern Pacific.

Frank Kiernan, Jr., of the Multnomah athletic club of Portland and little Miss Anna Mahall, a 14-year-old girl of Newport, won first places in the annual Willamette river marathon swim at Portland Saturday.

Bend has for the second time voted for bonds as a basis for purchasing the terminal desired by Robert E. Strahorn for the proposed Oregon, California and Eastern railroad. An issue of \$85,000 was authorized last week.

A report to Labor Commissioner O. P. Hoff on nine lumber plants operating in Benton county shows an increase of 9 to 14 per cent in the number of people employed, and an increase of 3 to 19 per cent in the wages paid.

The red clover crop all over the Willamette valley is in splendid shape and much better than the 1915 crop, according to the statement of C. W. Creel, of the United States cereal experiment station and observatory of

Forest Grove.

Seven passengers in a motor car escaped serious injury or death when the machine in which they were riding was run down and entirely demolished by a Southern Pacific freight train near Divide. All were bruised more or less severely.

Because of the unusual snow fall of the past winter and the slowness with which it has melted from the mountain passes, the forest service is having difficulty in providing sufficient range for the sheepmen who now have their bands in the mountains.

Umatilla reservation farmers who need water from the Umatilla river for irrigation purposes are advised by a letter from the United States attorney to use as much as is necessary, regardless of requests to the contrary from the Pendleton roller mills.

Eastern capital has entered the field in putting Oregon loganberry juice on the market. Men acting for easterners are making five-year contracts with growers of the Salem section at 3½ cents for the first three years and 4 cents for the last two.

While armed guards stood around them in the flax fields of Mission bottom near Salem, two convicts of the state prison dashed into the brush and made their escape. This makes eight men who have escaped from flax gangs since the work started this summer.

Promptness in registering is recommended by Secretary of State Olcott that voters may get election pamphlets to which they are entitled. Registrations prior to the May primaries totaled 241,474. Since that time 6594 additional names have been received by the state department.

Two of the 346 accidents reported to the state industrial accident commission during the week ending August 17 were fatal. They were the cases of Asa Kellis, of Silverton, killed in logging operations, and H. C. Rumsey, of The Dalles, killed while in the employment of a light and power company.

Representative Sinnott has been notified that he will have a vacancy to fill at the West Point military academy next spring. Candidates for the appointment are to be examined at Vancouver barracks, Wash., the first Tuesday in March, next, and the successful candidate will be admitted to the academy June 14, 1917.

That food products cost the consumer more at the present time than they did a number of years ago is shown in figures compiled by O. P. Hoff, State Labor Commissioner. Portland retail prices of June 30, 1904, as compared with the prices of June 30, 1916, prove that nearly all commodities have advanced greatly in cost.

The interstate commerce commission has given the O. W. R. & N. company until October 25 to file its new schedule of rates under the Astoria rate decision, this being only five days in advance of the date when the new rates will go into effect. All other carriers will be required to file their amended rates not later than October 1.

Klamath county will soon have a new trout hatchery. At a meeting of the state fish and game commission the commission directed the purchase of a site on Crooked creek, a few miles north of Klamath agency and on the Klamath Indian reservation. The hatchery will be built there if title to the land can be obtained from the Indian service.

A series of at least 12 safety meetings, with the idea of starting campaigns for safety among the sawmill workers and owners in the state, will be begun in September by the extension department of the university of Oregon. The plan has the co-operation of the state labor commission, and speakers and exhibits will be furnished by the state industrial accident commission.

Construction of a fourth ship yard for the building of wooden ships has been announced at Portland. Contracts have been signed between the plant and M. T. Snyder of New Orleans for the construction of three vessels. They are to be four-masted auxiliary power schooners of 1000 tons carrying capacity, and are intended for the trade between gulf ports and Cuba.

A formal request by Robert E. Strahorn for a \$300,000 bond issue by the city of Klamath Falls for stock in his proposed railway connection with Bend, Burns, Lakeview and other interior Oregon points, in addition to free right of way from Klamath Falls, free right of way from Sprague river, and free 40 miles to Sprague river, was enthusiastically received. Subcommittees will be appointed and preparations for a special election will be made as speed-

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Despite the efforts of the state public service commission and the Southern Pacific railroad, the car shortage is still acute. That the situation is peculiar to Oregon is shown by a letter received from the Washington public service commission. The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, the Great Northern, O. W. R. & N. company and other lines report to the Washington commission that they have cars in excess of the demand and look for no trouble in taking care of shippers.

By a margin of 200,000 votes Miss Gladys Roddy, of Marshfield, was elected to represent Miss Coos Bay at her marriage at Marshfield August 24 to Eugene Lane, on the occasion of the railroad jubilee celebration, which will continue throughout August 24, 25 and 26. Miss Virginia Clarke, of Marshfield; Miss Edith Thomas, of North Bend; Miss Marvel Skeels, of Coquille; Miss Lella Wyland, of Powers, and Miss Helen Whitaker, of Myrtle Point, were named by Miss Roddy as her bridesmaids.

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" Portland 3:20,	Connects with above
" Corvallis 6:45, a m.	Independence 7:35, Arrive Monmouth 7:45
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" Dallas 7:00, a m.	Arrive Monmouth 7:25
" Airline 8:30, a m and 3:55, p m.	Arrives Monmouth 9:05 a m and 4:30 p m
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