

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Important Occurrences of Past
Week Briefly Compiled for
Our Readers.

Linn county is harvesting one of the best crops of oats produced in many years.

Since January 1, 1916, there have been received in Klamath county 1220 consignments of intoxicating liquor.

Hop picking will begin in most of the large Oregon yards on September 5 and 6, with a sufficient supply of labor in sight.

George Leach Story, Oregon pioneer and one of the foremost in constructive devotion to the state, died at Portland at the age of 83.

Bend physicians are busy combating an epidemic of cholera infantum, a large number of children being stricken in all parts of town.

December 13 to 16, inclusive, have been set as the dates for the annual show of the Central Willamette Valley Poultry association at Albany.

Representative Sinnott has been advised that postoffices are about to be discontinued at Cline Falls, Crook county, and Harney, Harney county.

Multnomah county will not pay its employees this month. The employees will get their salary warrants, but the county will not be able to cash them.

The second-hand business has assumed considerable proportions in Oregon, declares Labor Commissioner Hoff. There are 178 firms engaged in this line.

The senate has confirmed the nominations of the following Oregon postmasters: John S. Howe, Lents; O. Edwin Marvin, Wallowa; Mary O. Vail, Carlton.

A new department is being added to the work of Pacific college at Newberg and beginning with 1916-17 a full two-year course in commercial work will be given.

Succumbing to an illness of three months, L. Samuel, an Oregon pioneer, founder and general manager of the Oregon Life Insurance company, died at Portland.

The highest price for which an agate was ever sold in Newport was paid last week, when G. A. Kinsey, a wealthy Pittsburgher, bought a coral agate from A. L. Thomas for \$100.

Conditions in the lumber business have been better so far this year than in 1915, reports to Labor Commissioner Hoff from 13 sawmills of Clackamas county for his annual report show.

In the next five years, according to State Engineer Lewis, the state of Oregon will receive approximately \$1,820,000 for the building of roads under the provisions of the federal aid road act.

Harvey Wells, commander of the United Spanish war veterans, has designated the heads of the various encampments throughout the state as recruiting officers for the Third Infantry.

Within the next three weeks the Bend commercial club will conduct a vigorous campaign among the local business men to boost its membership list from its present 80 members to 200.

While walking from her home to the residence of her daughter near Roseburg, Mrs. Nancy A. Fairbanks, aged 78 years, fell by the roadside and died. She was overcome by the heat.

Optometry boards of Oregon, Washington, California, Utah and Montana are to meet in Portland October 3 for transaction of business and to take up the question of quack optometry schools.

A mountain slide last winter was the cause of a broken blow-off valve on the South Fork pipeline which caused a water famine in Oregon City, West Linn, Willamette and Bolton Friday night.

The dates for the annual "Punkin" show at Junction City have been changed from September 14, 15 and 16 to September 21, 22 and 23 on account of the Lane county fair and round-up on the former dates.

Examiner Disque, of the interstate commerce commission, will come to Portland on October 4, next, to conduct a series of hearings involving rates and service affecting various local shippers and carriers.

A special election at Silverton for the purpose of voting on the question of issuing bonds for \$21,000 to provide funds for a municipal auxiliary water system, the bonds were authorized by a vote of 141 to 41.

After being lost in the thickly timbered districts of the Wolf creek section of Douglas county for two days, Misses Ella Dillard and Hazel Jewett were found by searchers on a trail about two miles from their camp.

The cement and lime plant of the Beaver-Portland Cement company, at Gold Hill, in Jackson county, in the installation of which more than half a million dollars have been invested, is about ready for operation. It has a capacity of 1000 barrels of cement a day, with a crushing capacity of 2000 barrels.

Black leg has caused the death of 400 sheep in Whitman national forest, according to Assistant State Veterinarian Dr. Osborne, who has been attempting to stamp out the disease. It has been general all through the Whitman forest section.

The dead body of C. E. Bowman, a cigar manufacturer of Bandon, was found by a searching party lying on a gravel bar in Deep canyon. He had apparently been dead for 12 hours. Death was due to exhaustion. Mr. Bowman became lost while on a prospecting trip.

The Hood River Fruit Growers' Exchange has announced final returns on the 1916 strawberry crop. The exchange handled 10,000 crates of fruit at an average of \$2.12 a crate. The highest price received on any shipment was \$6 a crate at the opening of the season.

In the hope of preventing the wasteful destruction of straw this fall M. S. Schrock, county agriculturist of Yamhill county, has issued an appeal to the farmers not to burn their straw. Should straw be burned Mr. Schrock estimates \$55,728 worth of fertilizer will be burned.

H. L. Emerson, engineer of the American Soda Products company, of San Francisco, has just inspected the company's plant on Alkali lake, in northern Lake county. He estimates that when the company begins to take the product to market there will be 1,000,000 tons to be shipped.

The 1916 fishing season on the Columbia river closed at noon Friday, and while it was not so successful as last year, it was not by any means the failure that was feared for a time. Taken as a whole, the pack of the present spring season is approximately 25 per cent short of the amount put up last year.

Van H. Manning, director of the United States bureau of mines, with his party, passed several days in Grants Pass recently investigating the claims of that district as a fit locality for the establishment of one of the ten mining experiment stations to be established by the interior department in the immediate future.

Linn county, in common with other lumber producing counties of the state, shows an increase in the cut over the 1915 figures, declares Labor Commissioner O. P. Hoff. Up to August 15 the plants on which statistics have thus far been compiled, had cut more than 15,000,000 feet of lumber and nearly 12,000,000 shingles.

Miss Muriel Saling of Pendleton has been elected queen of the twenty-first Astoria annual regatta, September 1, 2, 3 and 4. Miss Sue Schacht, of Portland, and Miss Reta Gillman, of Astoria, and Miss Frances Norberg, of Astoria, were accorded places of honor. Maids of honor from many sections of the Columbia basin will form the court of the new queen.

Clackamas county's second stretch of hard-surface county road, laid by county employees with county machinery, will cost between 43 and 50 cents a yard, according to figures compiled by County Judge Anderson. The first stretch of county-laid hard surface, the Oregon City-Parkplace road, cost 98½ cents a yard, including grading and many new parts for the plant.

The variability in the weight of a loaf of bread at present has impelled Fred G. Buchtel, state sealer of weights and measures, to decide on recommending in his report to the legislature a law fixing a standard weight for five and 10-cent loaves. Deputies of Mr. Buchtel's office have reported that a five-cent loaf weighs from 10½ to 15 ounces, and a 10-cent loaf 21½ to 30 ounces.

Attorney-General Brown announces that two important cases pending before the supreme court of the United States have been set for re-argument in October. They are Stettler vs. O'Hara and Bunting vs. Oregon. The first involves the constitutionality of the Oregon minimum wage law for the women. The other case will test the 10-hour law now applying in sawmill and kindred industries of this state.

Declaring that inmates of the Oregon prison are on the verge of mutiny and that the system of punishing in-

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mates is antiquated, Governor Withcombe introduced a resolution at a meeting of the state board of control asking that he be authorized to appoint a non-salaried commission of three citizens of the state to make a thorough survey of the prison and report its findings and recommendations. The board deferred action on the resolution. Secretary of State Olcott and State Treasurer Kay began a personal investigation of conditions in the state penitentiary.

A plan favored by the Oregon state grange whereby staple crops could be marketed by farmers is being discussed, with the possible intention of submitting a bill to the next legislature for the creation of a state commission market. The proposed organization would carry on a business similar to that transacted in California by the recently created commission market, which, according to the enactment of the legislature in June, 1915, is that of "receiving from producers the agricultural, fishery, dairy and farm products of the state of California and selling and disposing of such products on commission."

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" " 4:00, "	Gerlinger 4:38,	Independence 4:55,	Monmouth 5:05
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" 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		
" 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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Trains out of Monmouth

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" Monmouth 1:50, p m,	" 2:14,	" 2:27,	Salem 3:10
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