

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Important Occurrences of Past Week Briefly Compiled for Our Readers.

A case of infantile paralysis has been discovered near Amity.

Arrangements are rapidly being completed for the erection of a cheese factory at Stanfield.

Total registration in Multnomah county this year will aggregate approximately 94,600 votes.

It is estimated that the prune crop in Linn county will total about 1,500,000 pounds, dried, this season.

Fire in the Schmidt building at Pendleton gutted several stores and offices, causing damage estimated at \$100,000.

Details of the cost of paving the Columbia river highway from Sandy river to the Hood river line show a total of \$486,763.17.

The supreme court of Oregon has held that a justice of the peace was a judicial officer and his term covers a period of six years.

There were reported to the state industrial accident commission 274 accidents, of which one was fatal, during the week ending Thursday.

With more than 35 undertakers in attendance, the 12th annual convention of the Oregon Funeral Directors' association was held in Portland.

An increase of 25 per cent in new students of all classes and of 21 per cent in the freshmen class is reported at the Oregon Agricultural college.

Apple growers of Linn and Benton counties are expecting to market the biggest crop of apples that ever reached the consumer from that district.

The 40th annual reunion of the Society of Southern Oregon Pioneers was held at Jacksonville Thursday with more than 300 members in attendance.

Records compiled by the state insurance department show that during September fires occurred in 43 Oregon towns, causing a total loss of \$355,310.

A grand market and rummage sale held in Medford last week for the benefit of wounded French soldiers made a net profit of more than \$1200 in two days.

According to the report of State Treasurer Kay for the three months ending September 30 there was on that date a balance of \$1,138,802.80 in all funds.

Johnnie Stump, of Monmouth, probably won more prizes at the state fair than any other boy in the state. He won a dozen prizes of different kinds, valued at over \$1000.

An eight-hour day for employes of the Northwest Steel company, Portland's giant shipbuilding plant, was announced Friday by J. R. Bowles, president of the concern.

Sale of 25 tons of flax tow from last year's crop to the California Cotton mills of Oakland, Cal., for 7 cents a pound, f. o. b. Salem, was authorized by the state board of control.

The car shortage situation reached the high water mark Friday. The total number reported short on the Southern Pacific's lines to the public service commission was 1729.

Receipts of the state industrial accident insurance commission from November 5, 1913, to September 30, last, were \$1,437,581.48, according to a statement issued by the commission.

The proposed early establishment of a second steel shipbuilding plant in Portland is the latest development in the already rapidly-growing marine construction programme of this port.

Several hundred delegates, representing women's clubs throughout the state of Oregon gathered Monday at Seaside for the 16th annual convention of the Oregon State Federation of Women's Clubs.

The state board of control has appointed a commission of three to investigate and report to it upon the needs of the Oregon state training school for boys and the state industrial school for girls.

Captain George H. Dunbar, formerly master of the dredge Chinook, but during the past four years master of the government survey steamer Arago, committed suicide at Astoria by shooting himself in the head.

To keep pace with its new era of agricultural and industrial development, Josephine county within a year plans to have completed in Grants Pass, its county seat, a new courthouse to cost between \$70,000 and \$80,000.

W. D. Jones, engineer on a thresher operating at Malin, was instantly killed when he started the engine for

the day's run. The engine was on center and he attempted to throw it off by jumping on the spokes of the big wheel.

Completion of extensive improvements now under way at the United States fish hatchery grounds at Clackamas station will give Clackamas county one of the best fish hatcheries in the United States. At the present time a hatchery building 58x100 feet is under construction and a large force of men has been at work on the grounds for several weeks.

Having disposed of his entire stock of liquor, Daniel Hannuk, owner and master of the gasoline launch Union, which had been dispensing wet goods outside the mouth of the Columbia river for several days, brought the craft into Astoria.

Forty timber cruisers and land examiners, assisted by as many compass men, are now actively engaged in classifying the O. & C. grant lands, according to Louis L. Sharp, chief of the field division of the United States general land office.

Heads of ten state institutions under the supervision of the state board of control submitted estimates of their financial needs for the next two years, totaling \$2,047,515.54. This is \$430,991.53 more than the appropriations made for the 1915-1916 biennium.

The Josephine county court has offered a reward of \$100 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the party or parties guilty of maliciously killing cattle in the Provolt and Murphy districts on the Applegate river, about 10 miles from Grants Pass.

In constructing the Natron-Oakridge branch of the Southern Pacific in Lane county, 11 miles of wagon road were destroyed when the county's right of way was taken over. A new road has been made by the railroad company and formally accepted by the county.

Increases in the demurrage rate charged Oregon shippers for holding freight cars beyond the free time limit is urged upon the Oregon public service commission by the Southern Pacific company. In recommendations submitted by the railroad for relief of the present car shortage.

The Oregon public service commission has abandoned its proposed investigation to determine the value of the properties of the Oregon Trunk railway, because of action by the interstate commerce commission which has undertaken the valuation of all railroads in the United States.

For the purpose of ascertaining public sentiment it is proposed in Linn county to request the county court to submit to the people a proposition to increase the tax levy for road purposes. It is planned to make a greater increase than permitted under the Bingham law regulating taxation.

A timber sale approximating \$340,000 was made by the government, the timber being on the middle fork of the John Day river, Whitman national forest, and amounting to 124,000,000. The buyer was the Pacific States Timber Investment company, of which Frank B. Mitchell, of Baker, is president.

O. H. Todd of Eugene, representing his brother, A. N. Todd & Co., of Kalamazoo, Mich., the largest peppermint buyers in the country, has been in Linn county buying up the oil of peppermint which has been distilled this year. The Linn county crop this year is estimated from \$7000 to \$8000 worth.

The Oregon City locks around the falls of the Willamette, bought by the federal and state governments at a cost of \$300,000 from the Portland Railway, Light & Power company, are practically useless at the present time, because of the shallowness of the lower lock chamber at the present stage of the river.

Engineers' maps of the channel of the Columbia river and the Willamette, and also of the mouth of the Columbia, showing the new 40-foot depth that has been obtained, will be published by the Portland chamber of commerce and circulated widely in shipping circles to advertise the merits of the port.

At the end of the first year of cooperative shipments of livestock by the farmers of Lane county under the direction of C. J. Hurd, marketmaster of the Lane county Pomona grange, 50 carloads of livestock and 40,000 pounds of wool, valued at \$100,000 have been sold in the Portland market, according to figures submitted by Mr. Hurd.

At a meeting of farmers held at Corvallis at the call of State Grange Master C. E. Spence, resolutions were adopted urging that the state of Oregon acquire lime deposits in the state and operate same by convict labor and

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State Engineer John H. Lewis has just completed a trip of inspection over a large part of the proposed highway from Florence on the coast of Lane county to Klamath Falls. The Florence to Klamath Falls highway is being urged as one of the roads to be constructed partially from funds to be received from the federal government under the terms of the Shackelford bill.

Tangible evidence of the prosperity which is growing in Oregon at an amazing rate is furnished in the combined statement of state and national banks and trust companies made public by State Bank Superintendent Sargent. All records for an increase in resources and deposits in a similar length of time were broken in the period beginning June 30 and ending September 12, when the statements were prepared.

BUSINESSMEN ARE FOR NEW NORMAL

PORTLAND CHAMBER OF COMMERCE STRONGLY ENDORSES BILL FOR SCHOOL TO BE LOCATED AT PENDLETON.

Portland, Ore.—The Portland Chamber of Commerce, which stands at the head of the businessmen's organization of the state, recently endorsed the measure proposing a Normal School at Pendleton in a resolution, giving the following reasons:

"We believe that Eastern Oregon is reasonable in its demands that such a school be located east of the Cascade mountains, hence we recommend its location at Pendleton as the most logical for the following reasons:

"First, it is a city of some size, having an enrollment of over 1,000 grade pupils.

"Second, Pendleton is very accessible, having over twenty passenger trains each day from five directions.

"Third, its location is as near central as could be expected, making it easy of access at a moderate cost to the students.

"Fourth, it is our understanding that the citizens of Pendleton propose to donate a very favorable site for the school.

"Fifth, many other advantages are: A good public library, several churches, pure water and a live, intelligent community that will take pride in the progress of the school."

Curious.
"I don't feel well," remarked the head of the firm as he took off his coat in the office, preparatory to sitting down at his desk. "The trouble with me is that I haven't slept as I should. I don't feel well unless I've slept."

Pendleton Normal School Proven Necessity

(Copied from Portland Oregonian.)

MONMOUTH, Ore., June 26.—The Oregon Normal school opened this week . . . students enrolled 785, largest on record for state Normal in Oregon . . . how to care for large student body a problem . . . 800 being crowded into auditorium with seating capacity of 550. Galleries filled with extra chairs in aisles. More than 150 students seated on platform. New boarding houses completed, additions to rooming houses built and tents used. One hundred girls sleep on upper floor of school.

The official school report gives 150 grade pupils in Monmouth, for teacher practice.

Read what those you have elected to handle the affairs of your state and who are thoroughly informed regarding school conditions in Oregon have to say concerning measure 308 on the ballot at the coming election:

By James Withycombe, Governor of Oregon:

"Oregon is unquestionably in need of more normal school work and Pendleton is the logical place for a school of this class in Eastern Oregon."

By J. A. Churchill, State Superintendent of Public Instruction:

"I trust that the voters of the State will assist in raising the standard of our schools by establishing a State Normal School at Pendleton."

By P. L. Campbell, President of the University of Oregon:

"At least one additional Normal School is urgently needed in Oregon."

By W. J. Kerr, President of the Oregon Agricultural College:

"Since the people of Pendleton are initiating a measure for the establishment of a Normal School at that place, it will give me pleasure to support this measure."

By J. H. Ackerman, President Oregon Normal School, at Monmouth:

"A careful analysis of the situation will convince any one that Oregon needs a Normal School in Eastern Oregon and Pendleton fills all the government requirements."

By the County School Superintendents of Oregon:

"Resolved, that it is the sense of the County School Superintendents of the State of Oregon, in convention assembled, that the best interests of the schools of the State demand increased facilities for the training of teachers, and that we, therefore, endorse the initiative measure to establish a Normal School at Pendleton."

By Mrs. Charles H. Caatner, President of the Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs:

"I most heartily endorse the location of said Normal School at Pendleton."

Prof. Robert C. French, Former President of the Normal School Located at Weston:

"An immediate establishment of such a school at some central point such as Pendleton would prove a great asset to the State of Oregon."

B. F. Mulkey, Ex-President Southern Oregon Normal School:

"I shall support the location of an Eastern Oregon Normal School at Pendleton."

State Board of Regents of Oregon Normal School declares that "the necessity for additional Normal school facilities in Oregon is apparent."
Portland Chamber of Commerce endorses measure 308 and says Pendleton most logical location for Normal school in Eastern Oregon.

308 X YES IS A VOTE FOR YOUR CHILDREN

(Paid Adv.) Eastern Oregon State Normal School Committee.
By J. H. Gwinn, Secy., Pendleton, Ore.

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