# OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

### Principal Events of the Week Briefly Sketched for Information of Our Readers.

One-fourth of the county superintendents of Oregon are women.

Mount Jefferson, one of the highest peaks in Oregon, may be made a fire lookout station.

The new steamer Ernest H. Meyer was launched from the Wilson shipyards at Astoria Saturday.

Dallas is to be made the test station for the investigation of brown rot and other diseases of prune trees.

The population mark at the Oregon state penitentiary has declined to 433, a record for the past two years.

The annual convention of the Oregon Retail Grocers' association was held January 23, 24 and 25 in Salem.

The State Editorial association and the Willamette Valley Editorial association held a joint session at Salem.

The Union opera house, one of the finest buildings of its kind in Eastern Oregon, was completely destroyed by fire.

David G. Bruce and Mrs. Johanna Hanson, pioneers who crossed the plains to Lane county in 1853, died at Eugene.

Attempts are being made by the officials of the Salem commercial club to interest capital for a fine linen factory in Salem.

The House of Representatives has passed a bill providing for an appropriation of $50,000 for a postoffice building at Hood River.

The Roseburg W. C. T. U. has compiled statistics showing there was shipped into Douglas county $30,500 worth of liquor in 1916.

The Dalles land office is swamped. The office staff is five days behind in the work of transferring the applications in the record book.

The Oregon State Federation of Labor opened sessions of its annual convention at Salem Monday, to continue throughout the week.

William Doyle, who last February killed Mrs. Mary A. Wilcox and her daughter, Maggie Jones, was convicted of manslaughter at Klamath Falls.

Improvements by the Bend Water, Light & Power company to be completed within the next nine months will cost between $50,000 and $75,000.

Plans to erect a mill for handling hardwood lumber in the Willamette valley are being considered by the J. Al Pattison Lumber company, ltd., of Portland.

Three men lost their lives and one was seriously injured in a fire which swept through the second and third stories of the New Ross rooming house at Portland.

Out of 2000 carloads of apples produced by Hood River valley last season, a yield almost twice the tonnage of any former year, only about 350 carloads remain unshipped.

The Portland chamber of commerce will be represented by four delegates at the annual meeting of the national chamber of commerce in Washington, D. C., January 31 to February 2.

There will be no public building to house the branch postoffice at St. Johns. The item in the omnibus building bill appropriating $25,000 for a postoffice building at St. Johns was eliminated.

Coryell pass, on the Pacific highway about four miles south of Eugene, will be marked with an iron plate by Lewis and Clark chapter, Daughters of the American revolution, in the near future.

The Eugene chamber of commerce has voted unanimously to approve the referendum of the United States chamber of commerce favoring single item veto power for the President of the United States.

For the championship of the Central Willamette district of the Oregon high school Debating league, the high schools of Albany, Eugene and Philomath will meet in a triangular debate on February 2.

The annual conference of the presidents and faculty members of the non-conference colleges of Oregon was held at Albany college last week with all the sectarian institutions of the state represented.

A gigantic scheme whereby all the prominent high schools of Oregon will form an association for the promotion of interscholastic athletics is being fathered by W. D. Fletcher, coach of the Salem high school basketball squad.

A large number of hardware men from all parts of the state are expected to attend the 11th annual convention of the Oregon Retail Hardware and Implement Dealers' association, which opened its session at Portland Wednesday.

Governor Withycombe issued a proclamation declaring the dissolution of 615 domestic and 3 foreign corporations and forbidding them from attempting further to do business in the state until they have complied with the law. The corporations were dissolved because of failure to pay their license fees for more than two years.

Resolntions protesting against the proposal to change the Pacific Highway to run from a point near Canyonville to Trail have been adopted by the Grants Pass commercial club.

Two prominent eastern university presidents have accepted places on the Oregon summer school faculty, according to an announcement made by Dean Joseph Schafer. They are G. Stanley Hall of Clark university and Henry Churchill King of Oberlin.

Members of the eight farm loan associations of Jackson county met at Medford and perfected a permanent organization which has for its prime object the uniformity of valuations of farm lands in their districts under the classifications of alfalfa, fruit, grain and stock.

Governor Withycombe has announced that all appointments to boards, commissions, etc., that might be made during the present legislative session will be held in abeyance until after the session, when it will be determined just what offices are to remain provided by statue.

Many problems for the development of Oregon's mineral resources are to be undertaken during the coming year by the state bureau of mines and geology. These investigations are to be continued as rapidly and as far as the appropriation allotted by the legislature will permit.

Markets in Portland and Willamette valley points are thrown open to eastern Oregon plaster dealers by an order of the public service commission, which allows a rate of 10 cents per 100 pounds on plaster carloads, minimum weight 80,000 pounds, from Gypsum to terminals at Portland.

Members of the Hood River county court have announced that they will build a half mile of experimental hard-surfaced road on the East Side the coming spring. The road will be constructed in a district in which it is declared the traffic is heavier than at any other place in the valley.

The county courts of Polk and Marion counties in joint session accepted a report from the State Highway commission recommending that the proposed new intercounty bridge over the Willamette river at Salem be of steel and that it be built at the location of the present structure.

Continuation of its program of reinforcing its main line with heavier steel, the straightening of curves and filling trestles is contemplated by the O-W. R. & N. for the coming year, according to the budget prepared by President J. D. Farrell. Between $2,500,000 and $2,000,000 is included.

Theodore H. Scheffer, of the federal bureau of agriculture, has been detailed to conduct a publicity and demonstration campaign in Multnomah county on methods of dealing with the mole and gopher pest, but particularly in regard to the mole, which has a pelt with a value of from 10 cents to 25 cents.

The Oregon normal school is considering the establishment of an extension department to care for numerous inquiries that have been made during the past two years on school management and methods, and to satisfy the demands made upon the faculty members to give talks in various Oregon towns.

By a vote of 17 to 8 the farmers of the Gold Hill and Foots Creek districts sanctioned the creation of the Gold Hill irrigation district. The land coming within the district embraces about 1300 acres lying along the south side of Rogue river, in what is known as the Riverside Colony and Foots Creek district.

Through the efforts of the Oregon woolgrowers' association an amendment to the constitution will be introduced in the legislature at this session providing for a special tax on livestock so that stockmen, who are the big sufferers from predatory animals, rather than the whole body of taxpayers, will contribute the money for the bounty fund.

Men and women ranging in age from 45 to 90 staged a free vaudeville and music show at Portland as part of the exploitation program adopted by the Forty-five Efficiency club, a new organization of men past 45 years of age, who are out to discredit the middle age theory and to get the removal of age limits on national and local civil service rules.

Twenty-seven head of fine pureblood Durham, Shorthorn and Hereford cattle, consigned to Metz & Son, of Pendleton, were suffocated while en route to Pendleton. The animals were valued at from $250 to $500 a head, the total loss being estimated at between $10,000 and $12,000. While the train was in a yard at some point this side of Chicago, it is said, a railroad employe turned on the steam.

Representative McArthur has announced the following appointments for cadetships in the military and naval academies as the result of competitive examinations held at Portland December 16: For West Point—Principal, Donald H. Nelson, Portland; first alternate, Kenneth Rowntree, Hillsdale; second alternate, Robert M. Montague, Portland. For Annapolis—Principal, Roland E. Krause; first alternate, Francis J. Clark; second alternate, Wallace S. Wharton; third alternate, Howard B. Hutchinson, all of Portland.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed executor of the estate of Franklin S. Powell, deceased, by the county court of the state of Oregon for Polk County and has qualified as such executor.

All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present the same duly verified, together with proper vouchers therefor, to the undersigned executor at his residence, or at the First National Bank in Monmouth, in said County and State, within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated and first published January 19, 1917.

IRA C. POWELL,
Executor of the estate of
Franklin S. Powell deceased
B. F. Swope, Attorney.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Paul Tacheron has been duly appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County, administrator of the estate of Laura M. Tacheron, deceased and has qualified.

All persons having claims against the said estate, are hereby required to present them, duly verified, with the proper vouchers, within six months from the date of this notice, to the said administrator at his residence near Monmouth, in said County of Polk.

Dated and first published January 19, 1917.

PAUL TACHERON
Administrator of the estate of
Laura M. Tacheron, deceased.
Oscar Hayter, Attorney.


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**Trains into Monmouth**

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**

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


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