

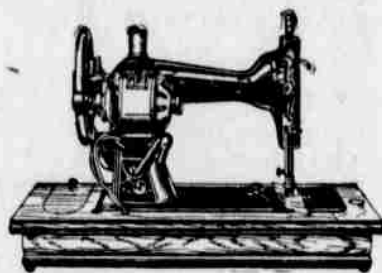
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OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

The next meeting of the Oregon state grange will be held in the spring of 1918 in Salem.

Miss O. Shaw was appointed postmaster at Pleasant Home, vice Mrs. C. J. Britton, resigned.

Everett, 19-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Green, of Haines, died from injuries caused by the kick of a horse.

Henry M. Hansen, Salem correspondent of the Portland Telegram, has been appointed Senator McNary's private secretary.

Guy Oliver, of Corvallis, private in company K, 3d regiment, O. N. G., was drowned in the government canal at Celilo while in bathing.

As the result of co-operation between the government and state authorities a shad hatchery has been established at St. Helens.

George Palmer Putnam, private secretary to Governor Withycombe, has resigned, and the resignation has been accepted by the governor.

Contract for the new \$50,000 women's dormitory building of the University of Oregon was awarded to Van Patton & Son, of Salem.

Forty-one thousand one hundred motor vehicle licenses have been issued so far this year, approximately 8000 more than all of last year.

A class of 40 applicants was licensed to practice dentistry in Oregon at a meeting of the Oregon state board of dental examiners in Portland.

A deal has been closed by which Astoria is to have another shipyard. The new company is to be headed by F. Rogers, former mayor of Salem.

A. B. Cordley, Corvallis, has been elected chairman of the state lime board in place of Warden Charles A. Murphy of the state penitentiary.

County Judge J. B. Dodson, of Yamhill county, whose home was in McMinnville, died at St. Vincent's hospital at Portland following an operation.

S. M. Reagan of Hillsboro was elected president of the state Veterinary

Medical association, which held its annual meeting in Salem last week.

Paying \$175 an acre, George Peringer, one of the largest farmers in the county, bought the John La Roque allotment on the Umatilla reservation.

Mrs. Henrietta B. Whitrey, widow of George M. Whitney, pioneer pastor of Eugene who died in 1895, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. George A. Westgate, in Portland.

The "Made-in-Lebanon Fair," was largely attended and was a decided success, both from the standpoint of exhibits and producing funds for the Chautauqua association.

Cal Neal, who is employed at the Oregon Portland cement quarries, a few miles south of Roseburg, was killed almost instantly when he was knocked beneath some loaded ore cars.

The Shaniko wool sale, set for June 23, has been postponed to July 6. Owing to the late, cold season and the scarcity of shearers, not over half the Shaniko clip has been shorn to date.

The Portland commission of public docks has taken steps to select the site of the \$3,000,000 freight and grain terminal voted at the last election, from among a score of available locations.

Hearings before the Oregon public service commission on the railroad's application for a 15 per cent increase in intrastate freight rates probably will start in Portland in the first week of July.

Word has been received at Madras from Senator Chamberlain that the controller of the currency has approved the application for the organization of the First National bank of Madras.

Miss Lillian Tingle, principal of the Benson polytechnic school for girls, of Portland, will give up her position to become head of the new department of household arts in the University of Oregon.

The first car of fat hogs ever shipped from Burns, has topped the Seattle market at a quarter above any previous price and the animals are said to be the best hogs received there for months.

Franklin J. Miller, who has been selected by Senator McNary for admission in the government's naval academy at Annapolis, is a son of Frank J. Miller, chairman of the Oregon public service commission.

One hundred good road boosters of

Yamhill county, representing Carlton, Newberg, Lafayette, McMinnville, Sheridan, Amity and Yamhill, met in McMinnville and organized a permanent good road association.

Attorney General Brown has advised District Attorney Gehlar, of Marion county, that the county may go ahead and advertise for bids on the construction of a new intercounty bridge over the Willamette river at Salem, and that the contract between Polk and Marion counties as to the payment for the bridge holds good.

During the past week 282 accidents, of which one was fatal, were reported to the state industrial accident commission. The fatal accident resulted in the death of J. Manduhoff, a logger who was killed at Blind Slough.

Decision to erect and maintain a Masonic home in co-operation with the Eastern Star was reached at the business session of the Grand Lodge of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons for the jurisdiction of Oregon.

Three hundred members of the Girls' Honor Guard of Oregon, representing most of the 68 organizations and 4354 members in the state, assembled in Portland during the rose festival last week for the first annual convention.

The Pacific synod of the Evangelical Lutheran church will hold its annual convention in Portland from June 19 to 24. Delegates, ministers and laymen will be present from Oregon, California, Washington and British Columbia, Can.

Present indications point to record strawberry prices for the Hood River and White Salmon valley this season. The ruling quotations remain at from \$3.50 to \$4 a crate, and local shipping agencies are not able to meet the demand.

The first arrest, of alleged slackers in Benton county was made when Deputy Sheriff O. E. Holderman brought in Charles Tassel and Clarence Esteep from Alpine and lodged them in jail pending advice from federal authorities.

A survey of the proposed road from Eugene to the coast as provided in the state highways commission's plan for road improvement in the state will be made at once, according to an announcement made by E. J. Adams, state highway commissioner.

Dr. J. Howard Miller, a well known Portland and Astoria dentist, died at St. Vincent's hospital in Portland 10 minutes after he had fallen from a

fourth story window of the Morgan building. The police express the belief that he committed suicide.

John M. Mann, member of the house of the last legislature, and recently elected city commissioner of Portland, has filed his resignation as legislator with Governor Withycombe, as the city charter prohibits him from holding the two offices.

The April results of the first Central Oregon Cow Testing association show a steady increase in the production of butterfat and it is hoped that, with the improved methods adopted by the association this increase in butterfat production will steadily advance.

County Agent Blanchard of Crook and Deschutes counties, reports that \$207 worth of poison has killed about 41,400 jackrabbits, at a cost of about one half cent per rabbit, which is one tenth of the amount paid by Crook county as a bounty for each rabbit killed.

United States Senator Charles L. McNary, justice of the Oregon supreme court, former dean of the law college of Willamette university, and Senator George E. Chamberlain, former governor of Oregon, received the degrees of doctor of laws, at the commencement exercises.

Oregon schools have responded nobly to the call to arms. Statistics gathered by J. A. Churchill, superintendent of public instruction, show that up to the time of the closing of school a total of 1121 students have enlisted either in the national guard, the regular army or the navy out of the high schools, colleges and universities of the state.

The state highway commission, at a meeting in Portland attended by Commissioners Benson and Thompson, decided to defer any action looking toward a definite road-building program until after the state supreme court decides whether the state board of control can issue bonds under the Bean-Barrett law to match the \$1,800,000 of Federal money available.

That the rodent poisoning campaign now being carried on by seven of the county agricultural agents of Oregon with the co-operation of the United States biological survey will result in the saving of \$300,000 worth of food crops from the ravages of harmful rodents, is the belief of R. A. Ward, who is representing the bureau of biological survey in this work in this

state.

George A. White, adjutant-general of the Oregon national guard, informed sheriffs of the state, at the sheriffs' convention in Portland, that in recognition of their good work in handling the war census, Governor Withycombe has confirmed recommendations that county registration boards shall pass on exemptions from military service when selective conscription begins in Oregon.

"No company will be permitted to operate in this state unless it protects its policyholders by setting aside sufficient reserve to carry its liabilities, and keeps its operating expenses within a reasonable amount," says Insurance Commissioner Harvey Wells in the ninth annual report of the insurance department, which has just been issued. "The new insurance law is effective as of May 21, 1917," says Mr. Wells, "and it is one which will give protection to the citizens, as well as agents and companies who are conducting business in a legitimate manner."

Burning of the Vanities.

Savonarola once marked his strong condemnation of luxury by collecting a large number of articles which he regarded as vanities during the carnival to be burnt in the Piazza della Signoria, Florence, on Shrove Tuesday, 1497. In this "burning of the vanities" were included fancy costumes, carnival masks, false hair and rouge pots, cards and dice boxes, books and pictures, together with casts and valuable sculptures of questionable character. Built up into a pyramid of seven stages—signifying the seven deadly sins—the pile was burnt by lighting fagots placed in the center, while children standing round sang hymns before the assembled crowds.

Coined in Bedlam.

The phrase "to sham Abraham" was coined in Bedlam, or Bethlehem hospital, where there was at one time an Abraham ward, the inmates of which upon certain days were permitted to go out as licensed beggars on behalf of the hospital. These mendicant lunatics were known as "Abraham men," and their success in invoking the pity of the charitable was such that they had many unlicensed imitators, who, when discovered, were said "to have shammed Abraham."