

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Principal Events of the Week Briefly Sketched for Infor- mation of Our Readers.

Fall wheat in Linn county is running from 15 to 20 bushels to the acre. The annual Umatilla county horse and mule show will be held October 6 in Pendleton.

A course in dietetics has been added to the department of home economics at the Oregon Agricultural college.

The state highway commission has selected 16 feet as the standard width of pavement on the primary roads.

Bids were opened Tuesday by the state highway commission for a half million dollar issue of state road bonds.

Substantial deposits of chrome iron ore in the John Day valley, south of Pendleton, will be opened up this summer.

Edward Ostrander, secretary of the Oregon public service commission, has submitted his resignation to the commissioners.

At a special election the vote carried for bonding for \$15,000 the consolidated school district recently formed at Crane.

Total earnings of 288 men on parole from the Oregon penitentiary for July was \$16,174.45, according to Joseph F. Keller, state parole officer.

Pear growers of Douglas county have appealed to the Eugene Fruit-grower's association to aid them in conserving their crop this year.

Ed Wright, of La Grande, has been appointed by the Oregon public service commission as secretary to succeed Edward Ostrander, who resigned August 1.

The city of Portland, with 26 banks, holds 52.2 per cent of the total deposits of Oregon, according to a statement issued by S. G. Sargent, superintendent of banks.

Out of over 200 tuberculin tests among the dairy herds of Lane county, only five of the cows reacted, according to Dr. C. E. Gardiner, assistant state veterinarian.

D. Walter Morton, dean of the school of commerce at the university of Oregon, has been granted a leave of absence from the college for the school year of 1917-1918.

Eleven out of 15 candidates for pharmaceutical papers granted by the Oregon state board of pharmacy passed the examination held in Portland July 17 and 18.

Because of a shortage of fuel oil for state institutions the state board of control has appointed a committee to investigate with a view of arranging for some other fuel.

Plans are being worked out in Lincoln county for a bond election to be held this fall for the purpose of raising funds with which to improve about 100 miles of county highways.

With harvest well under way in the lighter land sections and starting on the heavier lands near Pendleton, indications are that the yields will be better than anticipated a few weeks ago.

While the crew of 15 men were at work on the steel bridge at Cotton Hill on the John Day river, part of the false work collapsed, dropping the crew to rocks below. Everyone was hurt.

Campers in the forests are very careless this season, according to reports made to C. C. Hall, supervisor of the Santiam national forest. Rangers report finding many unextinguished fires.

Mayor Rice of Roseburg has offered a cash reward of \$50 to any person who will furnish evidence sufficient to bring about a conviction of those who have been robbing gardens in that city.

Bids were opened Tuesday by the state highway commission for the construction of 10 concrete bridges on the Columbia river highway in Columbia county at an estimated cost of approximately \$60,000.

The largest apportionment of interest money on the irreducible school fund ever made to the counties of Oregon was reported by the office of State Treasurer Kay. The total amount is \$382,012.38.

The Astoria police and justice court departments were more than self-supporting in July. The receipts from fines in the police department were \$1067.50, while the salaries of the officers amounted to \$925.

A commission of federal agents, accompanied by representatives of the allied governments, will visit Portland on Monday, August 23, to confer with

local spruce manufacturers for the purchase of airplane stock.

More than \$100,000 worth of new buildings ranging in value from \$1200 to \$20,000 have been started or been announced for immediate construction at Klamath Falls since the dedication of the new Strahorn railroad.

Bulah Dale, daughter of J. E. Dale; Athol G. Hickox, daughter of E. E. Hickox, and Myrtle Cooper, daughter of John Cooper, ages 9, 13, and 15, respectively, were drowned in the mill pond at Scott's Mills while in bathing.

Upward of 100 business men from Portland, Albany, Lebanon, and Brownsville met at a banquet at Lebanon and discussed the matter of putting in a good road over the south Santiam pass from the Willamette valley to central Oregon by way of Cascadia and Clear Lake.

Pronouncing the maintenance fees exacted by the J. F. Luse company, on an irrigation project embracing approximately 3829 acres of land in Douglas county as being excessive and unreasonable, the public service commission ordered reduced the annual charge from \$3.50 an acre to \$1.

The state of Oregon is going after national business and to that end will have another paid representative in Washington. The Portland chamber of commerce shortly will be represented there by a trade commissioner or secretary to be appointed by H. L. Corbett, president of the chamber.

Maintenance work on the old military highway, now officially known as the Willamette highway, which when completed will shorten the distance by road from Portland to Crater Lake 150 miles, has been completed as far as Crowbar point, one of the most dangerous points on the highway.

Standards for wheat, corn, hay and other agricultural products are fixed, rules are promulgated covering weighing, inspecting and storage of these commodities and the management of public and terminal warehouses is regulated in an order which has been issued by the Oregon public service commission.

Five fatal accidents were reported to the state accident commission during the last week, according to the weekly report. The fatalities were: Mrs. Blanche Cronder, Scappoose, railroad trespasser; George Kakeurous, Umatilla, railroad operation; Matt Kulja, Silverton, logging; C. Metcalf, Blind Slough, logging; A. G. Fisher, Black Rock, logging.

Holding that free service allowed new subscribers for a given time would be unlawful discrimination against old subscribers and bolstering its order by citing notes in similar cases in other states, notably Pennsylvania and Minnesota, the Oregon public service commission denied an application of Oswald West, receiver for the Home Telephone & Telegraph company of Portland, asking that the company be allowed to grant new patrons free telephone service for three months.

A new board, to be known as the board of conciliation and mediation, the duties of which will be to adjust difficulties that may arise between laborers and employers in Oregon, was named by Governor Withycombe. On the board are five members representing the workers and five members representing the employers. The members are: For organized labor—C. P. Howard, president of the Portland central labor council; B. W. Sleeman, district council of carpenters; R. A. Willison, state building trades council; Vern Haybarker, state metal trades council; J. B. Rhodes, general chairman of the order of railway conductors of the O-W. R. & N. Co. For the employers—W. B. Ayre, Eastern & Western Lumber company; Franklin T. Griffith, president of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company; James Dugan, building contractor; J. R. Bowles, president of the Northwest Steel company; Charles Leadbetter, paper mills.

Local Brevities

Mrs. Wm. Riddell Jr. and sons visited during the past week at Sweet Home.

Arthur Miller started work Thursday with Crook's threshing outfit.

Jessie Simpson spent the week end with his mother, Mrs. R. H. Simpson.

V. O. Boots and D. L. Keyt were visitors in Portland this week.

Dr. and Mrs. Frank Butler of Medical Lake, Wash. have arrived for a visit at Orville Butler's.



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Floyd Williams is working in Portland.

J. H. Johnson, who managed the Western Junk Co. business in Independence, died last week.

Reuben Hastings of Pedee visited with his mother, Mrs. Sophia Hastings, Sunday.

Miss Arbuthnot has rented the house vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Macy when they moved to Salem.

Mrs. Arthur McFadden and son Lawrence visited Friday, with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Halleck.

Wm. Haines of Eugene was a visitor last week with his niece, Mrs. E. E. Staats and also at H. S. Portwood's.

Stanley Evans and Arthur Davis were among our soldier boys in town Sunday on a farewell tour.

The Lorence threshing outfit worked on the home place Wednesday and yesterday moved to Paul Riley's.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Mulkey stayed over night at the home of Mrs. Monroe Mulkey on their way to Newport.

Oswald Green of Sheridan, aged 21, a member of the National Guard died last week of anemia.

L. P. Gilmore is acquiring an elegant coat of tan and developing his biceps working with the Lorence threshing outfit this week.

Dr. and Mrs. M. J. Butler, and his parents, of Independence, spent the week end on the beaches of Tillamook county.

Mr. Thorstein Skogset of Portland, is spending several days of his vacation at the M. M. Harvey home, this week.

Chas. Morris, jeweler of Dallas and Dr. Foster drove over from the county seat Wednesday night the former calling at Mrs. Mulkey's.

Mr. and Mrs. Evenden and daughter left Wednesday night for San Francisco where they will visit with relatives until Sept. 1st when they start for New York.

Mrs. W. L. Phillips, who went over to Newport with her sister a week ago, expecting to be gone about a month, found the climate too cold for comfort and returned Wednesday.

Mrs. Jacob Smith and Mrs. Fred Smith are at Rockaway beach enjoying an outing. Their husbands spent the week end there but returned for business Monday.

Mrs. A. H. Craven accompanied by the Misses Margaret, Mary and Maud Rice and June Elise Craven, spent Thursday shopping in Salem, crossing the river at Independence.

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Second Hand Store
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B. F. SWOPE,

Attorney at Law and Notary Public.
Independence, Oregon

WALTER G. BROWN

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Blank Deeds, Mortgages, Etc.

Monmouth Grange 476

Meets the Second Saturday in Each Month at 10:30 A. M.
Public Program at 2:30 p. m. to which visitors are welcome.
P. O. POWELL, Master.
MISS MAGGIE BUTLER, Sec.

Evangelical Church

Sunday School 10 A. M.
Worship and sermon at 11 A. M.
Young People's Alliance, 7 P. M.
Evening service, 8 P. M.
A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Christian Church Notes

W. A. Elkins, Pastor
Bible School at 10 A. M.
Endeavor at 7 P. M.
Morning service at 11 A. M.
Evening service at 8 P. M.
Mid-week service, Wednesday evening.
Rev. Harold Humbert of Eugene will preach in the Christian church, Sunday morning and evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Stockholm were at Newport enjoying the ocean breezes from Friday till Sunday.

Sea Slug Stories

Adventures of an American boy with British patrol fleet hunting U boats

Soon to begin in the Herald

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