

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

N. Y. E. Scott, of Philomath, was accidentally killed while deer hunting on Mary's creek.

Hotels and private homes in Bend are finding it almost impossible to secure female help.

The state board of conciliation recently appointed by the governor held its first meeting at Portland.

The Southern Pacific company reported to the public service commission a net car shortage in the state of \$89.

The state Endeavor union will hold its third annual institute at Wichita, Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

Cranberry raisers of Marshfield report a probable average crop this year, although the berries will be small.

Fires near the headwaters of Lake creek, in western Lane, have destroyed more than 1,000,000 feet of green timber.

Women in wartime work are becoming common on Coos bay and there are many filling places formerly held by men.

With orders to shoot to kill, federal troops have been dispatched to every section of western Oregon to guard the timber belt.

The Oregon Normal school at Monmouth will be opened on September 24 instead of September 10, as previously announced.

The Everfresh plant, at Sutherlin, is installing two huge vats holding 20,000 gallons each, for the manufacture of cider vinegar.

While kindling a fire at her home near Hillsboro, Mrs. J. B. McNew, 68, was so severely burned that she died within a few minutes.

Reports received from Douglas county indicate that most of the forest fires which have been raging for the past few weeks are now under control.

S. H. Kullik and Alex. Aushiki, employees at the Big Creek Logging company's camp at Knappa, were burned to death while trying to escape from a forest fire.

The annual Hood River apple packing school, held under the auspices of the Apple Growers' association, will begin September 17 and continue for five days.

The snows that covered the earth during the most of last winter and the extremely low temperatures prevailing decimated grouse in the Hood River valley.

The Suttles lake irrigation district, in Jefferson county, is preparing to apply to the state securities commission to certify a proposed bond issue for the district.

Polk county's prune crop, which had promised to be one of the best in several years, now appears to be afflicted with a mysterious disease which is causing the fruit to drop seriously.

The desert land board has petitioned the secretary of the interior to extend the time for the completion of what is known as the Paisley Carey act project, in Lake county, for five years from September 11, 1917.

Willamette valley loganberry crop is very short this year. Sutherlin reports the local juice factory handling only 90,000 pounds of berries this season against 250,000 pounds in 1916. Lack of rain is given as the reason for the shortage.

George W. France, postmaster at Ten Mile, Douglas county, was indicted by the federal grand jury under the federal espionage act, recently enacted, on the specific charge of attempting to influence young men not to enlist in the army or navy.

Several California operators in oil have men in Coos county, securing leases on lands situated about Coos bay and one company of Los Angeles promoters is signing contracts to start drilling within four months from the time of closing leases.

Water rights for irrigation, mining and other beneficial uses that have been acquired upon lands in the Oregon-California railroad land grant will be protected under the federal laws, according to James T. Chinnock, superintendent of water division No. 1.

Special instruction in food conservation will be given at all teachers' institutes and all county and district fairs held in Oregon this year, according to co-operative plans agreed upon

W. J. Kerr, of the Oregon Agricultural college.

As a result of a conference between residents of Aurora, Hubbard and Woodburn, S. Benson, chairman of the state highway commission, and officials of the Southern Pacific railroad, the location of the 10 miles of pavement to be laid along the Pacific highway in Clackamas and Marion counties may be changed to points on the highway in the same counties where rock is available.

Edna Gregory, wife of Carl Gregory, an employee of one of the sheep companies at Pendleton, was arrested on the charge of sending poisoned candy through the mails. The candy, a small box, was received by Mrs. May Clark, of Pendleton, February 9, by special delivery.

Declaring the selective draft is working a great hardship on the wool-growing industry, by taking away expert herders, a number of prominent eastern Oregon sheepmen telegraphed to Senator Chamberlain to use his influence to secure exemption for bona-fide herders.

Car shortage and stringency in the labor market are so hindering contractors on state highway work that the state highway commission ordered State Highway Engineer Nunn to make a reduction in his forces to correspond to the slackened pace in highway construction.

The United States war department, through the military attaché of the British embassy in Washington, has asked for the release of Lieutenant Colonel Leader, of the British army, from service in England, that he may become military instructor in the University of Oregon.

The public service commission has ordered a number of safeguards installed at the road crossing of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company tracks at Hogan, near Portland, where an accident occurred June 28 causing the death of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lindsey and Miss Helen Metzger.

H. P. Barss, head of the plant pathology department at the Oregon Agricultural college, has been appointed chief collaborator of the national plant disease survey for Oregon. He is asking for volunteers to assist in gathering and reporting information on plant diseases in every part of the state.

Secretary Lea has made final announcement of the following livestock judges for the Oregon state fair this year: C. A. Saunders, Manila, Ia.; Thomas W. Brunk, Eola, Or.; Carlos W. Hall, Denver; Latimer Wilson, Croston, Ia.; Harry Wilson, Downers Grove, Ill. and T. B. Johnson, of La Grande.

By a deed filed for record at Astoria the Dubois Lumber company sells to the Oregon American Lumber company large tracts of timber land in Columbia, Clatsop and Tillamook counties. The consideration was \$3,650,000. This deed is the consummation of the purchase of vast timber holdings in this section by the Eccles interests of Salt Lake.

All old officers and employees of the Industrial accident commission, with the exception of the commissioners themselves, are to receive increases in salaries, beginning August 1, by an order just issued by the commission. The order affects 36 employees, and amounts to approximately \$400 a month in additional pay.

The last legislature appropriated \$10,553.58 toward handling the flax industry of the state with the express provision attached that the same is to be returned from the receipts for sales of flax during 1917-18. Present indications make it appear that it will be impossible to meet this legislative provision. Apparently there will be a failure of the flax crop, owing to bad weather conditions.

All records for industrial accidents in one week were broken by reports to the state industrial accident commission for the week ending August 23. The number of accidents reached 455, of which six were fatal. The fatal accidents were: A. J. Kilbe, Shedd, construction; Roby Floyd Shull, Myrtle Point, logging; James McCanna, Klamath Falls, logging; Henry Niemi, Astoria, light and power; G. A. Hardy, Freewater, threshing; James McCoy, Portland, construction.

Whether fishing for salmon is the act of catching the fish only or includes also the act of landing the fish is a question put up to Attorney-General Brown by State Game Warden Shoemaker, and the attorney-general holds that it includes the act of landing the fish as well as taking it in the net. Under a law of the last legislature fishing for salmon with a purse

and line near Astoria. Purse seiners caught fish up to the deadline, closed the purse and dragged their fish in the net across the prescribed waters, where they were landed.

Seven women nominated by the Oregon Agricultural college for county agent work in connection with the food conservation campaign in Oregon have been appointed by the United States department of agriculture and are to report at once for duty in their respective districts, as follows: Miss Martha Bechen, of Hillsboro, Hood River, Wasco and Sherman counties; Miss Clara May Murphy, of Portland, Umatilla, Union and Baker counties; Miss Anne McCormick, of Lebanon, Josephine and Jackson counties; Miss Ruth Corbett, of Corvallis, Douglas and Lane counties; Miss Bertha Edwards, of Monroe, Linn, Benton and Lincoln counties; Miss Lorene Parker, of Salem, Marion and Clackamas counties; Miss Nell Sykes, of Salem, Polk, Yamhill and Washington counties.

James Tompkins of Gaston was mistaken for a deer by his hunting companion, John Miller, as he was returning to camp, and received a charge of buckshot over the heart at a distance of 84 feet, killing him instantly. The accident happened about ten miles west of Cherry Grove.

In the last six weeks eastern Multnomah county farmers have lost more than 100 animals from the same cause that caused the death of livestock in Klamath county, according to S. B. Hall, Multnomah county agriculturist. But the apparent poisoning, declares Mr. Hall, is a contagious blood poison, which is incurable in the advanced stages.

A bean crop of at least 50 per cent is assured in the Willamette valley, according to the estimates of the Salem Fruit company, which has contracts with bean growers throughout the valley. In some localities there will be hardly 25 per cent of what was expected a month ago, while again a number of growers report fine conditions.

W. B. Ayer, Oregon's newly appointed federal food commissioner, chosen by National Administrator Herbert C. Hoover to take charge of the conservation work in Oregon, has opened his campaign with a strong appeal for the patriotic individual help of every Oregon man, woman and child in the inauguration and support of the Hoover plan.

Four of the 292 accidents reported to the state industrial accident commission during the week ending August 16 were fatal. They were: Iwachikie Sueyoshi, of Cochran, and Floyd Hayden, of Neverstill, killed in logging operations, and J. Acker, Portland, killed in shipbuilding operations, and William B. Edmonds, Euxton, killed in logging operations.

Governor Withycombe has expressed the opinion that the proclamation of Governor Lister, of Washington, declaring in favor of the principles of the eight-hour day in the lumber camps of that state might cramp the lumber industry of the northwest if followed out. He bases his contention on the competition which mills of the northwest must meet from the mills of the south, where wages are lower.

After seven months of careful investigation and arrangement of the financial and construction details, a syndicate headed by Stephens & Co., with offices in San Francisco, Los Angeles, San Diego and Coronado, Cal., and by Clarke, Kendall & Co., of Portland, has underwritten a \$900,000 bond issue of the Ochoco irrigation project, in Crook county, Oregon, and has let contracts for immediate construction work. This work is to begin on September 5. To the Twohy Bros. company, of Portland, has been awarded the contract for construction of the project dam and the first 15½ miles of canal.

Notice has been received from Washington that testimony in support of the application of the Willamette Valley Lumbermen's association to the interstate commerce commission for an order to require the northern railway lines to grant joint through rates from points on the Southern Pacific to Minnesota and the Dakotas will be heard before Examiner Marshall in Portland, September 20. This is known as the Portland gateway case and it will be followed by hearing of the case of eastern Oregon lumber producers against the Sumpter Valley railway for joint through rates to points on the Union Pacific system in the intermountain states.

The Shrewmouse.

The smallest mammal in the British isles is the shrewmouse. This is

Trains into Monmouth

L've Portland 7:35, a m.	Gerlinger 10:20, Independence 10:32, Monmouth 10:50
" Salem 9:35, "	" " " " " " " "
" " 1:40, p m.	Dallas 2:45, " " " " " " " "
" " 3:45, "	Gerlinger 4:38, Independence 4:55, Monmouth 5:05
" " 6:00, "	" " 6:45, " " 6:57, " " 7:10
" Portland 3:20, "	Connects with above
" Corvallis 6:45, a m.	Independence 7:35, Arrive Monmouth 7:45
" " 1:15, p m.	" " 2:14, " " 2:35
" Dallas 7:00, a m.	Arrive Monmouth 7:25
" Airline 8:30, a m and 3:40, p m.	Arrives Monmouth 9:05 a m and 4:13 p m
Leave Independence, 6:50 a m, 7:35, 8:45, 10:55, 1:30, p m	2:20, 4, 4:40, 7:00

Trains out of Monmouth

L've Monmouth 7:05 a m.	Independence 7:35, Gerlinger 7:49, Ar Salem 8:30
" Same as above	Portland 11:10
" Monmouth 1:45, p m.	" " 2:14, " " 2:27, Salem 3:10
" Same as above	Portland 5:25
" 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 10:32, Corvallis 11:20
" " 4:55, p m.	" " 6:57, " " 7:45
" " 7:25 a m and 3:10 p m.	Arrives Airline 8 a m and 3:40 p m
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not only the smallest British mammal, but, with the exception of one other of the same genus, the smallest in Europe. The harvest mouse is sometimes thought to be even smaller, but the length of its head and body is often two and a half inches, while that of the lesser shrew is rarely more than two inches. The tail measures about

one and a third inches, and its teeth are so extremely small that a lens is required to detect them.

ADVICE.

WHEN mingling with the daily throng Be careful of your pence; Your dollars will not last you long. Unless you have some sense.

—Milwaukee Sentinel