

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

Plans are under way for a reorganized merchants' association at Hood River.

Pendleton will hold its third annual automobile show on March 11, 12 and 13.

The Dalles city physician reports that smallpox is showing a tendency to increase.

The 1919 tax roll for Clatsop county totals \$1,618,782.66, the largest in the history of the county.

Within 90 days a company will begin drilling for oil in Clatsop county, according to F. H. Kiff, an oil expert of Oklahoma.

Douglas county holds the record so far for the number of dogs licensed by the county, 1100 dogs bearing the county license tags.

A new wage scale advancing the minimum of \$4.80 hitherto paid to \$5 a day, was announced by the saw mill owners of Bend.

George A. Briscoe, who has been superintendent of the Ashland schools for nine years, has been reelected for a two-year term.

Roseburg will be a stopping place for aircraft which it is alleged will soon be plying between San Francisco, Portland and Seattle.

The Ashland Canning company closed a most successful season with a total pack exceeding that of any previous year and valued at \$38,500.

County Agent Scott of Clackamas county announces that the last carload of eggs shipped to the New York market netted the producers 55 cents.

All high schools in Southern Oregon, except Eugene and Roseburg, have withdrawn from the Oregon State Debating league because of the prevalence of influenza.

Burglars entered the hardware store of Wardle & Campbell at Carlton and secured about \$145 worth of pocket knives and razors. Eight dollars was taken from the till.

A contract has been signed at Salem whereby Henry L. Bents of Aurora will sell his entire crop of hops for the year 1920 to an English firm at a stipulated price of 37 cents a pound.

In the biggest day's catch of the past year, 104 offending motorists were arrested by Portland police one

day last week on various charges of violating the traffic laws.

The Baldwin & Swope Construction company, recently organized at Hood River, has been awarded the contract for building a new schoolhouse at Mosier to be 90 by 70 feet.

Mrs. Earl Stitt, who was burned while starting a fire in the kitchen range with oil waste, died at Lebanon. She was the English war bride of Earl Stitt, a young overseas service man.

The 1919 census of the Umatilla project, just published by the reclamation office, shows that the total value of the crops grown during the year is over \$600,000, averaging almost \$75 per acre.

One hundred China pheasants from the Simpson pheasant farm at Springfield were released on the 1650-acre Cartwright ranch adjoining Harrisburg, which has been made a state game reserve.

The city of Roseburg, through its attorney, B. L. Eddy, filed with the Oregon public service commission its brief opposing the proposed increase in rates sought by the Douglas County Water & Light company.

Remonstrance against the paving of Railroad street was made at the meeting of the Albany city council by abutting property owners and may result in the former decision to pave the street being rescinded.

The best Jersey bull that \$1000 will buy is to be purchased by a group of dairymen in the Aleson valley in western Benton county. This action was taken at the close of a three-day extension school held in Aleson.

Five more alleged members of the I. W. W. were indicted under the criminal syndicalism act in the final report of the Multnomah county February grand jury, returned to President Judge McCourt Saturday.

State Treasurer Hoff has increased the appraisement of the estate of C. O. Bigelow, who died a few months ago in Josephine county, from \$30,713 to \$40,713. Inheritance tax on the estate as now appraised will total \$475.

From an assessed valuation of \$29,554,209 in 1900 to \$312,671,785 in 1919 is the record of Portland, as disclosed in the tax rate sheet for Multnomah county for 1920, based upon the 1919 assessment and tax roll, and issued by Henry E. Reed, assessor.

Senator Chamberlain, Senator McNary and Representative McArthur have telegraphed the Albany post of the American Legion that they are in favor of the proposed bonus bill for ex-service men or similar legislation in the interest of the former soldiers.

Approximately 1600 real estate dealers in Oregon have filed applications for licenses for 1920, according to a report prepared by G. V. Johnson, who is in charge of the real estate department of the insurance commissioner's office. Last year the applications for licenses totaled 1539.

Twenty-two alleged violations of federal prohibition laws are included in the final report of the November term federal grand jury in Portland, which was discharged Saturday. Rendering its report to Federal Judge Bean, the grand jurors returned 27 true bills, five not true bills and four secrets.

Thirteen districts in Yamhill county were represented in a meeting at McMinnville for the organization of the Yamhill County Public Forum, the object of which is the "free and open discussion and action on all public questions." It is non-partisan in character, yet political discussion will be permitted.

A ten days' fair for the year 1920 and ultimately a free gate are under consideration by the state fair board, and it is expected that some action to this end may be taken in the near future. The report of the fair board shows that all indebtedness has been paid and there remains in the treasury a small balance.

W. W. Cryder, for six years supervisor of the Umatilla national forest, with headquarters in Pendleton has been named superintendent of the Malheur forest and will succeed Supervisor C. J. Bingham, at John Day, on March 1. J. C. Kuhns of Walla Walla, supervisor of the Wenaha forest, will have charge of the Umatilla reserve after the change.

The machinery for the first unit of the Astoria Flouring Mill company's new plant is said to be working perfectly and is now grinding at the rate of approximately 1400 barrels of flour daily. Within the coming few weeks this output will be increased to over 1900. The machinery for the second unit should be ready for operation in about 30 days.

With \$1200 indorsed by the school directors of Umatilla county as the minimum salary for teachers and a strong sentiment among them for the two mill tax levy for school purposes, two steps toward better local educational facilities are believed to have been taken. The directors have agreed against competitive bidding for services of teachers within the county.

Titles involving five sawmills and logging equipment, together with 160 acres of timber, passed from the Grove Lumber company to a Roseburg company composed of Charles McElhinney, R. L. Whipple and Ernest Whipple. A large amount of lumber also goes with the mills, and the total property is worth approximately \$50,000, it is said. The sawmills have a capacity of 15,000 feet daily each.

A member of the legislature of 1919 cannot legally be named master fish warden, according to an opinion by Attorney General Brown, given at the request of State Game Warden Shoemaker. The 1919 legislature, Brown points out, permits increasing the salary of the master fish warden, thus raising a bar to the naming of a member to that post. The same conditions, he says, obtain in the positions of deputy fish and game wardens.

Members of the state irrigation securities commission certified to \$40,000 worth of bonds issued by the Enterprise Irrigation district in Klamath county and \$106,000 worth of bonds authorized by the Grants Pass Irrigation district in Josephine county. The Enterprise district comprises approximately 2400 acres, while in the Grants Pass district there are included 8900 acres. Development work on both projects is in progress.

A determination to get better dairy cows through the organization of a Jersey bull association, the elimination of rodents and vermin, the production of better crops through soil improvement, constituted the program of work adopted by the Naahville community farm bureau which organized at Toledo. The women's meeting, presided over by Miss Lane and Miss Biles of the Oregon Agricultural college, was well attended. Home demonstration work was new to the Toledo ladies.

The State Taxpayers' league which held a meeting in Portland denounced the united land and labor league as socialistic, undemocratic and a menace to the state of Oregon. Attending the meeting were representative men from all sections of Oregon, and there was a considerable sprinkling of members of the legislature. The resolutions adopted: Indorsed 1.25 mills tax bill for support and maintenance of Oregon Agricultural college, University of Oregon and State Normal school. Indorsed soldiers', sailors and marines' millage tax educational bill. Indorsed 4 per cent road bonding amendment to the constitution. Indorsed 2 mill tax bill for support of elementary schools of the state. Indorsed plan for divided session of the state legislature. Adopted resolutions denouncing Land and Labor party and Non-Partisan league, and outlined plans to oppose them throughout the state. Adopted resolutions opposing attempt to repeal the 6 per cent limitation amendment to the constitution.

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CAPITAL	
Amount of capital stock paid up	\$ 1,000,000.00
INCOME	
Net premiums received during the year	\$ 8,277,204.83
Interest, dividends and rebts received during the year	312,638.07
Income from other sources received during the year	2,864.48
Total income	\$ 8,592,805.38
DISBURSEMENTS	
Net losses paid during the year including adjustment expenses	\$ 3,386,012.12
Dividends paid on capital stock during the year	0
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	2,300,840.52
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year	320,067.42
Amount of all other expenditures	219,295.54
Total expenditures	\$ 6,306,317.60
ASSETS	
Value of real estate owned (market value)	\$ 0
Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value)	7,751,798.78
Other ledger assets	172,272.58
Cash in banks and on hand	1,009,202.54
Premiums in course of collection written since September 30, 1919	1,597,371.11
Interest and rents due and accrued	103,202.17
Total assets	\$10,850,048.18
Less special deposits in any state (if any there be)	0
Total assets admitted in Oregon	\$10,850,048.18
LIABILITIES	
Gross claims for losses unpaid	\$ 4,063,989.85
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks	3,430,287.11
Due for commission and brokerage	366,871.54
All other liabilities	218,568.54
Total liabilities, exclusive of capital of \$1,000,000.00	\$ 8,219,717.04
BUSINESS IN OREGON FOR THE YEAR	
Net premiums received during the year	\$ 55,257.49
Losses paid during the year	21,853.15
Losses incurred during the year	39,735.94

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Statutory resident attorney for service: R. M. Dooly, Jr.

SYNOPSIS OF THE ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE NORTH AMERICAN ACCIDENT INSURANCE COMPANY

of Chicago, in the State of Illinois, on the thirty-first day of December, 1919, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

CAPITAL	
Amount of capital stock paid up	\$ 200,000.00
INCOME	
Net premiums received during the year	\$1,652,790.52
Interest, dividends and rebts received during the year	37,677.71
Income from other sources received during the year	66,552.15
Total income	\$1,787,020.38
DISBURSEMENTS	
Net losses paid during the year including adjustment expenses	\$ 752,084.14
Dividends paid on capital stock during the year	15,850.00
Commissions and salaries paid during the year	767,358.46
Taxes, licenses and fees paid during the year	87,719.46
Amount of all other expenditures	171,445.33
Total expenditures	\$1,794,112.41
ASSETS	
Value of real estate owned (market value)	\$ 0.00
Value of stocks and bonds owned (market value)	438,718.22
Loans on mortgages and collateral, etc.	297,735.00
Cash in banks and on hand	86,838.82
Premiums in course of collection written since September 30, 1919	70,239.93
Interest and rents due and accrued	8,258.73
Total assets	\$ 902,061.73
Less special deposits in any state (if any there be)	0.00
Total assets admitted in Oregon	\$ 902,061.73
LIABILITIES	
Gross claims for losses unpaid	\$ 126,625.25
Amount of unearned premiums on all outstanding risks	340,679.61
Due for commission and brokerage	35,405.30
All other liabilities	40,249.81
Total liabilities, exclusive of capital stock of	\$ 582,947.47
BUSINESS IN OREGON FOR THE YEAR	
Net premiums received during the year	\$ 17,044.82
Losses paid during the year	11,081.02
Losses incurred during the year	5,151.94

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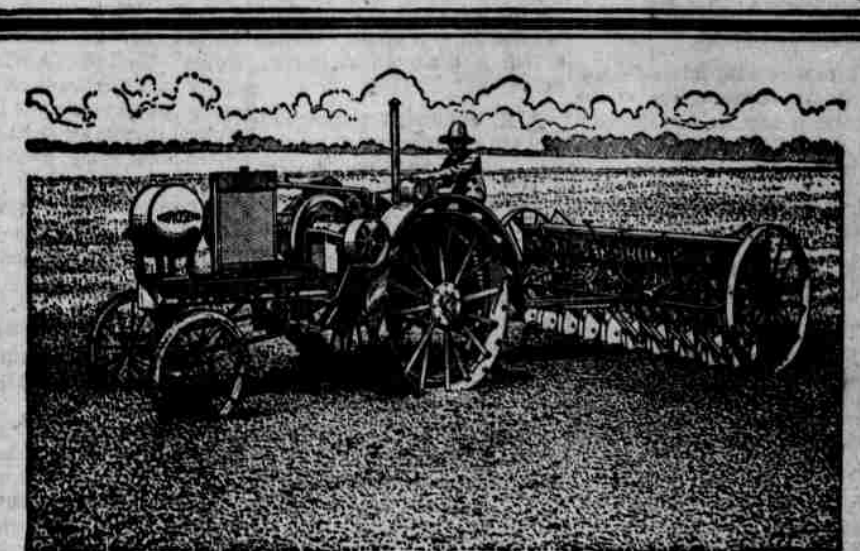
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