

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

La Grande's budget for city expenses for the coming year is \$106,460.

The church of the Latter Day Saints held a three-day leadership institution at La Grande.

Dallas physicians report that several cases of influenza have made their appearance in Polk county.

From two and one-half acres on Hale creek, near Weston, Oscar Winn harvested 500 sacks of potatoes.

A total of \$20,500 will be required to defray the expenses of the board of control during the next two years.

Jasper Turner is under arrest at Klamath Falls, charged with the murder of his wife near Beatty last May.

A census just completed in Clatsop county shows 6586 children of school age, an increase of 99 over last year.

The 33d annual meeting of the Oregon State Horticultural society will be held in Eugene December 2, 3 and 4.

Ministers from all sections of Marion county gathered in Salem last week and formed a county organization.

Sunflowers are making a remarkably good showing in Harney county. At one place 54 tons per acre was the yield.

There are 26 cases of contagious disease under quarantine at La Grande, ranging from smallpox to diphtheria.

A division of Polk county is proposed, cutting off the south part and creating a new county to be called Willamette.

The new prune packing plant erected at Scotts Mills by the Oregon Growers' association is complete and packing has begun.

Every school in Umatilla county which has made application to the school superintendent for a teacher now is supplied.

Farmers and orchard men around Dayton, Yamhill county, are becoming interested in the planting of filbert orchards.

During a recent high wind in Coos Bay, the McDonald & Vaughan log boom broke, releasing logs estimated at 1,000,000 feet.

An experienced miller has arrived at Burns and the flour mill at that place will soon be turning home grown wheat into flour.

Approximately only one-fourth of the Marion county potato crop has been taken care of as a result of the bad weather conditions.

Production of lumber in Oregon and Washington for the week ending November 13 was 69,368,533 feet, or 22 per cent below normal.

District interest bonds in the amount of \$115,275 will be sold by State Treasurer Hoff on December 1, according to announcement.

Two carloads of hops raised in the country adjacent to Grants Pass were shipped to London last week. The shipment weighed 74,800 pounds.

Isaac Higgins, an early settler of Eastern Oregon and a veteran of the Civil war, died in a Hopner hospital last week at the age of 79.

The Hood River-White Salmon Ferry company is building a large sidewheel ferry boat which will have a capacity of 10 automobiles. It will cost about \$10,000.

Colonel J. W. Lathrop, for many years a well known character in that part of the state, dropped dead in a livery stable in Klamath Falls a few days ago.

A company has been organized at Eugene with the plan of building houses and selling them to people on easy terms. The first residence is just being completed.

By cutting one half mile of new road through the lodgepole pines, the forest service is decreasing the length of the Crane Prairie road from Bend to Elk lake nearly two miles.

Mall boxes in Prineville have been assailed by vandals in the last week or so, and have been tampered with to such an extent that the federal authorities have been notified.

Thomas Everett May, of Corvallis, has been appointed a captain in infantry, regular army, and Fremont Byron Hodson, North Bend, has been appointed a second lieutenant.

The tax budget of Clatsop county recommends a levy of \$427,318.80, or just \$100.20 less than that for last year. Among the appropriations are \$160,700 for road work and \$48,250 for bridges.

It will require \$77,620 to maintain the capitol buildings and grounds at Salem during the next biennium, according to the budget of estimated expenditures filed with the secretary of state.

The Thomas Kay woolen mills, the largest plant of its kind in Oregon outside of Portland, will close down early this month and will remain closed until some time in January, according to announcement. More than 250 men and women will be thrown out of employment.

At a recent meeting of the Band of the Grand Army of the Republic a motion was passed unanimously to petition the state legislature at the next session to exempt veterans of the civil war from taxation of property to the value of \$1000.

A public hearing called for the purpose of taking steps to prevent the importation into Oregon of infected potatoes from California will be held in Salem on December 14, according to announcement by Charles A. Parks, president of the state board of horticulture.

Regulation of the Upper Klamath lake by the building of the Link river dam is necessary for the irrigation of the 50,000 acres under ditch in the Klamath basin, declares the report of the Klamath Falls chamber of commerce committee which conducted a hearing of the controversy last week.

More than 75 flaxgrowers from various sections of Marion county gathered in Salem Saturday and pledged a total of \$11 acres of the product for the season of 1921. This is the largest flax acreage ever recorded in Marion county since the inception of the penitentiary flax plant many years ago.

Plans for the Ashland winter fair are practically completed for the three days of the show, December 2, 3 and 4, which will be held in the armory. This fair includes the sixth annual exhibition of the Southern Oregon Poultry association and also the farmers', fruit growers' and industrial exhibits of Jackson county.

Jaas will be a thing of the past within the next two years, in the opinion of Frederick W. Goodrich, pianist and instructor of harmony and analysis in the University of Oregon extension course in Portland, who was the chief speaker at the closing session of the annual convention of the Oregon Music Teachers' association at Salem.

"A. E."

Darrell Figgis in his book on "A. E." (George Russell, the Irish writer and mystic), explains the pen name thus: "Wanting at one time a new pen name, he subscribed himself as Aeon. His penmanship not at all times being the most legible, the printer deciphered the first diphthong and set a query for the rest; whereupon the writer, in his proof sheets, stroked out the query and stood by the diphthong." Since then, however, Mr. Russell has abandoned the diphthong and prints his pen name as two separate letters.—St. John Ervine in the North American Review.

Confidence.

What can defeat a strong man who believes in himself and cannot be ridiculed, talked down, or written down? Self-reliance is the best capital in the world.

Self-depreciation is a crime. If others can do such wonderful things, why can't I?

He can who thinks he can.—Orison Sweet Marden.

Choice of Topics.

"These roads are in terrible condition," exclaimed Mr. Chuggins.

"You're lucky," remarked Farmer Cornutssel. "Most of the automobiles who get this far are so busy looking for a blacksmith shop or a garage that they don't have time for friendly conversation 'bout the roads."

"New Wine in Old Bottles"

That is the way one reviewer sums up that delightful story of a quest for millions in gold doubloons left in the West Indies by buccaneers, recorded in the new serial about to appear in this paper.

Pieces of Eight

By Richard Le Gallienne

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LAND OF THE HOMESTEADERS

Warmest Hospitality the Unvarying Custom—How "Hell-Buster" Acquired His Peculiar Nickname.

But despite the struggle which most of the homesteaders were having against poverty and other unyielding factors of frontier life, we met everywhere with warm hospitality. The custom of the country seems to be to take in the stranger and share roof and meal with him. We often had difficulty inducing families to take payment from us—even those families who were in the hardest straits, Viola E. Paradise writes in "Trailing Statistics on an American Frontier" in Scribner's. Sometimes the mention of pay was an insult. Again and again we were invited to "spend the night," and though we were usually quite comfortable sleeping out of doors on the ground, we often accepted invitations to sleep in. There were times when a bed could hardly be resisted, and when the chance to get a good wash was tempting beyond refusal. And frequently invitations were so proffered as to be hard to refuse. "What are you afraid of?" asked the father of a family of five persons who lived in one room, partitioned by a scant curtain. (Few houses have more than three rooms, and most of them consist of only one or two rooms. And the size of the family is usually in inverse ratio to the size of the dwelling). "Nothing here'll hurt you, unless it might be a bed bug, and they don't bite hard this time of the year. And you aren't afraid of a little bed bug, are you?" The agent who had protested that she could be quite comfortable in the hay stack felt challenged to show her lack of fear and slept comfortably with the mother and baby while the father and the boys occupied the floor on the other side of the curtain.

Another night three of us stayed at "Hell Busters" ranch. His real name we never could learn. The nickname he had earned at broncho busting on an occasion when a wild "bronc" had thrown him and stepped on his face. He had "been given up for gone," when he surprised the onlookers by regaining consciousness suddenly, making at once for the "bronc" and succeeding in subduing the animal. Hell Busters' ranch was usually prosperous for that country, owning a victrola and some excellent records. After playing a Tetraxini, he turned to us with the comment:

"There ain't no coyote got nothin' on that gal!"

Lipton's First Business Venture.

Dr. J. H. Ostrander, a personal friend of Sir Thomas Lipton, told recently, for the first time, the story of Lipton's initial business venture.

Lipton's first business venture was an event in one little corner of Glasgow. He bought, for a few pounds, a sorry old run-down provision shop that had changed hands a score of times; everybody had failed. It was in a neighborhood where profits were meager, and housewives close traders, and where sharp practice and indifferent ethics precluded credit. So, when Lipton announced that he would trust any decent neighbor once, all foresaw his doom.

Lipton, however, did not mean that he would carry accounts 30 days, for, at this period, five such accounts would have swamped him. As he himself put it: "In misfortune I will carry any decent chap till Saturday night. I will be a friend to you in spite of prevailing business rules; but if you break faith with me you will lose a friend, and I will lose my business." Thus he put them on their honor. And it won; won because sympathy and fellowship dominated the boy and excited like attributes in others.—Detroit News.

New Phosphate Industry.

The electric furnaces of a southern plant have been diverted from wartime products to the manufacture of phosphoric acid and potash, such materials as synthetic pig iron, ferromanganese and ferro silicon being found no longer profitable. In the new industry, as described by the Iron Age, phosphoric rock is smelted in the electric furnace, the phosphorus being driven off as phosphoric oxide suspended in the gases. Collection of the gases and treatment by electrical precipitation yields the phosphorus as a fine powder, which on further treatment and concentration becomes a superior product, free from the impurities usual when sulphuric acid is the disintegrating agent. American shales are similarly treated for the production of potash, the potassium oxides being formed in the gases, and precipitated and collected.

Better Than It Looked.

The bride next door is very fond of my daughter, Anna, so we invited her to the little one's birthday party. An hour or so before the guests arrived she came in and presented Anna with a birthday cake, saying it was her first attempt at baking.

When she left, I turned to mother (not knowing I had a listener) and said: "Well, that's certainly a fizzle. Hope it tastes better than it looks."

Later as the refreshments were being served, all seated at the table, the bride next to me, Anna replied, "O mother, Mrs. Smith's fizzle does taste much better than it looks, doesn't it?"—Chicago Tribune.

An Inspiration.

"What has possessed Mrs. Grubem this week that she is so grumpy and disagreeable?"

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Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of Samuel G. Work, deceased, has filed his final account in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County, and that Monday the 27th day of December, 1920, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, at the Court room of said Court in the City of Dallas, Oregon, has been appointed by said court as the time and place for the hearing of objections to said final account and the settlement thereof.

George Boothby
Administrator of the estate of Samuel G. Work deceased.

Swope & Swope, Attorneys.
Dated and first published November 26th, 1920.

Notice to Creditors

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administratrix of the estate of William H. Mack, deceased, by the county court of Polk County, Oregon, and has qualified. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same, with proper vouchers therefor, to the undersigned at Monmouth, Polk County, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated and first published November 19, 1920.

Minnie K. Mack,
Administratrix of the estate of William H. Mack, deceased.

Brown & Helgeson, attorneys.

Notice of Referee's Sale

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR POLK COUNTY

Rita Remington, Plaintiff,

vs.
Bertha A. Low and C. C. Low, her husband; Bertha G. Remington, a Minor; C. J. Whiteside, Guardian of the Estate of Bertha G. Remington, a Minor; and Walter Williams, Defendants.

By virtue of an order of sale entered in the above entitled suit, on the 17th day of November, 1920, I will on Saturday the 18th day of December, 1920, at the hour of three o'clock in the afternoon of said day, at the West front door of the Court House in Dallas, Polk County, Oregon, sell at public auction, to the highest and best bidder for cash, subject to the confirmation of this Court, that parcel of real property situated in Polk County, Oregon, described as follows, to-wit:

The Southwest Quarter of Section 27, and the Northwest Quarter of Section 34, Township 6 South Range 7 West of the Willamette Meridian; containing 320 acres; and also that other parcel of real property in Polk County, Oregon, described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point 105 feet North of the Southwest corner of Lot 8 in Block 7, of the Original Town of Monmouth, in said Polk County; thence North 60 feet to the Northwest corner of said Lot 8; thence East 82½ feet, thence South 60 feet; thence West 82½ feet to the place of beginning.

Each of said parcels will be separately sold.

Dated this 17th day of November, 1920.

JOHN W. ORR, Referee
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