

GENERAL INTEREST

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

The new Corvallis city hospital is nearly complete.

The taxpayers of district No. 12 voted down the proposal to build a stadium by a vote of 46 to 30.

Damage to Lincoln county roads on account of the recent storm is estimated at \$250,000.

The seventh annual meeting of the Walnut association was held here Tuesday and Wednesday.

1162 carloads of pears and apples have been shipped to the Eastern market from Medford so far this season.

Residents have subscribed \$39,000 for the new \$150,000 hotel at this place.

The school election held in Monday night by the taxpayers of district No. 12 voted down the proposal to build a stadium by a vote of 46 to 30.

The Linn county farm bureau has a farmers' week celebration at Albany from December 13 to 15, inclusive, have been planned.

The Astoria club of Astoria committee to the state forester that a mile of road leading to Saddle mountain has been completely destroyed by log operations.

While driving in the snow and falling ice an automobile while on his way to school, Edwin, 7-year-old son of P. Peterson of Willows, was run over and killed.

The second test well sunk by the city to tap the artesian flow under the Fort Rock valley has been completed and demonstration is to be made in the near future.

The Lane county budget committee has completed the estimate of county expenses for 1922. The sum of \$1,200,000 will be required next year, according to the estimate.

Everett Mingus, Coos county health officer, announces that scarlet fever, which for a time threatened to become generally prevalent throughout the county, has been brought under control.

The first dairy herd record club in Lane county and the second organization of the kind among the boys and girls industrial clubs of the state, will be formed soon among students of the high school.

There were 290 accidents in Oregon industries in the week ending December 24, according to a report issued by the state industrial accident commission. None of the accidents proved fatal.

Withstanding a 15 per cent increase in motor vehicle registrations for the year 1921 when compared with 1920, the applications for 1922 are less than 70 per cent of those filed a year ago.

There are 8,419,954.88 acres of land in the 33,917 farms in Oregon, of which 3,881,338.99 acres are devoted to agriculture and horticulture, according to a report issued by Frank Hill, state tax commissioner.

Editor for Oregon newspaper men honor of E. E. Brodie, president of the National Editorial association, was elected by President Harding, will be in Salem early in December.

The interstate commerce commission has held that rates charged on mail ore by the Sumpter Valley road and connecting lines from the ore by way of Baker to South Astoria, Ill. were not unreasonable.

After what is declared to have been one of the most constructive gatherings in the history of the grange the national grange convention passed into history at Portland with the election of the incoming officers.

Several deer killed by sportsmen in Grant county showed symptoms of "gray jaw," an ailment peculiar to that section, according to Stanley G. Jewett, the United States biological survey, states that the meat is unfit for consumption.

The number of cattle and sheep in the Loran neighborhood have died mysteriously from some mysterious cause, which the owners suspect to be the result of poisonous toadstools, that have been numerous in the woods of that section.

Dr. R. Hartwig was re-elected president of the Oregon State Federation of Labor as a result of the vote taken throughout the state membership of the organization. This year, Mr. Hartwig's sixth term as president, William E. Kinney, secretary and treasurer of the organization for the last year, was chosen vice-president and E. J. Stack was elected secretary.

Julian A. Hurley of Vale has been appointed assistant United States attorney of the third district of Alaska. He will take office January 1, with his official residence at Anchorage.

Just before the heavy snow of last week the last remaining section of the old Oregon trail between La Grande and Baker was completed, and a paved and gravelled highway that can be used the year round now connects these cities.

Hearing on the application of the Southern Pacific company to advance the fare on the Eugene street railway lines from 5 cents to 8 cents will be held at the courthouse in Eugene December 15, according to announcement of the public service commission.

D. J. Rice and other ranchers of the Daniels creek and other localities have opened a meat and produce market in Marshfield in protest to a lack of suitable market conditions. These ranchers claim the highest offer they can obtain for dressed beef is 6 and 7 cents a pound. They are underselling other dealers.

Percy Cupper, state engineer, together with a number of prominent Oregon men selected by Governor Olcott recently, left for Salt Lake City, Utah, to attend a meeting of the Western States Reclamation association, November 29 and 30. Mr. Cupper is a member of the executive committee of the association.

A total of 12,874 ex-service men entitled to benefits under the so-called bonus and loan law enacted at the 1921 session of the legislature have filed applications with the world war veterans' state aid commission. Of the total number of applicants 7173 seek cash bonuses, while 5701 have expressed preference for the loan.

Approximately \$5000 damage was done to the dam at the North Umpqua hatchery and to the Tillamook hatchery, to say nothing of the loss of practically the entire hatch of 500,000 chinook salmon and eggs at the latter establishment as the result of the recent storm, according to advices received by Carl D. Shoemaker, master fish warden.

Portland made a gain of 179 per cent in value of building permits for October, 1921, compared with the same month last year, according to a resume of building conditions from the American controller. The figures showed that Salt Lake City was the only city west of the Rockies to exceed Portland. The valuation of permits last month in Portland aggregated \$1,942,516.

Most of the 5,609,000 salmon fry at the Bonneville hatchery were lost as a result of the recent storm, according to advices received by Carl D. Shoemaker, master fish warden. Mr. Shoemaker said that it was probable that they would be able to save only some of the older fish. The storm broke down the flume which furnished water to the hatchery and put a stop to the operation of the power plant.

Fourteen more names of Oregon men were added to the honor roll of Oregon's dead in the world war as the result of inquiry by George A. White, adjutant-general of the state, into cases of omissions from official records and crediting of men erroneously to other states. The war department advised Colonel White that the 14 names have been officially recorded at Washington as Oregon men. This addition brought Oregon's honor roll up to 948.

Petitions signed by more than 500 residents of the Yakima valley in Washington, asking executive clemency for Kivie Kirby, alias James Owens, who is awaiting execution for the part he played in the murder of Sheriff Taylor of Umatilla county, has been filed with Governor Olcott. The executive also has received letters from prominent attorneys of North Yakima and other Washington cities, asking that Kirby's sentence be commuted to life imprisonment.

Paving operations north of Grants Pass have been discontinued for the season, with the exception of 786 feet of base to be covered with top material, which will be completed as soon as the weather is settled. Three jobs are in sight for next spring. Sexton mountain, Galesville-Canyonville and the Canyonville-Myrtle Creek road, when these sections, totaling 29 miles, will be paved. With these completed, the Pacific highway in southern Oregon will be completely paved, with the exception of the half-mile strip lying within the city limits of Grants Pass.

Submission to the voters of Oregon of the question of levying a tax of \$3,000,000 for the support of the world's exposition to be held in Portland in 1925, and enactment of legislation tending toward conservation of the state highways, are two parallel issues that should be considered by the legislature which has been called to convene in special session at Salem Monday, December 19. This was announced by Governor Olcott when he issued his formal call for the when he issued his formal call for the special legislative assembly. To assist the legislature and to cause no unnecessary delays, Governor Olcott necessary delays, Governor Olcott selected a committee to prepare the bills dealing with highway problems.

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ANNUAL ARMAMENT MEETINGS SUGGESTED

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RAILROAD RATE INQUIRY ORDERED

Washington, D. C.—A general investigation to determine whether any further reduction in railroad rates could be required was ordered by the interstate commerce commission.

The commission announced that the investigation would be begun at a hearing December 14. The investigation is instituted, the commission said, to determine whether and to what extent, if any, further general reductions in the rates, fares and charges of carriers by railroads applicable in interstate or foreign commerce can lawfully be required by order of the commission under section 1 or other provisions of the interstate commerce commission act, upon any commodities or descriptions of traffic.

RHINE FORCES REDUCED

Six Hundred Enlisted Men Leave Coblenz to Sail For Home.

Coblenz.—Reduction in the American expeditionary force along the Rhine began when 11 officers and 600 enlisted men left here on a special train to sail for home on the transport Cantigny. They are due to reach Hoboken about December 7.

In addition to the soldiers there were three nurses, 15 ex-service men and 82 wives of soldiers who were married in Germany.

Most of the men come from the 6th and 15th infantry regiments.

No Dealings With Russian Reds.

Washington, D. C.—The policy of the American government toward soviet Russia, which involves non-recognition of and no dealings with the present regime, remains unchanged. Secretary Hoover stated. The commerce secretary made the statement in commenting on reports from Moscow that the soviet authorities were expecting the consummation of a trade agreement between the United States and Russia.

Seattle Community Chest Is Short.

Seattle, Wash.—After two weeks of the community chest drive the fund is still approximately \$190,000 short. Men in charge of the campaign asserted that there will be no let up in the work until the full \$750,000 has been raised.

Foch Smokes Pipe of Peace.

Bismarck, N. D.—Marshal Foch smoked the pipe of peace here with Chief Red Tomahawk, cementing the friendship of the Dakotah Sioux Indians and France. The smoking was part of a tumultuous reception given the French soldier by thousands.

North Dakota Recall Election Valid.

Bismarck, N. D.—The North Dakota supreme court denied the application of five taxpayers for a writ prohibiting the state canvassing board from canvassing the vote cast at the recall election October 28.

Three Killed in Theater Fire.

New Haven, Conn.—At least three persons lost their lives here when the Risiko theater, a moving picture house, was destroyed by fire. More than four score received hospital treatment.

AGE OF CLEOPATRA'S NEEDLE

Obelisk in New York Park Was Erected in Egypt Before the Birth of Moses.

Cleopatra's Needle, which stands in Central park, New York city, was given to the United States by Egypt and was transported here at the expense of the late W. H. Vanderbilt. It was erected in 1881. The crabs it stands upon are replicas of the originals, which are in the Metropolitan museum. In the museum, too, a model is to be seen showing how the obelisk was lowered and raised into position. It is sixty-seven feet high and weighs 180 tons.

Gazing at it, it is hard to realize that when it was erected Moses had not been born, that not one being in Europe could read or write. Indeed that Greece, Rome, England had never even been heard of, remarks the Detroit News.

When Thothmes III, erected this obelisk, about 1500 B. C., to commemorate his victories over the enemies of Egypt, his country was the richest and most powerful in the world, the great center of trade and the leader in letters and arts. The last independent ruler of Egypt, Cleopatra, had the obelisk transferred from Heliopolis, the old capital, to Alexandria, thereby giving it its present name.

With the fall of ancient civilizations the old buildings of Egypt decayed and everything about that country was forgotten. Finally, at the instigation of Napoleon, scientists undertook to solve these secrets and aroused interest in that long-forgotten country.

USED ANTS TO FIGHT PESTS

Southern Arabs Employed the Method 150 Years Ago in Culture of the Date Palm.

Control of destructive insects by the introduction of their natural enemies has become an important technique during the last generation, writes Paul Popence in Science. But if competent observers are to be trusted, the southern Arabs employed the same method more than 150 years ago in the culture of the date palm.

In his "Relation d'un Voyage dans l'Yemen" (Paris, 1880, page 155), P. E. Botta says:

"I was able to verify the singular fact previously observed by Forskial, that the date palms in Yemen are attacked by a species of ant which would cause them to perish if each year the growers did not bring from the mountains and fasten in the tops of the palms branches of a tree that I did not recognize, which contains the nests of another species of ant which destroys that of the date palm."

P. Forskial was the naturalist of C. Niebuhr's expedition; his work was published posthumously in 1775. I have not seen his account to which Botta refers.

It would be interesting to know whether the history of economic entomology furnishes any earlier record of the "biological method" of pest control.

Wind and Sound.

A government scientist gives an interesting explanation of the action of the wind in preventing the spread of sound.

It is, he claims, not the wind, as such, that prevents sound from traveling against it, but difference in the strength of the wind. If, for instance, the wind is stronger above than below, or stronger at one side, its effect will be to tilt the sound waves in one direction or another. Differences of temperature in the air also cause deflection of the waves of sound. Other atmospheric causes exist which deflect sound from a straight course and prevent it from going as far in a certain direction as it may have been expected to go.

Some of the sirens in this country, it appears, produce sounds which ought theoretically to be audible at a distance of 1,500 miles, but, in fact, the authorities are satisfied if they are heard only two miles away. The reason for the discrepancy between calculation and experiment was probably atmospheric deflection of the sound.

Maybe "Grace" Widow.

Divorced women, or those who are separated from their husbands, are called "grass widows." It is said that this originated from an English rural term, "grass mare," meaning a horse that has been turned out to pasture.

Some claim that it is derived from "grace widow," meaning that the woman is a widow by courtesy of law or agreement but not by the death of her husband.

The expression was first used in this country in 1849 when so many men went to California at the time of the gold strike and left their wives at home.

In England the word is one of disrepute, being applied to former mistresses or unmarried mothers.

Rheumatiz in One Reel.

"Well, Eph," said his ex-employer, meeting the old dumpy on the street, "how is the rheumatism these days?" "Porely, sah, porely," was the dejected reply. "Believe me, Marse Bixby, I've jest a movin' picture ob pain." —Boston Transcript.

Better Off Without It.

Old Grones—I wish to heavens I could acquire an appetite. His Wife—For goodness' sake what do you want with an appetite? It would only give you more dyspepsia.

WAVES OF GIGANTIC HEIGHT

Thousands of Tons of Water Not Infrequently Poured Upon Decks of Ocean Vessels.

Even in stormy weather the average height of waves in mid-ocean does not as a rule exceed 30 or 40 feet. Sometimes, however, one enormous wave makes its appearance amidst the rest.

Why this should happen no one can say. All we know is that a mighty mass of water rushes suddenly toward a ship at the appalling speed of over 100 miles an hour.

If the ship can meet such a wave with her bows she will ride over it, though thousands of tons of water may sweep over her decks. But if the wave is following her and rushes at her from the stern, she may fall to rise. Many a good ship has gone to her doom in this way.

These vast mountains of water rise sometimes to a height of more than a hundred feet—as high as the spire of a church. They have been known to extinguish the mast-head lights of sailing ships.

Sometimes on a perfectly calm day there will be a sudden troubling of the surface of the sea, and without the slightest warning a wave 150 feet high will appear.

LEGAL NOTICES

SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County.—W. R. Carroll, Plaintiff, vs. Bulah Carroll, Defendant.

To Bulah Carroll, defendant above named: In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint herein filed in the above entitled cause and Court within six weeks from the time of the publication of this summons to-wit, November 25th, 1921, and if you fail to so appear and answer said complaint, plaintiff will apply to the above named Court for the relief prayed for in said complaint, to-wit: for a decree of divorce against you on the ground of willful desertion, and for such other relief as may be deemed equitable.

You are hereby notified that this summons is served upon you by publication thereof in the Independence Enterprise, a weekly newspaper of general circulation, printed and published at Independence, Polk county, Oregon, pursuant to an order of the Honorable A. B. Robinson, County Judge, made on the 22nd day of November, 1921 and you are further notified that the date of the first publication of this summons is November 25th, 1921, and the last publication thereof will be January 6th, 1922.

D. E. FLETCHER, Independence, Oregon, Attorney for Plaintiff.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that Guy G. Hewitt, executor of the last will and testament of Louisa Harman, deceased, has filed his final account as such executor in the County Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County, and that Saturday, the 10th day of December, 1921, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, at the courtroom of said Court, in the County Courthouse in Dallas, Polk County, Oregon, has been appointed by said Court as the time and place for the hearing of objections to the said final account and the settlement thereof.

Dated and first published November 11, 1921. GUY G. HEWITT, Executor aforesaid. Oscar Hayter, Attorney. n.11-5\*

Notice to Creditors

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Moore Getty, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County, and has qualified.

All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present the same duly verified, together with the proper vouchers therefor, to the undersigned administrator at his residence at Buena Vista, in said county, within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated and first published October 21st 1921. GEORGE E. HARMAN Administrator of the estate of Moore Getty, deceased. B. F. Swope, Attorney. 21-5t

Notice That Certain Street Improvement Bonds Will Be Paid

Notice is hereby given that there are sufficient funds in the Street Improvement Fund of the City of Independence, Oregon, to take up for payment and cancellation Bonds No. 20 and 21, bearing date December 1, 1914.

That on December 1, 1921 said bonds will be taken up and cancelled and paid in full, principal and interest to said date and thereafter will cease to bear interest. Dated October 25, 1921. C. W. IRVINE, City Treasurer.

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