

NEWS ITEMS

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About Oregon

Buyers' Week Dates Are

August 7 to 12 Inclusive

The fourth annual Buyers' Week to be held in Portland has been fixed for August 7 to 12, for the convenience of Northwest merchants. Invitations are ready to be sent to all the merchandising trade territory, where Portland jobbers and manufacturers maintain affiliations.

Plans for the event are being worked out by the arrangements committee of that city and it is intended to mix business and pleasure in most alluring proportions.

Following the outline of the highly successful Buyers' Week of 1915, the work of preparing for the 1916 Buyers' Week visitors will be in the hands of the trade and commerce bureau of the Chamber of Commerce, of which Nathan Straus is chairman.

It is believed that the forthcoming Buyers' Week will attract a much larger attendance than any of its three predecessors.

The number of buyers has grown each year, and the territory they represent has spread, so that the annual Buyers' Week has become one of the fixed institutions of the city. Portland jobbers and manufacturers get together with their retail friends from upstate, downstate, across the river and east of the Cascades for a week of profitable conferences.

Neither the out-of-town merchant or the representatives of the big merchandising establishments of the city would permit Buyers' Week to be thrown overboard.

County Courts Decide to Push Work on Dixie Mountain Road

Baker—Meeting at the dividing line of Grant and Baker counties at Austin, 57 miles west of here, Tuesday afternoon, members of the County courts of the two counties decided to push the work on the Dixie Mountain that will give a thoroughfare connecting the counties. The road on the Grant county side was found in worse shape than that on this side of the line, but this the Grant County court consented to remedy at once, with the ultimate idea of building a road along the John Day river from Susanville, touching at the Dixie Meadows mine, which will make a much safer grade than that on the road now in use.

In regard to the state highway, following the John Day river and connecting Baker, Grant and Malheur counties, the Grant county commissioners announced that they will push preliminary survey. It was ascertained that the United States Forestry department would pay the greater part of the survey in Baker county. No arrangements were made as to how the balance of the expense could be met.

Mills To Pay Families.

Oregon City—Families of guardsmen who were employed in the local mills of the Crown-Willamette Paper company will be cared for by the mill as long as the Oregon soldiers are away from home. Mill officials have found 11 families which were left by guardsmen employed in the local plant. The money will be paid to the wives of the men, the mill giving 26 days' pay a month, less \$15 paid by the government to the soldiers. The Crown-Willamette mills and the Hawley Pulp & Paper company are holding jobs open for men now at the border.

Bond Issue Carries.

Medford—By a vote of nearly 3 to 1—1009 for and 366 against—the people of Medford Monday approved the contract with Mr. Bullis for the construction of a railroad to the Blue Ledge mine, just over the California line, about 36 miles from Medford. The Blue Ledge boosters celebrated their victory by a parade of automobiles with tooting horns through the streets, bright with red lights, led by the Medford band. Leaders of the movement were serenaded and speeches were made on the street by enthusiastic citizens.

Forces To Be Combined.

Bandon—Roderick L. Macleay, manager of the Wedderburn Trading company, which a few months ago purchased the Fishermen's Co-operative Cannery, on the Lower Coquille river, announces that forces of the local plant at Wedderburn, on Rogue River are to be combined. This is made possible by the fact that the salmon do not commence to run here until after the season is over on the Rogue.

Improvements and additions to the local plant are being made in preparation for the fall season.

Corporations Are Formed.

Salem—The Peninsula Lumber company, of Portland, which in the past has been operating in Oregon as a Wisconsin corporation, organized as an Oregon corporation with a capital of \$1,000,000. The old corporation will withdraw from business in the state. Officers of the new company are: Charles A. Hart, G. C. Frisbie and F. C. Knapp, of Portland.

The North Pacific Shipbuilding company, capitalized at \$100,000, was incorporated here, with headquarters in Portland.

OREGON TO FORESTALL POSSIBLE INFANTILE PARALYSIS EPIDEMIC

Portland—The entire state of Oregon will be protected by strict preventative measures against the possible introduction of infantile paralysis infection, through orders issued Sunday by the State Board of Health, and forwarded by State Health Officer David N. Roberg to all local health officers, and county judges, throughout the state.

To further insure the observance of these precautions against the plague that is terrorizing New York, Governor Withycombe has been requested by the State Board of Health to issue a proclamation to the county judges of Oregon, instructing them to establish the quarantine at every railroad station within their jurisdiction.

The plan is simple, though necessarily involving a great deal of close observation and employment of a regiment of medical inspectors and assistants.

Incoming passengers, under 15 years of age, from all Eastern points, will be met at each station by authorized inspectors. Their temperatures will be taken. If the temperature be above normal, or if any other indication of the dread malady is observed, the child will be placed under strict quarantine.

Epidemic is Subsiding.

New York—Nineteen more deaths from infantile paralysis in New York City for the 24 hours ended at 10 o'clock Sunday morning were reported by the department of health, making the total fatalities 224 since the epidemic started. There was a drop in the number of new cases, 88 being reported Sunday against 95 Saturday. The total number of cases now has reached 980. The mortality rate is still about 23 per cent. Brooklyn continued to lead with new cases.

Life of President of Argentine Republic Sought by Anarchist

Buenos Aires—An attempt to assassinate President de la Plaza was made Sunday by a self-styled anarchist. The President was standing on a balcony of a government building reviewing some troops when a man in the crowd of spectators suddenly drew a revolver and fired at him. The shot went wild and the would-be assassin was arrested.

The great crowd of spectators surged forward in an effort to take the assassin from his guards and lynch him, but this was prevented by the soldiers. The man gave his name as Jean Mandrini. He said he was born in Argentina and was 24 years old.

United States Has 21,000,000 Men Eligible to Military Service

Washington, D. C.—The census bureau, while unable to answer specifically the question how many able-bodied citizens of military age there are in the United States, estimates that the total number of male citizens and those who have declared their intention to become citizens, who are 18 to 45 years old inclusive, is not far from 21,000,000.

This estimate is based on the assumption that there has been an increase of approximately 10 per cent in the population of the country since the census of 1910. When that census was taken the total number of male citizens and prospective citizens 18 years old and over but under 46 was 19,183,000. Of this number, 14,857,000 were foreign-born whites who had become naturalized or had declared their intention of doing so, 2,052,000 were negroes and 50,000 were Indians.

Socialists Insist Food Supply is Short.

The Hague—During a debate on the food situation at the Thursday evening session of the Berlin city council, the Socialists complained of the inequality and inadequacy of the distribution of food under the mass-feeding scheme. Councillor Mommsen declared that no resident of Berlin was yet starving. This elicited a sharp contradiction. Municipal Physician Weber maintained there was no question of under-feeding yet, whereupon cries of strong dissent arose from the Socialists.

The Socialist councillor, Hoffman, said that he himself had been a patient at the Rudolph Virchow hospital for months, and knew how seriously the dietary had been reduced.

Explosion Follows Raid.

Seattle—A few minutes after the police had wrecked the stock and fixtures of the Puget Drug company at 1525 First avenue during a liquor raid Sunday night, fire caused by an explosion, completed the destruction of the interior of the store. No one was in the store at the time of the explosion, but it is believed that acid leaking from a bottle came into contact with the contents of a barrel of alcohol which the police had broken open. One hundred bottles and several demijohns of whisky also were destroyed.

British Statesmen Shifted.

London—Following the appointment last week of David Lloyd-George as secretary for war, official announcement was made of several other changes in the government. Edwin Samuel Montagu, financial secretary to the treasury, takes Lloyd-George's place as minister of munitions, Thomas McKinnon Wood, secretary of state for Scotland, becomes chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and financial secretary to the treasury.

NORTHWEST MARKET REPORTS; GENERAL CROP CONDITIONS

Portland—Hay—Eastern Oregon timothy, \$23@24 per ton; valley timothy, \$18@19; alfalfa, \$14@15. Millfeed—Spot prices: Bran, \$26@26.50 per ton; shorts, \$29@29.50; rolled barley, \$31.50@32.50. Corn—Whole, \$37 per ton; cracked, \$38.

Vegetables—Artichokes, 75c@1 per dozen; tomatoes, \$1.50@1.65 per crate; cabbage, \$2@2.25 per hundred; garlic, 10c per pound; peppers, 25c per pound; eggplant, 10c; horseradish, 8c; lettuce, \$1@1.25 per crate; cucumbers, 75c@1.15 per dozen; spinach, 4@5c per pound; asparagus, 75c@1 per dozen; rhubarb, 12c per pound; peas, 3@4c; cauliflower, \$1.25 crate; celery, \$1.10@1.25 per dozen; corn, 65@75c per dozen.

Potatoes—Old, \$1.50@1.65 per sack; new, 2@2 1/2c per pound.

Onions—California red and yellow, \$3@3.25 per sack.

Green Fruits—Strawberries, \$1.25@1.75 per crate; apples, new, \$1.50 per box; cherries, 4@10c per pound; cantaloupes, 90c@93 per crate; apricots, \$1.35@1.75 per box; peaches, 75c@1.10 per box; figs, \$1@1.50 per box; raspberries, \$1.50@1.75; plums, \$1.10@1.25; prunes, \$1.25@1.50; loganberries, \$1.25@1.50; blackcaps, \$1.25@1.50; currants, \$1.25@1.50.

Eggs—Oregon ranch, current receipts, 22c; extras, 23c. Jobbing prices: Oregon ranch, candled, 24@25c; selects, 26c.

Poultry—Hens, 14c; broilers, 16@17c per pound; turkeys, live, 20@21c; turkeys, dressed, choice, 23@25c; ducks, 12@15c; geese, 9@11c.

Butter—Cubes, extras, 24c bid; prime firsts, 24c; firsts, 23c; seconds, 22c. Jobbing prices: Prints, extras, 27@29c; butterfat, No. 1, 27c; No. 2, 25c, Portland.

Veal—Fancy, 10c per pound.

Pork—Fancy, 10@10 1/2c per pound.

Hops—1915 crop, 8@11c, 1916 contracts, nominal.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, fine, 23 @ 26c; coarse, 30@32c; valley, 30@33c.

Cascara bark—Old and new, 4c per pound.

Cattle—Steers, choice, \$7.50@8.20; good, \$6.75@7.25; cows, choice, \$6.25 @ 6.50; good, \$5.50@6.25; heifers, \$4@6.50; bulls, \$3@5; stags, \$4.50@6.

Hogs—Prime light, \$8.20@8.60; good to prime, \$7.75@8.10; rough heavy, \$7.50@7.75; pigs and skips, \$6.60@7.10.

Sheep—Yearlings, \$6@6.50; wethers, \$5.50@6.50; lambs, \$6@8.25.

As Wheat Season Advances More Grain Bags Are Needed

Portland—There is more inquiry for grain bags now than at any time this season. Sales are not much larger but buyers are showing decidedly more interest in bags, and sellers believe an active market is not far off. It is the improvement in crop conditions in the Northwest that is causing the inquiries to increase. The rains of the past fortnight have led all grain men to raise their estimate of the wheat crop and they are now figuring on a yield of 10,000,000 to 15,000,000 bushels larger than they expected early in June. This condition naturally has produced a firmer bag market. Local quotations are still around the 12-cent mark, but there is not the probability of a decline that dealers faced a short time ago.

The entire coast crop is growing in size and there are no more bags in sight than there were. As a California authority expresses it, for every bag in sight two will be needed. In California, as here, there has not been much buying by farmers in anticipation of crop needs, but this is a condition that cannot last much longer. Much was heard earlier in the season of bulk handling of grain, but it is evident now that there will be but little relief for the situation on this score.

Road Increases Capital to a Million.

Chehalis, Wash.—The Cowlitz, Chehalis & Cascade railway company in supplemental articles of incorporation has increased its capital stock from \$100,000 to \$1,000,000. The name of the company has been changed to read as above, instead of the Chehalis, Cowlitz & Cascade. The company has a large crew at work all along its 22 miles of projected line rushing its work and expects to have the road completed to four miles southeast of Onalaska, near Salkum, by fall. The Chehalis Mill company has its plans all completed now to rush work on its new 75,000 sawmill in South Chehalis at once.

Sales Plan is Success.

Kennewick, Wash.—Encouraged by the success of the Kennewick-Richland Marketing union, which shipped and sold this year 95 per cent of the strawberries grown in this region at an average price to the grower of nearly \$2 per crate of 24 pints, the growers at a public meeting here last Saturday perfected plans for a similar permanent organization to handle the raspberry crop, asparagus, gooseberries, cherries, early potatoes, and, possibly, the peach, pear and apple crops. New by-laws and constitution were approved.

Some Grant Crops Damaged.

Canyon City, Ore.—Unsettled weather conditions have prevailed throughout Grant county for the past two weeks. Considerable rain has fallen and has caused damage to some crops and much inconvenience to shepherds, who are in the midst of shearing operations. The first crop of alfalfa is ready, but owing to the weather conditions, the farmers are delaying the cutting until good curing weather.

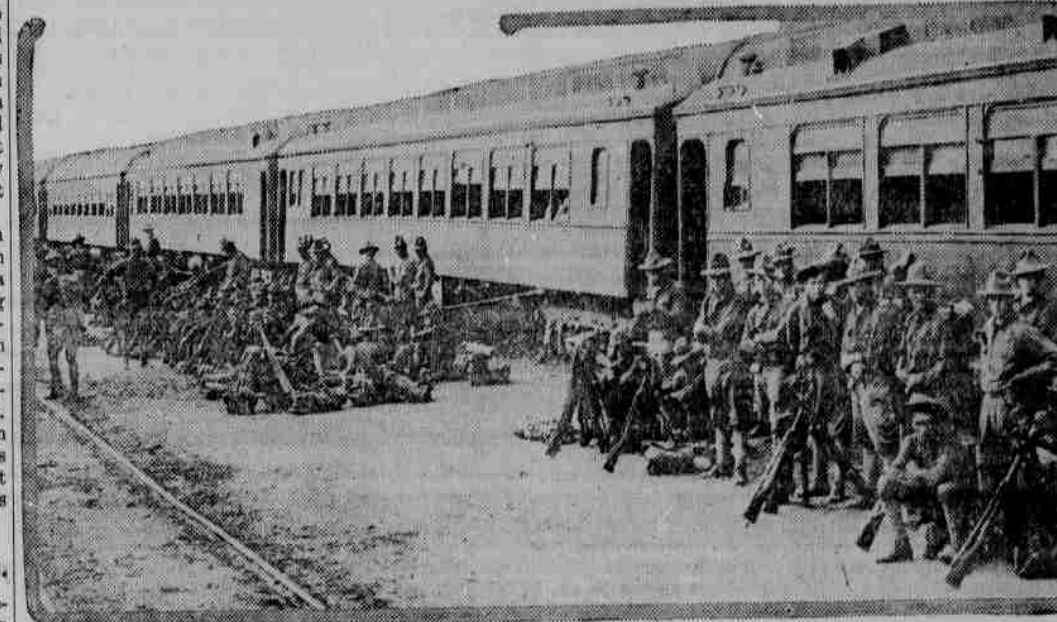
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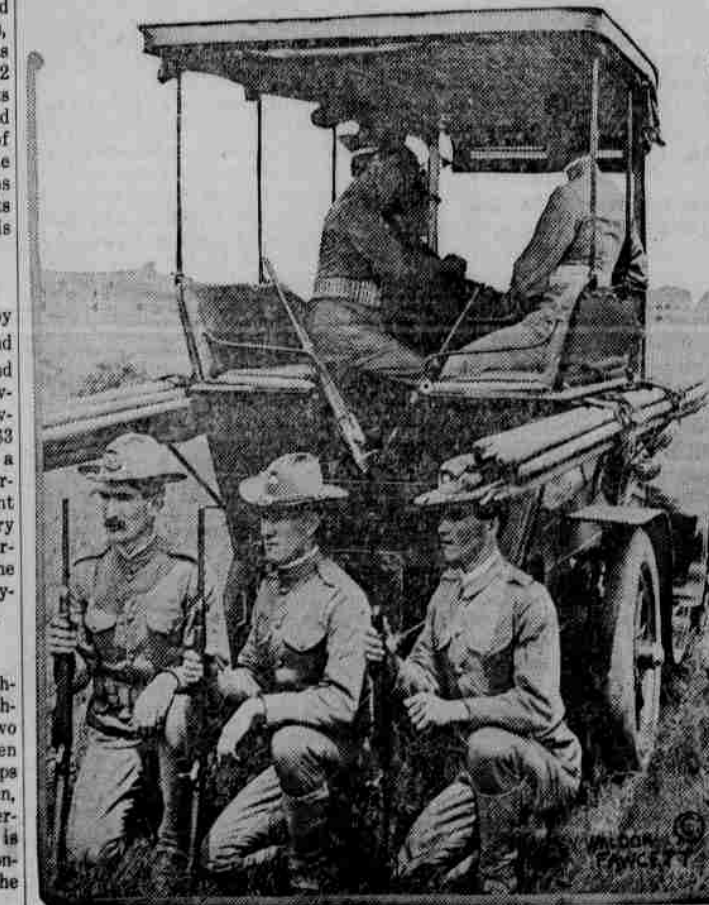
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