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SYNOPSIS OF MANY EVENTS

THE NEWS IN TABLOID FORM

Condensed for the Quick Assimilation of Busy Men and Women—General Round-Up of a Wide Scope

Napoleon Rice was elected mayor of Roseburg last week.

Vice President Marshall urges that more religion be used in politics.

And now the onion industry is threatened with the eel worm, whatever that is.

A strange disease has baffled the physicians of Bellingham, Wash., and an Oriental plague is feared.

School children in the copper districts of Michigan, where a great strike is on, are striking in sympathy.

On and after Nov. 4th, no liquor will be served on the dining cars in Ohio. Remember that when you go East.

Large numbers of Japanese are going back to bring out their wives and make their permanent homes in this country.

Large oil and gasoline tanks of the Standard Oil Company in San Diego caught fire last week and were destroyed.

A rat with the bubonic plague was found on the Seattle waterfront and an active campaign against rats has been resumed.

Five hundred people were rendered homeless in Nome by a great storm and fire that destroyed a large part of the town.

Emperor William owns a small restaurant near Potsdam, and rents it on condition that it shall serve the best coffee in Potsdam.

The Dowrites at Zion city are overjoyed at the discovery of 60 lost phonograph records carrying the voice of their deceased leader.

Suffragists propose to lay siege to congress again in an effort to have it pass the proposed Constitutional amendment for universal suffrage.

Three of the new type of three-cylinder locomotives have been doing good service on the Philadelphia and Reading railroad for several years.

Francis Cutting, the pioneer California fruit packer left an estate valued at over \$1,000,000, of which \$100,000 is left to the Unitarian School for the Ministry.

Postoffice inspectors are sweating over robberies from registered mail pouches in Washington and Montana, which have aggregated \$13,000 within eight days.

The report of Colonel Gorgas for the month of July shows an excellent sanitary record at Panama, as the death rate was lower than at any time during the ten years that the canal has been under construction.

The dance hall girls thrown out of employment by the closing of resorts on the Barbary Coast in San Francisco refused to accept the money raised for them by the Federation of Women's clubs, calling it "Charity."

Before the Illuminating Engineering Society, at Pittsburg, it was brought out that the strength of tungsten filament has been increased more than 300 per cent since 1908 and the strength of drawn wire more than 40 per cent since 1911.

The first case tried by a woman jury in Seattle resulted in an acquittal for the prisoner, who was accused of grand larceny, although the evidence is said to have been more than enough for his conviction. He was young and handsome.

Public sentiment and the fact that the governor of Washington was about to act have induced Judge Humphries, at Seattle, to release 37 prisoners he was holding in jail for contempt of court because they sassed him. Six women were included in the bunch.

Emergency Board's Act is Held Illegal

According to an opinion rendered by Attorney-General Crawford, the Emergency Board exceeded its legal authority when it created a deficiency of \$1456.96 to reimburse Governor West for money personally expended by him in conducting his moral crusades, after his having exhausted his regular appropriation, and the deficiency itself is not a valid claim against the state.

Incidentally, he holds that no state officer can legally create a deficiency without the consent of the Emergency Board, and that the claim of Rev. Phillip Bauer, for services as special agent under the Governor was illegal for the reason that he was also chaplain of the penitentiary, and the constitution makes it unlawful for any person to hold two lucrative offices at the same time. The opinion was rendered at the request of Treasurer Kay. It sustains his position at the meeting and sustains every contention advanced by him before the Board creating a deficiency.

Scenes Along the Siuslaw

Jane Stearns, in the Florence West, writes as follows of the scenes along the wagon road to Eugene, which follows the general line of the construction work on the Willamette Pacific railroad:

The grade can be seen from the stage before we reach Portola and from there on, it is a low winding esker-like mound of sand, clay or broken rock. Most of the way it lies in the river flood plain, occasionally it is on the side of the hill where it parallels the contour lines. It is discontinued at the creeks and rivers where the bridges are to be built and on the face of the steep cliffs where the rocky soil is being blasted and dug away. All along the way one can hear the clang of the blacksmith's anvil, the sharp metallic ring of the driven wedge, the bang and resounding echo of the blasting. The memories of the roaring fire are quite obliterated by the new sounds of construction.

The clearing for the right-of-way was a wide and the devastation of the fire so complete in places, that one would scarcely recognize this as the same valley we know five years ago.

Where a real estate man sat on a log watching a bonfire two years ago, the town of Portola has sprung up. Groups of comfortable looking houses are grouped near the store and postoffice and people are going in and out of the store giving the place quite a flourishing aspect. Pigs are running around on the race track where future contestants are to take place. The wagon road makes a semicircle well up on the side of the amphitheater, giving the travelers a fine view of the natural advantages of Portola as an amusement park.

The Noti tunnel opening is now a jagged hole at the base of a steep, bare bluff, so far below the wagon road that it looks like a gopher's hole.

We frequently pass cement mixers and steam shovels where the men are working on the abutments of bridges. The clearing has exposed new features of topography and undermining has caused many landslides, some of them bad enough to obstruct the stage for several hours until the soil can be removed. If two days of rainfall can cause this little damage, it is quite possible that the winter rains will seriously interfere with the rapid transit of mail. Some of the rocks that have jugged the occupants of the stage for many years, have been taken from the wheel tracks and laid along the roadside. The old corduroy on the hill has been replaced by new planks.

Of course it is all right to say the groom led the bride to the altar, but did you ever see a bride pulling back?

Mary had a little calf; But it was white as snow; She wore her skirt slashed up the side And that is how I know.

The County Roads

Issued by P. M. Hall-Lewis, Civil Engineer, Roadmaster of Coos County, as a Private Communication for the Information of the People of Coos County

All of us, of whatever vocation in life, feel the need of and very earnestly desire every facility for living, moving about, and enjoying the privileges of useful life in our community.

The veins and arteries of travel between the habitations of men are a most potent influence for civilization. Compare your own emotions when traveling over the narrow, tortuous, deeply rutted, and soggy unimproved road, with those when the way opens out upon a broad, straight, smooth, hard, well drained highway, and you will perceive that argument for the latter is too obviously a waste of space.

I think it safe to say that never before in the history of Coos County, has any public project enlisted the support of so large a percentage of the citizens as the present movement for better roads throughout the county. I do not use the term "good roads" because there are many who hold to the argu-

ment that, compared to the pioneer wagon trails, our roads are, generally speaking, good. This of course is not debatable. But this argument is in reality dodging the present issue. What we need as a community is a system of public highways which in the language of the new road law (see Laws 1913, Chap. 142, page 254) "will, with reasonable repair thereof, at all seasons of the year be firm, smooth and convenient for travel."

We have heard, and probably will continue to hear, many wild statements by enthusiastic, but misinformed and illadvised advocates of better highways, alleging great waste of money in the repair, relocation and reconstruction of county roads, alleging gross mismanagement and so forth and so on and vehemently asserting that the cure-all for these alleged conditions is the general disorganization of the county government of road matters which it has taken years of experience and shrewd management of road problems to perfect.

I haven't space in this article for a detailed statement of the expenditure of the several road districts of this county for a period of several years back, but you shall have it next week. For the present let me give one illustration of how the thing looks sifted down to the bare facts. Last year's road taxes totalled a trifle over \$150,000. We have in round numbers 900 miles of roads in Coos county. This means a general average of \$168 per mile, or fifty cents per rod. The bureau of public roads tells us that a normal maintenance cost of improved highways is from \$125 to \$175 per mile. This for maintenance alone; then what of the new works that have been put through. What of the works on the Brewster grade, the new widening out and putting on permanent grade of portions of this road, the Coos Bay Wagon Road between Fairview and Summer, the new works in the McKinley district, the Middle Fork district, the Myrtle Point district, the Coquille district, the Marshfield district, the Empire district, the Bandon district, the Hall's Creek district on the Eckley road, the Ten Mile road, the Slough roads, the new bridge work, the operation of county ferries, etc., etc. Now you know what I mean when I use the phrase shrewd

Priest Who Killed Girl, Victim And Church Where He Served



Photos by American Press Association.

SENSATIONAL disclosures that followed the Hudson river murder mystery interested the whole country. The torso of a young woman was found in the river wrapped in a pillowcase. Shortly afterward other parts of her body were found. The head was missing. For days the police waited in vain for an identification. Finally a Brooklyn real estate agent identified the remains as those of his sister, who, he said, was missing. The next day he admitted the identification was wrong. Thrown on their mettle, the detectives redoubled their efforts to solve the mystery. Through the pillowcase they discovered a flat where the crime was committed, and that led to the arrest and confession of the Rev. Hans Schmidt of St. Joseph's Catholic church, New York. He admitted that he had slain and butchered the girl in the flat which he had rented for her. His picture is here presented, together with that of his victim and the church where he was stationed. Other arrests were shortly afterward made.

management of road problems in a foregoing paragraph. I want the people to know the fact, and it may be interesting to your readers to know that while the county court and commissioners know that I am preparing some sort of argument on road matters they have not collectively or individually suggested or in any way inspired any word of this statement. I asked for some items of information, and was referred to the records of the county clerk, assessor, and treasurer and that is where I get my facts—from the public records. The statement that I have been ordered to issue these arguments, grew out of misunderstanding of my answers to some questions from members of the press. I have, however, been given to understand that the county board is a business machine, striving for increased efficiency all along the line. This I know to be true.

That the funds expended upon the old roads now abandoned have been wasted, and that the repair of the remaining old roads is waste, and that the temporary surfacing of the new roads recently put through on permanent line and grade is waste are statements which must be considered from the viewpoint of the people who pay for and use the roads.

Under the law the county court makes a levy for road purposes upon all the road taxes totalled a trifle over \$150,000.

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Voters Advised Some More on Registering

S. A. Koser, Deputy Secretary of State has issued a circular letter as a guide for the voters to follow in registering. His letter is issued because of the great confusion incident to registration among voters. The letter follows:

Every man or woman in this state of legal age and who has resided the required time within his or her precinct should register in the county of his or her residence on or before April 14, 1914, in order to be able to vote at the general elections in 1914. The books of registration are now open continuously and registrations may be made with either the County Clerks or duly appointed official registrars in the several precincts of the respective counties. By performing this obligation at once, however, they will insure themselves of the privilege of voting at all subsequent elections without further annoyance or ceremony, as under the "permanent registration law" enacted by the last Legislature pursuant to popular demand the law was amended so that the books of registration in the several counties shall be open continuously for the registration of voters except for 30 days prior to a general state election and 15 days prior to a special state election.

This new law also provides registration as a prerequisite to voting at any election provided for by law, except school district and road elections, yet stipulates that in event the compulsory registration requirement may be declared invalid by the Supreme Court that registration may be made with the judges of election on election day upon the affidavit of the elector and of six freeholders as under the old law. A registration made under the new law continues in force so long as the voter resides in the precinct from which he originally registered or has not failed to vote at any election within the biennial period including a general election for state officers. If the voter desires to change from one political party to another he may register again by furnishing the County Clerk the necessary information and causing his previous registration to be canceled.

Features of New Tariff

In the opinion of its makers, the Democratic Leaders of Congress, the most important features of the new tariff are:

A reduction of nearly one-half in the average tariff on foodstuffs and farm products.

The placing of raw wool on the free list, and a reduction of nearly two-thirds in the tariff on woollen clothing, especially of the cheaper grades.

A reduction of one-third (average) on cotton clothing.

Reduction of the sugar tariff and its ultimate abolition in 1916.

A reduction of one-third (average) in the tariff on earthenware and glassware.

Abolishment of all tariff on meats, fish, dairy products, flour, potatoes, coal, iron ore, lumber and many classes of farm and office machinery.

General tariff reduction on all important articles in general use.

The free wool provision of the new law takes effect December 1, 1913; the free sugar provision May 1, 1916.

Average percentage of tariff rates as compared to the value of all imported merchandise: old law 37 per cent; new law 27 per cent.

Will Fix Curry Line

E. C. Drews, manager of the Coos Bay Home Telephone Co., was in town Friday night on his way to Riverton on business for the company. They have recently completed the metallic line between this city and Riverton, taking the place of the old grounded line, and business is looking up in that vicinity. Mr. Drews informs the Herald that he will soon take off the crew which is working between Riverton and Bandon and put the men at work on the line from Bandon to Gold Beach, which is in need of repairs before winter set in.

OREGON NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD

EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEK

Transpiring in Oregon Boiled Down to Least Number of Lines and Yet Make the Subject Understood.

A local option election will be held in Springfield, Lane county, Nov. 4. More lumber is being dispatched offshore from Portland than ever before.

The 70-acre campus of the University of Oregon contains 52 varieties of trees.

The Douglas county teachers' institute will be held in Roseburg October 22, 23 and 24.

An employment agency started two years ago in the Portland high school has proved a great success.

Major McIndoe has been notified of his transfer to the Philippines, and Portland is making a big protest.

Mrs. Lucinda Shaw, one of the pioneers of Lane county, having settled there in 1855, is dead at Eugene.

The public schools of Lane county won an eighth of the total prizes offered for school exhibits at the state fair.

The British ship Gleneshlin, which went ashore off the Nehalem river was sold by the British vice-consul for \$550.

Labor Commissioner Hoff has called attention to the fact that the eight hour law is being violated at some state institutions at Salem.

The dining car service of the Northern Pacific offers to pay \$10 a ton above the market price for potatoes that will run two pounds or more apiece.

Exhibits are being gathered from different parts of the state to be sent to the Chicago land show, and as usual Coos seems to be letting her opportunity slip.

The Medford rate case, which was decided against the Medford merchants in the Federal court at Portland, will be appealed to the U. S. Supreme Court.

S. E. Lowe, 68 years of age, a widower of Glenada, Lane county, and Mrs. Zizena Hitchcock, 67 years of age, widow of Walla Walla, were married last week.

Governor West is going after Treasurer Kay on the ground that Kay has been interested with parties selling supplies such as cord wood and clothing to the state.

One of the faculty of the State University has gone to eastern Oregon to investigate the reported discovery of coal near Heppner, and the limestone quarries near Fossil.

Employees of the state printing office raised a large roar because other employes around the state house were given a day under pay to attend the state fair on "Salem day."

Wm. E. Cadmus, National organizer for the Progressive National committee was in Oregon last week on a tour of the state, laying the foundation for organization work.

Shipping agents are already seeking contracts to bring coal to Portland from the Atlantic side through the canal. Portland would undoubtedly rather buy in the East than in Coos county.

The Pacific States Telephone & Telegraph company will make Eugene executive headquarters for a large section of Oregon, including Lane, Linn, Lincoln, Benton, Douglas, Coos, Curry, Josephine, Jackson, Klamath and Lake counties.

An attempt to raise \$100,000 bonus by subscriptions of Portland business men, for the establishment of a steamship line from that city to the Atlantic through the Panama canal resulted in failure. Only 11 out of 40 consulted by the solicitors would promise to subscribe.