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OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

Steps are being taken to organize a troop of cavalry in Lebanon.
The girls of Corvallis have formed a branch of the Girls' Honor guard.
The western Lane county play festival will be held at Elmira May 12.
The Bend Automobile club was formed recently with a large membership of auto owners.
A chapter of the National Red Cross society was formed in the Rogue river valley with a membership of 35.
The O-W. R. & N. company has determined to institute a motorcar service between Elgin and La Grande.
The Klamath county lumber mills are preparing for a record run this season as soon as the weather permits.
The Eugene rifle club at its annual meeting decided upon a campaign to increase its membership to 100 members.

Florence M. Dunlop, of Airline, was the first to make application for a loan under the rural credits amendment.

With 30 editors present from almost all sections of the valley, the Willamette Valley Editorial association met at Albany.

William Piper, wealthy farmer, aged 95, one of the oldest pioneers of Umatilla county, died at his home near Helix.

The price of common labor, it is concluded, will be forced higher in the Coos bay section, for there is a scarcity of men.

This week is "Patriotic week" in the state of Oregon by virtue of a proclamation issued by Governor Withycombe.

More than 1250 has been raised among the merchants of Roseburg for the strawberry festival to be held there in May.

Very little wheat will be planted this spring in Douglas county, owing to the inclement weather during the early planting season.

Silver gray squirrels have suffered more than any other game animal in southern Oregon, according to Game Warden Thompson of Roseburg.

A meeting of fruitgrowers at which co-operative marketing and plans for the establishment of a cannery were discussed, was held in Albany Wednesday.

Total deposits in the 26 banks and trust companies of Portland equaled \$67,339,323.61 on March 5, 1917, according to Superintendent of Banks Sargent.

The Oregon Corn Show association has been organized in Eugene and steps have been taken to hold a corn exhibition in that city December 11, 12 and 13.

Curry county officials have refused to contribute \$50 a month toward paying a man to patrol the state line so that liquor could not be brought over the border.

Owing to disturbed conditions owing to the German crisis, all bridges on the O-W. R. & N. between Huntington and Portland are under double night and day guard.

Where two measures on an election ballot have conflicting provisions, the measure receiving the greatest number of affirmative votes prevails, according to an opinion.

Mrs. S. A. Skaggs, pioneer of Oregon, died at Medford. Mrs. Skaggs crossed the plains with her parents in 1848, and was one of the first settlers of Lane County.

The Coos bay country as a summer resort and fishing ground is to be given publicity in bulletins to be issued by the Southern Pacific company during the coming summer.

Application for a permit to build a storage reservoir on Bully creek has been received by the state engineer from the Willow-Alder Irrigation district of Vale, in Malheur county.

A class of those desiring to take examinations for the army officers' reserve corps has been organized at Salem with 33 members. It is expected the membership will increase to 40.

Plans for a greater Oregon City, through the consolidation of Oregon City, South Oregon City, Mount Pleasant, Canemah, Clackamas Heights, Gladstone and Jennings Lodge, have been announced.

Thirty-two thousand jackrabbits destroyed in a little more than a month is the record of which Malheur county boasts, according to the report recently issued by W. W. Howard, county agricultural agent.

As the result of a quarrel over poisoning of a dog belonging to Ralph Knight, Alex Worthington of Canyonville is in a serious condition as a result of two knife wounds inflicted in his side by Knight.

Not since Civil war times has flour been so high in the Portland market as it is now. An advance of 20 cents a barrel announced by local millers put the wholesale quotation of family patents at \$8.60 a barrel.

The Northwest District convention of the Christian church will be held in Forest Grove March 29, 30 and 31.
The 11th annual meeting of the United Metal Trades association of the Pacific coast will be held in Seaside April 6 to 8, inclusive.

The ports of Siuslaw, Coos, Umpqua and Bandon will contribute financially to the campaign, the object of which is to put the Oregon and California grant lands on the tax rolls in the various counties of the state of Oregon.

Representatives of seven northwest colleges, the Multnomah amateur athletic club and a large number of high schools will participate in the first annual indoor relay carnival to be held at Eugene next Saturday evening.

The Hermiston postoffice safe was blown and about \$50 in cash, \$100 in stamps and a gold watch belonging to J. H. Williams, a former postmaster, taken. This is the third safe robbery in Umatilla County during the past month.

The state board of control has taken under advisement the selection of a committee of five to investigate the status of all dependent, delinquent and minor children in institutions, either public or private, of which the state has charge.

An argument against the \$6,000,000 road bond bill, which will be submitted to the voters at the special election in June, was filed by C. E. Spence, master of the state grange. The argument will cover three pages in the voters' pamphlet.

Frank Powers, of Madras, was discharged from a hospital at Portland as completely cured after having undergone treatment for rabies in its most violent form. Physicians say few recoveries in similar circumstances are recorded.

The Clackamas County Anglers' association has appealed to Master Fish Warden Shoemaker, of Portland, for the protection of the fish that have been planted in the Molalla and Clackamas rivers and Milk creek and Clear creek by the association.

Another Hyde-Benson case has been decided in favor of the state, Attorney-General Brown receiving word from Circuit Judge Calkins, of Jackson county, that he has so disposed of the cause in that county, involving about 2300 acres of school land.

Three big areas of government land are to be opened to the public within the next two months at Klamath Falls. Two of these tracts are of land in the Klamath Indian reservation. The other is the land prepared by the government in the Tule lake reclamation project.

The Oregon Electric railway is preparing to rebuild the big trestles that form the approaches to the bridge across the Willamette at Wilsonville. The work will require 10,000,000 feet of timber. It is said the estimate made by the company's engineer shows the cost to be around \$65,000.

Four of the 232 accidents reported to the state industrial accident commission during the week ending March 22 were fatal. They were Harry Yost, Portland, killed in stove manufacturing operation; J. W. Strang, Powers, killed in logging operations; D. S. McElligott, residence unknown, and J. M. Davidson, Modesto, Cal., both killed while trespassing on railroad property.

Importance of the great railroad bridges leading to Portland in the military transportation system of the country led to the calling out of the Eighth company, coast artillery, Oregon national guard, to serve as a guard over the Spokane, Portland & Seattle bridge over the Columbia river at Vancouver, Wash., and the O-W. R. & N. bridge over the Willamette river at Portland.

Citizens in the vicinity of Agness have recently completed a wire suspension footbridge across Rogue river, which is one of the longest, if not the longest, bridge of the kind in the world. The main span of the bridge is 376 feet long, with an approach on the north side of the river of 225 feet. The whole bridge is built of fence wire, the bottom being three feet wide and the sides five feet, capable of sustaining a weight of 3000 pounds.

The state highway commission at a meeting in Portland laid down the following policy in connection with road work desired by the various counties: Whenever any county shall make application to the commission setting forth a desire to do construction work on post roads, forest roads or any other state highway within its limits, the commission will authorize a definite location survey establishing grades and alignments. The expense of such surveys will be paid for from state funds at the disposal of the commission.

Governor Withycombe has appointed the seven members who are to investigate the question of what state act consistently in the interests of efficiency and economy, be consolidated or eliminated to avoid duplication of work. It will report to the legislative assembly which meets in 1919. The members of the commission are: A. J. Johnson, Corvallis; T. J. Scroggins, La Grande; John H. Carlin, Medford; Austin T. Buxton, Forest Grove; Frank Patten, Astoria; Herman Van Borel, Portland; Charles Rudeen, Portland.

COURT HOUSE, McMINNVILLE

The county court has purchased a new flag, which is floating from the flag staff on top of the court house.

Gotthilf Fischer, a German, of McMinnville, has made application for final citizenship papers, and Fred C. Matches, a Scotchman, of McMinnville, secured his first naturalization papers.

James R. Hess, formerly of Newberg, was before the county clerk Saturday making final proof on his homestead which is located near Meadow Lake. James L. and George Armbrust acted as his witnesses.

The estate of F. A. Turnbow, deceased, has been filed for probate. Bert Turnbow was appointed administrator.

Attorney Clarence Butt has filed his notary commission.

The following marriage licenses were issued last week: Charles Hadley and Ellen DeWitt Wells, of Dayton; John T. Carter and Emma Randall, of West Chehalis.

E. Dix, of Yamhill, brought in a coyote skin on March 26th and received the bounty of \$10.

Judge Belt was down from Dallas on the 28th holding court; hearing motions and demurrers.

The following suits have been filed in the circuit court: A. Magnus Sons, a corporation, vs. H. W. Clark, to recover money advanced on 1916 hop crop; A. Magnus Sons, a corporation, vs. H. W. Clark, to recover money advanced on 1916 hop crop; A. S. Fletcher et al, vs. W. A. Williams, to cancel contract on land; B. A. Kliks vs. Elihu Roberts, action on promissory note.

The druggists of the county are selling a great deal less alcohol since the bone dry law went into effect, as shown by the records in the county clerk's office.

As April 5th is the last day to pay the first half of taxes without penalty the sheriff's office is very busy. The taxes are coming in better than in previous years.

Commissioner Cummins has been very busy during the past week looking after county business. Judge Dodson being confined to his home by illness and Commissioner Allan has been serving as a witness in Portland in the case of Hodson-Peenaghty Co. vs. Pacific Coast Culvert and Flume Co.

Notice to Wood Contractors
Notice is hereby given that the council will, up to six o'clock p. m. on the 7th day of May, 1917, receive sealed bids for forty-five (45) ricks of three foot wood.

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Ida M. Woods,
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