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OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

Rainier held its third annual sweet pea show last week.

Linn county now has 18 branches of the Red Cross society.

The Albany fruit juice factory began pressing loganberries Monday.

The Oregon state pioneers' annual reunion is to be held in Portland Thursday.

Bank deposits in Yamhill county show an increase of nearly \$1,000,000 for the year.

Albany employees in the fire and street departments may be increased \$10 a month.

Albany may soon employ a motorcycle policeman to catch violators of the city speed laws.

The southern Oregon chautauqua opened at Ashland last week with the largest crowd in its history.

Fires burning in the brush above Mabel, near a rich timber region, have been causing some concern.

The U. S. senate has decided to hold memorial services for the late Senator Harry Lane of Oregon on August 12.

Two forest fires last week threatened valuable timber, one in Columbia county and the other in Tillamook county.

John Livingstone and his son Evert, homesteaders near Estacada, are believed to have drowned in the Clackamas river.

The body of Mrs. Elise Widmer, of Silvertop, was found in the Willamette river at Albany. She had committed suicide.

Cosco Bay was selected as the next place of meeting of the United Swedish Singers of the Pacific coast at the close of their convention at Tacoma.

All troops in the Oregon national guard not now in federal service, with the single exception of staff corps and departments, will be mobilized on July 25.

Robert Booth, pioneer minister, last of those closely identified with early religious work in Oregon, died at the home of his son, R. A. Booth, in Eugene.

A company to be known as the Pacific Coast Lumber Mills, with a capital stock of \$250,000, has been organized to manufacture flax and hemp products in Portland.

Professor M. B. McKay of the department of horticulture at the Oregon Agricultural college has been called to eastern Oregon to investigate a serious potato disease.

Organizing to co-operate with the state officials in the conservation of the fish and game resources of central Oregon, Bend sportsmen will form a rod and gun club.

At the next meeting of the state highway commission Friday, July 20, bids will be received for paving work involving the expenditure of over one half million dollars.

Appeals to the supreme court will be prosecuted in practically all the Benson & Hyde cases, according to Judge A. C. Shaw, of Portland, one of the attorneys in the case.

Application for permit for the irrigation of 2700 acres of land in lower Powder valley, Baker county, has been made State Engineer Lewis by F. A. Phillips, Russel Ingle and A. N. Ingle.

Eastern Oregon has for the past two weeks sweated under a hot sun, and as a result wheat harvesting preparations have been hastened, and it is likely harvesting will begin within the next few days.

All-night fishing in the lower harbor at Astoria stopped Monday, under an order of the navy department prohibiting small craft, including fishing boats, from frequenting that portion of the harbor at night.

In compliance with the request of the highway commission, the state board of control decided to issue bonds totaling \$400,000 to procure funds to match the federal appropriation for highway work in this state.

Sea weeds and mussels may find their way to Oregon tables if investigations now being conducted by University of Oregon faculty members disclose that these products of the Pacific Northwest are valuable as food.

Many small dairymen in Linn county who milk from three to half a dozen cows expect to go out of the business this fall owing to the heavy expense in complying with the inspection law enacted with a loss of nearly \$28,000.

Six steel steamers, each of 8800 tons deadweight, will be turned out at Portland for the republic of France, four contracts having been closed with the Northwest Steel company and two with the Columbia River Shipbuilding corporation.

The chamber of commerce of Grants Pass has arranged, subject to the approval of State Fire Commissioner Harvey Wells, for the conducting of classes in fire fighting methods to teach constables of rural towns and villages modern methods of handling fires.

With proposals which will be prepared soon for advertising still further work on the Columbia highway in Hood River county, the work so far mapped out for the year by the state highway commission is a little in excess of \$1,000,000.

During the past week 335 accidents, of which three were fatal, were reported to the state industrial accident commission. The fatal accidents were Jasper Howell, Austin, sawmill, Bert Manning, Westport, sawmill, and Otto Timm, London, logging.

Contracts were closed at New York between the Foundation company, of that city, and representatives of the French government, whereby the former will construct 40 wooden steamers for France. Twenty of the vessels will be built at Portland.

The annual meeting of the Oregon State Editorial association closed at Pendleton with the election of the following officers: A. E. Voorhies, president; George H. Currey, Jr., vice-president; Phil S. Bates, secretary, and E. E. Brodie, member of executive committee.

Owing to the fact that the merchants and business men of the The Dalles have subscribed liberally to liberty bonds and Red Cross funds and further that there will be additional call for money, it has been deemed wise not to hold the Wasco county fair this fall.

Unless the greatest precautions are taken this state will suffer heavy losses from forest fire this year, according to State Forester F. A. Elliott. He bases this prediction upon the unusually dry season and the difficulty, owing to the dry timber, of controlling fires once they get started.

The Oregon & California Railroad company, which owns the main line operated by the Southern Pacific in Oregon, received during 1916 an income from lease of road the sum of \$1,860,748, according to the company's annual report filed with the public service commission.

Opening of the Oregon & California grant lands, for which arrangements have been practically completed by the general land office, is clouded with uncertainty as a result of the attorney general's opinion advising against payment of any penalties or interest on taxes to be paid by the government.

Following action taken at a meeting of the board in Portland on June 1, the state game and fish commission has posted Hood river and Herman creek of Hood River county as salmon spawning streams, and following July 28 the streams will be closed indefinitely to all forms of fishing except angling with hook and line.

Figures gleaned from the forthcoming Oregon blue book, which will be issued by Secretary Olcott shortly, show that in the eight regular and two special elections since 1902, at which initiative or referendum measures have been voted on, a total of 155 measures have been submitted to the people. Of this number 56 have passed and 99 have been defeated.

Following a conference between Governor James Withycombe, Adjutant General George A. White and State Fire Marshal Harvey Wells as to the L. W. W. situation in eastern Oregon the adjutant general announced that there is in process of formation a battalion to be made up of men of experience.

performed military training, to be stationed permanently in Oregon for home defense.

An entirely new route for the Pacific highway between Junction City and Eugene has been proposed by the engineers of the state highway commission. The plan, which has been made as a suggestion for the consideration of the Lane county court, contemplates the elimination of the river road, now a part of the Pacific highway, and the hard surfacing of a prairie road paralleling the Oregon Electric railroad for the greater part of the distance. The new road would be about the same length as the present road and four miles west of the river road.

Five visitors to the state druggists' convention at Seaside were seriously injured while taking a spin in an auto to Cannon beach, when the machine ran into a crab-hole and overturned. The men injured are: C. A. Skelton, Portland representative of the United States Rubber Co., two ribs broken; W. L. Fardon, of San Francisco, back injured and cut about the face and legs; A. W. Allen, secretary of the association, face cut and teeth jarred loose; Glen D. Hart, of Portland, bruised about the head and body; W. R. Sawyer, knee injured and body bruised and cut.

Hundreds of trees in the Long Tom district of Lane county, infected with fire blight, have been cut down and destroyed during the last few weeks upon the direction of C. E. Stewart, county fruit inspector. The field of his operations have extended as far north as the Benton county line. The blight, which is declared to be the worst disease known to attack fruit trees, has been spreading badly among the wild Hawthorne and crabapple trees in the Long Tom bottoms. The only remedy is the destruction of the trees. A few fruit trees on farms in that region were also found to be infected and were destroyed.

There is a simple rule under which the house of commons may be cleared of strangers. A member of the Government rises in his place and utters the formula: "I spy strangers," whereupon officials clear the galleries and seal the doors. Strangers also are asked to leave the lobbies and precincts of the house.

Administratrix Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administratrix of the estate of Virginia H. Cox, deceased, has filed her Final Account as administratrix of the estate of said deceased, in the County Court of Yamhill County, Oregon, and that said Court has appointed Monday, the 23rd day of July, 1917, at 11 o'clock a. m. of said day, as the day and hour for the hearing of objections to said Final Account and the settlement thereof.

Now therefore, all persons interested in the estate of said deceased are hereby notified and required to appear at the County Court room, at the Court House, at McMinnville, Yamhill County, Oregon, at said time to then and there show cause, if any there be, why said account should not be settled, allowed and approved, and said estate forever and finally settled and said administratrix and her bondsmen forever discharged.

Dated June 21, 1917.
VIRGINIA RANDALL,
Administratrix of the estate of Virginia H. Cox, deceased.
Clarence Bell,
Attorney for estate.
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Notice of Executor's Sale of Real Property

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, as executor of the estate and of the last Will of Alfred Philo Oliver, deceased, late of this County, will, by virtue of an order of the County Court of Yamhill County, State of Oregon, made and dated, July 2nd, 1917, authorizing, empowering and licensing them so to do, on the 8th day of August, 1917, at the hour of 1:30 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the West door of the Court house in McMinnville, in Yamhill County, State of Oregon, sell at public auction, to the highest bidders, for cash, the following described real property belonging to said estate, to-wit:

All of Lots numbered One (1) and Two (2) in Block numbered Fifteen (15) in Central Addition to the town (now City) of Newberg, in Yamhill County, State of Oregon, and also, an undivided one-half interest in and to Lots numbered Four (4), Five (5) and Six (6) in Block numbered Thirty-two (32) in Hurley & Large's Addition to the town (now City) of Newberg, in Yamhill County, State of Oregon, and also an undivided one-half interest in and to the following described tract of land, to-wit:

Beginning at a point 6.18 chains East and 4.13 chains South of the Northeast corner of the Donation Land Claim of David Ramsey, Claim No. 40, in Township Three (3) South, Range Two (2) West of the Willamette Meridian, in Yamhill County, State of Oregon, and running thence South 34 degrees 30 minutes West 4.13 chains thence West 4 degrees 50 minutes North 11.09 chains thence North 8.25 chains thence East to the place of beginning, containing four acres, more or less, including all improvements on said real premises.

Said real property is to be sold to obtain funds to apply in payment of claims, charges and expenses owing by said estate, and the proceeds of said sales will be applied on claims against said estate according to their respective priorities, as shown by the said order of sale, and the petition thereon.

Dated, July 5th, 1917.

R. H. C. Bennett,
L. B. Ferguson,
A. C. Seely,
Executors of said Estate.
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