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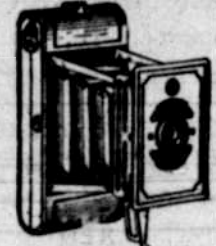
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GLASS INDUSTRY IS WRECKED

Germany Has Experienced Terrible Blow From the War and Business Is Woefully Crippled.

Prior to the war the German glass industry was an export industry. In the year 1913 glassware valued at more than 146,000,000 marks (\$34,748,000) was sold in foreign markets. Since the outbreak of the war, however, the glass industry has been working under difficulties and its very existence is threatened, comments the Bremer Buerger-Zeitung, Bremen. In the first months of the war, owing to the stoppage of exports, a majority of the glassworkers were thrown out of work.

When the industry gradually recovered, thanks to the increasing demand of the military authorities and the preserved-food industries, a new menace appeared, as large numbers of the workers were drafted into the army. Several glassworkers are, as a rule, working jointly on a piece of glassware, and if but one member of the group is taken away it becomes difficult to form a new group.

Then the supplies of soda were commandeered; fortunately, how-

ever, substitute materials were found which enabled the factories to continue their operations. The commandeering of straw and the lack of freight cars has interfered with shipments, and now the glass industry, always a large consumer of coal, has had its supply of fuel reduced to less than one-half. Thus, for example, the bottle factories are to receive only 15,000 tons of coal, instead of 37,000, which they had been receiving heretofore. In order to save coal the factories are expected to consolidate; but as there are hardly any places with more than one factory, consolidation means a change of residence for the workers.

VICTIMIZED.

A group of Western politicians were swapping reminiscences of their experiences in other parts, when one said:

"I was once the victim of a lynching party."

"You don't say so!" exclaimed several, sending a thrilling yarn. "How did it happen?"

"Why, I married the widow of a man who was strung up for horse stealing."—Everybody's Magazine.

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

H. D. Edwards, pioneer of 1854, died in Eugene, aged 69 years.

Charles Walker Young, for 65 years a resident of Lane County, died in Eugene, aged 87 years.

The annual convention of the Oregon Irrigation congress is being held in Portland January 2-6, inclusive.

It is reported that the new highway from Clatskanie to Mist was considerably damaged by the recent heavy rains. Several large slides occurred.

The report of the financial condition of Lincoln county just issued shows that for the first time in many years the county is practically out of debt.

Upward of 1000 delegates from towns of Oregon were in attendance at the annual meeting of the Oregon State Teachers' association at Portland.

Revised figures of the recent drive for subscriptions to the war libraries fund show that Oregon far exceeded its quota of \$9000 and actually subscribed \$19,940.68.

Total farm products of Oregon for 1917 showed a value of \$327,063,000 compared with \$325,865,000 in 1916. This year's value is the greatest known in the state.

What reserves of food are being held in local markets will be determined by the government in a survey which will start immediately. The "inventory" will be nation-wide.

A 15 per cent increase in freight rates, except on fuel wood, was granted by the public service commission to the Portland Railway, Light & Power company on all the interurban lines.

The stormy weather for the past two weeks, causing numerous slides and washouts has resulted in an almost total absence of the usual crowd of midwinter visitors at Newport.

A substantial growth in the mint producing industry in Oregon during the past year was shown at the annual meeting of the Willamette Valley Mint Growers' association held at Albany.

Multnomah and Clarke counties will realize a net profit of more than \$110,000 a year in receipts from the interstate bridge, according to figures and estimates which have been compiled.

The aircraft production board has advised Senator McNary that it is strongly disposed to award contracts for airplane construction to properly equipped factories on the Pacific coast.

The Valley & Siletz railway, which was to have commenced operations as a common carrier January 1, 1918, had its line blocked by several landslides near Hoskins, due to the heavy rains.

The Portland Railway, Light & Power company has filed with the public service commission its application for an increase of rates in the passenger fares on the interurban lines out of Portland.

Gus C. Moser, president of the Oregon state senate, has made public announcement of his candidacy for the republican nomination for governor at the coming primary election which will be held on May 17, 1918.

The Northwestern Electric company has let contracts in Portland for the immediate construction of an additional plant by which the company's capacity for supplying electrical power will be increased 50 per cent.

The outlook for the lumber industry in the lower Columbia river district for the coming year is most encouraging and the indications are that the output of the plants will be greatly in excess of that of the present year.

The secretary of the interior has withdrawn from entry for power site purposes 196 acres of public land on the Big Sandy river below the mouth of the Salmon river. The land may be used only for power developments.

Whether or not the Grange, Farmers' Union and State Federation of Labor shall unite in fostering the organization of the Farmers' Non-Partisan League in this state will be decided by those organizations within the next month.

Until it receives definite information as to the plans of the government in handling the railroads of the country, the public service commission will pursue its accustomed course in all matters coming before it pertaining to railroads.

For the first time in the history of Hood River valley, vinegar and cider manufacturing plants find it necessary to import cull apples from other northwestern districts in order to keep their presses running and to fill their tanks throughout the winter season.

Suit to quiet title of 2,873.661 acres of Oregon-California grant lands was filed in the federal court at Portland by the government against the Southern Pacific company. The government, through the court, seeks to quiet title to all lands the company sold prior to the forfeiture suit and to compel it to account for money secured by alleged illegal sales where purchasers bought more than 160 acres or paid more than \$2.50 an acre.

An appropriation of \$500,000 will be asked of congress by Senator McNary to enable the government in co-operation with the city of Portland to improve Columbia slough from Sandy river to the Willamette, in order to provide an outlet for sewerage and drainage.

The Coos County Good Roads association at a meeting held in Coquille, decided to ask the state highway commission for the 26 miles of asphalted concrete highway 16 feet wide between Coos Bay and Myrtle Point, the same as was promised by the commission.

Oregon-grown potatoes are to be graded and inspected officially just as soon as the public service commission, through its grain inspection department, can establish the grades, district the state for purposes of inspection and formulate a schedule of inspection charges.

The anti-picketing ordinance of the city of Portland was declared void by the state supreme court. The court held the ordinance invalid because it prohibited strikes and boycotts as well as picketing. The decision declared that strikes are countenanced by all state and federal courts.

For a consideration said to be in the neighborhood of \$125,000, Smythe Brothers, prominent Oregon sheepmen, have purchased the sheep ranch and plant of Horst & Wheelhouse, southwest of Arlington. Included in the deal are 9000 acres of land, 130 head of cattle, 2000 sheep and all equipment.

Three of the 394 accidents reported to the state industrial accident commission for the week ending December 27 were fatal. They were those of E. G. White, of Canby, killed in railroad operations; Louis Winert, of Airline, killed in logging operations and James A. Conway, of Portland, killed in ship-building operations.

Sixty-eight soldiers from Vancouver barracks, Wash., have arrived at Marshfield to work in the Smith-Powers logging camps at Powers, to hasten the production of airplane and ship lumber. This is the first detachment sent out by Colonel Disque. Several hundred more are expected to join the various camps soon.

The Malheur Irrigation company has filed a petition with the state water board asking for an extension of two years, from January 1, 1918, in which to complete the works and apply the water in connection with its irrigation project near Brogan, in Malheur county. The company's operations have been delayed on account of litigation.

Finding that the Central Oregon Irrigation company, which has a large Carey act project in central Oregon, has been giving better water service to some land holders than others, the public service commission has issued an order directing the company to install water measurement devices and make other improvements before the beginning of the 1918 irrigation season.

The federal authorities have begun an investigation of the report of an arson plot, having for its purpose the destruction of a chain of mills and grain warehouses extending from Gaston, Washington county, to Salem and other Marion county towns. The existence of such a conspiracy has been strongly suspected since the mysterious burning of a grain-elevator at Carlton.

Oregon is looking forward to the biggest harvest of winter wheat ever garnered in the history of the state. During the last fall farmers of Oregon have sown a larger area of this grain than those of either Washington or California. According to statistics of the department of agriculture, Oregon has 562,000 acres seeded to winter wheat, or an increase over the previous year of 25 per cent.

In submitting the annual report of the state lime board to Governor Withycombe, Warden C. A. Murphy, of the state penitentiary, said that the board would probably not be able to put any lime on the market until next June. The delivery of the machinery has been delayed, and after its arrival it will require considerable time to install it and put the plant into operation, he said. The board has selected the Beeman quarry near Gold Hill for its operations.

Representative McArthur, who recently received telegrams from parents of Oregon boys, members of the 23d engineers, charging that conditions at Camp Meade, Maryland, are far from satisfactory, and that the men are being subjected to hardships, interviewed a dozen Oregon troops at the camp. Without exception the soldiers said that they were comfortably quartered, that they had abundant clothing of the right sort, and that food was plentiful and good.

If registrants for army duty who are adapted for service in logging camps and saw mills desire to fill their part in the war by performing the work they are best suited to do, they may be granted their wishes, according to instructions received in Portland by Colonel Brice P. Disque, from Provost Marshal General Crowder. None can be enlisted now, but they may apply to their district exemption boards and those who are acceptable will be admitted to the service of the spruce production division of the United States signal corps.

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"What book's that?"

"Dictionary, old chap, dictionary!"

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Now, therefore, all persons having claims against the estate of said L. M. Metcalf, deceased, are hereby notified and required to present the same, with the proper vouchers, to the undersigned executrix and executor, at their residence near Newberg, in Yamhill County, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated this 2nd day of January, 1918.
ROSE E. NEWBY and
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