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OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Astoria and Clatsop county are iining up solidly against the proposed creation of the Port of Columbia. Hopgrowers of the Sheridan section

are signing contracts for the hop crop for a three-year period at 25 cents. W. W. Poland of Shedd was elected

presignt of the Linn county farm bureau in the annual meeting held in Albany.

The cranberry growers of Clatsor county have decided to increase the amount of their acreage 20 per cent this year.

Students of Oregon Agricultural college who are entirely or partially selfsupporting form 77 per cent of the student body.

The Victory Rose Festival will be held in Portland Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, June 11, 12 and 13, it has been decided.

Oregon's quota in the \$6,000,000 Victory drive, being conducted by the national committee of northern Baptist laymen, has been fixed at \$33,963. Work will start next week on a

seven-mile extension of the Shevlin-Hixon company's logging railway near Bend, the improvement to cost \$100. 000.

To succeed W. B. Ayer, who resigned from the soldiers' and sallors' relict

commission, Governor Withyconile appointed Frederick W. Mulkey of Port land.

Astoria was selected as the next meeting place and Charles Brown of Astoria was elected president of the Oregon Retailers' association, which held a successful three days' convention in Salem.

The employment situation in Portland is steadily improving, according to the federal employment bureau. Be fore the middle of March, it is expect ed, jobs will be available to absorb the surplus in the labor market.

To set dates, arrange the lists of events and standardize rules for the annual central Oregon Interscholastic track and field meet, delegates from Deschutes, Crook and Jefferson counties met in Prineville Saturday.

With a total of six points in its favor and but two against, the Corvallis high school has won the interscholastic debate championship of the west side Willamette district. Beaverton is second, with five points in its favor.

Sheriff John W. Orr, of Polk county, seized a shipment of about 100 bottles of whisky at Ballston, a little hamlet in the northern part of the county. The liquor was packed in a steel want and was shipped from a

Final hearing on the proposed increase in telephone rates in Oregon, approved by the postmaster-general. which were to have become effective December 6, will be held before the Oregon public service commission on

Monday, February 34. Two hundred delegates, representa tives of 140,000 employes of shipyards and allied industries, met in Portland Monday when the Pacific coast metal trade workers convened for their an-

nual session. The convention will probably last about a week. Federal money secured on farm Ioans through the Bandon-Curry County National Farm Loan association during the past year totals \$112,400.

according to figures presented at the annual meeting held in Bandon. The entire amount is being used in devel oping the dairy industry. Completing a contract for supplying the French government with 22 car loads of an evaporated material for

soup, the Wittenberg-King company of The Dalles shipped its last carload Saturday. One-half of the big order was filled by the The Dalles plant and one-half by the plant at Salem.

To prevent the district meeting of the Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen, scheduled to be held at the Bend Athlotic club gymnasium, mem bers of the central labor council walted on directors of the club, protesting against the use of the gymnasium for that purpose. The labor representatives contend that the Loyal Legion is hostile to union interests.

Unless restrictive conditions im posed by the United States railroad administration are removed from the manufacture of ties practically all of the small mills of Oregon will be forced to suspend operation, according to the widespread opinion among operators. At least one has done so already, and others are apt to follow within a short time, it is predicted. March 4 has been set by the Umatilla county court as the date for a special election to vote upon the proposed bond issue for \$1,050,000 with which to improve the principal highways of all parts of the county. If the county votes the bonds the state highway commission will appropriate more than half a million -dollars to

match the county expenditures on state highways. During the war Mrs. C. F. Daniels,

wife of a well known Pendleton farmer, carried on a correspondence with 98 different Umatilia county boys in the service. In doing this she has written more than 1700 letters to them. During the last 12 months she has written an even thousand letters and sent \$98 packages. This is propably the record for correspondence

with soldier and sailor boys. The secretary of the interior has advised Representative Sinnott that there will be no more grazing permits issued for Indian lands in Gilliam county, Oregon, for a long time. By new regulations recently completed, the secretary says allotments in Gilliana county will soon be made to the Klickitat Indians which makes the

Klickitat Indians which makes the There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and for years it was sup-posed to be incurable. Doctors prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Catarrh is a local disease, greatly influenced by constitutional con-ditions and therefore requires constitu-tional treatment. Hal's Catarrh Medi-cine, manufactured by F J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is a constitutional remedy, is taken internally and acts of the System. One Hundred Dollars re-ward is offered for any case that Hall's Catarrh Medicine tails to cure. Send for curuars and testimonias. F. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Soid by Drugsists, Te. Hall's Family Pills for constitution.

chance of leasing any of these lands **KEEP DUG WELLS** for grazing purposes guite indefinite. three-flays' irrigation school was eld in Grants Pass under direction of **LFREE FROM DIRT** County Agent C. D. Thompson, with 50 farmers in attendance. Farmers from the newly organized Gold Hill irrigation district and from other sec-

tions of the county were given instruc-

tion in the management of their soils

under irrigation in a series of lec-

tures and demonstrations by W. L.

Powers, of the Oregon Agricultural

By the terms of the postoffices and

postroads appropriation bill, as passed

by the senate, Oregon receives federal

aid for highways more than trebling

the amounts already authorized by a

previous congress for the fiscal years

1919, 1920 and 1921. The total allot-

ted to Oregon road building by the

federal government for those three

years was \$1,181,108, but the new bill

just passed by the senate increases

One million dollars worth of good

oads for Marion county seem not only

possible, but probable from the intense

enthus'asm shown at a mass meeting

of representative road boosters from

every part of the county and every

read district in the county, held at

Salem. The meeting unanimously

went on record favoring a \$1,000,000

bond issue for market-town reads and

of getting it before the people at a

special election as soon as possible.

Two fatalities, as the result of ac-

cidents within the week and another

death as the result of a previous ac-

cident are included in the report of

the state industrial accident commis-

sion for the week. A. G. Dibbern was

killed in a Portland shipyard accident.

John Leleona, logger at Strassel, met

accidental death, and Norman Rams-

dell died as the result of injuries sus

tained in a shipyard accident in Port-

land February 23. A total of 505 ac-

Checks aggregating \$170,000 will be

forwarded this week by the Hood Riv-

er Apple Growers' association in a

distribution of the returns on apples.

The co-operative sales organization to

date has distributed a net total of

\$991,000 to growers for the 1918 apple

and pear crop. When the final ac-

counting is rendered the total will ex-

ceed \$1,225,000 for the apple and pear

crop and the returns on cherries and

strawberries will bring the 1918 net

A railroad completed to Dairy, with

spur seven miles southeast to Bon-

anza. In time to take care of the com-

business to more than \$1,500,000.

pleted this summer.

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cidents were reported.

that amount to \$4,330,944.

college.

Dust and Other Foreign Matter Likely to Gain Entrance From the Top.

WATER MADE UNWHOLESOME

Thorough Examination Should Be Made of Curb for Defects-Determine If Carbonic Acid Gas Has Accumulated at Bottom.

(Prepared by the United States Depart-If, properly located, built and protected, dug wells are more likely to be permanently satisfactory than any other kind, but to insure the safety of the water supply they require cleaning occasionally. Even in protected wells dust and other foreign matter. which may pollute the water, are likely to gain entrance at the top, and the washing in of clay and silt with the ground water may make the supply unwholesome.

First Step in Cleaning.

The first step in cleaning a well should be inspection of the curb, which, if weak or defective, may make entrance dangerous. This examination may be made more thoroughly, and even the bottom of the well may be observed by the aid of a beam of sunlight reflected into the well by a looking-glass. Next lower a lighted candle to determine if car bonic acid gas has accumulated in the bottom of the well. Complete or partinl failure of the candle to burn indicates that it is dangerous to enter the well. If found safe to enter a ladder should be lowered and the curb from top down scrubbed with wire or other stiff brushes and rinsed thoroughly. The well then should be numped as low as possible. and any mud, moss or other debris should be scraped up into pails and removed.

Pump Out After Cleaning. After thorough cleaning the well should be allowed to fill and then bo pumped out rapidly. This operation may be repeated to advantage two or three times, and often the whole work results in a freer, larger-yielding well. Many wells can be drained by hand pumping, but in other cases a power pump is necessary. Unless there are special reasons for

so doing there is little use in attempt-

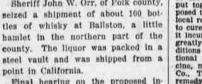
ing crop movement, is the aim of Robert E. Strahorn, who is huilding the municipal line to Dairy for the city of Klamath Falls as the first link of his projected railroad into central Oregon. Bonanza residents have agreed to furnish the grade and the ties if the builder would lay the steel and operate train service, and Mr. Strahorn hopes to get the project com-Senator Chamberlain has secured 1 20.1 he passage through the senate of Representative Sinnott's bill reveating title in the government to 93,000 acres in Douglas and Coos countles, Oregon, known as the Coos Bay wagon road land grant. The bill has passed the house and will become a law on signature from the president. The counties of Douglas and Coos will profit more than \$1,200,000 in back taxes

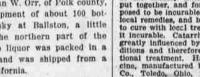
Tightly Fastened Pump and Curb.

ing to disinfect wells with chemicals. The volume of water receiving the chemical solution cannot be known definitely, and the results are neither certain nor permanent.



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Receivers Denman and Boles, of the ales shutting down every industry in the concern. The order includes both Marshfield sawmills and the seven logging camps at Powers, throwing 1200 men out of employment. No definite time was set for resumption of work in any of the plants, although some officials connected with the companies suggested the suspension might not be more than 30 days. A large number of homes will be built by the Indians on the Klamath reservation this summer. These improvements will be a result of the aalf million dollar appropriation made by congress for this purpose, and will be made under the supervision of Roy H. Bradley, who has charge of construction for the Indian department, and who has been in Klamath county for some time assisting the Indians in their plans. All of/the homes will be sanitary, up to date bungalows and nouses, ranging in price from \$1500 to \$5000 each.

and from the sale of the lands by the

What is believed a fight for posses-

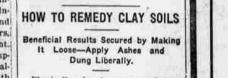
sion of the C. A. Smith interests in

Coos county, was an order issued by

Ghosta In Maine, The most tragic incident of the sum-ner is recorded in the town of North Edgecomb. An elderly couple coming

home from church saw two ghosts. The ghosts were flitting without apparent fect or legs through the gloom ing and over the grass and through other things. They were dressed, of course, in the conventional white of ghosts and ghostesses. The elderly couple legged it like mad. They fell into a cucumber patch and could not extricate themselves. The old gentlenon was rather badly injured. They were rescued by the ghosts, who proved to be a couple of farmerettes in calico overalls,-Lewiston Journal.

Perhaps the dollar-a-year men are esigning to recoup their personal for-



Physically clay is a mass of very fine, minute grains, stuck together as a cemented substance, and is comparably like putty in texture. Water is impermeable to it.

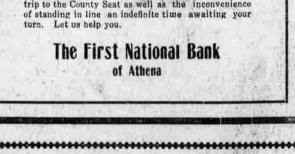
As a soll ciny is very unsuitable, for the land gets in a waterlogged condition and very cold; but as a constituent it is very valuable, as it retains the moisture and holds plants firm. Clay contains a small amount of food substance, and can be ab-sorbed in very small quantities. It also retains the properties of decaying manures.

To remedy heavy clay soils by making it loose and frinble, ashes and long dung liberally applied would have very beneficial results.

STARCH FROM BAD POTATOES

Value Not Destroyed by Common De-cay-Producing Fungi—Plan to Salvage Spoiled Tubers.

(Prepared by the United States Depart-ment of Agriculture.) Starch in potatoes is not destroyed by the common decay-producing fungi or by freezing. It has been found in recent studies conducted by the United States department of agriculture in laboratory tests that it is possible to recover most of the starch from frozen and rotten potatoes, which leads specialists of the department to suggest that an attempt should be made to salvage the great quantities of spolled stock now jected and dumped on the terminal markets.



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