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OREGON NOTES

News in Brief, Gathered From
Various Parts of the State

There are approximately 16 cases of smallpox in Salem at present. Of 33 deaths in Marshfield in 1921, 18 per cent was caused by cancer. Salem's tax levy for 1922 will aggregate 47.1 mills as against 48.60 in 1921.

The 33rd annual Oregon state Christian Endeavor convention will be held in Salem February 16. Portland's office losses for 1921 amounted to \$728,717.10, according to the annual report of Fire Marshal Grunfeld.

Figures prepared by local mills show that approximately 100,000,000 feet of lumber and piling were shipped from St. Helens in 1921.

Construction of a telephone line affording direct communication between Bend and Klamath Falls is expected to be organized shortly.

The organization of dairy club and Angora goat clubs will be a project undertaken by County Agent Cooper of Lincoln county during 1922.

The Walla Walla high school, a three-story brick building, burned to the ground. It was considered one of the best-equipped high schools in the state.

The broccoli crop of Clackamas county was practically destroyed and growers stand to lose nearly \$100,000 this year due to the recent cold weather.

The Hood River Apple Growers' association mailed out to growers last week checks totaling \$240,000, the first cash dividend declared on the 1921 apple pools.

Loyal M. Graham of Forest Grove has been appointed by Governor Orin to a member of the Oregon land settlement commission to succeed Senator Stanfield, resigned.

A total of 17,163 applications have been filed with the world war veterans' state aid commission by ex-servicemen who are entitled to benefits under the so-called bonus and loan law.

Efforts will be made by the Central Oregon Highway association to induce the state highway commission to keep the McKenzie pass open throughout each winter, beginning with next winter.

Pay M. Bragg of Medford and James H. Van Winkle of Albany have been designated for the entrance examination to the United States military academy, West Point, to be held beginning March 7.

Lawrence Young, 20 years old, son of Mrs. Mary Anderson of Eugene, was killed almost instantly when a portion of a tree fell on him in a logging camp of the Coast Range Lumber company, near Mabel.

M. F. Hansen, justice of the peace in the St. Helens district for the last three years and who became widely known through heavy fines collected from motorists on the lower Columbia river highway, has resigned.

Oregon postmasters have been nominated by the president as follows: Stephen Easterday, Clatskanie; Ronald G. White, Fall City; Frank D. Hamlin, Springfield; Edgar D. Watters, Stayton; Ronald E. Eason, Sandy.

Ex-Sheriff Gellatley, convicted two years ago of misappropriating Benton county funds, has received a pardon, restoring him to full citizenship. Mr. Gellatley was sentenced to the penitentiary and paroled in his brother.

A gift of 160 acres of land to the school of forestry at Oregon Agricultural College for experimental purposes has been announced by Dean Peavy, in acknowledgement of the Spaulding Lumber company of Salem.

Cook county has named bounties for the ensuing year, for predatory animals killed within its boundaries. Seven dollars is the price for wildcats; \$5 for male, and \$3 for female coyotes; and \$50 for cougars and panthers.

R. A. Long and other officials of the Long-Bell Lumber company spent a day at Astoria in an inspection of the Hammond Lumber company's mill. Mr. Long would neither deny nor affirm the reported merger of the Long-Bell and Hammond Lumber company interests.

The Brighton Mills company sustained a \$30,000 loss when fire destroyed the buildings at camp No. 4, at Brighton, which included a store building, dining room, offices and bunk houses. Before the ashes were cold the mill company started to reconstruct the buildings.

The past year was one of the most prosperous in Portland's history in all lines of building, according to the annual report of the building department. The report shows that 14,022 permits were granted in 1921, and that the total value of the permits was \$17,004,126. These figures represent an increase of 36 per cent in the number of permits and 39 per cent in total values over 1920.

The California-Oregon Power company headquarters-offices at Medford have announced that the company has entered into an interconnection contract to supply power to the Mountain States Power company for a period of 30 years, which power is to be used throughout the Willamette valley. In order to supply this power, the California-Oregon Power company will construct a 115-mile high-tension transmission line of 110,000-volt construction which will extend from the Prospect plant of the company, near Medford, through the Rogue river and

Uniqua valleys into the upper Willamette valley where it will connect with the transmission system of the Mountain States Power company at Eugene.

In line with the action of Primeville ex-servicemen in opposing colonization of Ochoco district irrigated lands with Japanese, Percy A. Stevens post, American Legion, of Bend, adopted resolutions condemning the introduction of the lease system for orientals.

Portland, Seattle and St. Paul had the lowest infant mortality rates of 51 cities in the United States in 1921, according to figures announced by the census bureau. While the rate for the group of 61 cities was 74 to each 1000 births, the rate for Portland, Seattle and St. Paul was 47 to each 1000 births.

Sheriff Terrill of Jackson county declares he will not enforce the dog license law, which recently was upheld by the circuit court of Marion county, following which all county clerks have been instructed by the state attorney-general's office to proceed with the collection of dog licenses.

A meeting of land owners of the Gold Hill, Rogue river and Sams valley districts is to be held at Gold Hill on January 28 to launch a new project to irrigate a total of 56,000 acres of land on the north side of Rogue river between Prospect on upper Rogue river to the Josephine county line down river.

The Union Oil company of California remitted to the state department \$14,404.74, covering the company's tax on gasoline sales in Oregon for December. The Associated Oil company of California sent in a check for \$13,789.93, covering a similar tax on the motor fuel oil sales of that corporation.

An operation in sympathectomy, believed to be the first ever performed in the United States, by which an effort was made to alleviate the pain in the stump of an arm which had been amputated, was undergone at a Salem hospital by a patient of Dr. F. H. Thompson and C. A. Downa, Salem surgeons.

Forty-two per cent of the entire shipment of lumber from western Oregon and western Washington for the week ending January 14 moved by water according to the weekly lumber review of the West Coast Lumbermen's association. The figures are significant of the rapid development of the via water lumber business.

Arrangements have been made for the transfer of the bureau of entomology, of the United States forestry service, from North Ford to Klamath Falls. The purpose is to place the headquarters of the bureau in closer touch with the northern California and southern Oregon insect control project which is about to be launched.

Unless some means of more successfully combating varmints, particularly coyotes, be found and put into effect, the small stock industry of Lincoln county is bound to continue decreasing in importance. Reports from the east end of the county indicate that a large part of the goat owners have been able to save but few kids this year.

The suspension bridge spanning the Willamette river at Oregon City was closed to traffic Monday and will remain out of commission for the greater part of the present year, according to announcement made by the state highway department. Closing of the bridge is necessary to permit the construction of the new span. The new bridge will be of concrete.

While the cost of living in Portland in December, 1921, was 88.3 per cent more than in December, 1914, the peak of high costs was passed in June, 1920, when the increase over December, 1914, was 100.4 per cent. Food in Portland cost 107.1 per cent more in June, 1920, than in December, 1914, but in December, 1921, had slumped in cost to only 33.1 per cent over December, 1914.

An appeal to the state supreme court in the case of D. Tarabochia and others, of Astoria, against Carl D. Shomaker, state game warden, is being prepared by attorneys for the plaintiff. This is a celebrated purse seine case and the appeal is to be taken from a decision of Circuit Judge John S. Coke of Marshfield that the anti-purse seine laws passed by the 1921 legislature and effective Jan. 1 are constitutional. Under the provisions of those laws, not only are purse seiners forbidden to fish for salmon in Oregon waters, but no salmon caught in purse seines outside the jurisdiction of the state can be brought into Oregon.

LAUGHLIN HOTEL TO BE UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT
M. J. George has closed a three-year lease on the Laughlin Hotel and will take possession of that establishment on February 1st.

Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Sherritt, who own the hotel property and have conducted it for five years past, will move to Portland where they own a residence property and Mr. Sherritt expects to be engaged in the cattle business which he followed for many years previous to his purchase of the hotel here. Mr. and Mrs. Sherritt have made many friends here who will regret to have them leave the city.

Mr. and Mrs. George, who were married here last fall, located in Forest Grove after their wedding, and have been living at the Laughlin ever since, are very congenial people and have made many friends here since coming to our city. Their former home was North Dakota.

Forest Grove should support a well-conducted hotel and we hope to see the new proprietor and his charming young wife realize fully their fondest expectations from every standpoint.

—Forest Grove News-Times

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EAT FOR PROHIBITION

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"Little drops of water on these grains of sand. Make a mighty difference in the price of land."

Nearly ninety-three per cent of the raisin crop of California is raised in the San Joaquin valley. And it is the irrigation "drops of water" on the grape growing "grains of sand," which make wealthy people in this rich valley of the San Joaquin. The vine grapes are being rapidly replaced, in many parts of the state, by the better paying raisin grapes and table grapes.

Ten years ago, one and three-fourths cents a pound for grapes was considered a very high price. In 1919, under prohibition, the raisin grape grower received fifteen cents a pound.

The much advertised Sun Maid raisins are put out by an association of 14,000 growers of raisin grapes in the San Joaquin valley. Here the grapes are dried in the sun and are exceptionally sweet and delicious. The Sun Maid people have forty-one well equipped plants. The one at Fresno employs 600 women and 385 men. The factory is light and clean. It has a welfare league, physician, dentist, hospital, nurses and rest rooms. The workers are happy. The average output each working day is 350 tons of seedless raisins and 150 tons of seedless raisins. The plant is closed on Sunday. The work continues over ten months a year. A little five-cent carton of seedless raisins was first put on the market April 25, 1921. It has proven very popular and millions have been sold.

The handling of the raisin grapes, removal of the seeds, and disposition in the carton is an interesting process. Much of the work is done by machinery. The hand workers become very expert. The girls who open the flat cartons and fasten the bottom sometimes handle daily over 20,000 apiece. At thirty-five cents a thousand some earn \$7.25 a day. After the raisins are seeded, syrup, cream of tartar and oil are added to the seeds and the rest is pressed into bricks for fuel.

James C. Knollin, editor of Orchard and Farm, says: "Prohibition has brought a marvelous expansion of the grape industry of California. It is estimated that the vines planted during the last year cover nearly 80,000 acres, while the 1921 crop is said to have reached the enormous valuation of \$79,000,000. In 1920, the planting of Thompson's seedless grapes increased 80 per cent. If no further plantings are made the raisin acreage in 1924 should produce more than double the crop of 1921."

The popularity of raisins is discouraging the growing of wine grapes. We are assured that these raisins are used for food and very few for "home brew," as some newspapers would have us believe. Every new use of raisins for food, or of grapes for food, is helping the cause of world-wide prohibition!

Eat for prohibition!

—Union Signal.

SPECIAL HELP PROVIDED TO DRAIN OREGON LANDS
Special help for Oregon farmers who are interested in draining and reclaiming water-waste lands has been provided by the state college extension service by the federal degree in agricultural drainage. This is in the way of a state extension drainage specialist to further the work of bringing these otherwise valuable lands into profitable production in the most helpful and economical way.

The office has been filled by the transfer of George W. Kable from county agent work in Benton county, who will take up his state duties the first of February.

Mr. Kable had six years of university training, four at Washington and California for his bachelor degree in agricultural engineering and science, and two in graduate work in Nebraska. He has had two years' experience in practical engineering in the western states and Alaska, has lectured for the Nebraska Brick and Tile company on drainage methods, fought fire in the city of New Mexico, and served as assistant engineer at the experiment station of that state, and has written numerous articles on farming subjects. He has farmed on large and small farms, and been manager of a 500-acre ranch.

"Mr. Kable knows Oregon conditions, needs and agricultural leaders," says Paul V. Maris, extension director, in announcing the appointment. "I consider him the very best man we could get to direct this reclamation and development work."

The time is considered by Mr. Kable ripe for this work. Labor is plentiful, drainage machinery and materials are approaching pre-war prices, and a spirit of agricultural progress is now apparent—all favoring increase of productive farm lands in Oregon.

JERSEY BREEDERS TO MEET JANUARY 31
A meeting of the Washington Co. Jersey breeders has been called by President Biersdorf for Tuesday, January 31st at 1:30 p. m. at the County Agent's office at Hillsboro. Business to be transacted will be election of officers and plans for club activities for 1922.

During the past year the Jersey Club Tour was held, during which nine farms were visited. The Jersey breeders encouraged boys' and girls' club work by awarding a silver cup to the club winner. The Jersey classes at the Banks Hog & Dairy Show. This was won by Kenneth Biersdorf.

Remember the date, January 31st at 1:30 p. m. and be present.

MORE REFRIGERATOR CARS FOR EXPRESS COMPANY
Bids for the construction of 3,300 refrigerator cars for the Pacific Fruit Express Company, for 1922 delivery, have been requested by the company in the east, according to Southern Pacific Company announcement. The Pacific Fruit Express Company is owned jointly by the Southern Pacific Company and the Union Pacific. The cost of the cars will be in the neighborhood of \$13,000,000, bringing the investment in new equipment and facilities since 1920 to \$23,000,000.

The Pacific Fruit Express Company since 1920 has expended \$18,000,000 for new equipment and \$4,000,000 for new and enlargement of existing icing facilities. The company last year received 4600 new refrigerator cars.

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FORD RETAIL SALES GO OVER MILLION

Retail sales of Ford cars, trucks and Fordson tractors have again exceeded the million mark for the year 1921, according to a statement given out today by the Ford Motor Company.

The Ford factory and assembly plant production figures reached a total of 1,050,740 cars, trucks, and tractors for the year, with retail sales by dealers approximately 1,090,000, which in the United States alone surpassed the 1920 retail sales record by 104,213 Ford cars and trucks.

The Ford Company says the outlook for 1922 is decidedly optimistic. In fact, concrete evidences already exist in that car and truck retail sales for December 1921, exceeded December 1920 sales by almost 25 per cent, and Fordson tractor retail sales for the same periods show an increase of over 100 per cent for December 1921, as well as an increase over the total tractor sales for the month of November.

These facts seem to indicate that not only are the farmers buying more freely, but that the general public is becoming more responsive and receptive.

Another point brought out by comparison of production figures for the past two years shows that Ford enclosed cars are gaining in popularity, as 23 per cent of the 1921 production were Sedans and Coupes as against a total of 18 per cent for the year previous.

Recent reductions in Ford car and truck prices brought them to a new low level. The Touring car now sells for \$348, The Runabout for \$319, the Coupe for \$380, the Sedan for \$648, the Chassis for \$285 and the Truck for \$440, all F. O. B. Detroit.

This is the fourth price cut in the past sixteen months. During that time the price of the Touring car alone has been cut from \$575 to \$438, a reduction of 40 per cent. Reductions on some of the other types have been even greater.

The Ford company believes that this reduction, while not a large one, is especially important at this time as it should go a long way toward stabilizing market conditions.

Ford is giving employment at present to approximately 40,000 men in the main plant at Detroit, the importance of which is emphasized when consideration is given to the fact that nearly 30 per cent of the city's population is directly dependent upon the Ford Motor Company.

HEALTH OFFICE ISSUES WARNING ON DIPHTHERIA

The prevalence of diphtheria through the State of Oregon, this winter, has proven a source of great concern to the Public Health officials.

Cases break out which are apparently very mild, but fatal in the final results. This requires great care in the recognition of the seriousness of a case of sore throat in a child who may be contracting this disease.

The County Health Nurse, Miss Charlotte Walker, the health officer, and the physicians of the county have discovered numerous cases of patients, especially children, who are not sick, but who carry the germs of diphtheria in the throat and may pass it on to others.

It is absolutely necessary that these cases be excluded from schools and public gatherings to prevent serious spread of the disease.

All those in a household where such carriers are found must also be excluded from mixing with the public.

Following this rule will go a long way towards preventing spread of diphtheria.

When children have sore throats they should be cared for at once.

DR. L. W. HYDE,
Health Officer.

Have You Resolved

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