

SUMMARY OF THE OREGON NEWS

The Rapid Reader's Review of Recent Reports Rewritten

Albany was 50 years old October 16. The Moose lodge of Hillsboro has decided to build a \$30,000 lodge building.

Martin Angie, the first white male child born in Jackson county, died at Grants Pass of Bright's disease.

The state railroad commission has ordered the Oregon Electric railroad to establish a flag station between Sidney and Talbot.

J. D. Mickle, dairy and food commissioner, will recommend to the legislature that a law be passed requiring the reporting and branding of Chinese eggs.

The annual conference of the Pacific coast district of the Danish Lutheran churches begins at Portland Thursday and will last through the following Tuesday.

Polk county prunegrowers have harvested a smaller crop than in several years. Although no figures have been compiled, an estimate places the yield at 65 per cent of that of last season.

The Southern Pacific operated at a profit in Oregon, as well as over its entire system during the year which closed June 30, from the annual report filed with the state railroad commission.

Sinlaw port commissioners met at Florence and decided to proceed with the jetty work, in spite of the fact that the harbor bill contains no appropriation for Sinlaw harbor improvements.

In the circuit court at Grants Pass Judge Calkins sentenced E. Dennison, found guilty of an attempt to extort money from Orlin M. Jackson, to from six months to two years in the state penitentiary.

Astoria's public docks and waterfront measure and the municipal wharves and dock bill is opposed by the Port of Astoria commission on the grounds that they are not for the best interests of the state.

Columbia River commercial fishing interests are raising \$5000 to turn over to the department to enlarge the scope of fish propagation, under the system adopted by the fisheries department of the Oregon Fish and Game Commission.

A sawmill will be built at Klamath Falls to cut 25,000,000 feet of timber in the Crater National forest recently purchased by W. E. Lamm, of Danville, Ill. Mr. Lamm's contract with the forest service requires that the timber be cut within four years' time.

Sixteen outside states are represented in the university student body, according to the registrar of the University of Oregon. Washington leads the list with 14. Idaho, California and Wisconsin follow in the order named. There is one student registered from India.

R. E. Clanton, superintendent of hatcheries, at a meeting of the state fish and game commission, said that the take of salmon eggs for hatcheries this year was the largest in the history of the state. He said the take, which is principally of the early Chinook, will total more than 30,000,000. Labor Commissioner Hoff announced that there were 70 accidents in Oregon industries during the week ended October 14. Only one was fatal, B. Namba, of Baker, a section hand, was killed by a train. As usual a majority of the accidents were in connection with railroad work and logging.

The state land board at Salem has called for separate bids for the leasing of the beds and waters of Albert and Summer lakes, in central Oregon. The tenders will be opened December 14 instead of December 10, as originally planned. Bonds of \$5000 will be required from the person securing a lease of either of the lakes.

Oregon's population has increased nearly 200,000 since the 1910 census was taken, according to researches just completed by the promotion department of the Portland Commercial club. Of this gain 75,000 has been in Multnomah county. All the counties except four show marked increases, the four showing decreases being Sherman, Morrow, Josephine and Hood River.

The reclamation service has just issued a bulletin on the Deschutes river projects. The booklet deals with the North Canal unit of the Central Oregon Irrigation company's Carey act segregations, and the discharges, diversions and storage requirements of the Deschutes river; the cost of the works and their present value. An appendix has been added by John H. Lewis, state engineer of Oregon. The book contains a map of the project.

At the recent city election in Roseburg the proposal to issue bonds in the sum of \$500,000 to finance the construction of a railroad to Coos Bay carried. This bond issue provided that the railroad must be built from Roseburg to Coos Bay before the bonds are available. The company accepting the contract to build the road will be required to furnish approved securities of \$500,000 as evidence of good faith before the bonds are issued. The commissioners who are to construct the road are now making arrangements for the improvement.

GIGANTIC BATTLE ON EASTERN WING

Germans Endeavor to Break Through to Paris By Way of Seacoast.

Paris.—A gigantic battle of startling magnitude and great importance is being waged with desperate energy in a field of vast proportions along irregular lines just across the border in Belgium. The Germans have hurled an enormous force against the allies—French, British and Belgian troops who are massed on a front from Arras to Lille, to Ypres and then to the sea.

London.—The crisis in the German attempt to seize the French channel ports, scarcely 20 miles from the coast of England, came with the French official announcement that both the heavy German guns that destroyed the Antwerp forts and the British fleet has taken part in a battle, the front of which extended from Nieuport to Vladslo.

Heavy fighting near Dunkirk is announced in statements from both Paris and Berlin. The German war office claims that the Kaiser's troops have reached the neighborhood of that port and that the inhabitants are fleeing from both Dunkirk and Boulogne.

The Paris statement declares that the Belgian army, has repulsed the Germans near Nieuport, which is half way between Ostend and Dunkirk. It is also stated that the British fleet participated in the battle, the heavy guns of the battleships helping to hurl the Germans back.

British Sink Four German Destroyers. London.—Four German destroyers, were engaged and sunk off the Dutch coast by a British cruiser and four torpedo-boat destroyers.

BELGIANS MEET ALLIES

British Fleet Fires on Germans and Bayonet Duels Common.

Paris.—King Albert's Belgian army, whose stamina feels unaffected by the privations it has undergone, fought with the greatest gallantry alongside the British and French allies near the Belgian coast.

A new element was introduced in the conflict when the British fleet made its presence known by a brisk cannonade of massed German columns which are trying to break down the allies' resistance.

The fighting was severe along the River Yser, where the Germans sought to gain control of the forts. Further south, at La Bassee, the struggle, which has been in progress several days, developed into a house-to-house combat. Both sides displayed the greatest determination and in many cases bayonet duels progressed from one floor to another until the Germans were eventually overcome.

Huge Numbers of Prisoners Taken. Berlin.—The war office gave out the following recently compiled list of prisoners now in German concentration camps, as revised up until October 1.

British, 180 officers, 8,500 men.
French, 2,050 officers, 123,000 men.
Russians, 2,150 officers, 92,000 men.

DECISIVE BATTLE IMMINENT IN EAST

Berlin, via The Hague and London.—Preparations are under way for a decisive battle in the eastern arena of the war, where Austrian and German armies have taken position along the River Viistula and the River San and are ready for eventualities.

The re-taking of Przemyel, as announced from Austrian sources, has permitted the unfolding of the power of the Austrians in the direction of Lemberg and their advance in the southern Carpathian mountains is menacing the extreme left wing of the Russians.

Desperate fighting is already going on along the center of the two armies on the banks of the Viistula. This action has been in a measure delayed owing to the bad condition of the roads in southern Poland and the presence of sections of swampy land. This condition has made necessary detours on the part of the Austrian and German forces.

The Russian army is east of the Viistula. This fact is regarded in Berlin as making its advance and the general management of the campaign a difficult matter, and at the same time unfavorable.

Battle on at Belfort.

Berlin.—According to a telegram from Zurich received by the semi-official Cologne Gazette, heavy German mortars have been placed east of the fortress of Belfort, where the fighting already has begun. The Germans so far are gaining ground, though slowly.

TRIALS OF LIFE.

The difficulties, trials and temptations of every kind in this mortal life really drive us up into the higher elements of our nature, practice us in them, make us veterans as distinguished from militia untried in the field, old men of wisdom and experience as compared with young men just coming into the trial of life.

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Events Occurring Throughout the State During the Past Week.

State Editors Hold Meeting.

Oregon City.—With an elaborate banquet, tendered by Franklin T. Griffith, of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, the annual convention of the State Editorial association was brought to a close at Hotel Estacada. Officers for the coming year were elected as follows: President, E. E. Brodie, Oregon City Enterprise; vice-president, Sam Evans, Klamath Falls Northwestern; secretary, Phil S. Bates, Portland. A. E. Voorhies, of Grants Pass, was chosen to succeed the retiring member of the executive committee.

Wallowa Land Deal Is Big.

Enterprise.—Three deeds placed on record at the courthouse here transferred 28,659.79 acres of Wallowa county land, by far the largest real estate deal or trade in the history of the county.

In the deed the George Palmer Lumber company, of La Grange, transferred to the East Oregon Lumber company, of Enterprise, 13,830.86 acres of timberland. In two deeds the East Oregon company and Duval Jackson, its president, transferred to the Palmer company, 14,238.33 acres.

Oregon Short Line Pays Big Dividends

Salem.—The Oregon Short Line, Salem, Falls City & Western, Sumpter Valley railroad, and Coos Bay, Roseburg & Eastern Railroad and Navigation company have reported profits in their annual reports to the state railroad commission for the year ending June 30, while the Portland, Eugene & Eastern Railway company reported a profit on its electric lines and a large deficit on the steam lines.

The report of the Oregon Short Line is for the entire system, only a small part of which is found in Oregon. The report of this line shows an especially prosperous condition, a dividend of 10 per cent having been declared and a large surplus being on hand. Dividends totalling \$10,000,000 were paid.

NUMBER EMPLOYES LARGE

Labor Bureau Statistics as Gathered for Biennial Report

Salem.—Figures prepared by Labor Commissioner Hoff for his annual report show there is a total of 1230 general merchandise stores in the state, and during this year they employed 9480 people to whom a total salary of \$7,384,000 was paid.

The following figures show the number of other business institutions engaged in business in the state, the people employed, and the total wages paid, as compiled thus far for Mr. Hoff's biennial report:

Electricians, 85; employment agents, 35; engineers, civil and surveying, 250; engineers, consulting and contracting, etc., 69; engineers, mechanical, 50; engineers, mining, 30; engineers, supplies, 20; express, dray and transfer men, 578; dealers in farm implements, 190; dealers in fish and poultry, 50; florists, 74; dealers in fruits, wholesale, 34; fuel dealers, 178; furniture, retail, 390; general merchants, 1230.

Farm implement stores.—In the 190 farm implement stores of the state an average of 760 persons were employed during 1914, to whom a total wage of \$608,000 was paid.

Fish and poultry.—The 50 dealers in fish and poultry employed 98 people and paid them \$79,000 in wages.

Fuel dealers.—The 178 dealers in fuel gave employment to 490 persons and paid them a total wage of \$41,650.

Furniture, retail.—The 390 retail furniture dealers employed 840 people at a total wage of \$58,800.

Transfer and express.—The 378 transfer and express men employed 756 people at a total wage of \$52,920.

Recall Law Upheld by Supreme Court.

Salem.—On every count the state supreme court upheld the validity of the amendment to the state constitution providing for the recall of public officials.

The decision is in the case appealed from Columbia county arising from the recent recall election in which Andrew L. Clark was elected to supersede W. A. Harris as county judge to determine which of the two is entitled to the office.

Registration for Multnomah Is 95,926.

Portland.—Ninety-five thousand nine hundred and twenty-six voters, by far the largest number ever listed in Multnomah county, had registered when the books were closed.

Voters who have qualified are divided between 55,135 men and 37,791 women. Divided into parties, they are as follows: Republicans, 59,795; Democrats, 22,506; Progressives, 3895; Independents, 417; Prohibitionists, 3729; Socialists, 854.

No Help For It.

At one of the New York restaurants a willowy cultured young person was doing the latest steps. The room was crowded, and most of the patrons stood in order to get a better view. One old gentleman, a Kentuckian, remained in his chair, playing idly with his glass, though the other members of his party were on their feet with interest. Finally one of them, a young girl, caught the old gentleman's sleeve and pulled it impatiently.

"Oh, come on, major!" she said. "Be modern!"—New York Post.

RAILROADS WILL HELP THE FARMER

Common Carriers Will Co-operate in Marketing Farm Products—Middle Men Charge Higher Rates for Handling Farm Than Factory Products.

By Peter Radford.

Lecturer National Farmers' Union.

The leading railroad systems of the nation will establish market bureaus to assist the farmers along their lines in marketing their products. Many roads have acceded to the request of the Farmers' Union and announced their willingness to enter into active co-operation with the farmers in marketing their products.

The express companies have surveyed the field and the Federal Government, through the parcel post, has demonstrated the possibilities of the common carrier as a useful agency in marketing farm commodities.

I consider the action of these giant business concerns in determining to co-operate with the farmers in marketing their crops, to be the greatest product of human thought on the Western hemisphere during the past year, and it demonstrates that the educational work of the Farmers' Union has brought the nation to a clearer understanding of the real problem of the farmer.

To give information on marketing is far more valuable than to give advice on production. There is a mutual interest between the railroads and the farmer which cannot exist between any other lines of industry. The railroads are the teamsters of agriculture, and they are employed only when there is something to haul. Good prices will do more to increase tonnage than any other factor, and railroads want tonnage.

Agriculture has many inherent disadvantages which require combined effort to overcome in marketing. There are millions of producing units working independently and selling without knowledge of market conditions. The harvest is once a year, while consumption is pretty evenly distributed throughout the entire year, and most of the farmers, through custom and necessity, dump their entire crop on the market as soon as it is gathered. The problem of organizing and systematizing the markets is one in which the farmers invite assistance of all lines of industry friendly to their interests.

Farmers Bear the Burden.

The business of the manufacturer lends itself more readily to organization and the facilities for studying the markets are more easily available. The result is that the merchants are compensated at very little profit, and as a consequence the merchant must look to products which he buys direct from the farm for his profits.

The reports of the Federal Department of Agriculture show some very interesting information and enable a comparison between the cost of marketing products of the farm and those of the factory. A few items will serve to illustrate the general run. The cost of getting sugar from the refinery to the consumer is 9 cents on the dollar; the cost of getting tobacco from factory to consumer is 14 cents on the dollar. In selling a dollar's worth of eggs the middleman gets a profit of 50 cents on the dollar. In selling a dollar's worth of potatoes the middleman makes 70 cents on the dollar; in selling a dollar's worth of fruit, the middleman gets 84 cents on the dollar, and on cantaloupes 82 cents.

Farmers' Bulletin No. 570, published by the United States Department of Agriculture, in discussing this subject, said:

"The high price paid by consumers ranging from 5 to 500 per cent, in some cases, more than the farmer receives, indicates that there is plenty of room for lowering the cost of farm products to consumers and at the same time largely increasing the cash income per farm, without increasing farm production. This condition is undoubtedly a marketing problem which will have to be solved by better organization of farmers and improved methods of marketing."

Large Shippers Influence Rates. In railroad rates the inequalities are equally as glaring. Rate making in its primitive stages was largely influenced by demands and arguments of large shippers, but the farmers were unorganized and seldom appeared before rate-making bodies, and the burden of expense in transportation lies largely against the raw products of the farm.

In banking, our securities are discriminated against as compared with the products of the factories and mines. The farmer is entitled to a square deal. The farmer is more interested in good prices and efficient service than he is in rates.

A Free Handed Prince.

The following is told of the famous Prince of Conde: He left his son, aged nine years, 50 louis d'or to spend while he himself was absent in Paris. On his return the boy came to him triumphantly, saying:

"Papa, here is all the money safe. I have never touched it once."

The prince, without making any reply, took his son to the window and quietly emptied all the money out of the purse into the street. Then he said:

"If you have neither virtue enough to give away your money nor spirit enough to spend it, always do this for the future, that the poor may have a chance of it."

Doing Her Best Anyway.

"In India brides of twelve are not uncommon."

"I don't expect to equal that record," said the belle, "but so far I've been the fiancée of six."—Louisville Courier Journal.

Sandwood Trees.

Sandwood trees in India are generally found at an altitude of 2,000 to 3,000 feet.

Risky Revenge. Paganini, the wonderful violinist, and a narrow escape at Ferrara from a violent death. Enraged by some blissing from the pit, he resolved to avenge the insult and at the close of his program informed the audience that he would imitate the language of various animals. After having rendered the notes of different birds, the mewling of a cat and the barking of a dog he advanced to the footlights and, saying, "This is for those who blessed!" imitated the braying of an ass. At this the occupants of the pit rose, rushed on to the stage and would probably have killed the calumniator had he not hastily retreated.

Uncle Sam's Shore Line.

We have rather a long shore line to survey. According to trend it is 16,000 miles long, but when it is measured so as to include the shore line of all large islands, bays, sounds and estuaries within tidal range it becomes upward of 40,000 miles.—W. J. Showalter in National Geographic Magazine.

Cured of Indigestion.

Mrs. Sadie P. Clawson, Indiana, Pa., was bothered with indigestion. "My stomach pained me night and day," she writes. "I would feel bloated and have headache and belching after eating. I also suffered from constipation. My daughter had used Chamberlain's Tablets and they did her so much good that she gave me a few doses of them and insisted on my trying them. They helped me as nothing else has done." For sale by all dealers.—Advertisement.

The Roman Forum.

The Forum Romanum, the first that was erected in Rome, served equally for the purpose of trade and all public meetings as well as for the administration of justice by the consuls and other Roman magistrates. Later on, when the forum numbered some eighteen or twenty, they were divided into two classes, some for public meetings and the proceedings of the law courts and others for the various requirements of trade. The Roman forum corresponded to the agora, or market place, of the Greeks, and no Roman city was without this important center of judicial, political and commercial life.—New York American.

The Model's Plight.

"Plump! Party Oh, dear, how dread-fail it is to get fat like this. Not long ago I sent to an artist for Diana and now the same man has engaged me for an ink-scraper's wife."—Fleecende Blatter.

Severe Attack of Colic Cured.

E. E. Cross, who travels in Virginia and other Southern States, was taken suddenly and severely ill with colic. At the first stroke he came to the merchant recommended Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. Two doses of it cured him. No one should leave home on a journey without a bottle of this preparation. For sale by all dealers.—Advertisement.

Curious Golf Prize.

There is a curious prize awaiting a claimant at the Royal Ashdown Golf club, Sussex. On the club links there is a hole, called the island hole, of such a difficult character that a member hit on the unique idea of endowing it with the sum of £5, the accumulated interest of which sum should go to the competitor who does the hole in one stroke at either the Easter, Whitnuntide or autumn meetings. "That was some years ago, and the interest is still accumulating."—London Spectator.

Headache and Nervousness Cured.

"Chamberlain's Tablets are entitled to all the praise I can give them," writes Mrs. Richard Oip, Spencerport, N. Y. They have cured me of headache and nervousness and restored me to my normal health." For sale by all dealers.—Advertisement.

Abstemious.

"I'm not eating very much of late."

"What's the matter, old man? Lost your appetite?"

"No; my credit."—Boston Transcript.

Not Literary.

Jail Visitor—You say that a love for books brought you here, my poor man.

Prisoner—Yes, sir; pocketbooks.—Exchange.

The evildoers will die, but envy never.

—Mollere.

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Boric Acid.

Boric acid in considerable quantities is generally recognized as an original constituent in the waters and gases given off with volcanic emanations. In fact, the Tuscan fumeroles in Italy have been an important commercial source of boric acid for a long time, and in the past, possibly even to the present time, almost all the boric acid brought into the European market has been derived from this source. There is an abundant evidence of the presence of boric acid in volcanic emanations in many parts of the world. On the other hand, boron is so rare a constituent of rock forming minerals that it forms an inappreciable small percentage of the earth's rock mass as a whole.

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