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OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

An all-Oregon Fourth of July celebration is planned for Salem at the state fairgrounds.

The Oregon State Medical association is to hold its 43rd annual meeting in Portland June 28, 29 and 30.

One suicide, two fatal accidents and another accident that may prove fatal were one day's toll of death in Coos bay towns.

Percy Cupper, assistant state engineer, has been appointed by the desert land board as assistant secretary to that board.

Five hundred and forty-three students are enrolled for the summer session of the Oregon normal school at Monmouth.

The twenty-fifth annual session of Oregon yearly meeting of the Friends church held a very successful gathering at Newberg.

Annual conventions of postoffice clerks, city letter carriers and rural letter carriers will meet at Albany Saturday, June 30.

Portland's public auditorium is within two or three weeks of entire completion. It will be formally opened to the public on July 4.

A shad hatchery is being established by the state fisheries department on the Adams ranch in the Youngs river district, near Astoria.

The public service commission has issued a digest, covering laws passed by the recent legislature relative to railroads and public utilities.

The United Spanish war veterans and the women's auxiliary will hold their annual encampment and reunions in Hillsboro June 27 and 28.

A number of wool sales were reported at Heppner when several prominent sheepmen sold their season's clips at 60 cents per pound.

After being overcome by a sudden attack of heart failure, William L. Bradshaw, circuit judge of the seventh judicial district, died at Portland.

Thomas Jefferson Sittes, prominent for many years in the public life of Lin county, and a past grand master of the Oddfellows of Oregon, died in Albany, at his home, aged 77.

Attorney Fred W. Wilson has been appointed by Governor Withycombe to the office of circuit judge for Hood River and Wasco counties, to fill the unexpired term of the late Judge Bradshaw.

Figures made public by the war department disclose that Oregon, in proportion to population, has contributed more men to the regular army than any other state, save Nevada and Utah.

Ralph D. Hetzel, who has been director of the extension service at the Oregon agricultural college for the last eight years, has accepted the presidency of the agricultural college of New Hampshire.

Train baggagemen on the O-W-R & N have complained to the public service commission that they are employed too long hours and ask if steps can be taken to obtain shorter hours of employment for them.

The first number of Oregon Exchange, a newspaper for newspaper men, published by the school of journalism of the University of Oregon, has been issued. It is of magazine form and contains 16 pages.

Word has been received that Charles White, a former resident of Ballston, was killed in battle in France recently.

The northwest photoengravers will hold their seventh annual convention in Portland on July 16 and 17.

One of the new and interesting features of the Oregon blue book for 1917-18, which will be issued about July 10 by the secretary of state, is a section giving historical data relating to each county in the state.

According to reports given out by the United States forest service in Eugene there is now ten feet of snow in the McKenzie pass and the road will probably not be open to automobile travel traffic for more than a month.

Out of 416 accidents reported to the industrial accident commission for the week from June 15 to 21, inclusive, but two were fatal, these being William Trebbel, Astoria, logger, and C. C. Noel, Roseburg, cement factory employe.

Governor Withycombe has announced the personnel of Oregon's exemption boards, following announcement from Washington that President Wilson had in every case approved the local boards appointed by the state executives.

The secretary of war sent to congress an adverse report on the proposed improvement of the Willamette river from Corvallis to Eugene. The local engineer recommended an annual expenditure of \$1000 for snagging and removing other obstructions, but the river and harbor board reports that it is impracticable to open this stretch of river to useful navigation for more than a few months a year except by locks and dams.

It is reported from Milton that horses are dying there of what is known as "the walking disease." Earl Cooley, aged 18, from Harrisburg, Lin county, is attending the boys' and girls' summer course at the Oregon agricultural college as a result of winning first place in dairy herd record keeping at the state fair in 1915 and 1916.

Unable to attend the exercises which will mark the first dirt throwing on the Strahorn road at Klamath Falls, July 4, Governor Withycombe has delegated George Palmer Putnam, his private secretary, to represent him there on that day.

Paul V. Maria, state leader of county agents, and W. L. Kaddery, farm management demonstrator, have made a week's tour in different parts of the state, making a survey of the farm labor conditions. Twenty-two counties were visited. No shortage of labor is apparent.

Representative Hawley introduced a resolution amending the sundry civil bill so that part of the \$25,000 appropriated to protect the lands of the Oregon & California grant from forest fires may be used in protecting also the 90,000 acres of the Coos Bay wagon road grant.

Employees of the state university, such as engineers, laborers and janitors, if injured by accident while employed, cannot bring suit against the university without special authority being granted by act of the legislature, according to an opinion by Attorney General Brown.

Senator McNary has introduced a bill authorizing the state of Oregon to select in a compact body 40,000 acres of land in the Santiam national forest for use as a state forest reserve, and to relinquish in exchange, all title to an equal area of scattered school sections within this reservation.

The city council has authorized a special election in Toledo, August 13, to vote upon three proposed bond issues, an issue of \$12,000 to rebuild the present city water supply line, \$9000 refunding bonds to retire outstanding water bonds and \$9000 to take up the present city warrant indebtedness.

Representative Sinnott has prepared and will offer an amendment to the pending food supply bill authorizing the president to expend not more than \$20,000,000 out of the \$150,000,000 carried by the bill, in constructing northwest irrigation projects, in accordance with the terms of the reclamation act.

Word has been received by Superintendent Swartzlander of the Umatilla reservation from Washington that bids within the \$28,000 appropriated for two bridges across Umatilla river on the reservation had been received, and that the contract would be let immediately. The government is paying two-thirds, and the county one third.

The old blast furnace and smelter plant of the Oregon Iron & Steel company, occupying five acres of land along the Willamette river at Oswego, were purchased outright by William Pigott, of Seattle, head of the Pacific Coast Steel company interests in that section, with the prospect that it will be placed in shape within about 60 days for the manufacture of pig iron.

That Oregon counties intend to be pulled out of the mud is apparent from the applications which have come in to the state highway commission, not only to secure aid under the \$6,000,000 bond issue act for hard surfacing, but also from the demands which are being made for post-road money to be expended on a co-operative basis with the federal government.

Eleven creeks, all tributaries of the upper McKenzie river, will be closed to trout fishing on August 1 and will remain closed for two years thereafter, according to Carl D. Shoemaker, state game warden. The creeks to be closed are Ritchie creek, Johnson creek, Trout creek, Driftwood creek, Granite creek, Indian creek, Gato creek, Martin creek, Deer creek, Ennis creek and Quartz creek.

The headquarters of the interstate commerce commission engineers engaged in making a physical survey of railroad property in the Pacific division, may be moved from San Francisco to Eugene during the summer, according to an announcement made by S. D. Clinton, engineer in charge of a crew of 11 engineers, in Eugene in connection with the appraisal of Southern Pacific property. There are 12 crews working out of San Francisco at the present time.

Plans of the state highway commission for immediate paving of three important stretches of highway, and the grading of two other sections, have been announced by Chairman S. Benson. In Umatilla county, as much of the important highway from Peledon to Walla Walla is to be paved as can be done for \$100,000. This work has been agreed on by the commission some time ago, and bids are now being asked. In Washington county, the long-notorious Rex-Tigard road, a part of the Pacific highway, is to receive first attention. Starting at the Multnomah county line, several miles of this road will be hard surfaced. In Clatsop county, paving operations will be started from Astoria west on the Astoria end of the Columbia river highway. Work for this year is limited to \$100,000.

THE MARKETS

Portland.

Wheat—Club \$2.35; bluestem \$2.40; red Russian, \$2.25; forty-fold, \$2.35.

Barley—No. 1 feed, \$42 per ton.

Hay—Timothy, \$30 per ton; alfalfa, \$23.

Butter—Creamery, 36c.

Eggs—Ranch, 31c.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 61c; valley, 58c.

Mohair—66c per lb.

PRINCE OF UDINE



Photo by American Press Association. Prince Ferdinando di Savoia, of Udine, who heads the Italian war mission to the United States.

SAVE CHILDREN, RED CROSS PLEA

Little Ones and Women Most Sufferers in War.

SCENES BEHIND TRENCHES

Thousands of Homeless Right in War Zone, Many Actually in Zone of Fire. Almost Every Mile In One Section of France a Land of Desolation.

By E. A. MOREE,
Former Director of the Atlantic Division of the American Red Cross.

It is not for the greatest pity, much as their terrible and heroic suffering stirs my heart. I am moved most by the plight of those behind the lines and in the devastated territory, women, aged men and little children, left in cold blood unprotected and dying by the hundreds of thousands from exposure and starvation.

Mrs. William R. Draper, the tireless vice president of the New York county chapter of the Red Cross, made this reply to my request that she tell me something of what seemed to her the most interesting phase of Red Cross work at present.

"It's comparatively easy," she said, "for a well fed man to face swift death in the excitement of battle. It's another matter for the mother who lies on the sidewalk of a wrecked and deserted village, her starving children around her, and watches an agonizing death approach by inches. So much for sentimental pity! But that should not be the main motive. We must be

supremely practical. The future welfare of these warring peoples depends on our giving prompt aid to these children and their mothers. We must do it amply, and we must do it right.

"I suppose I feel this phase of the need more keenly because of the many friends I have scattered through Europe. They are constantly writing me graphic letters describing the needs of those people and begging us to do something for them."

I happened to know something of the effect of these letters judiciously passed around by Mrs. Draper among her many wealthy friends in this country. Through these indirect appeals Mrs. Draper has been able to turn over to Red Cross headquarters many large gifts of money and countless supplies.

For instance, a group of five of her Brooklyn friends have given her the privilege of spending \$20,000 a year for this work. Besides hundreds of thousands of boxes of pairs of the best socks that can be purchased.

"Here's a letter from a friend in Serbia, the little country we're so likely to overlook in our earnestness about France and Belgium," she went on. "Their army has no reserves. Last fall at Monastir the same men fought for one hundred consecutive days without relief. They were most meagerly clothed and fed, and hardest of all, not one of them knew whether his wife and children were alive or if living, where they were. Thousands upon thousands of peasant women and children in Serbia have no source of food and clothing but the army and the Red Cross."

"Thousands of these sufferers live right in the war zone, many of them actually in the zone of fire. The army has done its best to help them, but the army has only bread and meat to give, and a little of that. The individuals and scattering relief agencies that are seeking to help are almost

hopelessly handicapped by lack of materials, workers or transportation. One of the most useful things we can do is to send automobiles to the Red Cross workers in Serbia."

The following extract from this letter summarized the needs:

The big cry is for the women and children. Most of the children are little girls, so that means plain, simple, warm garments which can be worn by peasants who have been used to wearing heavy homespuns. The foods required are beans, tea, fat, sugar, codon, and condensed milk. Battered condensed milk is not desirable. The best tinned milk used on any of the fronts is just the straight tinned milk without either condensation or sweetening. It ought to be possible to send plenty of raisins and prunes from the United States. Those Serbian women and children have no fruit item in their diet, and they need it.

At the same time the letter told of some sadly misguided efforts of private individuals, such as sending pink silk lingerie to Macedonian peasant women. One box opened for distribution there contained five suits of men's full evening dress and three sets of false teeth.

EUROPEAN WAR NEWS

In the eastern war theater there are indications that important fighting may again soon be under way.

Gradually the forces of Field Marshal Haig are hemming in the town of Lens, the center of the great coal deposits.

General Petain has resumed his dashing operations on the Aisne front and reports a brilliant success for his troops in a surprise attack northwest of Hurbieles.

In the Macedonia theater only small engagements by patrol parties have been reported, although east of Lake Presba the enemy has violently shelled entente trenches.

While the Italians have let up in their attacks in the Trentino, the success of their recent assault which resulted in the capture of the important height of Monte Ortigara, is emphasized in the announcement that the Austrians lost some of their heavy artillery, as well as suffering other loss of magnitude in the operation. Four guns were taken by General Cadorna's troops.

Mighty artillery duels between the French and Germans are still in progress on several sectors of the front between Solomons and Rheims. Apparently the Germans, after their experience of last week, when they suffered heavy casualties, have ceased their infantry operations, as the latest French official communication makes no mention of fresh thrusts by the crown prince.

Recruiting boom is on. Washington—Patriotic and civic societies, newspapers and other semi-public agencies everywhere are making a gratifying response to the government's appeal for support in the campaign of regular army recruiting week, and the war department officials believe the next few days will see a recruiting boom for the regulars unparalleled in the nation's history.

Porto Rican Regiment Filled. San Juan, Porto Rico—Porto Rico has brought its regiment of infantry of the United States army to full war strength—1950 men—by the voluntary enlistment of 600 men within less than one month. A total increase of approximately 1400 men in less than a year was made.

Irrigation Dam Breaks in Utah. Fairview, Utah—The dam of the Price River irrigation company, 12 miles from here, broke. There was no loss of life in the towns of Schofield, Helper, Castle Gate and Colton, which were in the path of the 11,000 acre feet of water that was released in the break.

COCCHI ADMITS MURDER. Italian is Confident Law Will Be Bar To Extradition.

Rome—Haunted by remorse for his fiendish crime and confident in the belief that the Italian law would bar his extradition to the United States to pay the penalty for it, Alfredo Cocchi has confessed to the murder of Ruth Cruger in New York, February 13. American Ambassador Page, it was declared, will make a determined effort to follow in Cocchi's case the precedent set in other recent extraditions from Italy and have the youthful Italian returned to New York for trial.

Mr. Wilson Now Controls Exports. Washington—Control of American exports, authorized in a clause of the espionage bill, was assumed by President Wilson with the appointment of the secretaries of state, agriculture and commerce and the food administrator. An executive order creating the council directs the department of commerce to administer all details of operation.

The African Ricksha. The one wheeled ricksha of Africa, like its two wheeled ancestor, the ricksha of Japan, was the invention of a missionary, the designer of the African vehicle being a Swede engaged in mission work on the Congo. An early form of the vehicle consists of a framework of bicycle tubing, supporting a cushioned chair seat over a single, low, rubber tired wheel. The handles in front form a continuous loop, and the rear handles resemble those of a wheelbarrow. Two native boys can easily transport a passenger in the ricksha, and it is the only vehicle practicable for many of the narrow and crooked foot trails which are still the only roads in the greater part of Africa.

Conscience Money. A West Virginia man sent a farmer \$3 in payment for a watermelon he stole fifteen years ago. If every boy that ever lived in the country were to develop a conscience like that the farmers would own most of the money in the world—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Diplomacy. Billy was sending out invitations to his birthday party.

"I don't think I would mention the birthday," advised his mother. "It looks so much like asking for a present."

To this Billy demurred violently, but was finally persuaded to yield the point. For a long time he thought deeply. Then, solving the problem, he asked:

"Well, mother, we won't say anything about the birthday, but don't you think that we might put the picture of a cake with candles at the top of the paper?"—Harper's Magazine.

Notice of Final Settlement.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Sherman county.

In the matter of the estate of Luther B. Hill, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, administrator de bonis non, under the will of said deceased, has filed his final report and account of his administration of all said estate remaining after the resignation of his predecessor, and that Monday, the 23 day of July, A. D. 1917, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. thereof, has been appointed as the time and the county court room in the county court house at Moro, in said county and state, as the place of the hearing and settlement of the said report and account, the objections thereto if any, the determination and settlement thereof and of the said estate, and for such other relief as the court shall deem proper.

Dated at Moro, Ore., this 17th day of May, A. D. 1917.

J. F. Foss, Admr.

D. B. N., under the will of said deceased. Bright & Bryant, Attys. for Admr. m188

Summons.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Sherman county:

Rosalie Belle Baylis, plaintiff,
vs.
William A. Baylis, defendant.

To William A Baylis, above named defendant:

In the name of the State of Oregon: You are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled court and cause on or before the 7th day of July, 1917; and if you fail so to appear and answer, for want thereof, the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief prayed for in her said complaint, to-wit: For a decree that the marriage contract now existing between the said plaintiff and yourself be dissolved, annulled and held for naught.

This summons is published in the Sherman County Observer by order of Hon. D. R. Parker, judge of said Circuit Court, made, dated and entered in said cause on the 21st day of May, 1917, and directing the publication of said summons be made once a week for six successive weeks.

The date of first publication is May 25, 1917.

J. B. Hosford,
Attorney for Plaintiff.

Notice of Final Settlement.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Sherman County.

In the matter of the Estate of James M. DeMoss, deceased.

To all whom it may concern: Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed her final report and account in said matter, and that Monday, the 23 day of July, A. D. 1917, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, be and the same is hereby appointed as the time and the County Court room in the County Court house at Moro, in said county and state, as the place of the hearing and account, the objections thereto, if any, and the settlement of the said estate.

Dated and first published on the 24th day of May, A. D. 1917.

Julia DeMoss Manning,
Administrator of the said Estate.
Bright & Bryant, Attys. for Admr.

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