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OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

It will cost \$3,272,000 to operate the Portland public schools during the coming year.

Bernard A. Nathman, a resident of Gervais for more than 40 years, died there at the age of 74.

Construction of a \$15,000 plant by the Concrete Pipe company of Portland has started at Bend.

The \$220,000 road bond issue election held in Crook county met with almost unanimous favor.

The Western Walnut association will hold its annual meeting at Portland November 12 and 13.

Action has been taken by the Baptists of McMinnville to erect a new church building the coming year.

Mrs. Nancy Emily Tharp, one of the oldest and best-known residents of Polk county, died at Corvallis, aged 88 years.

Smilie Purvine, pioneer dentist of Oregon, died suddenly in Salem at the home of his son, Ellis Purvine, at the age of 80 years.

At a coming special election in Roseburg a bond issue of probably \$500,000 will be voted on for a municipal light and water plant.

The Springer ranch, three miles above Larson inlet, in Coos county, was destroyed by a great landslide during the recent rains.

While wading in Thomas creek, near Thomas, Arthur, 8-year-old son of Quintus Underwood, got beyond his depth and was drowned.

Douglas Larsen of Cove has been convicted and fined \$100 for refusing to help fight a forest fire in the Grand Ronde district last summer.

For bravery in action, R. H. Swigert of Bend has received from the Canadian minister of militia and defense a British military medal of silver.

Sheep shipments from Bend are the heaviest on record. Two hundred and sixty-four carloads already have been sent out and 25 more cars are contracted.

Two winter short courses, dairy manufacture and tractor operation, will be offered this year by the Oregon Agricultural college school of agriculture.

Governor Olcott is urged to call a state meeting to suggest remedies for the high cost of living, in resolutions adopted by the Yamhill county Pomona grange.

Apple packing records were broken at Hood River by Miss Pearl Saultman, who packed 140 boxes of fruit on the E. E. Lage place in four hours and 40 minutes.

Farmers west of Eugene are signing oil and gas leases of their lands for a term of three years, for which they are to receive \$100. About 6000 acres have been leased.

A total of 13,114,279 acres is embraced in federal forest reserves in Oregon, on which the state draws for apportionment to the counties in the reserves \$115,405.74.

George M. Benson, game warden, has been informed that no permits will be given this season for trapping on the Lake Malheur bird reserve, owing to low water and scarcity of feed.

The Crown Willamette Paper company has announced that a new mill will be erected immediately at West Linn, which will provide employment for about 200 more men continuously.

Heppner is feeling the effect of the coal strike, the shortage of fuel having forced the Heppner Light & Water company to cut its light and power service from 24 hours a day to eight.

One of the biggest horse shows ever held on the Pacific coast will be staged during the annual exhibition of the Pacific International Livestock association at North Portland, November 17 to 22.

Hermiston farmers have petitioned the county court for authority to form the Hermiston Irrigation district for improvement to their lands. An election to vote on the proposal will be held December 13.

Only one of the 458 accidents reported to the state industrial accident commission during the week ending November 6 was fatal. The fatality was in the case of A. Sackett, a laborer of Grants Pass.

Settlers of the Fort Rock valley, 60 miles south of Bend, have completed the preliminary steps toward the organization of an irrigation district, which, as now proposed, will include approximately 46,000 acres.

The construction of a railroad 185 miles long from Medford to a point in the vicinity of Eureka, Cal., is the avowed purpose of the Medford Coast Railroad company, which recently filed articles of incorporation.

A. C. Allen of Medford, former state horticultural commissioner, announces his intention of testing the constitutionality of the Oregon vehicle law providing for the taxing of automobiles for good roads maintenance.

The \$47,000, reinforced concrete bridge across Rogue river at Rock Point, three miles below Gold Hill, under construction jointly by the highway commission and Jackson county, is nearly 50 per cent completed.

Thomas Cummings, engineer; N. Helmer, fireman, and Fred Sherman, timber faller, were seriously injured when a donkey engine in logging operations of the Willamette Valley Lumber company, above Black Rock, exploded.

A summary of the activities of the soldiers' and sailors' commission of the state of Oregon since that body was created by the last legislature shows that a total of \$19,521.94 has been expended in the interest of former service men.

There will be no more traveling carnival companies in Medford if the city council can help it. At the last meeting the council passed an ordinance fixing a license of \$500 a week on such carnivals, which is regarded as prohibitive.

Sam A. Kozor, deputy secretary of state under Ben W. Olcott, who has been secretary of state for the past eight years, has announced himself as a candidate for the republican nomination for secretary of state at the next primary election in May, 1920.

All records for cattle shipments from the Rogue river valley have been broken this year. From the Apple-gate district alone 1000 cattle have been shipped to Portland this fall, which brings a cash return to the cattlemen of approximately \$100,000.

Oregon's airplane forest fire patrol covered 23,715 miles and located 128 fires in 411 hours flying time during the forest fire season this summer, according to a report filed with Colonel H. H. Arnold, head of the air service in the western department of the army.

Two airplanes were used. At a special election in Warrenton, \$500,000 of municipal bonds, in two separate blocks, were authorized for the extensive improvement of the harbor and the purchase of 100 acres of land bordering on the Skipanon and Columbia rivers within the city limits for the erection of docks and piers.

The Silver Lake irrigation district has filed an application with the irrigation securities commission, requesting the state to guarantee interest on \$300,000 in bonds of the district for a term of five years. This irrigation district is located at Silver lake and covers approximately 8000 acres.

Coyotes are doing more damage in Oregon at the present time than for many years, according to Dr. W. H. Lytle, state veterinarian. Because of the serious losses resulting from the activities of these animals the state now has seven experienced hunters in the timbered districts, each of whom draws from \$90 to \$135 a month.

Indicative of the early reopening of the railroad tie market in the northwest is an order just received by the Valley Tie and Lumber company, wholesalers and manufacturers of lumber, with headquarters in Eugene, for 250 carloads of Douglas fir ties to be shipped to Oklahoma, where a new railroad is being built in one of the oil districts.

The newly-constructed concrete dam across the Sluslaw river at Swiss-home, near the mouth of Lake creek, which Gustav Warthun had about finished and which was to have been used in connection with a large saw-mill there, was washed out by the high water. The dam was over 100 feet long and Mr. Warthun had expended over \$7000 upon it.

In an attempt to combat the high cost of living Mayor Hamilton, acting for the city of Roseburg, has ordered a considerable quantity of government foodstuffs shipped there, to be placed on sale at prices far below those asked by mercantile houses. The city took this step experimentally, and if the innovation works satisfactorily larger quantities will be shipped in.

All counties in Oregon which failed to send to the state treasurer their last half taxes by November 1, as provided by law, will be compelled to pay interest on the delinquent remittances at the rate of 6 per cent, according to a statement given out by State Treasurer Hoff. The counties which have not yet remitted include Benton, Gilliam, Harney, Jackson, Malheur, Marion and Polk.

So rapidly has the state highway commission developed and carried out its road program that it has matched the federal money available up to July 1, 1920. This necessitates a slowing down on new projects for six or seven months, but does not mean that work will slacken, as enough contracts have been let and projects approved to keep the road work active beyond the time when new federal money will be ready for Oregon.

Application to open for entry and sale Carey act lands in the Antelope unit of the Jordan valley irrigation project was received by the state desert land board. The application states that all of the land in the unit has been reclaimed, the ditches have been completed and the reservoir is adequate to store sufficient water for irrigation of the entire tract. This is the first unit of the Jordan valley project to be opened. The project is located in Malheur county.

Plant All Animals Hate. A most interesting plant is the Virginia wild ginger. There are several other species, as far south as Florida and northward to Connecticut. The plant grows in very hilly and wooded places, says the American Forestry Magazine, and is easily recognized by its kidney-shaped leaves and curious purplish brown flowers. These flowers grow one to a stem. No living thing will eat the bitter leaves, and you rarely see the flower unless you hunt for it, for it hides itself out of sight if possible.

NATION-WIDE RAID ON RADICALS MADE

Documents Seized Disclose Plot to Destroy All Authority.

Washington.—In a general warfare on radical aliens advocating forcible overthrow of the government, agents of the department of justice, assisted by the immigration bureau, rounded up nearly 500 men and women in raids in more than a score of cities, including the capital.

Primarily the raids, which occurred in practically every industrial center in the east and middle west, were aimed at the Union of Russian Workers. Attorney-General Palmer described the Russian union as "even more radical than the bolsheviks," and declared its purpose was to amalgamate all of the Russian groups in the United States into one organization. Mass action, including armed action in time of "great national strife" is the principal function, he said.

Plan of the Union of Russian Workers to bring about an overthrow of the government through a general strike was revealed in documents seized in the nation-wide raids.

With the government overthrow and everything "wiped from the earth" that is a reminder of the right to private ownership of property," the Russian workers, according to their manifesto, looked forward "to the magnificent, beautiful form of man without a God, without a master and free of authority."

SENATORS ADOPT FIRST RESERVATION

Washington.—A reservation proposing to safeguard the nation's right to withdraw from membership in the league of nations was adopted by the senate with every republican senator and six democrats voting for it or paired in its support.

The final count was 50 to 35, and pairs announced for the absentees showed the entire senate membership to be divided, 55 to 41. Five democrats—Senators Reed (Missouri), Gore (Oklahoma), Smith (Georgia), Walsh (Massachusetts) and Chamberlain (Oregon)—voted in the affirmative, while Senator Shields, democrat (Tennessee) was paired in favor of the reservation.

The reservation, first of 14 proposed by the committee to carry out a programme which its sponsors say has been pledged to a safe majority throughout the reservations, provides:

"The United States so understands and construes article 1 that in case of notice of withdrawal from the league of nations, as provided in said article, the United States shall be the sole judge as to whether all its international obligations and all its obligations under the said covenant have been fulfilled, and notice of withdrawal by the United States may be given by a concurrent resolution of the congress of the United States."

CHINESE DIE OF CHOLERA

Many Deaths Occur in Hongkong, Shanghai and Manila.

Seattle, Wash.—Cholera is causing many deaths in Hongkong, Shanghai and Manila, according to news brought by the steamship Chicago Maru. There were 275 cases of the disease in Manila and 169 deaths in a week.

Many deaths have also occurred in Hongkong and Shanghai. No whites or Japanese have died, however, in either China or the Philippines, and the authorities were hopeful of having the disease in check when the Chicago steamed for this coast.

Palmer Says Law Will Be Enforced.

Washington.—Warning was given the United Mine Workers of America by Attorney-General Palmer that resolutions of conventions and orders of officers of organizations are not above the law. Describing the strike as a violation of the federal statute, Mr. Palmer, speaking with full authority of the government, announced that all the power of the United States would be exerted to enforce the mandate.

Victor Berger is Unseated.

Washington.—Victor L. Berger, Milwaukee socialist, was denied his seat in the house by an overwhelming vote, the house holding he was ineligible for membership because of his open opposition to the war with Germany. The vote to unseat Berger was 309 to 1. Representative Voight, republican, Wisconsin, being the only member to support the Wisconsin socialist.

Terrific Blizzard Hits Middle West.

Chicago.—A severe storm swept over the north and middle central states Monday. Trains were delayed from four to 12 hours. Snow was piled high on the tracks running through Nebraska and Colorado.

Nature's Method.

Nature imitates herself. A grain thrown into good ground brings forth fruit; a principle thrown into a good mind brings forth fruit. Everything is created and conducted by the same master; the root, the branch, the fruits—the principles, the consequences—Pascal.

Privilege of Money.

Clothes don't make a man, but it's only the millionaire who can go about his business looking like a ragpicker.—London Answers

Notice of Estimated and Proposed Tax Levy for Sherman County, Oregon, for the Year 1920.

Notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, the 3d day of December, 1919, the County Court of Sherman County, Oregon, will be in regular session at the County Court House in Moro, Oregon, at the hour of 10 o'clock a.m., and any taxpayer of Sherman County, Oregon, will be heard in favor of or against the proposed tax levy, as hereinafter itemized.

ITEMIZED STATEMENT

Prepared in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 234 of the 1913 Oregon Session Laws, showing an estimate of the amounts of money required to be raised by taxation by Sherman County, Oregon, for the year 1920, to maintain each department of the county government, county office or county officer, and for each county improvement, the maintenance of each county building, structure, or institution, and for the salary of each county officer or employee, and for the improvement and maintenance of public highways, roads and bridges, and for other contemplated expenditures.

Also showing the probable receipts of Sherman County, Oregon, from sources other than direct taxation upon real and personal property for the year 1920 and also the approximate amount of the balance of the various funds of Sherman County Oregon upon January 1, 1920.

PROPOSED APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING EXPENSES AND AMOUNT

Judge (County)	Salary	\$ 450
	Incidental expenses	200
County Clerk	Salary	1500
	Deputy salary	1200
	Record books and blanks	300
	Incidental expenses	100
Sheriff	Salary	1800
	Deputy salary	1200
	Traveling expenses	300
	Office supplies and incidentals	500
Treasurer	Salary	400
	Record books and incidentals	50
Assessor	Salary	1800
	Deputy salary	480
	Rolls, plats, stamps, detail sheets, and miscellaneous	230
District Attorney	Incidental expenses	25
Superintendent of Schools	Salary	1500
	Traveling expenses	300
	Incidental expenses	250
	8th grade examinations, institutes	50
Coroner's Fees	Fees and expenses	100
	Juror' fees and witnesses	50
County Commissioners	Fees, per diem and mileage	250
Surveyor	Fees and incidental expenses	100
Sealer of Weights and Measures	Per diem and expenses	125
State Account	Per diem and expenses	50
Court House Expenses	Janitor, fuel, light, wa-	

AROUND THE WORLD WITH THE AMERICAN RED CROSS In Roumania.



Soon after the entrance of the United States in the war the successes of the Central Powers in Roumania had reduced that country to a most tragic condition and in the summer of 1917, the American Red Cross despatched its first Roumanian relief contingent. Two hospitals were at once taken over and operated by the Red Cross, a canteen for the starving refugees established, and food and clothing distributed over a large area. Transportation was one of the toughest problems with which the Red Cross workers in Roumania had to deal. Here is seen an escort used by the Red Cross to carry its relief supplies up into the mountains.

Keep Up the Morale.

The big thing in life's battles is the morale. You may have the men and the guns, but if the men lack the ginger they are impeded to attainment. It is easy to do things when you are on the winning side. The trouble begins to brew when things go wrong. Anybody can go with the current. It's breasting the tide that shows where strength lies, and muscular strength is the least side of it. When the brain is right and nerve control dependable you can make machines do muscular tasks. There are few things that man's ingenuity has not submitted to mechanical control. So the problem of today is to keep the head right. It means more than keep thinking. There are men of the keenest intellect who need the constant urge of right morale.

Walking! Walking! What pleasure there is in the mere act of walking upon some pleasant level! If relieved by alternating hill and dale, so much the better.—Edward P. Hood.

ter, telephone, rental, furniture, repairs, and miscellaneous	1250
Jail	
Board of prisoners	150
Care of Poor	
Expenses	2000
County Physician	400
Burial expenses	100
County Health Officer	
Salary	100
Expenses	50
Indigent Soldiers	
Relief of old soldiers	50
Boys' and Girls' Aid Society	
Relief	120
Insane	
Examination and expense	50
Elections	
Judges and clerks	750
Ballots	200
Ballot boxes and fees of registration	50
Deputy sheriffs, hall rent and repairing booths	250
Scalp Bounty	
Bounty on wild animals	500
Fruit Inspector	
Per diem and expenses	80
Stock Inspector	
Salary	300
Stationary and advertising	25
School Library	
Books and state library	135
School Children's Industrial Fair	
Expenses and premiums	600
County Institute	
Expense	150
Widows' Pension	
Future allowance	150
Fair	
County fair, premiums, etc.	2,500
County Agriculturalist	
County agent	1,700
Circuit Court	
Witnesses and jurors	1,000
Reporter's fee	100
Stationary	25
Meals for jurors	50
Bailiffs	80
Justice Courts	
Fees for justices and constables	100
County Schools	
Apportionment of \$10 per capita	12,000
County high school tuition fund	6,000
School board convention	60
State of Oregon	
1920 state tax for Sherman county	33,000
Market Road Tax	15,300
Auditor	
Auditing county books	250
Total	\$92,935

INCOME FROM OTHER SOURCES THAN TAXATION	
Approximate balance in general fund	4,000
Fees from County Clerks office	1,500
One half of bounty from state	250
Total	5,750
Total amount to be raised by taxation	87,185
Roads and Highways	
Salary of road master, laborers, improvements, repairs, and highways	36,000
Bridge Fund	10,000
Market Road, one mill (to match state fund)	15,300
Total	\$61,300
Less funds raised by state market road bill	30,600
Grand Total	\$123,635

Dated at Moro, Oregon, this 6th day of November, 1919.

E. D. McKee, County Judge

J. M. Wilson, County Commissioner

R. J. Ginn, County Commissioner

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