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OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

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

Thirty thousand silverside salmon fingerlings have been planted in Crater lake.

A county-wide livestock judging contest by club members will be held in the Seio community Thursday.

Fire which caught from sparks from the engine room destroyed a sawmill belonging to Claud Chapman near Fossil.

A meeting was held in Vernonia last week for the purpose of organizing a branch of the Federal Farm Loan association.

The report of the Bend postoffice for July showed a 72 per cent increase in postal business over the corresponding month of 1921.

Coroners from 20 counties in Oregon met in Portland last week for the third annual convention of the Oregon State Coroners' association.

Farmers of Yamhill county for the most part have been agreeably surprised at the larger yield of their winter wheat fields than was anticipated.

Harry and Elmer Holverstott lost eight and a half tons of chittim bark when fire destroyed a building on the Chris Rousch place near Coquille.

A radio permit for commercial broadcasting has been granted by the department of commerce to the Thomas Musical company of Marshfield.

A combined county fair and rodeo will be held at Klamath Falls the first week in October, according to a decision of the chamber of commerce and business men.

Contract for surfacing the Mount Hood loop in Clackamas county has been awarded by the state highway commission. The surfacing job, 10 miles or more, has been awarded to A. D. Kern.

B. W. Bartlett of Corvallis has been employed by the state highway commission to pave the new Pacific highway through the town of Jefferson, in southern Marion county, at a cost of approximately \$25,000.

The recent rain extinguished many of the forest fires which have been burning for several weeks, according to the state forester. As a result no attempt will be made to postpone the open season for deer, it was said.

The so-called gum spot disease which has invaded fruit districts in many parts of the United States has threatened the prune orchards of Marion county, according to a warning issued by the county fruit inspector.

Fifty-four officers and men of the Oregon naval reserve force left Portland Saturday on the Eagle boat 38, for a 15-days' cruise in Alaskan waters. Stops will be made at Wrangell, Ketchikan and other Alaskan ports.

There was one fatality in Oregon due to industrial accidents during the week ending August 10, according to a report prepared by the state industrial accident commission. The victim was S. E. Myers, electrician, of Albany. A total of 567 accidents were reported during the week.

That Sheriff Nelson was recalled by the electors of Clatsop county and Harley J. Slusher was elected to succeed him by a majority of fully 300 votes, is indicated by the returns received. The vote cast was about two-thirds of that at the recent primary election.

Bids for the construction of approximately 54 miles of highway and five bridges will be considered at a meeting of the state highway commission to be held in Portland, August 29. At this meeting the commission also will open bids for the sale of \$1,500,000 highway bonds.

The total cost of conducting the high schools of Yamhill county during the past year was \$144,647.34, while the cost of conducting the grade schools aggregated \$269,398.77, according to a report prepared by S. S. Duncan, superintendent of schools for Yamhill county. The average daily attendance was 4281 pupils, with 218 teachers employed.

The potatoes in Union county are not, generally speaking, fit for seed certification, according to E. R. Jackson, extension specialist of the Oregon Agricultural college, who has just examined 200 acres of potatoes with the view of certifying them for seed. Only one small field was passed by Mr. Jackson. Leaf mosaic was the chief cause of rejecting the crops for seed.

One hundred and sixty-two citizens, including sixty-two women of Marion county, were subpoenaed to appear at Salem Monday in the Olcott-Hall recount case. They were cited to answer charges of illegal voting. The list included forty-seven residents from twelve precincts in Salem. The largest number subpoenaed from any one precinct was forty from Mount Angel.

AW, WHAT'S THE USE



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Doesn't Pay to Be Too Fussy



HENRY B. SPENCER



Henry B. Spencer, who was named coal administrator by President Harding.

SENATE APPROVES FLEXIBLE TARIFF

President Gets Authority to Increase or Decrease Rates.

Washington, D. C.—A flexible tariff plan, proposing authority for the president to increase or decrease tariff rates in the pending bill until July 1, 1924, was approved by the senate. The vote was 38 to 20, with three republicans opposing and two democrats supporting.

Just before approving the plan the senate adopted, 34 to 19, an amendment by Senator Bursum, New Mexico, which would provide that after July 1, 1924, no duties could be changed except by authority of congress. The plan as finally approved is a sharp modification of that originally proposed. The president is prohibited from using American valuation except in the case of dyed and certain coal tar products covered in two paragraphs of the bill, and is required to base changes in rates on the differences in the "costs of production" at home and abroad instead of on differences in "conditions of competition."

Final vote on the tariff bill will be taken next Saturday. It was decided by adoption of the unanimous consent agreement offered by Senator McCumby, chairman of the senate finance committee.

The Hope of Eternity. Translency is stamped on all our possessions, occupations and delights. We have the hunger for eternity in our hearts, the destination for eternity written on our inmost being, and the need to ally ourselves with eternity proclaimed by the most short-lived trifles of time. Either these things will be the blessing or the curse of our lives. Which do you mean that they shall be for you?—Alexander MacLaren.

THE MARKETS

Portland
Wheat—Hard white, soft white and white club, \$1.06; hard winter and northern spring, \$1.04; red Walla \$1.01.

Corn—Whole, \$37; cracked \$39. Hay—Alfalfa, \$16.50 per ton; valley timothy, \$18.19; eastern Oregon timothy, \$21.

Butter Fat—41¢45c.

Eggs—Ranch, 21¢25c.

Cheese—Tillamook triplets, 28½¢; Young Americans, 29½¢; block Swiss, 32¢34c; cream brick, 24¢26c.

Cattle—Choice steers, \$7.75¢8.25; medium to good, \$7.25¢7.75.

Sheep—East of mountain lambs, \$10.11; choice valley lambs, \$9.95.

Hogs—Prime light, \$12.12.25; smooth heavy, \$10.11.50.

Seattle.
Wheat—Hard white, soft white, western white, hard red winter, soft red winter, northern spring, \$1.08; western red, \$1.06; Big Bend blue-stem, \$1.18.

Hay—Alfalfa, \$22; timothy, \$25; straw, \$17.

Butter Fat—45¢47c.

Eggs—Ranch, 21¢26c.

Cattle—Prime steers, \$7.75¢8.25; medium to choice, \$6.67.

Hogs—Prime light, \$12.12.50; smooth heavy, \$10.11.50.

Two men were injured fatally as a result of a companion's lighting a match to look at a wrecked automobile, under which they were pinned, two miles west of Eddyville. The match ignited gasoline, which had leaked from the tank, with the result that both died within a few hours. The dead are John Schaffer of Independence and Wallace La Branch of Valsets.

Loss of timber in the Klamath basin this season through pine beetle depredations was reduced at least 50 per cent, it was estimated in the report of the board of control. This estimate means that the loss of \$72,000 worth of timber which occurred in 1920 will be reduced at least \$36,000. The project employed 180 men, with a weekly payroll of \$3750, a total of 69,710 acres were covered and 7097 infested trees were felled.

J. W. Berrian, superintendent of the Butte Falls hatchery, in cooperation with Alex Sparrow, superintendent of Crater national park, will begin an experiment which will greatly increase the fluny population of Crater lake wherein rainbow trout only have thrived for years, by planting 30,000 silverside salmon fingerlings in the lake. Mr. Berrian and other fish experts are eager to see the result of planting salmon in a land-locked body of water such as Crater lake.

A monster fir log cut at the Saddle Mountain Logging company's camp was taken out of the water at the port terminals at Astoria and loaded on two flat cars for shipment by the West Coast Lumbermen's association to Peoria, Ill., for display during the coming lumbermen's convention. The stick was 81 feet in length, nearly six feet in diameter at the small end and slightly more than eight feet in diameter at the butt. It weighed 95,850 pounds and contained approximately 22,000 feet of lumber by scale measure.

Six well known Jackson county men, all said to be members of the Ku Klux Klan, and 16 "John Does" were indicted at Medford by the special grand jury which made its report to Circuit Judge Calkins in the Jacksonville courthouse. The indictments charged participation in "hanging" staged by nightriders last spring.

Those indicted were: Jesse F. Hittson, Medford automobile dealer and former chief of police of Medford; Dr. J. J. P. Bray, Medford chiropractor and former pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, south; Howard A. Hill, manager and part owner of the Hill & Hill orchards, near the southern city limits of Medford; Bert L. Moses, janitor at the Jackson county courthouse, and formerly jailer at the Jackson county jail; J. Alexander Norris, janitor at the Jacksonville public school; Thomas E. Goodie, Jacksonville storage owner.

Of Interest to Bee Keepers.

Keep large, long-tongued bees, advises J. H. Merrill, of the Kansas State Agricultural college. He has found that the bees with the longest tongues and the greatest body weight bring home the most honey. To the American Association of Economic Entomologists' meeting in Toronto he declared it is possible to tell which colored bees in a beeyard will collect the most honey during a summer by measuring the tongues, the amount of nectar, and obtaining the weight of forty bees from each colony in the spring.

The Engineer is a Lascle.

The first woman in Britain to complete a full apprenticeship in an engineering shop is a Scotch lassie, Miss V. A. Drummond of Dundee. Further distinction has come to Miss Drummond in the form of election to the British Institute of marine engineers.

Big Four Rail Men Quit.
Chicago, Ill.—The nationwide railroad strike was extended to the "big four" operative brotherhoods in the Chicago switching territory when 1300 Chicago engineers, firemen, conductors and brakemen left their posts on the Elgin, Joliet & Eastern road in protest against the presence of national guardsmen in the yards of the company. The walkout of the "big four" brotherhoods at Joliet is exclusively a local action, ordered by the chairman of the Joliet division of the union.

Air Travel.

Some enthusiasts express the opinion that eventually it will be cheaper to travel by air than on the surface. For one thing, no expensive railway tracks are needed, but terminal stations are a prime necessity. However, it will be a long time before railroads and steamships outlive their usefulness. —Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

Recount Gives Hall Gain of Seven.
Portland, Or.—Charles Hall, contestant, held a county advantage of 12 votes and a state advantage of 7 votes over Governor Ben W. Olcott, nominee, in the recount of the republican primary when the work of rechecking Multnomah county was suspended, with 158 precincts done, to take up the recount of Clatsop county. Both Hall and Olcott had lost votes by the recount, but Hall held the advantage because he had lost fewer than had the governor.

Reduced Rates on Potatoes Asked.

Washington, D. C.—Senator Borah has urged the interstate commerce commission to grant reduced rates on potatoes from the northwest to Chicago and middle western points. He explained that on account of the heavy crop in the east, northwestern growers are in danger of losing their crop because of the handicap of freight rates so much higher than eastern growers are asked to pay.

Senator King of Utah Renominated.

Salt Lake City, Utah.—William H. King, junior United States senator from Utah, was nominated for reelection on the first ballot at the democratic convention.

Exercise Care.

If we would not spill our own blood we should give more attention to ourselves than to the other fellow, lest we accidentally do what we try to avoid. Personal examples of carefulness are better than volumes of advice.



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