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OREGON NEWS ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

Brief Resume of Happenings of
the Week Collected for
Our Readers.

The combined value of exports from
Portland for February reached \$3,741,
986.

John J. Roberts has let a contract
for a three-story apartment house in
Salem that will cost approximately
\$100,000.

Poison, planted maliciously in one
of the logging camps near Bend re-
cently, has caused the death of 17
valuable dogs.

Taxes in Marion county due during
1924, based on 1923 valuations, ag-
gregate \$1,610,172.62, or \$54,665 less
than last year.

Due to the fact that comparatively
little hay has been fed, a large surplus
will be held by livestock men after
the winter is over.

The Methodist Episcopal church and
the parsonage adjoining it in Browns-
ville were burned to the ground with
a loss estimated at \$16,000.

Forty percent of Portland's crimes
during the month of February were
cleared up by the police, according to
the monthly report of the inspectors' division.

John L. Cooper, who for 30 years
has guided tourists through the fast-
nesses of the Cascade mountains, died
at Salem following an operation for
appendicitis.

Pending an investigation, the public
service commission has suspended the
new tariff filed by the Klamath Tele-
phone & Telegraph company until Aug-
ust 30 of this year.

Robbers entered the stores of Peter
McDonald and D. L. Vandele at St.
Paul and appropriated 90 dozen eggs,
and a large quantity of shoes and
other wearing apparel.

The state highway commission will
receive bids for paving the Albany-
Corvallis section of the Pacific high-
way at a meeting to be held in Port-
land on Monday, March 10.

The national guard units of the state
are so nearly recruited up to strength
at the present time that the advisa-
bility of stopping recruiting in the near
future is being considered.

Dr. W. H. Lytle, state veterinarian,
is in California, where he will spend
10 days or two weeks assisting the
authorities there in their fight against
the foot and mouth disease.

At the request of a large number
of residents of Yoncalla, the city coun-
cil has passed an ordinance requiring
a license fee of \$20 for all public
dances given in the future.

Oregon pensions have been granted
as follows: Sarah A. McCann, Day-
ton, \$30; William S. Conine, Roseburg,
\$15; Charles F. Foster, Portland, \$12;
Margaret M. Bates, Portland, \$30.

Indications of activity in the wool
market are evident in Klamath county
by contracts between woolbuyers and
sheepmen. A number of contracts have
been drawn with the price set at 40
cents and \$1 a head advance made on the clip.

Albany may have a pickle factory
if plans of about 100 Linn and Benton
county farmers materialize. If suf-
ficient acreage is planted to cumber-
bers a California pickling company
has guaranteed to build a factory for
processing them.

Although Oregon frequently has
been charged with extravagance in the
operation of its educational system,
figures in possession of J. A. Church-
ill, state superintendent of schools, show
that Maryland is the only state that
spent less than Oregon on total ex-
penditures.

Just as the highway commission was
about to open bids for paving with
concrete 10 miles between Albany and
Corvallis, an opinion was received from
the attorney-general that the adver-
tisement for this job was illegal. The
legality consisted in advertising for
one type of pavement, which
prevented competition.

Investigation resulting from the an-
nouncement by Governor Pierce that
he intends to go before the legislature
at its next session and urge an in-
creased appropriation for the conduct
of the state prohibition department
has revealed that the entire \$25,000
allotted to the department for its first
year's operations was spent in less
than nine months.

The Indian school enrollment at
Chemawa will be reduced approxi-
mately one-third and more than 300
students now attending the institu-
tion will be prevented from continu-
ing their education there if legisla-
tion now pending before congress is
not blocked. The house has inserted
a provision in the interior department
bill prohibiting Alaskan children from
attending the Chemawa institution
after July, 1924, which the senate has
eliminated, but Senator McNary is
not sure but that an attempt will be
made to have it reinserted.

A LEE POMERENE



A. Lee Pomerene, former senator
from Ohio, named special counselor
in the oil lease cases.

REVENUE RECEIPTS ABOVE 1922 MARK

Washington, D. C.—Total internal
revenue collections in the seven
months ending January 31 were \$1,
61,646,165, an increase of \$183,879,496
over the corresponding period ending
January 31, last year.

Commissioner Blair announced that income taxes
made up about 60 per cent of the total
receipts from that source, amounting
to \$860,324,407, an increase of
approximately \$150,000,000 over
like payments in the same period a
year ago.

Tobacco taxes in the seven months
covered by the commissioner's report
were \$1,919,738,863, more than \$11,000,
000 greater than was collected in the
seven months ending January 31, 1923.
The small cigar continued to carry
the largest share of the tobacco as-
sessment.

Comparative figures on luxury
taxes indicated that the public spent
more on jewelry during the last Christ-
mas season than it did in the Christ-
mas season of 1922. The jewelry
taxes totaled \$14,194,875 during the
seven months considered, an increase
of \$2,257,836 over the seven months
ending January 31, 1923.

BRIEF GENERAL NEWS

James Hamilton Lewis of Chicago
has entered the Illinois primary as
democratic candidate for United States
senator.

Senator Robert M. La Follette, re-
publican, of Wisconsin, has announced
he would not become a candidate for
the presidential nomination.

George Herman (Babe) Ruth, sultan
of swat, collapsed in the lobby of his
hotel at Hot Springs, Ark., and is
critically ill. Ruth, physicians say,
is suffering from influenza.

The British house of commons ac-
cepted the principle of giving women
the vote at the age of 21, instead of
at 30, as under the present law, by
passing the second reading of the
measure, known as the Adamson bill.

Attorney General Harry M. Daugh-
erty has retained George E. Chamber-
lain, former United States senator
from Oregon, and Paul Howland,
Cleveland attorney, to represent his
interests in the senate oil investiga-
tion.

Indictment Flaw Halts Toole Trial.
McMinnville, Or.—The trial of Wal-
ter L. Toole Jr. here on a charge of
contributing to the delinquency of a
minor girl by supplying liquor to her,
lasted just 15 minutes, when R. L.
Conner, district attorney, confessed
that the indictment was "fatally de-
fective" and the court, Circuit Judge
Tucker of Portland, agreed with him.
The case was referred back to the
grand jury for a new indictment.

Pressmen Chief Becomes Candidate.
Columbus, O.—George L. Berry,
president of the International Printing
Pressmen and Assistants' union of
North America, has filed an applica-
tion with the secretary of state as a
candidate for the office of vice-presi-
dent on the democratic ticket.

Billions Cut From Public Debt.
Washington, D. C.—The public debt
has been cut more than \$4,800,000,000
in the four and a half years since the
great war indebtedness was at its
peak, August 31, 1919.

Kelso Population Is 5907.
Kelso, Wash.—Check of Kelso's mu-
nicipal census shows this city has
5907 residents living within the cor-
porate limits.

SENATE VOTES TO PROBE DAUGHERTY

Wheeler Resolution to Inves-
gate Department of Justice
Adopted, 66 to 1.

Washington, D. C.—A special com-
mittee headed by Senator Brookhart,
republican, Iowa, one of the La Fol-
lette insurgents, was empowered by
the senate to make a sweeping inves-
tigation into the official record of At-
torney General Daugherty.

The vote was 66 to 1 on the Wheeler
resolution for the investigation, Sena-
tor Elkins, republican, West Virginia,
casting the lone negative ballot.

Sensors Moses of New Hampshire
and Jones, Washington, were elected
as the other republican members, and
Wheeler, Montana, author of the res-
olution, and Ashurst, Arizona, as the
democratic members.

The Iowa senator was chosen chair-
man of the committee after the repu-
blican leaders had voluntarily aban-
doned their fight to keep control of
the committee within the regular re-
publican organization.

Virtually unlimited jurisdiction to
investigate affairs relating to Mr.
Daugherty and the department of jus-
tice was given under the senate reso-
lution.

House Passes Tax Bill.
By a vote of 408 to 8 the revenue
bill was passed by the house.

As sent to the senate, the measure
carried an income tax schedule of-
fered by Representative Longworth,
the republican leader, as a substitute
for the democratic rates. This was
adopted, 216 to 159, after the house
had refused, by a vote of 261 to 153,
to reinsert in the bill the original
Mellon schedule.

The Longworth substitute, which
was supported by republican insur-
gers who previously had thrown
their lot with the democrats, provided
for a normal tax reduction to 2 per
cent on incomes below \$4000, to 5 per
cent on incomes between \$4000 and
\$8000, and to 6 per cent above \$8000.
It also would cut by one-fourth the
present surtax rates, making the max-
imum 37 1/2 per cent on incomes ex-
ceeding \$300,000. No increase in ex-
isting personal tax exemptions would
be allowed.

The house also approved a proposal
for a flat reduction of 25 per cent on
all personal income taxes payable this
year.

Wheat Export Bill Reported.
The McNary-Haugen bill, creating a
\$200,000,000 agricultural export cor-
poration, was reported favorably to
the senate by the senate agriculture
committee.

The bill would authorize the export
corporation to purchase agricultural
commodities during periods of farm
depression for ultimate sale in foreign
markets. The period of depression
would be determined by presidential
proclamation as "an emergency,"
prices to be paid by the corporation
would be based on a ratio price of
\$1.60 a bushel for wheat.

The bill was amended in committee
to reduce the operating period from
10 years to five. The corporation, di-
rected by a commission, headed by the
secretaries of agriculture, commerce
and treasury, would be authorized to
maintain a fair price for farm prod-
ucts by balancing the export of the
surplus.

Oil Quiz Resumed.
Here are some of the things the oil
committee was told when it resumed
its hearings:

That Edward B. McLean, publisher
of the Washington Post, and a central
figure in the oil scandal, has been car-
ried on the government rolls as a
secret agent of the department of jus-
tice. McLean was placed on the roll
as a special agent because the depart-
ment obtained information through
him and his newspaper, the Washing-
ton Post, William J. Burns testified.

That McLean had a copy of the de-
partment's secret code and that some
of the messages sent him and his
employees in Florida were in a cipher
once used by the department.

That E. L. Doherty tried unsuccess-
fully last December to interest Sena-
tor Thomas J. Walsh, chief prosecutor
of the oil inquiry, in an oil venture
in Montana.

That the senator replied he would
have nothing to do with an enterprise
where he might appear to be using
his official position for his own profit.

Soldier bonus legislation was start-
ed on its way when the house ways
and means committee voted Saturday
to begin consideration of such a mea-
sure immediately.

Three days of hearings on propos-
als for payment of adjusted compensa-
tion to world war veterans, beginning
Monday, were decided upon, after
which would be the committee to report
a measure to the house by Saturday of
this week.

Several bonus bills have been in-
troduced, including the McKenzie
measure, similar to the one voted by
President Harding.

MAGDONALD SENDS NOTE OF WARNING

Premier Tells Poincare Britain
Fears Plans to Dominate
Europe.

London.—Premier Ramsay Macdon-
ald in a letter to M. Poincare, pub-
lished Monday, sets forth some of the
apprehensions regarding France's pol-
icy held by numerous Englishmen
and these fears the French premier in
his reply endeavors to allay.

Premier Macdonald's letter says
that the people of England "regard
with anxiety what appears to be the
determination of France to ruin Ger-
many and dominate the continent
without consideration of our reason-
able interests and future consequences
to a European settlement; that they
feel apprehension of the large military
and aerial establishments maintained
by France."

Premier Poincare characterizes as
"mistaken" those Englishmen who be-
lieve that France dreams of the po-
litical or economic annihilation of
Germany from disclaiming a spirit of
militarism on the part of France, he
asks:

"Are there really Englishmen who
suppose that France would be capable
of making fratricidal preparations
against their country? Our military
and aerial establishments are exclu-
sively designed to defend us against
attempted German revenge."

"It is infinitely to be desired," he
agreed, "that the questions of inter-
national debts and reparations should
be settled at the same time."

HONDURAN REVOLTS ENDANGER AMERICANS

Washington, D. C.—With a force of
American marines and bluejackets
guarding the consulate at Ceiba, the
Washington government has been
forced to take action in connection
with the confusing revolutionary out-
breaks in the Honduran republic,
which already have cost the life of
one American citizen.

An American negro, whose name
has not been reported, was killed in
the recent fight at Ceiba during which
the consulate was repeatedly struck
by bullets.

Rear-Admiral Dayton, commanding
the special service squadron in cen-
tral American waters, and whose flag-
ship, the cruiser Denver, is at Ceiba,
has found it necessary to double the
marine guard of 35 men first sent
ashore to protect the consulate. An
additional force of 35 bluejackets has
joined the marines of the guard and
Admiral Dayton reported that the
situation at Ceiba was so menacing to
American interests that he did not
consider it wise to withdraw his ship
from that place at present.

DISEASE UNDER CONTROL

559 Head of Livestock Valued at
\$275,000 Slaughtered.

San Francisco, Cal.—Modification of
quarantines and embargoes, invoked
by states bordering California, to pre-
vent spread of the foot and mouth
disease, is to be sought at once by a
committee of three officials, repre-
senting state and federal authorities
combating the epidemic in this state.

Conditions are improving steadily
in the sections of the state affected
by the disease. It was announced at
Oakland headquarters of the cam-
paign against the mauls. Nine new
cases of infection were reported, all
in districts previously reported in-
fected.

A total of 559 head of livestock, in-
cluding cattle, hogs and two goats,
has been slaughtered, officials said.
The value of the livestock affected
has been appraised at \$275,000.

10,000 Oregon Income Tax Returns.

Salmon, Or.—Approximately 10,000
state income tax returns, representing
payments of \$40,000, have been receiv-
ed at the offices of the income tax
collecting department here, according
to announcement made by the state
tax commissioner.

Senator Copeland Declines to Run.
Lincoln, Neb.—Senator Royal S.
Copeland of New York has declined to
have his name placed on the Nebraska
presidential primary ballot for pre-
sidential nomination.

18 Killed in Explosion of TNT.

New Brunswick, N. J.—The number
of known dead as the result of the
disastrous TNT explosion and cellu-
lous fire at the little town of Nixon
was placed at 18.

State Liquor License Sustained.
Washington, D. C.—State laws pro-
hibiting the possession of intoxicating
liquors secured before national pro-
hibition, were sustained by the su-
preme court.

MRS. W. E. BORAH



A new photographic portrait of Mrs.
W. E. Borah, wife of the senator from
Idaho.

FORBES INDICTED ON BRIBERY CHARGES

Chicago, Ill.—Charles Forbes, form-
er director of the United States vet-
erans' bureau, and John W. Thompson
of Chicago and St. Louis, were in-
dicted here by the federal grand jury
which has spent four weeks investi-
gating the administration of Forbes.

Forbes and Thompson were jointly
indicted in two true bills charging
conspiracy to commit bribery and of-
fenses against the United States gov-
ernment in connection with the con-
struction of veterans' hospitals. A
separate indictment against each man
also was returned, one charging
Forbes with accepting a bribe and the
other charging Thompson with giving
a bribe.

The two individual indictments
merely dealt with bribery. In the
case of the joint indictments, \$10,000
bail for each defendant was fixed.

MAY RAISE WHEAT TARIFF

Big Difference Between American and
Canadian Costs Shown.

Washington, D. C.—An increase in
the tariff rates on wheat as a result
of the tariff commission's investiga-
tion was forecast at the White House.

The commission's conclusions are
understood to show a difference in
the production cost of wheat in Can-
ada and in the United States greater
than was represented in the present
duty of 30 cents a bushel.

The president expects to act promp-
tly, in accordance with the report of
the commission, under the flexible pro-
visions of the tariff act.

He probably will increase the duty
to 45 cents, the maximum allowed
under the law.

Southern California Drouth Broken.

Los Angeles, Cal.—Southern Califor-
nia's fear of a disastrous drouth was
broken Sunday by a series of showers
that soaked parched fields under a
torrent worth millions to citrus men
and vegetable growers and swelled
streams supplying irrigation and pow-
er reservoirs with a desperately need-
ed flow.

Gypsy Woman the Boss.

The wife and mother is the real boss
of the gypsy family. She controls the
property, manages the children and
holds the strings of the family pocket-
book. They think the men are not
wise and discreet enough to deal with
such weighty matters. When the sur-
frage agitation was at its height in the
country the gypsies marveled that
American women were fighting for
rights which their women had been
exercising from the days of remotest
antiquity. The "gypsy queen" is a fa-
miliar character in the gypsy camps
of Europe, but in this country a man
is usually in apparent command of the
company. But those who have pen-
etrated into the inner circles of their
camps tell us that the women are the
real leaders.—Kansas City Star.

Fifteen Common Words.

More than 25 per cent of all the
words in an average book or novel
consist of 15 small words, it was
learned from a list given out by Prof.
Carl C. Brigham of the psychology
department of Princeton university.
The fifteen words are as follows: In,
and, that, a, the, to, with, he, of, as,
all, at, not, for, on. Closely behind
"time" in the scoring column of nouns
is "day" its wide occurrence appar-
ently being due to the fundamental unit
of time which it represents. As might
have been expected, "man" finds a
high ranking among the nouns, having
but one less point than "day." Fourth
position goes to "place," while tied for
fifth and sixth positions are "year"
and "work."

A RADIO DECISION

By MRS. ADELAIDE R. KEMP

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Celia stepped from the limousine
and, followed by her tall escort,
entered the main doorway of the
broadcasting quarters. Only a few
months before she had been as un-
known to anyone outside her own
home town as a "violet by a mossy
stone." Now, when she tucked her
beloved violin under her chin, she
knew she was giving joy to friends
who numbered into the thousands. As
they reached the top floor she glanced
quickly at her companion. His ex-
pression was glad and there was a
heavy frown on his forehead which
he made no effort to hide.

"You needn't wait for me, Robert, if
it's going to make you late for the
show," she said in a low tone as they
went down the corridor.

"I don't mind being late," he an-
swered quickly, "only I hate to see you
dragging up here two or three nights a
week when there is no need of it."

Celia made no answer as she opened
the office door. She went over to the
desk and received a large batch of
mail. Since her radio debut she had
received many wonderful letters,
pleasant notes of appreciation from
all sorts and conditions of people.

One handwriting in particular she had
found herself looking forward to each
week, ever since the first letter had
come, six months before, in which
Sydney Armstrong had made himself
known from a lumber camp in Michi-
gan as one of her most appreciative
listeners. Today his letter had come,
and a large package with it—his pic-
ture, she knew. At his request she
had sent her the week before. There
was no time to read it now, so she
placed everything in her folio and,
opening a heavy-padded door marked
"Studio—Silence," went into the next
room.

It was several hours later that they
sat in a restaurant down town. Celia's
lovely, spirituelle face looked very
beautiful with the glow of the pink-
shaded candles upon it. Robert
watched her with admiring eyes.

"Celia," he said suddenly, "why
won't you make up your mind? Moth-
er is going to Italy in a couple of
weeks and I have told her we will go
with her." Celia looked at him with
startled eyes. "See," he continued,
in a low tone, "I bought you this today."
He opened a small leather case and
displayed a magnificent diamond.

"Oh, Robert," said Celia, distress on
her face, "what made you do it? I
told you I couldn't. I love my work
too much to give it up."

"Look here," said Robert, quickly,
as he dropped the leather case back
in his pocket, "I don't believe it is
your work. You're something else on
your mind and it makes you feel un-
certain. We'll leave it until Friday
night. I'll meet you outside the plant.
If it's 'yes' we'll go to Italy. If it's
the other thing I'll go with mother
anyway."

In the quietness of her room Celia
curled up in the sleepy-hollow chair
and took the package of mail from her
folio. She took out the Michigan
letter and the large flat parcel and
unfastened the wrappings of the lat-
ter. Yes, he looked just as she had
known he would—broad-shouldered
and altogether splendid. Then she
opened the letter. Instead of the usu-
al friendly words of greeting she read
the following:

"Dear Little Radio Sweetheart—All
these months that you have been send-
ing your sweet messages through space
have you not felt the love I was re-
turning to you through the same route?
Here in these lonely woods you have
brought to me memories—memories of
my mother playing in the twilight
when I was a mere lad. And as time
has passed I have had dreams, won-
derful ones; the vision of you sharing
life with me here in my bungalow. I
am sending you a small snapshot of it.

"You cannot see the beautiful lake
it faces nor the tall 'murmuring hem-
locks' that surround it. The living
room is lined with books and my
mother's piano stands in the corner.
If you play her favorite 'Träumerei'
next Friday night I shall know it is
an answer to my love and shall leave
the next day to stay here until you
are ready to return with me. Of all
your vast audience on that night you
can be sure the most eager to 'listen
in' will be—

"SYDNEY ARMSTRONG."

Celia rested the photograph and the
small picture against the bowl of mag-
nificent orchids Robert had given her
and studied them thoughtfully.

As she entered the studio on Friday
night the strained stillness of the room
affected Celia as it had never done be-<