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OREGON NEWS ITEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

Brief Resume of Happenings of the Week Collected for Our Readers.
 About one-third of the new paving aid between Mehama and Stayton has been completed.
 Mrs. Melvina Willis celebrated her 95th birthday anniversary in Cottage Grove last week.
 With 70 names on the membership list, Junction City has taken definite steps to form a commercial club.
 Rain that fell in La Grande last week brought relief to farmers and lessened forest and grain fire hazards.
 Two alleged moonshiners and three arge stills were captured at Brightwood by Clackamas county and state officers.
 Lightning started 25 new forest fires in the Crescent district and did damage to lumber mills estimated at \$100,000.
 Contract for the construction of a new public school at Sprague river was awarded to Bottomley & Kiefer, Klamath contractors.
 No bids have yet been received in Portland for handling the air mail service on the Pacific coast, according to Postmaster Jones.
 More than 50 farmers and agricultural specialists made up the fifth annual farm crops excursion held in Union county last Tuesday.
 The tug Coquille, of the Knappton Towboat company was sunk on the Columbia river when she rammed into a log raft she was towing.
 Joseph Bewer, who has the distinction of living in Salem longer than any other man, observed his 86th birthday anniversary last week.
 Four horses were killed by lightning and two homes were hit in the Baker district last week. Half severely damaged the crops in the field.
 The work of surfacing with crushed rock the 25 miles of uncompleted road in the national forest between Prairie City and Unity started July 25.
 The Salem city council, by a vote of 7 to 6, last night reported favorably on an ordinance providing for head-on parking in the business district.
 Lacking but a month of being 81 years old, Charles A. Williams, one of the best-known Grand Army men in Oregon, died at his home at Gladstone.
 Miss Margaret Tynan of Portland was elected president of the Oregon State Nurses' association, which closed its convention in Portland last week.
 Portland ranks third on the Pacific coast and 12th in the United States as a port based on the tonnage of goods handled in foreign commerce.
 P. H. Acton, a resident of Salem, told of how he was tressed by a buck deer while fishing on the north fork of the Santiam river, six miles east of Mehama.
 All children 12 years of age and under will be admitted free to the Multnomah county fair to be held in Gresham throughout the week of July 28 to August 2.
 Fires in Portland during June caused the death of two men and piled up a financial loss of \$217,238, according to the monthly report of Edward Grenfell, fire marshal.
 R. H. Kipp, manager of the marketing department of the Portland chamber of commerce, will hold a series of conferences with the prune men of Douglas county relative to co-operative marketing in this year's crop. Conferences are being arranged in Roseburg, Myrtle Creek, Dillard, Sutherlin and Oakland.
 The prune market, which has been poor for the last three years, will be good this year, and there will be a strong demand for fruit of all types throughout the year, according to C. A. Tonneson, executive secretary of the Pacific Coast Association of Nurserymen, which held its 23d annual convention in Portland last week.
 Ten railroad corporations posted bonds with the Marion county clerk in the amount of \$65,000 following appeal to the supreme court of the decision of the Marion county circuit court dissolving an injunction restraining the public service commission from enforcing an order reducing freight rates on grain, grain products, potatoes and onions approximately 15 per cent.

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OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Principal Events of the Week Briefly Sketched for Information of Our Readers.
 Reedsport is shipping fish by water this summer. One cargo of 3000 cases of shad and chinook salmon went to Astoria last week on the gasoline schooner Roamer.
 Sales of public lands, including fees and commissions, produced \$12,501.45 in Oregon during the quarter ending June 30, 1925, the interior department announced.
 A \$1,000,000 theater, the finest of the class of 24 operated on the Pacific coast, will be erected in Portland at once by Ackerman & Harris, theater operators.
 A contract for construction of a million-gallon water storage reservoir has been let by the Cottage Grove city council to Godard & Randall at a price of \$14,706.64.
 The Oregon hop crop of 1924 has been cleaned up by the purchase of the three remaining lots in the state. It is estimated there were 75,000 bales in the total 1924 crop.
 Heavy fog, coupled with cooler weather, aided in subduing the fire which in the last few days has burned over several acres of old logging 2 1/2 miles south of Sandy.
 The variegated cutworm, epidemic over sections of western Oregon and the cause of severe damage to truck gardeners and farmers has appeared in the Hood River district.
 Threshing of the Hood River valley's wheat, oat and barley crops is now in full way. A separator is now engaged on the crop of Rev. William A. Sunday, who has the largest acreage of grain in this section.
 Bids on an eight-story hotel, to cost \$190,000 exclusive of land, and to be erected at Klamath Falls, will be called within 30 days by the Stage Terminal and Hotel company of Oregon.
 Following a protest received from the Amity Commercial club, the public service commission suspended the proposed new tariff of the Amity Mutual Telephone company for a period of 30 days.
 Harvesting of cherries has been completed in Union county with a yield of about 15 to 20 per cent normal. Cows shipped two carloads of fruit this year compared with 12 carloads in 1924.
 The worst electrical storm in Bend's history occurred last week and was accompanied by a near cloudburst, which also came close to breaking all records. The rainfall amounted to half an inch.
 The huckleberry crop in Union and Walla counties is not of much consequence this year, according to reports arriving at La Grande. Huckleberries are ripening and many pickers are in the hills.
 Judge John C. Kendall refused to grant an injunction against the city of Marshfield council, preventing the progress of what is called the Mill slough drainage system, which will be a sewer system as well.
 Eight hundred acres of land in the fertile Tule lake section are overrun with army worms. The ravages of the pest are on the increase throughout Klamath county and fields of second-growth hay are being stripped.
 Tourists are visiting Crater Lake National park in greater numbers than ever before in July, according to figures given out by C. G. Thomson, superintendent. Up to July 17, 5385 autos bearing 18,392 persons had entered the park.
 The state highway commission left Portland last week for a tour which will take them along the Roosevelt coast highway from its northern end to Yaquina bay. The commission last month made a tour of the southern end from Coos bay to the California line.
 Harvesting operations began in the Freewater district with many outfits in the fields. Reports indicate good yields. Sam Ingle, who farms extensively in the Walla Walla river district east of Milton, has finished 160 acres which averaged 43 bushels to the acre.
 Sixty signatures to a petition asking that the Drain-Reedsport highway be made into a state highway, to connect with the Pacific highway at Drain and eventually with the Roosevelt highway at Reedsport, were obtained at a meeting held in Drain recently.

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